

# Federated Hermes MDT Balanced Fund

Nasdaq symbol — R6: QKBGX | IS: QIBGX | A: QABGX | C: QCBGX



Tactical multi-asset strategy providing exposure to Federated Hermes' flagship US all-cap core equity and core plus fixed income franchises, designed to achieve consistent risk-adjusted returns.

## Investment process pillars

### Equity portfolio

- Pursues long-term growth of capital and income through a "whole-market" approach to US stocks by investing in a broad portfolio of companies from the Russell 3000® Index
- Fundamentally based, bottom-up, systematic approach helps to remove subjectivity from the stock-selection process

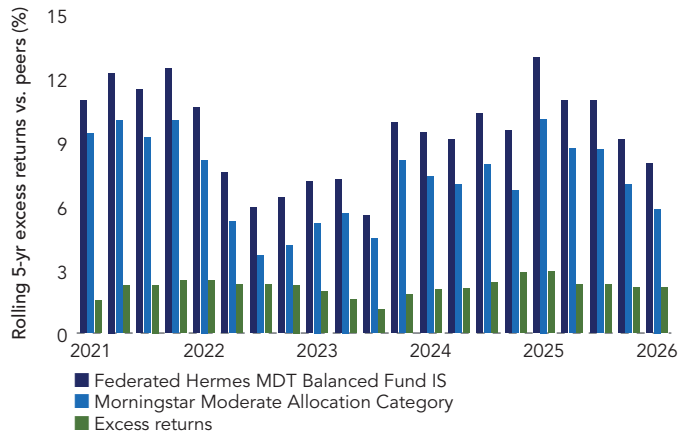
### Asset allocation

- Leverages the breadth and depth of Federated Hermes' macro capabilities in top-down analysis of global markets
- Collaboration across firm's investment professionals helps identify the most promising alpha opportunities across asset classes, regions, countries, sector and styles

### Fixed-income portfolio

- Utilizes the Federated Hermes Fixed Income group's "Alpha Pod" investment process
- Process seeks uncorrelated alpha sources through security selection, sector allocation, duration management, yield curve strategy and currency management

## Fund has delivered consistent outperformance (IS Shares) vs. peers



## Percentile Rank (%) within Morningstar Moderate Allocation Category

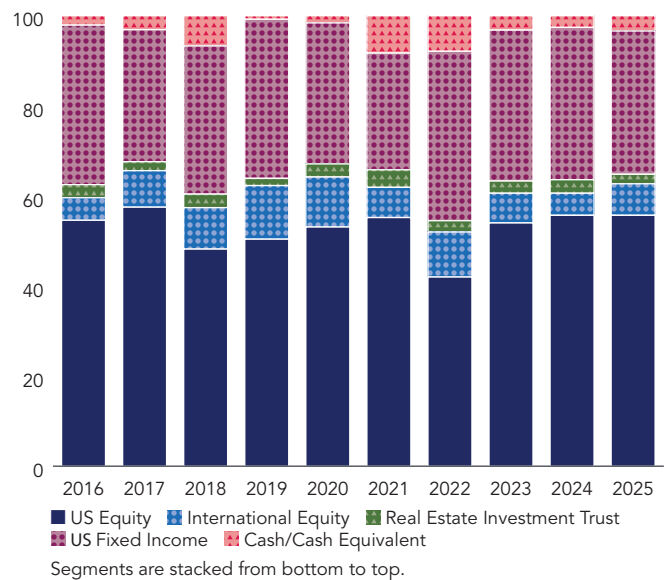
	1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year
<b>Federated Hermes MDT Balanced Fund A</b>	60	26	15	21
<b>Federated Hermes MDT Balanced Fund IS</b>	59	23	10	16

Source: Federated Hermes, Inc. and Morningstar, Inc. as of 3/31/26.

Morningstar rankings are based on total return and do not take sales charges into account. For the 1-, 3-, 5- and 10-year periods ended 3/31/26, the fund was ranked among 488, 465, 445, and 371 funds in the Moderate Allocation Category, respectively. Other classes of shares are available whose performance will vary due to different charges and expenses. Because this is a managed portfolio, the investment mix will change. **Performance quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than what is stated. To view performance current to the most recent month-end, and for after-tax returns, contact us or visit [FederatedHermes.com/us](https://www.federatedhermes.com/us).**

## Allocations adapt to changing market conditions

Portfolio allocation by asset class (%)



## Demonstrated investment process backed by tenured, well-resourced team:

Federated Hermes MDT Balanced Fund portfolio managers average<sup>1</sup>

**20+**  
years of investment experience

**15+**  
years at Federated Hermes

Federated Hermes backed by

**125**  
portfolio managers<sup>1</sup>

**140+**  
investment analysts<sup>1</sup>

## Average annual total returns (%) as of 3/31/26

	Performance inception	Cumulative 3-month	1-year	5-year	10-year	Since inception	Expense ratio*	
							Before waivers	After waivers
IS	10/1/02	-2.38	11.69	7.96	9.44	8.02	1.12	1.09
A (NAV)	10/1/02	-2.43	11.46	7.71	9.17	7.75	1.35	1.34
A (MOP)	10/1/02	-6.84	6.42	6.72	8.67	7.54	1.35	1.34
<b>60% S&amp;P 500®/40% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index</b>	–	-2.62	12.35	7.41	9.26	–	–	–

Performance quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than what is stated. To view performance current to the most recent month-end, and for after-tax returns, contact us or visit [FederatedHermes.com/us](https://FederatedHermes.com/us). Maximum offering price (MOP) figures reflect the maximum sales charge of 4.5% for A Shares. See the prospectus for other fees and expenses that apply to a continued investment in the fund. Returns shown for A Shares (inception date 9/15/05) for the periods prior to their inception are derived from the historical performance of Institutional Shares of the fund during such periods and have been adjusted to reflect the higher total annual operating expenses of each specific class.

\*The fund's expense ratio is from the most recent prospectus. The expense ratio may reflect voluntary fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements determined by the fund's Adviser and its affiliates. The voluntary waivers and/or reimbursements, if applicable, are in effect up to but not including the later of 10/1/26 or the date of the fund's next effective prospectus.

**Investors should carefully consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing. To obtain a summary prospectus or prospectus containing this and other information, contact us or visit [FederatedHermes.com/us](https://FederatedHermes.com/us). Please carefully read the summary prospectus or the prospectus before investing.**

<sup>1</sup> As of 3/31/26. Federated Hermes MDT Balanced Fund has six portfolio managers and 41 analysts.

The fund is the successor to MDT Balanced Fund pursuant to a reorganization that took place on December 8, 2006. Prior to that date, the fund had no investment operations. Accordingly, the performance information shown for periods prior to that date is that of MDT Balanced Fund.

### A word about risk

The value of equity securities in the fund's portfolio will fluctuate and, as a result, the fund's share price may decline. Equity securities may decline in value because of an increase in interest rates or changes in the stock market.

Mutual funds are subject to risks and fluctuate in value. Please see the fund's prospectus for additional risks.

Bond prices are sensitive to changes in interest rates, and a rise in interest rates can cause a decline in their prices.

High-yield, lower-rated securities generally entail greater market, credit/default and liquidity risks, and may be more volatile than investment-grade securities.

The quantitative models and analysis used by the fund may perform differently than expected and negatively affect fund performance.

### Definitions

**Alpha** measures the excess returns of a fund relative to the return of a benchmark index.

**Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index** is an unmanaged index composed of securities from the Bloomberg Government/Corporate Bond Index, Mortgage-Backed Securities Index and the Asset Backed Securities Index. Total return comprises price appreciation/depreciation and income as a percentage of the original investment. Indices are rebalanced monthly by market capitalization.

**Russell 3000® Index** measures the performance of the largest 3000 US companies representing approximately 98% of the investable US equity market. The Russell 3000® Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive, unbiased, and stable barometer of the broad market and is completely reconstituted annually to ensure new and growing equities are reflected.

**S&P 500®** is an unmanaged capitalization weighted index of 500 stocks designated to measure performance of the broad domestic economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

Indexes are unmanaged and cannot be invested in directly.

### Ratings and rating agencies

Morningstar Category identifies funds based on their actual investment styles as measured by their underlying portfolio holdings over the past three years. If the fund is less than three years old, the category is based on the life of the fund. ©2026 Morningstar, Inc. All Rights Reserved. The information contained herein: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar; (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) is not warranted to be accurate, complete or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.