

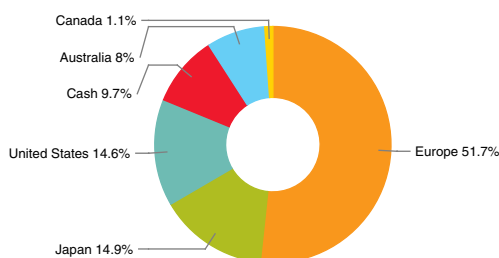
# Prudential International Bond fund (series 3)



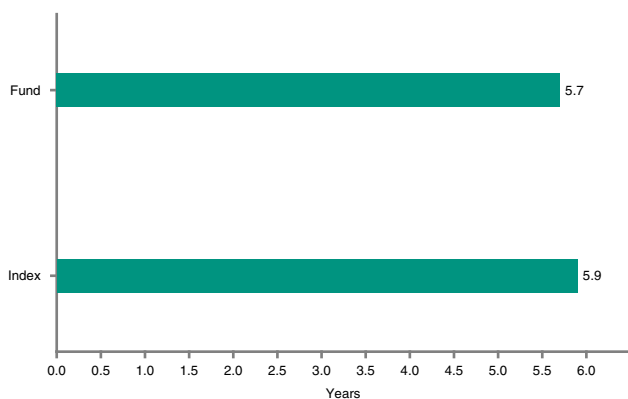
## Fund description

The fund invests in all the major government bond markets outside the UK with principal holdings in US, Japanese and European Bonds. The fund is actively managed against its performance benchmark of the Salomon World Government Bond ex-UK Index in sterling terms. Both active stock selection and asset allocation are used to add value.

## Fund breakdown



## Duration



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
International Bond fund	-4.7	54.0	9.4	-6.8	4.5
Benchmark	-9.2	56.4	9.4	-7.3	3.9

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

	Quarter	1 Year*	3 Years*	5 Years*
International Bond fund	-2.2	-4.7	17.1	9.3
Benchmark	-2.9	-9.2	15.8	8.4

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.

## Key facts

Underlying fund size	£51m
Number of holdings	28
Underlying fund launch date	30/07/1986
Portfolio Manager	David Lloyd
Benchmark	Salomon World Government Bond ex-UK Index in sterling terms
Investment Style	Prudent active
Sedol code	3168615
Performance Objective	1% gross per annum above the benchmark on a rolling 3 year basis

## Commentary

Government bond yields in most major markets came under pressure owing to an ongoing improvement in economic data, as well as concerns over the huge budget deficits of many western countries, particularly, the US, the UK, Ireland, Spain and Greece.

One of the biggest drivers of the fund's performance during the quarter was its underweight position in the Japanese yen, which fell sharply against other major currencies.

The fund retains an underweight position in Japan based on the fund manager's view that both the country's currency and government bond market appear expensive.

In addition, the fund maintains an overweight position in short-dated Australian government bonds since the fund manager believes that the market is over-discounting short-term interest rate rises in Australia. In addition, the fund's overweight position in the Swedish krona remains unchanged.

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## Prudential risk rating

### Lower to Medium

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

Some of these funds invest in fixed interest securities, predominantly corporate bonds, with higher yielding corporate bonds placed towards the top end of this range as they carry higher default risk. The other funds in this category invest in a wide range of assets which help to provide risk diversification.

## 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.
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- 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

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