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Portfolio construction insights - Why we are tilted the way we are

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Managing diverse portfolios to cater to varying risk appetites, from balanced income to growth-focused strategies.

Multi-Asset Managers Since 2015

Long track record in managing complex, multi-asset portfolios, helping clients achieve both short- and long-term financial objectives.

Why In Action

Purpose Active Suite

Fund	ETF	F Class	A Class
Mgmt fee	0.20%	0.20%	1.20%
Conservative	PACF	PFC22001	PFC22000
Balanced	PABF	PFC22101	PFC22100
Growth	PAGF	PFC22201	PFC22200
Equity	PAEF	PFC22301	PFC22300

Holdings

New Launch

Underlying Product	Conservative	Balanced	Growth	Equity
Cash & Cash Equivalents				
Cash	–	–	–	
Purpose Cash Management ETF	3.0%	2.8%	5.0%	5.1%
Purpose USD Cash Management ETF	0.8%	1.1%	–	
Fixed Income				
BMO Aggregate Bond ETF	7.1%	4.1%	4.5%	
iShares Core Canadian Corporate Bd ETF	8.9%	5.3%		
Mackenzie Unconstrained Bond ETF	3.8%	3.3%		
iShares Core Canadian Short Term Bd ETF	9.5%	6.8%		
Purpose Global Bond ETF	14.0%	8.0%	5.9%	
iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF	3.1%			
BMO MT US IG Corp Bd Hdgd to CAD ETF	6.5%	4.6%	2.7%	
Balanced				
Purpose Tactical Asset Allocation ETF	6.5%	8.3%	6.8%	4.9%
North American Equity				
BMO S&P/TSX Capped Composite ETF	4.7%	5.2%	11.3%	12.7%
Purpose Core Equity Income ETF	8.7%	13.2%	10.1%	12.8%
CIInvescoS&P 500EqualWghtdxTFCADHnts	4.9%	8.7%	6.9%	7.7%
Invesco QQQ Trust			8.8%	5.6%
iShares Russell 2000 ETF			2.8%	
Stt Strt SPDR S&P 500 ETF		3.5%		
iShares MSCI USA Min Vol Factor ETF	3.1%			
iShares Core S&P 500 ETF (CAD-Hedged)				3.8%
International Equity				
iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF	3.1%	3.4%	10.0%	10.7%
iShares MSCI Japan ETF		3.6%	4.9%	5.6%
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Mkts All Cap ETF		2.9%	4.1%	5.8%
Invesco S&P Emerging Markets Low Vol ETF	2.0%	1.9%	2.7%	3.0%
Avantis International Equity ETF		5.0%	4.9%	5.3%
Purpose International Dividend ETF	7.4%	5.5%	6.4%	7.4%
Fidelity Global Innovators ETF Sr L				2.9%
Diversifiers				
Purpose Gold Bullion	3.0%	2.9%	2.6%	
iShares Systematic Alternatives Actv ETF				3.8%
Purpose Diversified Real Asset ETF				2.9%
Total	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

Source: Purpose Investments, as of November 6, 2026

3 Year Anniversary & New Launch

October marked the 3-year anniversary since we launched the Active Suite of multi-asset portfolios.

Over that period Purpose Active Balanced beat both its category and its index while taking less risk than the peer average, on volatility, worst drawdown and Sharpe ratio.

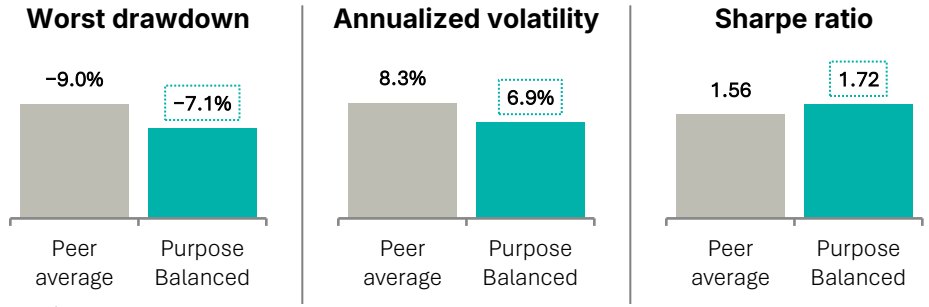
The new Purpose Active Equity Fund (PAEF) adds a 100% equity option on top of Conservative, Balanced and Growth, run by the same PM team with the same macro-driven approach and fees.

PURPOSE ACTIVE SUITE – 3-YEAR RESULTS

Fund	3-Year Performance	3-Year Percentile Rank
Purpose Active Conservative	11.3%	1st
Purpose Active Balanced	14.5%	9th
Purpose Active Growth	17%	9th

F Class versions. As of November 5, 2026

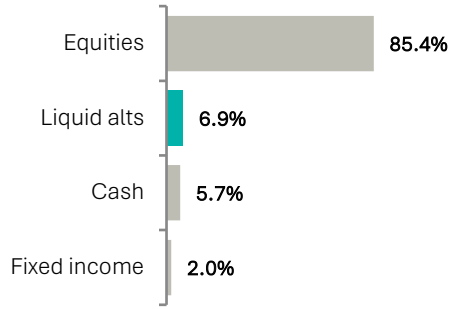
Not all experiences are the same: 3 years to October 31, 2026



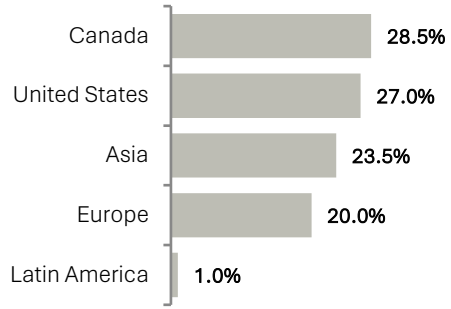
Source: [1]Purpose Investments, Bloomberg, as of October 31, 2026. Three years from October 31, 2023. Peer average is the simple average of Vanguard, iShares and Fidelity balanced ETF portfolios (VBAL, XBAL, FBAL) vs. Purpose Active Balanced Fund F-Class.

New Launch: Purpose Active Equity Fund (PAEF)

Indicative asset mix (% of fund)



Equity by region (% of equity)



Source: Purpose Investments

Performance & Risk

14.5% annualized 3-yr return, ahead of both category (12.1%) and index (12.9%)[1].

10th percentile rank over that period in it's Morningstar Category[1].

Less risk than peer average: less volatility, smaller worse drawdown, and a better Sharpe ratio over the 3-year period[1].

What's Different

Same process & fees as the current suite. Same PM team and macro driven approach, priced at 0.20% for the ETF & F series.

Ability to go 100% Equity. The equity anchor of the suite above Conservative, Balanced, and Growth portfolios.

Up to 10% liquid alternatives in a Corporate Class structure and offered as an option in the In-Kind exchange program.

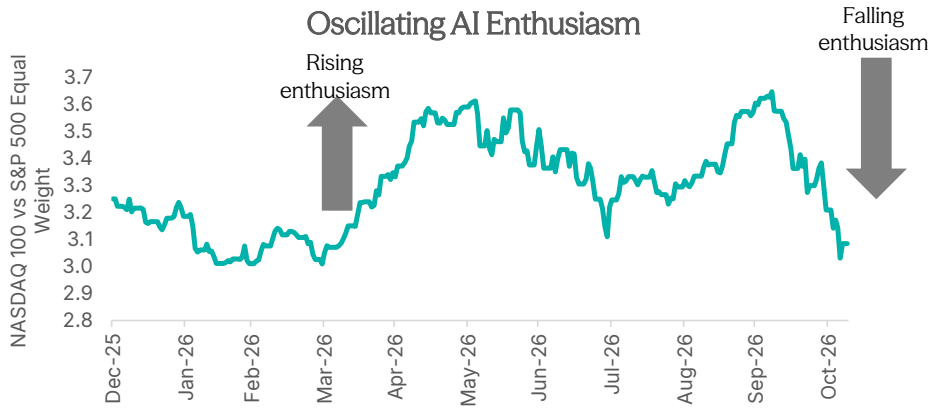
New - Purpose Active Equity

Top of Mind

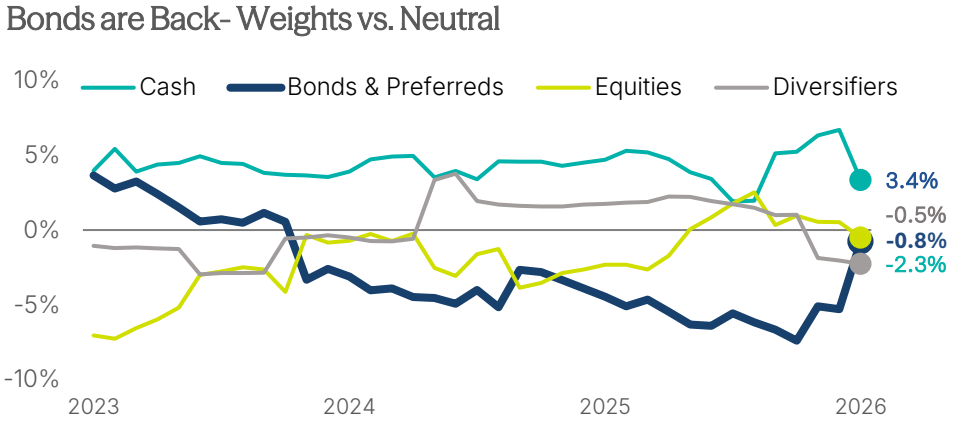
AI is still the story, but the market is treating it less like a sure thing. The Nasdaq 100 has slipped against the equal-weight S&P 500 since September, as investors question the return on AI spending.

That makes ballast worth more. We have added about 7 points to bonds in two months, which puts the portfolio back at a neutral bond weight for the first time in over two years.

We are not stepping away from risk. Cash remains our largest overweight at +3.4%, which keeps room to add if the AI swings create better entry points.



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments



Source: Purpose Investments, PABF, as of Oct 31, 2026

Up and Down AI

AI exposure is heaviest in EM and the US, which makes sense. Europe and Canada have held up better.

We are in a falling enthusiasm phase, with a mega IPO on deck and ROI worries rising.

Expect bigger swings both ways. The buy and hold phase is likely behind us.

There are good times and bad times to have less AI in your country's index. Lately has been a good time.

Back to Neutral on Bonds

In Purpose Active Balanced our bond weight is up about 7 points in two months, back to neutral for the first time in 2+ years.

Yields pushed significantly higher, but they've started to roll down globally. Have we seen the top?

The best predictor of future bond returns is the yield you buy at, and today's yields look good.

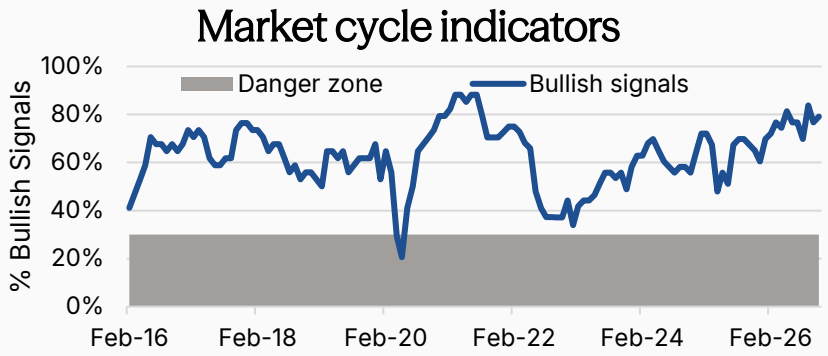
Bonds give us some ballast if AI enthusiasm keeps swinging.

Cash is still our biggest overweight at 3.4%.

Market Cycle

Our Market Cycle indicators largely remain in the bullish camp, with a little improvement on the U.S. side and a little softening globally. For the first time a in a long time, Leading Indicators have turned up in the U.S. The soft patch of course is housing, which is not news. Capex focused on data centers doesn't really care that much about the level of interest rates; the housing industry still does.

Overall, still an encouraging foundation. That doesn't rule out a corrective phase, as AI enthusiasm oscillates, so will markets. As long as the economic data holds up, weakness should be viewed as a potential opportunity.



Source: Purpose Investments, Bloomberg

Market cycle indicators

Grouping	Metric	Bull	Bear	Better/ Worse
Rates				0 / 2
	Net Cuts		✓	+
	Yield Curve	✓		-
	Yield Curve 3m	✓		-
US Economy				11 / 7
	Leading Ind (3m)	✓		+
	Leading Ind (6m)	✓		+
	Phili Fed Coincident	✓		-
	Credit (3m)	✓		+
	Recession Prob (NY Fed)	✓		+
	Recession Prob (Clev Fed)	✓		+
	Citi Eco Surprise	✓		+
	GPD Now (Atlanta Fed)	✓		-
	US Unemployment	✓		+
	Consumer Sentiment (3m)		✓	+
Manufacturing	PMI	✓		+
	PMI New Orders	✓		+
	Energy Demand (YoY)	✓		+
	Truck Demand (YoY)	✓		-
	Rail (YoY)	✓		+
Housing	Starts (1yr)		✓	-
	Months Supply (6m)		✓	
	Home Sales		✓	-
	New Home Sales	✓		-
	NAHB Mkt Activity		✓	-

Grouping	Metric	Bull	Bear	Better/ Worse
Global Economy				0 / 8
	Global PMI	✓		-
	Copper (6m)	✓		-
	DRAM (3m)	✓		-
	Oil (3m)	✓		-
	Commodities (3m)	✓		-
	Baltic Freight (3m)		✓	-
	Kospi (2m)		✓	-
	EM (2m)		✓	-
Fundamentals				8 / 4
	US: PE	✓		+
	US: EPS Growth	✓		+
	US: EPS 2FY v 1FY	✓		+
	US: 3m EPS Revision	✓		-
	Canada: PE	✓		+
	Canada: EPS Growth	✓		+
	Canada: EPS 2FY v 1FY	✓		-
	Canada: 3m EPS Revision	✓		+
	International: PE	✓		+
	Int: EPS Growth	✓		+
	Int: EPS 2FY v 1FY	✓		-
	Int: 3m EPS Revision	✓		-

Source: Purpose Investments, Bloomberg

Overall Active Portfolio Tilts

● Current positioning
○→● Moved since last update

		Underweight			Neutral		Overweight			Positioning	
		−−		−	=		+		++	Current weight	Baseline
Overall	Equity				●					57%	57%
	Bonds				●					35%	36%
	Cash						●	←○		**4%**	**2%**
	Diversifiers			●						3%	5%
Equities	Canada			●						31%	35%
	U.S.				○→	●				**31%**	**30%**
	International						●			**38%**	**35%**
	└ Developed					●				30%	30%
	└ Emerging							●		8%	5%
	Style (Value ↔ Growth)				●						
	Size (Small Cap ↔ Large Cap)					●					
Fixed Income	Duration (Low ↔ High)					●				4.9yrs	5yrs
	Government					●				43%	40%
	Credit				●					**57%**	**60%**
	└ Investment Grade						●			45%	40%
	└ High Yield (N.R. inclusive)		●							12%	20%
	└ Preferreds	●								0%	0%
Diversifiers	Volatility Reduction Strategies						●				
	Growth Strategies	●									
	Structured Product/Yield	●									
	Real Assets					●					
Active/Passive	Management approach (Passive ↔ Active)				●						

Source: Purpose Investments, Purpose Active Balanced Fund, as of November 6, 2026

WHY report – executive summary

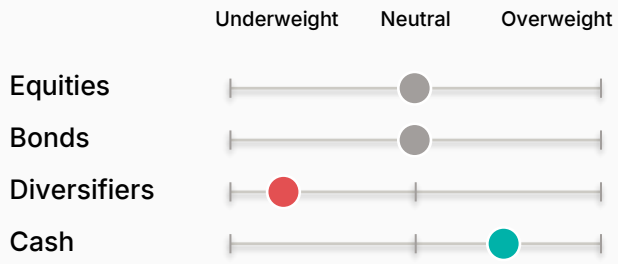
Slide | Theme	Current Stance	Why
11 **Bonds**	Weight up about 7 points since August to roughly market weight, with duration just under 5. Adding in steps.	U.S. 10-year near 5%, the highest since the tech bubble. More yield, and a better hedge if growth slows or AI deflates.
14 **U.S. equities**	Added to market-cap weight in early November.	S&P RSI was low after the election and 18x valuations have marked past troughs. We see a V-shaped correction.
15 **Developed international**	Trimmed EAFE by 3 points to 31% of equity.	Europe is now neutral. We see more upside in Asia.
10 **Cash**	Largest overweight at +3.4%, with some used for the November equity adds.	Dry powder for AI-driven swings.
13 **Canada**	Staying underweight, now 31% of equity.	Valuations stretched, especially banks, and growth is slowing. TSX is up about in 2026, but narrowly.
16 **Japan and EM**	Japan is about 12% of equity vs 4% for the category. EM is 8%, near our max.	Our main overweights. EM tech brings AI exposure, but our managers hold less than the broad market.
20 **USD and gold**	Less keen on USD exposure. Still hold gold.	USD safe-haven status has softened on policy swings and high valuations. Gold held key support.
Overall stance	Neutral equity weight with a bond-heavy defense.	Economy and earnings are strong. The AI trajectory is the biggest risk.

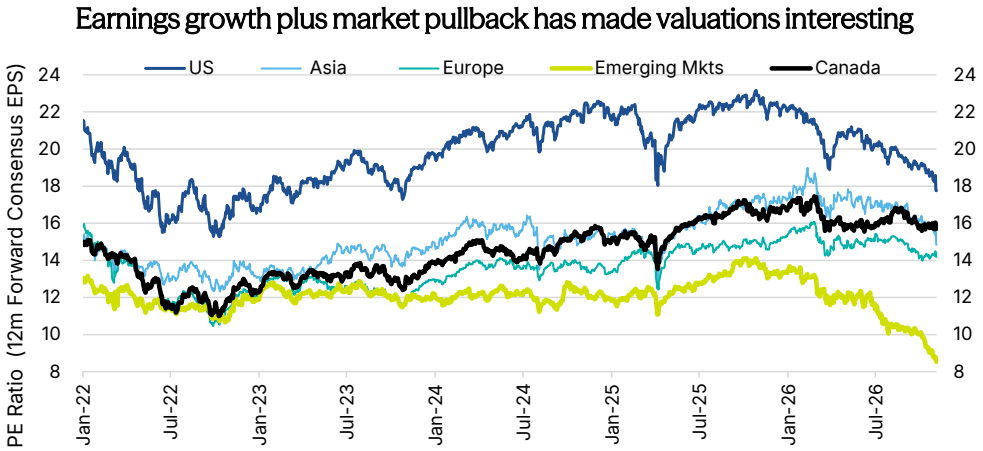
Source: Purpose Investments, as of November 6, 2026. Views are as of the date shown and subject to change.

Strategic Tilts - Equities

After adding a bit of equity on market weakness in early November following the election market drop, we are roughly equal weight or neutral equity weight. The pullback may continue but valuations have become more compelling and we do believe markets more often overreact to headline / political news.

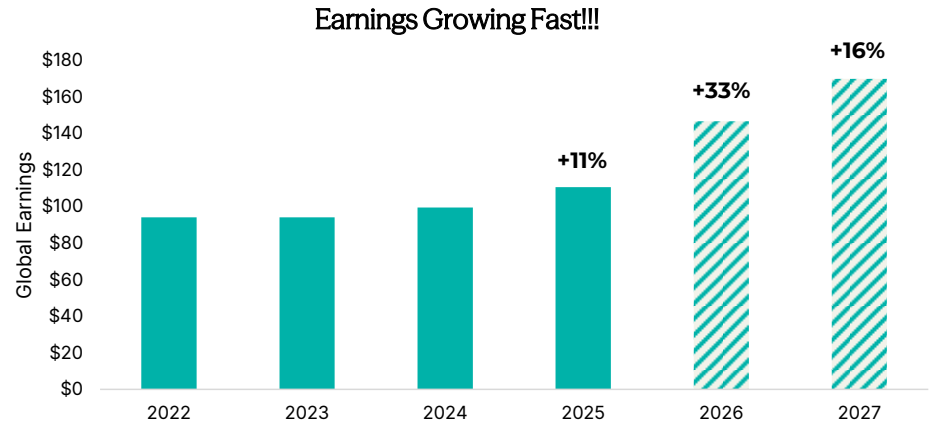
Economy remains strong, with improving labour data out of the U.S. Add to this a robust earnings backdrop. The biggest risk remains the trajectory of the AI bubble. As enthusiasm oscillates, we will likely see big moves in markets, in both directions. Best to have dry powder and be opportunistic.





Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments
US=S&P 500, Asia=Bloomberg APAC Developed, Europe=Bloomberg Europe 600, Canada=S&P/TSX Comp

Valuations have really dropped in the US, Emerging Markets and Japan. Not lost on us, these are the markets most AI exposed. 18x for the S&P has proven trough valuations a few times over the past couple years.



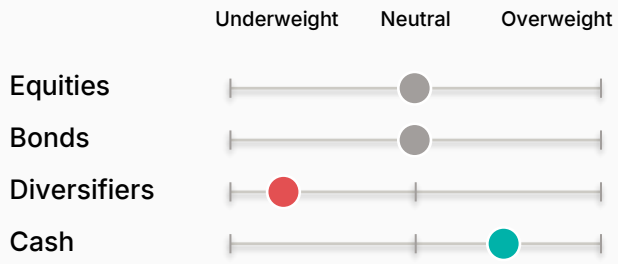
Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments, 08-Nov-2026

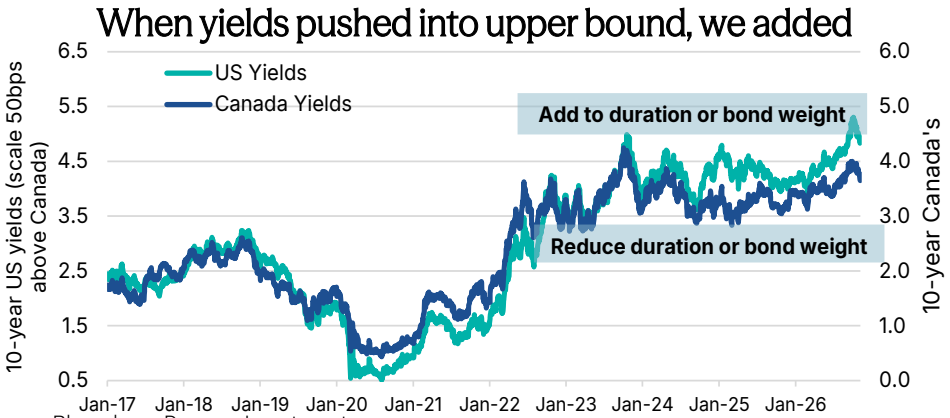
Earnings growth has been very strong, beyond just AI. 33% EPS growth globally is a crazy positive number. Q3 earnings have been good, but not seeing the upward revisions as previous quarters. How the market reacts to decelerating earnings growth is a key risk. Noting that 16% earnings growth in 2027 is still a great number.

Strategic Tilts – Fixed Income

The Bond weight in the portfolio has increased roughly 7% since early August. We now have a neutral to slightly underweight position. We are carrying a reasonable duration in the high 4s. Bond yields have risen of late to the upper end of the range, and have pushed above for the U.S. This has us adding, thus reducing our degree of underweight.

Still remain overweight cash for optionality, which we used some to add to equities in early November.

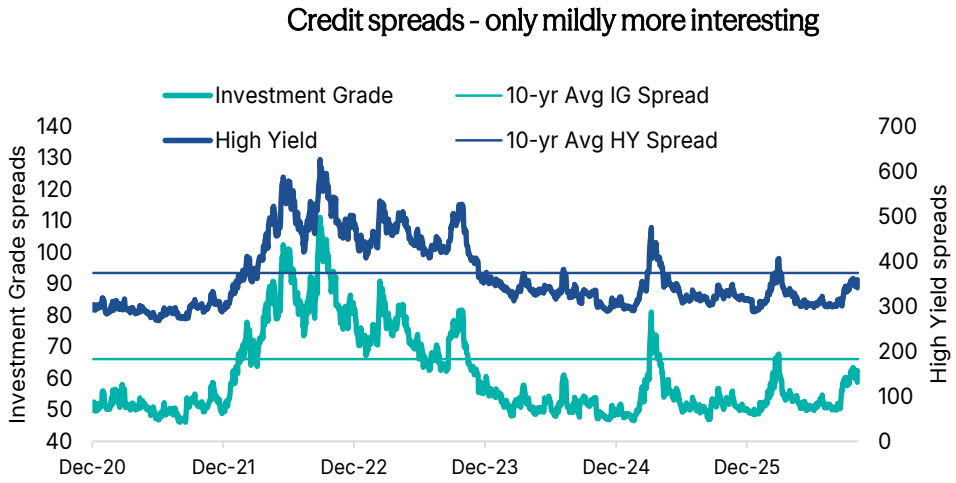




Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

Volatility in the bond markets is certainly elevated. While we are not overly concerned over inflation or deficits in the near term, yields are up because economy is running hot and hyperscaler issuance. We took advantage of the spike and added to bonds in October.

One added benefit of bonds, supporting our now neutral stance, is diversification. The biggest risk to the market and economy is if the AI bubble deflates. We believe bonds would do well in that scenario.



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

Credit spreads have picked up a little but not enough. Worth noting the US IG market is now about 12.4% AI infrastructure companies, from a 7.8% level a year ago. Even the bond markets is becoming an AI play.

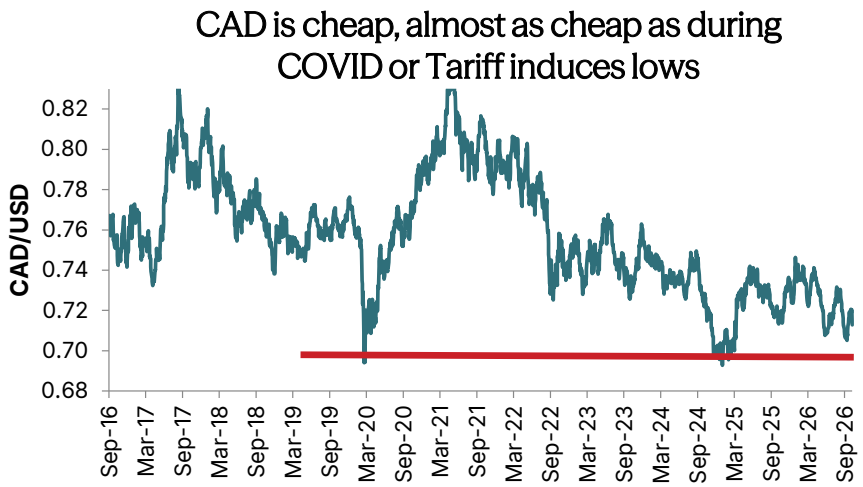
Currency Hedges

The US dollar has historically been a great diversifier for Canadian portfolios given its safe-haven characteristic in times of trouble. Unfortunately, that reputation has softened for a few reasons. Policy flip flopping has not helped and the relative valuations have USD at the higher end vs other currencies including CAD. This has us less enamored with USD currency exposure, however it's role as a safe haven currency is an added benefit.

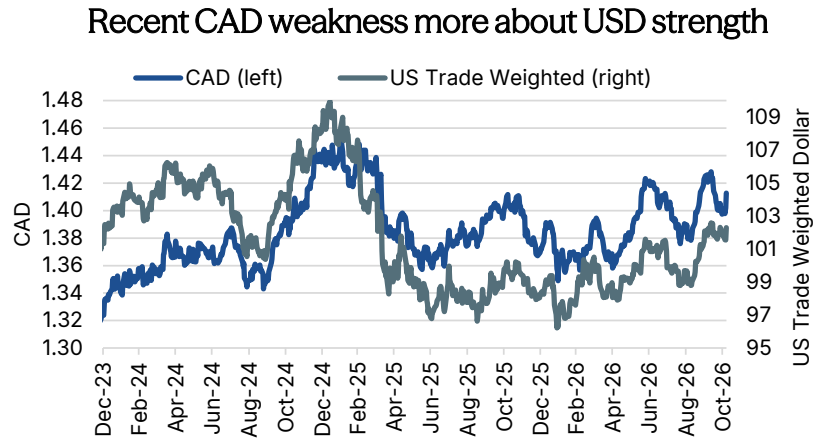
PURPOSE ACTIVE BALANCED – CURRENT HEDGES

%U.S. Equity	**49%**
%US Fixed Income	**71%**





Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

The Canadian dollar has been under some significant pressure. Recently it's broken through the 71 to 75 cent range it was bouncing around for the past year and is close to retesting the lows from early 2025 when tariff fears led to a large sell-off.

Near-term it is quite oversold. Rate differentials are a key driver in currency markets and the 2yr rate differential between the U.S. and Canada touched 1.62%, close to a 30 year high. We do not believe this yield spread is sustainable and it has started to soften, down to 1.32% currently.

At these levels we are more inclined to soften our currency hedges, but not just yet.

Ultimately, it's not a Canadian centric story. The U.S. dollar has been on a surge, with the U.S. dollar index nearing 103, the highest level in over 18 months.

With the recent trade, we did move more into a couple of hedged solutions on the fixed income side. Overall, we are now a little more than half hedged on the equity side of the portfolio, and 2/3s hedged across our fixed income holdings.

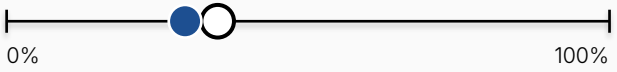
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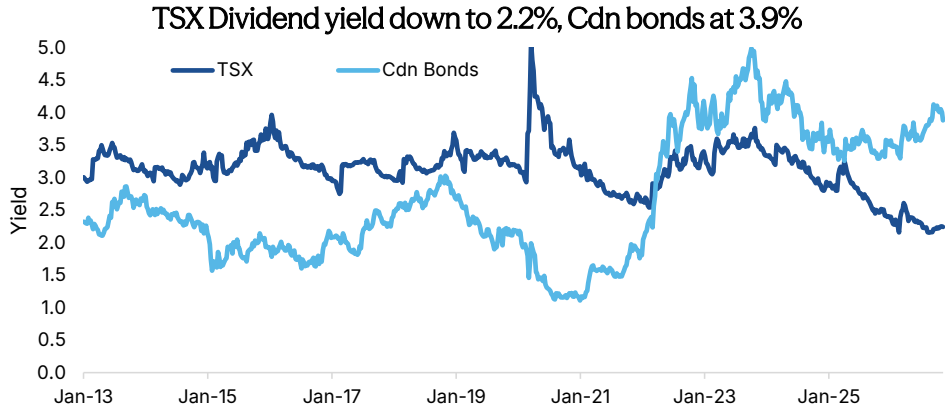
With the trim on international equities, the piece of the pie for Canadian equities grew slightly to 31% of our equity. We remain underweight on Canadian equity, after taking some profits late in 2025. Our thinking at that point was after a strong run in Canada, valuations had become stretched, particularly among banks, while slowing economic momentum limited the potential for further upside. Much of which still exists today, but the market has certainly powered through so far.

2026 TSX is up about , 7 is from financials and 4 from energy. We too have a very narrow market, its just not AI.

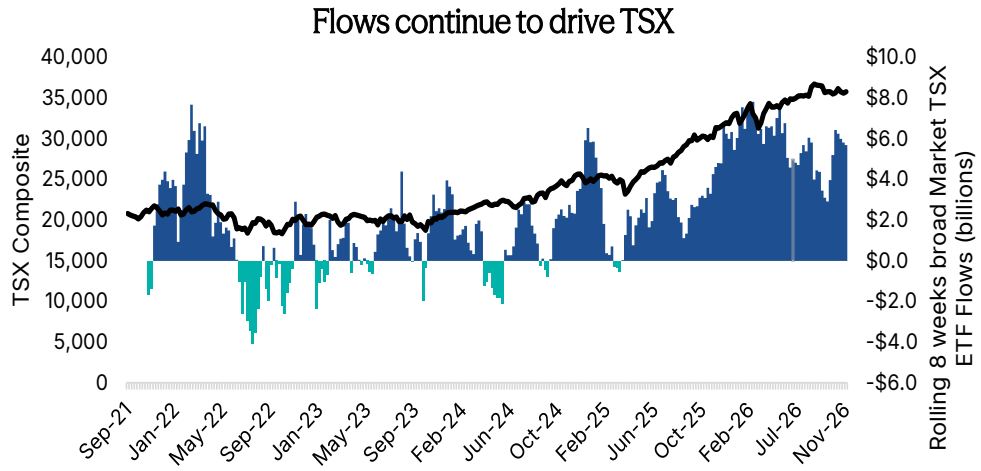
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Canada Current	31%
Baseline	35%





Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments, Cdn Bonds Bloomberg Canada Aggregate



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments, flows based on 20 largest ETFs tracking broad Canadian market

The TSX has been one of the stronger-performing markets over the past few years, leaving valuations stretched at over 16x forward earnings. The dividend yield has also fallen to around 2.2%, while Canadian bonds are yielding close to 4%, making the relative value proposition less compelling.

Banks remain a key consideration, with valuations elevated and earnings growth potentially normalizing after a strong period. While commodity exposure and strength in materials provide support, we see less room for further multiple expansion.

Flows into Canadian equities have been a significant tailwind, helping drive the market higher, particularly among large-cap stocks. The recent slowdown in flows appears to have been brief, with inflows returning and supporting the market. Notably after election in US.

With valuations elevated and leadership concentrated in larger names, we remain mindful of the risk that a sustained slowdown in flows could make it harder to maintain current valuations.

We continue to hold an underweight position in Canadian equities, thankfully much of our allocation has outperformed the index nicely this year.

U.S. Exposure

We remain U.S. equities, having just added to market cap weight index in early November. RSI of the S&P got low enough following election. Plus valuations at 18x have proven trough levels during past market weakness.

While we may be early, our more equal weight stance and high cash level made doing some adding a lot easier.

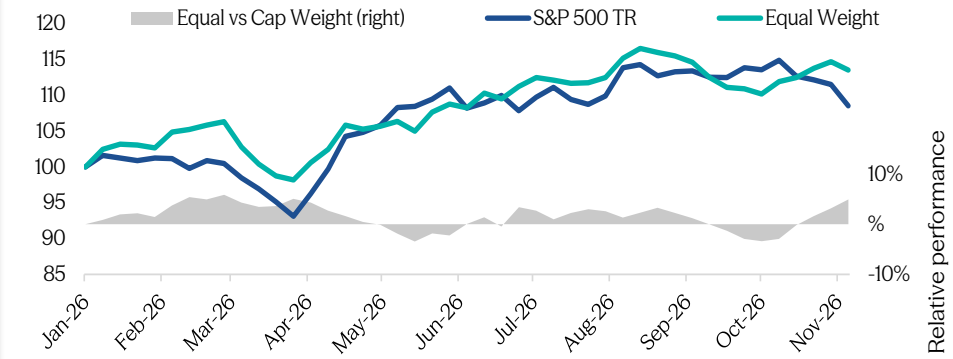
Markets more often overreact to political or headline news. We think this is some sort of V correction, and wanted to lean in a bit.

PURPOSE ACTIVE BALANCED

U.S. Current	31%
Baseline	30%

0% 100%

Equal weight shining again

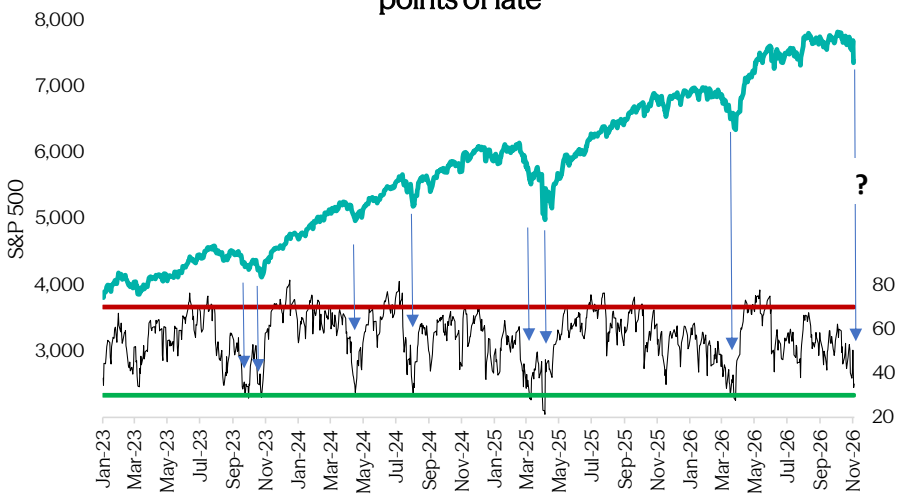


Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

The market weakness following the U.S. mid-term elections weighed much more heavily on the cap weighted index vs equal weight. Given much of our U.S. exposure is active and equal weight, this enabled us to be opportunistic on this weakness. Adding to cap weight.

We are still tilted more to equal for defensive reasons, but tactical add is because we believe the market is overreacting to headline political shifts. And if correct, we will get a bigger bounce in cap weight.

S&P RSI - anytime near 30 has proven to be good entry points of late



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

We may be early, but with RSI nearing 30 at time of purchase, that has proven a good oversold level.

International Exposure - Developed

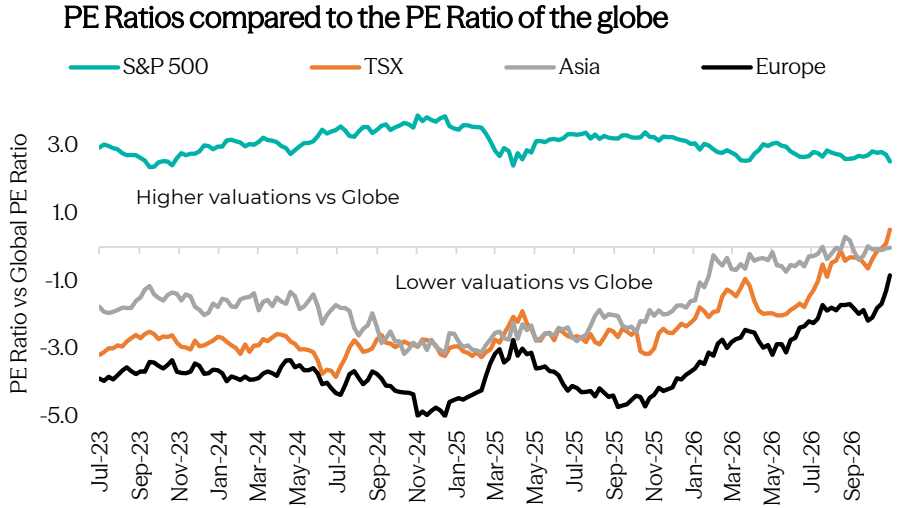
International remains our strongest overweight but these days that is more on the emerging markets side rather than developed. With a recent trade in October we trimmed some international developed through our EAFE exposure. The move reduced our developed exposure by -3 pts to 31%.

Regionally speaking, Europe would be considered neutral now with more of the overweight coming from Asia. We do like Europe for a few reasons but see more upside in Asia.

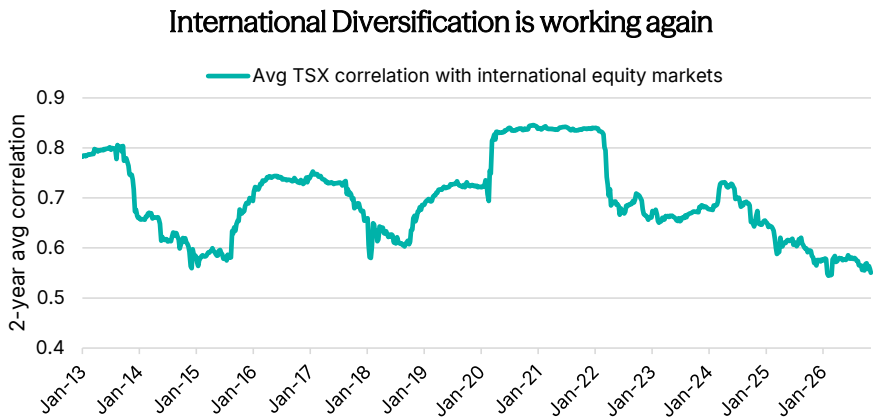
PURPOSE ACTIVE BALANCED

Developed Int. Current	30%
Baseline	30%

0% 100%



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments
Asia=Bloomberg APAC Developed, Europe=Bloomberg Europe 600



Source: Purpose Investments, Bloomberg, TSX vs S&P, BM Europe 600, BM Asia

It is not lost on us that the US had become cheaper while most international developed markets have become more expensive. Largely due to price action. This has muted one of the pillars that had supported our overweight international. Still other compelling reasons but valuations isn't one anymore.

Correlations between Canadian and international equities have declined, improving the diversification benefits of global exposure. This reinforces the value of maintaining international equities even as we become more selective about regional positioning.

Europe remains a useful diversifier, with less exposure to the AI trade than other regions. However, rising bond yields and energy costs, combined with more limited AI-related capital spending growth in the region, create a challenging backdrop for European equities.

We now view Europe as broadly neutral, while recognizing its role in diversifying our overall portfolio.

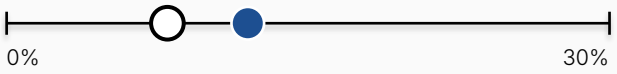
Japan Exposure

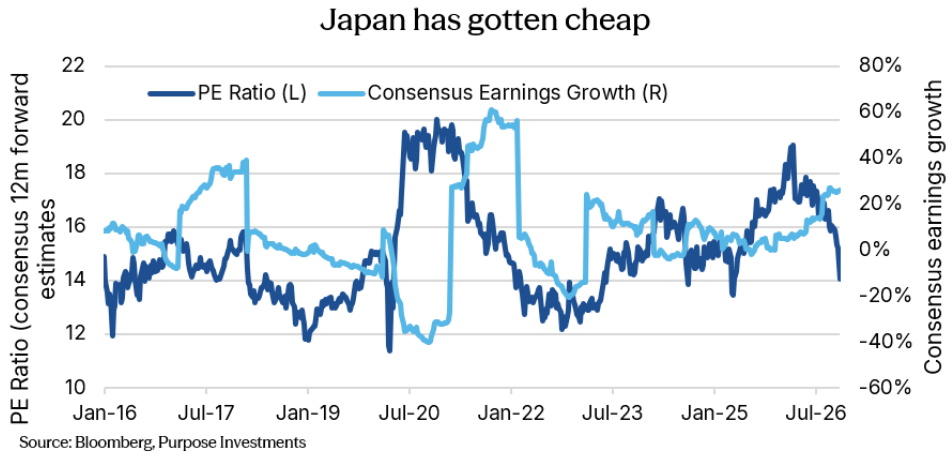
We maintain a significant overweight to Japanese equities, with approximately 12% of our overall equity exposure allocated to Japan compared with 4% for the Morningstar Balanced Category. This positioning has been in place for some time, and we added modestly to our exposure in March. Our current exposure comes through ADVE (23% Japan), IEFA (26%), PID (17%) and EWJ (100%).

Our individual position in Japan has been the second-best performing holding in the portfolio this year. We continue to revisit our investment rationale as market conditions evolve.

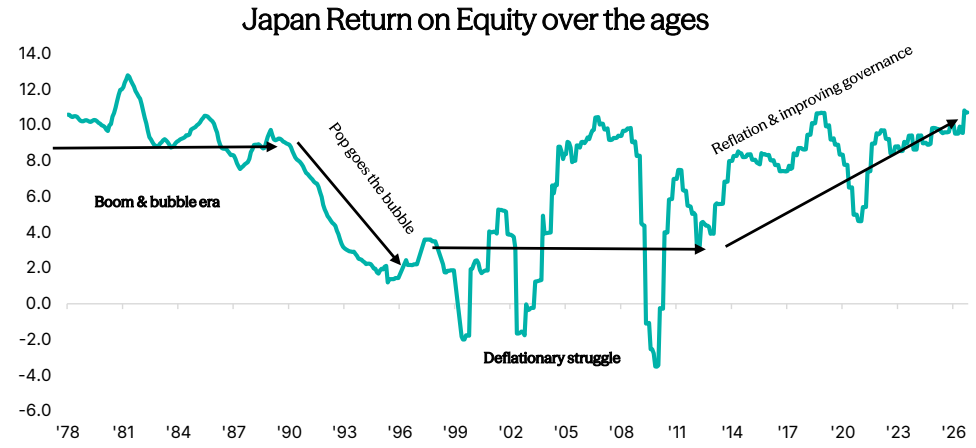
PURPOSE ACTIVE BALANCED

Japan Current	12%
Baseline	8%





Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments



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Earnings have moved higher over the past few months and with a pullback in equities, valuations have become rather compelling. Near-term risks include yen volatility, rising bond yields and higher energy costs, given Japan's reliance on energy imports.

Japan's return on equity has recovered significantly from the prolonged period of deflation and weak profitability that followed its bubble era. Corporate governance reforms and a greater focus on shareholder returns are helping make Japan a more shareholder-friendly place to invest capital.

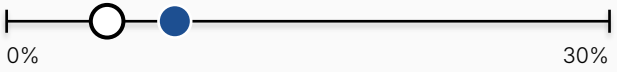
As the world's third-largest economy, Japan remains under-represented in many portfolios. We maintain an overweight position, reflecting our conviction in the longer-term structural improvements, while recognizing that strong market performance warrants a more tempered near-term outlook.

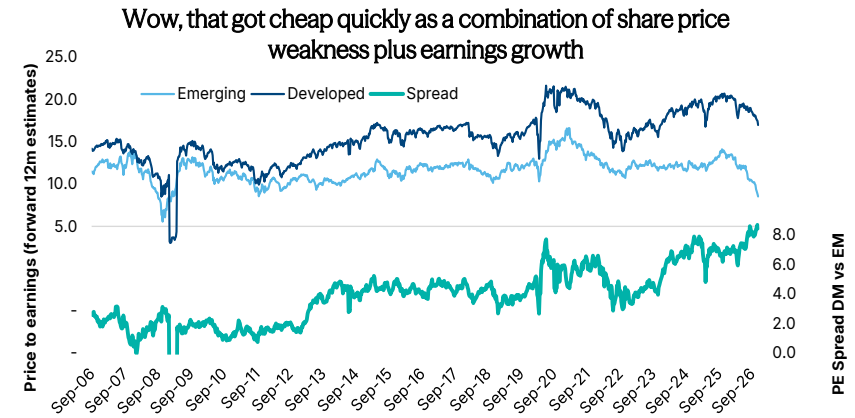
International Exposure - Emerging

We hold 8% in Emerging Markets, close to the max level of exposure we are likely to have. This is not the EM of the past, as technology is now more than a third of the index, bringing real AI exposure. We are constructive, and our manager and vehicle selection deliberately hold less AI exposure than the broad market.

PURPOSE ACTIVE BALANCED

Emerging Markets	8%
Baseline	5%



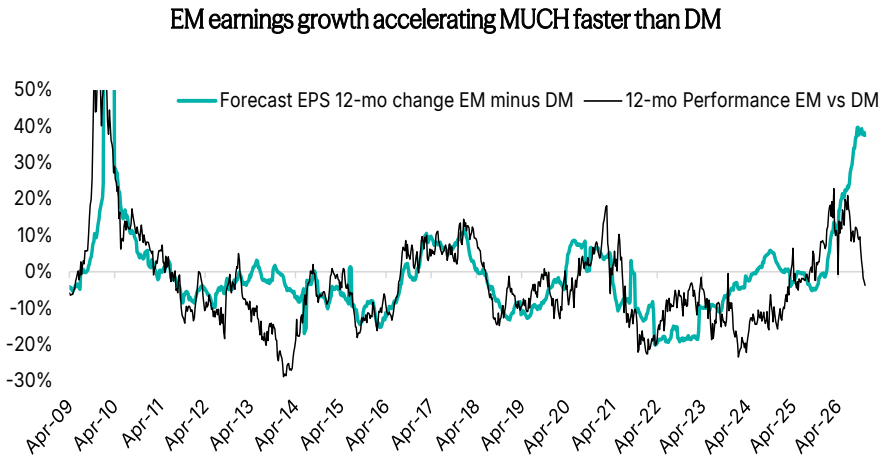


Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

Valuations for Emerging Markets (EM) are typically cheaper than more developed markets (DM). But we are now looking at a spread of over 8 points which has been the max over many years. One could argue the earnings are super cyclical but that is one BIG spread.

Added positives include global trade accelerated of late, above the key 4% threshold. Historically, when global trade growth exceeds 4%, EM outperformed DM. When below DM has won. Trade is currently growing at 5%.

Technology is the big driver, now carrying a 38% weight. But financials, energy, industrials are also doing well.



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

Cheap valuations isn't new but add higher relative earnings growth between EM vs DM, this historically correlates well with relative performance. In fact, look at how well it fits with earnings growth accelerating recently for EM. Earnings growth in EM is going ballistic. There is lots of room for the share prices to follow.

One negative has been slowing inflows to key ETFs. But we are also seeing rising investor appetite from domestic investors in many EM markets. Certainly worth watching but overall we remain optimistic.

Duration

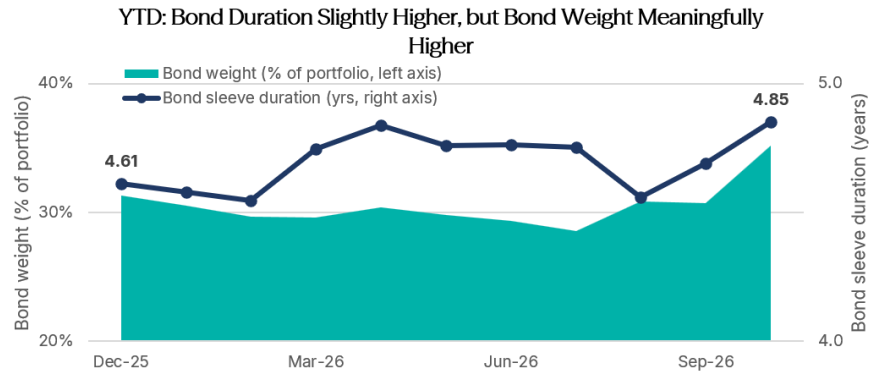
After adding to bonds during the spike higher in yields in early October, we are now for the 1st time in many years roughly market weight bonds. And carrying a reasonable duration just below 5. You know what, it feels great.

Yields may very well rise but we believe if they do it will be driven by higher growth and/or increased demand for credit from hyperscalers. In either of those scenarios, equities likely do fine. And if growth decelerates or the AI bubble deflates (even partially), bonds and duration will be a portfolios friend.

PURPOSE ACTIVE BALANCED

Current Duration	**4.9yr**
Baseline	**5.0yr**

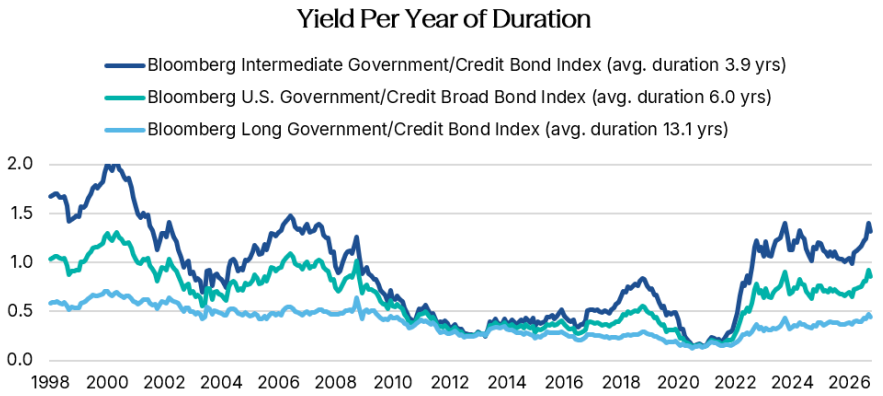
0yr — 10+yr



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments, Purpose Active Balanced Fund F-Class, as of October 31, 2026

Higher bond yields have improved the attractiveness of fixed income, providing a more compelling level of income and a better entry point for investors. Bonds are increasingly attractive as a source of income and portfolio diversification.

Our duration moved from 4.7 to 4.9 years over the month, still below the 5.0-year baseline. The higher-duration constituents in our bond sleeve moved higher as yields fell, capturing more duration and lifting portfolio duration. We remain comfortable with this positioning, balancing the improved income opportunity against the potential for further rate volatility.



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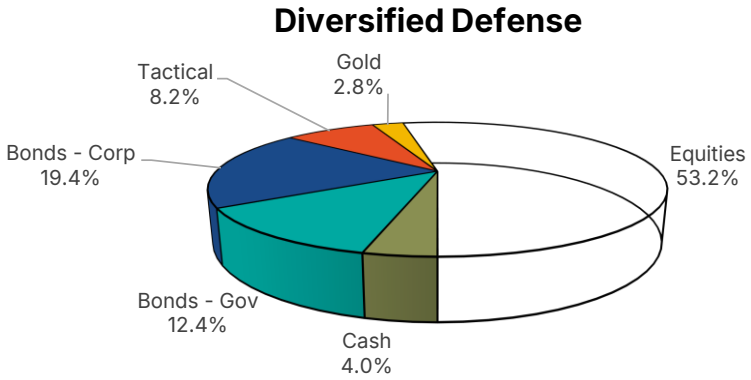
Yield per year of duration compares the income from bonds relative to their interest rate sensitivity.

We continue to see value in intermediate-term bonds, which offer the best balance between income and interest rate risk. Long-duration bonds are more sensitive to falling yields, but carry more risk if yields rise further.

Diversified Defense

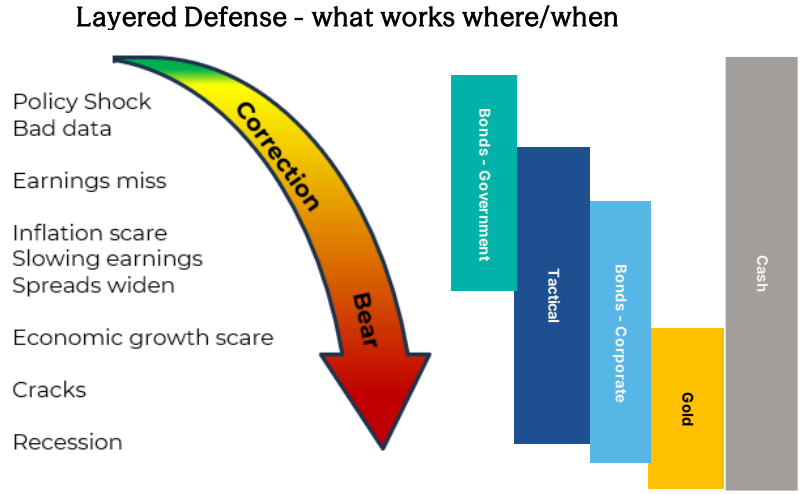
Every correction is different, speed, magnitude, duration and the cause. The last 4 have been caused by an exogeneous shock from Covid (2020), Inflation (2022), trade policy (2025) and war (2026). Will the next one be an AI stumble, a growth scare/recession, or earnings failing to match elevated expectations? Nobody knows. The AI scenario is our front runner though.

In different types of corrections, different types of portfolio defense work well or not as well. Having a layered defense is increasingly important. Right now, we have a strong preference for bonds given the move higher in yields.



Source: Purpose Investments PABF Allocations 10-Nov-2026

We think of defense in layers. Depending on the cause of weakness from a shock triggering a correction to an economic growth scare, or worse, to a recession, different pieces of our diversified defense work in various scenarios.

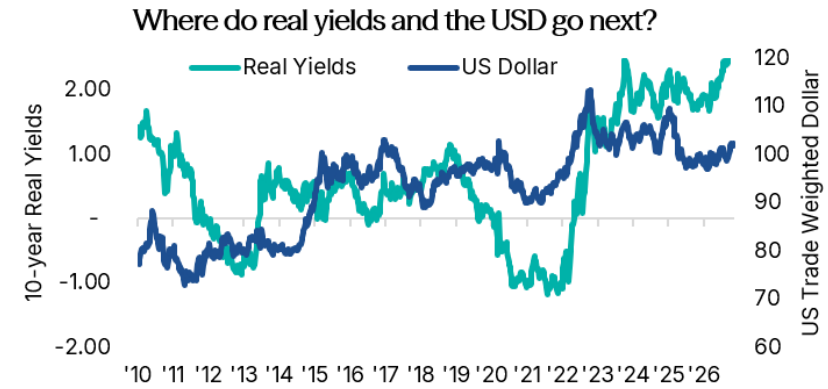


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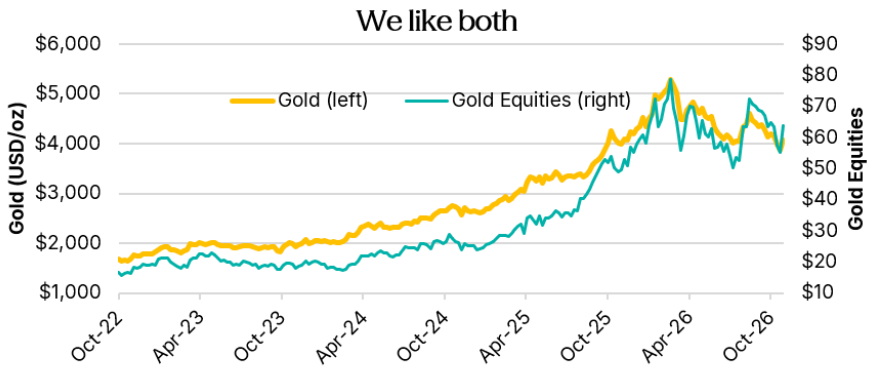
This is our current diversified defense stack. Bonds complemented with cash, gold and tactical (momentum).

Gold – back to being gold

Gold is starting to look like gold again. After a period where rising prices and strong investor flows did much of the heavy lifting, momentum has cooled and the recent pullback has tested conviction. Yet gold has held key support, reinforcing its value as a diversifier and source of crisis protection. We continue to hold bullion across our multi-asset portfolios, with the longer-term role of gold still firmly intact.



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments, Equity scale 1.5x Bullion

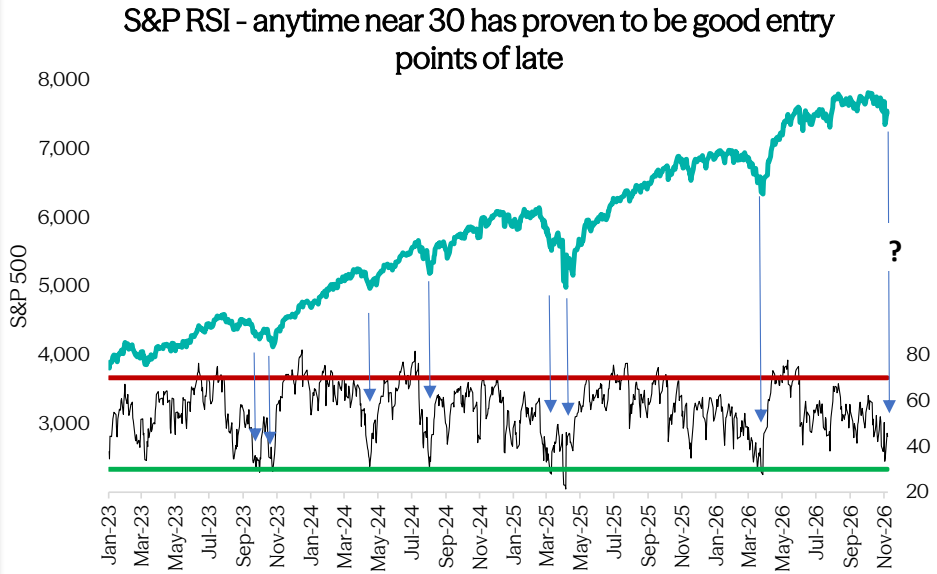
Gold has been consolidating around $4k/oz for a while. Partly as the debasement trade faded, also because of strong gains in 2025 and early 2026. We do think with real yields where they are (high), the likely path is some moderation. And the USD is up as well. Any reversals would help gold.

But our primary reason for holding is a different type of diversifier. Not less volatile, but different. And one of the risks remains deficits, which if this fear rises gold should help mitigate.

We own bullion in our multi-asset and believe that is a safer vehicle at this time. However, we do have gold miner exposure via some of our holdings, notably on the large cap side.

Buying the US Equity Dip

When markets move, we certainly do become more active. From adding to bonds in early October given a spike in yields to adding to U.S. equities following the Midterm induced sell-off in early November.



Source: Bloomberg, Purpose Investments

With the RSI for the S&P almost touching 30 we acted, adding to U.S. equities and using up some of our cash reserves. More growth oriented portfolios added to NASDAQ while the Balanced added to S&P 500 (cap weight).

Valuations for the S&P have also come back to more reasonable levels, having touched 18.