

# Trojan Fund

# All data as at 30 June 2021

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The investment objective of the Trojan Fund is to seek to achieve growth in capital (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). The policy is to invest globally in government and public securities (such as sovereign debt and treasury bills), corporate bonds, equities and equity-related securities, private equity, precious metals, cash, cash Fund Size equivalents and deposits.

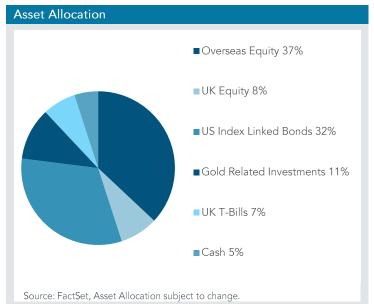
**Prices** 373.79p

'O' accumulation shares

302.55p 'O' income shares

£5,709m





Total Return to 30 June 2021		/05/01 launch		06/11 years	30/0 <i>6</i> 5 ye	/16 ears	30/06/ 3 yea		30/06/20 1 yea		31/12/20 6 months
Trojan Fund O Inc	+3	308.9%	+6	57.1%	+30	.3%	+24.5	5%	+8.3%	,	+6.1%
UK Official Bank Base Rate	-1	-49.9%	+	-4.7%	+2	.1%	+1.4	-%	+0.1%	,	+0.0%
UK Retail Price Index	Н	-73.3%	+2	28.4%	+14	.7%	+7.2	2%	+3.1%	,	+2.2%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*	+	186.9%	+8	35.5%	+36	.9%	+6.3	3%	+21.5%	2	+11.1%
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2001#	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Trojan Fund O Inc	+0.6%	+4.1%	+15.4%	+10.3%	+15.9%	+12.0%	+6.1%	+1.1%	+11.6%	+14.4	+8.5%
		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	<b>2021</b> YTD
		+2.1%	-3.1%	+8.9%	+3.2%	+12.3%	+4.1%	-3.0%	+10.7%	+7.4%	+6.1%

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Source: Lipper

Past performance is not a guide to future performance

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# June Commentary

Your Fund returned +1.8% during the month compared to +0.2% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

June saw a continuation in Treasury yields declining from their March peak. This follows a significant jump up in yields from a low base last August, turbocharged by the vaccine announcements in November and the reality of economies reopening. The US 10-year yield troughed at around 0.5% last summer, peaking at just below 1.75% by the end of March this year. At the time of writing, the yield has since dropped to below 1.3%. Arguably the most influential number in financial markets, in so far as it feeds into the cost of capital for other asset classes, the 10-year yield and its drivers are pored over by investors and market commentators alike. Substantial moves are analysed for their insight into future growth and inflation.

The reality is that, over short time periods, the bond market is often as confused as everyone else. It is subject to myriad forces pulling in opposite directions and prone to mood swings accentuated by the prevailing narrative. The rise in yields to March reflected conviction in a sustained economic recovery, in contrast to the despondency about the future manifest at last year's lows. The shift towards lower yields reflects tempered enthusiasm for the seamless reopening of economies, as well as a more sanguine view about the future trajectory of inflation.

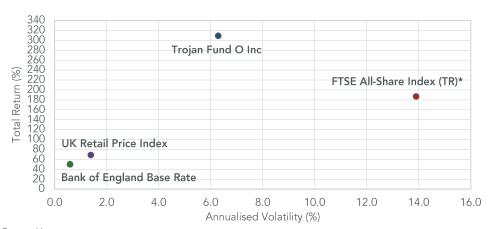
We are open-minded about the unknowable but clear on the immutable facts. Unknown is where inflation will end up. The short term will be noisy; pent-up consumer demand coupled with supply chain bottlenecks, could well drive inflation prints higher over the next few months. A longer-term determinant of

inflation will be fiscal stimulus: whether it is sustained and to what extent beyond recent emergency measures, and whether it can drive higher spending in the real economy.

One thing is clear: the policy response to COVID has added to global indebtedness. In order to keep servicing costs on this debt affordable, interest rates will have to stay low. We would expect that inflation remains above the rate of interest, engendering an environment of negative real yields. How negative will depend largely on the inflation rate.

In the portfolio, we continue to hold US TIPS as well as gold to protect against this. We added to duration in March as real rates rose and will continue to take advantage of shortterm moves that we think overstate the ability of central bankers to normalise monetary policy.

# Return vs volatility since launch (31/05/2001)



Source: Lipper

Risk analysis since launch (31/05/01)	Trojan Fund O Inc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+308.9%	+186.9%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-13.7%	-45.6%
Best Month	+8.9%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-4.7%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+66.8%	+58.9%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+6.3%	+13.9%

Source: Lipper 1. Measures the worst investment period <sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns

Top 10 holdings (excluding government bonds)	% Fund
Microsoft	6.0
Gold Bullion Securities	5.8
Alphabet	5.2
Unilever	4.0
Visa	3.8
Philip Morris International	3.6
Nestlé	3.5
Diageo	3.3
Invesco Physical Gold	3.1
Medtronic	3.0
Total Top 10	41.4
10 Other Equity holdings	14.9
Index Linked Bonds	32.5
UK T-Bills	6.6
Cash	4.6
TOTAL	100.0

Source: Factset, holdings subject to change.

# **Fund Manager Awards**





# **Fund information**

A copy of the latest Prospectus and the KIID for each class (in English) upon which you should base your investment decision is available from Link Fund Solutions Ltd, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director and Link Fund Administrators Ltd (Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) on 0345 608 0950. The Trojan Fund is closed to new direct investments, but is still available to new investors through major fund platforms.

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Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds UK UCITS

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**Currency** £ Sterling

Launch Date 31 May 2001

Fund Historic Yield ('O' Inc shares) 0.24%

# Ongoing Charges

'O' (ordinary) shares: 1.01% 'S' (charity) shares: 0.76%

# Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

# Dividend Pay Dates

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

# Authorised Corporate Director

Link Fund Solutions Limited Tel: 0345 608 0950

### ICINI

GB0034243732 (O Inc), GB00B01BP952 (O Acc) GB00B05M9T27 (S Inc), GB00B05M9S10 (S Acc)

### Benchmarks

For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet, available from our website

### Dealing

Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

### Registrar

Link Fund Administrators Limited

### Auditor

Ernst & Young LLP

# Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

# Bloomberg

CFTROJA\_LN (O Acc), CFTROJI\_LN (O Inc)

### SEDOL

B01BP95 (O Acc), 3424373 ( O Inc)

# Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

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