

## **Global Balanced Fund (USD)**

Q2 2020 Issue 31

June Net Asset Value:	\$11.34	
Assets:	\$535K	
Inception:	Aug-14	

### Performance:

	Fund	Benchmark*		
1 Month	1.77%	2.13%		
3 Month	9.89%	10.13%		
1 Yr	0.27%	4.76%		
5 Yr Ave Ann	3.44%	4.26%		

<sup>\*</sup> Blended Index: 50% MSCI All-Country World Index (MXWD) and 50% Bloomberg Barclays Emerging Markets USD Sovereign Bond Index (BSSUTRUU)

# **Equity Markets Rebound**

It is often said that equity markets offer the highest expected returns, but investors can expect some volatility. Well , the first half of 2020 took this to the extreme.

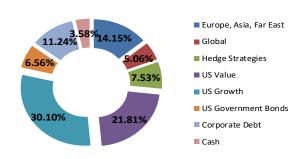
The tables below show that after falling in excess of 20% in Q1, markets rebounded sharply in Q2.

Equity markets are one of the primary leading economic indicators. The bottom table shows that most economists are expecting v-shaped recovery in the second half of 2020.

Subsequent to the end of Q2, the market rebound continued, but the analysts at Morgan Stanley feel the markets have priced in the v-shaped recovery.

The key factor will be the progress made controlling the Covid-19 outbreak globally, but especially in the US.

### Allocation:



### Top 5 Asset Classes:

GROWTH STOCKS—US	30.1%	
VALUE STOCKS—US	21.8%	
STOCKS - EUROPE, ASIA, FAR EAST	14.2%	
CORPORATE DEBT—US	11.2%	
ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS	7.5%	

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Global Equity Market Returns						
Stock Exchange	2018	2018 2019 1Q20		2Q20		
USA (SPX)	-6.2%	28.9%	-20.0%	20.0%		
Germany (DAX)	-18.3%	25.5%	-25.0%	23.9%		
Japan (NKY)	-12.1%	18.2%	-20.0%	17.8%		
Canada (SPTSX)	-11.6%	19.1%	-21.6%	16.0%		

Economic Forecasts in July <sup>1</sup>							
Real GDP (QoQ%)	Q4 19	Q1 20	Q2 20	Q3 20	Q4 20		
US	2.1	-5.0	-33.0	18.4	6.5		
China	1.3	-10.0	11.5	4.0	2.5		
Japan	-7.2	-2.2	-22.6	9.6	5.0		
Germany	-0.1	-2.2	-9.2	5.2	2.4		
France	-0.1	-5.3	-15.0	11.1	2.9		
UK	0.0	-2.2	-18.9	11.9	4.0		
Italy	-0.2	-5.3	-13.8	10.0	2.7		
Canada	0.6	-8.2	-40.0	30.0	10.0		

<sup>1.</sup> Bloomberg contributor composite forecasts <ECFC>; as at July 20, 2020

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