

WHAT IS THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE?

Balanced Plus aims to achieve the best possible investment growth for retirement savers (within the constraints of Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act) over the long term.

WHAT DOES THE FUND INVEST IN?

Balanced Plus can invest in a wide variety of assets, such as shares, bonds, listed property and cash, both in South Africa and internationally.

The fund complies with Regulation 28, which limits the exposure of retirement investors to certain asset classes. For example, shares may never comprise more than 75% of the fund's portfolio, while exposure to property is limited to 25% and foreign assets (excluding Africa) is limited to 30% each.

The fund is mandated to use derivative instruments for efficient portfolio management purposes.

IMPORTANT PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS AND RISKS

Risk Profile

Maximum growth/
minimum income exposures

As Balanced Plus aims to maximise long-term returns, it will typically have a strong bias towards shares, which offer the highest expected growth over the long run. The fund's managers actively seek out attractively valued shares that may achieve strong returns over periods of five years and longer.

While shares usually offer the best investment return, this comes with the greatest risk of short-term losses. The fund's investment in shares is therefore carefully balanced with other assets (including cash, bonds and property) to ensure that risk is moderated. Returns from these assets are not as volatile as shares, and will not always move in the same direction (up or down) at the same time, making the fund less risky than a pure equity fund.

Given the care taken to manage risk and to ensure that the best possible returns can be achieved from a range of diverse investments, it is unlikely that the Balanced Plus fund will lose money over the longer term. However, the fund may produce negative returns in extreme years, albeit at a lower level than a fund that is only invested in shares.

HOW LONG SHOULD INVESTORS REMAIN INVESTED?

The recommended investment term is five years and longer.

WHO SHOULD CONSIDER INVESTING IN THE FUND?

Investors who are saving for retirement, and:

- ▶ can stay invested for at least five years (preferably longer);
- ▶ have to choose a fund for their retirement annuity, provident fund, preservation fund or pension fund, and are looking for an investment that balances long-term growth with moderate levels of risk.

WHAT COSTS CAN I EXPECT TO PAY?

An annual fee of 1.25% (excl. VAT) is payable.

Fund expenses that are incurred in the fund include fees payable to unconnected international fund managers on a portion of assets situated offshore as well as trading, custody and audit charges. All performance information is disclosed after deducting all fees and other portfolio costs. We do not charge fees to access or withdraw from the fund.

More detail is available on www.coronation.com

WHO ARE THE FUND MANAGERS?



KARL LEINBERGER
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GENERAL FUND INFORMATION

Launch Date	15 April 1996
Fund Class	A
Benchmark	Composite: 52.5% equity, 22.5% bonds, 5% cash, 20% international*
Fund Category	South African – Multi-asset – High Equity
Regulation 28	Complies
Income Distribution	Semi-annually (March & September)
Investment minimum	R5 000 or R500/m debit order
Bloomberg Code	CORBALN
ISIN Code	ZAE000019808
JSE Code	CORB

* Benchmark change. Please refer to page 4 for more details.

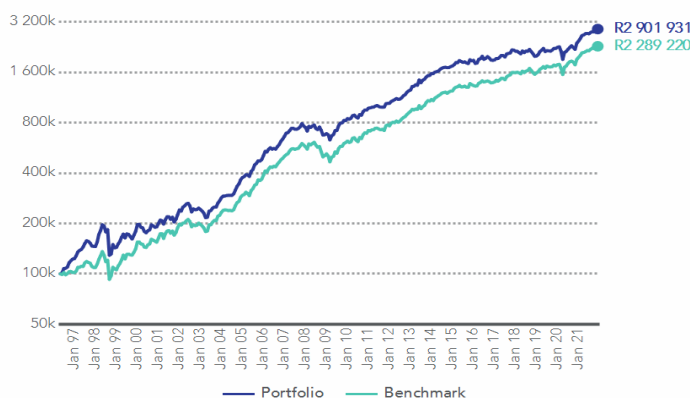
CLASS A as at 30 November 2021

Fund category	South African - Multi Asset - High Equity
Launch date	15 April 1996
Fund size	R99.53 billion
NAV	12919.71 cents
Benchmark/Performance	Composite (52.5% equity, 22.5% bonds, 20% international, 5% cash)
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Portfolio manager/s	Karl Leinberger and Sarah-Jane Alexander

Total Expense Ratio	1 Year	3 Year
Fund management fee	1.63%	1.64%
Fund expenses	1.24%	1.24%
VAT	0.20%	0.22%
Transaction costs (inc. VAT)	0.19%	0.19%
Total Investment Charge	0.21%	0.18%
	1.84%	1.82%

PERFORMANCE AND RISK STATISTICS

GROWTH OF A R100,000 INVESTMENT (AFTER FEES)



PERFORMANCE FOR VARIOUS PERIODS (AFTER FEES)

	Fund	Benchmark	Peer Group Average
Since Launch (unannualised)	2801.9%	2189.2%	1766.5%
Since Launch (annualised)	14.1%	13.0%	12.1%
Latest 20 years (annualised)	13.6%	13.3%	11.9%
Latest 15 years (annualised)	10.6%	10.8%	8.3%
Latest 10 years (annualised)	10.8%	11.4%	8.9%
Latest 5 years (annualised)	9.0%	10.5%	7.5%
Latest 3 years (annualised)	13.4%	13.7%	10.5%
Latest 1 year	21.4%	19.8%	19.5%
Year to date	18.1%	16.5%	16.7%

RISK STATISTICS SINCE LAUNCH

	Fund	Benchmark
Annualised Deviation	13.1%	12.1%
Sharpe Ratio	0.37	0.32
Maximum Gain	57.9%	29.3%
Maximum Drawdown	(34.3)%	(31.9)%
Positive Months	67.4%	65.5%

	Fund	Date Range
Highest annual return	49.3%	Aug 2004 - Jul 2005
Lowest annual return	(17.4)%	Sep 1997 - Aug 1998

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE RETURNS (AFTER FEES)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Fund 2021	3.7%	4.1%	0.8%	1.7%	0.4%	(0.5)%	2.1%	0.9%	(0.6)%	4.0%	0.3%		18.1%
Fund 2020	0.7%	(5.6)%	(11.0)%	10.1%	1.5%	2.9%	2.6%	2.4%	(2.3)%	(2.7)%	8.9%	2.9%	8.9%
Fund 2019	2.2%	4.0%	2.0%	2.4%	(4.4)%	1.4%	(0.2)%	(0.7)%	1.6%	2.4%	(0.1)%	1.5%	12.8%
Fund 2018	0.0%	(1.8)%	(1.7)%	4.0%	(2.4)%	2.2%	(0.2)%	2.6%	(3.0)%	(2.9)%	(3.6)%	0.5%	(6.3)%
Fund 2017	2.0%	(0.1)%	1.9%	2.6%	(0.3)%	(2.0)%	4.6%	0.5%	0.6%	4.5%	(0.3)%	(1.7)%	12.7%

PORTFOLIO DETAIL

EFFECTIVE ASSET ALLOCATION EXPOSURE

Sector	30 Nov 2021
Domestic Assets	76.3%
■ Equities	51.5%
Basic Materials	14.1%
Industrials	1.0%
Consumer Goods	2.9%
Health Care	1.4%
Consumer Services	7.7%
Telecommunications	0.4%
Financials	11.0%
Technology	7.0%
Derivatives	4.2%
Consumer Staples	0.9%
Energy	0.9%
Unlisted	0.0%
■ Real Estate	3.1%
■ Bonds	19.5%
■ Commodities	0.0%
■ Cash	2.3%
International Assets	23.7%
■ Equities	21.4%
■ Real Estate	0.4%
■ Bonds	0.4%
■ Cash	1.6%

TOP 10 HOLDINGS

As at 30 Sep 2021	% of Fund
Prosus Nv	6.1%
Anglo American Plc	4.4%
Egerton Capital Equity Fund	3.8%
FirstRand Limited	3.7%
Glencore Xstrata Plc	3.1%
Anglogold Ashanti Limited	2.4%
Lansdowne Capital	2.4%
Contrarius Global Equity Fund	2.4%
Tremblant Capital	2.2%
Select Equity Group	2.2%

INCOME DISTRIBUTIONS

Declaration	Payment	Amount	Dividend	Interest
30 Sep 2021	01 Oct 2021	197.13	85.22	111.91
31 Mar 2021	01 Apr 2021	201.05	112.04	89.01
30 Sep 2020	01 Oct 2020	92.01	39.04	52.96
31 Mar 2020	01 Apr 2020	155.16	56.46	98.70

Please note that the commentary is for the retail class of the Fund.

The Fund returned 2.4% for the quarter, resulting in a return of 23.5% over the last year. Performance benefited from recovering markets, asset allocation decisions and alpha in the domestic and global equity building blocks. The Fund has performed well against its peer group over all meaningful time periods.

The global recovery continued, supported by high vaccination rates in developed markets and easing economic restrictions. Markets were weaker, reflecting fears that growth would not live up to the high expectations priced in. The MSCI All Country World Index declined -1% in US dollars for the quarter (27% over 12 months). As discussed previously, the Fund has reduced its exposure to global equities, given the high market levels. We do continue to see opportunities for stock picking.

Developed markets (MSCI World Index 0%) were broadly flat, although they fell in September (-4%) as concerns about growth increased. Emerging markets underperformed their developed market counterparts (MSCI Emerging Markets [EM] -8%). Brazil (Bovespa -20%) and China (MSCI China -18%) both had a particularly weak quarter.

Investor confidence in China was shaken by a raft of new regulations across multiple sectors that were invoked swiftly and largely without consultation. While China's authoritarian political system has always posed a risk, recent actions have heightened this. The remit of government interventions widened to include a drive for common prosperity and wealth redistribution, as well as social engineering. These policies are in direct conflict with the economic opening that has taken place over the past few decades. The role that foreign capital will be permitted to play is less certain. Evidence of slower Chinese growth also emerged after a very rapid recovery earlier in the pandemic.

Rapidly increasing global demand put strain on supply chains, resulting in stock shortages and rising input prices. The oil price (Brent crude) rose 5% for the quarter and is now up 92% over 12 months. Higher prices prompted fears that inflation may be less transitory than initially hoped. Labour markets remain tight but may ease as Covid-19 wage subsidies subside. The strong recovery in demand also opens the door to rising interest rates and a tapering of asset support. Indeed, hawkish central bank comments alluded to the latter. High levels of sovereign indebtedness and insufficient yields keep us cautious on global bonds. For the quarter, the Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index declined -1% in US dollars.

South African (SA) investor confidence was dealt a blow early in the quarter, with the rioting and looting in KwaZulu-Natal. Social inequality and high unemployment (worsened by the pandemic and associated economic restrictions) remain a major concern. An additional Basic Income Grant has been extended to those most in need. The additional grant, ongoing support of state-owned enterprises (SOEs) and a higher-than-anticipated public sector wage agreement further strained the fiscus. SA needs sustained economic growth to heal its fiscal woes. The decline in prices of some of SA's key export commodities (iron ore -28% in Q3-21 in US dollar and PGMs) is a threat to the current account surpluses that have supported the rand. The local currency declined -5% against the US dollar for the quarter. While the quarter heralded a disappointing number of setbacks to the fiscal outlook, the government remains committed to fiscal discipline. The new Minister of Finance is not expected to make any major changes. The All Bond index delivered 0% for the quarter. The Fund has meaningful exposure to SA bonds, with the long end of the curve offering very attractive yields in both absolute terms and relative to other emerging markets and alternatives such as cash.

SA's vaccine rollout has been slow to ramp up, with 20% of the adult population now fully vaccinated. Easing Covid-19 infection numbers have supported a lowering of restrictions, with the country moving to level 1 at the end of the quarter. The risk of further waves remains given low levels of vaccination.

The Fund's exposure to SA equities is sitting at a decade high, given the breadth of value across many sectors, including resources, locally-listed global stocks and domestic shares. For the quarter, the JSE Capped SWIX Index delivered 3% in rands. The financials index returned 12% as banking earnings continued to improve, fuelled by a faster than expected recovery in bad debts. Industrials declined -4%, as major constituent Naspers (-17%) dragged down the index return. The resource index also declined (-4%) as global growth concerns and commodity price pressures weighed on a number of stocks.

The Fund has long had considerable exposure to a number of global businesses that are listed in SA. Major holdings include Naspers (-17%)/Prosus (-15%), Aspen (69%), Bidcorp (4%), British American Tobacco (-1%), Quilter (-0%) and Textainer (13%). All are attractive for stock-specific reasons.

Naspers came under considerable pressure during the quarter as regulatory intervention in China intensified. Within the technology sector, much of the regulation is consistent with what is seen elsewhere, including those governing fintech, antitrust, competition law, data security, protection of personal information and gig employee labour protection. More specifically, for Tencent, government attempts to protect minors means increasing restrictions on time spent gaming. Thus far, none of the restrictions is expected to change Tencent's prospects meaningfully. However, the breadth and depth of Chinese regulatory intervention and the amplified threat to foreign capital have increased the risk of any Chinese investment. Valuations now look extremely attractive, with Chinese technology businesses trading at considerable discounts to their developed market peers. Tencent is a formidable company that generates good free cash flows, has a very engaged user base, and is growing businesses across multiple verticals. At the Naspers/Prosus level, investors benefit from an undervalued rump where management has been achieving good returns on recent portfolio actions.

Aspen delivered strong returns for the quarter (+69%), bringing 12-month returns to 130%. While organic delivery has been pleasing, the more recent share price performance stems from two specific opportunities. Aspen is under cautionary related to the potential disposal of its API business, which is expected to be accretive. More materially, Aspen could potentially benefit from a vaccine licensing deal from J&J, which would materially increase its revenues.

Domestic companies continued to report results ahead of our expectations due to more resilient economic activity and stringent cost-cutting. We are concerned about the secondary effects of this cost-cutting and the ongoing weak employment numbers.

Like many holding companies, RMI (+20%) has seen the discount (at which it trades to the value of its underlying parts) widen over the last few years. We believe this undervalues some of the attractive assets it owns, including OUTsurance, an unlisted short-term insurer with a strong history of delivering earnings growth while achieving high levels of cash flow conversion. We have had many engagements with RMI management over the years about how this value could be unlocked and were pleased to note the restructuring announced in September. RMI intends to unbundle its holdings in Metropolitan Momentum and Discovery to shareholders leaving a smaller, more focused company with its major holdings in short-term insurance (OUTsurance and Hastings). RMI has also committed to paying out 50% free cash flow to shareholders. Although a capital raise in the form of a rights issue will be required to achieve this, the restructuring and higher pay-out are undoubtedly positive. We hope that these are the first steps on a journey to further improve shareholder returns by passing through more of the underlying dividends.

The portfolio has a small overweight in resource shares, which comes from the holdings in the diversified miners. Holdings in Glencore and Anglo American have contributed strongly to performance over the past few years, but we believe they continue to offer good value. They trade on low multiples with solid free cash flow generation and attractive upside. We are not bullish on all commodities but expect an accelerating global drive to decarbonise to create increasing demand and tight markets in commodities like copper, cobalt and nickel. Glencore is particularly well exposed.

The portfolio has continued to increase its holding in gold equities, which offer upside and reasonably priced protection against stretched sovereign balance sheets and high global market levels. Both AngloGold and Goldfields have improved their production profiles and geographic diversification. We anticipate a period of increased returns to shareholders under their new leadership teams. These positions have been funded by taking profits in the PGM shares.

The portfolio has moderate property exposure, preferring to use its risk budget in equities and bonds. Holdings are predominantly in the A shares, with some exposure to logistics assets. The medium-term outlook remains subdued as a weak economy and a structural shift in demand from increasing digital engagement and work-from-home trends undermine rental tension. Several sector balance sheets remain undercapitalised.

Markets are ever-changing. The significant disturbance wrought on the world by Covid-19 has accelerated disruption in many industries while placing significant pressure on sovereign balance sheets. The sweeping changes effected by the pandemic has created opportunities where longer-term consequences are being mispriced. We constantly challenge our beliefs to enable us to take advantage of these opportunities.

Portfolio managers

Karl Leinberger and Sarah-Jane Alexander
as at 30 September 2021

IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE INVESTING IN THE CORONATION BALANCED PLUS FUND

The Balanced Plus Fund should be considered a medium- to long-term investment. The value of units may go down as well as up, and therefore Coronation does not make any guarantees with respect to the protection of capital or returns. Past performance is not necessarily an indication of future performance. The fund is mandated to invest up to 30% (including a maximum exposure of 5% to Africa, excluding South Africa) of its portfolio into foreign securities and may as a result be exposed to macroeconomic, settlement, political, tax, reporting or illiquidity risk factors that may be different to similar investments in the South African markets. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying investments to go up or down. Asset allocation and top 10 holdings are reflected on a look-through basis. Any African exposure (ex SA) is reflected under international assets. Coronation Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd is a Collective Investment Schemes Manager approved by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority in terms of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act. Portfolio managed by Coronation Asset Management (Pty) (FSP 548) Ltd, an authorised financial services provider. The Management Company reserves the right to close the fund to new investors if we deem it necessary to limit further inflows in order for it to be managed in accordance with its mandate. Unit trusts are allowed to engage in scrip lending and borrowing. Standard Chartered has been appointed as trustees for the fund (www.sc.com/za; 011-2176600). Coronation is a full member of the Association for Savings & Investment SA (ASISA).

HOW ARE UNITS PRICED AND AT WHICH PRICE WILL MY TRANSACTION BE EXECUTED?

Unit trusts are traded at ruling prices set on every trading day. Fund valuations take place at approximately 15h00 each business day, except at month end when the valuation is performed at approximately 17h00 (JSE market close) and forward pricing is used. Instructions must reach the Management Company before 14h00 (12h00 for the Money Market Fund) to ensure same day value. The payment of withdrawals may be delayed in extraordinary circumstances, when the manager with the consent of the fund trustees deem this to be in the interest of all fund investors. These circumstances may include periods when significant underlying markets suspend trading which will prevent accurate valuation of the instruments held in the fund. When the suspension of trading relates to only certain assets held by the fund, these assets may be side-pocketed. This process allows normal liquidity on the assets that can be valued, but will delay liquidity on the affected portion of the fund. If the fund is faced with excessive withdrawals, the affected withdrawals may be ring-fenced, which is the separation and delayed sale of the assets reflecting the interest of the liquidity seeking investors. It ensures that the sale of a large number of units will not force Coronation to sell the underlying investments in a manner that may have a negative impact on remaining investors of the fund.

HOW WAS THE PERFORMANCE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS FACT SHEET CALCULATED?

Performance is calculated by Coronation as at the last day of the month for a lump sum investment using Class A NAV prices with income distributions reinvested. All underlying price and distribution data is sourced from Morningstar. Performance figures are quoted after the deduction of all costs (including manager fees and trading costs) incurred within the fund. Note that individual investor performance may differ as a result of the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment of distributions and dividend withholding tax, where applicable. Annualised performance figures represent the geometric average return earned by the fund over the given time period. Unannualised performance represents the total return earned by the fund over the given time period, expressed as a percentage. The peer group average is calculated as the average return of all the funds in the respective ASISA category (excluding Coronation Funds in that category).

HOW ARE THE BENCHMARK RETURNS CALCULATED?

The benchmark used for performance purposes is a composite benchmark consisting of 52.5% Domestic Equity (CSWIX), 22.5% Domestic Bonds (ALBI), 5% Domestic Cash (STF3M), 14.5% International Equity (ACWI), 3.5% International Bonds (BGBA) and 2% International Cash (USD3MLIBOR). From 1 April 2021 the SA equity component of the composite benchmark changed from the FTSE/JSE Capped All Share Index (CAPI) to the FTSE/JSE Capped Shareholders Weighted All Share Index (C-SWIX). The benchmark returns shown in this MDD will be spliced between the previously applicable index values and the new composite benchmark using C-SWIX from 1 April 2021.

*Benchmark change due to LIBOR being discontinued: The publication of LIBOR will cease on 31 December 2021 for most of the currency and term combinations that are currently in use. As a result of these upcoming changes, we wish to notify you that USD LIBOR will be replaced by the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") as a component of the Balanced Plus composite benchmark. This change will be effective from 1 December 2021. SOFR is an emerging standard for short-term USD interest rates in global financial markets and is calculated by the New York Federal Reserve. The new Balanced Plus benchmark will be: 52.5% Domestic Equity (CSWIX), 22.5% Domestic Bonds (ALBI), 5% Domestic Cash (STF3M), 14.5% International Equity (ACWI), 3.5% International Bonds (BGBA) and 2% International Cash (SOFR).

WHAT IS THE TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (TER) AND TRANSACTION COSTS (TC)?

TER is calculated as a percentage of the average net asset value of the portfolio incurred as charges, levies and fees in the management of the portfolio. The TER charged by any underlying fund held as part of a fund's portfolio is included in the fund expenses portion of the TER, but trading and implementation costs incurred in managing the fund are excluded. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. The 1 year TER is for the 12 months to end of the current financial year (updated annually). The 3 year TER is for a rolling 36-month period to the last quarter end (December, March, June and September).

Transaction costs are a necessary cost in managing a fund and impacts the fund's return. They should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

The Total Investment Charge is the sum of the Total Expense Ratio (TER) and transaction costs.

ADVICE AND PLATFORM COSTS

Coronation does not provide financial advice. If you appoint an adviser, advice fees are contracted directly between you and the adviser. For more information please contact the relevant platform (Linked Investment Service Provider or Life Assurance Provider).

WHERE CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Additional information such as daily fund prices, brochures, application forms and a schedule of fund fees and charges is available on our website, www.coronation.com

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