

First State Japan Focus Fund Class B Hedged GBP

a subfund of First State Investments ICVC (the Company)

Investment objective and policy

The Fund aims to grow your investment.

The Fund predominantly invests in shares of companies based in, operating in, or have their economic activity mainly in Japan. The Fund invests in shares of large and mid-sized companies in Japan. These companies generally have a total stock market value of at least US\$1 billion. At times the Fund's portfolio may be concentrated in a small number of holdings. The Fund may invest up to 10% in other funds. The Fund may use derivatives to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently.

Fund information

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Fund Launch Date	26 October 2015
Share Class Launch Date	30 October 2015
Fund Size (£m)	129.2
UK's Investment Association Sector	Japan
Benchmark	MSCI Japan GBP Hedged Net Index*
Number of holdings	40
Fund Manager(s)	Sophia Li/Martin Lau
Available as ISA	Yes, subject to ISA limits
Minimum Investment	£1,000/£50 per month
Initial charge	0%<
Ongoing Charges †	1.18%
Share Type	Accumulation
Sedol	BY9D7B7
ISIN	GB00BY9D7B75
Research Rating ‡	RSM:Rated
Fund Yield	0.0%

^{*} The benchmark and IA sector for this Fund have been identified as a means by which investors can compare the performance of the Fund and have been chosen because their constituents most closely represent the scope of the investable assets. The benchmark and sector are not used to limit or constrain how the portfolio is constructed nor are they part of a target set for Fund performance.

Annual Performance (% in GBP) to 31 August 2020

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	12mths	12mths	12mths	12mths	12mths
	to	to	to	to	to
	31/08/20	31/08/19	31/08/18	31/08/17	31/08/16
Fund return	26.5	-7.7	19.4	33.7	-
Benchmark return	9.7	-10.0	9.8	21.0	-

Cumulative Performance (% in GBP) to 31 August 2020

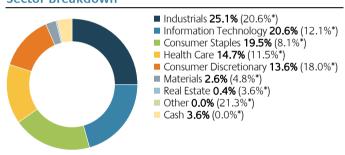
Period	3mths	6mths	1уг	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs	Since Inception
Fund return	4.1	27.0	26.5	39.4	-	-	78.3
Benchmark return	4.2	7.8	9.7	8.5	-	-	10.3

These figures refer to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. For investors based in countries with currencies other than GBP, the return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.

Ten Largest Company Holdings

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Stock Name	%
M3, Inc.	5.0
Nihon M&A Center Inc	4.5
GMO Payment Gateway, Inc.	4.5
Recruit Holdings Co Ltd	4.5
Keyence Corporation	4.3
MonotaRO Co., Ltd.	4.1
Benefit One Inc	4.1
Hoya Corp.	3.8
Sony Corporation	3.8
Workman Co Ltd	3.7

Sector Breakdown



*Index Weight

Sector and Country classifications provided by Factset and First State Investments. The Fund may hold multiple equity securities in the same company, which have been combined to provide the Fund's total position in that company. Index weights, if any, typically include only the main domestic-listed security. The above Fund weightings may or may not include reference to multiple securities.

All performance data for the First State Japan Focus Fund Class B Hedged (Accumulation) GBP as at 31 August 2020. Source for fund - Lipper IM / First State Investments (UK) Limited. Performance data is calculated on a net basis by deducting fees incurred at fund level (e.g. the management fee and other fund expenses), save that it does not take account of initial charges or switching fees (if any). Income reinvested is included on a net of tax basis. Source for benchmark - MSCI, income reinvested net of tax. Since inception performance figures have been calculated from 30 October 2015.



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Risk and Reward Profile

✓ Lower Risk

Potentially Lower Rewards
Potentially Higher Rewards
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The synthetic risk reward indicator (the SRRI) rating is not a measure of the risk of you losing your investment but describes how much the value of the Fund went up and down in the past.

The SRRI rating is based on historical data which may not be a reliable indication of the future risks and rewards of the Fund. We cannot guarantee that the rating of the Fund will remain the same: it may change over time.

Even the lowest rating 1 does not mean a risk free investment.

On a scale of 1 (less risky) to 7 (more risky), this Fund has a rating of 6 due to its past performance and the nature of its investments. Shares with a rating of 6 might have a higher risk, but also higher returns. Risk is taken in order to make a higher potential return; the more risk a fund takes, the higher the potential return but the greater the risk of loss.

The value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Investors may get back significantly less than the original amount invested.

The Fund may also experience the following risks:

Currency risk: The Fund invests in assets which are denominated in other currencies; changes in exchange rates will affect the value of the Fund.

Currency hedged share class risk: hedging transactions are designed to reduce currency risk for investors. There is no guarantee that the hedging will be totally successful or that it can eliminate currency risk entirely.

Single country risk: investing in a single country may be riskier than investing in a number of different countries. Investing in a larger number of countries helps spread risk.

For further information on risks, please refer to the Risk Factors section in the Company prospectus.

Investment should be made on the basis of the Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document. If you are in any doubt as to the suitability of any of our funds for your investment needs, please seek independent financial advice.

For further information

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