

Factsheet: DWS CIO View Balance



Balanced Funds - Flexible

March 2025As at 31/03/2025

Fund Data

Investment Policy

The CIO View is DWS's capital market outlook, which summarizes the strategic and tactical assessments of our experts on the respective asset classes. This expertise is made available to investors as part of a broadly diversified, risk-optimized multi-asset portfolio. At least 35% of the value of the investment fund must be invested in interest-bearing securities. Of this amount, at least 51% must be invested in Euro-denominated or Euro-hedged securities of issuers that have an investment grade status at the time of their acquisition. Up to 65% of the value of the investment fund may be invested in equities. The Fund is actively managed.

Fund Management's Comment

The month of March was characterized by ongoing geopolitical tensions and intensifying tariff rhetoric from US President Donald Trump. Weaker US economic data and global uncertainties also weighed on the markets. Fiscal stimuli from Europe and China only partially stabilized the markets. The US Federal Reserve left its key interest rate unchanged, while the ECB maintained its expansionary course. Developments on the equity markets were mixed: European equities (EURO STOXX 50) fell by -3.84% and the global equity markets (MSCI World: -4.45% in USD). US equities suffered the most (S&P 500: -5.63% in USD), while emerging markets (MSCI Emerging Markets) remained stable at +0.63% (in USD). Chinese equities rose noticeably (MSCI China: +1.98% in USD), while Japan declined (MSCI Japan: -0.62% in JPY). Yields on 10-year US Treasuries fell by 29 basis points to 4.21%, while German government bonds rose to 2.73%. The euro appreciated significantly against the US Dollar and was last quoted at 1.08. Gold gained 9.3% to USD 3123 per troy ounce, while oil (Brent) rose by 2.5% to USD 71.48 per barrel.

Morningstar Category™

EUR Flexible Allocation

Ratings (As at: 28/02/2025)

Morningstar Overall Rating™:

Lipper Leaders:

Note: The key terms are explained in the glossary.

Performance

Performance (in %) - Share Class LC



Period	Fund (net)	Fund (gross)
03/2015 - 03/2016	-11.2	-7.6
03/2016 - 03/2017	8.1	8.1
03/2017 - 03/2018	-1.2	-1.2
03/2018 - 03/2019	3.3	3.3
03/2019 - 03/2020	-6.6	-6.6
03/2020 - 03/2021	19.3	19.3
03/2021 - 03/2022	3.0	3.0
03/2022 - 03/2023	-6.4	-6.4
03/2023 - 03/2024	11.6	11.6
03/2024 - 03/2025	4.7	4.7

Fund (gross)

Explanations and modeling; assumption: an investor wishes to purchase units for EUR 1,000.00. With a maximum sales charge of 4.00%, the investor has to pay EUR 1,040.00. The gross performance (BVI method) includes all costs incurred at the fund level, the net performance also includes the sales charge; additional costs may be incurred at the investor level (e.g. custody costs). Since the sales charge is only levied in the first year, the net/gross amount shown is different only in this year. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. (Source: DWS Investment GmbH)

Cumulative performance (in %) - share class LC

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
EUR	-3.4	4.7	9.3	34.4	543.9	-1.5	3.0	6.1	10.0	-11.7	9.5	10.7

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LC(EUR)

Volatility	8.29%	Beta	--	VAR (99%/10 days)	3.71%
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Portfolio Analysis

Asset class (gross)	(in % of fund volume)
	Prev. monthCurrent
Cash (incl. funds)	(1.0) 2.4
Bonds (incl. funds)	(50.2) 50.6
Equities (incl. funds)	(44.7) 42.7
Alternative investments	(4.1) 4.3

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)
Euro	66.7
United States dollar	23.2
Japanese yen	5.5
Swiss franc	2.1
Pound sterling	1.0
Canadian dollar	0.7
Australian dollar	0.3
Singapore dollar	0.3
Danish krone	0.2
Hong Kong dollar	0.1

Incl. forward exchange transactions, negative and positive figures reflect expected currency developments.

Asset class (net)	(in % of fund volume)
	Prev. monthCurrent
Cash (incl. funds)	(1.1) 1.3
Bonds (incl. funds)	(51.0) 52.3
Equities (incl. funds)	(56.8) 55.7
Alternative investments	(3.5) 3.9

Net weighting, adjusted for derivative positions.

Largest Individual Holdings	(in % of fund volume)
Us Treasury N/B 25/31.01.2027	3.6
XTRACKERS IE PHYSICAL GOLD ETC 23.04.80	3.5
Xtrackers II US Treasuries UCITS ETF 1D	3.0
Xtrackers MSCI Japan ESG UCITS ETF 1C	2.8
Xtr II EUR Corporate Bond SRI PAB UCITS ETF 1	2.6
Xtr II EUR Corp Bd Short Dur SRI PAB UCITS ET	2.6
i Shares VI MSCI World Minimum Volatility USD A	2.1
Xtrackers MSCI Europe ESG UCITS ETF 1C	2.0
DWS Invest ESG Euro Corporate Bonds IC100	2.0
Xtrackers USD Corporate Bond SRI PAB UCITS E	1.6
Total	25.8

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

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Breakdown by Country (Equities) (in % of fund volume)

USA	<div></div>	21.3
Japan	<div></div>	1.6
Germany	<div></div>	1.3
Switzerland	<div></div>	1.3
Great Britain	<div></div>	1.0
France	<div></div>	0.7
Canada	<div></div>	0.6
Spain	<div></div>	0.5
Singapore	<div></div>	0.2
Australia	<div></div>	0.2
Ireland	<div></div>	0.2
Other Countries	<div></div>	0.8

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Sector (Equities) (in % of fund volume)

Portfolio Breakdown according to MSCI

Information Technology	<div></div>	6.6
Financials	<div></div>	4.9
Health Care	<div></div>	3.7
Industrials	<div></div>	3.3
Consumer Discretionary	<div></div>	3.2
Communication Services	<div></div>	2.4
Consumer Staples	<div></div>	2.0
Materials	<div></div>	1.3
Utilities	<div></div>	1.0
Energy	<div></div>	0.9
Other Sectors	<div></div>	0.3

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Rating (in % of bond holdings)

AAA	<div></div>	12.0
AA	<div></div>	41.6
A	<div></div>	19.3
BBB	<div></div>	27.1

The structure refers to internal and external ratings (may include S&P)
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Key Figures regarding the Fund's Assets

Yield (in %)	1.4		
Duration (in years)	2.9	Modified Duration	2.9
Number of Bonds	135	Average Rating	A

Cumulative performance (in %)

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Portfolio Manager	Michael Ficht & Johannes Prix & Max Scheufler	Assets	274.4 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	01/03/2024	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	14/10/1993
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	30/09/2025
Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Investor profile	Growth-oriented
Legal Structure	Fund		
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH		

Share Classes											
Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	German Sec. Code	Earnings	Front-end Load	Issue Price	Redemption Price	All-in-Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance-related fee p.a.	Minimum Investment Amount
LC	EUR	DE0008474198	847 419	Accumulation	4.00%	140.97	135.54	1.300%	1.35% (1)	--	--

(1) The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. If the Fund invests portions of its assets in target funds, the costs of the respective target funds will also be taken into account. The Fund incurred the total expenses listed here in its last financial year, which ended on 30/09/2024. They are subject to change from year to year.

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Note

Because of its composition or the techniques used by its managers, the fund is subject to heightened volatility. Consequently, unit prices may fluctuate sharply in either direction within short periods of time.
Figures subject to audit. The current sales prospectus which is legally binding for the purchase of fund units is available from your financial consultant or DWS Investment GmbH. The sales prospectus contains detailed information about risk. Evaluations made in this report may change at any time without prior announcement. These statements are based on our assessment of the current legal and tax information.

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Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

Risks

- The fund invests substantially in other funds. When investments are made in other funds, it must be taken into consideration that multiple target funds may pursue the same or mutually opposing investment strategies. This may result in lower diversification effects.
- The fund invests in equities. Equities are subject to strong price fluctuations and thus also to the risk of price decreases.
- The fund invests in bonds, the value of which depends on whether the issuer is able to afford its payments. The deterioration of credit quality (ability and willingness to repay) may have an adverse effect on the value of the bond.
- Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to significant fluctuations up or down within short periods of time. The share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share at any time.

Important note on the investor profile:

Investor profile: Growth-oriented

The sub-fund is designed for growth-oriented investors who wish to achieve capital appreciation primarily through equity gains and exchange rate movements. Expected earnings are offset by high equity, interest rate and currency risks as well as creditworthiness risks and the possibility of heavy losses of the invested capital, up to the total amount invested. The investor is willing and able to bear such a financial loss, and does not prioritize capital preservation.

The Company provides additional information relating to the profile of the typical investor or target customer group for this financial product to distribution agents and distribution partners. If the investor is advised on the acquisition of units by the Company's distribution agents or distribution partners, or if they act as brokers in the purchase of units, they may also provide the investor additional information that also relates to the profile of the typical investor.

Supplementary information on the target market and product costs resulting from the implementation of the MiFID2 Directive and made available to distribution agents by the capital management company can be obtained in electronic form from the Company's website at www.dws.com.

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Morningstar Overall Rating™

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First digit = Total Return; second digit = Consistent Return; third digit = Preservation; fourth digit = Expense

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Please read the fund prospectus and KID before making a final investment decision.

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Alpha

A measure of the difference between the risk-adjusted return on an investment and a benchmark. The alpha measures the part of the performance that cannot be explained by market movements or market risk, but rather is derived from the selection of securities within the market. Alpha is a way of measuring the active contribution to performance made by the portfolio manager. It is also a good yardstick to use when comparing several funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Average dividend yield

Measures the average dividend amount, based on the current share price. This figure is calculated based on the shares (including ADRs/GDRs - > Depositary receipts) and REITs contained in a fund.

Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depositary receipts) contained in a fund. The market capitalization represents the total market value of a company as determined by multiplying the number of shares issued by the current share price.

Beta factor

A measure of sensitivity - given as the average percentage change in the price of a fund when the market (benchmark) rises or falls by 1%. A value over (under) 1 means that on average the fund exhibits more (less) volatility than the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Correlation coefficient

Describes the degree to which two values (fund versus benchmark) move in the same direction. The value of the correlation coefficient is between -1 and +1. A correlation of +1 means that the fund generally moves in the same direction as the benchmark, while -1 indicates that the fund generally moves in the opposite direction. A correlation of 0 means that there is no relation between the price movements of the fund and the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Coupon

The coupon is the portfolio's average weighted coupon.

Duration (in years/in months)

A measure of the sensitivity of an investment to changes in interest rates. Duration, which was developed by Frederick Macaulay, is the average period for which invested capital is committed. Because of the interest payable over time on the invested capital, duration is shorter than -> maturity. This version of duration is used in DWS Top Reporting and refers to invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Information ratio

The information ratio measures the difference between the annualized average return of the fund and that of the benchmark, divided by the Tracking error. The higher this value is, the more the investor compensated for the risk in the fund. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Maximum drawdown

The maximum drawdown is the largest percentage drop in value in a given period of time. It measures the amount the fund falls from its highest point to its lowest point in the selected timeframe. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Modified duration (in years/in months)

Serves as a measure of interest-rate sensitivity. Modified duration indicates the percentage change in price of a bond (in a portfolio) when the market interest rate changes by 1%. In order to calculate the percentage change in the bond price, the modified duration of the bond is multiplied by the percentage change in the interest rate. This figure helps investors assess the risks and opportunities of a bond at a glance.

Sharpe ratio

A measure of risk developed by William F. Sharpe, defined as the excess return on an investment over that of a risk-free investment in relation to the risk of the investment. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the higher the return the investor receives for the risk the investment carries (expressed in volatility). The Sharpe ratio can be used to compare multiple funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Tracking error

The tracking error is the standard deviation of the yield differential between a fund and its benchmark. This makes it a measure of how well the fund manager tracks the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

VaR (Value at Risk)

A measure of risk that indicates the maximum fund losses with a given probability for a given period of time (holding period). VaR is calculated on the basis of the daily prices of the individual securities contained in the portfolio for a year.

Weighted Average Life

The weighted average life of the times of the principal repayments of a liability, i.e. a bond. Refers to invested fund assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Yield

The yield is the annual return on a capital investment, measured as the actual interest earned (effective yield) on the capital invested. It is based on the fund's income (e.g., interest, dividends, realized capital gains) and change in the price of the assets held in the fund. The yield of a fund is

derived from the invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings") and is presented as a "gross" figure, i.e., before the deduction of total expenses/fee.

Volatility

Volatility expresses the degree to which the yield on an investment (the price performance of a fund, for example) varies from a mean value in a specific period of time. This makes it a measure of fund risk. The greater the variation from the mean, the higher the volatility. Knowing the volatility allows investors to assess how uncertain the return potential of an investment is. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.