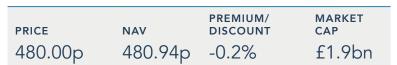




# All data as at 30 April 2023

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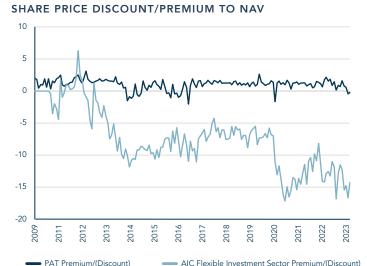
The Trust's policy is to protect and increase (in that order) the value of shareholders' funds per share over the long term.



PERCENTAGE GROWTH FROM 03/03/2009\* TO 30/04/2023

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Source: Lipper

Total Return to 30 April 2023		03/03/09 Troy Appt.	30/04/13 10 years	30/04/16 7 years	30/04 5 yea		30/04/20 3 years	30/04/22 1 year
Personal Assets Trust Share Price		+178.2%	+55.4%	+41.8%	+31.	.0%	+15.4%	-3.0%
Personal Assets Trust NAV		+185.3%	+57.5%	+44.0%	+31.	.9%	+17.1%	-2.4%
UK Retail Price Index		+73.7%	+47.2%	+40.5%	+31.3	3%	+25.5%	+9.7%
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2009*	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
	+32.7%	+14.4%	+8.3%	+4.2%	-4.8%	+10.3%	+1.7%	+14.2%
Personal Assets Trust Share Price		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD
		+5.7%	-3.0%	+10.2%	+7.9%	+12.0%	-3.5%	+1.0%
*Since Troy Appointment 3 March 2009	Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Source: Lippe							

Source: Thomson Reuters Datastream

# April Commentary

The Trust produced a Net Asset Value total return of +0.5% during the month and a price total return of +0.7%, compared to a return of +3.4% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

Through April most companies reported their much-anticipated first guarter's earnings. The results have been a particular focus for markets as the debate on whether we are headed for recession intensifies. Commentators from both sides of the debate were able to find evidence that they were correct. UPS, a courier company that is not owned by the Trust, disappointed, which some view as a leading indicator for weakness in the wider economy. On the other side, Procter & Gamble, which is held in Personal Assets Trust and manufactures cleaning and personal care products, reported strong organic sales growth, with profit margins expanding.

Whether individual company results beat or missed expectations perhaps ignores the more interesting point that consumers and businesses overall appear to be in rude health, with little visible impact from ever-higher interest rates. Several companies raised prices by double-digit percentages, with

volumes remaining relatively unchanged compared to a year earlier. In the US these severe price rises, needed to offset cost pressures and staff wage rises, are incompatible with the Federal Reserve's (Fed) goal to tame inflation.

Despite these and other signs of inflationary pressures, the market currently expects the Fed to begin cutting interest rates in late summer, with multiple rate cuts expected by the end of January 2024. On the back of this expectation for looser monetary policy, equities have started the year strongly. We are concerned that if the Fed begins to reduce rates substantially, it will not be good news for stock markets. Lower rates can likely only be justified by an inflation-fighting Fed if inflation no longer poses a problem. We expect that for inflation to fall much further, we will need to see slower growth, weaker business profits and higher unemployment. At present markets seem to be pricing in a seamless return to low and stable inflation, with minimal negative impact to earnings. Earnings in the US are forecast to be broadly flat over the next 12 months. This leaves substantial room for disappointment; the Trust's cautious asset allocation reflects this.





# ASSET ALLOCATION



#### Source: Factset, Asset Allocation and holdings subject to change.

**RETURN VS VOLATILITY SINCE 03/03/2009** 



Past performance is not a guide to future performance. **RISK ANALYSIS** 

Risk analysis since 03/03/2009	Personal Assets Trust Share Price
Total Return	+178.2%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-11.9%
Best Month	+5.1%
Worst Month	-5.4%
Positive Months	+64.5%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+6.9%

# Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Lipper

Measures the worst investment period

<sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns.

#### TRUST INFORMATION

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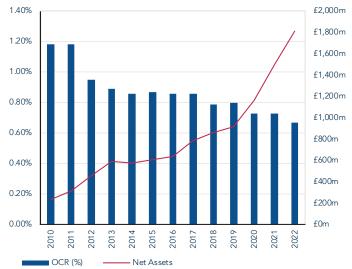
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# **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Gold Bullion (Bars)	9.5%
Unilever	3.7%
Nestlé	3.0%
Visa	2.8%
Diageo	2.4%
Microsoft	1.8%
Becton Dickinson	1.7%
Alphabet	1.5%
Franco-Nevada	1.5%
Procter & Gamble	1.4%
Total Top 10	29.2%
5 other equity holdings	4.3%
US TIPS	34.1%
Short-dated US Treasuries	15.0%
Short-dated Gilts	13.7%
Cash	3.7%
TOTAL	100.0%
Source: Eactset, Holdings subject to change	

Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.

## HISTORIC ONGOING CHARGES RATIO



#### Source: Juniper Partners Limited

391,570,200 1,235,000
£1,883,203,888 0.67%

Management Fee 0.65% on first £750m 0.50% on £750m-£1bn 0.45% on £1bn plus

**Capital Structure** Shares with voting rights

Ongoing Charges

(30 April 2022)

Net Assets

Shares held in treasury

Capital 65% Revenue 35%
22 July 1983 30 April
-0.20%
Nil

Fund Manager Awards		
MORNINGSTAR	Gold	

<b>Pricing</b> Share price is listed daily in the FT and Scotsman			
Dividend Payments	January, April, July, October		
Historic Dividend Yield	1.46%		
Market Makers	PEEL, VHL, NUMS, JPMS, WINS, STFL, INV		
Bloomberg/Reuters Coc	le PNL.L / PNL.LN		
ISIN Sedol	GB00BM8B5H06 BM8B5H0		
Auditor	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP		



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