

SYNOPSIS

PERFORMANCE (TOTAL RETURN)

	<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Benchmark</u>
Annualised (since 01/04/2008)	11.0%	10.1%
Last 12 months	15.2%	8.6%
Last 3 months	- 1.0%	1.4%

PORTFOLIO VALUE

R 9 967.9 million (30/09/2025: R 10 198.2 million)

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: Significant 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 US Treasuries

Physical gold position hedges global risks

EFFECTIVE ASSET ALLOCATION (previous)

	<u>Portfolio</u>	
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
JSE equities	26	(24)
Foreign assets	61	(59)
JSE property	1	(1)
Commodities	2	(2)
SA bonds	8	(8)
Money market	<u>2</u>	<u>(6)</u>
	<u>100</u>	

1. PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

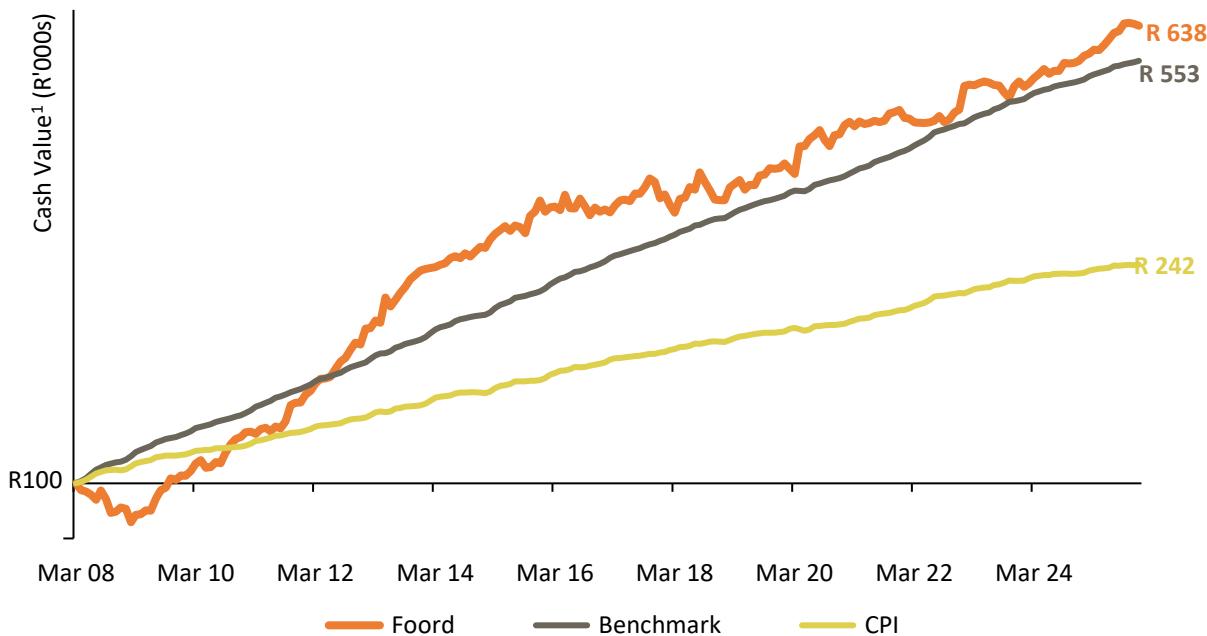
1.1 Total performance to 31 December 2025

	<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Benchmark*</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>Peer Group[#]</u>
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
From inception (01/04/2008)	11.0	10.1	0.9	9.1
15 years	11.7	10.0	1.7	10.6
10 years	7.3	9.8	- 2.5	7.8
7 years	10.6	9.6	1.0	11.5
5 years	9.2	10.0	- 0.8	11.2
3 years	12.0	8.9	3.1	15.1
1 year	15.2	8.6	6.6	11.9
3 months	- 1.0	1.4	- 2.4	1.4

* CPI + 5% per annum

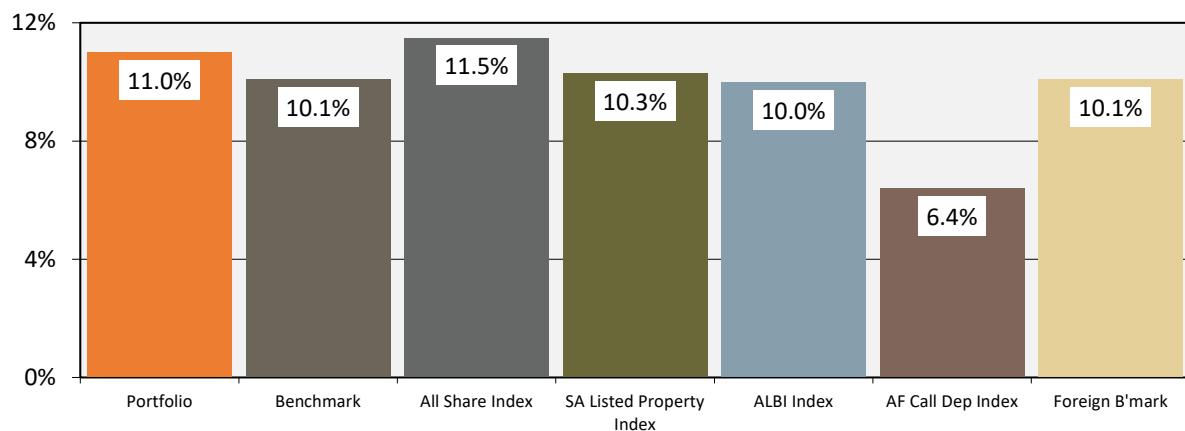
(ASISA) Worldwide – Multi Asset – Flexible average

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 1 year and above are annualised percentages.



¹ 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 Sector contribution to 31 December 2025

(Returns x weight)

	<u>JSE equities</u> %	<u>JSE property</u> %	<u>Interest bearing*</u> %	<u>Other assets</u> %	<u>Foreign assets</u> %	<u>Portfolio</u> %
1 year	5.7	-0.1	1.4	0.6	9.1	16.7
3 months	1.1	0.0	0.5	0.1	-2.3	-0.6

* Bonds and cash combined

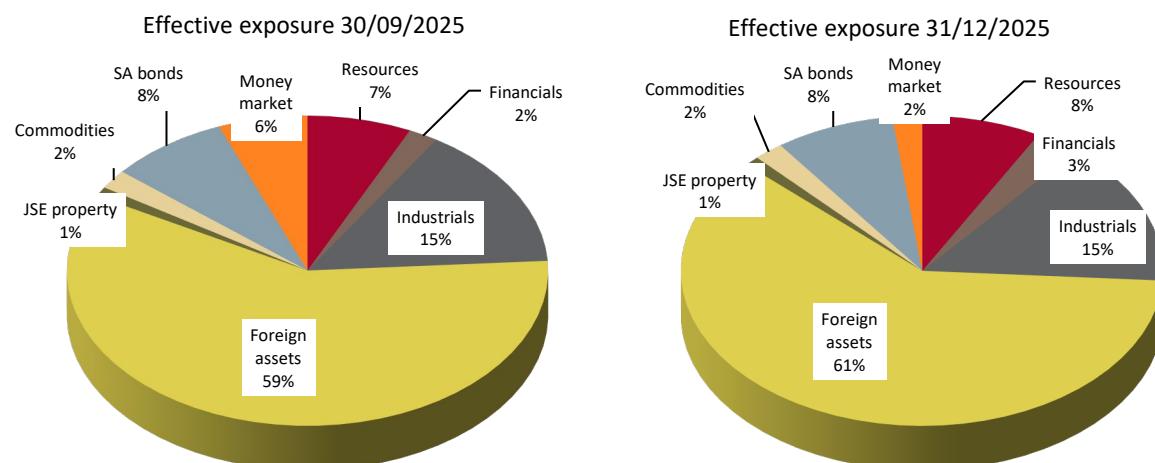
Returns in percent, calculated on a gross basis

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 ALSI Weightings	
	Effective exposure			
	30/09/2025	31/12/2025		
	%	%	%	
JSE equities: resources	7	8	9	
JSE equities: financials (ex property)	2	3	7	
JSE equities: industrials	15	15	10	
0 - 100 JSE equities*	24	26	26	
Foreign assets	59	61		
Foord International Fund	28	28		
Foord Global Equity Fund	32	31		
Currency hedge	-3	0		
Corporate debt	2	2		
0 - 25 JSE property	1	1		
Commodities	2	2		
SA bonds	8	8		
0 - 100 Money market	6	2		
	100	100		
Total portfolio	R 10 198.2m	R 9 967.9m		
*Size distribution of JSE equities				
Large capitalisation	75	74	89	
Mid capitalisation	6	7	7	
Small capitalisation	19	19	4	
	100	100	100	
<u>Exposure analysis</u>	<u>Domestic</u>	<u>Foreign</u>	<u>Total</u>	
	%	%	%	
Equities	26	49	75	
Listed property	1	1	2	
Corporate bonds	0	3	3	
Government bonds	7	2	9	
Commodities	3	2	5	
Money market	2	4	6	
	39	61	100	



3. PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

- Holdings in equities remain the predominant asset class at 75% of the total fund — they continue to offer the best potential for generating real long-term growth and achieving meaningful inflation-beating returns
- South African equities remain moderate at 26% — subdued economic growth prospects locally and globally continue to weigh on the outlook for domestically oriented companies
- The weighting in foreign assets remains at 61% 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 comprise half of the portfolio — direct exposure to US equities remains limited, however, given stretched valuations and narrow margins for error
- Holdings in a longer-dated South African nominal government bonds were trimmed — the continued rally in longer-dated bonds has pushed yields below levels that adequately compensate for duration and SA sovereign risk
- The allocation to South African inflation-linked bonds was maintained — attractive real yields continue to offer value, while SA credit assets are avoided where risks are seen as mispriced
- 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 - 100	JSE equities	24	26
	Foreign assets	59	61
	Foord International Fund*	28	28
	Foord Global Equity Fund	32	31
	Currency hedge	-3	0
	Corporate debt	2	2
0 - 25	JSE property	1	1
	Commodities	2	2
	SA bonds	8	8
0 - 100	Money market	6	2
		100	100

* 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	2,623,316		2,623,316	26.3%
Foreign assets	6,099,385		6,099,385	61.2%
JSE property	80,911		80,911	0.8%
Commodities	235,583		235,583	2.4%
Other assets	83,025		83,025	0.8%
SA bonds	737,416		737,416	7.4%
Money market	108,237		108,237	1.1%
Total	9,967,873		9,967,873	100.0%

4.2 Sensitivity report

JSE EQUITIES

Change in portfolio equities

-20.0%	-10.0%	-5.0%	0.0%	5.0%	10.0%	20.0%
-524,663	-262,332	-131,166	0	131,166	262,332	524,663
9,443,210	9,705,541	9,836,707	9,967,873	10,099,039	10,230,205	10,492,536
-5.3%	-2.6%	-1.3%	0.0%	1.3%	2.6%	5.3%

FOREIGN ASSETS

Change in R/\$ exchange rate

-20.0%	-10.0%	-5.0%	0.0%	5.0%	10.0%	20.0%
19.8733	18.2172	17.3892	16.5611	15.7330	14.9050	13.2489
1,219,877	609,938	304,969	0	-304,969	-609,938	-1,219,877
11,187,750	10,577,811	10,272,842	9,967,873	9,662,904	9,357,935	8,747,996
12.2%	6.1%	3.1%	0.0%	-3.1%	-6.1%	-12.2%

JSE PROPERTY

Change in portfolio property

-20.0%	-10.0%	-5.0%	0.0%	5.0%	10.0%	20.0%
-16,182	-8,091	-4,046	0	4,046	8,091	16,182
9,951,691	9,959,782	9,963,827	9,967,873	9,971,919	9,975,964	9,984,055
-0.2%	-0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%

SA BONDS

Change in yields

-3.0%	-2.0%	-1.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%
39,634	24,749	11,622	0	-10,328	-19,538	-27,782
10,007,507	9,992,622	9,979,495	9,967,873	9,957,545	9,948,335	9,940,091
0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	-0.1%	-0.2%	-0.3%

*[R'000]

5. RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT SUMMARY

Voting resolutions for Q4 2025

Foord Absolute Return

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 document

Total count	For	Against	Abstain
1	100%	0%	0%
46	96%	4%	0%
5	100%	0%	0%
11	100%	0%	0%
5	0%	100%	0%
5	20%	80%	0%
9	100%	0%	0%
23	96%	4%	0%
10	80%	20%	0%
2	0%	100%	0%
3	100%	0%	0%

Foord Global Equity Fund (Luxembourg)

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	57%	43%	0%
17	100%	0%	0%
5	0%	100%	0%
1	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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