

PPS FLEXIBLE INCOME FUND



INVESTMENTS

As of 31/03/2021

FUND DESCRIPTION

The fund may invest in high-yielding securities and listed or unlisted financial instruments. It may also hold units in collective investment schemes or other similar schemes. Ratios may vary to optimise prevailing market conditions. The maximum effective exposure in local and foreign equities is limited to 10%; and effective local and foreign property is limited to 25% of the market value of the portfolio.

The PPS Flexible Income Fund aims to provide investors with income in excess of its benchmark, while providing capital protection in times of bond market weakness. This fund is managed according to Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act and therefore is a suitable standalone vehicle for retirement savings.

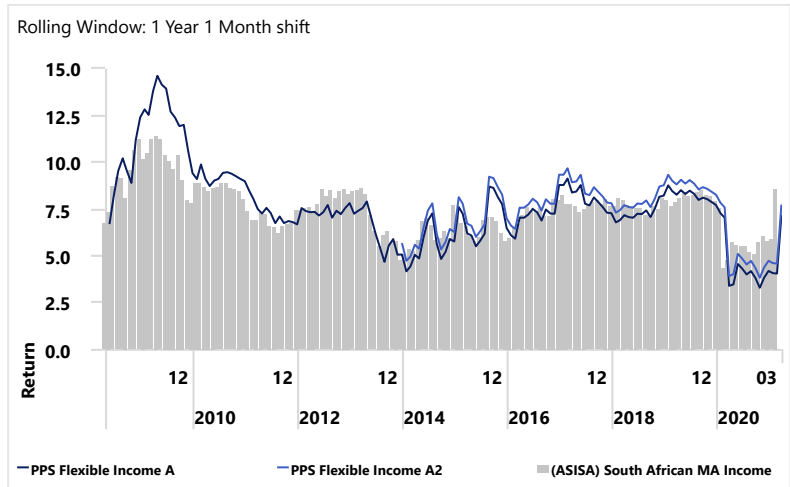
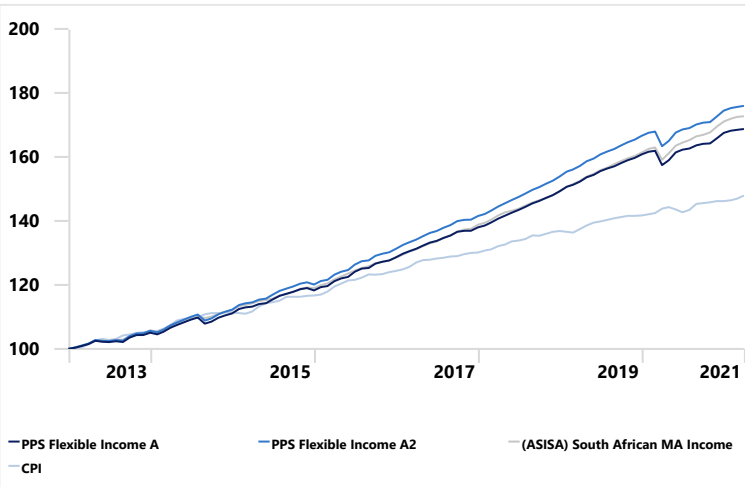
FUND OVERVIEW

List of classes*	A & A2
Portfolio category	South African - Multi Asset - Income
Launch date	14 May 2007 (A) ; 2 January 2013 (A2)
Investment manager	PPS Multi-Managers Proprietary Limited (authorised FSP)
Benchmark	South African - Multi Asset - Income Quarterly
Income distribution	Quarterly
Investment horizon	Short term - twelve month and longer
Portfolio size	R1 545 064 854
Manager fee (excl. VAT)	1.00% (A) ; 0.55% (A2)
Trustee	Standard Chartered Bank
Risk profile	Low - Medium

*On PPS Investment platform, A2 class is available in Select range and A class is available in Original range

ILLUSTRATIVE PERFORMANCE

Estimated growth of R100 000 invested with all distributions reinvested (for illustrative purposes only). Growth is represented in R '000



ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE

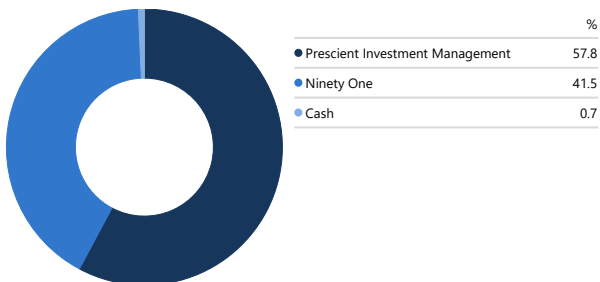
	3 months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	Since Inception A^	Since Inception A^^
PPS Flexible Income A	0.73%	7.18%	6.26%	6.86%	6.79%	6.75%	7.54%	—
PPS Flexible Income A2	0.86%	7.73%	6.80%	7.41%	7.33%	—	—	7.30%
(ASISA) South African MA Income***	0.97%	8.57%	6.83%	7.26%	7.09%	7.10%	7.47%	6.86%

^14 May 2007; ^^2 January 2013

	YTD 2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
PPS Flexible Income A	0.73%	4.19%	7.71%	8.22%	7.27%	8.79%	6.48%	5.76%
PPS Flexible Income A2	0.86%	4.73%	8.26%	8.77%	7.81%	9.34%	7.00%	6.27%
(ASISA) South African MA Income***	0.97%	6.02%	8.18%	7.50%	8.03%	8.03%	6.18%	5.96%

***Benchmark change from JSE ALBI 1-3 years Total Return Index to South African - Multi Asset - Income as at 1 March 2021

ASSET MANAGERS



RISK METRICS**

Metric	A	A2	Benchmark
Annualised Standard Deviation	1.8%	1.8%	1.6%
Maximum Drawdown	-2.8%	-2.7%	-2.4%
Percentage of Positive months	98.3%	98.3%	98.3%
Information Ratio	-0.64	0.22	—
Sharpe Ratio	3.07	3.35	—

**Risk metrics calculated over a 5 year period

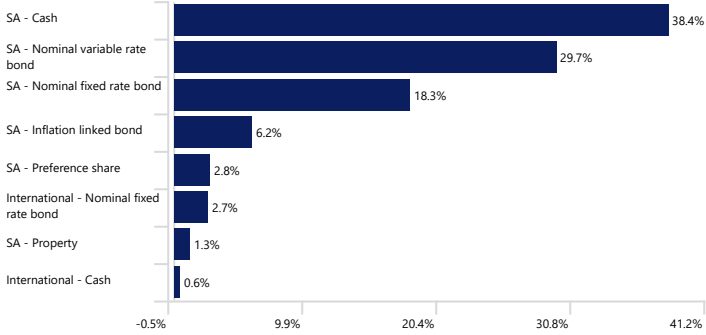
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ASSET ALLOCATION



PORTFOLIO DETAIL

Top 5 Holdings	Allocation
Ninety One High Income Fund Class Z	6.5%
RSA 10.50% 20261221	5.5%
Ninety One Corp Bond Fund Class Z	4.6%
Standard Bank 3M JIBAR +120BPS 20210608	3.5%
Nedbank 3M JIBAR +110BPS 20210520	2.9%

Top 5 Issuers	Allocation
Standard Bank of South Africa Ltd.	20.5%
Republic of South Africa	18.9%
NEDBANK LTD.	17.2%
FIRSTRAND BANK LTD.	10.2%
ABSA BANK LTD.	7.6%

MATURITY ALLOCATION

Maturity	Allocation
< 1 year	30.3%
1 - 3 years	24.4%
3 - 7 years	35.5%
7 - 12 years	7.4%
12 and more years	2.4%

1 YEAR FEES (%) (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)

Fees	A	A2
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.18	0.66
Transaction costs (TC)	0.06	0.06
Total investment charge (TER+TC)	1.24	0.72

3 YEAR FEES (%) (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)

Fees	A	A2
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.18	0.67
Transaction costs (TC)	0.04	0.04
Total investment charge (TER+TC)	1.22	0.71

DISTRIBUTIONS

Date	A	A2
31/03/2021	1.12	1.25
31/12/2020	0.84	0.98
30/09/2020	1.26	1.41
30/06/2020	1.63	1.77

HIGHEST & LOWEST RETURNS SINCE INCEPTION (12-month rolling performance)

	A [^]	A2 ^{^^}
Highest	14.6%	9.7%
Highest Month End Date	2009/04/30	2017/02/28
Lowest	3.4%	3.9%
Lowest Month End Date	2020/03/31	2020/03/31

[^]14 May 2007; ^{^^}2 January 2013

FUND COMMENTARY

This multi-managed multi-asset fund aims to outperform an index of shorter-dated government bonds over rolling one-year periods. Managers in the fund can invest in bonds across the maturity spectrum, as well as hold property, preference shares, floating rate instruments, and other fixed interest assets including foreign bonds and cash. The fund is diversified across managers who themselves implement their best investment view.

GDP growth, although still negative for 2020, ended better than previously expected and there was an improvement in the forecast for 2021. In addition, inflation has remained muted in South Africa, ending the quarter slightly below the bottom end of the target band. The US and UK has led globally with vaccine roll-outs while SA has been making slow progress. However, the slowing of COVID-19 infections locally has been positive for the economy as more businesses have been able to operate under the current level of restrictions.

Over the one year investment horizon SA nominal bonds in total were up 17.0%, while short dated bonds were up 10.0% and long dated bonds were up 15.7%. Inflation-linked bonds showed a turnaround with a 16.7% return for the year. Cash delivered a return of only 4.0%, which has been declining over time, in line with short term rate cuts. Domestic property (up 34.4%) experienced a strong rebound after disappointing previous performance.

For the quarter the fund marginally underperformed the benchmark (peer group average) and has remained competitive against peers over longer time periods. Ninety One has been in the fund for six months now and has positively contributed to performance by implementing a somewhat more conservative, diversified approach. We remain positive that the change in underlying managers will continue to result in an improvement in performance.

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DISCLOSURES

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) are generally medium-to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) may go down as well as up, and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. CIS are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. The manager does not provide any guarantee either in respect of the capital or the return of a portfolio.

Total Expense Ratio (TER) is a measure that can be used by investors and advisers to determine how much of a CIS's underlying assets are relinquished as payment for services rendered in the administration of the CIS. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's.

Transaction Costs (TC) is a measure that can be used by investors and advisers to determine the costs incurred in buying and selling assets underlying the CIS. TC's are a necessary cost in administering the CIS and impact CIS's returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of CIS, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

Total Investment Charges (TIC) is a measure of total cost relating to the investment. TIC is the sum of the total expense ratio (TER) and the transaction cost (TC).

TER's and TC's are expressed as a percentage of the daily net asset value of the CIS calculated over the past one year and three-year period on an annualised basis. The TER and TC disclosed are estimates based on our best estimate of the underlying costs.

These performance figures are for lump sum investments with income distributions reinvested on the ex-dividend date. All PPS Multi-Managers performance figures and values are quoted after the deduction of costs and applicable taxes incurred within the Fund. Actual investment performance will differ based on the initial fees applicable, the actual investment date and the date of the reinvestment of income and dividend withholding tax. The reinvestment of income is calculated based on actual distributed amount and factors such as payment date and reinvestment date will be considered. Please note that performance over periods greater than one year is annualised. Annualised performance is the average return earned on an investment each year over a given time period. Performance is based on NAV to NAV calculations and calculated on a rolling monthly basis. The past performance is relevant to the investment or the service offered by the manager.

This fund is exposed to foreign securities and as such, it may be subject to the macroeconomic, settlement risks and political risks brought about by this exposure. It may also be subject to currency risk, which means the underlying investments of the fund could depreciate or appreciate against the reporting currency of the investor. Because these securities are listed on other exchanges, it may be subject to the relevant regulatory authority, and thus the tax implications and legislative changes of that particular entity. There may also be delays in realizing investments, due to system or liquidity issues experienced by the respective exchange. In addition, market and investment value fluctuations may occur. Overall, please be advised that, as indicated by the risk profile and potentially influenced by asset allocation, risks may be associated with this fund such as general market risk, company risk, credit risk, counterparty risk and third party operational risk.

Unit Trust prices are calculated on a Net Asset Value basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any deductible expenses from the Fund divided by the number of units in issue. Transactions must be received by the Management Company (MANCO) by 2pm to receive the net asset value price for that day. Transaction requests received after this cut off time will only be processed on the next business day, and will receive the price of that day. Linked Investment Service Providers (LISP), specify their own transaction timelines and may take up to five business days to process. Portfolio valuations occur at 3 p.m. on business days, except the last business day of the month, when it will be 5pm. Prices are published daily and are available in the daily newspapers.

A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions are available on request. This fund does not charge performance fees.

The manager may close the portfolio to new investors to ensure the portfolio is managed according to its mandate.

Additional information of the proposed investment, including brochures, application forms and annual or quarterly reports, can be obtained from the Manager, free of charge.

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