FUND PERFORMANCE REPORT BALANCED FUND April 2024



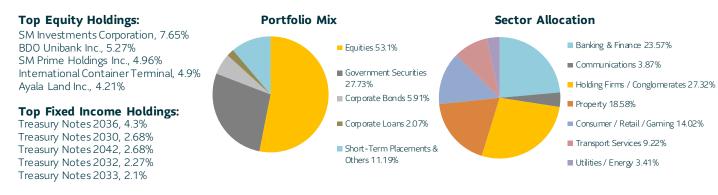
This document contains key information concerning the underlying funds of Sun Life's unit -linked policies.

Launch Date	November 2004	Fund Size	PHP 40,870,179,509
Net Asset Value Per Unit	PHP 2.7547		

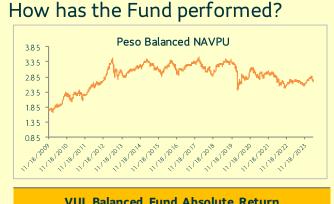
## What does the Fund invest in?

The Balanced Fund is offered as a fund option exclusive to Sun FlexiLink, Sun FlexiLink1, Sun MaxiLink 100, Sun MaxiLink Bright and Sun MaxiLink Prime, which are investment-linked life insurance products regulated by the Insurance Commission. The Fund is designed to provide optimum returns consisting of current income and capital growth through investment in a mix of fixed income (bonds) and equity (stocks) securities from both domestic and foreign issuers.

The Fund is suitable for clients with a **balanced risk profile** and long-term investment horizon. This is for clients who want to enjoy the relative safety of fixed income securities without sacrificing the growth potential of equities.



\*Portfolio Mix & Sector Allocation may shift depending on market conditions.



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Since Inception	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	
175.47%	1.26%	1.25%	-2.84%	-16.44%	

## Market Review

• The Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi) struggled in April, falling by-2.9% as the index closed at 6,700. Bond retreated as well, with yields surging by 50-80 basis points (bps; 0.5-0.8%) which led to negative fixed income returns in April.

 $\bullet$  Philippine CPI inflation continued to rise, hitting 3.7% y/y in March, but was still within in the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas' 2%-4% target range.

• Amidst this, the BSP maintained its policy rate at its current level in its April Monetary Board meeting. Rate cuts are likely to be put on hold until the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) does so. The market is expecting the Fed to begin reducing its policy rate by the second half of this year.

• In the local equity market, foreign outflows further accelerated in April (Including the sale of BLOOM by GGAM). Total net outflows for the month reached US\$412M, bringing the YTD total to a net outflow of \$250M.

• Moving forward, there is a lack of potential catalysts for the PSEi which means that it is likely to remain rangebound between the 6,400 and 6,800 levels. On the fixed income side, market volatility may be heightened in the coming weeks given the weak market sentiment.

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