

# 27four Diversified Income Fund

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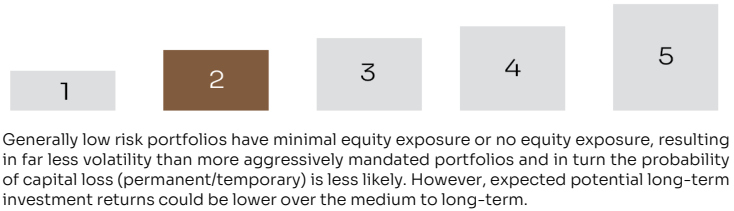
## Fund Information

Investment Manager	27four Investment Managers (Pty) Ltd, a category II licensed financial services provider, FSP No: 31045
Inception Date	1 December 2020
Fund Classification	South African - Multi Asset - Income
Management Company	27four Collective Investments (RF)(Pty)Ltd
Fund Trustees	The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited
Regulation 28 Compliant	Yes
Benchmark	110% STeFI
Trading Closing Time	13:00
Income Distribution	Quarterly - 31 January, 30 April, 31 July, 31 October
Class	A1
Fund Size	R402,017,639.06
Number Of Units	1,919,631.27
NAV Price	61.46

## Fund Description

The 27four Diversified Income Fund is a low risk multi-managed portfolio focusing on income generating assets. It aims to provide relative capital stability and optimal income returns. In order to achieve its investment objectives, the fund will utilise a combination of underlying funds investing directly in fixed income securities, listed property and other income generating securities in both South Africa and internationally.

## Risk Profile

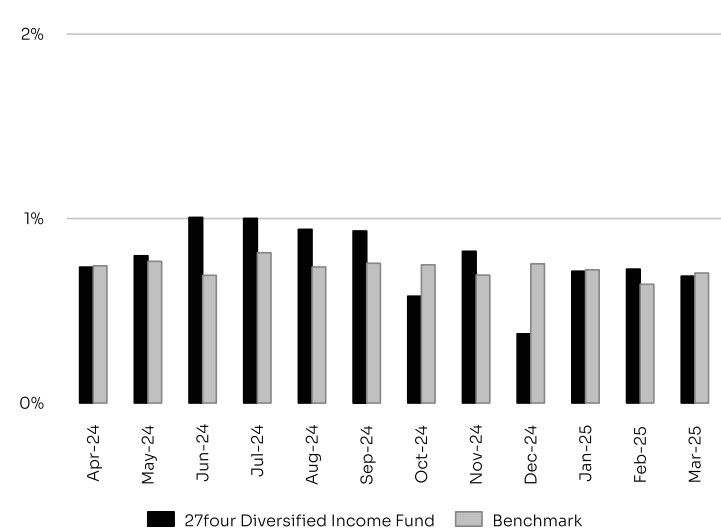


## Fund Commentary

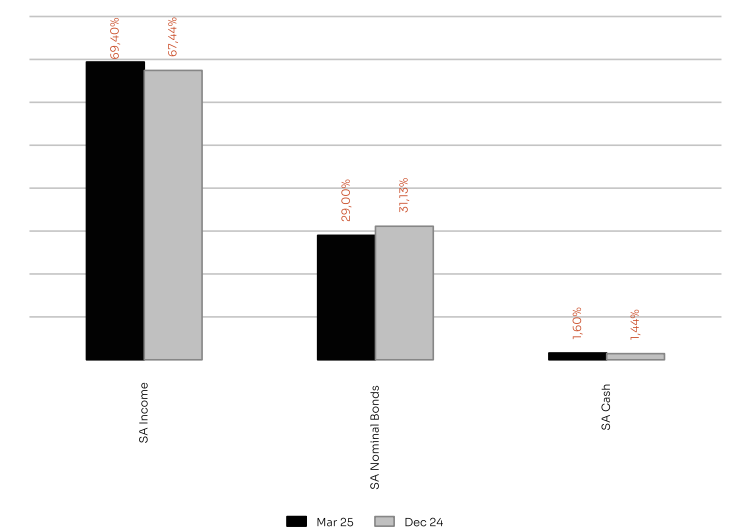
The first quarter of 2025 was marked by heightened global uncertainty, driven primarily by the Trump administration’s chaotic rollout of tariffs against US major trading partners. This protectionist stance raised stagflation concerns, prompting investment banks to cut global growth forecasts and revise S&P 500 targets downward. This, coupled with rising geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and strained U.S.–South Africa relations—culminating in the suspension of aid and threats to AGOA benefits—further weighed on markets. Locally, South Africa’s government of national unity faltered over fiscal disagreements, adding to domestic instability and investor caution.

In debt markets, global bonds rebounded strongly in the first quarter, supported by a decline in U.S. Treasury yields reflecting a shift toward high-quality fixed income amid ongoing market volatility. The Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index (+2.64%) ended the quarter positively, rebounding from previous quarter losses. In the South African bond market, both the JSE-All-Bond Index and CILI returned 0.70%, reflecting stability despite fiscal uncertainty, with investors showing caution but not abandoning domestic debt—signalling improving market depth and resilience. The Diversified Income Fund returned 2.14% for the quarter against its benchmark’s 2.09%. The macro-outlook has become more fragile following the escalation in U.S. trade tensions, with President Trump’s broad tariffs reviving global recession fears and amplifying policy uncertainty. Central banks now face a delicate balancing act between containing inflation and supporting growth, while markets remain focused on earnings resilience and geopolitical risks. We are a bit cautious on SA bonds due to headwinds facing the domestic market. Momentum has also been increasing towards developed market bonds as they have emerged as a safe haven amid trade war concerns. The fund continues to adhere to its policy objective.

## Performance Summary



## Asset Allocation



Performance Analysis

	Fund	Benchmark
1 Month	0.69%	0.70%
3 Months	2.14%	2.09%
6 Months	3.97%	4.34%
YTD	2.14%	2.09%
1 Year	9.73%	9.14%
3 Years (Annualised)	8.54%	8.30%
5 Years (Annualised)	-	-
Inception (Annualised)	7.61%	7.05%
Inception (Cumulative)	37.40%	34.33%
Highest Rolling 1 Year Return	10.10%	5.06%
Lowest Rolling 1 Year Return	4.57%	4.20%

Underlying Manager Breakdown

Asset Class	Fund/s
SA Income	Aluwani BCI High Yield Fund
SA Income	Saffron BCI Opportunity Income Fund - Retention Fund
SA Income	Saffron BCI Opportunity Income Fund
SA Income	Nedgroup Investments Flexible Income Fund
SA Income	Mi-Plan IP Enhanced Income Retention Fund
SA Income	STANLIB Income Fund
SA Nominal Bonds	SA Direct Bonds
SA Cash	SA Cash

Monthly Fund Performance

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Jan	-	0.62%	0.37%	0.99%	0.87%	0.71%
Feb	-	0.46%	0.32%	0.50%	0.59%	0.73%
Mar	-	-0.10%	0.08%	0.65%	-0.05%	0.69%
Apr	-	0.47%	0.49%	0.55%	0.74%	-
May	-	0.76%	0.50%	0.32%	0.80%	-
Jun	-	0.84%	0.02%	1.13%	1.01%	-
Jul	-	0.36%	0.59%	0.94%	1.00%	-
Aug	-	0.54%	0.71%	0.81%	0.94%	-
Sep	-	0.30%	0.12%	0.40%	0.93%	-
Oct	-	0.29%	0.78%	0.84%	0.58%	-
Nov	-	0.47%	0.94%	1.16%	0.82%	-
Dec	0.69%	0.74%	0.68%	0.84%	0.38%	-
Yr.	0.69%	5.89%	5.75%	9.51%	8.95%	2.14%

Risk Analysis

	Fund	Benchmark
Volatility (Annualised)	1.02%	0.61%
% Positive Months	96.15%	100.00%
% Negative Months	3.85%	-
Best Month	1.16%	0.81%
Worst Month	-0.10%	0.31%
Average Negative Months	-0.08%	-
Maximum Drawdown	-0.10%	-
Tracking Error	0.89%	-
Sharpe Ratio	1.18	-

Investment Terms

	Fees
Initial Fee	0.00%
Annual Management Fee	0.33% (excl. VAT)
Minimum Investment Size	R5000 lump sum or R500 monthly debit order

Income Distribution

1st working day after declaration

- 2024/07/31 : 1.28 cents per units
- 2024/04/30 : 1.25 cents per units
- 2024/01/31 : 1.33 cents per units
- 2023/01/31 : 0.87 cents per unit

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Where a current yield has been included for Funds that derive its income primarily from interest bearing income, the yield is a weighted average yield of all underlying interest bearing instruments as at the last day of the month. This yield is subject to change as market rates and underlying investments change.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third-party-named portfolio. Where foreign securities are included in a portfolio there may be potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds, macroeconomic risks, political risks, foreign exchange risks, tax risks, settlement risks; and potential limitations on the availability of market information. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees. Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), to be transacted at the net asset value price for that day. Where all required documentation is not received before the stated cut off time 27four shall not be obliged to transact at the net asset value price as agreed to. Money market Funds are priced at 1pm all other Funds are priced at either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the 27four website.

Glossary

**Annualised performance:** Annualised performance show longer term performance rescaled to a 1 year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

**Best month:** Largest increase in any single month.

**Highest & lowest return:** The highest and lowest returns over any 1 year period since the inception date.

**Max drawdown:** The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

**NAV:** The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

**Sharpe ratio:** The Sharpe ratio is used to indicate the excess return the portfolio delivers over the risk free rate per unit of risk adopted by the fund.

**Standard deviation:** The deviation of the return stream relative to its own average.

**Tracking error:** The volatility of the difference in returns between a Fund and its Benchmark.Also known as active risk.

**% positive months:** The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive return.

Fund Specific Risks

**Currency exchange risk:** Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

**Default risk:** The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments (e.g. bonds) may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed.The issuers credit quality is vital. The worse the credit quality, the greater the risk of default and therefore investment loss.

**Derivatives risk:** The use of derivatives could increase overall risk by magnifying the effect of both gains and losses in a Fund. As such, large changes in value and potentially large financial losses could result.

**Derivative counterparty risk:** A counterparty to a derivative transaction may experience a breakdown in meeting its obligations thereby leading to financial loss.

**Developing Market (excluding SA) risk:** Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems. These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than those in countries generally regarded as being more developed.

**Equity investment risk:** Value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. bankruptcy), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

**Foreign investment risk:** Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.

**Geographic / Sector risk:** For investments primarily concentrated in specific countries, geographical regions and/or industry sectors, their resulting value may fluctuate more than portfolios that are more broadly invested.

**Interest rate risk:** The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to be inversely related to interest and inflation rates. Hence their value decreases when interest rates and/ or inflation rises.

**Liquidity risk:** If there are insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments, the result may lead to delays in trading and being able to make settlements, and/or large fluctuations in value. This may lead to larger financial losses than expected.

**Property risk:** Investments in real estate securities can carry the same risks as investing directly in real estate itself. Real estate prices

Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The portfolio performance figures are calculated for the relevant class of the portfolio. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestments and dividend withholding tax. Full performance calculations are available from the manager on request.

The investment performance is calculated by taking the actual initial fees and all ongoing fees into account for the amount shown and income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.

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TER Breakdown

	Fees
Management Fee	0.38%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Other Cost	0.44%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	0.82%
Transaction Cost (TC)	0.00%
Total Investment Charge (TIC)	0.82%

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