

EPIM Cabot Cautious

Investment objective and policy

These discretionary managed model portfolios offer risk-profiled investment solutions, all of which have a dynamic top-down asset allocation strategy implemented using low cost index tracking funds.

The investment objective for the EPIM Cabot Cautious Model Portfolio is to provide a long-term total return which is superior to the UK CPI inflation rate. The performance of the model portfolio is not intended to track the rise (or fall) of any specific index.

Key facts

Inception Date	30/09/2012
Typical Growth / Defensive Split	10:90
Annual Management Charge	0.20%
Total Ongoing Charges (of underlying funds)	0.13%
Portfolio Total Ongoing Charge	0.33%

Equity markets were volatile in July as investors became worried about a potential US recession and stretched valuations in the technology sector.

Many US companies said they were cutting back on spending in their second-quarter earnings reports, fuelling concerns about the health of the US economy. Accusations that the Federal Reserve (Fed) had kept borrowing costs too high for too long increased after the central bank held interest rates. Indeed, since the end of the month, a jobs report showed a sharper slowdown in US hiring than Wall Street expected. The European Central Bank cut rates in June and the Bank of England followed suit in July. Globally, yields on long-dated bonds rose.

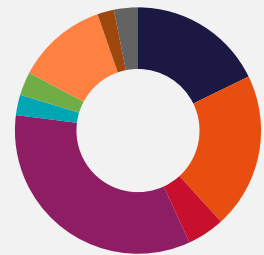
Worries about valuations in the technology sector accelerated. Earnings reports from Alphabet and Tesla disappointed and sparked a wider sector sell off. Concerns centred about the level of spending on AI-related infrastructure, with doubts mounting about whether future returns could justify current investment.

Japanese equities struggled and there was a major sell-off after the Japanese central bank raised the cost of borrowing at month-end. The Bank of Japan raised interest rates for only the second time in 17 years as it continued its shift away from negative interest-rate policies. The strengthening yen has prompted an unwinding of the carry trade – and raised concerns about prospects for the country's key exporters.

Chinese equities remained out of favour as its economy recovers slowly from the Covid-19 pandemic. There are still problems in its property sector and stimulus measures have been muted, but interest rates were cut.

Previous expectations that the Fed can engineer a soft landing are being tested and the FOMC's next scheduled meeting isn't until mid-September. July's events mean there is likely to be continuing volatility until the markets get clarity on future policy. Although the Fed held rates in July, Chair Jerome Powell hinted a rate cut in September was likely. The soft payrolls report has now raised market expectations that a 50-basis-point cut could be in prospect.

Asset Allocation



■ Cash & Equivalent	17.8%
■ Government Bond	20.5%
■ Inflation Linked	4.9%
■ Investment Grade Bond	33.9%
■ UK Equities	2.7%
■ Japanese Equities	3.1%
■ Global/Thematic Equities	11.9%
■ Property	2.2%
■ Infrastructure	3.1%

Top ten holdings

	%
L&G Short Dated Corp Bond Index C Inc	12.5
Vanguard UK Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index	12.0
L&G All Stocks Gilt Index Trust C Inc	9.6
Vanguard Global Short Term Corp. Bond Index Inst. Plus Hdg Acc	9.4
Legal & General International Index Trust C Inc	8.1
L&G Cash Trust I Class	7.9
BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity	7.9
Vanguard Invest. Series Global Short Term Bond Index Inst. Plus Hedged	5.6
Vanguard US Government Bond Index Inv GBP Hedged Inc	5.3
Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond Index C Inc	4.9

Performance %

Discrete Performance	July 23 - July 24	July 22 - July 23	July 21 - July 22	July 20 - July 21	July 19 - July 20	3 yr Volatility
EPIM Cabot Cautious	8.2	0.0	-3.3	3.8	2.8	5.0
UK CPI*	2.1	8.0	9.4	2.5	0.6	-

Cumulative Performance	1m	3m	6m	1yr	3yr	5yr
EPIM Cabot Cautious	1.3	3.1	3.9	8.2	4.7	11.7
UK CPI*	0.1	0.8	1.5	2.1	20.6	24.4

All data as at 31 July 2024

Source: Performance figures and ongoing charges are taken from FE Analytics. All holdings data is sourced from Bloomberg. Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The performance is net of Eden Park Investment Management fees, with income reinvested. *UK Consumer Price Inflation figures quoted with a 1-month lag.

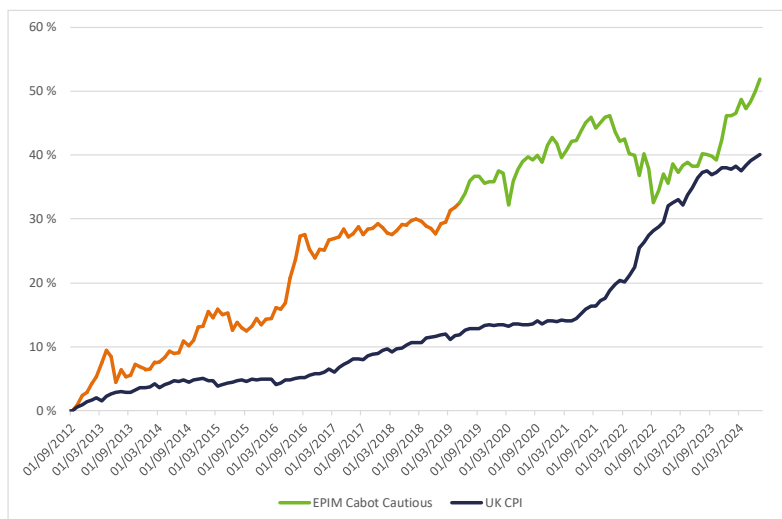
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Investment Team

The model portfolios are managed by Eden Park Investment Management, with investment advisory and management services provided by Charles Stanley. The team of portfolio managers and analysts have extensive experience, drawing upon the expertise of investment specialists, strategists and economists both internally and externally. The research team looks for the best Index tracking funds from the available passive universe.

Performance since Inception



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- ISA
- SIPP
- Offshore Bond

Minimum suggested Investment = £1,000
(subject to platform minimum requirements)

PLATFORMS

- Morgan Lloyd Invest
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