

Defensive S U C C E S S I O N

Managed Portfolio Service

Investment objective and policy

These discretionary managed model portfolios offer risk-profiled investment solutions, all of which have a dynamic top-down asset allocation strategy implemented using low cost ETFs.

The objective for the Defensive model portfolio is to provide a long-term return which is over and above sterling cash returns whilst exposing the investor to Low risk in accordance with their attitude to risk.

Key facts

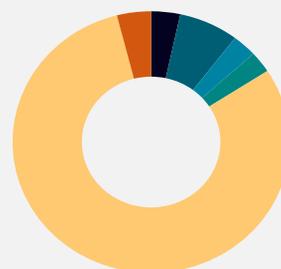
Inception Date	31/03/2009
Indicative Yield	1.8%
Typical Growth / Defensive Split	10:90
Annual Management Charge (including VAT)	0.25%
Total Ongoing Charges (of underlying funds)	0.10%
Portfolio Total Ongoing Charge	0.35%

July saw US share markets continue to advance whilst the other developed markets fell back after their strong rallies during the second quarter. Early and aggressive US fiscal and monetary policy easing, with Covid-19 accelerating the digitisation of daily life helped drive the mega-cap US technology companies. An earlier cyclical recovery from lockdown was positive for Chinese shares and helped emerging markets outperform the developed region. Economic data for the second quarter confirmed that we have seen the biggest contraction in global activity since the Second World War.

Markets are hoping that we have left behind the worst of the Covid-19 pandemic and that future flare ups in the disease can be tackled by local not national lock downs. As expected, there are high rates of recovery in sectors where output ceased or was very damaged by the initial responses to the virus. It will, nevertheless, take time to get back to levels of income and output that preceded the disease. Share markets continue to draw support from loose money policies, but we expect the market environment to remain uncertain and volatile whilst businesses strive to adapt and recover, tensions escalate between the US and China and the US Presidential election looms.

Corporate bond spreads continued to retrace the spike higher seen in March but remain wider for the year to date. Boosting the rally in credit were 'better than expected' Q2 corporate earnings versus estimates and a quiet issuance market which helped push up valuations. The biggest boost to the corporate bond markets is still the buying of high yield bonds and 'Fallen Angel' ETFs by the US Federal Reserve and the ECB accepting high-yield bonds as eligible collateral for their funding operations. For July, hedged US equities were the best returning holdings, whilst UK equities detracted from returns. This month, we increased our allocation to global inflation linked securities, funding the purchase from cash.

Asset Allocation



- UK Equities 3.4%
- US Equities 7.0%
- European Equities 2.9%
- Global Equities 2.7%
- Bonds 80.2%
- Cash 4.0%

Top ten holdings

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L&G - Sterling Corporate Bond Index C Inc	19
SSGA - SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond UCITS ETF Hedged GBP	18
Vanguard - UK Short-Term Investment Grade Bond Index Inc GBP	15
iShares - £ Ultrashort Bond UCITS ETF GBP	9
iShares - \$ TIPS 0-5 UCITS ETF GBP Hedged GBP	6
L&G - Short Dated Sterling Corporate Bond Index C Inc	5
Lyxor - Core US TIPS (DR) UCITS ETF D GBP	4
Pounds Sterling	4
Xtrackers - S&P 500 UCITS ETF 2C Hedged GBP	4
iShares - Core S&P 500 UCITS ETF Acc GBP	3

Performance %

Discrete Performance	Jul-19	Jul-18	Jul-17	Jul-16	Jul-15	3 yr Volatility
	- Jul-20	- Jul-19	- Jul-18	- Jul-17	- Jul-16	
Defensive	1.0	4.7	0.3	2.8	8.5	1.9
Cumulative Performance	1m	3m	6m	1yr	3yr	5yr
	Defensive	0.4	2.7	0.2	1.0	6.0

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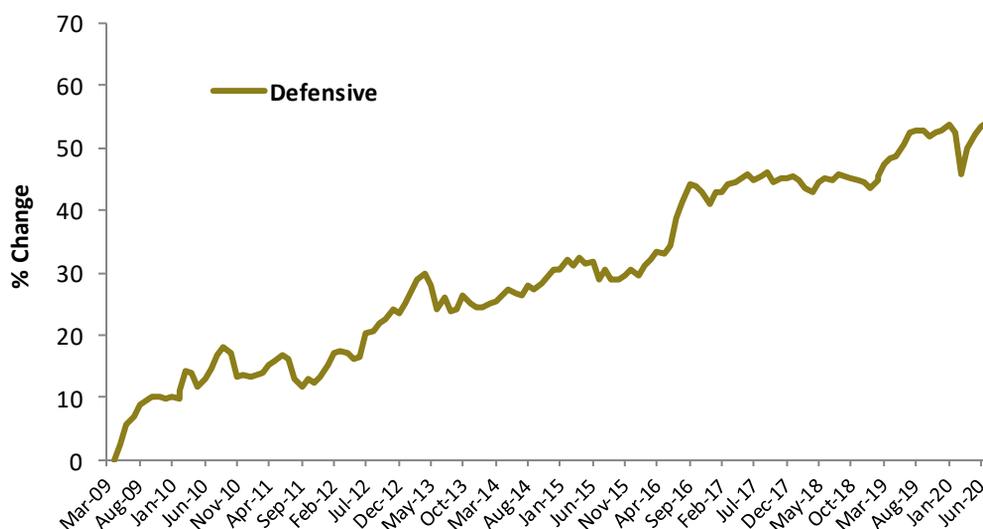
Investment Team

The model portfolios are managed by the Charles Stanley Asset Management Division. The team of portfolio managers and analysts have extensive experience, drawing upon the expertise of investment specialists, strategists and economists both internally and externally. The research team looks for the best Index tracking funds from the available passive universe.

Risk Profile

The Defensive model portfolio targets a low risk and return and is therefore designed for investors who could not tolerate a loss of more than 5% in one year but understand and accept that this could be more in extreme market circumstances. The Portfolio will not be invested in asset classes which are normally regarded as high-risk. The Portfolio is not hedged and therefore will be exposed to currency fluctuations arising from any international investments.

Performance since Inception



Source APX / FE Analytics. Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The performance is net of Charles Stanley investment management fees, with income reinvested.

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- General Investment Account
- ISA
- SIPP
- Offshore Bond

Minimum suggested Investment = £10,000
(subject to platform minimum requirements)

PLATFORMS

- Succession
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Important Information

The value of investments, and any income derived from them, can fall as well as rise and may be affected by exchange rate variations. Investors may get back less than invested.

Performance is calculated on a Total Return basis using a notional portfolio in Advent Portfolio Exchange (APX). Performance is net of Charles Stanley investment management fees but not adviser fees nor platform costs. Any charges and fees applied by platforms and/or authorised intermediaries will be charged in addition to the charges shown. The Total Ongoing Charges Figure (TOC) is calculated on a periodic basis using a weighted average of the most recent publicly available Total Ongoing Charges for the underlying investments as at the date of the factsheet. This includes the underlying funds' Ongoing Charges Figure plus Transaction costs plus Incidental costs. Please note that whilst we endeavour to show all charges associated with specific funds, sometimes this is not possible due to the information not being made available by the fund provider. In such cases transaction or incidental cost information may be missing.

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