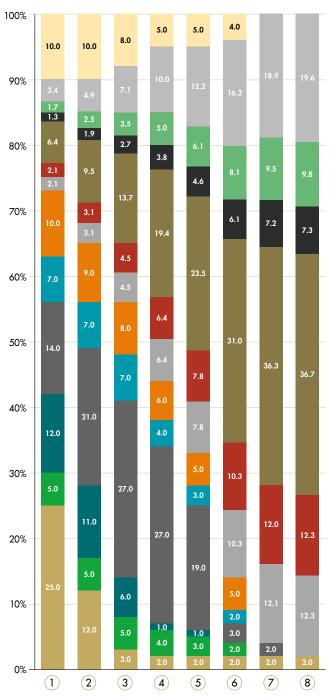


Liontrust Multi-Asset Strategic Asset Allocation for 2024



Risk level*

- Cash
- UK government bonds
- Short duration gilts
- UK corporate bonds
- Global government bonds
- High yield
- UK equities

- Europe ex-UK equities
- North America equities
- Japan equities
- Developed Asia Pacific (ex-Japan) equities
- Emerging market equities
- Alternatives

We review the Strategic Asset Allocations (SAAs) for our Risk Targeted Multi-Asset fund and portfolio ranges once a year in the first quarter.

Determining the SAAs is the first stage in the Liontrust Multi-Asset (MA) investment process, which also includes Tactical Asset Allocation (TAA), portfolio construction, manager selection and implementation.

The SAAs are the primary determinant of suitability and long-term risk and returns for investors. They are essentially the default asset allocations should the Multi-Asset investment team have no views about the relative attractiveness of different asset classes. They are based on analysis of the historical returns, volatility and correlations of a range of asset classes, and other market dynamics.

SAAs for 2024

Three objectives were set as part of this year's review, including:

- Recalibrate the SAAs in response to updated Capital Market Assumptions (CMAs), which are the expectations about the future performance of asset classes. There have not been any material changes in the asset allocation. We also wanted to ensure consistency in the asset mix while not adding or removing asset classes.
- 2. There has been a modest widening of the range between the minimum and maximum volatility for each level of risk. This will provide slightly greater flexibility in the use of the asset allocation and asset classes. Too narrow a risk band can lead to sub-optimal asset allocations. For example, the expected long-term volatility range for risk level 6 is changing from 11.2% to 11.6% to a range of 11.3% to 11.9%.
- 3. Diversify the fixed income allocations from a geographical perspective. Within the new SAAs, there has been a modest reduction in the allocation to UK gilts and UK corporate debt and a broadly commensurate increase in global ex-UK fixed income hedged into sterling. There has also been a slight reduction in global high yield (largely due to changes in the CMAs). The impact of these changes is a small reduction to fixed income and this has been allocated to cash and/or equity. In terms of specific risk levels (1 to 8), the consequences of these rebalances include:
 - Raising the cash target in the lowest risk level (1)
 - Trimming targets for UK government bonds in the two lowest risk levels and increasing them for risk levels 4 to 6
 - Cutting target exposure to UK corporate bonds for risk levels 1 to 7
 - Increasing the targets for global government bonds and trimming them for high yield bonds for levels 1 to 6
 - Raising the targets for alternatives for risk levels 3 to 6

Source: Liontrust and Hymans Robertson. The chart above shows strategic asset allocation breakdown implemented March 2024.

* Risk level 1 uses a 7-year forward looking investment time span instead of the 15 years used for Risk levels 2-8. Our Dynamic Passive range uses Risk Profiles 1-7, our Blended range uses 2-6, and our MPS and WSS services use 1-8.

Important information

Past performance does not predict future returns. You may get back less than you originally invested.

The Funds and Model Portfolios managed by the Multi-Asset Team may be exposed to the following risks:

Credit Risk: There is a risk that an investment will fail to make required payments and this may reduce the income paid to the fund, or its capital value. The creditworthiness of a bond issuer may also affect that bond's value. Bonds that produce a higher level of income usually also carry greater risk as such bond issuers may have difficulty in paying their debts. The value of a bond would be significantly affected if the issuer either refused to pay or was unable to pay;

Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss;

Liquidity Risk: If underlying funds suspend or defer the payment of redemption proceeds, the Fund's ability to meet redemption requests may also be affected;

Interest Rate Risk: Fluctuations in interest rates may affect the value of the Fund and your investment. Bonds are affected by changes in interest rates and their value and the income they generate can rise or fall as a result;

Derivatives Risk: Some of the underlying funds may invest in derivatives, which can, in some circumstances, create wider fluctuations in their prices over time;

Emerging Markets: The Fund may invest in less economically developed markets (emerging markets) which can involve greater risks than well developed economies;

Currency Risk: The Fund invests in overseas markets and the value of the Fund may fall or rise as a result of changes in exchange rates.

Index Tracking Risk: The performance of any passive funds used may not exactly track that of their Indices.

Any performance shown in respect of the Model Portfolios are periodically restructured and and/or rebalanced. Actual returns may vary from the model returns.

The issue of units/shares in the Liontrust Multi-Asset Funds may be subject to an initial charge, which will have an impact on the realisable value of the investment, particularly in the short term. Investments should always be considered as long term.

For the Multi-Asset Model Portfolios, any performance shown represents model portfolios which are periodically restructured and/or rebalanced. Actual returns may vary from the model returns. There is no certainty the investment objectives of the portfolio will actually be achieved, and no warranty or representation is given to this effect, whether express or implied. The portfolios therefore should be considered as long-term investments.



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