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Morningstar Style Box

The style box reveals a fund's investment strategy. For equity funds, the vertical axis shows the market capitalization of the stocks owned and the horizontal axis shows investment style (value, blend or growth). For fixed-income funds, the vertical axis shows the average credit quality of the bonds owned, and the horizontal axis shows interest rate sensitivity as measured by a bond's duration (short, intermediate or long).

Morningstar Sectors

As another tool for evaluating risk, Morningstar tracks the holdings of funds based on a standard set of sector categories. This chart lists the percentage of assets in key sectors as of a stated date.

Morningstar Portfolio Analysis and Operations

Alpha: A measure of the difference between a fund's actual returns and its expected performance, given its level of risk as measured by beta. A positive alpha figure indicates the fund has performed better than its beta would predict, and a negative alpha indicates the fund's underperformance, given the expectations established by the fund's beta.

Annual turnover ratio: A measure of the trading activity in a fund's investment portfolio; in essence, how often securities are bought and sold by a fund. A turnover ratio of 100% means that on average, all of a fund's portfolio holdings are bought and sold one a year.

Average Credit Quality: An average of each bond's credit rating, adjusted for its relative weighting in the portfolio.

Average Effective Maturity: A weighted average of all the maturities of the bonds in the portfolio, computed by weighting each maturity date by the market value of the security.

Average Effective Duration: A measure of the fund's interest rate sensitivity. The longer a fund's duration, the more sensitive the fund is to shifts in interest rates.

Average Weighted Coupon: A weighted average of the coupon rates of all bonds in a portfolio, calculated by weighting each bond's coupon by its relative size in the portfolio.

Average Weighted Price: A weighted average of the prices of all bonds in a portfolio, calculated by weighting the price of each bond by its relative size in the portfolio. This statistic is expressed as a percentage of par (face) value.

Beta: A measure of the fund's sensitivity to market movements. A portfolio with a beta greater than one is more volatile than the market, and a portfolio with a beta less than one is less volatile than the market.

Expense ratio: Represents the percentage of fund assets paid for by operating expenses and management fees, including 12b-1 fees, administrative fees and all other asset-based costs incurred by the fund, except brokerage costs. Sales charges and other product fees are not included in the expense ratio. Please refer to the product prospectus for information on the product fees.

The expense ratios displayed on the American Funds NVIT Funds, NVIT Investor Destinations Funds, and Fidelity VIP Freedom Funds profile pages do not include the underlying fund fees and expenses.

The expense ratios listed below reflect the total combined expense ratio (management fees + underlying fund fees). The funds listed below are not available in all products. Please refer to the product prospectus for information about available funds.

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Geometric Average Cap $mil: Indicates the overall “size” of a stock fund's portfolio by averaging the geometric mean of the market capitalization for all of the stocks it owns. Calculated by raising the market capitalization of each stock to a power equal to that stock's stake in the portfolio. The resulting numbers are multiplied together to produce the geometric mean of the market caps of the stocks in the portfolio, which is reported as average market capitalization.

Price/Book Ratio: The price of a share of stock divided by book value per share.

Price/Earnings Ratio: The price of a share of stock divided by earnings per share.

Price/Cash-Flow Ratio: The price of a share of stock divided by cash flow per share.

R-Squared: A measure that indicates the percentage of a fund's movements that can be explained by movements in its benchmark index. An R-squared of 100 indicates that all movements of a fund can be explained by movements in the index, and a low R-squared indicates that very few of the fund's movements can be explained by movements in its benchmark index.
Sharpe Ratio: Uses standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk.

Three-year Standard Deviation: A statistical measure of the volatility of the fund's returns.

Investment Risk

Bond funds: These funds have the same interest rate, inflation, and credit risks that are associated with the underlying bonds owned by the fund.

Government funds: While the funds invest primarily in the securities of the U.S. government and its agencies, the values are not guaranteed by these entities.

High-yield funds: Funds that invest in high-yield securities are subject to greater credit risk and price fluctuations than funds that invest in higher-quality securities.

International/emerging markets funds: Funds that invest internationally involve risks not associated with investing solely in the U.S., such as currency fluctuation, political risk, differences in accounting and the limited availability of information.

Money market funds: These funds are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Although they seek to preserve the value of your investment at $1.00 per share, it's possible to lose money by investing in money market funds.

Non-diversified funds: Funds that invest in a concentrated sector or focus on a relatively small number of securities may be subject to greater volatility than a more diversified investment.

NVIT Cardinal Funds / NVIT Investor Destinations Funds / Fidelity VIP Freedom Portfolios: Designed to provide diversification and asset allocation across several types of investments and asset classes, primarily by investing in underlying funds. Therefore, in addition to the expenses of the portfolio, you are indirectly paying a proportionate share of the applicable fees and expenses of the underlying funds. The expense ratio displayed on the profile pages does not include the underlying fund fees and expenses.

Real estate funds: Funds that focus on real estate investing are sensitive to economic and business cycles, changing demographic patterns and government actions.

Small/Mid-cap funds: Funds investing in stocks of small-cap, mid-cap, or emerging companies may have less liquidity than those investing in larger, established companies and may be subject to greater price volatility and risk than the overall stock market.

Broad Asset Class Definitions

Ibbotson

Bonds: IOU's issued by governments or corporations.

Cash: Short-term IOU's issued by governments, corporations or financial institutions.

International Stocks: Shares of ownership in corporations headquartered outside the U.S.

Large-cap Stocks: Shares of ownership in large corporations.

Mid-cap Stocks: Shares of ownership in mid-sized corporations.

Short-term Bonds: Investment-grade IOU's with an average duration of more than 1 but less than 3.5 years or an average effective maturity of more than 1 but less than 4 years.

Small-cap Stocks: Shares of ownership in small corporations.

Nationwide

Asset Allocation: Asset allocation is the apportioning of investment funds among categories of assets such as Domestic Equity, International Equity, Fixed Income, and Cash Equivalent.

Balanced: A combination of stocks, bonds and cash.

Specialty: Securities from narrow sub-sectors of the broader market or uncommon asset classes.
**The Investment Profile Page User’s Guide**

This guide will help you use the Morningstar Investment Profile to your advantage. For more information about each investment, we recommend you read the prospectus before investing.
Investment Strategy
For mutual funds and variable annuity/life products, this is a summary of the Investment Objectives and Policy section found in every prospectus. It states the objective of the fund and how the manager(s) intend to invest to achieve this objective. It includes any limitations to the fund’s investment policies, as well as any share class structure differences, previous names, mergers, liquidation, and opening and closing information. For separate accounts, the investment strategy is typically written by the asset manager.

Category Description
Morningstar assigns each investment option to one category, based on the stocks and bonds that have found their way into the portfolio over the past three years. Here, we describe that category.

Broad Asset Class
The Broad Asset Class categories listed correspond to the diversification approaches shown on the investment guides and were identified by Nationwide in conjunction with Ibbotson Associates. Diversification does not assure a profit or guarantee against loss in a declining market.

Composition
We break down the fund’s holdings into general investment classes. The pie chart shows how much emphasis is placed on stocks, bonds, or cash. We also show how much is held in foreign stocks. Funds that hold more than 10% in cash usually carry less risk because not all of their holdings are exposed to a market.

For funds that invest in shorts and derivatives, we use a bar chart to show the long and short positions of each investment class. We also display the overall net percentage value of each investment class.

Top 20 Holdings
The top holdings are the stocks or bonds with the most influence on a portfolio’s returns. Conservative portfolios typically devote no more than 3% to 4% of their assets to any one stock or bond. More daring portfolios may devote 7% or more to one stock. Add up the weighting of the top five holdings for another measure of risk. A conservative option generally bets 15% or less on the top five holdings, while a portfolio with more than 25% in the top five may be considered aggressive.

Annual Turnover
A proxy for how frequently a manager has traded his or her portfolio in the last year.

Risk Classification
Investments are classified using specific ranges of standard deviation. Morningstar provides the standard deviation while Nationwide provides the ranges. Investments with wider ranges of returns are labeled higher risk than those that have had smaller ranges of returns.

Morningstar Sectors
Morningstar determines how much of each stock portfolio is held in each of Morningstar’s 12 major industrial sectors, which roll up into three broader categories. A portfolio with 25% or more of assets in any one sector is almost certainly taking on more risk than a portfolio that spreads itself more evenly among sectors.

Credit Analysis (Fixed Income only)
For corporate-bond and municipal-bond funds, the credit analysis depicts the quality of US and non-US bonds in the fund’s portfolio. The analysis reveals the percentage of fixed-income securities that fall within each credit-quality rating as assigned by Standard & Poor’s or Moody’s. At the top of the ratings are AAA bonds. Bonds with a BBB rating are the lowest bonds that are still considered to be of investment grade.

Bonds that are rated at or lower than BB (often called junk bonds or high-yield bonds) are considered to be quite speculative. (For municipal bonds, ratings BBB and below are considered speculative.) Any bonds that appear in the NR/NA category are either not rated by Standard & Poor’s or Moody’s, or did not have a rating available.

Morningstar World Regions (International only)
This data set provides a breakdown of the geographical exposure of a fund’s stock assets. Regional exposure summarizes a portfolio’s exposure to geopolitical risk, and it also provides a reference point for understanding fund returns. Morningstar Categories are assigned based on three years of regional exposure.

Operations
Find out where to write or call for more information, along with the name of the person who determines which stocks or bonds belong in the investment portfolio (the “portfolio manager”) and how long that manager has been working on the portfolio.

Expense Ratio: The amount of money taken out of your account each year to pay for the operation and management of an investment portfolio, expressed as a percentage. How much is too much? The average stock fund charges 1.4%, while the average bond fund charges 0.75%. In general, the lower the expense ratio the better.
How to Use the Morningstar Style Box™

The Morningstar Style Box is a visual tool that helps investors see past confusing fund names and descriptions to better understand the “investment style” of stocks and mutual funds.

We assign each investment into one of our nine Style Box squares by analyzing its portfolio and determining the best fit.

**Things to Remember About the Morningstar Style Box**

Risk increases as you move down and to the right of the Morningstar Style Box. Don’t put all your eggs in one basket. The returns of investments from different parts of the Morningstar Style Box probably won’t move in the same direction at the same time. By combining investments from different parts of the Morningstar Style Box, your portfolio’s overall returns will likely be more stable.

**What the Morningstar Style Box Does**

It paints a picture of what’s in an investment’s portfolio. Are the companies large or small? Are the stocks cheap or expensive? Do the bonds have long or short maturities? Are they of high or low quality?

The Morningstar Style Box also provides a basis for our domestic stock fund categories. Similar investments are categorized together, then rated on their ability to balance risk and reward relative to other investments in that same, fairly narrow category.

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### Morningstar Equity Style Box

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Within the stock grid, nine possible combinations exist, ranging from large-cap value for the safest investments to small-cap growth for the riskiest.

### Morningstar Fixed-Income Style Box

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Within the bond grid, nine possible combinations exist, ranging from short duration or maturity/high quality for the safest investments to long duration or maturity/low quality for the riskiest.