



# **Fidelity Global Dividend Investment Trust**

**Annual Management  
Report of Fund  
Performance**  
March 31, 2024

## Caution Regarding Forward-looking Statements

Certain portions of this report, including, but not limited to, “Results of Operations” and “Recent Developments”, may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, including its strategy, risks, expected performance and condition. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as “expects”, “anticipates”, “intends”, “plans”, “believes”, “estimates” and similar forward-looking expressions or negative versions thereof.

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# Annual Management Report of Fund Performance as at March 31, 2024

## Fidelity Global Dividend Investment Trust

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## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

### Investment Objective and Strategies

**Investment Objective:** Fidelity Global Dividend Investment Trust (Fund) aims to achieve high total investment return by investing primarily in equity securities of companies anywhere in the world that pay, or may be expected to pay, dividends, as well as other types of securities that may be expected to distribute income.

**Strategies:** The portfolio manager normally diversifies the Fund's investments across different countries and regions. The Fund may, however, concentrate its investments in relatively few countries, regions, industries, and companies. When buying and selling equity securities, the portfolio managers may consider each company's potential for success in light of its current financial condition and industry position, as well as economic and market conditions. The portfolio managers may also consider factors like earnings estimates, ability to pay dividends and quality of management. When buying and selling fixed income securities, the portfolio management team analyzes factors, including the security's features, current price compared to estimated long-term value, credit quality of the issuer and any short-term trading opportunities resulting from market inefficiencies. The portfolio managers invest in companies they believe are undervalued in relation to valuation factors, such as the company's assets, sales, earnings, growth potential or cash flow, or in relation to securities of other companies in the same industry. The Fund may invest in companies of any size anywhere in the world.

### Risk

The risks associated with investing in this Fund remain as discussed in the prospectus. Any changes to the Fund over the period have not affected the overall level of risk of the Fund.

The Fund is suitable for medium- to long-term investors who want to gain global equity exposure, want the potential for both income and capital gains, and can handle the volatility of returns generally associated with equity investments. The Fund is not an appropriate investment for investors with a short-term investment horizon. To invest in the Fund, investors should be willing to accept a medium level of risk. The suitability of the investment has not changed from what has been disclosed in the prospectus.

### Results of Operations

Securities of this Fund are only available for purchase by other funds and accounts managed or advised by Fidelity, and are not available for public purchase.

Fidelity Global Dividend Investment Trust, Series O, returned 18.5%, for the one-year period ended March 31, 2024. During the review period, global equities, as represented by the MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) Index, returned 23.2% (in Canadian dollar terms).

Market overview:

Global equities, as broadly measured by the MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index), returned 23.2% in Canadian dollar terms and 23.2% in U.S. dollar terms, for the one-year period ended March 31, 2024.

Global equities advanced during the review period, as economic expansion, and the slowing pace of inflation in some countries provided a mostly favourable backdrop. Following continued tightening of monetary policies in major developed market economies throughout 2022 and for most of 2023, investor sentiment shifted in the fourth quarter of 2023 to a view that interest rates had peaked, and policymakers may cut rates in 2024. Equity market gains were partly fueled by select firms within the information technology and communication services sectors in the U.S., largely due to market exuberance surrounding artificial intelligence. In Europe, several large-capitalisation companies across the luxury goods, pharmaceuticals, and technology sectors supported equity markets. Japanese equities also rose, supported by decline in the value of the yen which aided exports, as well as due to corporate governance reforms that have boosted shareholder returns through increased share buybacks and dividends. From a regional perspective, while some global equity markets advanced to hit all-time highs, investors were more cautious towards Chinese equities due to the country's weaker than expected economic growth amid uncertainty surrounding the health of its property and banking sectors.

Factors affecting performance:

The Fund underperformed its benchmark, the MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) Index, primarily due to the underweight exposure to, certain non-dividend or very low-dividend paying stocks in the information technology sector, which made up the majority of the relative underperformance. In the sector, lack of exposure to U.S.-based semiconductors and semiconductor equipment firms detracted from relative returns. Investments in certain stocks in the communication services sector also detracted from relative returns. In this sector, lack of exposure to a U.S.-based media and entertainment firm, and an investment in Finland-based telecommunication services firm Elisa, both detracted from relative returns. In other sectors, lack of exposure to a U.S.-based consumer discretionary distribution & retail firm, and an investment in Canada-based copper miner First Quantum, detracted from relative returns.

In contrast, exposure to certain stocks in the industrials sector contributed to relative returns. In the sector, investments in Germany-based automotive and defense manufacturer Rheinmetall, and U.S.-based capital goods firm General Electric, contributed to relative returns. In addition, exposure to certain stocks in the utilities sector contributed to relative returns. In that sector, an investment in U.S.-based retail electricity and power generation firm Vistra Corp, and lack of exposure to a U.S.-based electric utility and natural gas delivery company, also contributed. In other sectors, investments in U.S.-based pharmaceuticals, biotechnology and life sciences firm Eli Lilly and Company, and in U.S.-based banking firm J.P. Morgan Chase, plus lack of exposure to a U.S.-based automobiles and components firm, contributed to relative returns.

Portfolio changes:

## **Fidelity Global Dividend Investment Trust**

### **Management Discussion of Fund Performance – continued**

During the review period, the Fund's exposure to the industrials and financials sectors was increased. In the industrials sector, the portfolio manager increased exposure to Rheinmetall. In the financials sector, exposure was increased to J.P. Morgan Chase. The portfolio manager believes these companies have better-than-average investment growth potential.

In contrast, exposure to the health care and consumer staples sectors was decreased as the portfolio manager found better investment growth opportunities elsewhere. In the health care sector, the portfolio manager exited a position in U.S.-based pharmaceuticals, biotechnology and life sciences firm Amgen Inc. In the consumer staples sector, a position was exited in U.S.-based food, beverage and tobacco firm Philip Morris International Inc.

At the end of the review period, the Fund had its largest absolute exposure to the information technology sector and the financials sector. The Fund diverged most from its benchmark's sector weightings by having more exposure to the consumer staples sector and less exposure to the information technology sector.

#### **Recent Developments**

Portfolio manager Ramona Persaud anticipates markets will remain volatile due to several exogenous factors. Recessionary fears, elevated inflation levels and the monetary policy actions of central banks continue to dominate investor sentiment. Against this backdrop, the portfolio manager continues to navigate the portfolios through challenging market conditions in the same way the portfolio manager has in the past, aiming to capitalize on periods of fear to upgrade the quality of the portfolio. More specifically, the portfolio manager has been looking for high-quality companies trading at attractive valuations due to negative sentiment, while selling stocks with valuations that appear extended. At the same time, the manager is also focused on protecting the portfolio against potential market volatility. As a result, the portfolio manager remains committed to maintaining a portfolio that has a high-quality bias to help preserve investor capital during periods of market volatility.

Effective September 19, 2023, Anne Bell of Mississauga, Ontario, became a member of the Independent Review Committee (IRC).

#### **Related Party Transactions**

##### **Manager and Portfolio Adviser**

The Fund is managed by Fidelity Investments Canada ULC (Fidelity). Fidelity is part of a broader collection of companies collectively known as Fidelity Investments.

Fidelity provides or arranges for the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund in its day-to-day operations, bookkeeping, record-keeping and other administrative services for the Fund.

Fidelity is the portfolio adviser to the Fund and it provides investment advisory services to the Fund. Fidelity has entered into sub-advisory agreements with a number of entities including Fidelity Management & Research Company LLC, to provide investment advice with respect to all or a portion of the investments of the Fund. The sub-advisors arrange for acquisition and disposition of portfolio investments, including all necessary brokerage arrangements. The Fund is only offered in Series O securities and is only available to: (i) institutional investors who may be individuals or financial institutions who have been approved by Fidelity and have entered into Series O fund purchase agreements with Fidelity; or (ii) other funds and accounts managed or advised by Fidelity. The Fund does not pay management and advisory fees, or other operating expenses, other than certain specified fund costs, including taxes, brokerage commissions and interest charges.

##### **Brokerage Commissions**

The Fund may place a portion of its portfolio transactions with brokerage firms which are affiliates of Fidelity, provided it determines that these affiliates' trade execution abilities and costs are comparable to those of non-affiliated, qualified brokerage firms, on an execution-only basis. Commissions paid to brokerage firms that are affiliates of Fidelity Investments were \$13,000 for the period ended March 31, 2024. Fidelity receives standing instructions from the IRC in respect of policies and procedures governing best execution of transactions with affiliates, which includes brokers affiliated to Fidelity Investments, at least once per year.

#### **Independent Review Committee, Cross-Trading and In specie Transactions**

##### **Independent Review Committee**

Fidelity has established an independent review committee (IRC) that acts as an impartial and independent committee to review and provide recommendations or, if appropriate, approvals respecting conflict of interest matters referred to it by Fidelity. The IRC prepares, at least annually, a report of its activities for securityholders of the Fund. The report is available at [www.fidelity.ca](http://www.fidelity.ca) or at the securityholder's request at no cost by contacting Fidelity, using the contact information available on the final page of this document.

##### **Cross-Trading and In specie Transactions**

The Fund received the approval and standing instructions from the IRC in order to:

- (i) engage in cross-trading, which is a form of interfund trading. A cross-trade occurs when the Fund purchases or sells portfolio securities from or to another Fund, a U.S. fund or a separately managed account, through a broker;
- (ii) permit the Fund, in certain circumstances, to purchase and redeem Fund securities in consideration for securities rather than cash of another investment fund not governed by NI 81-102, or a separately managed account, managed by Fidelity.

For each of the transactions in (i) and (ii) above, the IRC's standing instructions require Fidelity to act in accordance with its associated policies and procedures and applicable law, and comply with the conditions in each of the exemptive relief orders received, which, in the case of cross-trading, requires additional periodic reporting to the Ontario Securities Commission. The standing instructions also require that investment decisions in respect of these transactions (a) are free from any influence by an entity related to Fidelity and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to Fidelity; (b) represent the business judgment of Fidelity uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; (c) comply with the applicable policies and procedures of Fidelity; and (d) achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund.

# Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the period end of the years shown. This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual and/or unaudited semi-annual financial statements. Please see the front page for information about how you can obtain the Fund's annual or semi-annual financial statements.

## Fidelity Global Dividend Investment Trust Series O

Periods ended March 31, The Series' Net Assets per Security <sup>A</sup>	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net assets, beginning of period <sup>B</sup>	\$ 23.95	\$ 23.56	\$ 22.65	\$ 17.64	\$ 18.11
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	.61	.62	.46	.49	.61
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(.07)	(.08)	(.06)	(.08)	(.06)
Realized gains (losses)	1.11	.80	.96	1.23	.39
Unrealized gains (losses)	2.67	(.40)	1.04	4.04	(1.21)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>B</sup></b>	4.32	.94	2.40	5.68	(.27)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(.52)	(.53)	(.40)	(.45)	(.44)
From dividends	(.02)	(.03)	(.02)	(.01)	(.02)
From capital gains	(.02)	(.01)	(1.12)	(.31)	—
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total distributions <sup>B,C</sup></b>	(.56)	(.57)	(1.54)	(.77)	(.46)
<b>Net assets, end of period <sup>B</sup></b>	\$ 27.75	\$ 23.95	\$ 23.56	\$ 22.65	\$ 17.64
<b>Ratios and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net asset value (000s) <sup>D,E</sup>	\$ 5,326,009	\$ 4,829,890	\$ 3,953,628	\$ 3,631,929	\$ 2,429,142
Securities outstanding <sup>D</sup>	191,912,675	201,691,040	167,811,046	160,350,051	137,706,444
Management expense ratio	—%	—%	—%	—%	—%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	—%	—%	—%	—%	—%
Trading expense ratio <sup>F</sup>	.03%	.06%	.03%	.08%	.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>G</sup>	25.53%	42.58%	20.92%	37.43%	32.94%
Net asset value per security, end of period	\$ 27.7421	\$ 23.9457	\$ 23.5646	\$ 22.6544	\$ 17.6398

<sup>A</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual and/or unaudited interim financial statements. The net assets attributable to securityholders per security presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. An explanation of these differences can be found in the notes to financial statements.

<sup>B</sup> Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of securities outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of securities outstanding over the financial period. This table is not intended to be a reconciliation of beginning to ending net assets per security.

<sup>C</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional securities of the Fund, or both, and excludes any applicable distributions of management fee reduction to securityholders. Distributions are presented based on management's best estimate of the tax character.

<sup>D</sup> This information is provided as at period end of the year shown.

<sup>E</sup> Prior period amounts may have been adjusted.

<sup>F</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions, other portfolio transaction costs and dividends and interest expense on securities sold short expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period, including the Fund's pro-rata share of estimated trading costs incurred in any underlying investment fund, if applicable.

<sup>G</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio adviser manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher the Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year, and the greater chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high portfolio turnover rate and the performance of the Fund. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated based on the lesser of purchases or sales of securities divided by the weighted average market value of portfolio securities owned by the Fund, excluding short-term securities. The portfolio turnover rate includes any proceeds from a short sale in the value of sales of securities and the cost of covering a short sale in the value of purchases of securities. For periods greater than six months, but less than a full fiscal year, the portfolio turnover rate is annualized. The portfolio turnover rate excludes any adjustment for in-kind transactions.

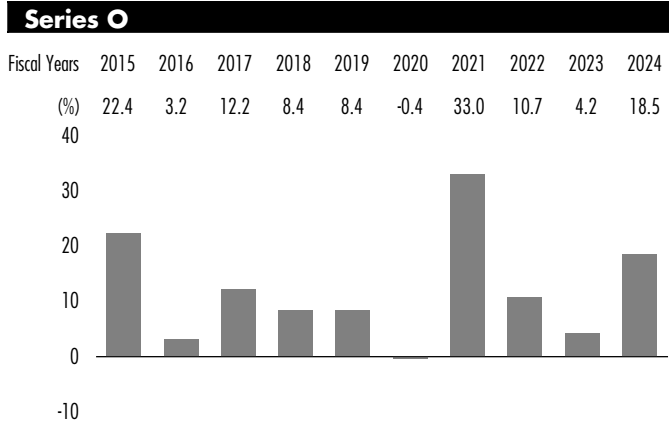
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### Past Performance

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Fund. The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. How the Fund has performed in the past does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

#### Year-by-Year Returns

The following bar chart shows the Fund's annual performance for each of the years shown, and illustrates how the Fund's performance was changed from year to year. In percentage terms, the bar chart shows how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year.



#### Annual Compound Returns

This table shows the Fund's historical annual compound total returns for the periods indicated, compared with the Fund's benchmark, the MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) Index, as described below.

Average Annual Total Returns	Past 1 year	Past 3 years	Past 5 years	Past 10 years
Series O	18.5%	11.0%	12.6%	11.7%
MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) Index	23.2%	9.6%	11.2%	10.9%

A discussion of Fund performance can be found in the Results of Operations section of this report. The MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) Index is an unmanaged, free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index composed of stocks of companies located in countries throughout the world. It is designed to measure equity market performance in global developed and emerging markets.

**Fidelity Global Dividend Investment Trust**
**Summary of Investment Portfolio as at March 31, 2024**

<b>Sector Mix</b>		
	<b>% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2024</b>	<b>% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2023</b>
Information Technology	20.2	19.2
Financials	14.1	9.8
Industrials	12.6	7.9
Health Care	10.8	13.8
Consumer Discretionary	9.5	7.6
Consumer Staples	9.5	12.1
Communication Services	5.8	7.1
Materials	5.2	5.0
Energy	4.9	4.8
Utilities	3.8	3.3
Real Estate	1.2	1.2
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3.1	8.4
Net Other Assets (Liabilities)	(0.7)	(0.2)

*Comparative balances, as applicable, have been reclassified to align with current period presentation.*

<b>Geographic Mix</b>		
	<b>% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2024</b>	<b>% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2023</b>
United States of America	61.2	58.1
United Kingdom	6.6	6.0
Japan	6.5	6.0
Canada	4.6	3.2
France	3.7	3.6
Germany	3.4	1.9
Taiwan	2.3	2.4
China	2.2	2.1
Switzerland	1.1	1.1
Korea (South)	1.0	1.0
Others (Individually Less Than 1%)	5.0	6.4
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3.1	8.4
Net Other Assets (Liabilities)	(0.7)	(0.2)

<b>Top Issuers</b>		<b>% of Fund's Net Assets</b>
1.	Microsoft Corp.	5.0
2.	Apple, Inc.	4.4
3.	Fidelity U.S. Money Market Investment Trust – Series O	3.1
4.	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	2.3
5.	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	2.3
6.	Rheinmetall AG	2.1
7.	NXP Semiconductors NV	1.8
8.	Linde PLC	1.6
9.	Bank of America Corp.	1.6
10.	Exxon Mobil Corp.	1.5
11.	Eli Lilly & Co.	1.5
12.	Accenture PLC	1.5
13.	Wells Fargo & Co.	1.4
14.	LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	1.3
15.	UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	1.2
16.	AstraZeneca PLC	1.1
17.	General Electric Co.	1.1
18.	PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.	1.1
19.	Danaher Corp.	1.1
20.	T-Mobile U.S., Inc.	1.1
21.	Alimentation Couche-Tard, Inc.	1.1
22.	Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.	1.0
23.	TJX Companies, Inc.	1.0
24.	Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.	1.0
25.	Cisco Systems, Inc.	1.0
		<u>43.2</u>
<i>Total Fund Net Assets \$5,326,009,000</i>		

*Where applicable, the information in the above tables includes the Fund's pro-rata share of the investment in any Fidelity managed underlying fund.*

*Comparative balances, as applicable, have been reclassified from country of incorporation to country of risk to align with current period presentation.*

*All tables within the Summary of Investment Portfolio section, except the Top Issuers table, contain audited annual information.*

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. The most recent annual report, semi-annual report, quarterly report, fund facts document or simplified prospectus for the investment fund and/or underlying fund is available at no cost, by calling 1-800-263-4077, by writing to us at Fidelity Investments Canada ULC, 483 Bay St. Suite 300, Toronto ON M5G 2N7 or by visiting our web site at [www.fidelity.ca](http://www.fidelity.ca) or SEDAR+ at [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca).



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