

# Factsheet

## Prudential With-Profits Fund

This document has been produced to provide factual information on Prudential's With-Profits Fund, and specifically, that part of the fund directly relevant to investments of this type, and should not be used as financial advice.

### Key facts

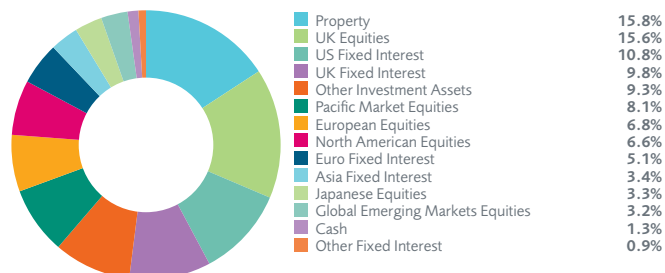
Fund Size	£78.1 billion as at 31 December 2018
Prudential Financial Strength rating*	A+
Portfolio Manager	Prudential Portfolio Management Group Ltd
Investment Style	Prudent Active
Performance Objective	To offer competitive long term returns

\*Standard & Poor's as at September 2018

### Fund description

The fund offers the prospect of competitive long-term real returns whilst smoothing the peaks and troughs of day-to-day market movements. Investment returns are passed to policyholders through bonuses. The fund is invested in a diversified portfolio of UK and overseas shares, bonds, property and cash. A significant proportion of the fund is invested in shares and property which can be expected to produce attractive long-term returns, but the return on these assets can be volatile and so the fund is actively managed to optimise the returns while controlling risk.

### Fund breakdown



The asset mix is likely to vary in the future.

Source: Prudential as at 31 December 2018. Asset allocations are regularly reviewed and may vary, but will always be consistent with the fund objective. All figures are as at 31 December 2018, unless otherwise stated.

### Prudential risk rating

Lower to Medium

### What is the risk rating?

- These risk ratings have been developed by Prudential to help provide an indication of a fund's potential level of risk and reward based on the type of assets which may be held by 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.
- We regularly review our fund risk ratings, so they may change in the future. If, in our view, there is a material change in the fund's level of risk, for example due to a significant change to the assets held by the fund or in

### Commentary

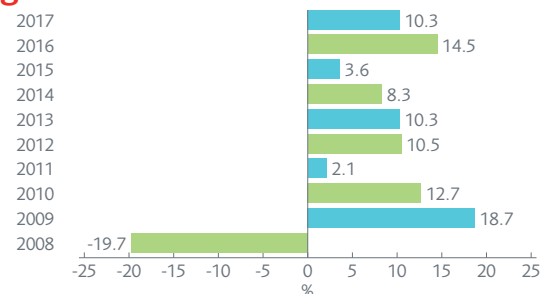
As the final quarter of 2018 progressed, investors became increasingly concerned about the outlook for the world economy. The perception was that the combination of a trade war between the US and China and tighter monetary policy could stifle growth. There was a broad sell-off in stockmarkets in the final quarter of 2018, as investors became increasingly alarmed over economic data coming out of the US, European Union and Japan. As a result, several stockmarkets have hit, or nearly hit, bear market territory. When considering the percentage of global assets that have delivered a negative total return year to date, 2018 is set to be one of the worst years on record for returns across a broad spectrum of assets.

In common with other global stockmarkets, UK shares suffered major falls during the final quarter of 2018. Despite US stockmarkets entering the fourth quarter at record highs, a succession of events caused sharp falls in share prices. European stockmarkets were turbulent with a combination of factors dampening investor sentiment. Japanese equities and Asia Pacific ex Japan stockmarkets also suffered large losses.

UK commercial property delivered a solid performance in 2018; however, the overall return was lower than last year. UK government bonds (gilts) delivered positive returns in the final quarter of 2018 as Brexit uncertainty coupled with fears of a slowing global economy helped support demand for traditional safe haven assets.

Prudential Portfolio Management Group's outlook remains constructive although global economic growth slowed in 2018 and is likely to continue doing so in 2019.

### Underlying investment returns



Source: Prudential. The above are calendar year returns for the With-Profits Fund (before charges, tax and effects of smoothing).

The value of your policy will be sent out in your annual statement or is available on request. The value will depend on when you actually invested allowing for tax, charges and smoothing. The value could change by more or less than the underlying investment return of the overall fund.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

- the way the fund is managed, we will provide information on the new risk rating. We recommend that you make sure you understand the risk rating of any fund before you invest. You will find this information at [www.pru.co.uk/factsheets](http://www.pru.co.uk/factsheets).
- You should also consider discussing your decision and the appropriateness of a fund's risk rating with an adviser.

# Prudential With-Profits Fund

## Performance (applicable from 6 April 2018)

For investments in the With-Profits Fund, the value of the policy depends on how much profit the fund makes and how we decide to distribute that profit. Policyholders receive a distribution of profits by means of bonuses, or other methods as specified in the relevant policy documentation. There are two types of bonus, regular (or reversionary) and final (or terminal) bonus.

The performance figures shown are overall annualised returns for contributions made on the dates specified. The returns include both regular and final bonuses added to a benefit paid at normal retirement date, but make no allowance for any applicable initial charges, allocation rates or early cash in charges (explicit charges).

Final bonus may vary and is not guaranteed. The rate of future bonuses cannot be guaranteed. The value of an investment can go down as well as up and the fund value in the future may be less than the payments you have made. Please bear in mind that inflation will reduce what you can buy in the future.

Please read the important information below and the Key Features document for the relevant contract.

The performance figures are declared by Prudential Assurance Company Limited, usually each February.

For the Unitised returns shown, it is assumed that the contribution was invested without any allowance made for any explicit charges on 6 April 1, 3, 5 or 10 years ago and realised on or after 6 April 2018 to secure benefits at normal retirement age

Bonus Series	1 Year*	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
WPIA WPIB Unitised With-Profits	2.85%	6.75%	6.75%	7.70%

Source: Prudential. \* overall annualised returns

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## Important information

### Who manages the funds?

Prudential Assurance Company Limited holds the assets of the With-Profits Fund through custodians. Prudential has delegated the investment management of the fund through agreements with various investment managers including M&G Investments.

### Can I get advice?

This factsheet should not be considered as financial advice 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 is this factsheet for and what does it do?

This factsheet is intended for the trustees, sponsors and advisers of occupational pension schemes using Prudential group pension contracts. Its purpose is to provide an insight into how the fund(s) 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.

### Other important information

If money invested in the With-Profits Fund is taken out at any time other than on death or normal retirement date, a Market Value Reduction (MVR) may be applied; this may have the effect of reducing the fund value.

For details on MVR and charges applicable to your investment, please refer to the Key Features document for the relevant contract. For a copy of the Key Features document, please contact your pensions department for scheme members or usual Prudential contact for trustees and advisers.

WPIA refers to With-Profits Investment Account and WPIB refers to With-Profits Investment Bond.

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