

# CLIMATE ASSETS GROWTH FUND 'B' SHARE CLASS

FACTSHEET - SEPTEMBER 2023



**QUILTER CHEVIOT**  
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

## OBJECTIVE

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide capital growth, net of fees, over the longer term (rolling 5-year periods) focusing on sustainable investment. Companies in which the Fund invests, in aggregate, generate at least 50% or more of their revenue from at least one of the five investment themes and all make a positive impact to improve resilience to climate change and healthcare. The Fund invests in a global portfolio which is comprised of equity securities, fixed interest (corporate and government bonds) and Alternatives - such as investment trusts - focusing on social or green infrastructure.

## FUND PERFORMANCE

Due to the short period of time this Fund has been available, there is no reportable performance data. Performance data will be published 12 months after inception.

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## INVESTMENT PARTNERS

**abrdn**

**AEGON**

**allfunds**

**AVIVA**

**HARGREAVES  
LANSDOWN**

**Hubwise**  
YOUR PLATFORM SOLUTION

**JAMES HAY  
PARTNERSHIP**

**novia**

**nucleus**

**Parmenion**

**Quilter**

**transact1**  
take control

Due to the short period of time this Fund has been available, there are a limited number of investment partners. More partners will be added in due course. Please contact us if there is a preferred partner you would like added.

## Cumulative performance (%) to 31 August 2023

	YTD	1yr	3yr	5yr	Since Inception
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## Discrete performance (%) to 31 August each year

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
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## Year

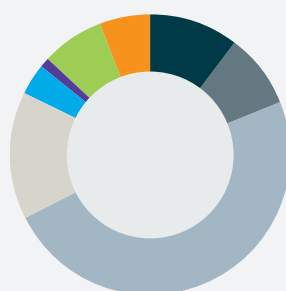
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
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2023													

## ASSET ALLOCATION %

Fixed Interest	10.29
Equity	76.88
Alternative Investments	7.26
Cash	5.57

## ASSET CLASS/GEOGRAPHICAL ALLOCATION

As at 31 August 2023



Fixed Interest	10.29%
United Kingdom	8.69%
North America	48.77%
Europe (ex UK)	14.56%
Japan	3.73%
Emerging Markets	1.13%
Alternative Investments	7.26%
Cash	5.57%

## TOP 10 HOLDINGS

	%
American Water Works	3.04
Union Pacific	2.87
Thermo Fisher Scientific	2.69
Intuit	2.40
Waters	2.33
Medtronic	2.30
Emerson Electric	2.28
Ecolab	2.20
Adobe	2.14
Aptiv	2.10
<b>Total Top 10</b>	<b>24.35</b>

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## FUND DATA - 'B' SHARE CLASS

Launch Date	21 September 2022
Launch Price	200p
Current Price	207.50p B Acc 206.00p B Inc
Fund Size	£22,387,907.94
ISAs/SIPPs/SSASs/Offshore Bonds	Eligible
Base Currency	GBP
Minimum Lump Sum Investment	£1,000.00
Dealing Schedule	Daily at 12.00pm
Forecast Yield*	1.87%

Annual Management Charge	1.00%
Initial Fee	0.00%
Ongoing Charges**	1.20%
Transaction charges	0.06%
Ex Dividend Dates	1 Feb & 1 Aug
Dividend Pay Dates	31 Mar & 30 Sept
Sedol Number	BMHDN95 Acc, BMHDNB7 Inc

\*The forecast yield figure uses historic yield data for the Fund's underlying holdings to estimate future distributions.

\*\* This includes the Annual Management Charge

## MARKET COMMENTARY

August saw the first monthly decline for global stock markets since February, although a recovery into month end and depreciation in the GBP/USD rate meant that most of the losses were recouped. The weakness was driven by renewed concerns for the health of the Chinese property market, soft economic data from China, and rising sovereign bond yields.

Rising bond yields were the main driver for equity weakness in the first half of August, while the recovery into month end was underpinned by an easing in yields after reaching multi-year highs. The correlation between government bond yields and stock markets remains strong as sentiment among investors in both asset classes is being driven largely by near-term expectations of central bank policies and long-term forecasts of inflation.

The US labour market has attracted a greater degree of attention of late and employment data released in early September raised hopes that there has been some cooling in this regard. A bad-news-is-good-news perspective has taken hold, whereby signs of a softening in employment gauges in the world's largest economy increased hopes that disinflation will continue without the Federal Reserve (Fed) raising interest rates further.

Market expectations of the terminal base rate have declined in the US, UK and Europe and there is a growing consensus that the Fed and European Central Bank are done lifting rates for this cycle. The picture for the Bank of England is different as the market sees one or two more 25 basis point increases to a 5.25% base rate in 12 months' time.

In the equity space there have been notable revisions on future earnings since second quarter results, with upgrades in the US and Japan while the UK and Emerging Markets have been downgraded. More resilient consumer spending and a rising oil price has led to upgrades for consumer discretionary and energy. Overall, valuations remain near their long-term average. The so-called 'magnificent seven' (Alphabet, Amazon, Apple, Meta, Microsoft, Nvidia and Tesla) are still seen as key drivers of US market performance. Currently returns' concentration is very high, with index returns heavily dependent on the performance of these seven stocks.

We continue to favour a pragmatic approach to portfolio construction, regularly adjusting exposures to regions and sectors while focusing on the beneficiaries of the energy transition and sustainability themes.

## INVESTMENT THEMES

**Clean Energy (14.54%)** - The Fund invests in companies providing solutions to the problems of using fossil fuels and energy scarcity and security, such as those involved in renewable energy generation, green transport, products and technologies for green building design and construction and energy efficiency.

**Food (5.55%)** - The Fund invests in companies providing solutions to food supply or demand imbalance such as those companies involved in grain production and harvesting, food testing, food processing, measurement and control and high-tech agriculture supplies.

**Health (21.62%)** - The Fund invests in companies providing products and solutions to improve healthcare that align to the objectives of the Fund such as companies involved in medical supplies and devices, vaccines and products for infectious disease, medical analysis and testing.

**Resource Efficiency (35.67%)** - The Fund invests in companies providing solutions to the problems of resource scarcity such as those involved in waste management, production and processing of environmentally friendly materials, waste-to-energy, coastal protection, productivity and efficiency gains and process control.

**Water (7.18%)** - The Fund invests in companies providing solutions to water scarcity such as those involved in water supply and distribution, water analysis, monitoring and purification, water metering and efficient methods of crop irrigation

**Sovereign Debt & Cash (15.44%)** - The Fund invests in government bonds; mainly UK gilts (conventional and index-linked) and occasionally other sovereign debt such as treasury securities issued by the US government (denominated in USD). For liquidity purposes, the Fund also holds a cash position.

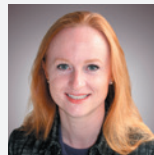
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## INVESTMENT MANAGERS

**Claudia Quiroz - Head of Sustainable Investment**

Claudia has over 20 years of experience in Sustainable, Ethical and Responsible Investment and joined Quilter Cheviot in 2009. She is the Lead Fund Manager of our award-winning Climate Assets Balanced Fund. Claudia's portfolio management experience extends to private clients, pensions, and charities with a focus on sustainable investment. She is a voting member of our International Equities Stock Selection

Committee, a Chartered Member of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment, and the winner of the Wealth Manager of the Year at the City of London Wealth Management Awards in 2021.

**Caroline Langley - Investment Director**

Caroline has close to 20 years of investment experience, with most of her expertise acquired during her tenure at Quilter Cheviot, where she has been employed since 2006. She is the Deputy Fund Manager of the Climate Assets Funds, and manages private client's portfolios, collaborating directly with clients or in conjunction with advisors. Her investment qualifications and extensive experience have led her to be a

Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment (CISI).

## HOW TO INVEST

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