DWS Invest Asian Bonds

Bond Funds - Emerging Markets/ High Yield Corporate Bonds



41

4.8

1.7

5.5

23

9.0

-7.5

-2.6

59

6.6

(in % of fund volume)

March 2025

As at 31/03/2025

Fund Data

Investment Policy

The fund has a regional focus on Asia Pacific hard currency debt. The investments are predominantly in interest bearing securities that are denominated in USD issued by governments of Asia Pacific countries, Asia Pacific government agencies, Asia Pacific country municipals and Asia Pacific corporates. The fund may invest across both investment grade and high yield debt. The fund is actively managed.

Fund Management's Comment

For detailed comments on the fund and its corresponding markets please see the annual

report.

Performance

Performance (in %) - Share Class USD FC(USD)



Fund Benchmark: JACI Asia Pacific Credit Index - 15.8.2024 Past performance is no indication of current or future performance, and the performance data do not take account of the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of units

	1 m	1 y	3 у	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
USD	-0.2	5.8	7.5	25.2	66.0	1.8	2.4	4.6	1.5	-4.9	3.2	5.2
EUR	-4.2	5.3	10.5	26.9	107.3	-1.9	3.4	4.9	10.1	0.9	-0.5	11.5
BM IN USD	0.1	6.6	9.9	10.8	39.4	2.4	3.2	2.1	-2.5	-10.9	7.0	5.6

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class USD FC(USD)

Volatility	4.44%	Maximum Drawdown	-6.90%	VAR (99%/10 days)	1.11%
Sharpe Ratio	-0.43	Information Ratio	-0.25	Correlation Coefficient	0.92
Alpha	0.39%	Beta	0.64	Tracking Error	2.88%

Principal Holdings (Bonds)

Portfolio Analysis

Breakdown by Country (Bonds)	(in % of fund volume)
Japan	27.7
India	26.0
Indonesia	12.7
Macau	10.1
USA	8.7
Australia	5.3
Korea	■ 3.2
Philippines	■ 3.1
Hongkong SAR	• 1.4
Malaysia	L 1.2
Other Countries	١ 0.9

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Rating	(in % of bond holdings)
AA	9.7
A	21.7
BBB	21.5
BB	34.8
В	11.0
CCC	I 1.4

,	CA Magnum holding 21/31.10.26 Regs	4.2
	Fukoku Mutual Life Insurance 23/	4.1
'	Wi Treasury Sec. 24/15.05.2034	4.1
	Pakuwon Jati 21/29.04.28	2.7
	ReNew Power Private 20/05.03.27 Regs	2.5
	Dai-Ichi Life Holdings 16/ und. Reg S	2.5
	Network I2I 21/03.06.99 Und.Reg S	2.4
	Medco Bell 20/30.01.27 Reg S	2.3
2	Muthoot Finance 24/14.02.2028 MTN	2.2
	GMR Hyderabad Intertnl Airport 21/02.02.26 Reg	2.1
	Total	29.1

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Asset Allocation	(in % of fund volume)
Bonds	100.6
Cash and other assets	-0.6

Morningstar Category[™] Asia Bond

Ratings (As at: 28/02/2025) Morningstar Overall Rating™: Lipper Leaders:

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Note: The key terms are explained in the glossary.

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Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)	Portfolio Breakdown	(in % of fund volume
United States dollar	100.0	Emerging markets corporates	47
		Financial bonds	33.
		Government bonds	- 8
		Corporate Bonds	- 8
		Emerging markets sovereigns	■ 3.
		Cash equivalents	-0.

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

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Key Figures regarding	the Fund's	Assets										
Yield (in %)			6.0	Coupon (ii	า %)			5.5				
Duration (in years)			4.0	Modified E	Duration			4.1 V	/eighted Aver	age Life (in y	ears)	5.8
Number of Bonds			97	Average R	ating			BBB				
Cumulative performan	ce (in %)											
	1 m	1 y	3 у	5 y	s.	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
					Inception							
AUD LDMH(AUD)	-0.2	4.5	2.7	17.7	14.0	1.6	0.9	3.3	0.7	-5.9	1.2	3.7
AUD TFDMH(AUD)	-0.2	5.0			5.6	1.8						4.2
CHF LCH(CHF)	-0.5	0.9	-5.3	6.6	-5.8	0.7	-1.8	1.3	-0.1	-7.6	-1.2	0.4
CHF TFCH(CHF)	-0.5	1.3	-4.0	9.1	-3.3	0.8	-1.4	1.8	0.4	-7.2	-0.8	0.9
FCH(EUR)	-0.3	4.0	1.3	15.8	38.4	1.4	0.4	3.0	0.6	-6.8	1.2	3.5
FCH50(EUR)	-0.3	4.4			9.3	1.5						3.9
GBP TFDMH(GBP)	-0.2	5.6	5.9	22.6	8.7	1.8	1.9	4.2	1.3	-5.5	2.6	5.0
HKD LDM(HKD)	-0.2	4.6	5.2	22.5	16.7	1.9	1.7	4.1	1.6	-5.4	3.0	4.0
HKD LDMH(HKD)	-0.2	4.3	3.0	18.7	15.2	1.5	1.0	3.5	0.8	-5.8	1.6	3.6
HKD TFDMH(HKD)	-0.4	4.5	4.3	21.8	20.0	1.8	1.4	4.0	1.3	-5.1	2.1	3.8
IDH(EUR)	-0.3	4.2	1.9	17.0	7.8	1.4	0.6	3.2	0.9	-6.7	1.4	3.7
LCH(EUR)	-0.3	3.3	-0.5	12.8	1.2	1.1	-0.2	2.4	0.1	-7.2	0.5	3.0
LDH(EUR)	-0.3	3.4	-0.2	12.9	7.7	1.2	-0.1	2.5	0.1	-7.2	0.6	2.9
LDMH(EUR)	-0.4	3.4	-0.1	13.0	6.8	1.3	0.0	2.5	0.1	-7.3	0.7	2.9
NCH(EUR)	-0.4	3.2	-1.1	11.1	4.2	1.2	-0.4	2.1	-0.2	-7.5	0.3	2.7
NDH(EUR)	-0.4	3.1	-1.2		-4.0	1.2	-0.4			-7.5	0.3	2.6
PFDH(EUR)	-0.3	4.2	-0.5		-4.2	1.5	-0.2			-8.2	0.2	3.7
RMB FCH350(CNY)	-0.3	3.5	2.4	25.7	19.8	1.4	0.8	4.7	4.5	-4.1	0.9	2.8
SGD LDM(SGD)	-0.6	4.8	5.0	14.9	20.4	0.5	1.6	2.8	3.1	-6.3	1.1	7.8
SGD LDMH(SGD)	-0.4	3.4	2.2	17.7	13.8	1.3	0.7	3.3	1.1	-5.4	1.3	2.9
SGD TFDMH(SGD)	-0.3	3.9	3.7	20.6	18.4	1.4	1.2	3.8	1.5	-5.0	1.8	3.4
TFCH(EUR)	-0.3	4.0	1.3	15.9	5.5	1.4	0.4	3.0	0.7	-6.8	1.1	3.5
TFDH(EUR)	-0.3	4.2	1.1	15.4	5.1	1.4	0.4	2.9	0.6	-7.1	1.1	3.7
TFDMH(EUR)	-0.3	4.0	1.2	15.6	10.0	1.4	0.4	2.9	0.6	-6.9	1.1	3.5
USD FC(USD)	-0.2	5.8	7.5	25.2	66.0	1.8	2.4	4.6	1.5	-4.9	3.2	5.2
USD FC50(USD)	-0.1	6.1	8.4	27.0	22.2	1.9	2.7	4.9	1.8	-4.6	3.5	5.6
USD FDM(USD)(1)												
USD IC(USD)	-0.2	6.0	8.3	26.7	29.4	1.8	2.7	4.8	1.7	-4.6	3.4	5.5
USD LC(USD)	-0.2	5.3	5.9	22.1	16.9	1.7	1.9	4.1	0.9	-5.3	2.7	4.7
USD LDM(USD)	-0.2	5.2	5.9	21.6	26.8	1.7	1.9	4.0	1.0	-5.3	2.7	4.7
USD TFC(USD)	-0.2	5.8	7.5	25.1	22.1	1.8	2.4	4.6	1.5	-4.9	3.2	5.2
USD TFDM(USD)	-0.2	5.8	7.5	25.1	18.8	1.8	2.4	4.6	1.4	-4.9	3.2	5.3
USD XC(USD)	-0.1	6.2	8.8	27.7	31.2	1.9	2.8	5.0	1.9	-4.5	3.6	5.7
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Portfolio Mar	0	since				16/06/2014	Fund Currency	Currency				
	0	ent Company	DW/S Inv	estment GmbH	& DWS Investments		Launch Date 16/06,					
	0	ent Location	Divolin	Vestillent Onion		Hong Kong	Fiscal Year End				31/12/202	
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Managemen		pany			DVVS Inve	stment S.A.	Investor profile				isk-tolerar	
Legal Structi	ure					SICAV	Fund Domicile			L	uxembour	
Custodian			Sta	te Street Bank I	nternational GmbH, Zv	weign. Luxe						
Share C	lass	es										
Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	Swiss Sec. No.	Earnings	Front-end Load ¹ up to		mption ice	Management Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance- related fee p.a.	Minimun Invest- ment Amount	
UD LDMH	AUD	LU1880859548	44433867	Distribution	3.00%	83.04		1.100%	1.21% (2)			
UD TFDMH		LU2579474243	124511439	Distribution	0.00%	93.79		0.600%	0.71% (2)			
CHF LCH		LU2004370479	48152947	Accumulation	3.00%		4.16	1.100%	1.19% (2)			
CHF TFCH	CHF	LU2004370636	48152983	Accumulation	0.00%			0.600%	0.71% (2)			
СН		LU0813324794	24593809	Accumulation	0.00%	138.41		0.600%	0.71% (2)		2,000,0	
CH50		LU2663664931	128789243	Accumulation	0.00%	109.28		0.300%	0.41% (2)		50,000,0	
BP TFDMH	GBP	LU2079148602	51359215	Distribution	0.00%	84.45		0.600%	0.71% (2)			
IKD LDM		LU1769795342	40320097	Distribution	3.00%		5.07	1.100%	1.18% (2)			
IKD LDMH	HKD	LU1805360861	41872416	Distribution	3.00%		4.62	1.100%	1.21% (2)			
IKD TFDMH		LU1880859621	44433878	Distribution	0.00%		15.52	0.600%	0.71% (2)			
DH		LU1796233663	41436551	Distribution	0.00%		9.78	0.400%	0.47% (2)		10,000,0	
.CH		LU0813324364	25364925	Accumulation	3.00%	6 101.18		1.100%	1.22% (2)			
.DH		LU0813324521	25364926	Distribution	3.00%		8.64	1.100%	1.21% (2)			
.DMH		LU1880859894	44433883	Distribution	3.00%		8.72	1.100%	1.21% (2)			
ICH		LU1914384000	45515208	Accumulation	1.50%		4.20	1.400%	1.51% (2)			
IDH	EUR	LU2251360413	110624706	Distribution	1.50%		4.14	1.400%	1.51% (2)			
FDH		LU2244931775	59387226	Distribution	0.00%		4.25	0.800%	0.57% (2)			
MB FCH350	CNY	LU1968688793	47121178	Accumulation	0.00%		9.77	0.300%	0.39% (2)		350,000,0	
GD LDM	SGD	LU1769795698	40320105	Distribution	3.00%		8.99	1.100%	1.19% (2)			
GD LDMH	SGD	LU1805361083	41872419	Distribution	3.00%		8.12	1.100%	1.21% (2)			
GD TFDMH	SGD	LU1880859977	44433886	Distribution	0.00%		8.63	0.600%	0.71% (2)			
FCH	EUR	LU1663839196	39498656	Accumulation	0.00%	10	5.54	0.600%	0.71% (2)			
FDH	EUR	LU1663839279	39498667	Distribution	0.00%	7	6.66	0.600%	0.71% (2)			
FDMH	EUR	LU1880860041	44433893	Distribution	0.00%	8	1.12	0.600%	0.71% (2)			
ISD FC	USD	LU0813325502	24594180	Accumulation	0.00%	16	6.00	0.600%	0.68% (2)		2,000,0	
SD FC50	USD	LU1949850538	47028574	Accumulation	0.00%	12	2.19	0.300%	0.39% (2)		50,000,0	
ISD FDM	USD	LU2913999327	138778817	Distribution	0.00%	ç	9.64	0.600%	0.74% (3)		2,000,0	
ISD IC	USD	LU1589659504	36525231	Accumulation	0.00%	12	9.43	0.400%	0.44% (2)		10,000,0	
ISD LC	USD	LU0813325411	25365672	Accumulation	3.00%	11	6.94	1.100%	1.18% (2)			
JSD LDM	USD	LU1525638091	35070609	Distribution	3.00%	8	3.01	1.100%	1.18% (2)			
JSD TFC	USD	LU1663839352	39498672	Accumulation	0.00%	12	2.10	0.600%	0.68% (2)			
JSD TFDM	USD	LU1951361812	46950917	Distribution	0.00%	8	7.70	0.600%	0.68% (2)			
JSD XC	USD	LU1589658878	36525313	Accumulation	0.00%	13	31.16	0.200%	0.28% (2)		2,000,0	

(2) 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 31/12/2024. They are subject to change from year to year.

(3) The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. The total expenses listed here represent an estimate since the Fund was launched on (USD FDM:15/10/2024). Actual expenses will be calculated and published once the first financial year has ended. The annual report for each financial year will contain the expense details with their precise calculation.

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Note

¹ Based on the gross investment.

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Data in relation to the fund or the leading unit class.

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Performance Review

Asian credit had a volatile month as investors gauged the impact of tariffs on the global economy, weaker than expected US economic data and concern over fiscal initiatives in Indonesia. JP Morgan Composite Index Asia Pacific (JACI APAC) returned +0.13% with High Yield (HY) marginally outperformed Investment Grade (IG) given the higher yield carry. JACI APAC credit spread to worst widened 17bps to 121bps, with JACI APAC IG spread widened 16bps to 95bps, while JACI APAC HY spread widened 33 bps to 409bps. JACI APAC Spread returned -0.56%, while JACI APAC Treasury returned +0.7%.

Indonesian credit sold off during the month as investors are concerned with President Prabowo's shift towards more social spending from former President's infrastructure push. The set up of a sovereign wealth fund, Danatara, caused concern among investors that it may result in more centralised Government decision making, as well as concerns around the fund's governance and transparency. JACI APAC Indonesia total return was down -1.1% in March, IDR was down -2.8% YTD. The Fund has 12.8% exposure in Indonesia as at end of March 2025, with modified duration of 3 years.

In March, President Trump imposed 25% tariffs on steel and aluminium product, then announced 25% tariffs on all imported vehicles. He further escalated by announcing that the United States will further roll-out a set of tariffs on 2nd April, calling it the "Liberation Day".

The Fund was active in the primary market in March, participating in eight investment grade deals and two high yield deals in total. In the secondary market, some notable trades included the extension of duration on its Macau Gaming positions and started to build small exposures in Hong Kong, Malaysia, and Thailand.

APAC primary market for USD bond was active in March, as issuers took advantage of the lower US Treasury yield and issue ahead of tariffs.

Performance Attribution

Performance Review: DWS Invest Asian Bonds Fund USD FC March performance (net of fee): -0.17% (benchmark: +0.13%) Year-To-Date performance (net of fee): +1.80% (benchmark: +2.43%)

Performance Drivers:

- Macau (Fund: +0.3bps vs BM: -0.1bps): our overweight position in Macau Gaming continued to contribute steady income for the portfolio;
- Malaysia (Fund: +1bps vs BM: -0.6bps): our exposure in high-rated, long-dated paper outperformed as US Treasuries yields fell in the second half of the month;
- Japan (Fund: -5bps vs BM: +7bps): our overweight position in Japan underperformed due to recent new supply in the sector;
- China (Fund: 0bps vs BM: +8bps): the Fund currently has no exposure in China and underperformed as market sentiment improved in China;
- Underweight in Duration 4.1y vs 4.2y

Current Positioning

Major change(s) to the portfolio:

Increased UST holding to 8.7%, from 5.9%

Outlook

Asian credit investors were cautious ahead of "Liberation Day" and we saw credit spread widened on the back of the strong US Treasury rally. JACI APAC credit spread widened 14bps from end of last year, and we are now back to "pre-Trump" level back of October 2024. We felt that the Asian bid for Asian credit remains and investors are waiting for a more attractive spread and more clarity on Trump's trade policy before re-entering the market.

New issuance market continued to see strong demand, in particularly the high-quality IG space. Orderbooks are typically multiple times oversubscribed despite very little new issue premium. Selected names within the HY space, such as Indian Non-Bank Financials and renewables, are also able to print new deals, demonstrating positive market sentiment.

We currently have a neutral view in duration given that we remain cautious and adopt a wait and see approach on the impact of the tariffs US is imposing on its trading partners and possible retaliatory tariffs. Tariffs will put pressure on inflation, but at the same time will lead to slower growth. We currently view a slower US growth as the base case, and do not believe that recession or stagflation is likely, unless the current trade confrontation escalates further.

We will continue to remain neutral on our duration exposure, maintain our current short-dated High Yield exposure for carry. We continue to like the high-quality Indonesia and India High Yield names and the Macau gaming sectors. On the IG front, we continue to like the Japanese insurance subordinated debt sector for its quality and attractive carry.

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Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

Risks

• The fund invests its assets in selected regions or sectors. This increases the risk that the fund may be negatively influenced by the economic and political conditions in the respective regions or sectors.

• 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 affect on the value of the bond. • Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has significantly elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to

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Investor profile: Risk-tolerant

The Fund is intended for the risk-tolerant investor who, in seeking investments that offer targeted opportunities to maximize returns, can tolerate the unavoidable, and occasionally substaintial, fluctuations in the values of speculative investments. The high risks from volatility, as well as high credit risks, make it probable that the fund will lose value from time to time, and expectations of high returns and tolerance of risk are offset by the possibility of incurring significant losses of capital invested.



Please note that the information from Morningstar and Lipper Leaders relates to the previous month.

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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General Risk Warnings

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Prospective investors should have previous experience with the financial instruments that are in use in the specified investment policy. Investors should fully understand the risks associated with investments in fund units and only make investment decisions after consulting with their legal, tax, financial or other advisors in regards to (i) the suitability of an investment in units in view of their personal tax and financial position and/or other circumstances; (ii) the information contained in this prospectus; (iii) the investment policy of the collective investment scheme; and (iv) the risks associated with the investment under the planned investment policy presented by the collective investment scheme.

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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

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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.