

## Investment Objective & Strategy

The **WealthStrat Moderate Prescient Fund of Funds** will aim to deliver a moderate long term total return. The manager shall have limited flexibility in terms of asset allocation and shall not be precluded from continually varying the underlying exposure to both local and offshore assets. The Fund will employ asset and limited geographical allocations to reflect changing economic and market conditions to maximise returns over the long term, the **WealthStrat Moderate Prescient Fund of Funds** will, apart from assets in liquid form, consist solely of participatory interest in Collective Investment Schemes which will invest in a diversified mix of assets, including but not limited to equities, property, preference shares, money market and fixed interest instruments. The equity allocation will be managed at a maximum effective exposure, including offshore equity, up to 60%. The underlying collective investment schemes are permitted to invest in listed and unlisted financial instruments in line with conditions as determined by legislation from time to time. The underlying portfolios will predominantly invest in South African markets but is however permitted to include investments in offshore jurisdictions subject to the investment conditions determined by legislation from time to time.

## Risk Profile



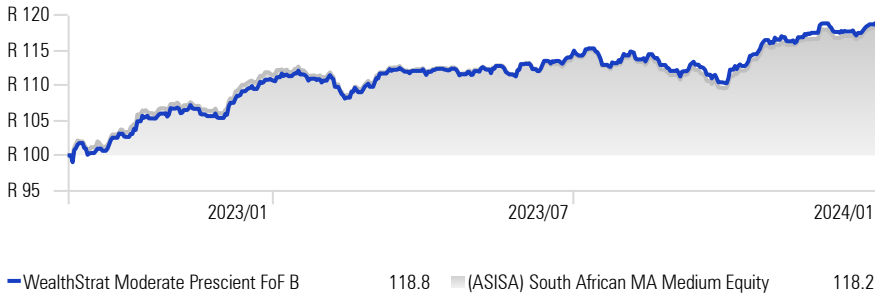
## Annualised Returns

	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
WealthStrat Moderate Prescient FoF B	7.20	—	—	—	—	13.76
(ASISA) South African MA Medium Equity	5.98	6.48	8.63	8.16	8.31	13.35

## Rolling 1-Year Performance

Highest rolling 1 year return	12.85
Lowest rolling 1 year return	7.02

## \*Illustrative Performance

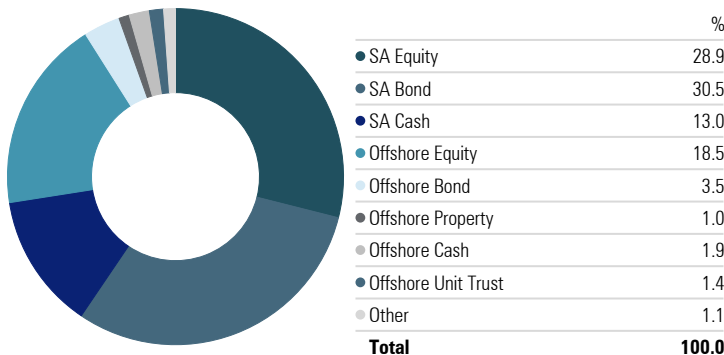


## Monthly Returns

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2024	-0.12												<b>-0.12</b>
2023	5.14	0.14	-1.00	2.07	-0.52	1.40	1.22	0.07	-2.13	-1.54	5.89	1.74	<b>12.85</b>
2022	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.13	2.65	-0.47	—
2021	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

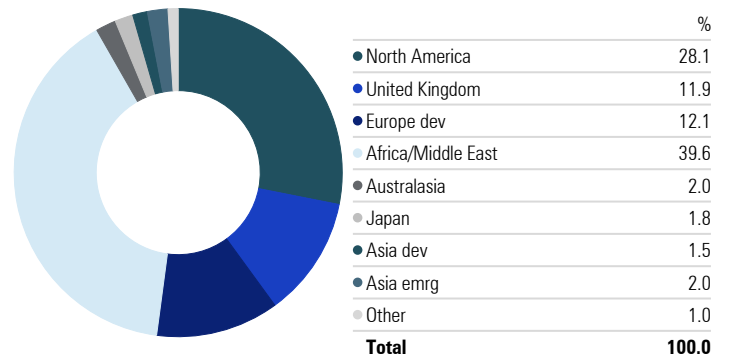
## Asset Allocation

Portfolio Date: 2023/12/31



## Equity Regional Exposure

Portfolio Date: 2023/12/31



## Fund Information

Portfolio Manager	WealthStrat (Pty) Ltd
Fund Classification	(ASISA) South African MA Medium Equity
Benchmark	ASISA SA MA Med Equity-Sec Avg
Time Horizon	5 Years
Regulation 28 Compliant	Yes
Inception Date	2022/09/30
Fund Size	R 2,053,832,249.00
ISIN	ZAE000311940
Ticker	NWMPFB

## Investment Minimums

Minimum Lump Sum	R 10 000
Minimum Monthly Debit Order	R500

## Fee Breakdown (B Class)

Management Fee	0.46% (Excl. VAT)
Performance Fee	0.00
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.09
Transaction Costs (TC)	0.09
<b>Total Investment Charges (TIC)</b>	<b>1.18</b>

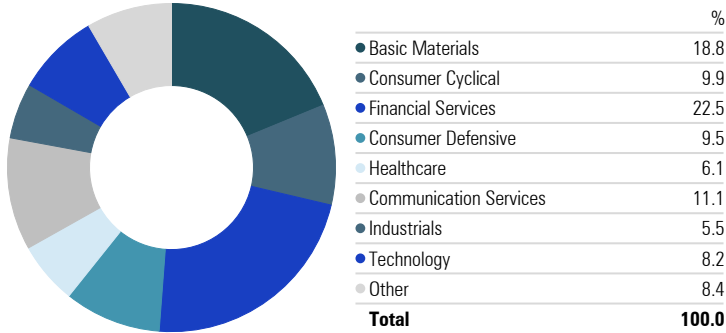
## Manager Allocation

Portfolio Date: 2023/12/31

Manager	%
Nedgroup Inv Core Bond C	16.17%
Nedgroup Inv Core Global FF B	16.05%
10X S&P SA Top 50 D	12.40%
Ninety One Diversified Income A	10.53%
Matrix SCI Stable Income B1	7.86%
Truffle SCI General Equity D	6.10%
Fairtree Equity Prescient B5	6.05%
Amplify SCI Strategic Income A1	5.97%
Aylett Equity Prescient A5	5.09%
Dodge & Cox Worldwide Global Stk USD Acc	4.21%
PSG Equity D	4.13%
Ninety One Global Franchise FF A	4.13%

## Equity Sector Exposure

Portfolio Date: 2023/12/31



## Top 10 Equity Holdings

Portfolio Date: 2023/12/31

Company	%
Anglo American PLC	1.90%
Naspers Ltd Class N	1.81%
Firstrand Ltd	1.63%
Standard Bank Group Ltd	1.35%
Prosus NV Ordinary Shares - Class N	1.21%
Gold Fields Ltd	1.18%
British American Tobacco PLC	1.18%
Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV	1.01%
Absa Group Ltd	0.91%
Microsoft Corp	0.83%

## Risk Statistics (Since Inception)

	Return	Standard Deviation	Best Month	Worst Month	Max Drawdown	Drawdown # months	Recovery # months
WealthStrat Moderate Prescient FoF B	13.76	7.88	5.89	-2.13	-3.63	2.00	1.00
(ASISA) South African MA Medium Equity	13.35	8.11	5.82	-2.25	-3.87	2.00	1.00

## Quarterly Fund Commentary

Moderate investors generated positive returns in the fourth quarter of 2023, as most risk assets recorded robust performance. Strong returns from global and local asset classes acted as a tailwind to the performance of the Portfolio over the quarter. However, the firmer rand acted as a headwind to the performance of global asset classes over the quarter.

The WealthStrat Moderate Prescient Fund of Funds returned +6.1% for the quarter and has generated a return of +12.9% over the past year.

The Portfolio remains diversified in terms of its exposure to various asset classes, and we remain confident in its ability to deliver inflation-beating returns over the long term, independent of the market environment.

### Asset Allocation

Local bonds make up the bulk of the asset allocation within the Portfolio. This includes allocations to corporate, government and inflation-linked bonds. Short dated nominal bonds held up well over the quarter and produced a stable performance over the 2023 calendar year. Longer-dated instruments ended the quarter higher, as the yield curve shifted lower, with the longer dated part of the yield curve falling the most. The strength in the SA bond market was largely on the back of the risk on environment that led to an increased appetite for emerging market asset classes. All eyes will be on the upcoming budget speech scheduled for February, which will provide an update on the state of government finances. Local equities ended the quarter higher, and ended the year in positive territory, however, they lagged the broader emerging market complex. The strength in SA equities was largely driven by the Financials (+11.8%) sector, which ended the quarter posting double digit returns and is the best performing sector for the 2023 calendar year. Index heavyweights Capitec (+19.2%) and Firstrand (+18.8%) both ended in positive territory. Resources (+3.0%), while posting a positive quarter, lagged other sectors, as continued pressure on platinum and energy stocks dampened the return for the sector. Sasol (-29.0%), Impala Platinum Holdings Ltd (-7.7%) and Thungela (-11.4%) all recorded declines over the quarter. On the other hand, gold and iron ore exposed resource companies produced strong returns, as both metal prices moved higher over the quarter. Industrials (+5.9%) produced a positive return this quarter, however, the sector lagged the broader market. The positive return masked the volatile nature of the sector this quarter, on the back of movements in two of the larger listed industrial counters; Prosus and Naspers. Global equities had a robust quarter, with most equity markets ending in positive territory. Given the risk on environment, 10 of the 11 major sectors delivered positive returns for the quarter, with energy the only sector to record a negative number on the back of a falling oil price. Most global equity markets produced strong hard currency performance this quarter, with the rand providing a headwind to performance. Offshore bond and cash allocations contributed to performance, as global fixed income markets produced a strong performance in the final quarter of 2023, benefiting from the anticipated interest rate cuts by the US Federal Reserve. The firm rand, however, acted as a headwind to the performance of offshore allocations. A small allocation to local listed property contributed to performance this quarter, as the property sector produced a robust performance, as the risk on environment, coupled with strong performance from the larger listed players Growthpoint (+18.2%) and Redefine (+15.8%) led the sector higher. The fund's asset allocation is broadly similar to the previous quarter.

### Fund Selection

The contribution from fund selection was all positive for the quarter.

Amplify SCI Strategic Income delivered a strong absolute performance in the final quarter of the year and managed to outperform peers. The fund's higher overall duration, relative to peers, of close to 3 years was a tailwind to performance over the quarter as medium and long dated SA government bonds delivered strong performance. This was largely due to more dovish communication from the major central banks during the quarter, with many indicating that with inflation moderating they expect to be able to reduce interest rates during the 2024 calendar year. The fund also benefitted from a small allocation of 4% to local listed property, which was the best performing local asset class over the quarter with a return of 16.4%.

10X S&P SA Top 50 produced a second quartile return, following the broad market strength this quarter. Exposure to gold miners as well as SA financials contributed to performance. On the other hand, exposure to resource and energy counters detracted from performance. Among the detractors, the positions in Anglo American (-11.8%), Sasol (-29.0%), and Sibanye Stillwater (-14.8%) all detracted from performance this quarter. Among the outperformers this quarter, Gold Fields (+35.3%), FirstRand (+18.7%) and Standard Bank (+13.3%) all contributed to performance.

The Ninety One Global Franchise FF demonstrated commendable performance over the quarter, surpassing peer funds and aligning with its benchmark. It's important to note that we don't anticipate the fund to outperform significantly during robust market rallies. This is due to the fund's investment philosophy, which leans towards more defensive and stable companies, specifically in the Consumer Staples and Healthcare sectors. These sectors typically lag during sharp market upswings. However, it's worth highlighting that the fund maintains a robust allocation to Technology companies, including Microsoft, ASML, Booking, and VeriSign.

There were no changes made to the underlying funds in the Portfolio in the fourth quarter.

### Summary

We are pleased that the Portfolio managed to generate a strong return over the fourth quarter in a particularly strong global and local environment. We remain comfortable with the positioning of the Portfolio, both from an asset allocation and a manager selection perspective. The Portfolio continues to be allocated to a diverse range of attractively priced local and global asset classes and we are confident that it will be able to deliver on its objective over the long term. The fund has adhered to its policy objective.

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**Fund Details**

Number of Units (B Class)	1,794,416,483.45
Unit Price (B Class)	1.14
Valuation Time	17:00
Transaction Time	13:00 South Africa Subscription and Redemption
Currency	South African Rand

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**Income Distributions**

Distribution Frequency	Semi annually
Distribution Dates	31 March & 30 September
Last 12 months Distributions (cpu) B Class	31/03/23: 1.12 30/09/23: 2.93

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**Glossary**

**Annualised performance:** Annualised performance shows longer term performance rescaled to a 1-year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

**Highest & Lowest return:** The highest and lowest returns for any 1 year over the period since inception have been shown.

**NAV:** The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

**Standard Deviation:** The deviation of the return stream relative to its own average.

**Max Drawdown:** The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

**Max Gain:** Largest increase in any single month

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**Fund Specific Risks**

**Default risk:** The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed. The issuers credit quality is vital. The worse the credit quality, the greater the risk of default and therefore investment loss.

**Derivatives risk:** The use of derivatives could increase overall risk by magnifying the effect of both gains and losses in a Fund. As such, large changes in value and potentially large financial losses could result.

**Developing Market (excluding SA) risk:** Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems. These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than those in countries generally regarded as being more developed.

**Foreign Investment risk:** Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.

**Interest rate risk:** The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to be inversely related to interest and inflation rates. Hence their value decreases when interest rates and/or inflation rises.

**Property risk:** Investments in real estate securities can carry the same risks as investing directly in real estate itself. Real estate prices move in response to a variety of factors, including local, regional and national economic and political conditions, interest rates and tax considerations.

**Currency exchange risk:** Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

**Geographic / Sector risk:** For investments primarily concentrated in specific countries, geographical regions and/or industry sectors, their resulting value may decrease whilst portfolios more broadly invested might grow.

**Derivative counterparty risk:** A counterparty to a derivative transaction may experience a breakdown in meeting its obligations thereby leading to financial loss.

**Liquidity risk:** If there are insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments, the result may lead to delays in trading and being able to make settlements, and/or large fluctuations in value. This may lead to larger financial losses than expected.

**Equity investment risk:** The value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. bankruptcy), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

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A Fund of Funds is a portfolio that invests in portfolios of collective investment schemes, which levy their own charges, which could result in a higher fee structure for these portfolios.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third-party-named portfolio. Where foreign securities are included in a portfolio there may be potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds, macroeconomic risks, political risks, foreign exchange risks, tax risks, settlement risks; and potential limitations on the availability of market information. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees. Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), to be transacted at the net asset value price for that day. Where all required documentation is not received before the stated cut off time Prescient shall not be obliged to transact at the net asset value price as agreed to. Funds are priced at either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website.

Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestments and dividend withholding tax. Full performance calculations are available from the manager on request.

\*The investment performance is for illustrative purposes only. The investment performance is calculated by taking the actual initial fees and all ongoing fees into account for the amount shown and income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.

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