

Sterling Defensive

July 2024

Zurich fund information (as at 30/06/2024)

Launch date	11/10/2008
Current bid	GBP 2.798
Fund size(m)	GBP 10.80 (as at 28/06/2024)
FE sector	Mixed Investment 0%-35% Shares
ZIL fund management charge*	0.00%
Fund currency	GBP
Fund manager	Alex Lyle
Investment house	Columbia Threadneedle Investments
Annual management charge*	0.35%
Crown rating†	👑👑👑👑👑

Top ten holdings (as at 30/06/2024)

Government Of United Kingdom 4.5% 07-jun-2028	8.1%
Government Of United Kingdom 3.75% 29-jan-2038	6.2%
Government Of United Kingdom 3.5% 22-jan-2045	6.1%
Government Of United Kingdom 4.25% 07-dec-2049	6.1%
Government Of United Kingdom 0.875% 31-jul-2033	6.0%
Government Of United Kingdom 0.125% 30-jan-2026	5.5%
Government Of United Kingdom 4.125% 22-jul-2029	5.1%
Government Of United Kingdom 3.75% 07-mar-2027	4.1%
Government Of United Kingdom 4.125% 29-jan-2027	3.1%
Government Of United Kingdom 0.625% 31-jul-2035	3.0%

Source: Columbia Threadneedle Investments

* Please note, this charge is deducted daily before calculating the unit price. This does not include any product charges. For further information on product charges, please refer to the relevant policy terms and conditions.

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Fund objective

The Sterling Defensive fund aims to provide a lower risk environment with some potential for medium to long-term growth and invests in international government and corporate debt, with a proportion invested in international equities. The risk profile of this investment choice is the lowest of the five portfolios.

Fund information

This investment choice is a portfolio internally managed by Zurich on a discretionary basis. The investment policy is overseen by Columbia Threadneedle Investments according to investment mandates set and controlled by Zurich.

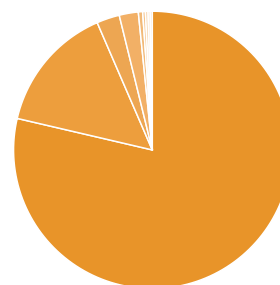
Fund commentary (as at 30/06/2024)

The fund has a large emphasis on UK bonds, with a focus on government securities (gilts). While it was a negative quarter for gilts, UK equities rose in Q2. Over the period, the 10-year gilt yield increased from 3.93% to 4.17% as bond prices dipped. UK interest rates were left unchanged despite the continued easing of inflation, which finally fell to the Bank of England's target level in May. The biggest portfolio adjustment was to increase global equities while scaling back some individual regional positions. The largest reduction was to equities in the US, followed by Europe, the UK and Asia. Additionally, within the UK allocation, we adjusted exposure to different strategies. In fixed income, we added to gilts, which offer an attractive level of income.

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Assets (as at 30/06/2024)

Sterling Bond	78.7%
UK Equity	14.9%
Global Equity	2.7%
North American Equity	2.2%
Japan Equity	0.5%
Europe ex UK Equity	0.3%
Cash	0.3%
Emerging Market Bond	0.3%
Far East ex Japan Equity	0.2%



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Cumulative performance (as at 30/06/2024)

	1 mth	3 mths	6 mths	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
% growth	1.83%	0.22%	-0.26%	7.19%	-15.61%	-9.44%	22.24%	91.52%
Sector	1.21%	0.72%	2.08%	6.73%	-4.24%	4.73%	18.39%	70.33%
Quartile	1	3	4	2	4	4	2	-
Rank	28/160	119/159	146/159	66/157	141/148	107/111	17/39	-

3 year statistical fund data (as at 30/06/2024)

Monthly volatility	3.07%
Best 3 month return	7.91%
Worst 3 month return	-10.80%

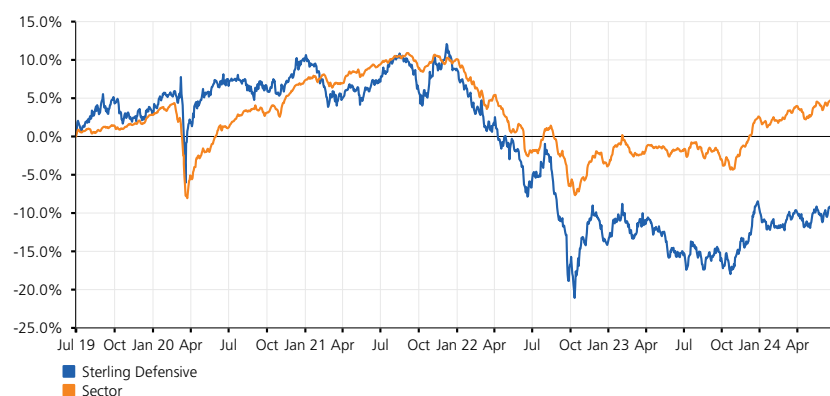
Source: FE, figures to 30/06/2024, bid to bid gross in GBP. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Discrete performance (as at 30/06/2024)

	Jun 19 -Jun 20	Jun 20 -Jun 21	Jun 21 -Jun 22	Jun 22 -Jun 23	Jun 23 -Jun 24
% growth	7.5%	-0.2%	-13.0%	-9.5%	7.2%
Sector	1.1%	8.2%	-10.5%	0.2%	6.7%
Quartile	1	4	3	4	2
Rank	7/111	132/139	109/148	145/149	66/157

Source: FE, figures to 30/06/2024, bid to bid gross in GBP. Percentage growth figures are for discrete years, for example Jun 19-Jun 20 equals 30/06/2019 to 30/06/2020. Quartile and rank are based on the FE sector category as highlighted on page 1. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Fund performance vs benchmark and/or sector, 5 years/since inception



28/06/2019 - 28/06/2024 Powered by data from FE

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