

SPW EQUITY PORTFOLIO

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PORTFOLIO DESCRIPTION AND INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

This is a diversified local equity portfolio. The portfolio aims to outperform the JSE All Share Index on a total return basis, over an investment horizon of three years or more, by investing in high-quality companies that we feel are undervalued. This portfolio is suitable for investors who can withstand potential capital volatility in the short term.

The portfolio offers a carefully selected, well diversified basket of shares from all sectors on the JSE. However, it may also provide exposure to unlisted shares. The investments in the portfolio are subject to rigorous, in-depth research and adhere to our pragmatic value investment philosophy.

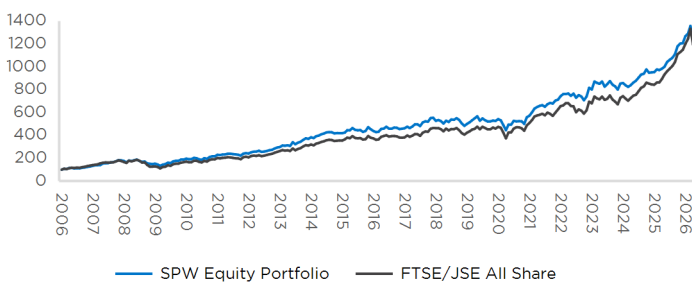
YOUR PERSONAL EQUITY PORTFOLIO

The SPW Equity Portfolio is constructed by the investment team based on an intensive and rigorous investment process. The model portfolio acts as a guide to your portfolio manager in customising your personal portfolio to suit your individual requirements. It is important to note that the performance on this fact sheet is based on the model portfolio and the performance of your portfolio may vary depending on the level of deviation from the model portfolio and the fees charged.

WHY SELECT A PERSONAL PORTFOLIO

A personal portfolio is suitable to more discerning investors who might have unique factors to consider during the investment process. With a personal portfolio, your investment can be tailored to your unique requirements. You will have the benefit of more direct access to your portfolio manager and you have the benefit of enjoying direct ownership of shares. Your portfolio will not be affected by the cash investment and withdrawals of other investors.

PERFORMANCE NET OF FEES<sup>1</sup>



Percentage Returns	Portfolio	Benchmark	Active
10 Yrs (Annualised)	10.65%	11.89%	-1.24%
5 Yrs (Annualised)	13.93%	15.88%	-1.95%
3 Yrs (Annualised)	13.20%	17.93%	-4.73%
Past 12 Months	26.46%	30.14%	-3.68%
YTD	-0.27%	1.02%	-1.29%

PORTFOLIO INFORMATION

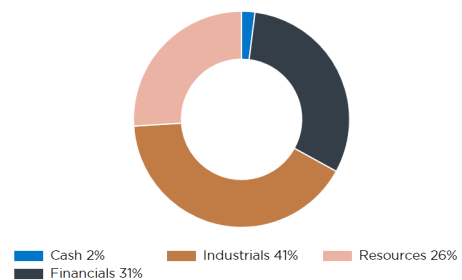
Risk rating	Aggressive
Inception date	April 2001
Minimum investment	R1.5 million
Benchmark	FTSE/JSE All Share TR Index
Management company	Sanlam Private Wealth
Portfolio manager	David Lerche
Initial fees	Nil
Annual management	Fee sliding scale (refer to mandate)

TOP 5 HOLDINGS

(Please note your portfolio might vary from this)

Standard Bank Group Ltd	9.05%
Naspers -N-	8.59%
FirstRand Ltd	8.27%
AngloGold	5.87%
Prosus NV	5.77%

EQUITY SECTOR EXPOSURE



<sup>1</sup>The net of fee calculation assumes a 1.15% annual management charge and total trading costs of 1% (both inclusive of VAT) on the value of actual portfolio turnover.



## ABOUT THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER

David Lerche, CFA, CA(SA)

David has been Sanlam Private Wealth's Chief Investment Officer since 2023. He has over 18 years' experience in the asset management industry. He joined Sanlam Private Wealth in 2016 as a senior investment analyst and was promoted to Head of Equities in 2021. Before this, he spent nine years in institutional stockbroking as an equity analyst servicing major South African and global asset managers.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGERS COMMENT

The first quarter of 2026 was a volatile period for global markets, largely driven by escalating geopolitical tensions surrounding Iran. Early in the quarter, markets were supported by positive economic data, with the MSCI World Index reaching a record high in late February. However, sentiment shifted sharply after US-led strikes on Iran began on 28 February. This triggered a dramatic surge in oil prices, with Brent crude rising 94% over the quarter - the largest increase since the Gulf War in 1990 - fueling fears of a prolonged conflict and stagflation.

The spike in oil prices led to a broad cross-asset sell-off. Equities declined significantly, with the S&P 500 experiencing its largest monthly drop in a year in March, alongside steep losses in European markets. Bond markets also weakened as inflation expectations rose and central banks turned more hawkish. Rate cuts previously expected from the US Federal Reserve were largely priced out, while markets began anticipating rate hikes from the European Central Bank. Consequently, government bond yields rose sharply, particularly in March. Overall, the first quarter highlighted how geopolitical shocks can rapidly reverse market momentum and drive widespread volatility across asset classes. Both South African and developed market equities ended the quarter around 1% lower in rand terms while the FTSE/JSE All Bond Index declined by 3.4%.

At the time of writing, there is a two-week ceasefire between US and Iran and the near-term direction of the market heavily depends on whether this translates into a longer-term peace deal that will ensure the full flow of oil tankers through the Strait of Hormuz. Should this transpire, then we would expect the pre-conflict, relatively positive macro backdrop for the equity market to return. Before the conflict, US monetary and fiscal policy easing in the context of broadening profit and productivity growth were providing tailwinds for risk assets, but with an assertive Trump administration set on reshaping the global trade and geopolitical order remaining a disruptive force.

The portfolio recorded a return of 26.5% - net of fees - for the 12 months to the end of April, behind the benchmark return of 30.2% but ahead of the median peer return of 25.4%. While absolute returns were excellent, the underperformance relative to the benchmark over the past year was driven by the portfolio's underweight position in gold miners and the Bidvest overweight, partially countered by the overweights in Northam and Glencore. When compared to competing general equity unit trusts, the portfolio ranked in the top half of the peer group over the past 1 and 5 years, while it remains well positioned in the top quartile over 10 years.

In the first four months of 2026, the portfolio delivered a negative return of -0.3% compared to the benchmark's 1.0%, thanks to the portfolio's overweight positions in Richemont and Clicks, partially countered by the Glencore and Standard Bank holdings.

In April, we increased our holding in Prosus due to the attractive valuation. Having trimmed the holding in October 2025, we were happy to again increase our stake in what we believe is the highest-quality business on the JSE at a price more than 32% lower than our October trim. We funded this by exiting our Aspen position after strong outperformance thus far in 2026. We have lower earnings visibility in Aspen and the stock had reached our fair value.

## ABOUT SANLAM PRIVATE WEALTH

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Participation in the SPW Equity Portfolio is a medium- to long-term investment. The value of this portfolio is subject to fluctuation and past performance is not necessarily a guide to its future performance. Calculations are based on a lump sum investment with gross income reinvested on the ex-dividend date. All performance figures are net of fees and costs. Actual investment performance will differ based on the fees applicable, the actual investment date and the date of reinvestment of income. A schedule of fees and maximum commissions is available from the manager. Sanlam Private Wealth (Pty) Ltd, registration number 2000/O23234/O7, is a member of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange, a licensed Financial Services Provider (FSP 37473) and a Registered Credit Provider (NCRCP1867).

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