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Investment objective and policy

The objective of the investment fund is to provide consistent long term capital and income growth. The investment policy for achieving the objective is for the Manager to invest primarily in equity securities. There is no restriction to economic securities or geographical areas, but the manager considers the objective can be achieved from investing predominantly in UK equities and seeking undervalued overseas opportunities.

Managers' commentary

Portfolio re-positioning

- The portfolio has been significantly re-positioned over March and the beginning of April with a view to improve the performance of the Unit Trust. The dividend yield has been rebased to a more sustainable level and it is now our intention to grow the income consistently from here along with capital appreciation over the long-term.
- The Unit Trust has moved from a concentrated portfolio of 23 large capitalisation investments solely listed in the UK to 48 companies offering a more diverse global exposure. The Unit Trust will invest in between 45-55 companies, primarily across UK listed equities in order to maintain close dialogue with company management teams. However up to 25% of the portfolio can be listed overseas as we believe some of the best opportunities can surface globally at different times and in different industries. Currently the portfolio has 15% invested overseas. We look to invest in companies for the long-term meaning the portfolio will have a very low turnover.
- We are bottom up investors believing some of the best opportunities lie in under-covered companies and so we will invest right across the market capitalisation spectrum.
- We aim to find high quality companies trading at appealing valuations. Intrinsically we have a value bias often looking for opportunistic and contrarian investments but also strive to find growth at a reasonable price.
- We employ a concise, simple and transparent strategy that we believe can outperform over the longterm; seeking to find companies with strong balance sheets, with little to no debt, consistent, defensive earnings streams, healthy cash generation, growing dividends and stable market positions. We maintain close dialogue with company management teams and where possible will often spend time at their facilities, meeting employees and continuing to develop our understanding of each business.

Market and Portfolio commentary

Consistent Opportunities Unit Trust fell 11% in the month of October with extreme volatility appearing across global markets particularly in small and midcap companies which the Fund has an overweight exposure. The negative performance was exacerbated by stock specific news with profit warnings from RPS Group and Warpaint London along with new of margin pressures at Victoria PLC and a 450m euro proposed bond offering.

US treasuries had been drifting off in previous months and strong economic data along with fears of faster interest rate increases led the 10 year US government bond yield to rise to an eight year high of 3.3%. This led to a broader global market sell off with particular negative sentiment in highly valued technology stocks. Closer to home continued uncertainty in Brexit negotiations along with political uncertainty in Europe exacerbated the sell-off with some irrational prices appearing late in 'Red October'.

The fall across the Fund value has been disappointing over the last two months, however we believe the current portfolio valuation looks very appealing along with 14 of the 47 companies sitting on healthy net cash positions.

Portfolio metrics*

Forward P/E	13.1x
Forecast EPS growth 2019	11.30%
Forecast DPS growth 2019	11.00%
Portfolio Yield	2.90%
Avg Dividend Cover	3.4x
Avg Net Debt / EBITDA	1.1x

*Reuters Eikon Smart Estimates

Turning back to the portfolio, there were significant disappointments across Warpaint London, Victoria PLC and RPS Group. Warpaint London halved in value after the company surprised markets with tough market conditions across their UK division. However we believe the fall has been overdone with strong growth in Overseas markets being largely ignored by investors. RPS Group warned profits will be below expectations with the board continuing to invest in the business to improve longterm performance of the group. The focus is to improve the RPS Brand and the increased investment is the main reason for the downgrade which overtime should deliver results for the business. Victoria PLC issued a statement which outlined margin pressures within the business and this spooked the market with concerns on regarding the recent proposed bond offering. The valuation of the business relative to peers looks suppressed and we believe the fall in the shares has been too severe.

There were positive moves across Greggs (+10%) on a resilient trading update, Clinigen (+7%) which we believed to be well positioned following the completion of two acquisitions, Polypipe (+4%) which announced the acquisition of Manthorpe Building Products which they expect will be earnings accretive in the first full year of ownership and finally Zotefoams (+2%) which held up well in the market selloff in anticipation of their trading update in November.

Finally, we continue to invest in the Fund on a personal level and remain committed to the longterm investment strategy.

Performance data*

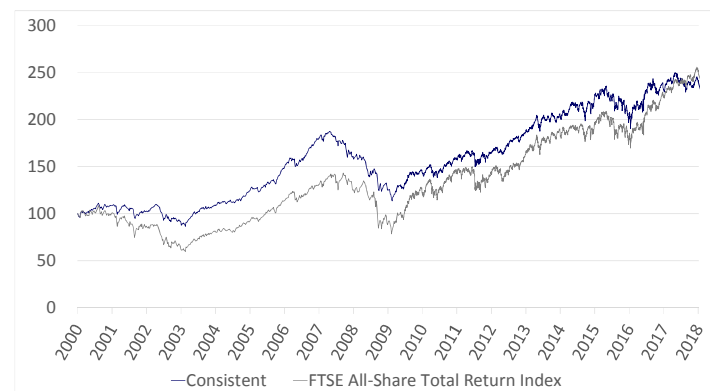
As at 28 September	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
Income	-14.2%	-10.9%	-13.5%	-6.5%	-0.4%
Accumulation	-14.2%	-10.9%	-13.5%	-6.6%	-0.5%
FTSE All-Share TR	-7.1%	-3.5%	-1.4%	25.3%	30.4%

Annual**	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Income	-0.5%	4.1%	2.7%	5.6%	4.2%
Accumulation	-0.5%	4.2%	2.8%	5.6%	4.3%
FTSE All-Share TR	9.1%	14.9%	3.8%	5.4%	5.6%

*Source: Published prices.

**Annual performance as per published Report and Accounts 31 July.

Relative performance 31 January 2000 to 31 October 2018



The above graph shows the performance of Consistent Unit Trust Income Units with net income reinvested and the FTSE All-Share TR Index. The price of the units and index have been re-based to 100 as at 31 January 2000.

Market capitalisation exposure (%)

	%
£7.5bn +	5.8
£2.5bn to £7.5bn	5.6
£750m to £2.5bn	37.0
£250m to £750m	26.1
< £250m	25.2
Cash	0.3

Source: Bloomberg - Based on current market capitalisation

Top ten holdings

	% of Fund Size
1 Anexo Group	3.50
2 Zotefoams	3.48
3 Focusrite	3.15
4 Macfarlane Group	2.92
5 RPC Group	2.75
6 Clinigen Group	2.69
7 Greggs	2.50
8 Van Elle Holdings	2.50
9 Kion Group	2.44
10 Coats Group	2.40
Total	28.33

Source: all data sourced from Yealand Administration Limited at the reporting date, unless otherwise stated.

The above past performance data is no guide to future performance, the value of units and the income from them may fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed. Returns are shown net of annual management charge, other expenses and net income reinvested.

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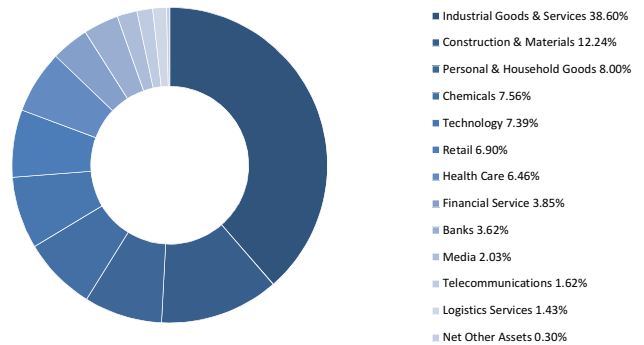
Key Information

Authorised Fund Manager Consistent Unit Trust Management Company Limited

Valuation point	31 October 2018	
Fund size	£9.2m	
No. of holdings	48	
<i>Unit class</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Accumulation</i>
Fund size split	£6.4m	£2.8m
Bid price	45.77p	119.4p
Offer price	46.67p	121.8p
Net yield	2.78%	2.78%
Ongoing charges*		
AFM	1.00%	1.00%
Other expenses	0.31%	0.31%
ISIN	GB0002164092	GB0002177581
Bloomberg ticker	CONUNTI LN	CONUNTA LN
KIID risk rating	5	5
Launch date	22 January 1988	
Legal status	UCITS	
Category	Unit Trust	
Domicile	United Kingdom	
Period end dates	Interim 31 January, Final 31 July	
Distribution dates	Interim 31 March, Final 30 September	
Minimum investment	£1,000	
Regular savings	£50	

*The OCF is the total expenses paid by the fund (excluding bank overdraft interest), annualised, against its average net asset value. The OCF will fluctuate as the average net assets and costs change. The OCF is updated following the publication of accounts for the periods ending 31 January and 31 July.

Sector classification of investments



How to buy units in the Fund

The Fund is available through a number of distributors including:

AJ Bell
Charles Stanley Direct
Cofunds
Fidelity Funds Network
Funds Direct
Hargreaves Lansdown
Novia Financial

Other investment information

Recommended minimum investment horizon:



Risk and reward profile



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