

Analytics for Climate Transition ACT Advanced

Cambridgeshire Pension Fund
Analytics as at 30 June 2024

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Executive summary

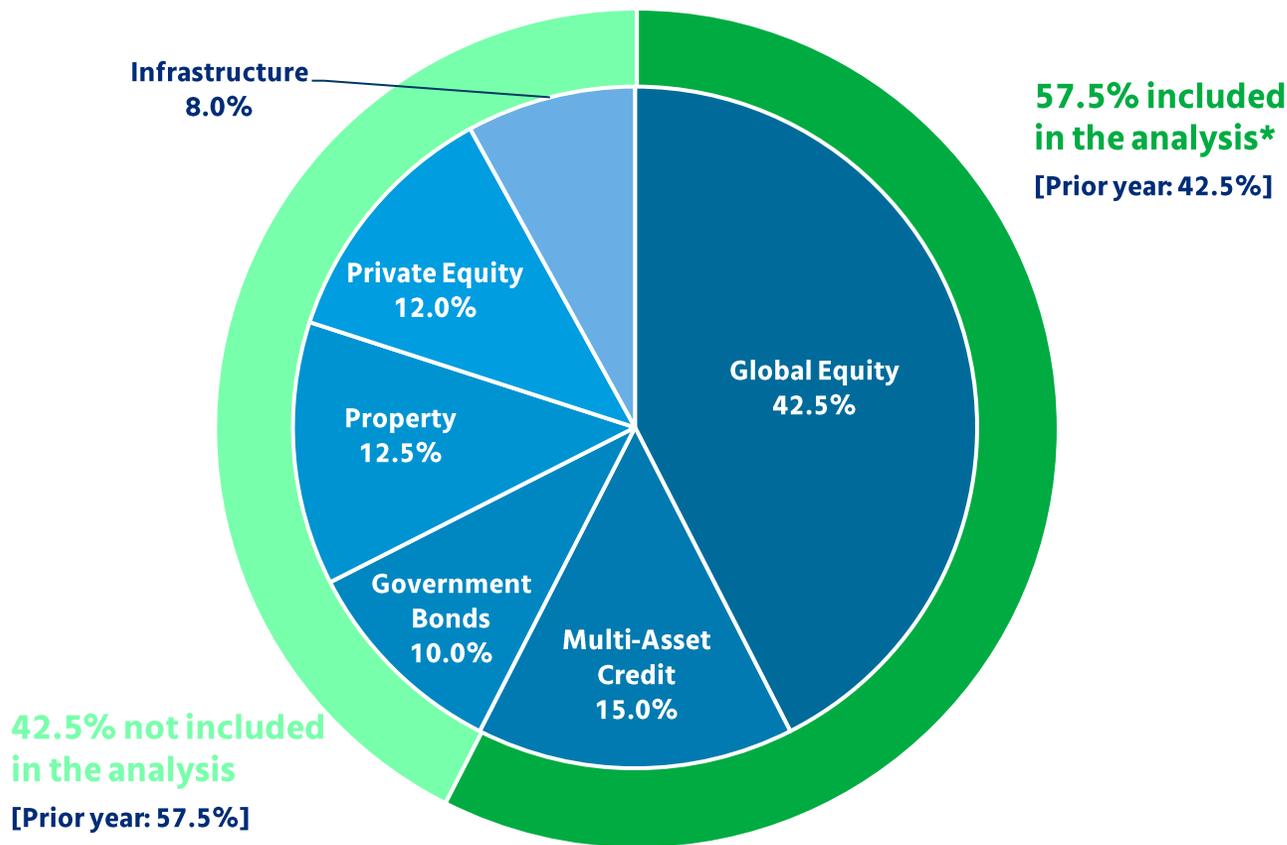
Progress to date

How ACT analysis has been used to date



Portfolio asset allocation

What's included in the 2024 analysis?



This report presents direct analysis of:

- 5 **listed equity** mandates:
 - JO Hambro - Global Equity
 - Dodge & Cox - Global Equity
 - Longview - Global Equity
 - Osmosis - Core Equity
 - UBS - Climate Aware Rules Based
- 2 **multi-asset credit** mandates:
 - Bluebay - Multi-Asset Credit
 - M&G - Multi-Asset Credit

As at 30 June 2024, the mandates included in the analysis cover **c. £2,720m** (based on strategic asset allocation), which correspond to **57.5%** of the whole Fund.

This contrasts with a total of **£1,816m** (42.5% of the whole Fund) included in the previous analysis as at 30 June 2023.

Source: Mercer. All data as at 30 June 2024.

Note: Analysis is carried out based on the Fund's target SAA, rather than actual allocation. This provides consistency year-on-year and better represents the Fund's intentional exposures, noting the Fund is expected to rebalance towards its target SAA over time. Results based on actual allocations will therefore differ depending on the extent to which this deviates from target.

* 49.8% after allowing for data coverage of underlying assets. See climate metrics dashboard for further detail.

Key findings / recommendations of 2024 analysis

Key findings:

- **Listed Equity decarbonisation is ahead of 2024 target and on track relative to 2030 target**
- **Too early to set net zero targets for private markets**



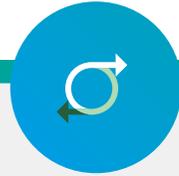
Monitor interim decarbonisation targets for listed assets

Listed Equity

- Maintain a watching brief on the suitability of 2030 decarbonisation target^(a), taking into account:
 - Carbon efficiency of the portfolio relative to MSCI ACWI;
 - Overall 2050 net zero target;
 - Increased focus on portfolio alignment and climate solutions.

Corporate Bonds

- Adopt separate decarbonisation target for corporate bond mandate.



Adopt additional metrics

Assessing the alignment of assets with a low carbon transition, supported by stewardship, allows for a more holistic approach to a whole economy transition.

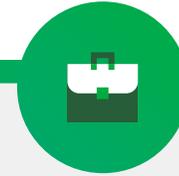
Continue to monitor SBTi alignment, grey to green analysis and top 10 contributors.

Measure exposure to climate solutions in 2025 and agree future target.



Implement an Engagement plan

Agreeing how to achieve targets is important, with stewardship playing a key role. Develop a more formal engagement plan for top contributors to carbon footprint within the portfolio (i.e. a “climate target list”) based on agreed criteria.



Progress Private markets disclosures

Whilst some managers responded positively to the request for portfolio carbon metrics, some were unwilling or unable to provide meaningful data.

This makes reliable aggregation at this point in time challenging.

Rather than attempting to set targets based on incomplete data, the focus at this stage should be on engaging with managers, in order to improve data coverage and quality.

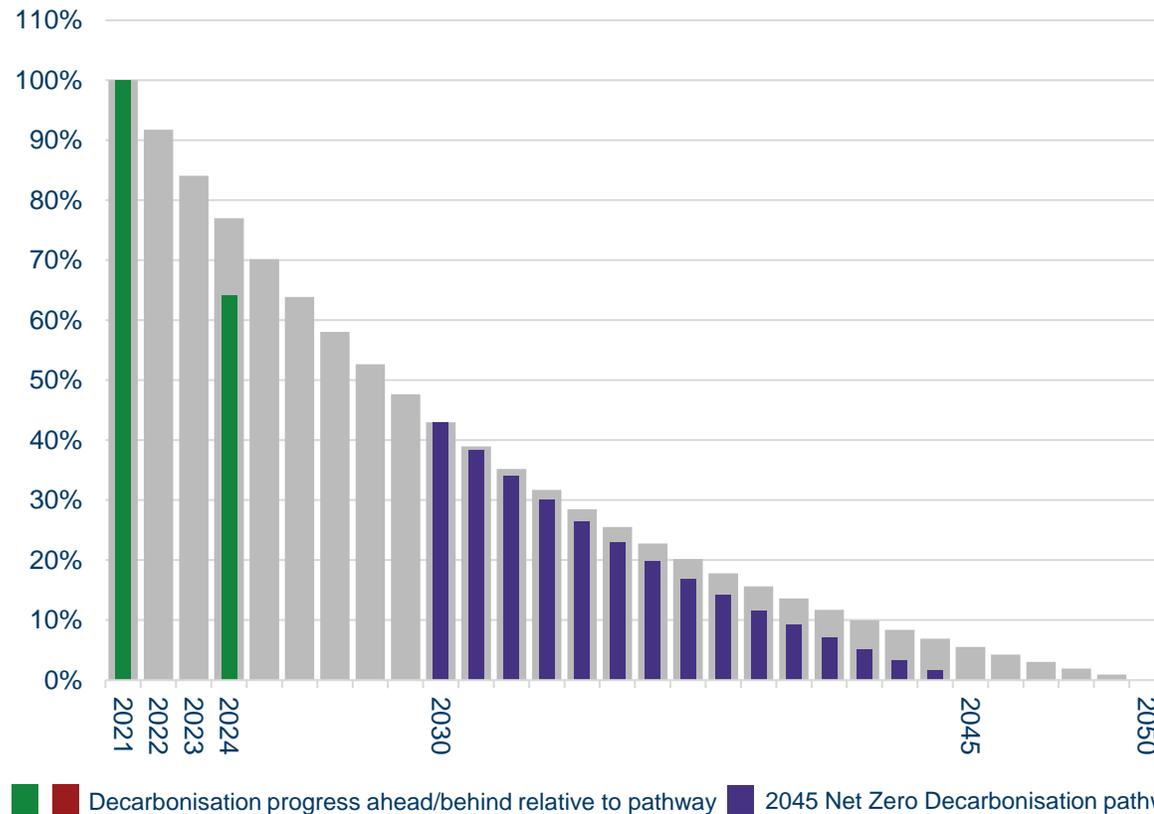
*Long-term alignment in 2050 , sourced from TPI <https://www.transitionpathwayinitiative.org/>

(a) See slide 14

Decarbonisation progress - Combined *(49.8% of total assets)*

Progress relative to the decarbonisation pathway

Carbon Footprint (tCO₂e / \$M invested) for the listed equity and corporate bonds, relative to 2021 Baseline - Scope 1 and 2



- The chart shows a **decarbonisation pathway** for the **Fund's listed equity and corporate bonds portfolio**, based on its **Carbon Footprint**, starting from a baseline as at 30 June 2021. It compares this portion of the Fund to the decarbonisation targets: a 23% reduction by 2024, a 57% reduction by 2030, and achieving net zero by 2050 or earlier.
- In relation to the June 2021 baseline, the overall Carbon Footprint of the listed equity and corporate bond portfolio has **decreased by c.35.8%**.
- To meet the **2030 reduction target**, the **Carbon Footprint of the listed equity and corporate bond portfolio** needs to decrease by **33%** (from 2024) by 2030.

Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. The most recent data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 10 September 2024, or latest available. Prior data corresponds to stocklists from prior years and is taken from previous Mercer reports. For the corporate bond portions of the multi-asset credit funds, data for 2021 is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2021, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 13 September 2024, for historical data.

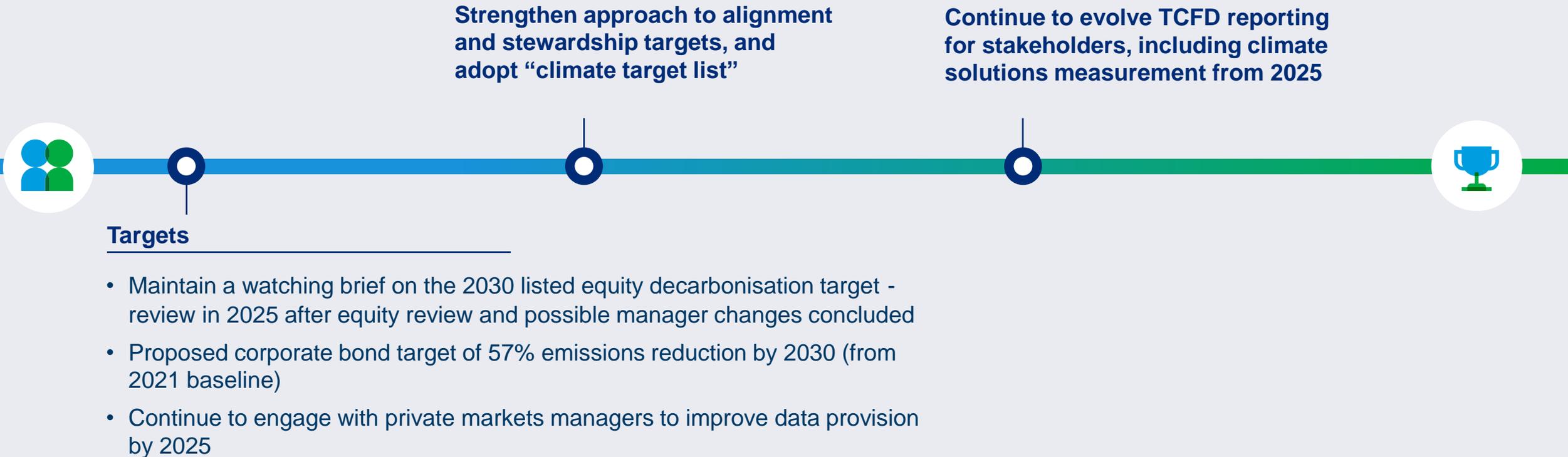
Current and proposed targets

Key:
On Track
Further Progress Required
Not yet assessed

	Scope	Current Target	Proposed Target / Comment
FRONT-LOADED PORTFOLIO DECARBONISATION WITH A FOCUS ON MANAGING TRANSITION RISK	Total Fund	Target 2050 net zero target (vs 2021 baseline)	Incorporate corporate bonds alongside listed equities vs agreed decarbonisation pathway.
	Listed Equities	Target 2050 net zero target with interim targets (vs 2021 baseline)	Maintain 2030 interim target: The Fund's listed equity portfolio is efficient relative to the wider equity market. However, with manager changes possible following the current equity portfolio review, we recommend reconsidering interim targets in 2025.
	Corporate bonds (MAC)	n/a	Proposal: Adopt a 57% reduction target for the corporate bonds portfolio from 2021 to 2030. This equates to a c.41% reduction from 30 June 2024 (following the same trajectory as the listed equity portfolio).
	Private Markets	Engage with 100% of investment managers on providing climate data for 2024 reporting.	Engage with managers to seek material improvement to data provision for 2025 reporting. Continue to explore feasibility of target setting: Target setting on the Fund's property, infrastructure and private equity portfolios is currently not possible due to data constraints. Mercer recommends continuing to engage with managers on this point.

Next steps

Key decisions and recommendations



Incorporate conclusions / targets into ISS and Responsible Investment Policy

Decarbonisation Targets

(Scope 1 + 2)

Climate metrics dashboard

New metric used in
2024 analysis

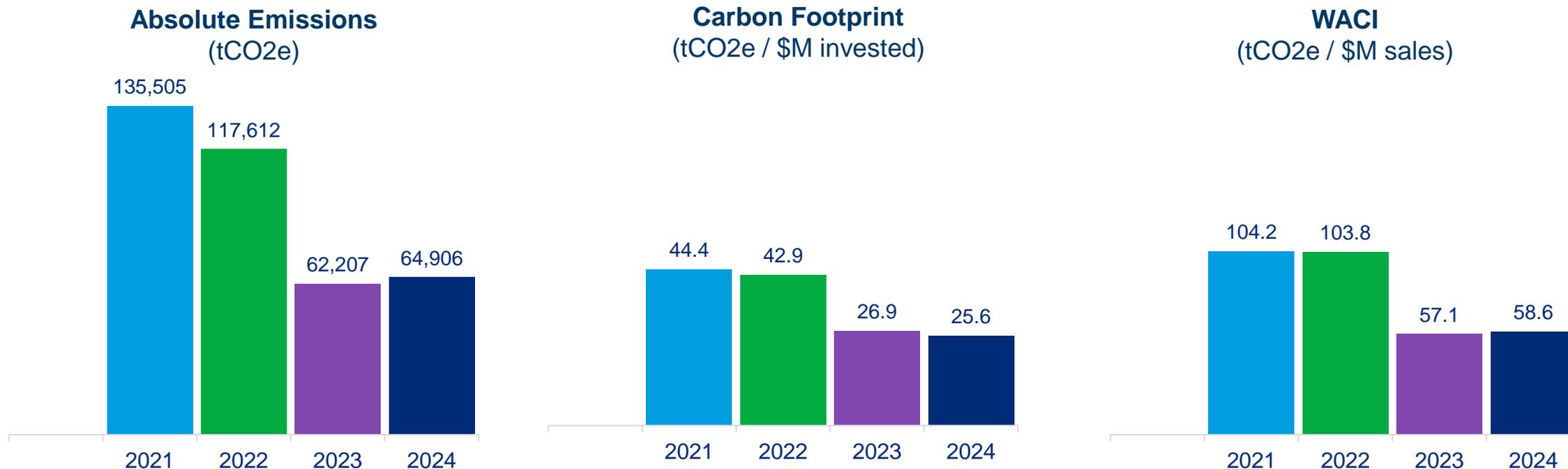
Scope 1 and 2 emissions – listed equity and corporate bonds

Asset Class	Mandate	WACI (tCO2e / \$M sales)		Carbon Footprint (tCO2e / \$M invested)		Absolute Emissions (tCO2e)		Implied Temperature Rise (°C)		SBTi Targets	Allocation Weight
		Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage		
Listed equity	Dodge & Cox - Global Equity	101.0	96.7%	55.2	96.7%	24,763	96.7%	2.4°C	96.7%	29.6%	7.5%
	JO Hambro - Global Equity	105.1	93.8%	30.3	92.4%	13,582	92.4%	2.5°C	90.3%	32.0%	7.5%
	Longview - Global Equity	12.0	97.6%	4.6	97.6%	2,044	97.6%	2.0°C	97.6%	57.9%	7.5%
	Osmosis - Core Equity	35.4	99.6%	14.0	99.6%	5,027	99.6%	2.2°C	99.6%	54.5%	6.0%
	UBS - Climate Aware Rules Based	46.0	99.4%	23.3	99.1%	19,490	99.4%	2.3°C	99.3%	46.7%	14.0%
	MSCI ACWI	120.3	99.8%	46.7	99.6%			2.5°C	99.7%	43.4%	
Total listed equity		58.6	97.6%	25.6	97.3%	64,906	97.4%	2.3°C	97.0%	44.2%	42.5%
Corporate bonds	Bluebay - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	99.1	84.3%	84.0	78.8%	16,486	78.8%	2.5°C	72.2%	16.2%	3.3%
	M&G - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	72.2	88.7%	49.2	62.8%	11,895	63.1%	2.1°C	61.0%	26.2%	4.1%
Total corporate bonds		84.2	86.7%	64.8	70.0%	28,381	70.1%	2.3°C	66.0%	21.7%	7.3%
Total equity and corporate bonds		62.4	96.0%	31.3	93.3%	93,287	93.4%	2.3°C	92.4%	40.9%	49.8%

Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. All data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 10 September 2024, or latest available. An overview of these metrics is provided in the Appendix. Allocation weights represent the strategic asset allocation for that mandate or, for mixed mandates, the actual allocation to corporate bonds within the mixed mandate (c.43.7% and c.54.2%, respectively for Bluebay and M&G).

Progress versus the baseline

Total listed equity



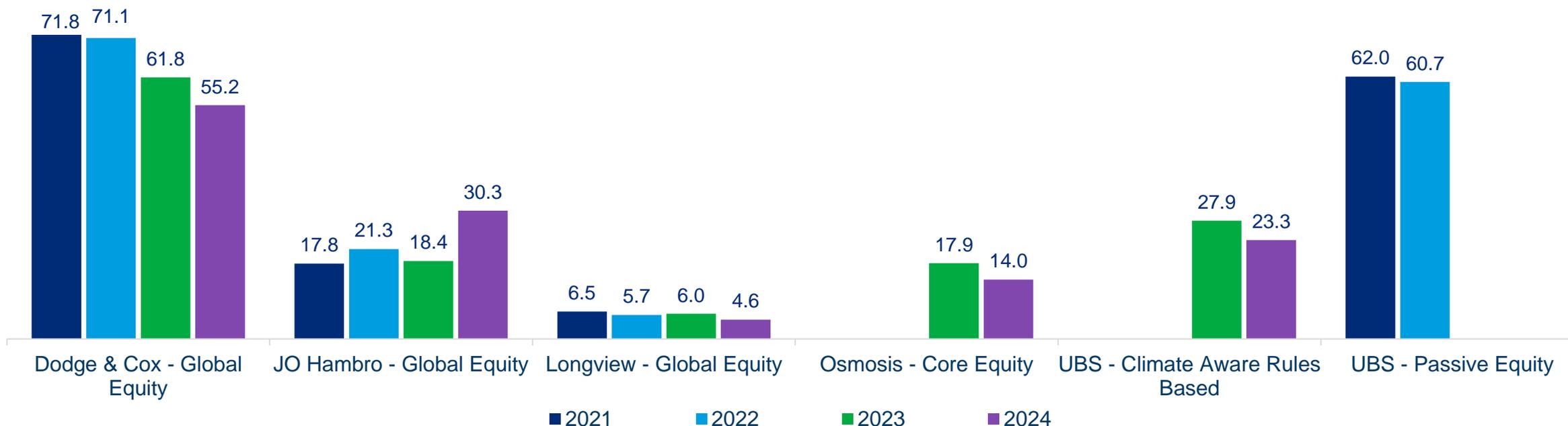
Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. The most recent data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 10 September 2024, or latest available. Prior data corresponds to stocklists from prior years and is taken from previous Mercer reports.

- The Fund's Listed Equity portfolio **decreased** by **42.4%** on a Carbon Footprint basis, from June 2021 to June 2024. The Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) **decreased** by **43.7%** in the same period, and the Absolute Emissions **decreased** by **52.1%**.
- The Fund's changes to its passive equity portfolio **led to significant decreases observed across all metrics** in 2023.

Progress versus the baseline

Listed equity by mandate

Carbon Footprint
(tCO₂e / \$M invested)



Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. The most recent data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 10 September 2024, or latest available. Prior data corresponds to stocklists from prior years and is taken from previous Mercer reports.

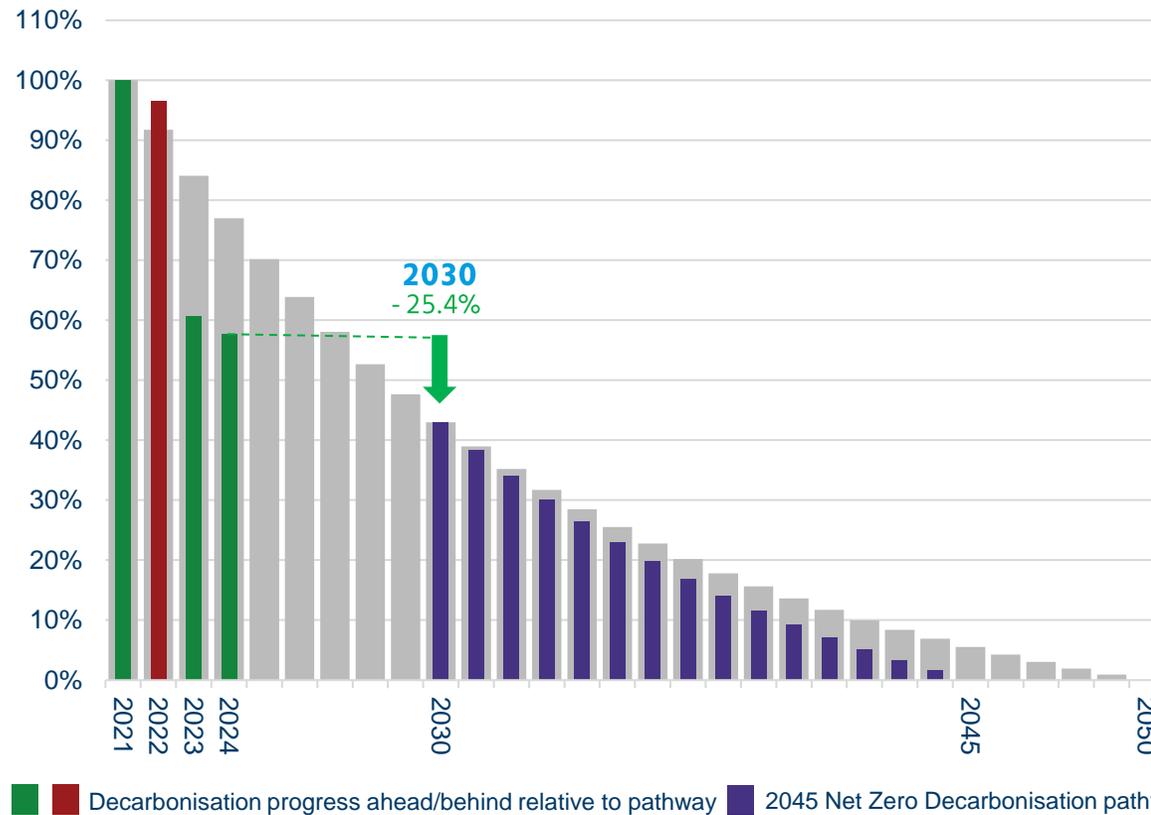
- The Dodge & Cox Global Equity mandate is the most carbon intensive mandate by some margin (noting its value style bias) but has shown a **material improvement** over recent years. The mandate has experienced a **decrease** in its Carbon Footprint of c.23% (or 16.6 tCO₂e per \$M invested).
- The JO Hambro - Global Equity mandate witnessed an **increase** in its Carbon Footprint, with a rise of **c.70.2%** over the three year period.

Decarbonisation progress – Listed Equity

In line/below target pathway
Above target pathway

Progress relative to the decarbonisation pathway

Carbon Footprint (tCO₂e / \$M invested) for listed equity, relative to 2021 Baseline - Scope 1 and 2



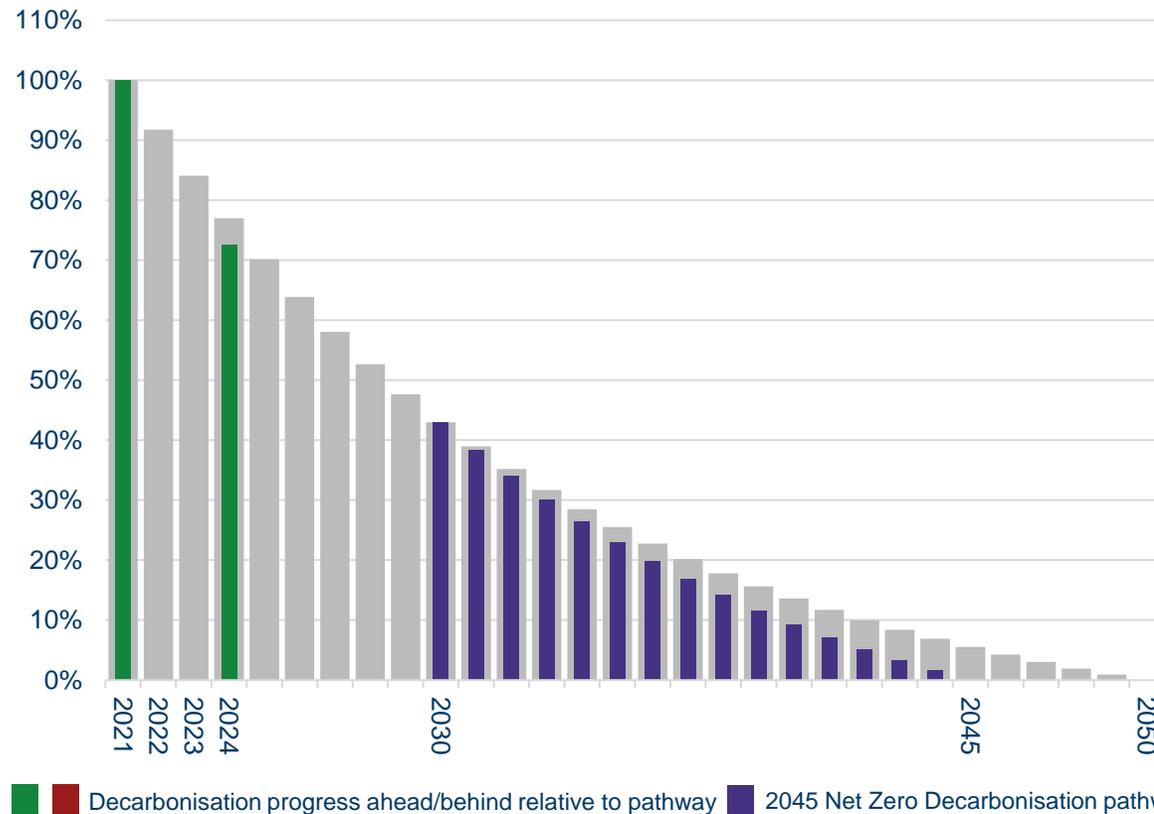
- The chart shows the agreed decarbonisation pathway for the Fund's listed equity portfolio, based on its **Carbon Footprint**, starting from a baseline of 30 June 2021. It compares this portion of the Fund to the decarbonisation targets: a 23% reduction by 2024, a 57% reduction by 2030, **and achieving net zero by 2050 or earlier.**
- From the June 2021 baseline, the overall Carbon Footprint of the listed equity portfolio has **decreased** by **42.4%**. This indicates that the Fund has **successfully achieved the reduction target set for 2024.** To meet the 2030 reduction target, the Carbon Footprint of the listed equity portfolio needs to decrease by c.25% by 2030.
- Changes to the passive equity portfolio in 2023 accelerated the reduction. :
- The listed equity portfolio demonstrates **significant carbon efficiency** compared to the broader market (**45.3%** lower vs MSCI ACWI), with Longview - Global Equity and Osmosis - Core Equity being the most carbon efficient mandates.
- Dodge & Cox - Global Equity and JO Hambro - Global Equity are the mandates with the **highest carbon intensity** within the listed equity portfolio.

Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. The most recent data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 10 September 2024, or latest available. Prior data corresponds to stocklists from prior years and is taken from previous Mercer reports.

Decarbonisation progress – Corporate bonds (MAC)

Proposed progress for MAC relative to the decarbonisation pathway

Carbon Footprint (tCO₂e / \$M invested) for corporate bonds, relative to 2021 Baseline - Scope 1 and 2



- The chart shows a proposed decarbonisation pathway for the Fund’s corporate bonds portfolio, based on its Carbon Footprint, starting from a baseline as at 30 June 2021*.
- It assumes the same decarbonisation pathway as for the listed equity portfolio for illustrative purposes, i.e. it compares this portion of the Fund to the decarbonisation targets: a 57% reduction by 2030, and achieving net zero by 2050 or earlier.
- In relation to the June 2021 baseline, the overall Carbon Footprint of the corporate bond portfolio has **decreased** by **c.27.4%**. To meet the **2030 reduction target**, the **Carbon Footprint of the corporate bond portfolio** needs to decrease by **41% by 2030**.

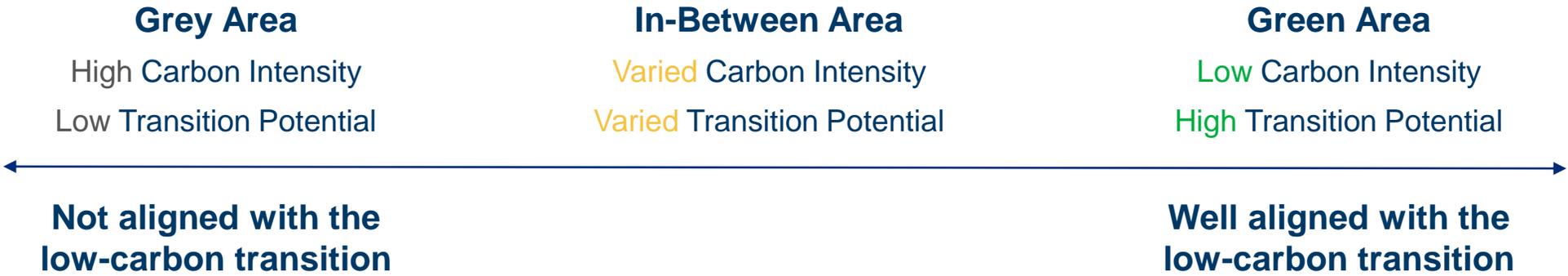
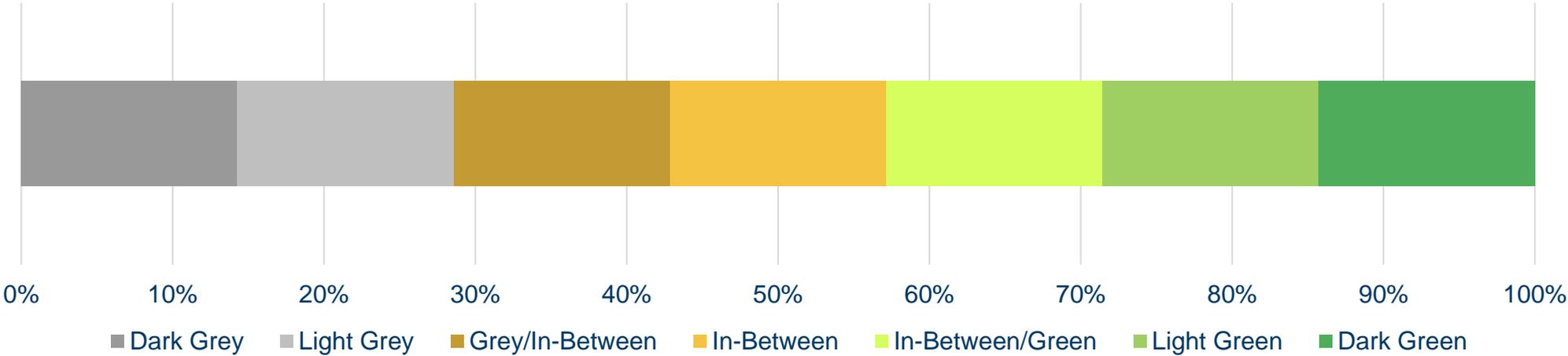
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*Mercer has increased its coverage over the year in order to extend the analysis to the corporate bonds portion of the Multi-Asset Credit mandates. The adjusted 2021 results can be found on slide 29.

Alignment

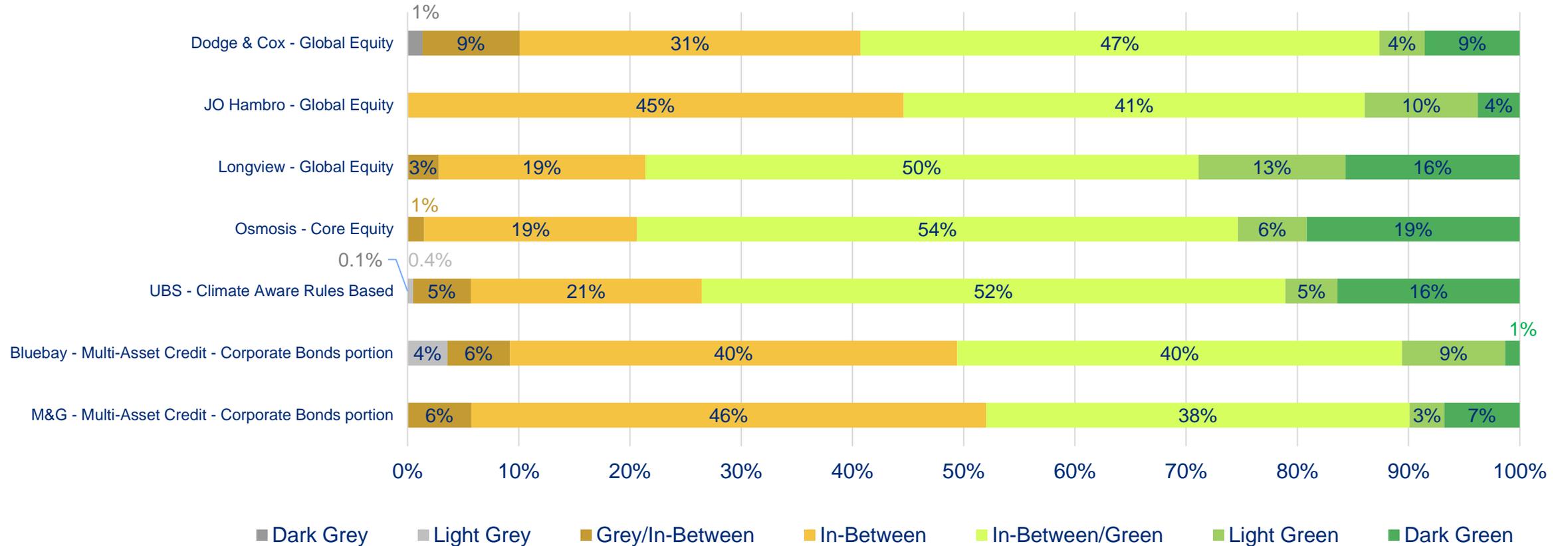
The ACT spectrum

- The ACT spectrum provides an indication of climate transition capacity across the portfolio.



ACT assessment

Assessment by mandate by percentage



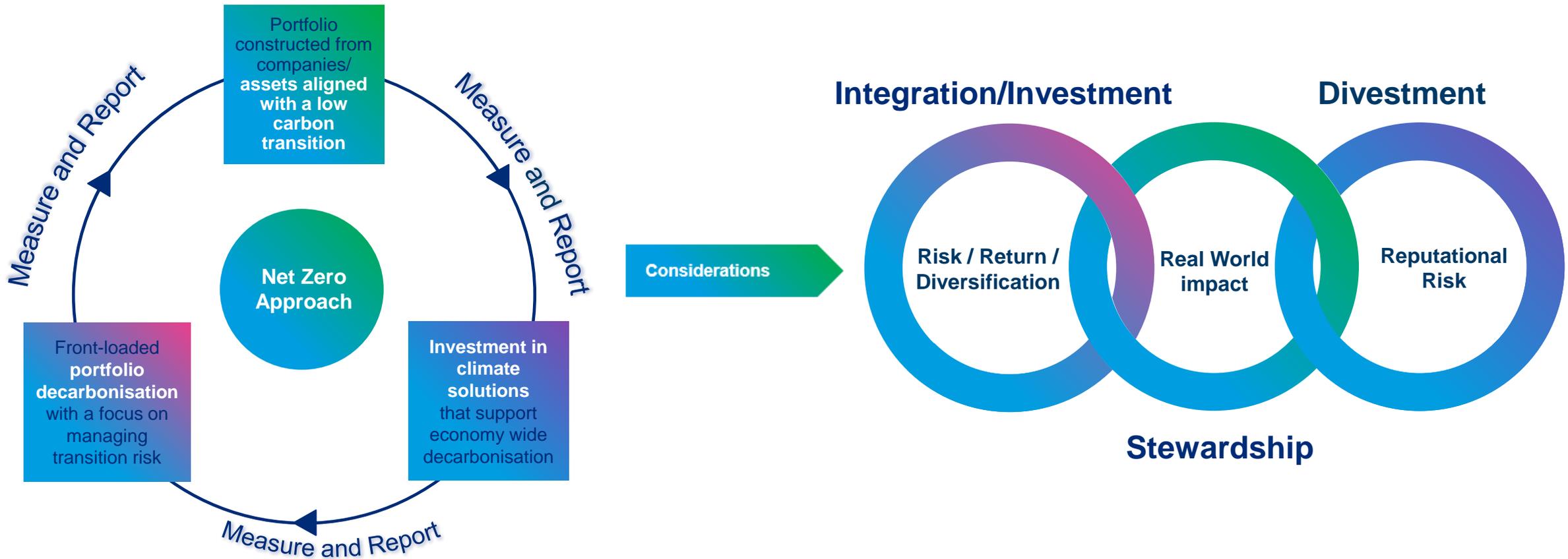
Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI and ISS. All data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024. Percentages are scaled up to 100% to reflect the data coverage available.

- The analysis above highlights there are areas for engagement across all mandates.

Appendix

Net zero approach

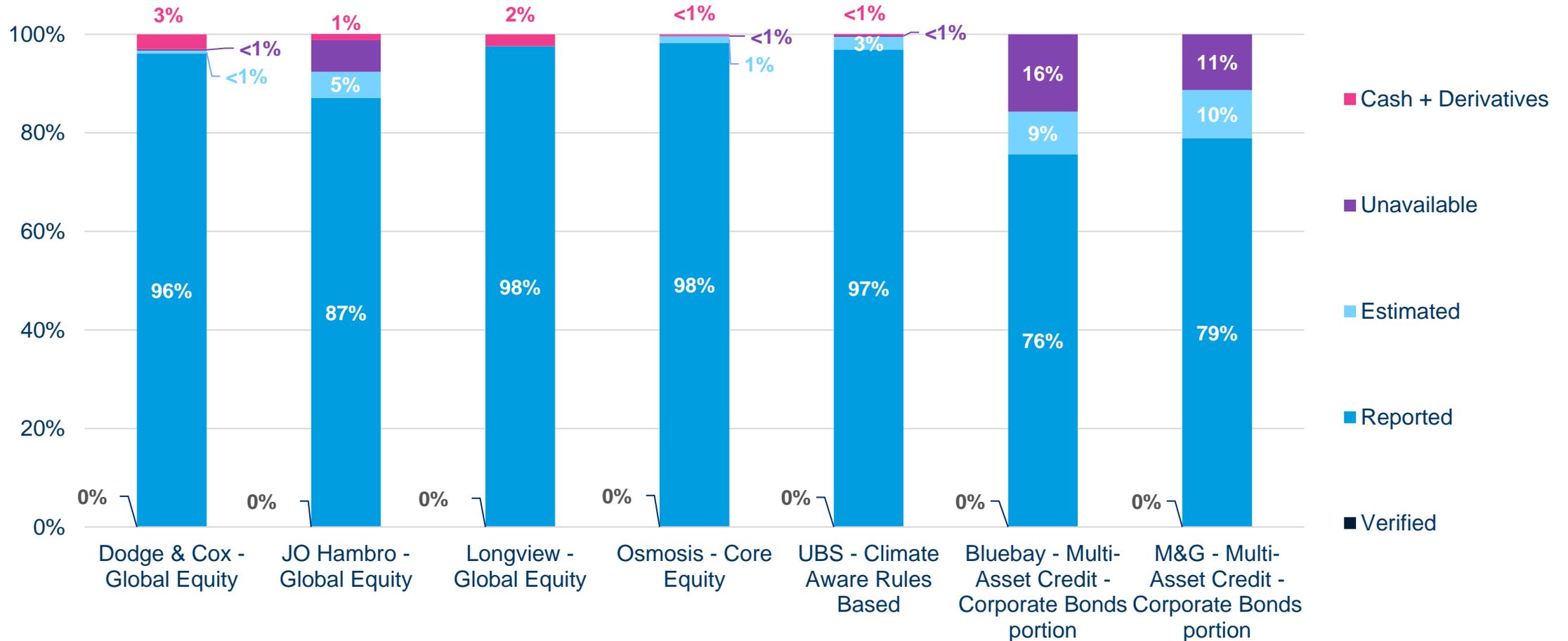
Key considerations & levers



- It is **challenging to maximise every net zero approach** as there are trade-offs associated. When applied in isolation, they may lead to unintended outcomes from both a financial and sustainability perspective.
- Based on the Fund's objectives and commitments to stakeholders, it is important to **establish priorities and strive for balance** which supports financial objectives (risk, return, diversification) as well as real world impact.
- To date, the focus to reach net zero targets has been around decarbonisation followed by climate solutions with an increasing focus on alignment. The **alignment assessment of assets is critical** to enable a more holistic approach to a whole economy transition.

Data quality

Scope 1 and 2 emissions – assessment by mandate



Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. All data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 10 September 2024, or latest available. More detail on the data quality metric is provided in the Appendix.

Climate dashboard

● In line/Ahead of MSCI ACWI ● Behind MSCI ACWI

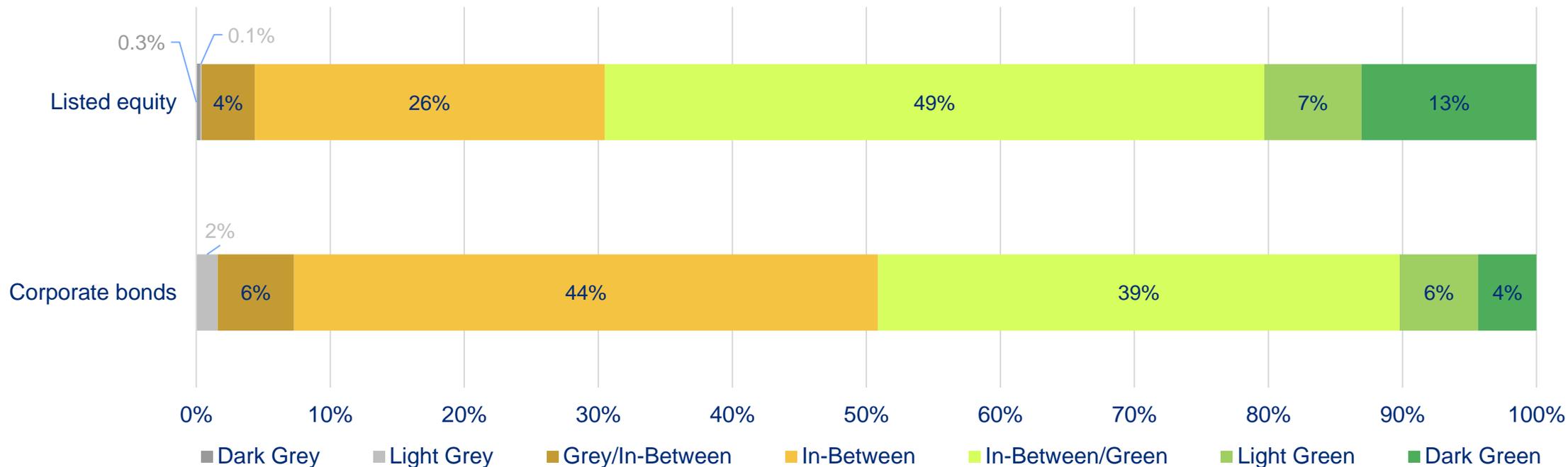
The "dashboard" below outlines the key metrics in relation to the Fund's climate and engagement assessment across the listed portfolios. Further details are provided elsewhere in this report.

		CLIMATE STRATEGY EVALUATION			ALIGNMENT				ENGAGEMENT		Green Revenues	
Asset Class	Mandate	Carbon Footprint (tCO2e/\$M) - Scope 1 and 2			ACT		Alignment		IIGCC Target alignment of 70% Material Sectors** Aligned or Under engagement		EU Taxonomy	
		Decarb. progress since baseline	12 month decarb. progress	June 2024 Carbon Footprint	Green Assets % Mkt Value	Dark Grey % Mkt Value	Implied Temperature Rise (°C)	SBTi*	% of emissions derived from Material Sectors	% mat sectors aligned or engaged	EU Taxonomy Revenue contribution to Climate Mitigation	EU Taxonomy Revenue contribution to Climate Adaptation
Listed equity	Dodge & Cox - Global Equity	-23.1%	-10.6%	55.2	12.6%	1.3%	2.4°C	29.6%	82%	86.9%	1.4%	0.1%
	JO Hambro - Global Equity	70.2%	64.3%	30.3	13.9%	0.0%	2.5°C	32.0%	78%	92.5%	5.0%	0.0%
	Longview - Global Equity	-29.3%	-23.7%	4.6	28.9%	0.0%	2.0°C	57.9%	0%	0%	2.1%	0.0%
	Osmosis - Core Equity	-	-21.7%	14.0	25.3%	0.0%	2.2°C	54.5%	76%	77.5%	8.3%	0.1%
	UBS - Climate Aware Rules Based	-	-16.5%	23.3	21.1%	0.5%	2.3°C	46.7%	74%	51.6%	9.7%	0.1%
Total listed equity		-42.4%	-5.1%	25.6	20.3%	0.4%	2.3°C	44.2%	76%	76.6%	5.9%	0.1%
MSCI ACWI		-	-14.3%	46.7	18.4%	2.1%	2.5°C	43.4%	81%	70.0%	8.0%	0.1%
Corporate bonds	Bluebay - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	-28.4%	-	84.0	10.6%	3.6%	2.5°C	16.2%	33%	90.8%	1.1%	0.0%
	M&G - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	-19.1%	-	49.2	9.9%	0.0%	2.1°C	26.2%	47%	52.9%	3.2%	0.3%
Total corporate bonds		-27.4%	-	64.8	10.2%	1.6%	2.3°C	21.7%	39%	71.7%	2.2%	0.2%
Total listed equity and corporate bonds		-35.8%	-	31.3	18.8%	0.6%	2.3°C	40.9%	71%	76.2%	5.3%	0.1%

*This metric measures the proportion of companies in the portfolio with one or more active carbon emissions reduction target/s approved by the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi). **Sectors are defined as material in line with IIGCC's classification, that sets out the most material sectors from an owned-carbon emissions standpoint, please note colour coding for this factor is according to IIGCC Target alignment of 70% Material Sectors Aligned or Under engagement.

ACT assessment

Assessment by asset class by percentage allocation weight

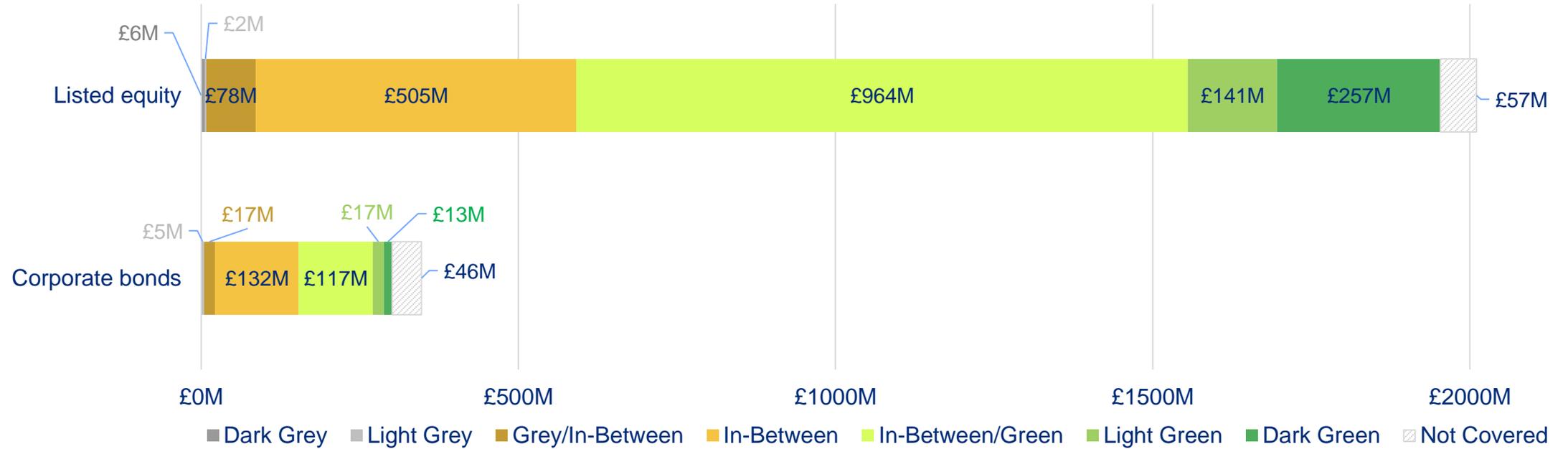


Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI and ISS. All data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024. Percentages are shown by strategic allocation weight within each asset class, and are scaled up to 100% to reflect the data coverage available.

- For listed equities, c. 70% of assets are “In-Between/Green” or better, which means that the majority of portfolio companies are transition aligned. For corporate bonds (assessed as a portion of the MAC mandates) this transition alignment is only reflected within c. 50% of the companies.
- For both asset classes, the percentage of companies that show a “grey” alignment is considered very small (c. 0.4% for listed equity and c.2% for corporate bonds).

ACT assessment

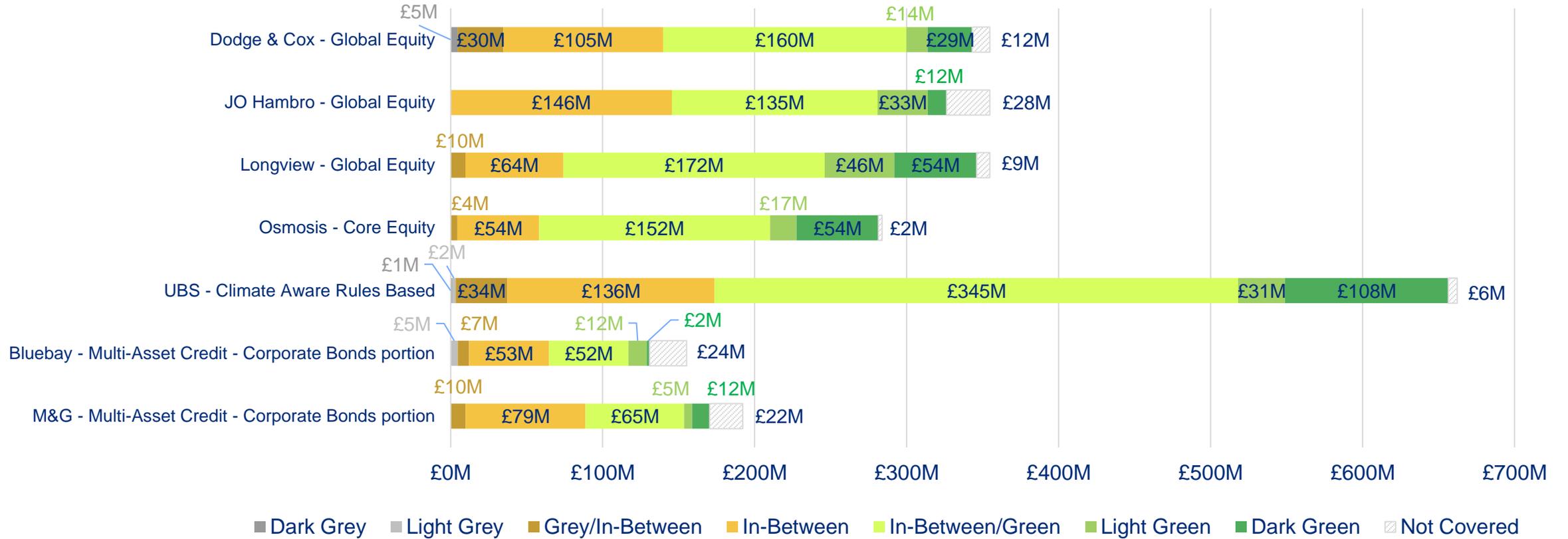
Assessment by asset class by value



Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI and ISS. All data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024. Values are shown by strategic GBP value.

ACT assessment

Assessment by mandate by value



Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI and ISS. All data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024. Values are shown by strategic GBP value.

Overview of corporate metrics

This overview sets out various metrics related to the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions attributable to the Fund's listed equity and corporate bond mandates. The metrics contained in this report are calculated using MSCI data, with portfolio stocklists sourced directly from the investment managers. The ACT assessment also makes use of data from ISS and IRENA.

Listed assets (equity and corporate bonds)		
Emissions metrics	Metric expressed as	Description
Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)	tCO2e / \$million sales	Average exposure (weighted by portfolio allocation) to GHG emissions normalised by sales. It seeks to answer how carbon intensive the companies in the portfolio are.
Carbon Footprint	tCO2e / \$million invested	Total GHG emissions figure normalised to take account of the size of the investment made. It seeks to answer how carbon intensive parts of the portfolio are.
Absolute Emissions	Total GHG emissions: metric tons of CO2 and equivalents (tCO2e)	Calculates an investor's share of the total emissions for each company/holding. It seeks to answer what emissions the investor is responsible for.
Alignment metrics	Metric expressed as	Description
Implied Temperature Rise (ITR)	Expressed as °C	Prediction of temperature rise scenario over the rest of the century, given a company's emissions, commitments, and momentum. Shows how companies/portfolios compare to the 1.5°C Paris agreement temperature rise goal.
SBTi	Percentage of portfolio with SBTi targets	A measure of how many companies in a portfolio have submitted climate transition plans that have been approved by the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi).
Non-emissions metrics	Metric expressed as	Description
Data Quality	Percentage of portfolio which is either verified, reported, estimated or unavailable	Classifies each mandate's company/holding data as one of the following four categories: Verified, Reported, Estimated, and Unavailable. Additional categories account for the remainder of the portfolio that is not included in the data quality analysis due to being cash or derivatives.

Climate metrics dashboard – 30 June 2021

Scope 1 and 2 emissions – listed equity and corporate bonds

Asset Class	Mandate	WACI (tCO2e / \$M sales)		Carbon Footprint (tCO2e / \$M invested)		Absolute Emissions (tCO2e)		Allocation Weight
		Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	
Listed equity	Dodge & Cox - Global Equity	130.1	97.7%	71.8	97.7%	50,447	97.7%	12.7%
	JO Hambro - Global Equity	71.9	92.6%	17.8	92.3%	12,969	92.3%	13.1%
	Longview - Global Equity	15.9	97.8%	6.5	97.8%	3,312	97.8%	9.3%
	UBS – Passive Equity	149.8	96.7%	62.0	96.5%	68,777	96.8%	20.0%
Total listed equity		104.2	96.1%	44.4	96.0%	135,505	96.1%	55.1%
Corporate bonds	Bluebay - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	208.8	62.6%	117.3	54.5%	19,914	51.3%	3.0%
	M&G - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	92.9	60.8%	60.8	50.5%	10,259	47.2%	3.0%
Total corporate bonds		151.0	61.7%	89.2	52.5%	30,173	49.2%	6.1%
Total equity and corporate bonds		108.8	92.7%	48.8	91.7%	165,678	91.4%	61.2%

Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. The data for listed equity corresponds to stocklists as at 30 June 2021 and is sourced from previous Mercer reports. As for corporate bonds, the data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2021, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 13 September 2024, for historical data. An overview of these metrics is provided in the Appendix. Allocation weights represent the strategic asset allocation for that mandate or, for mixed mandates, the actual allocation to corporate bonds within the mixed mandate (c.60.8% and c.60.4%, respectively for Bluebay and M&G).

Climate metrics dashboard

Scope 3 emissions – listed equity and corporate bonds

Asset Class	Mandate	WACI (tCO2e / \$M sales)				Carbon Footprint (tCO2e / \$M invested)				Absolute Emissions (tCO2e)				Allocation Weight
		Scope 3 Upstream		Scope 3 Downstream		Scope 3 Upstream		Scope 3 Downstream		Scope 3 Upstream		Scope 3 Downstream		
		Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	Metric	Coverage	
Listed equity	Dodge & Cox - Global Equity	207.5	96.7%	450.6	96.7%	107.7	96.7%	289.4	96.7%	46,956	96.7%	127,278	96.7%	7.5%
	JO Hambro - Global Equity	221.2	92.4%	421.0	92.4%	83.3	92.4%	229.3	92.4%	30,053	92.4%	82,819	92.4%	7.5%
	Longview - Global Equity	173.4	97.6%	114.6	97.6%	53.4	97.6%	37.9	97.6%	23,201	97.6%	16,666	97.6%	7.5%
	Osmosis - Core Equity	235.3	99.6%	238.8	99.6%	91.5	99.6%	91.6	99.6%	29,412	99.6%	31,591	99.6%	6.0%
	UBS - Climate Aware Rules Based	233.1	99.5%	407.8	99.5%	99.4	99.2%	249.2	99.2%	75,468	99.4%	187,753	99.4%	14.0%
Total listed equity		216.2	97.4%	342.1	97.4%	88.8	97.3%	193.3	97.3%	205,089	97.4%	446,107	97.4%	42.5%
Corporate bonds	Bluebay - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	182.2	85.2%	439.2	85.2%	102.6	77.5%	195.9	77.5%	21,530	78.8%	35,653	78.8%	3.3%
	M&G - Multi-Asset Credit - Corporate Bonds portion	194.2	89.0%	416.1	89.0%	116.4	60.9%	173.3	60.9%	28,463	63.1%	52,927	63.1%	4.1%
Total corporate bonds		188.9	87.3%	426.5	87.3%	110.3	68.3%	183.4	68.3%	49,993	70.1%	88,580	70.1%	7.3%
Total equity and corporate bonds		212.2	95.9%	354.5	95.9%	92.0	93.1%	191.8	93.1%	255,081	93.4%	534,687	93.4%	49.8%

Source: Mercer, using data from MSCI. All data is based on stocklists as at 30 June 2024, using metric calculations and data feeds as at 10 September 2024, or latest available. An overview of these metrics is provided in the Appendix. Allocation weights represent the strategic asset allocation for that mandate or, for mixed mandates, the actual allocation to corporate bonds within the mixed mandate (c.43.7% and c.54.2%, respectively for Bluebay and M&G).

Green revenues/capex

EU Taxonomy Substantial Contribution to Climate Adaptation and Mitigation

Asset Class	Mandate	Allocation Weight %	MITIGATION			ADAPTATION		
			EU Taxonomy Estimated Substantial Contribution to Climate Mitigation – Maximum Percentage of Revenue (%)	EU Taxonomy Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Mitigation Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)	EU Taxonomy Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Mitigation Enabling Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)	EU Taxonomy Estimated Substantial Contribution to Climate Adaptation – Maximum Percentage of Revenue (%)	EU Taxonomy Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Adaptation Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)	EU Taxonomy Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Adaptation Enabling Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)
Listed equity	Dodge & Cox - Global Equity	7.5%	1.4%	0.7%	0.4%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
	JO Hambro - Global Equity	7.5%	5.0%	1.3%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Longview - Global Equity	7.5%	2.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Osmosis - Core Equity	6.0%	8.3%	1.3%	0.8%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%
	UBS - Climate Aware Rules Based	14.0%	9.7%	1.8%	1.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%
	MSCI ACWI		8.0%	1.0%	0.6%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Total listed equity		42.5%	5.9%	1.1%	0.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Corporate bonds	Bluebay – Multi-Asset Credit – Corporate Bonds portion	3.3%	1.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	M&G – Multi-Asset Credit – Corporate Bonds portion	4.1%	3.2%	2.1%	1.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%
Total corporate bonds		7.3%	2.2%	1.2%	0.6%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%
Total listed equity and corporate bonds		49.8%	5.3%	1.2%	0.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%

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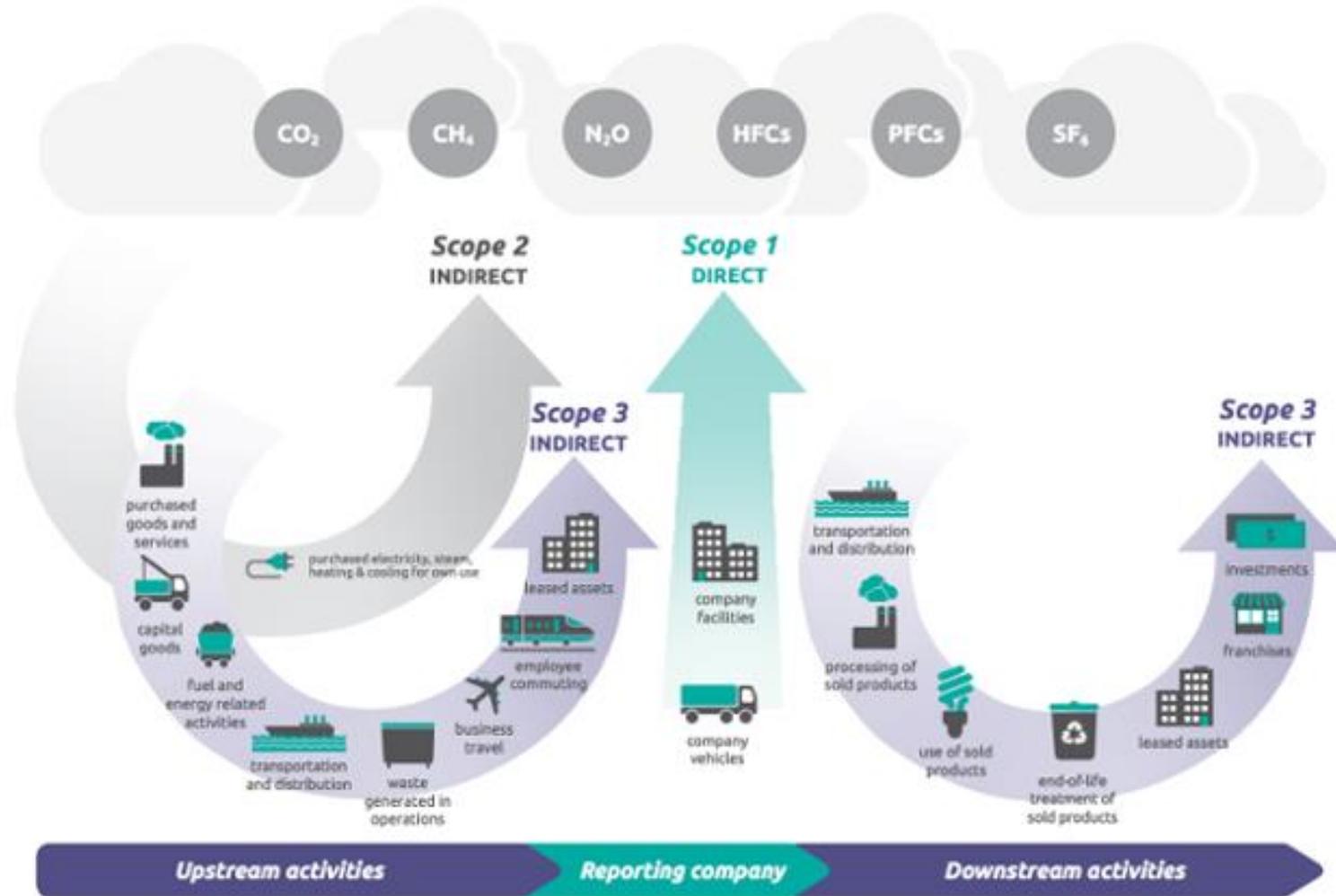
Transition alignment – EU taxonomy

Definitions

	MSCI Factor	Definition
Mitigation	Estimated Substantial Contribution to Climate Mitigation Maximum Percentage of Revenue (%)	EU Taxonomy Estimated Substantial Contribution to Climate Mitigation – Maximum Percentage of Revenue is the proportion of total revenue from products and services that provide solutions for reducing GHG emissions.
	Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Mitigation Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)	For Non-Financial companies, the reported percentage of total capital expenditure from the activities aligned under the Climate Change Mitigation objective of the EU Taxonomy regulation. The data is provided for the most recent fiscal year available.
	Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Mitigation Enabling Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)	For Non-Financial companies, the reported percentage of total capital expenditure from aligned and enabling activities under the Climate Change Mitigation objective of the EU Taxonomy regulation. The data is provided for the most recent fiscal year available.
Adaptation	Estimated Substantial Contribution to Climate Adaptation Maximum Percentage of Revenue (%)	EU Taxonomy Estimated Substantial Contribution to Climate Adaptation – Maximum Percentage of Revenue is the proportion of total revenue from products and services that reduce the risk of adverse impacts resulting from climate change.
	Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Adaptation Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)	For Non-Financial companies, the reported percentage of total capital expenditure from the activities aligned under the Climate Change Adaptation objective of the EU Taxonomy regulation. The data is provided for the most recent fiscal year available.
	Reported Percentage of Total CapEx Adaptation Enabling Aligned for Non-Financial Companies (%)	For Non-Financial companies, the reported percentage of total capital expenditure from aligned and enabling activities under the Climate Change Adaptation objective of the EU Taxonomy regulation. The data is provided for the most recent fiscal year available.

Emissions Data

Understanding the Scopes



Limitations of the analysis

- The decarbonisation analysis focuses on the listed equities and corporate bonds portfolios. Emissions metrics and decarbonisation targets used in this report are in respect of all greenhouse gases covered by the Kyoto Protocol and are expressed in terms of carbon dioxide equivalents (CO₂e) – the amount of CO₂ which would have the equivalent global warming impact. While different greenhouse gases are expected to have different net-zero dates under a 1.5°C aligned outcome, CO₂ pathways target a 2050 net-zero end point and this end point has been adopted in this instance.
- Caution should be exercised in interpreting individual data points, as in reality, emissions may differ, given the data coverage in the analysis is less than 100%. Where companies do not have data points, companies are assumed to have the same carbon metrics as the average of companies that we do have data points for. This means that, where we do not have data, we are not assuming that those companies have zero emissions.
- The focus of the decarbonisation curves is currently on Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions. Mercer will seek to integrate Scope 3 emissions as methodologies improve. Decarbonisation progress is shown using the carbon footprint metric set out in this report. A fuller picture of progress can be provided by tracking progress against further metrics, such as on an absolute emissions and WACI basis, given limitations associated with relying on a single climate metric.
- Many of the IPCC's scenarios are reliant on net-zero (or net-negative) assumptions later this century. This can include the deployment of mitigation technologies, such as carbon capture and storage, as well as ecosystem approaches, such as land and forest conservation and restoration. There has been some scepticism as to whether such technologies and approaches are viable, at the required scale. Mercer will look to integrate further assumptions around net-zero emissions in due course, as the science and technology evolves.
- Scope 3 emissions for listed equities and corporate bonds are calculated using estimated data due to the lack of availability or poor quality of reported data. Even when reported data is available for scope 3 emissions, there is no guarantee of consistency between the reported figures across different companies, as companies often only report on a subset of the 15 categories of scope 3 emissions. MSCI estimates emissions across each of the 15 categories using a combination of revenue estimates and production data. Using MSCI estimated scope 3 data only ensures that data is consistent for all companies across similar sectors, providing a more robust understanding of where the risks lie and a better intertemporal understanding of how portfolios have evolved.
- In respect of verified data as part of the data quality output, this is in line with the PCAF definition. It refers to reported emissions being calculated in line with the GHG Protocol and verified by a third-party auditor. Very limited verified data is currently available, which highlights the difficulty in obtaining data approved by independent third-parties. It will be useful to keep track of this metric over time.



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