

Investment Outlook & Recommended Portfolio Quarter 4/2024

Previous Quarter Performance

In the past quarter, the returns of recommended portfolios have continued to yield positive returns. The low-risk portfolio is driven by local fixed income funds, which continue to generate solid returns and help offset the risks associated with foreign equities investments. Meanwhile, the portfolios with higher risk tolerance benefit from a stronger allocation to equities, particularly Thai equities, which have seen a significant recovery in the past quarter.

Moreover, the investment allocation to gold has been another key factor in mitigating the pressure from recent market volatility, particularly considering the decline in emerging market and Japanese equities.

Investment Outlook in 4Q24

After the FED began cutting interest rates in September, the market has already partially priced in expectations for these changes. Coupled with the trend of Thai baht appreciation, returns from investment in foreign fixed-income securities has become less attractive. Therefore, the investment team still maintains a positive outlook on domestic fixed-income securities, especially for investors with low risk tolerance, as the level of returns remains attractive compared to the associated risks.

For investment in equities, the investment team has a more positive outlook on the Thai stock market thanks to the improved investor sentiment, which is showing signs of recovery. This is driven by political factors becoming more stable, foreign investment flows returning, and expectations for economic stimulus policies. For investments in foreign markets, the investment team remains positive on Indian equities, which have high growth potential due to the growth of the middle class and the large population base. It is also recommended to slightly increase the allocation to gold to help diversify risk during times of market volatility, given the ongoing uncertainty in the market.

Overall, the improved investment sentiment for risky assets has led to a slight reduction in the allocation to fixed-income securities, to increase the weighting in the Thai equity market and emerging market equities. It is still recommended to diversify investments across various assets to help mitigate portfolio risks.



Example of recommended investment portfolio according to expected returns

Asset Types	Funds	Expected Returns								
		3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%	
Domestic Fixed Income	KFSMART-A	94%	81%	42%	33%	25%	17%	10%	2%	
	KFAFIX-A			26%	22%	17%	12%	7%	1%	
Foreign Fixed Income	KFTRB-A									
Domestic Equity	KFENS50-A	2%	4%	2%	3%	4%	6%	7%	8%	
	KFS100-A			3%	5%	6%	6%	7%	8%	
Foreign Equity – Developed Markets	KFJPINDX-A		1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%	
	KFUSINDX-A	1%	4%	7%	9%	12%	15%	17%	20%	
Foreign Equity – Emerging Markets	KFACHINA-A	1%	4%	8%	9%	12%	14%	16%	19%	
	KFINDIA-A		3%	5%	8%	10%	13%	15%	18%	
	KFVIET-A	1%	1%	3%	4%	6%	7%	9%	10%	
	KFHASIA-A									
Foreign Thematic Equity	KFCLIMA-A									
Alternative Asset	KF-HGOLD	1%	2%	3%	5%	6%	7%	9%	10%	

Change in investment proportion compared to the previous quarter

• Increase in Weight • Decrease in Weight

Asset Types	Funds	Expected Returns							
		3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%
Domestic Fixed Income	KFSMART-A		-1%	1%	1%	1%		-1%	-1%
	KFAFIX-A			-3%	-3%	-3%	-2%	-1%	-1%
Foreign Fixed Income	KFTRB-A						-1%		-1%
Domestic Equity	KFENS50-A	2%	4%	2%	3%	2%	3%	4%	2%
	KFS100-A	-1%	-3%	-2%	-1%	-1%	-1%	-1%	
Foreign Equity – Developed Markets	KFJPINDX-A			-1%	-1%	-2%	-2%	-3%	-3%
	KFUSINDX-A								
Foreign Equity – Emerging Markets	KFACHINA-A	-1%	1%	3%	1%	3%	3%	1%	3%
	KFINDIA-A	-1%			1%	1%	3%	3%	4%
	KFVIET-A		-2%	-1%	-2%	-2%	-3%	-2%	-3%
	KFHASIA-A			-1%	-1%	-1%	-2%	-2%	-2%
Foreign Thematic Equity	KFCLIMA-A				-1%	-1%	-1%	-2%	-2%
Alternative Asset	KF-HGOLD	1%	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%

Source: Krungsri Asset Management as of 25 September 2024 based on historical performance data of funds in investment universe since the inception date until 10 September 2024. The above calculation is based on investment portfolio with various hypotheses, which does not guarantee actual returns in the future.

		Fund Details				
Funds	Risk	Investment Policies				
Domestic Fixed	l Income F	unds				
KFSMART-A	4	The Fund invests onshore and/or offshore in fixed-income instruments and/or deposits or deposits equivalent issued, certified, avalized, or repayment-guaranteed by the government, a state enterprise, a financial institution, and/or private entity, where such instruments are designated as investment grade in either the issue rating category or the issuer rating category.				
KFAFIX-A	4	The Fund invests onshore and/or offshore in fixed-income instruments and/or deposits or deposits equivalent issued, certified, avalized, or repayment-guaranteed by the government, a state enterprise, a financial institution, and/or private entity, where such instruments are designated as investment grade in either the issue rating category or the issuer rating category. It may invest in either debt instruments with non-investment grade or non-rated bonds.				
Foreign Fixed Income Funds						
KFTRB-A	4	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund, PIMCO Total Return Bond Fund (Class E Acc) (Master Fund)				
Domestic Equity Funds						
KFENS50-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in equity instruments of listed companies under the SET50 index.				
KFS100-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in equities of domestic listed stocks under the SET100, so that the fund will have a return close to the SET100 Total Return Index (SET100 TRI).				
Foreign Equity	Funds					
KFJPINDX-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund, NEXT FUNDS Nikkei 225 Exchange Traded Fund (Master Fund)				
KFUSINDX-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund, iShares Core S&P 500 ETF (Master Fund)				
KFACHINA-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund, UBS (Lux) Investment SICAV - China A Opportunity (USD) (Class P - acc) (Master Fund)				
KFINDIA-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund (FSSA Indian Subcontinent Fund (Class III USD) (Master Fund))				
KFVIET-A	6	Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign equity mutual fund and/or foreign ETF which invest in securities listed in Vietnam and/or main businesses or benefits from business operations in Vietnam.				
KFHASIA-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund, Baillie Gifford Pacific Fund (Class B Acc) (Master Fund)				
KFCLIMA-A	6	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund, DWS Invest ESG Climate Tech, Class USD TFC (Master Fund)				
Commodity/A	lternative	Asset Fund				
KF-HGOLD	8	The Fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in foreign mutual fund, SPDR Gold Trust (Master Fund)				

- (1) KFACHINA-A, KFINDIA-A, KFVIET-A, and KFCLIMA-A offer risk protection from foreign exchange risks at fund managers' discretion.
- (2) KFSMART-A, KFAFIX-A, KFTRB-A, KFJPINDX-A, KFUSINDX-A, KFHASIA-A, and KF-HGOLD offer full foreign exchange risk protection.

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