

Strategy: Aggressive GBP

Aggregate performance, net of fees (%)



Historic performances, net of fees

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Yea	ar
5.29%	2.34%	1.66%	3.48%	-3.95%	4.47%	2.42%	-2.41%	0.55%	-0.26%	2.32%	1.83%	18.81%	2019
-0.48%	-4.36%	-7.25%	6.40%	3.31%	3.26%	2.03%	2.47%	-0.40%	-0.83%	4.66%	2.70%	11.24%	2020
0.25%	-0.06%	0.82%	2.99%	-0.41%	2.44%	0.33%	2.46%	-2.90%	2.80%	1.11%	1.03%	11.25%	2021
-6.32%	-2.70%	2.01%	-4.50%	-1.07%	-5.83%	6.38%	-0.73%	-6.66%	1.29%	4.67%	-3.65%	-16.70%	2022
5.05%	-0.98%	1.02%	-1.15%	1.08%	2.79%	2.08%	-1.82%	-1.82%	-3.09%	6.78%	4.59%	14.95%	2023
0.73%	4.51%	2.12%	-2.83%	2.32%	2.77%	-0.94%	0.56%	0.05%	0.13%	3.37%	-1.46%	11.65%	2024
3.99%	-2.13%	-6.19%										-4.52%	2025

Source: Kestrel Wealth Management

Comments from the portfolio manager

What a weak month it was for the equity markets, driven by concerns over the economy following President Trump's intention to raise tariffs across the board. March ended the worst quarter for the S&P 500 Index since 2022, a couple of days ahead of Mr. Trump's "Liberation Day" on the 2nd of April. Given this context, stock prices lost 4.2% in March globally. The S&P 500 Index dropped 5.8%. European share prices were a tad better, down 4.2%. As European countries need to reduce the dependence to the US in general, announcements to significantly increase defense and infrastructure spending improved the economic growth prospects of the region.

Renewed fears of a recession also led to a significant weakening of the US dollar, down 3.2% vs. major currencies (-2.6% vs the British pound, -4.1% vs the euro and -2.1% vs the Swiss franc, for example). In such an environment, gold and bonds fared well, as investors sought safe havens. The price of the precious metal jumped more than 9% to USD 3'123/oz at the end of the month. As far as bonds are concerned, they posted a return of 0.6% globally.

At the time of writing, these tariffs have put investors' risk tolerance beyond their limits with stock prices falling. Looking ahead, governments can either respond with retaliation and face the risk of escalation, or negotiate with President Trump to lessen the impact.

Performance contributors (YTD)

Best Contributors

Security	Price Performance	Currency Performance	Performance	Weighting	Performance Contribution
Invesco Funds - Invesco Euro Eq. Fund A GBP H Acc.	7.86%	0.00%	7.86%	5.61%	0.39%
JPMorgan Funds - Europe Strategic Growth Fund GBP	3.39%	0.00%	3.39%	6.22%	0.19%
MFS Meridian Funds U.S. Corporate Bond Fd WH1	2.32%	0.00%	2,32%	2.99%	0.06%
Henderson Gartmore Fund UK Absolute Return R £	1.70%	0.00%	1.70%	3,56%	0.06%
Fidelity Funds - UK Special Situations A-INC-GBP	1.49%	0,00%	1.49%	2.77%	0.04%
Worst Contributors					
Security	Price Performance	Currency Performance	Performance	Weighting	Performance Contribution
Polar Capital Global Tech R GBP - Sterling Class	-17.10%	0.00%	-17.10%	6,18%	-2.32%
Janus Henderson Hrzn Global Tech, Leaders Fund A2	-11.94%	-3.02%	-14.60%	4.77%	-0.78%
Nordea 1 - Global Climate and Environment Fund HB	-7.22%	-0.46%	-7.64%	4.81%	-0.38%
Pictet - Security HP CHF	-7,67%	-0.46%	-8.09%	3.69%	-0.31%
Pictet - Water HP CHF	-5.72%	-0.46%	-6,15%	4.89%	-0.31%

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