

**General Fund Information**

Fund Structure	CIS
Region	Botswana
Currency	BWP
Asset Class	Balanced
Portfolio Manager	Botswana Investment Team
Headline Fee	2.00%
TER (includes Headline Fee)	0.03%
Initial Fee	-
Distribution Frequency	Semi-annually
Launch Date	December 14, 1998
Financial Year End	April
Minimum Lump Sum Investment	200
Risk Rating	Medium
Net Asset Value (NAV)	4.17
Assets Under Management (AUM)	105,854,065.00

**Fund Objective**

- Long-term capital growth consistent with moderate investment risk
- To provide clients with a balanced exposure to domestic equities, bonds and cash
- Suitable for investors who are prepared to assume a higher degree of price risk/volatility compared to shorter dated money market, in exchange for a higher return.

**Risk Rating**



**Gross Performance (%)**

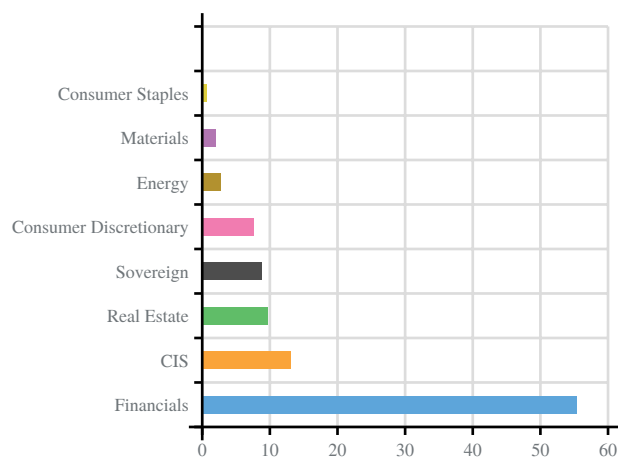
	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	2 Years*	3 Years*	5 Years*
Fund	3.83	6.45	10.91	18.03	16.91	12.83	7.57
Benchmark**	1.92	3.95	5.84	10.66	8.66	4.99	1.41
Value Add	1.91	2.50	5.07	7.37	8.25	7.84	6.16

\*Annualised  
\*\*DCI Index (65.00%), [Average Call Rate + 2.00%] (35.00%)

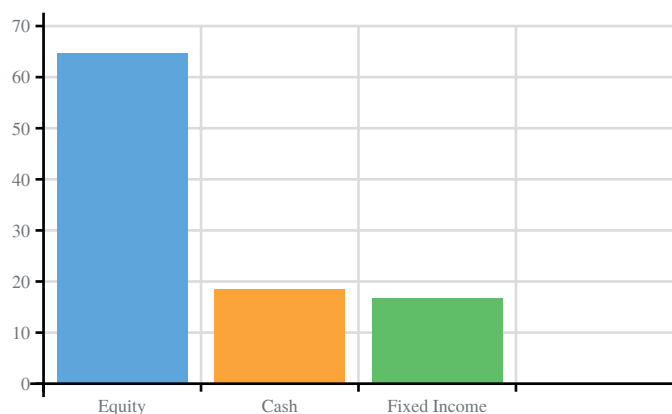
**Issuer Exposure (%)**

CIS	13.1
FNB Botswana	10.3
Government of Botswana	8.8
Letshego Holdings	8.2
Botswana Insurance Holdings Limited	7.9
Sefalana Limited	6.3
Absa	5.6
RDC Properties	5.4
Bayport Botswana	5.1
CA Sales Holdings	3.4

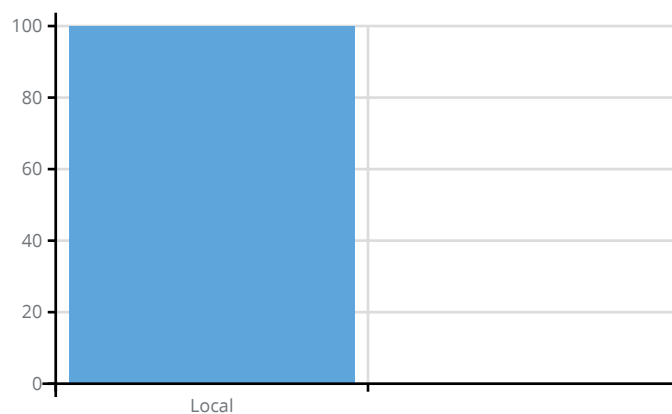
**Sector Allocations (%)**



**Asset Class Breakdown (%)**



**Region Breakdown (%)**



## Portfolio Manager Commentary

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According to Statistics Botswana, the annual headline inflation rate declined further in July to 1.5% from 4.6 % in June. The drivers of the inflation rate were a 2% decline in the Transport component and increases in the Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages and Miscellaneous Goods & Services of 1.4% and 0.8% respectively. The downward momentum was a result of the decrease in the Operation of Personal Transport section index by 3% in June on the back of a drop in retail pump prices. Core inflation continued to edge lower reaching 5.9% in July, supported by additions of items that are VAT zero-rated. The Bank of Botswana now projects that inflation will reach 1.2% in August before advancing back up with the 3-6% range by the first quarter of 2024 as the tailwinds from favourable base effects subside.

The Domestic Companies Index advanced by 2.88% in August, compared to 2.74% in July. The index ended the month at a level of 8515 from 8277 the previous month. On a total return basis, the index gained 3.32%, compared to 3.12% in July. The top gainers were Chobe Holdings, with a stellar performance of 39%, followed by Letshego and Sefalana with returns of 22% and 15% respectively. Choppies was the only loser at -21.9%.

A nominal of BWP1.7bn was raised at the August government bond auction, split as Treasury Bills (T-Bills) BWP900m and BWP800m government bonds. The 3-month T-Bill had the highest bid to cover ratio at 3.4x followed by the 6-month T-Bill at 2.3x. BOTSGB0640 was the most sought out bond with a bid to cover ratio of 1.9x and it received full allotment of BWP200m. The FABI Benchmark return was 0.72% (July: 0.57%) and this was on the back of capital gains realised by 77% of the index as yields declined.

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