

Russell Investments World Equity Fund



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Fund facts

Share class; Dealing ccy

Class B Acc; USD

Dealing frequency; Cut off

Daily; 2.00pm GMT

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Ireland; UCITS

Fund size

USD 1,631.47m

ISIN; Bloomberg

IE0034343834; FRAWEQB ID

Fund launch date

23 June 2004

Share class launch date

23 June 2004

Management fee

0.90%

Share class NAV

USD 37.15

Fund objective

The Fund aims to achieve long term growth by investing at least 80% of its assets in the equities of companies worldwide. The Fund is broadly diversified across different countries worldwide and industry sectors. The Fund may also invest up to 20% of its assets in emerging markets. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the MSCI World Index (USD) - Net Returns (the "Index") which it seeks to outperform by 2% over the medium to long term. Russell Investments/ Money Managers have full discretion to select investments for the Fund.

Fund update

The Fund finished ahead of the benchmark in the second quarter. In factor performance, exposure to deeper value was suited to the prevailing market environment. In sectors, stock positioning within consumer discretionary (underweight [low] Tesla), financials (overweight [low] ING Groep, low Caixabank) and communication services (low Euromoney Institutional, low Netflix), drove performance. This was slightly mitigated by names within technology (low Plaid), industrials (low Raksul) and the underweight allocation to consumer staples. In regions, stocks picks were strongest in the US and weakest in Japan and the UK.

Performance review (%)

Performance to period end Returns shown in USD	1 month	3 months	Year to date	12 months	3 years	5 years	Since inception*
Return gross of management fee Class B Acc	-8.9	-14.9	-19.6	-14.6	7.1	7.7	8.5
Return net of management fee Class B Acc	-8.9	-15.1	-19.9	-15.4	6.2	6.7	7.6
MSCI World Index (USD) - Net Returns	-8.7	-16.2	-20.5	-14.3	7.0	7.7	7.2

*Inception: 23 June 2004

All returns greater than 1 year are annualised

Discrete rolling 12 month performance (%)

Returns shown in USD	30/06/17 30/06/18	30/06/18 30/06/19	30/06/19 30/06/20	30/06/20 30/06/21	30/06/21 30/06/22
Return gross of management fee Class B Acc	11.1	6.0	0.2	43.8	-14.6
Return net of management fee Class B Acc	10.1	5.0	-0.7	42.5	-15.4
MSCI World Index (USD) - Net Returns	11.2	6.3	2.8	39.0	-14.3

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The current benchmark is the MSCI World Index (USD) - Net Returns converted into the currency displayed in the performance table above where applicable. Prior to 1st January 2018 the benchmark was the Russell Developed Large Cap NR Index. Prior to 1st April 2011 the benchmark was MSCI World NR.

Portfolio statistics

	Fund	Benchmark	3 years	Fund	Benchmark
Number of equity holdings	639	1539	Volatility ratio	18.1	18.2
Price/earnings	21.0	24.0	Tracking error	2.1%	-
Dividend yield	1.9	1.7	Sharpe ratio	0.4	0.4
Price to book	4.0	4.6	Information ratio	-0.4	-
EPS growth (1 year)	31.2	31.2	3 year return (net)	6.2%	7.0%
			3 year excess return (net)	-0.8%	-

Data as at 31 May 2022

Source: Factset

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Ten largest holdings by weight

Security	Fund	Benchmark
Microsoft Corp.	4.3%	3.6%
Apple Inc.	2.9%	4.5%
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	1.8%	0.9%
Alphabet Inc. Class A	1.8%	1.3%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	1.6%	-
Alphabet Inc. Class C	1.4%	1.2%
Amazon.com, Inc.	1.3%	2.0%
Johnson & Johnson	1.3%	0.9%
Roche Holding AG	1.0%	0.4%
Meta Platforms, Inc. Class A	1.0%	0.9%

Data as at 31 May 2022

Regional weights

	Fund	Benchmark
US & Canada	68.1%	71.9%
Europe ex United Kingdom	13.8%	13.9%
Japan	7.2%	6.2%
United Kingdom	4.6%	4.4%
Asia Pacific ex-Japan	3.3%	3.5%
Emerging Markets	2.6%	0.1%
Unclassified	0.4%	-

Data as at 31 May 2022

Sector weights

	Fund	Benchmark
Information Technology	23.1%	21.4%
Health Care	15.0%	13.4%
Financials	14.5%	13.9%
Communication Services	9.5%	7.5%
Industrials	9.4%	9.9%
Consumer Discretionary	8.8%	10.7%
Consumer Staples	5.9%	7.4%
Materials	4.5%	4.6%
Energy	4.3%	5.2%
Utilities	2.6%	3.1%
Real Estate	2.3%	2.8%
Other	0.3%	-

Data as at 31 May 2022

ESG data

	Fund	Benchmark
ESG Score	21.3	24.0
Carbon footprint	122.5	121.9

Data as at 31 May 2022

Source: The portfolio-level ESG Risk Rating is the weighted average of the Sustainalytics' Risk Rating for securities in the portfolio. The Sustainalytics Risk Rating details are available at <https://www.sustainalytics.com/esg-data>. Carbon footprint is the weighted average carbon intensity of the Scope 1 and 2 carbon emission intensity of companies in the portfolio. It is measured in tonnes of CO₂e divided by revenue (USD \$M).

Fund structure

Manager/Strategy	Role in fund	Target	Actual
J O Hambro	Specialist manager with market oriented expertise, focused on UK stocks	9.0%	9.1%
Nissay	All-cap strategy focused on contrarian value stocks in Japan	8.0%	9.2%
Numeric	Value and momentum exposure delivered through a quantitative approach	12.0%	15.7%
Sanders	Value approach focusing on out-of-favour companies	15.0%	15.3%
CouplandCardiff	Concentrated, growth-focused approach, with a mid- and smaller-cap bias	5.0%	5.5%
Invesco	Market-oriented, employing a mix of quality, growth and valuation criteria	12.0%	10.4%
Fiera Capital	Growth-oriented stock selection with a focus on quality	10.0%	9.5%
Russell Investments	Positioning strategy providing factor exposures	20.0%	11.9%
Wellington	Buys companies with strong earnings growth prospects and momentum	9.0%	6.1%
Russell Investments (cash & other)		-	7.2%

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