



Allocation update American Funds® Model Portfolios

As of July 29, 2022

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Enhancements to the American Funds Model Portfolios

As part of the ongoing active management of our multi-asset portfolio solutions, the Portfolio Solutions Committee (PSC) and Capital Solutions Group (CSG) regularly review portfolio exposure and conduct research. A key objective of the ongoing monitoring and research is to assess each portfolio's combination of underlying funds in an effort to ensure alignment with the corresponding investment objective. Following CSG's most recent review, the PSC has approved enhancements to some of the portfolios to continue to best position them to achieve their objectives.

Summary of enhancements

One of the key differentiators of the American Funds Model Portfolios is the recognition and implementation of the unique roles fixed income can play in the context of an entire portfolio. Recognizing the benefits provided by bond funds offer helpful insights when pairing with equities to align risk and exposure to meet the model's objective. They include:

- **Diversification:** Owning bonds with a low correlation to equities can result in lower portfolio volatility – particularly during times of equity market stress and volatility.
- **Income:** Delivering income can be central to the objective of the model. Overall return can be enhanced through high-income strategies with higher volatility and/or equity correlation, as well as relatively stable yields through high-quality fixed income investments.
- **Inflation protection:** Bonds directly linked to the Consumer Price Index can help to protect an investor's purchasing power.
- **Capital preservation:** A fixed income allocation should help protect principal in most market environments.

With this foundational framework in mind, the PSC identified updates to several model portfolios and reconfirmed current allocations to others. The updated allocations reflect the investment team's thinking in seeking to ensure each model portfolio is best positioned to meet its objective.

Key Themes of Enhancements

- Fixed Income strategic allocation research identified an opportunity to refine the mix of fixed income roles across portfolio objectives. The resulting enhancements serve to both increase flexibility across fixed income sectors and broaden the sources of return seeking income.
- Modestly reducing volatility in the more conservative models by slightly decreasing equity and reallocating risk to respective fixed income allocations in aggregate.
- Opportunity to improve the drawdown potential of the preservation models by increasing allocations to shorter duration fixed income.

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Summary of underlying fund changes as of July 29, 2022

Model portfolio allocations

Difference

Increase of 1%+
Decrease of 1%+

	Growth and income			Income and preservation					Growth and income			Income and preservation				
	Growth and Income	Tax-Aware Growth and Income	Tax-Aware Moderate Growth and Income	Tax-Aware Moderate Income	Conservative Income	Tax-Aware Conservative Income	Preservation	Tax-Exempt Preservation	Growth and Income	Tax-Aware Growth and Income	Tax-Aware Moderate Growth and Income	Tax-Aware Moderate Income	Conservative Income	Tax-Aware Conservative Income	Preservation	Tax-Exempt Preservation
Growth allocation (%)	15	15	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMALLCAP World Fund®	8	8	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
The Growth Fund of America®	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Perspective® Fund®	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Growth-and-income allocation (%)	50	65	55	40	10	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fundamental Investors®	-	15	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital World Growth and Income Fund®	20	20	20	15	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
The Investment Company of America®	20	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Washington Mutual Investors Fund SM	10	10	20	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American Mutual Fund®	-	-	-	10	10	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Equity-income allocation (%)	10	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Income Builder®	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
The Income Fund of America®	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balanced allocation (%)	10	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-5	-	-	-	-4	-	-	-
American Balanced Fund®	10	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-5	-	-	-	-4	-	-	-
Fixed income allocation (%)	15	-	-	-	75	-	100	-	5	-	-	-	4	-	0	-
American Funds Multi-Sector Income Fund SM	5	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	5	-	-	-
American Funds Inflation Linked Bond Fund®	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
The Bond Fund of America®	5	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American Funds Strategic Bond Fund SM	5	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-
Intermediate Bond Fund of America®	-	-	-	-	25	-	45	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-10	-
Short-Term Bond Fund of America®	-	-	-	-	15	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	-5	-	10	-
Tax-exempt fixed income allocation (%)	-	20	35	60	-	80	-	100	-	0	0	0	-	0	-	0
American High-Income Municipal Bond Fund®	-	10	20	20	-	15	-	-	-	10	5	5	-	-	-	-
The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America®	-	10	15	20	-	20	-	-	-	-10	-5	-5	-	-5	-	-
Limited Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America®	-	-	-	15	-	25	-	60	-	-	-	-5	-	-	-	-10
American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund®	-	-	-	5	-	20	-	40	-	-	-	5	-	5	-	10

American Funds® Growth and Income Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide long-term growth of capital while providing current income.

Our approach:

- Introduce a new allocation to American Funds Multi-Sector Income fund, which serves to broaden and diversify sources of return seeking income through exposure to high-yield, investment-grade credit, securitized bonds and emerging markets debt.
- Reduce allocation to American Balanced fund, which modestly reduces equity exposure and core fixed income.
- The resulting enhancements seek to increase yield, fixed income sector flexibility and fund diversification, while seeking to modestly reduce expected volatility and improve the drawdown potential, consistent with the model's objectives.

Expected portfolio impact

- ↑ Fixed-income diversification
- ↑ Yield
- ↓ Equity exposure
- ↓ Volatility

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of April 30, 2021)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
SMALLCAP World Fund	Growth	8		8
The Growth Fund of America	Growth	7		7
Capital World Growth and Income	Growth and income	20		20
The Investment Company of America	Growth and income	20		20
Washington Mutual Investors Fund	Growth and income	10		10
Capital Income Builder	Equity income	10		10
American Balanced Fund	Balanced	15	-5	10
American Funds Multi-Sector Income Fund	Fixed income		5	5
The Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	5		5
American Funds Strategic Bond Fund	Fixed income	5		5

American Funds® Conservative Income Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide current income and preservation of capital.

Our approach:

- Introduce a new allocation to American Funds Multi-Sector Income fund, which serves to broaden and diversify sources of return seeking income through exposure to high-yield, investment-grade credit, securitized bonds and emerging markets debt.
- Reduce allocation to American Balanced Fund, modestly decreasing equity and core fixed income exposure.
- Increase exposure to The Intermediate Bond Fund of America in pursuit of increased yield in the model, while reducing allocation to Short-Term Bond Fund of America.
- The resulting enhancements seek to increase yield and improve the drawdown potential, while modestly reducing expected volatility, consistent with the model's objective.

Expected portfolio impact

- ▲ Fixed income diversification
- ▲ Yield
- ▼ Equity exposure
- ▼ Volatility

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of Dec. 7, 2021)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
American Mutual Fund	Growth and income	10		10
The Income Fund of America	Equity income	10		10
American Balanced Fund	Balanced	9	-4	5
American Funds Multi-Sector Income Fund	Fixed income		5	5
The Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	20		20
American Funds Stratgetic Bond Fund	Fixed income	11	-1	10
Intermediate Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	20	5	25
Short-Term Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	20	-5	15

American Funds® Preservation Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide current income, consistent with preservation of capital.

Our approach:

- Increase allocations to Short-Term Bond Fund of America, which decreases the model's fixed income duration.
- Decrease allocation to The Intermediate Bond Fund of America, reducing the model's duration profile.
- The resulting enhancements seek to reduce expected volatility and fixed income duration, while improving capital preservation, consistent with the model's objective.

Expected portfolio impact

- ⬆️ Capital preservation
- ⬇️ Fixed income duration
- ⬇️ Volatility

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of April 30, 2021)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
American Funds Inflation Linked Bond Fund	Fixed income	5		5
Intermediate Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	55	-10	45
Short-Term Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	40	10	50



Tax-Aware model portfolio enhancement themes

Consistent with the foundational research conducted on the unique role that fixed income adds to a portfolio, the PSC identified updates to several model portfolios and reconfirmed current allocations to others. The updated allocations reflect the investment team's thinking in seeking to ensure each model portfolio is best positioned to pursue its objective. Further details for each portfolio are included below:

- Reducing exposure to core municipal bonds and shifting towards high-yield, intermediate and short-duration municipal bonds to help provide equity diversification, while seeking to increase overall portfolio yield and expected portfolio return. High-yield municipal bonds have distinct equity diversification characteristics compared to their taxable counterparts.
- Adding or increasing allocations to shorter duration municipal bonds in most conservative portfolios in pursuit of capital preservation through lowering expected portfolio volatility, shortening duration and improving expected drawdown.

American Funds® Tax-Aware Growth and Income Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide long-term growth of capital while providing current income, a portion of which is exempt from regular federal income tax.

Our approach:

- Increase allocation to American High-Income Municipal Bond Fund to provide greater total return potential while still providing equity diversification and generally seeking to maintain the portfolio's risk profile.
- Lowering exposure to The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America.
- The resulting enhancements are designed to increase duration, yield, provide a more flexible credit quality profile and exposure to the unique characteristics of high yield municipal bonds, consistent with the model's objectives.

Expected portfolio impact

↑ High-yield fixed income

↑ Volatility

↑ Yield

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of April 30, 2021)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
SMALLCAP Growth Fund	Growth	8		8
The Growth Fund of America	Growth	7		7
Fundamental Investors	Growth and income	15		15
Capital World Growth and Income Fund	Growth and income	20		20
The Investment Company of America	Growth and income	20		20
Washington Mutual Investors Fund	Growth and income	10		10
American High-Income Municipal Bond Fund	Fixed income		10	10
The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	20	-10	10

American Funds® Tax-Aware Moderate Growth and Income Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide current income, a portion of which is exempt from regular federal income tax, and long-term growth of capital and income.

Our approach:

- Increase allocation to American High-Income Municipal Bond Fund to provide greater total return potential while still providing equity diversification and generally seeking to maintain the portfolio's risk profile.
- Lowering exposure to The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America.
- The resulting enhancements are designed to increase duration, yield, provide a more flexible credit quality profile and exposure to the unique characteristics of high yield municipal bonds, consistent with the model's objectives.

Expected portfolio impact

↑ High-yield fixed income

↑ Diversification

↑ Yield

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of April 30, 2021)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
SMALLCAP World Fund	Growth	5		5
New Perspective Fund	Growth	5		5
Fundamental Investors	Growth and income	15		15
Capital World Growth and Income Fund	Growth and income	20		20
Washington Mutual Investors Fund	Growth and income	20		20
American High Income Municipal Bond Fund	Fixed income	15	5	20
The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	20	-5	15

American Funds® Tax-Aware Moderate Income Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide current income, a portion of which is exempt from regular federal income tax, and, secondarily, preservation of capital.

Our approach:

- Research indicated increasing allocation to American High Income Municipal Bond Fund, adding American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund while reducing exposure to The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America and Limited Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America.
- Seeks to improve the portfolio's yield and expected return while marginally increasing volatility.
- Duration unchanged and exposure to below investment grade increases.

Expected portfolio impact

- ↑ High-yield fixed income
- ↑ Diversification
- ↑ Yield

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of June 30, 2020)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
Capital World Growth and Income Fund	Growth and income	15		15
Washington Mutual Investors Fund	Growth and income	15		15
American Mutual Fund	Growth and income	10		10
American High-Income Municipal Bond Fund	Fixed income	15	5	20
The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	25	-5	20
Limited Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	20	-5	15
American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Fixed income		5	5

American Funds® Tax-Aware Conservative Income Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide current income, a portion of which is exempt from regular federal income tax, and preservation of capital.

Our approach:

- Research indicated increasing allocation to American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund and reducing allocation to The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America.
- Designed to decrease duration and portfolio volatility while potentially reducing yield and expected return.

Expected portfolio impact

- ✓ Maximum drawdown
- ✓ Volatility

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of April 30, 2021)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
Capital World Growth and Income Fund	Growth and income	5		5
American Mutual Fund	Growth and income	15		15
American High-Income Municipal Bond Fund	Fixed income	15		15
The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	25	-5	20
Limited Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	25		25
American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Fixed income	15	5	20

American Funds® Tax-Exempt Preservation Model Portfolio

Objective: Seeks to provide current income that is exempt from regular federal income tax, consistent with preservation of capital.

Our approach:

- Research indicated increasing allocation to American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund and reducing allocation to The Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America.
- Designed to decrease portfolio volatility and improve expected drawdown. The Portfolio Solutions Committee expects marginal impacts to duration and portfolio yield.

Expected portfolio impact

- ✓ Maximum drawdown
- ✓ Volatility

Funds	Category	Current target allocations (%) (as of May 24, 2017)	Allocation change (%)	New target allocations (%) (as of July 29, 2022)
Limited Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund of America	Fixed income	70	-10	60
American Funds Short-Term Tax-Exempt Bond Fund	Fixed income	30	10	40



Rebalancing and reallocation process

The PSC and CSG have established protocols and risk monitoring processes that may lead to asset allocation shifts or underlying fund changes. Below are brief overviews of these processes:

Reallocation – Research-based portfolio changes:

- **Long-term strategic fund reallocation:** Research-driven enhancements to underlying asset and fund allocations to ensure alignment with the corresponding investment objectives. Research-driven reallocation decisions are not driven by market movements.

Rebalancing – Market-driven portfolio changes:

- **Underlying fund allocation rebalance:** Normal market movement may prompt rebalancing back to target allocations.
 - Quarterly if the underlying fund allocations drift more than 1% from target allocations.
 - Discretion to rebalance intra-quarter if the underlying fund allocations drift more than 3% from target allocations.
- **Strategic allocation ranges rebalance:** Examine persistent crossing of a portfolio's strategic allocation range by monitoring thresholds, including equity versus fixed income and U.S. versus non-U.S. exposure, due to the flexibility exhibited by the underlying funds. Please see further information on this process below.

The strategic asset allocation ranges support a robust and disciplined risk management approach. The goal is to ensure that each portfolio remains well positioned to deliver specific investor objectives. The strategic asset allocation ranges are not rigid asset class limits. Rather, they provide asset class monitoring thresholds. If a portfolio falls outside of a monitoring threshold, CSG implements the following governance protocol:

- CSG will initiate a detailed research review to analyze the reasons and drivers of a portfolio's exposure change.
- If the exposure persists outside of the established threshold, CSG will present rebalancing options and recommendations to the PSC for consideration and approval. The rebalancing options may include:
 - An underlying fund allocation change that would bring the asset allocation back within the strategic asset allocation range threshold.
 - Rationale for a no-action exception to leave the asset allocation outside the strategic asset allocation range threshold and continuation of rigorous monitoring.

The PSC decides which actions to take so the portfolios continue to pursue investor objectives.

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Lower rated bonds are subject to greater fluctuations in value and risk of loss of income and principal than higher rated bonds.

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