

# Aegon HSBC Developed World Sustainable Equity Index (BLK)

## Defined Contributions

### Fund information

Issuing company	Aegon/Scottish Equitable plc
Inception date	27 Oct 2021
Benchmark	FTSE Developed ESG Low Carbon Select GBP 2
Additional Expenses	0.02%
Entry Fees	No
Exit Fees	No
Performance Fee	No
Aegon fund size	£16.32m
Fund type	Pension
ISIN	GB00BNWL8850
SEDOL	BNWL885
Domicile	United Kingdom
Use of Income	Accumulation
Base Currency	GBP

### Relative Risk Profile



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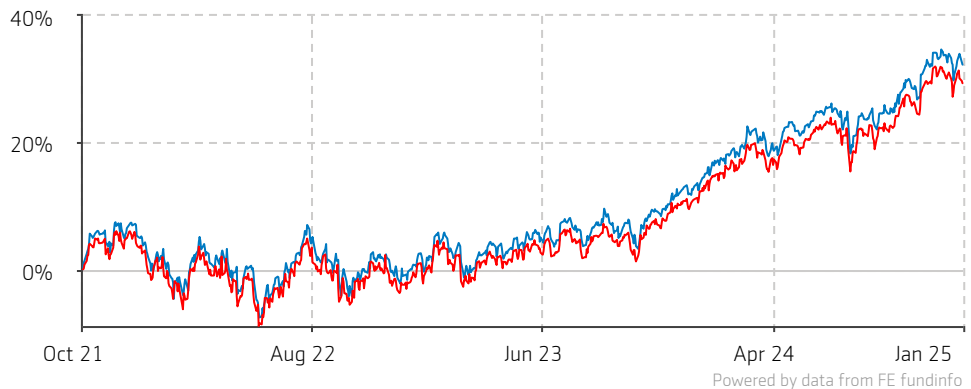
### Fund objective

The fund aims to provide returns by tracking the performance of the FTSE Developed ESG Low Carbon Select Index (before charges). It does so by investing directly in shares of all of the companies that make up the Index in the same or very similar proportions in which they are included in the Index. The Index is comprised of the shares (equities) of large and medium sized companies from developed markets. The Index seeks to achieve a reduction in carbon emissions and fossil fuel reserves exposure and an improvement of the FTSE Russell ESG rating against that of the FTSE Developed Index. The Index also excludes the shares of certain companies based on sustainability criteria.

### Fund performance

The following graph and tables show the performance of the fund over various time periods compared to the fund's benchmark (if there is one). All performance information is as at 31 Dec 2024 unless otherwise stated.

In the graph, performance is shown since launch if the fund is less than five years old.



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- FTSE Developed ESG Low Carbon Select GBP 2

	3 Months	YTD	1yr	3yrs	5yrs
Fund	6.1%	17.1%	17.1%	7.4%	-
Benchmark	5.8%	16.8%	16.8%	7.3%	-

	Dec 19 to Dec 20	Dec 20 to Dec 21	Dec 21 to Dec 22	Dec 22 to Dec 23	Dec 23 to Dec 24
Fund	-	-	-6.8%	13.4%	17.1%
Benchmark	-	-	-6.7%	13.3%	16.8%

Source: FE fundinfo. The performance information has been calculated in pounds on a bid-to-bid basis and is net of charges with gross income reinvested. Performance for periods over a year is annualised (% per year). Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of an investment can fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed. Investors could get back less than they invested.

Performance shown is gross of the annual management charge but is net of additional expenses (if any) incurred within the fund. Expenses can include costs paid by Aegon to third parties. The annual management charge will reduce the performance figures shown. Source: Scottish Equitable plc.

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## Underlying fund

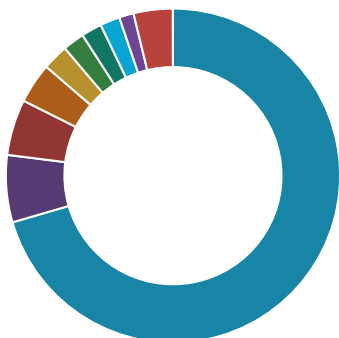
<b>Fund mgmt group</b>	HSBC Asset Management (Fund Services UK) Limited
<b>Fund name</b>	Developed World Lower Carbon ESG Tilt Equity Index
<b>Launch date</b>	10 Dec 2020
<b>Fund size</b>	£4,578.98m as at 31 Dec 2024
<b>SEDOL</b>	BN71RX8
<b>ISIN</b>	GB00BN71RX86
<b>Crown rating</b>	N/A

## Sector breakdown as at 31 Dec 2024



Technology	27.2%
Financials	18.7%
Industrials	12.1%
Health Care	10.1%
Consumer Discretionary	9.9%
Telecommunications	7.2%
Consumer Staples	6.4%
Basic Materials	2.5%
Utilities	1.8%
Other	4.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.1%</b>

## Geographic breakdown as at 31 Dec 2024



United States	70.5%
Japan	6.5%
Other Locations	5.4%
United Kingdom	3.9%
Canada	2.5%
Germany	2.1%
Australia	2.0%
France	1.9%
Switzerland	1.4%
Other	3.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Top 10 Holdings as at 31 Dec 2024

NVIDIA Corp	7.28%
Visa Inc	6.07%
Apple Inc	5.17%
Johnson & Johnson	4.75%
Cisco Systems Inc	3.19%
Coca-Cola Co/The	2.29%
Salesforce Inc	1.88%
Amazon.com Inc	1.58%
Alphabet Inc	1.37%
Toronto-Dominion Bank/The	1.31%
<b>Total</b>	<b>34.89%</b>

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