

Fairstone Passive Model Portfolio 3 Powered by Vanguard

Investment Aim

The portfolio is designed to provide risk adjusted returns. It aims to achieve capital appreciation and reduce investment risk through diversification across asset classes and geographies.

This portfolio is managed to maximise risk adjusted returns within a target volatility range of 4.7% and 8.3% over rolling 10-year time periods. This is not guaranteed, and actual volatility may fluctuate outside of these boundaries.

Ranking the risk on a scale of between 1 and 10, where 1 is the lowest, we place this portfolio as 3.

Investment Growth

Time Period: 01/02/2021 to 31/01/2026



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10.7% — IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares

11.7%

Cumulative Performance

Calendar Year Returns

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
Fairstone Passive Model Portfolio 3 Powered by Vanguard	7.73%	18.01%	10.69%
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	7.24%	17.67%	11.68%

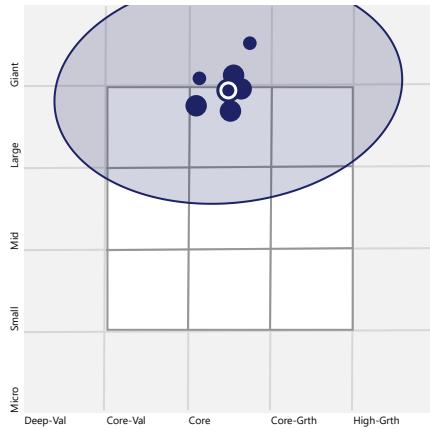
	YTD	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Fairstone Passive Model Portfolio 3 Powered by Vanguard	0.80	8.76	3.57	7.47	-13.42	4.02
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	0.99	8.02	4.37	6.06	-10.22	2.57

Portfolio Overview

Investment Style Map

Risk Scale

Portfolio Manager	Vanguard
Investment Universe	Open Ended Funds
Yield	3.12%
Portfolio Start Date	20/05/2019
Ongoing Fund Costs	0.08%
DFM Fee	0.20%
Total Portfolio Charge	0.28%



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Target 10 Year Volatility

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Investment Adviser's Market Commentary



Investment Adviser

Vanguard

Global economic activity strengthened in Q4, supported by easing trade tensions, reduced economic uncertainty and a surge in US AI-related investment. Inflation remained elevated in major economies, notably the US and UK. Central bank policy diverged, as the European Central Bank (ECB) held rates steady, while the US Federal Reserve (Fed) and Bank of England (BoE) both continued to cut.

In the UK, the Autumn Budget dominated headlines, but market fears of fiscal tightening proved overdone. The economy grew 0.1% in Q3 (quarter-on-quarter), down from 0.3% in Q2, as a weakening labour market indicated slower economic growth. Unemployment rose to 5.1% in October. Inflation surprised to the downside, with November's Consumer Price Index (CPI) at 3.2% versus a market consensus of 3.4%. This allowed the BoE to cut interest rates by 25 basis points (0.25 percentage points) to 3.75% in December.

Euro area economic growth accelerated modestly, with Q3 GDP up 0.3% quarter-on-quarter. France drove most of this growth despite increasing political uncertainty, while German growth disappointed, as fiscal stimulus has yet to boost growth. Inflation in the euro area hovered near the ECB's 2% target, with November's CPI at 2.1%. The ECB kept its policy rate unchanged at 2.0%, citing steady growth and benign inflation.

A US government shutdown delayed key data releases, but AI-driven investment continued to fuel growth. Q3 economic growth surged 4.3% (annualised), up from 3.8% in Q2. The Fed cut rates at its October and December meetings amid labour market weakness, leaving the federal funds target range at 3.50–3.75% by year-end. Inflation trends were mixed, as core Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE), which excludes volatile items like food and energy, eased from 2.9% in July to 2.8% in September, while headline PCE edged up from 2.6% to 2.8%.

Vanguard Capital Markets Model

The Vanguard Capital Markets Model Team researches, develops, and maintains a suite of powerful analytical models and tools. At the heart of them is the Vanguard Capital Markets Model (VCMM), a proprietary financial simulation engine that simulates returns for a wide range of asset classes.

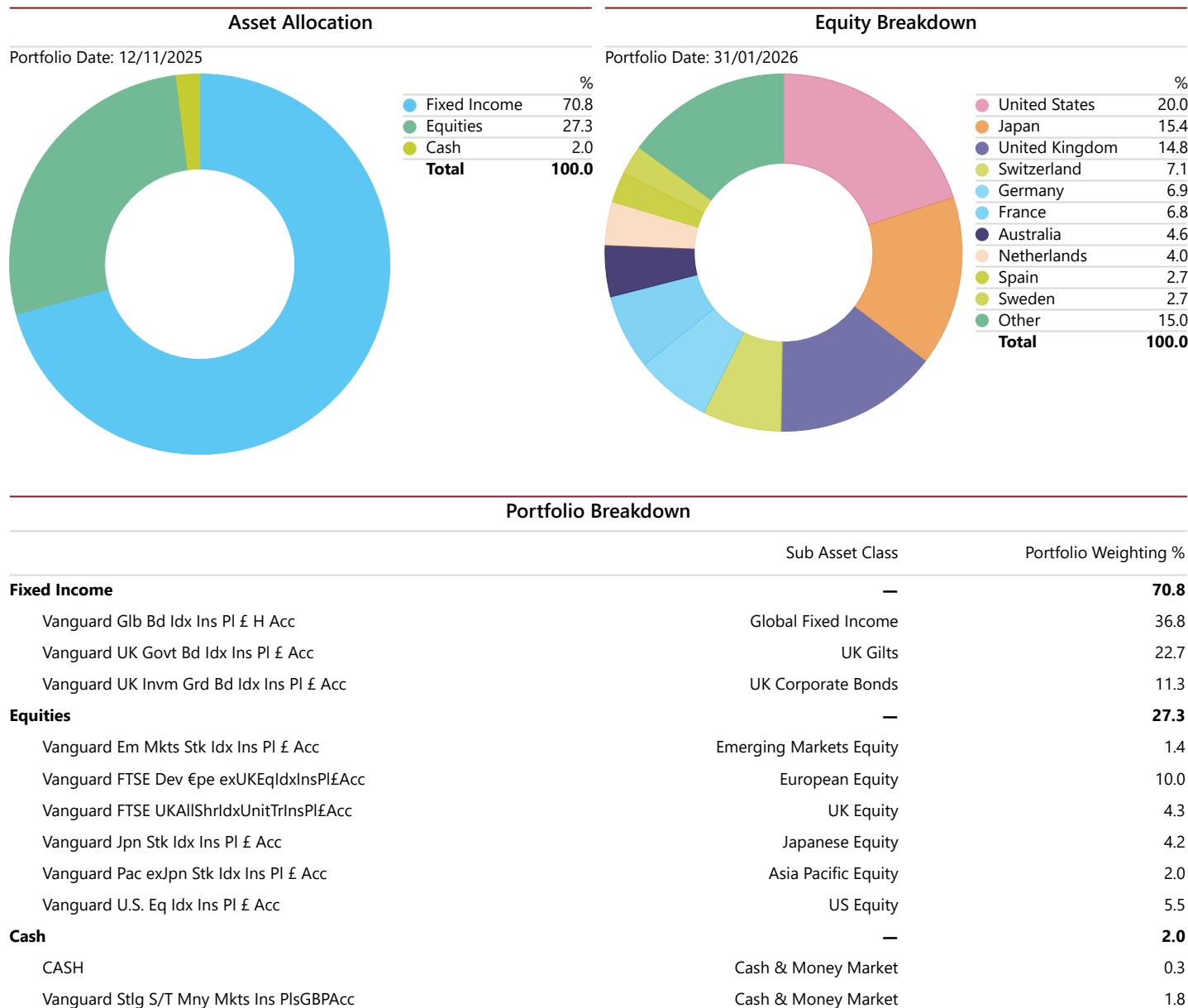
The VCMM is designed to enable clients to make asset allocation decisions as well as help build portfolio solutions.

The team uses the VCMM to create dynamic, time-varying portfolios that change their asset allocations in response to the model's forecasts. These time-varying portfolios are designed to target a specific return, target a risk range or seek to maximise returns.

Vanguard has extensive experience in building portfolio solutions. For more than ten years, Vanguard has used these analytical models to construct portfolios for its Institutional Advisory Services group, which manages in excess of USD 40bn in AUM, as of 31 December 2018.

Source: Vanguard

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Target Market

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Type of investors: Given the nature of non-complex UCITS funds the service is suitable for retail investors, professional clients and eligible counterparties. The service is predominantly designed for the use of retail investors.

Investors' knowledge and experience: Investors with basic, informed or advanced knowledge and experience of capital markets and investment risks and of funds and their characteristics.

Clients' financial situation with a focus on the ability to bear losses: Investors have a tolerance to fluctuations in capital invested and potential capital loss.

Clients' risk tolerance and compatibility of the risk/reward profile of the product with the target market: Due to the volatility of the markets in which the service may invest e.g. equity, bond and property markets the service has a risk and reward profile that is compatible with clients who have a risk tolerance aligned to the Investment Aim of the portfolio. Investors should be willing to accept price fluctuations in exchange for the opportunity of possible higher returns.

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