

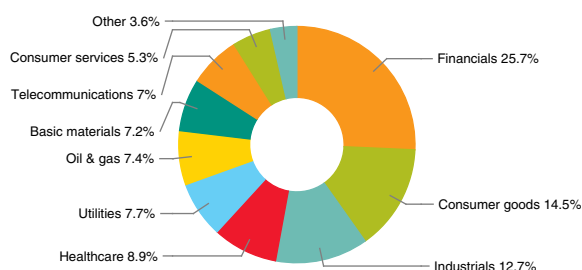
# Prudential Europe Equity Passive fund (series 3)



## Fund description

The fund invests in shares of European companies outside the UK. The fund is passively managed tracking movements in its benchmark FTSE World Europe (ex-UK) Index. Tracking is achieved by the fund replicating holdings of the larger companies in the index plus carefully modelling a stratified sample of the remainder of the companies in the index.

## Fund breakdown



## Top holdings

	%
1 Nestle	3.4
2 Total	3.0
3 Banco Santander	2.6
4 Telefonica	2.5
5 Novartis	2.4
6 Roche	2.3
7 Siemens	1.6
8 E.ON	1.6
9 BNP Paribas	1.6
10 Sanofi-Aventis	1.5

Source: M&G  
All figures are as at 31 December 2009, unless otherwise stated.

## Performance

### Past performance of the fund over each of the last 5 years to the end of December

	31/12/08 - 31/12/09	31/12/07 - 31/12/08	31/12/06 - 31/12/07	31/12/05 - 31/12/06	31/12/04 - 31/12/05
Europe Equity Passive fund	19.9	-23.6	15.5	19.8	23.7
Benchmark	20.1	-24.0	15.7	20.1	24.1

## Key facts

Underlying fund size	£84m
Number of holdings	302
Underlying fund launch date	28/07/1999
Portfolio Manager	Richard O'Connor
Benchmark	FTSE World Europe (ex UK) Index
Investment Style	Passive
Sedol code	3424793
Performance Objective	to match the performance of the benchmark as closely as possible

## Commentary

Europe was among the weakest performers among the major stockmarkets, with returns to sterling-based investors further dampened by the euro's retreat against the British pound during the quarter. Nonetheless, a number of sectors posted healthy gains, particularly in mining. Conversely, declines were led by financials, where sentiment was undermined by the possibility of further bank loan losses.

Economically, the eurozone has continued to stabilise, with industrial output picking up and business sentiment improving. Germany and France are leading the region on its return to growth, but the smaller economies of Ireland, Spain and Greece are struggling with larger structural problems, especially within the residential property sector.

### Past performance of the fund to 31 December 2009

	Quarter	1 Year*	3 Years*	5 Years*
Europe Equity Passive fund	0.7	19.9	1.9	9.4
Benchmark	0.6	20.1	1.8	9.5

Source: Prudential and Financial Express. \*annualised

Based on percentage change in unit price. It is important to remember that past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. The value of your investment may go down as well as up and the fund value at retirement may be less than the payments you have made.

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## Prudential risk rating

### Higher

#### What type of funds are in this risk category?

These are specialist equity funds that focus on set geographical regions or a particular type of share e.g. shares of smaller companies or those that conform to certain criteria.

## What is the risk rating?

- Risk ratings have been developed by Prudential to help provide an indication of the potential level of risk and reward that is attributable to a fund based on the type of assets which may be held within the fund. Other companies may use different descriptions and as such these risk ratings should not be considered as generic across the fund management industry.
- Prudential will keep the risk ratings under regular review and as such they may be subject to change in the future. We therefore recommend that before making any fund choice in the future you understand the appropriate risk rating before making a decision. You will find this information at [www.pru.co.uk](http://www.pru.co.uk).
- You should also consider discussing your decision and the appropriateness of this risk rating with an adviser

## Important information

### Who is this factsheet for and what does it do?

This factsheet is intended for the trustees, sponsors, advisers and members of occupational pension schemes using Prudential group pension contracts and Prudential grouped personal pensions and Stakeholder pension contracts.

Its purpose is to shed some light on how investment markets and funds have performed over the period and is provided for information only.

If you are not familiar with any of the investment terminology included on this factsheet, then please contact an adviser.

### Can I get advice?

This factsheet should not be considered as a financial promotion and any changes to investment arrangements should be discussed with an adviser. It is not our intention to give an indication of how any particular funds will perform in the future. The commentary in this factsheet reflects the general views of the individual fund manager and should not be taken as a recommendation or advice as to how a specific market or fund is likely to perform.

### Who manages the funds?

This fund is managed by M&G Investments.

### How are the performance figures calculated?

The performance shown overleaf is measured on the fluctuation of the daily published price. This published price is adjusted to accommodate the fund's dealing cycle where appropriate.

To obtain current unit price and performance information for all funds in the Prudential Fund range, simply log on to <http://www.pru.co.uk/funds/series/> and choose 'Pension Funds' and then select Prudential Corporate Pensions (Series 3).

### How are the fund prices calculated?

This fund has a single price, based on the valuation of the underlying assets and cash flows into and out of the fund. This valuation price will be the published price.

### What is the dealing cycle?

The Pensions Series 3 fund range is forward priced which means that the member gets the next available price after they invest.

This fund has a dealing cycle of T+0. This means that money received on day T buys units at the valuation date price applicable at close of business on the same day.

### Other important information

Exchange Rate fluctuations may cause the Sterling values of overseas investments to rise or fall.

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