

Product details

Launch date:	22/03/2021
All-in costs:	0.33%
Base currency:	GBP

Investment objective

The Vanguard LifeTarget Defensive Model Portfolio is designed to maximize an investor's risk-adjusted return while keeping the expected return above the minimum return target of 2%, annualised over rolling 5-year time periods. The minimum long-term return targets are not guaranteed and are subject to the performance of the bonds and equities in which the model invests.

Delivering value to investors



Flexible

Aims to generate sufficient long-term return for advisers to draw on for spending or growth.



Targeted

Managed around realistic long-term minimum return expectation of 2%.



Intelligent

Allocations adapt each year or after major market events according to Vanguard's latest models.

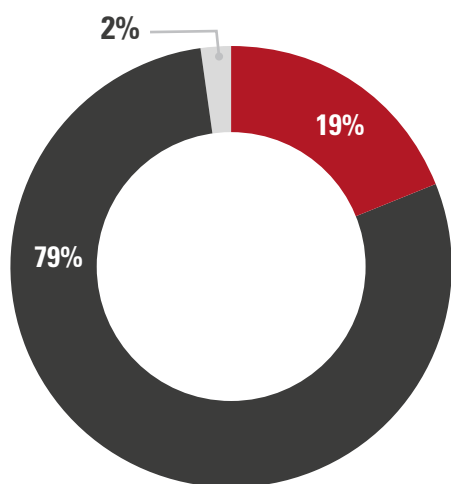


Low cost

An all-in cost of just 0.33% per year means investors keep more of their returns.¹

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Target weighting



■ Equity ■ Fixed income ■ Cash

Weighted ongoing charges figure ¹	0.13%
Portfolio management fee ¹	0.20%
Number of underlying holdings ²	20,427

Underlying funds

	Weight (%) ³	Morningstar rating ⁴
Equity		
Vanguard FTSE U.K. All Share Index Unit Trust	5.7	★ Gold
Vanguard U.S. Equity Index Fund	3.8	★ Gold
Vanguard FTSE Developed Europe ex-U.K. Equity Index Fund	5.1	★ Silver
Vanguard Pacific ex-Japan Stock Index Fund	1.0	★ Bronze
Vanguard Japan Stock Index Fund	2.1	★ Silver
Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index Fund	1.5	★ Bronze
Fixed income		
Vanguard U.K. Government Bond Index Fund	0.7	★ Silver
Vanguard U.K. Investment Grade Bond Index Fund	25.0	★ Bronze
Vanguard Global Bond Index Fund	53.3	★ Bronze
Cash (GBP)	2.0	–

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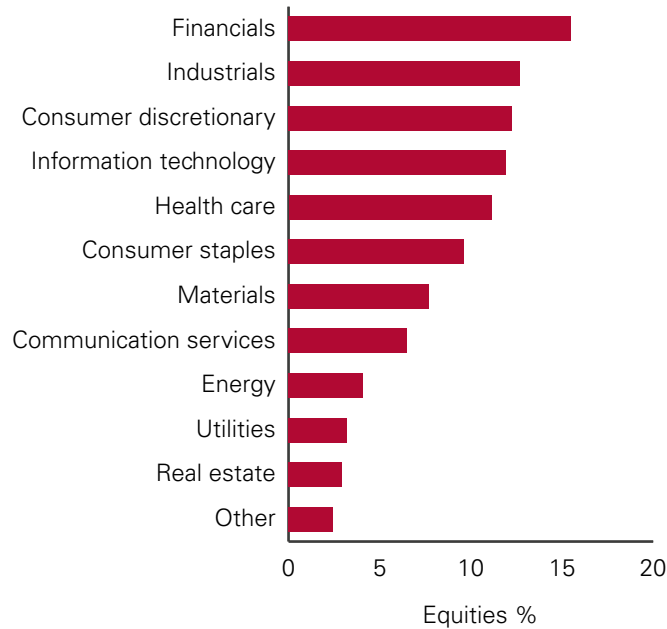
1 Source: Vanguard. Data as at 17 February 2021. All-in costs include the weighted ongoing charges figures (OCF) and an annual portfolio management fee that covers the discretionary management of the managed portfolio service, ongoing oversight, and regular rebalancing of the portfolios. The portfolio management fee is exclusive of VAT and any adviser, platform, or dealing charges. The OCF covers the fund manager's costs of managing the underlying funds. It does not include dealing costs or additional costs such as audit fees.

2 Source: Vanguard. Data as at 31 January 2021.

3 Source: Vanguard. Data as at 17 February 2021. Numbers may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

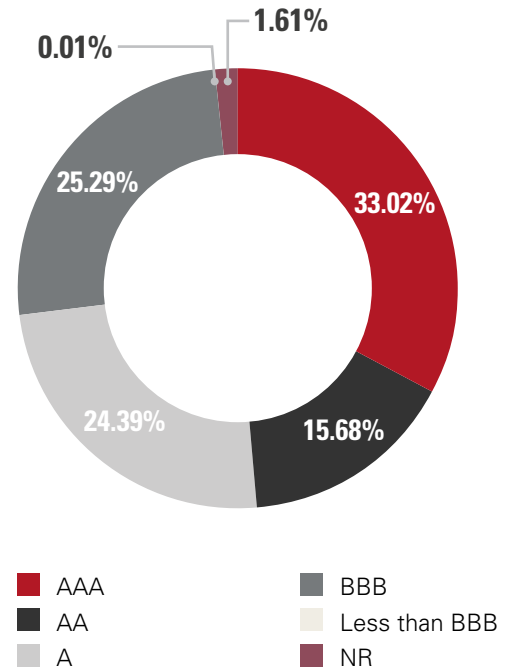
4 Source: Morningstar Analyst Ratings. Data as at 31 January 2021.

Sector breakdown – equities (%)



Source: Vanguard. Data as at 17 February, 2021.

Credit rating breakdown – bonds (%)



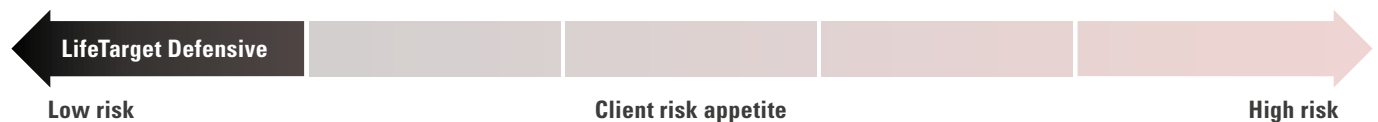
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General investor profile

When investing in a LifeTarget Model Portfolio an investor must be prepared to put their capital at risk. It is therefore important that an adviser considers each client's attitude to risk and capacity for loss before investing.

- The LifeTarget Defensive Model Portfolio aims to achieve at least its minimum target return over the long term by investing in a combination of equities, fixed income, and cash.

- In order to provide a more defensive risk profile, this model portfolio tends to hold mainly fixed income assets, with limited exposure to equities.
- This model portfolio will maintain an equity position of between 15% and 25%.

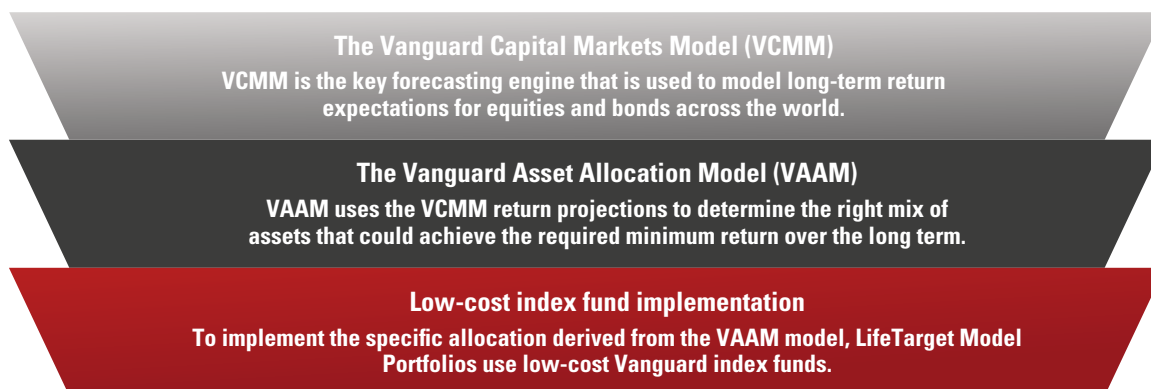


About LifeTarget Model Portfolios

When it comes to retirement, investors like to know they are working towards a robust financial plan, and that their investments align with their long-term goals for spending or growth. But keeping the plan on track can be a challenge when market conditions change, and valuations for bonds and equities shift.

That is why LifeTarget Model Portfolios use Vanguard's sophisticated forecasting and modelling capabilities to help keep track of, and adapt to, the changing condition of the markets each year. Each portfolio is managed in a way that aims to maximize risk-adjusted returns whilst giving investors the best chance of achieving at least the minimum return target over the long term.

Our research-driven approach



Share in Vanguard's global resource

30+ strategists and analysts in our Investment Strategy Group develop and maintain our portfolio strategies⁵

£740bn in multi-asset fund solutions globally⁵

1976 When our expertise in both portfolio construction and asset allocation began⁵

⁵ Source: Vanguard. Data as of 31 December 2020.

Investment risk information

The model portfolio aims to achieve at least the minimum target return on an annualized basis over a rolling 5-year period. Achieving the minimum target return is not guaranteed and is subject to the performance of the underlying bonds and equities in which the model portfolio invests. In any given year the performance of the model portfolio may be higher, or lower than the minimum target return and an investor may not get back the full amount invested.

Some funds invest in emerging markets which can be more volatile than more established markets. As a result the value of your investment may rise or fall.

Investments in smaller companies may be more volatile than investments in well-established blue chip companies.

Funds investing in fixed interest securities carry the risk of default on repayment and erosion of the capital value of your investment and the level of income may fluctuate. Movements in interest rates are likely to affect the capital value of fixed interest securities. Corporate bonds may provide higher yields but as such may carry greater credit risk increasing the risk of default on repayment and erosion of the capital value of your investment. The level of income may fluctuate and movements in interest rates are likely to affect the capital value of bonds.

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