

# Fidelity Concentrated Canadian Equity Multi-Asset Base Fund

Semi-Annual Management Report of Fund Performance December 31, 2024

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## Semi-Annual Management Report of Fund Performance as at December 31, 2024

### Fidelity Concentrated Canadian Equity Multi-Asset Base Fund

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### **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

#### **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 Concentrated Canadian Equity Multi-Asset Base Fund (Fund), Series O, returned 11.6%, for the six-month period ended December 31, 2024. During the review period, Canadian equities, as represented by the S&P/TSX Composite Index, returned 14.7% (in Canadian dollar terms).

#### Market overview:

Canadian equities, as measured by the S&P/TSX Composite Index, returned 14.7% for the six-month period ended December 31, 2024.

Canadian equities rose over the review period, driven by strong performance in key sectors. Information technology and financials were the best-performing sectors, benefiting from advancements in artificial intelligence and a more positive outlook on banking stocks. All sectors, except for communication services, improved over the period. The communication services sector, which is heavily focused on telecommunications, declined due to specific stock-related challenges. Cyclical sectors like consumer discretionary and energy also posted growth despite bouts of volatility, while defensive sectors such as healthcare, utilities, and consumer staples also experienced gains as investors looked for stability amid ongoing market fluctuations. However, market volatility remained elevated, fuelled by risks including uncertainty around U.S. monetary policy, concerns over U.S. economic growth, and the threat of new U.S. tariffs targeting key trading partners. These tariff threats weighed on investor sentiment, particularly in export-oriented industries, amplifying fears of broader economic repercussions. The Canadian economy grew at a slower-than-expected pace, with an annualized growth rate of 1.0% in the third quarter of 2024, compared to higher growth of 2.2% in the second quarter of 2024. Inflation, as measured by the consumer price index, eased from 2.7% in June 2024 to 1.9% in November 2024, indicating a slowdown in price increases. Additionally, the labour market showed signs of softening, as the unemployment rate rose to 6.7% in December 2024, up from 6.4% in June 2024. These trends bolstered the case for continued monetary easing by the Bank of Canada (BoC). Against this backdrop, the BoC announced several interest rate cuts, reducing the benchmark rate from 4.75% in June 2024 to 3.25% by December 2024.

#### Factors affecting performance:

The Fund's benchmark, the S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index, returned 14.7% for the review period. The Fund underperformed its benchmark primarily due to investments in certain stocks in the financials sector. In the sector, lower-than-benchmark exposure to Canada-based banking firms Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and Toronto-Dominion Bank detracted from relative returns. Investments in certain stocks in the industrials sector also detracted from relative returns. In this sector, investments in Canada-based commercial and professional services firm Thomson Reuters, and Canada-based transportation and logistics firm TFI International, both detracted from relative returns. In other sectors, lower-than-benchmark exposure to Canada-based pipeline and energy firm Enbridge, and an investment in Canada-based telecommunications firm Rogers Communications, detracted from relative returns.

In contrast, exposure to certain stocks in the consumer staples sector contributed to relative returns. In the sector, lack of exposure to a Canada-based dairy firm, and to a Canada-based specialty food manufacturing and distribution firm, contributed to relative returns. In other sectors, lack of exposure to a Canada-based integrated oil and gas firm and a Canada-based fertilizer firm, as well as an investment in Canada-based insurance firm Fairfax Financial Holdings, contributed to relative returns.

#### Portfolio changes:

During the review period, the Fund's exposure to the information technology and financials sectors was increased. In the information technology sector, the portfolio manager increased exposure to Canada-based e-commerce firm Shopify. In the financials sector, a position was initiated in Canada-based banking firm Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. The portfolio manager believes these companies have good investment growth potential.

In contrast, exposure to the industrials and communication services sectors was decreased, as the portfolio manager sought investment growth opportunities elsewhere that appeared to have stronger risk/reward potential. In the industrials sector, the portfolio manager reduced exposure to Canada-based transportation firm Canadian National Railway. In the communication services sector, exposure was reduced to Canada-based telecommunications firm Rogers Communications.

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

#### **Recent Developments**

Portfolio manager Andrew Marchese notes there is a high level of uncertainty in the market, presenting challenges for specific industries and companies. In the portfolio manager's opinion, as economic activities continue to normalize, markets will likely be less influenced by macroeconomic factors and driven more by the earnings of individual companies. Against this backdrop, the portfolio manager and the investment team are focusing on companies they believe to have strong balance sheets. Macroeconomic analysis will continue to be reviewed against company fundamentals, with a focus on adding value by selecting companies they believe exhibit attractive growth potential, strong management, and favourable risk/reward profiles.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

#### Fidelity Concentrated Canadian Equity Multi-Asset Base Fund Management Discussion of Fund Performance – continued

#### **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 provides investment advice with respect to the Fund's investment portfolio and arranges for the 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 \$0 for the period ended December 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 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 Concentrated Canadian Equity Multi-Asset Base Fund Series O

	 Six months ended December 31,		Periods ended June 30,								
	2024		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020
The Series' Net Assets per Security A											
Net assets, beginning of period <sup>B</sup>	\$ 32.60	\$	31.18	\$	29.57	\$	30.88	\$	24.88	\$	25.30
Increase (decrease) from operations:											
Total revenue	.41		.91		.96		.78		.69		.67
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(.01)		(.01)		(.01)		(.01)		(.01)		(.01)
Realized gains (losses)	.95		1.53		1.68		2.31		1.88		.17
Unrealized gains (losses)	 2.44	_	.89	_	.06		(2.81)		4.40		(.88)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>B</sup>	3.79		3.32		2.69		.27		6.96		(.05)
Distributions:											
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(.03)		(.46)		(.43)		(.36)		(.28)		(.03)
From dividends	(.44)		(.51)		(.55)		(.42)		(.67)		(.63)
From capital gains	(.30)		(1.17)		(.08)		(.96)		-		-
Return of capital	 		_								_
Total distributions <sup>B,C</sup>	(.77)		(2.14)		(1.06)		(1.74)		(.95)		(.66)
Net assets, end of period <sup>B</sup>	\$ 35.62	\$	32.60	\$	31.18	\$	29.57	\$	30.88	\$	24.88
Ratios and Supplemental Data											
Net asset value (000s) <sup>D,E</sup>	\$ 948,399	\$	863,698	\$	960,860	\$	960,077	\$	1,021,676	\$	802,247
Securities outstanding <sup>E</sup>	26,622,176		26,490,921		30,815,869		32,471,268		33,087,608		32,248,977
Management expense ratio	-%		-%		-%		-%		-%		-%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	-%		-%		-%		-%		-%		-%
Trading expense ratio <sup>F</sup>	.03%		.03%		.02%		.02%		.03%		.03%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>6</sup>	22.60%		29.22%		22.89%		30.63%		39.04%		30.17%
Net asset value per security, end of period	\$ 35.6243	\$	32.6033	\$	31.1807	\$	29.5661	Ś	30.8779	Ś	24.8767

\* 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>8</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.

C 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> Prior period amounts may have been adjusted.

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

<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.

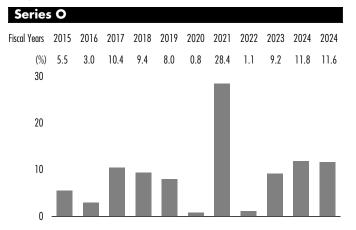
<sup>6</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio adviser manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund selling all of the securities in its portfolio acce in the course of the year. The higher the Fund's portfolio 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 is nonuclized. The portfolio turnover rate excludes any adjustment for in-kind transactions.

## Fidelity Concentrated Canadian Equity Multi-Asset Base Fund 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. For each Series in the Year-by-Year Returns table below, the most recent returns stated are for the current six month period.



## Fidelity Concentrated Canadian Equity Multi-Asset Base Fund Summary of Investment Portfolio as at December 31, 2024

Sector Mix		
	% of Fund's Net Assets as at December 31, 2024	% of Fund's Net Assets as at June 30, 2024
Financials	33.1	30.5
Energy	15.0	16.0
Information Technology	12.8	9.7
Materials	12.2	12.3
Industrials	11.5	13.3
Utilities	4.2	3.3
Consumer Staples	4.1	4.0
Consumer Discretionary	2.6	3.4
Real Estate	1.7	1.6
Communication Services	1.7	3.3
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1.3	2.5
Net Other Assets (Liabilities)	(0.2)	0.1

#### **Top Issuers**

		% of Fund's Net Assets
1.	Royal Bank of Canada	8.6
2.	Constellation Software, Inc.	5.8
3.	Shopify, Inc.	5.2
4.	Brookfield Corp.	4.1
5.	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	3.4
6.	TC Energy Corp.	3.4
7.	Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	3.3
8.	The Toronto—Dominion Bank	3.3
9.	Manulife Financial Corp.	3.2
10.	Fairfax Financial Holdings Ltd.	3.1
11.	Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.	3.0
12.	Intact Financial Corp.	2.9
13.	Pembina Pipeline Corp.	2.7
14.	Dollarama, Inc.	2.6
15.	Fortis, Inc.	2.5
16.	Franco—Nevada Corp.	2.3
17.	Waste Connections, Inc.	2.3
18.	Thomson Reuters Corp.	2.2
19.	TFI International, Inc.	1.9
20.	Alimentation Couche—Tard, Inc.	1.7
21.	TMX Group Ltd.	1.7
22.	Rogers Communications, Inc.	1.7
23.	Canadian Pacific Kansas City Ltd.	1.7
24.	Canadian National Railway Co.	1.6
25.	ARC Resources Ltd.	1.6
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#### Total Fund Net Assets \$948,399,000

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

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 or SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.



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