

## SYNOPSIS

### PERFORMANCE (TOTAL RETURN)

	<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Benchmark</u>
Annualised (since 02/01/2014)	8.4%	8.9%
Last 12 months	13.3%	7.6%
Last 3 months	2.8%	1.2%

### PORTFOLIO VALUE

R 1 540.7 million (30/09/2025: R 1 476.5 million)

### TRANSACTIONS

Net purchases of JSE equities, foreign assets and JSE property

Net sales of SA bonds

Net contributions

### INVESTMENT OUTLOOK AND PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

*World:* US growth robust but labour market softening

Tariffs may add renewed inflation pressure

Fed likely to be cautious about aggressive rate cuts

Earnings growth decelerating with greater dispersion

Geopolitical and trade tensions remain elevated

*South Africa:* Growth constrained without structural reform

Energy supply stable but infrastructure fragile

Inflation moderating though risks remain

Limited room for further rate cuts

*Portfolio construction:* Meaningful allocation to equities

Preference for staple food producers and retailers

Low exposure to expensive US equities

Remain cautious on resources sector

Favour inflation-linked bonds over nominal

Physical gold position hedges global risks

### EFFECTIVE ASSET ALLOCATION (previous)

	<u>Portfolio</u>	
	%	%
JSE equities	37	(35)
Foreign assets	36	(39)
JSE property	4	(3)
Commodities	3	(2)
SA bonds	13	(16)
Money market	7	(5)
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## 1. PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

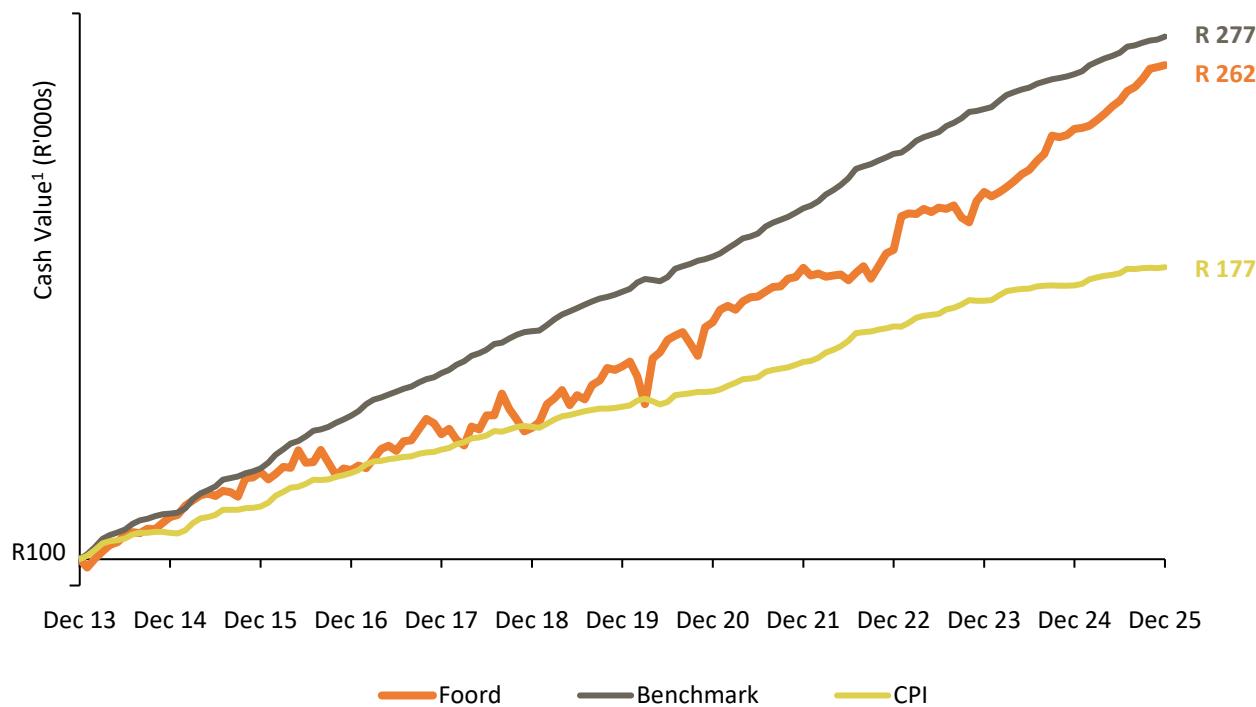
### 1.1 Total performance to 31 December 2025

	<u>Portfolio</u> %	<u>Benchmark*</u> %	<u>Variance</u> %	<u>Peer Group<sup>#</sup></u> %
From inception (02/01/2014)	8.4	8.9	- 0.5	8.0
10 years	8.3	8.8	- 0.5	8.1
7 years	10.6	8.6	2.0	10.5
5 years	10.5	9.0	1.5	11.7
3 years	12.8	7.9	4.9	13.9
1 year	13.3	7.6	5.7	17.8
3 months	2.8	1.2	1.6	4.6

\* CPI + 4% per annum

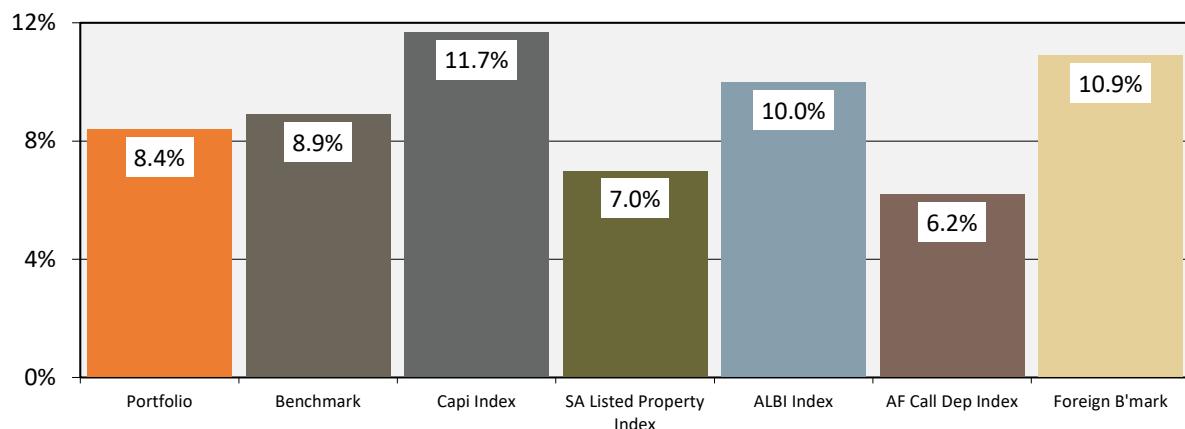
# (ASISA) South Africa – Multi Asset – Medium Equity average

Daily linked total rates of return (capital and income) based on unit price. Returns in percent net of service fees and fund expenses. Returns for periods exceeding 12 months are annualised percentages.



<sup>1</sup> Current value of R100 000 notional lump sum invested at inception, distributions reinvested (graphically represented in R'000s above)

## Performance - Since inception (p.a.)



## 1.2 Selection to 31 December 2025

	JSE equities		JSE property		Interest bearing			Foreign assets	
	Portfolio	Capi Index	Portfolio	SA Listed Property Index <sup>#</sup>	Portfolio	ALBI Index	AF Call Dep Index	Portfolio	Benchmark*
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
From inception (02/01/2014)	8.5	11.7	5.3	7.0	8.9	10.0	6.2	9.6	10.9
10 years	9.2	12.4	3.8	5.1	9.5	11.5	6.3	7.8	8.7
7 years	14.1	16.1	12.1	7.9	10.0	11.7	6.1	11.1	11.3
5 years	19.0	19.3	17.6	20.6	10.1	12.5	6.3	7.2	8.6
3 years	21.4	20.6	31.1	22.9	13.0	16.9	7.7	7.4	13.0
1 year	20.9	42.6	24.9	30.6	14.6	24.2	7.3	8.2	1.9
3 months	9.0	8.9	9.9	16.3	3.9	9.0	1.7	- 3.3	- 2.2

# The FTSE/JSE SA Listed Property Index

\* 60% Morgan Stanley World Equity Index in rand and 40% FTSE World Govt Bond Index in rand

Asset class returns are calculated on a gross basis, using the modified dietz methodology (compounded monthly)

**1.3 Sector contribution to 31 December 2025**

(Returns x weight)

	<u>JSE equities</u> <u>%</u>	<u>JSE property</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Interest bearing*</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Other assets</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Foreign assets</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Portfolio</u> <u>%</u>
1 year	6.5	0.8	3.6	1.1	3.5	15.5
3 months	3.2	0.3	0.8	0.2	- 1.3	3.2

\* Bonds and cash combined

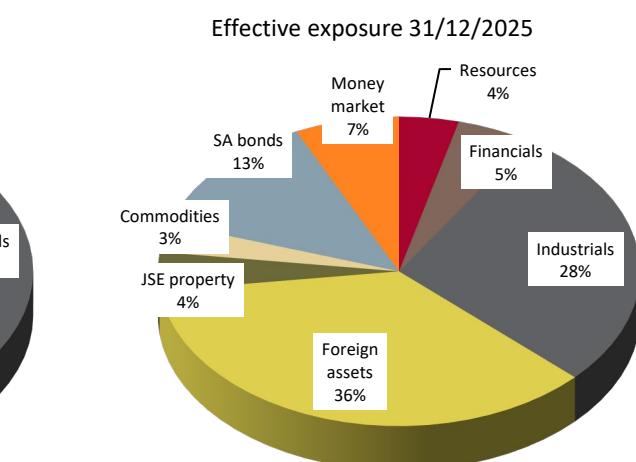
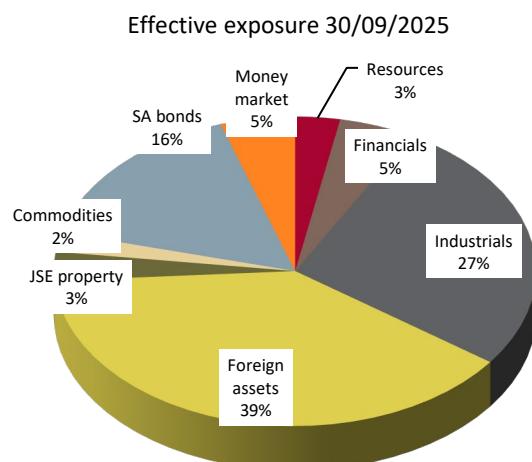
*Returns in percent, calculated on a gross basis*

Quarterly performance comment:

- South African equities were the largest contributor to returns, with the JSE extending its rally as resource stocks surged on stronger metals prices and financials rebounded after months of selling — SA was one of the better-performing equity markets globally for the year
- Global equities detracted from returns with the rand strengthening meaningfully against the US dollar — global equities rose, led by European and UK stocks, despite weaker data and geopolitical concerns and Chinese shares gave back some of their year-to-date gains, while emerging markets gained on dollar weakness and soaring metals prices
- SA bonds contributed meaningfully to returns, with local bonds rallying strongly on moderating inflation and the SARB's repo rate cut — helped by lower borrowing needs and renewed foreign demand for SA bonds
- The fund continued to benefit from its allocation to gold — precious metals gold, silver and platinum surged to record highs as real yields declined and central banks increased purchases of bullion
- The fund's investment in Naspers/Prosus detracted from returns this quarter — having performed well for much of 2025, the final quarter of the year saw Chinese shares giving back some gains as investors took profits
- Domestic cash holdings continued to enhance absolute returns, with yields still outpacing inflation — the rand also appreciated meaningfully against the US dollar, supported by firm commodity prices, renewed capital inflows and broad-based dollar weakness

## 2. PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE

Mandate (%)	Portfolio		FTSE/JSE Capped ALSI Weightings	
	Effective exposure			
	30/09/2025	31/12/2025		
	%	%	%	
JSE equities: resources	3	4	13	
JSE equities: financials (ex property)	5	5	10	
JSE equities: industrials	27	28	14	
0 - 60 JSE equities*	35	37	37	
0 - 45 Foreign assets	39	36		
Foord International Fund	17	16		
Foord Global Equity Fund	11	10		
Currencies	9	7		
Corporate debt	2	3		
0 - 25 JSE property	3	4		
0 - 10 Commodities	2	3		
0 - 100 SA bonds	16	13		
0 - 100 Money market	5	7		
	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>		
<b>Total portfolio</b>	<b>R 1 476.5m</b>		<b>R 1 540.7m</b>	
*Size distribution of JSE equities				
Large capitalisation	57	52	89	
Mid capitalisation	19	21	7	
Small capitalisation	24	27	4	
	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<u>Exposure analysis</u>	<u>Domestic</u>	<u>Foreign</u>	<u>Total</u>	
	%	%	%	
Equities	37	21	58	
Listed property	4	1	5	
Corporate bonds	0	1	1	
Government bonds	13	3	16	
Commodities	3	1	4	
Money market	7	9	16	
	<b>64</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>100</b>	



### 3. PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

- Holdings in total equities was maintained at 58% of the fund — equities continue to offer the best potential for generating real long-term growth and achieving meaningful inflation-beating returns
- SA equities were increased to 37% of total — SA Inc holdings are focused on high-quality banks, as well as staple food producers and retailers
- The weighting in foreign assets remains elevated at 36% of the portfolio — including the offshore earnings of JSE-listed companies, total foreign economic exposure is even higher on a look-through basis
- Foreign equities remain focused on companies with pricing power which are best placed to protect investor capital from higher inflation — direct investment in US equities remains low in relative terms, given high valuations
- Holdings in longer-dated South African nominal government bonds and inflation-linked bonds were trimmed to fund purchases of attractively valued SA Inc shares — the continued rally in longer-dated bonds has pushed yields below levels that adequately compensate for duration and SA sovereign risk
- Listed property remains a small allocation — despite seemingly attractive yields, fundamentals remain weak with oversupply, subdued rental growth, consumer headwinds, and rising municipal costs
- The allocation to foreign government bonds remains low, comprising of short-duration US Treasuries with a preference for inflation-linked bonds — while listed property also remains low, given sector risks and unattractive valuations
- A physical gold ETF position was maintained — gold continues to benefit from supportive fundamentals, a weaker US dollar, and its role as a portfolio diversifier during periods of market stress
- Our effective asset allocation is:

Policy parameters	Portfolio at		
	30/09/2025		31/12/2025
%	%	%	%
0 - 60	JSE equities	35	37
0 - 45	Foreign assets	39	36
	Foord International Fund*	17	16
	Foord Global Equity Fund	11	10
	Currencies	9	7
	Corporate Debt	2	3
0 - 25	JSE property	3	4
0 - 10	Commodities	2	3
0 - 100	SA bonds	16	13
0 - 100	Money market	5	7
		<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

\* Currently 70% in equities, property 5%, commodities 8%, government bonds 4%, corporate bonds 2% and money market 11%

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#### 4. EFFECTIVE EXPOSURE AND PORTFOLIO SENSITIVITY

##### 4.1 Effective exposure

Asset class	Market value R'000	Option exposure R'000	Effective exposure R'000	Effective exposure %
JSE equities	570,059		570,059	37.0%
Foreign assets	561,944		561,944	36.5%
JSE property	54,755		54,755	3.5%
Commodities	38,222		38,222	2.5%
Other assets	17,564		17,564	1.1%
SA bonds	206,198		206,198	13.4%
Money market	91,993		91,993	6.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,540,735</b>		<b>1,540,735</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

##### 4.2 Sensitivity report

###### JSE EQUITIES

###### **Change in portfolio equities**

<b>-20.0%</b>	<b>-10.0%</b>	<b>-5.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>
-114,012	-57,006	-28,503	0	28,503	57,006	114,012
1,426,723	1,483,729	1,512,232	1,540,735	1,569,238	1,597,741	1,654,747
-7.4%	-3.7%	-1.8%	0.0%	1.8%	3.7%	7.4%

###### FOREIGN ASSETS

###### **Change in R/\$ exchange rate**

<b>-20.0%</b>	<b>-10.0%</b>	<b>-5.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>
19.8733	18.2172	17.3892	16.5611	15.7330	14.9050	13.2489
112,389	56,194	28,097	0	-28,097	-56,194	-112,389
1,653,124	1,596,929	1,568,832	1,540,735	1,512,638	1,484,541	1,428,346
7.3%	3.6%	1.8%	0.0%	-1.8%	-3.6%	-7.3%

###### JSE PROPERTY

###### **Change in portfolio property**

<b>-20.0%</b>	<b>-10.0%</b>	<b>-5.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>
-10,951	-5,475	-2,738	0	2,738	5,475	10,951
1,529,784	1,535,260	1,537,997	1,540,735	1,543,473	1,546,210	1,551,686
-0.7%	-0.4%	-0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.7%

###### SA BONDS

###### **Change in yields**

<b>-3.0%</b>	<b>-2.0%</b>	<b>-1.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>
10,383	6,542	3,097	0	-2,790	-5,311	-7,592
1,551,118	1,547,277	1,543,832	1,540,735	1,537,945	1,535,424	1,533,143
0.7%	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	-0.2%	-0.3%	-0.5%

\*[R'000]

## 5. RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT SUMMARY

### Voting resolutions for Q4 2025

#### Portfolio

Adopt Financials  
 Auditor/Risk/Social/Ethics related  
 Buy Back Shares  
 Director Remuneration  
 Issue Shares  
 Loan / Financial Assistance  
 Other  
 Re/Elect Director  
 Remuneration Policy  
 Shares under Director Control  
 Signature of Documents

Total count	For	Against	Abstain
1	100%	0%	0%
136	99%	1%	0%
10	100%	0%	0%
30	100%	0%	0%
10	0%	100%	0%
12	25%	75%	0%
22	82%	18%	0%
52	98%	2%	0%
22	55%	45%	0%
3	0%	100%	0%
4	100%	0%	0%

#### Foord Global Equity Fund

Auditor/risk/social/ethics related  
 Re/elect director or members of supervisory board  
 Remuneration policy including directors' remuneration  
 Others

Total count	For	Against	Abstain
7	71%	29%	0%
20	100%	0%	0%
8	0%	100%	0%
2	0%	100%	0%

#### Foord International Fund

Adopt financials  
 Auditor/risk/social/ethics related  
 Buy back shares  
 Re/elect director or members of supervisory board  
 Remuneration policy including directors' remuneration  
 Signature of documents/ratification  
 Others

Total count	For	Against	Abstain
1	100%	0%	0%
8	63%	38%	0%
1	100%	0%	0%
28	100%	0%	0%
8	0%	100%	0%
4	75%	25%	0%
2	50%	50%	0%

#### General comments:

- There are few abstentions. We apply our minds to every single resolution put to shareholders. When there is an abstention it would typically be intentional or for strategic reasons
- We typically vote against any resolution that could dilute the interests of existing shareholders. Examples include placing shares under the blanket control of directors, providing loans and financial assistance to associate companies or subsidiaries and blanket authority to issue shares. On the rare occasion, we have voted in favour of such resolutions, we were able to gain the required conviction in the specifics of the strategic rationale for such activities and could gain comfort that such activities are indeed to be used to the reasons stated
- The firm also has a strong philosophy regarding management remuneration models. We believe in rewarding good managers with appropriate cash remuneration on achievement of relevant performance metrics that enhance long-term shareholder value. We are generally not in favour of share option schemes given the inherent asymmetry between risk and reward typical of such schemes. In addition, we do not believe that existing shareholders should be diluted by the issuing of new shares to management as is the case with most option schemes. We are in favour of the alignment created between management and shareholders when management has acquired its stake in the company through open market share trading and paid for out of management's own cash earnings

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