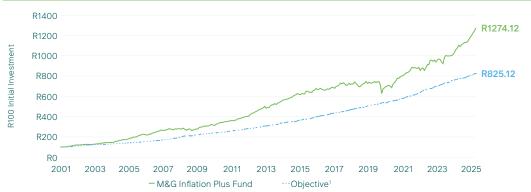


# **M&G Inflation Plus Fund**

### September 2025

Since inception cumulative performance, distributions reinvested (A class)



Annualised performance	A class	Objective <sup>1</sup>	T class	X class	B class
1 year	15.4%	6.7%	15.7%	15.4%	15.9%
3 years	14.2%	7.6%	14.5%	14.2%	14.7%
5 years	12.7%	8.4%	13.0%	12.7%	13.3%
7 years	8.3%	8.0%	8.6%	8.4%	8.9%
10 years	7.4%	8.2%	7.8%	7.5%	8.0%
20 years	9.7%	9.1%	-	-	10.4%
Since inception	11.1%	9.1%	_	_	_

Returns since inception <sup>2</sup>	A class	Date
Highest annualised return	30.8%	30 Apr 2006
Lowest annualised return	-13.7%	31 Mar 2020

#### Top 10 holdings as at 30 Sep 2025

1.	Republic of SA Bond 8.875% 280235 (R2035)	9.4%
2.	Naspers Ltd/Prosus NV	3.8%
3.	Republic of SA Bond 8.50% 310137 (R2037)	3.7%
4.	Republic of SA ILB 2.50% 310346 (I2046)	3.6%
5.	Eskom Holdings Bond 7.50% 150933	3.3%
6.	Republic of SA ILB 3.45% 071233 (R202)	2.9%
7.	Republic of SA Bond 10.50% 211226 (R186)	2.7%
8.	Gold Fields Ltd	2.3%
9.	Republic of SA Bond 9.00% 310140 (R2040)	2.2%
10.	AngloGold Ashanti Plc	2.1%

Risk measures	A class	Objective
Monthly volatility (annualised)	6.7%	1.5%
Maximum drawdown over any period	-15.9%	-0.7%
% of positive rolling 12 months	91.4%	100.0%
Information ratio	1.0	n/a
Sortino ratio	1.8	n/a
Sharpe ratio	1.0	n/a

#### Asset allocation as at 30 Sep 2025



Investment options	A Class	T Class	I Class	X Class	<b>B</b> Class
Minimum lump sum investment	R10 000	R10 000	R10 000	R10 000	R20 million
Minimum monthly debit order	R500 pm	R500 pm	R500 pm	R500 pm	n/a
Annual Management Fees (excl. VAT)	A Class	T Class	I Class	X Class	B Class
M&G³	1.00%	0.80%	1.25%	1.00%	0.60%
Financial adviser service fee (if applicable) 4	n/a	n/a	0.50%	0.50%	n/a
Expenses (incl. VAT)	A Class	T Class	I Class	X Class	B Class
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.36%	1.12%	1.64%	1.35%	0.89%
Transaction Costs (TC) <sup>5</sup>	0.06%	0.06%	0.06%	0.06%	0.06%
Total Investment Charges (TIC)	1.42%	1.18%	1.70%	1.41%	0.95%

M&G (South Africa) Global Funds.

## Risk profile



#### **Fund facts**

#### Fund objective

The primary objective is to outperform CPI by 5% before fees (which is 3.4% after fees for the A class) over a rolling 3-year period. The secondary objective is to reduce the risk of capital loss over any rolling 12-month period.

#### Investor profile

Individuals looking for a low- to mediumrisk multi-asset fund. Individuals and retirees who want to protect their investment from the detrimental effects of inflation over time. The recommended investment horizon is 3 years or longer.

#### Investment mandate

The Fund invests in a diversified mix of local and foreign equity, bonds, listed property and cash. The Fund may also invest in derivatives and other collective investment schemes. Asset allocation is actively and tactically managed to achieve the Fund's objectives. The intended maximum limits are Equity 40%, Listed Property 25% and Foreign 45%. The Fund is managed to comply with regulations governing retirement fund investments (Regulation 28).

#### **Fund managers**

Sandile Malinga Michael Moyle Leonard Krüger

#### ASISA category

South African - Multi-Asset - Low Equity

#### **Benchmark**

#### Objective (before fees)

CPI+5% p.a. measured over a rolling 3-year period

#### Inception date

1 June 2001

#### Fund size

R20 971 974 921

#### **Awards**

Raging Bull: 2013 Morningstar: 2015

M&G Inflation Plus Fund Sources: M&G and Morningstar

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Objective: CPI + 5% p.a. over rolling 3 years gross of fees; less long-term TIC of applicable class. For A class objective above a TIC of -1.6% was used.

<sup>2</sup> 12-month rolling performance figure

<sup>3</sup> The Fund can invest portions of its assets into underlying foreign investments (incl. investments into Africa). This would mainly be achieved by investing into the sub-funds of the M&G (South Africa) Global Funds ICAV and the M&G Africa Equity Fund. These funds will charge an additional asset management fee which is included in the Fund's NAV and the Fund's TER. The Manager receives a marketing and distribution fee in respect of the

The Financial Adviser Service Fee, if applicable, is included in M&G's applied <sup>4</sup> The Financial Adviser Service Fee, if applicable, is included in M&G's annual management fee above. An Ongoing Adviser Fee, over and above the Financial Adviser Service Fee, may be negotiated between the Investor and Financial Adviser. Should you agree to an Ongoing Adviser Fee, it will be paid via the regular repurchase of units.
<sup>8</sup> Where a transaction cost is not readily available, a reasonable best estimate has been used. Estimated transaction costs may include Bond, Money Market, and FX costs (where applicable)



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# **M&G Inflation Plus Fund**

Multi-asset

#### September 2025

Income Distributions <sup>6</sup>	A Class	T Class	X Class	B Class
	Total 12m yield	Total 12m yield	Total 12m yield	Total 12m yield
30 June 2025	10.37 cpu 4.07%	10.90 cpu 4.28%	10.34 cpu 4.07%	11.46 cpu 4.48%
31 December 2024	10.20 cpu 4.23%	10.74 cpu 4.43%	10.19 cpu 4.23%	11.30 cpu 4.64%

#### **Fund commentary**

Global equity markets recorded their sixth consecutive monthly gain in September, with the MSCI All Country World Index advancing 3.7%. The S&P 500 also returned 3.7% on the back of the Federal Reserve's widely anticipated 25bps rate cut and a more dovish tone in its forward guidance. Bond market returns were broadly positive in the month as well, with longer-dated maturities being the best performers. Upward revisions to second-quarter GDP (3.8% from 3.3%), subdued core inflation, resilient retail sales, and stable unemployment at 4.3% supported sentiment. However, at month-end, the federal government entered a shutdown as Congress failed to approve appropriations. US CPI rose to 2.9% y/y in August from 2.7% in July, the highest reading since January. European markets lagged, weighed by eurozone inflation rising above the ECB's 2% target, prompting a pause in rate cuts. UK inflation was higher still at 3.8%, driven by payroll tax increases, higher minimum wages, and regulatory price rises - leaving the UK with the highest inflation in the G7. Political tensions added to uncertainty in France, where the new Prime Minister, Sébastien Lecornu, saw his deficit-cutting budget rejected by the Socialist party. Eurozone GDP grew 0.1% q/q in the second quarter of 2025.

Developed Asian markets were the weakest region, though still positive overall, led by Japan. Rising interest rates and inflation hindered bonds, yet equities were supported by attractive valuations and currency strength. Hong Kong posted modest gains, but trade tensions with the US and the shift of financial activity toward Singapore remained headwinds. Emerging markets (MSCI Emerging Markets Index) surged more than 7% in September, lifting year-to-date gains above 28% - the strongest start since 2010. Support came from stronger currencies, prudent monetary policy, and continued inflows. China benefited again as government reforms to curb excessive competition helped counter deflationary pressures. India, by contrast, weakened on soft consumption and escalating trade tensions with the US, despite robust GDP growth of 7.8%. On the local front, SA GDP grew by 0.8% in Q2 2025, following a modest increase of 0.1% in Q1. The SARB's MPC decided to keep the policy rate unchanged at 7% - four members preferred to keep rates on hold, while two favoured a cut of 25 basis points. The FTSE/JSE All Share Index returned 6.6% in September, mainly due to Resources shares posting a stellar 25.5% return for the month. Listed Property (FTSE/JSE All Property Index) delivered -1.0, the FTSE/JSE All Bond Index returned 3.3%, inflation-linked bonds (the Composite ILB Index) posted 3.0%, and cash as measured by the STeFI Composite Index delivered 0.6%. Looking at global market returns (in US\$), the MSCI All Country World Index delivered 3.7%, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index returned 0.7%, while the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global REIT Index posted 0.9%. The rand strengthened 2.9% against the US dollar, 2.8% against the euro, and 4.6% against the pound sterling.

Contributing the most to absolute performance for the month was the fund's exposure to SA equities (excluding property), SA bonds (excluding inflation-linked bonds), and SA inflation-linked bonds. Rand strength tempered the contribution of foreign asset classes.

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#### Glossary

A measure of the Fund's income distributions as a percentage of the Fund's net asset value (NAV). This is calculated by summing the income distributions over a rolling 12-month period, then dividing by the sum of the NAV at the end of the period and any capital gains distributed over the same period.
The average amount of money (total return) earned by an investment each year over a given time period. For periods longer than one year, total returns are expressed as compounded average returns on a yearly basis.
This illustrates how an initial investment of R100 or N\$100 (for example) placed into the Fund would change over time, taking ongoing fees into account, with all distributions reinvested.
The dividend income and/or interest income that is generated by the underlying Fund investments and that is periodically declared and distributed to investors in the Fund after all annual service fees.
Measures the Fund's active return (Fund return in excess of the benchmark) divided by the amount of risk that the manager takes relative to the benchmark. The higher the information ratio, the higher the active return of the Fund, given the amount of risk taken and the more consistent the manager. This is calculated over a 3-year period.
This indicates the Fund's intended maximum exposure to an asset class. These limits may be reviewed subject to the Fund's Supplemental Deed and/or Regulation 28 for those Funds managed in accordance with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act.
The largest drop in the Fund's cumulative total return from peak to trough over any period.
Also known as standard deviation. This measures the amount of variation or difference in the monthly returns on an investment. The larger the annualised monthly volatility, the more the monthly returns are likely to vary from the average monthly return (i.e. the more volatile the investment).
The percentage of months, since inception, that the Fund has shown a positive return over a rolling 12-month period.
The South African retirement fund industry is governed by the Pension Funds Act, No 24 of 1956. Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act prescribes the maximum limits in asset classes that an approved retirement fund may invest in.
The Sharpe ratio is used to measure how well the return of an asset compensates the investor for the risk taken. The higher the Sharpe ratio the better the Fund's historical risk-adjusted performance has been. This is calculated by taking the difference between the Fund's annualised return and the risk-free (cash) rate, divided by the standard deviation of the Fund's returns. This is calculated over a 3-year period.
This is calculated by taking the difference between the Fund's annualised return and the risk-free (cash) rate, divided by the downside deviation of the Fund's returns i.e. the "bad" volatility. A high Sortino ratio indicates a low risk of large losses occurring in the Fund. This is calculated over a 3-year period.
This shows the charges, levies and fees relating to the management of the portfolio and is expressed as a percentage of the average net asset value of the portfolio, calculated for the year to the end of the most recent completed quarter. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TERs.
The percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the Fund's underlying assets. Transaction costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of Fund, investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.
The percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs, relating to the investment of the Fund. As fund returns are reported after deducting all fees and expenses, these costs (the TER, TC & TIC) should not be deducted from the fund returns.
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> If the income earned in the form of dividends and interest exceeds the total expenses, the Fund will make a distribution (cpu = cents per unit).

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