

# Morningstar Global Balanced Fund

As of 2026/02/28

## Investment Objective & Strategy

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide moderate capital growth over the medium to long-term.

The Fund will invest in a variety of underlying funds (including ETFs) to achieve its investment objective. The Fund is expected to have a neutral position of 65% to equity to generate capital growth with the remainder, 35% to fixed income for diversification and capital preservation purposes. This allocation, however, may deviate and change according to prevailing market conditions. At any given point in time the fund may have a higher or lower exposure to equity, subject always to a maximum of 75% equity exposure.

## Risk Profile

This fund is suitable for investors with a medium risk tolerance, and an investable time horizon between 5 and 7 years. There is a reasonable probability of capital loss over time periods shorter than 5 years.



## Annualised Returns

	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Morningstar Global Balanced A USD Acc	18.68	—	—	—	—	13.55
EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation	14.29	11.24	10.59	5.82	4.83	10.06

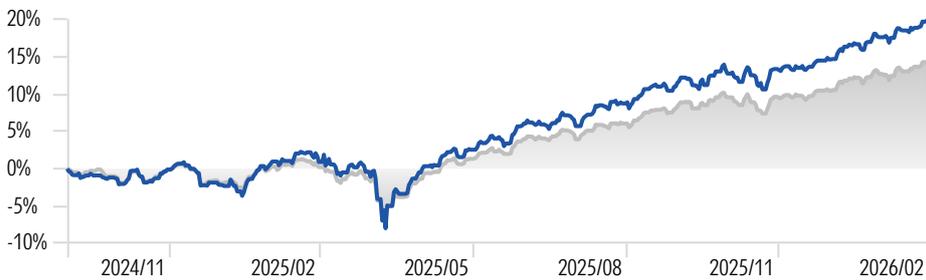
## Risk Statistics (Since Inception)

	Return	Standard Deviation	Alpha	Sharpe Ratio	Max Drawdown
Morningstar Global Balanced A USD Acc	13.55	6.11	2.27	1.42	-2.16
EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation	10.06	5.18	0.00	1.06	-1.96

## Rolling 1-Year Performance

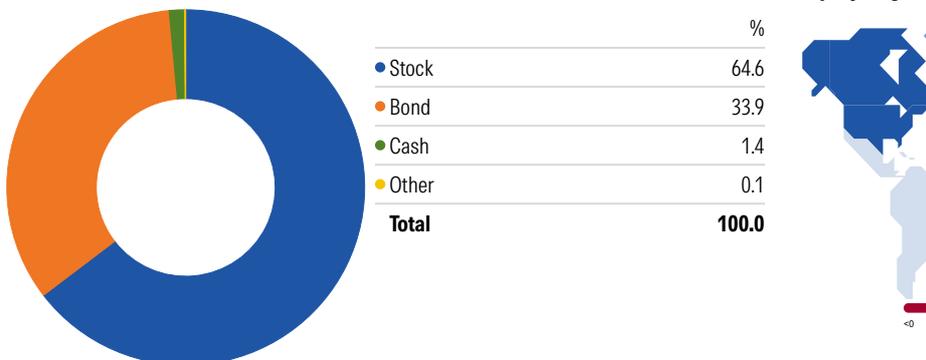
Highest rolling 1 year return	18.68
Lowest rolling 1 year return	11.00

## Cumulative Returns (since inception)



— Morningstar Global Balanced A USD Acc 19.7% — EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation 14.3%

## Asset Allocation



## Fund Information

Investment Manager	Morningstar Investment Mgmt SA (Pty) Ltd
Fund Legal Structure	UCITS (Central Bank of Ireland)
Currency	US Dollar
Domicile	Ireland
Fund Classification	EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation
Benchmark	EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation average
Investment Timeframe	5-7 years
Inception Date	30 September 2024
ISIN	IE0009FQY766
Distribution Status	Accumulating
Fund Size (USD)	73,510,879.35
NAV (Month End)	119.73
Number of Units	613,986.32
Minimum Investment	USD 10,000

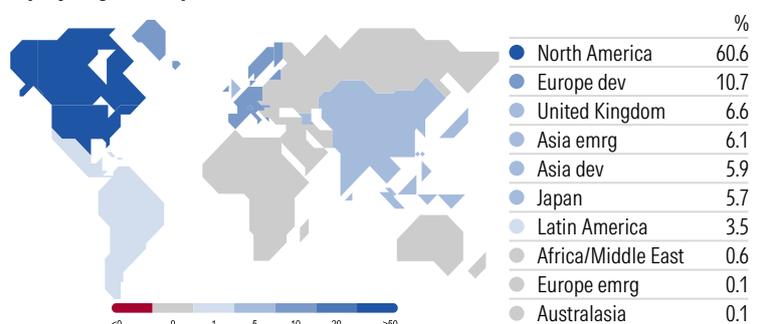
## Fee Breakdown (Class A Shares)

Management Fee	0.20%
Performance Fee	0.00%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	0.68%
<b>Total Investment Charge (TIC)</b>	<b>0.68%</b>

## Top 15 Underlying Fund Holdings

Underlying Fund	Percentage
iShares Core S&P 500 ETF USD Acc	13.81%
Stt Strt Gbl Trs Bd Idx I USD Acc Hdg	7.70%
iShares US Mortgage Backed Secs ETF \$Acc	5.99%
Vanguard U.S. Govt Bd Idx \$ Acc	5.98%
iShares Edge MSCI USA Qual Fac ETF \$ Acc	5.49%
TM Natixis Loomis Sayles US Eq Ldrs I/A\$	4.90%
iShares Emerging Mkts Eq Idx (LU) F2 USD	4.57%
Dodge & Cox Worldwide US Stock A USD	4.25%
Schroder European Z GBP Acc	3.97%
Vanguard FTSE Japan ETF USD Acc	3.43%
iShares Core FTSE 100 ETF GBP Acc	3.17%
iShares S&P 500 Health Care Sect ETF\$Acc	3.02%
Robeco Global Credits IBH USD	2.98%
Colchester Lcl Mkts Bd \$ Unhgd Accl	2.96%
SttStrtSPDRS&PUSCnsmrStaplesSelSectETF	2.71%

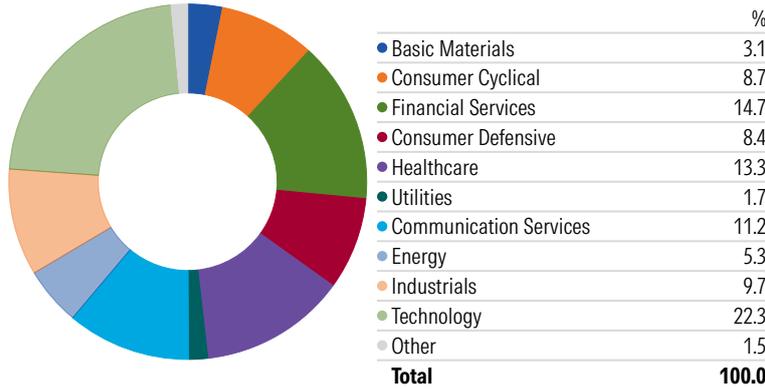
## Equity Regional Exposure



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## Equity Sector Exposure



## Top 10 Equity Holdings

Company	%
NVIDIA Corp	1.80%
TRS S&P SmallCap 600 NR USD	1.50%
Meta Platforms Inc Class A	1.39%
Alphabet Inc Class A	1.33%
Apple Inc	1.27%
Microsoft Corp	1.25%
Alphabet Inc Class C	0.92%
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	0.84%
Amazon.com Inc	0.82%
Eli Lilly and Co	0.81%

## Monthly Returns

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2026	2.59	1.83											<b>4.47</b>
2025	3.19	-0.07	-1.94	0.55	3.08	3.17	0.71	2.04	2.09	1.55	0.54	1.13	<b>17.14</b>
2024	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	-2.09	2.03	-2.06	—
2023	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

## Quarterly Fund Commentary

2025 was a strong year for investors, with US large-cap stocks gaining nearly 18% after two consecutive 20%+ years. Since the October 2022 bear-market low, US equities have doubled, delivering an exceptional 100% return in just over three years. Investors who stayed the course and remained invested through 2022's uncertainty were well rewarded. This reinforces a timeless truth: markets often advance through periods of pessimism, and some of the best returns are often followed by moments of peak fear. Today's backdrop is different - optimism is widespread and US valuations are elevated, a combination that has historically aligned with more muted forward returns. Concentration risk is also pronounced. The S&P 500 has outperformed its Equal Weight Index by 34% over the past three years, the largest gap on record, surpassing the previous 32% peak from 1997-1999. That period was followed by a sharp reversal and seven consecutive years of equal-weight leadership, a reminder that market dominance rarely endures indefinitely.

Global equities posted positive returns in Q4 2025, closing a year shaped by significant crosscurrents. Non-US markets led decisively: international stocks gained over 32% in 2025, emerging markets rose ~34%, and the US lagged by one of the widest margins in nearly 20 years. Since 2006, the US has trailed both developed and emerging markets in only five calendar years, and double-digit underperformance against both international and emerging markets stocks was last seen in 2006. A weaker US dollar amplified foreign asset returns for US-based investors, but currency alone doesn't explain the shift - prompting the question of whether signals point to sustained leadership. Expectations for US earnings are now elevated, with some forecasts pricing near record high growth of ~17%. Even modest downside surprises could drive disappointment, whereas lower starting valuations abroad provide greater room for error.

Meanwhile, fixed income reinforced its value as a portfolio diversifier. US bonds returned over 7% in 2025, their best year since 2020, though tight credit spreads imply limited compensation for incremental credit risk. This backdrop favours active, flexible bond management. Looking ahead, bonds benefit from two key tailwinds: materially higher starting yields than five years ago - historically a strong predictor of long-term bond returns - and a clear pivot in monetary policy. The Fed delivered three rate cuts in 2025, including two in Q4. Based on CME (Chicago Mercantile Exchange) data, markets are currently pricing in two further cuts in 2026, though expectations will evolve with incoming data.

2025 showed early signs of rotation, with a standout year for ex-US equities. We continue to see opportunities where discounts exist. Size, style, or growth labels matter less than the key question: can we assess an asset's value and buy it for less? This discipline - rooted in humility and endurance - remains central to long-term investment success. Prudent investing is about preparing for what lies ahead, not just celebrating recent gains. Markets have climbed steadily since the 2022 lows, but calm periods are often followed by periods of turbulence. The key question isn't if volatility returns, but rather how portfolios are positioned when it does.

The fund adhered to its policy objectives.

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## Glossary

**Annualised performance:** Annualised performance shows longer term performance rescaled to a 1-year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

**Highest & Lowest return:** The highest and lowest returns for any 1 year over the period since inception have been shown.

**NAV:** The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

**Alpha:** Denoted the outperformance of the fund over the benchmark.

**Sharpe Ratio:** The Sharpe ratio is used to indicate the excess return the portfolio delivers over the risk free rate per unit of risk adopted by the fund.

**Standard Deviation:** The deviation of the return stream relative to its own average.

**Max Drawdown:** The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

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