

Balanced Fund (RPBAX)

As of March 31, 2026



Portfolio Highlights

The Balanced Fund outperformed its combined index portfolio over the three-month period ended March 31, 2026.

Relative performance drivers

- + Out-of-benchmark exposure to real assets equities
- + Security selection among U.S. large-cap value stocks
- Stock selection among U.S. large-cap growth equities
- Security selection within real assets equities

Additional highlights:

- The impact of the conflict in Iran on higher energy prices and inflation poses a potential headwind for risk assets, and despite the equity market pullback in March, valuations remain elevated.
- Key risks to global markets include escalating geopolitical tensions, a resurgence in inflation, disappointing returns from aggressive AI capex, further deterioration in labor markets, and a widening of liquidity concerns within private credit.

Series Information

CUSIP	77954G108
Inception Date of Fund	December 31, 1939
Benchmark	Morningstar Moderate Target Risk Index
Expense Information (as of the most recent Prospectus) ⁽¹⁾	0.66% (Gross); 0.61% (Net)
Total Assets (all share classes)	\$4,957,765,778
Percent of Portfolio in Cash	0.66%

⁽¹⁾T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc., permanently waives a portion of the fund's management fee in order to ensure that the fund's management fee does not duplicate the management fees of each underlying fund. T. Rowe Price funds would be required to seek regulatory approval in order to terminate this arrangement.

Performance (%) (NAV, total return performance > 1 year is annualized)

	3m	YTD	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs	15yrs
Balanced Fund	-1.30	-1.30	13.37	12.64	6.57	8.78	8.23
Morningstar Moderate Target Risk Index	-1.02	-1.02	12.86	10.48	5.28	7.49	6.81
Combined Index Portfolio ⁽²⁾	-2.17	-2.17	13.77	12.26	7.24	8.81	8.31

Calendar Year Performance (%) (NAV, total return)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Balanced Fund	19.25	5.97	0.65	5.92	18.01	-4.92	20.74	14.57	13.36	-17.26	17.99	11.84	16.09
Morningstar Moderate Target Risk Index	14.29	4.89	-1.79	8.57	14.66	-4.76	19.03	12.82	10.19	-14.77	13.22	8.27	15.95
Combined Index Portfolio ⁽²⁾	17.73	7.33	0.99	6.76	15.85	-4.42	21.54	13.21	14.13	-15.33	17.24	12.15	16.68

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⁽²⁾As of August 1, 2012 the Combined Index Portfolio consisted of 45.5% S&P 500 Index, 35% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, and 19.5% MSCI EAFE Index Net. From May 1, 2011 until July 31, 2012 the Combined Index Portfolio contained a range of 51.35%-46.14% S&P 500 Index, 35% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, and 13.65%-18.86% MSCI EAFE Index Net. From May 1, 2008 until April 30, 2011 the Combined Index Portfolio consisted of 52% S&P 500 Index, 35% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, and 13% MSCI EAFE Index Net. From inception until April 30, 2008 the Combined Index Portfolio consisted of 50% S&P 500 Index, 40% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, and 10% MSCI EAFE Index Net. The indices or percentages may vary over time. Historical benchmark representations were not restated to reflect the component benchmark changes.

All investments are subject to risk, including the possible loss of the money you invest.

The fund(s) may have other share classes available that offer different investment minimums and fees. See the prospectus for details.

Risks: Interest rates: A rise in interest rates typically causes the price of a fixed rate debt instrument to fall and its yield to rise. Conversely, a decline in interest rates typically causes the price of a fixed rate debt instrument to rise and the yield to fall. **Emerging markets:** Investments in emerging market countries are subject to greater risk and overall volatility than investments in the U.S. and other developed markets. See the prospectus for more detail on the fund's principal risks.

Market Environment

EARLY MARKET RESILIENCE GIVES WAY TO IRAN CONFLICT

Global equity markets were volatile over the quarter and largely declined by period-end as a constructive opening to the year gave way to significant headwinds in March. January opened the year with equity markets advancing, supported by solid corporate earnings and broadly favorable economic data. Geopolitical developments, including the U.S. military's capture of Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro, introduced volatility at intervals but did not undermine the broader advance. Later in the quarter, the outbreak of hostilities between the United States, Israel, and Iran, which began at the end of February, injected more volatility into markets. The conflict disrupted energy trade through the Strait of Hormuz, through which approximately 20% of global oil supply normally flows, and drove oil prices to levels not seen since 2022, approaching and at times exceeding USD \$100 per barrel. This sent inflation expectations higher and weighed heavily on equity valuations.

Global fixed income markets declined during the period. Within the U.S., March reversed early-period gains as the onset of the Iran conflict drove a rapid and broad repricing of inflation expectations. The Fed maintained its federal funds rate target in the 3.50% to 3.75% range throughout the quarter. Developed market sovereign bond returns finished lower during the quarter as well. Through January and February, eurozone bond markets were supported by easing inflation trends and European Central Bank (ECB) policy stability. However, the Iran conflict materially altered the inflation outlook across major economies, and the resulting repricing of central bank rate expectations was rapid and broad. Markets had entered March generally pricing in additional ECB rate cuts over the course of 2026; by month-end, market-implied rate paths had shifted to pricing in one to two rate hikes by the ECB by mid-year. Sovereign yields rose across Asia in response to higher energy prices and revised inflation forecasts, while declining economic growth prospects further complicated the assessment of appropriate monetary policy.

Performance Review

Overall, **the structural effect**, which measures the inclusion of asset classes not represented in the portfolio's internal benchmark, had a positive impact on relative results.

- The fund has a dedicated allocation to real assets equities, including global real estate investment trusts, metals and mining, and natural resources sectors, which often outperform in environments of high or rising inflation. The inclusion of real assets equities was beneficial to relative returns for the quarter. Commodities were mixed during the quarter, with oil and precious metals higher, base metals mixed, and natural gas lower. Natural gas prices finished lower for the quarter on weaker U.S. demand. Real estate equities advanced and outperformed broader global equities.

Overall, **security selection** within the underlying funds contributed to relative results.

- The *U.S. large-cap value* allocation outperformed its benchmark and contributed to relative results. Favorable security selection within the information technology sector, including within the electronic equipment, instruments, and components industry, was beneficial during the period. The energy sector also contributed to relative results due to an overweight allocation and favorable security selection. Stock selection and an overweight allocation to industrials and business services further boosted relative results.
- The *non-U.S. equity* allocation contributed to relative results. Strong security selection and an underweight allocation to the information technology sector were beneficial during the period. The communication services sector boosted relative results due to stock selection and an underweight allocation. The energy sector also contributed to relative results due to stock selection, particularly within oil, gas, and consumable fuels.
- Conversely, the *U.S. large-cap growth* allocation underperformed its

benchmark and detracted from relative results. The consumer discretionary sector weighed on relative results due to security selection and an unfavorable overweight allocation. Stock selection within the health care sector, including within health care providers and services, also detracted from relative results. The industrials and business services sector further hindered shares due to an underweight allocation and unfavorable stock selection.

- The *real assets equity* allocation also detracted from relative results during the quarter. Security selection within commodities had a notable negative impact, especially within the underlying New Era Fund allocation. Selection among metals and mining companies also weighed on relative results. Security selection within real estate stocks further detracted during the period.

Overall, **tactical allocation** decisions had a positive impact on relative results.

- The portfolio saw positive contributions from positions that benefited from market broadening, including our tilts towards U.S. value stocks and international equities at large.
- Our overweight allocation to real assets equities contributed to relative results as oil and gas producers benefited directly from the sharp rise in commodity prices.

Portfolio Positioning and Activity

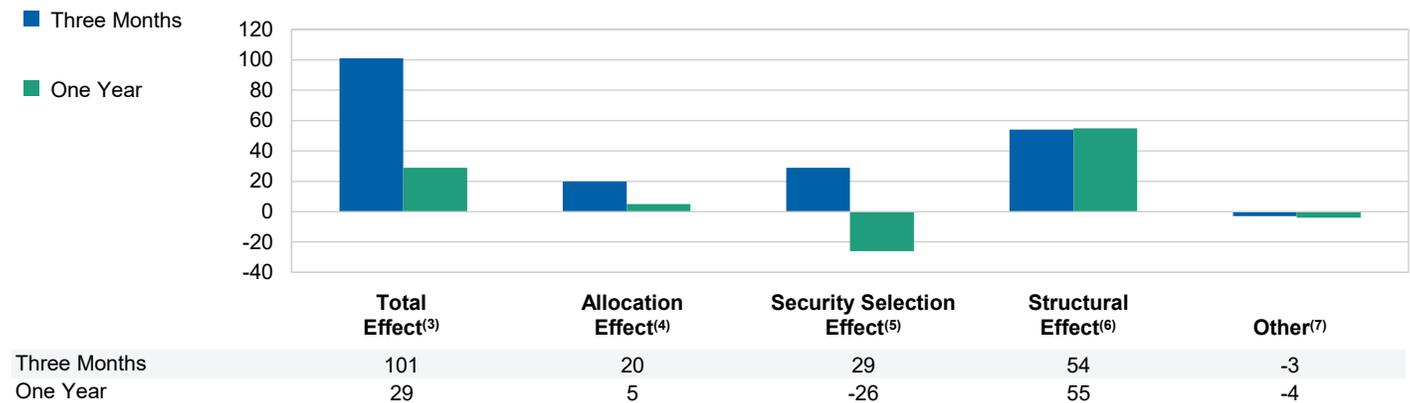
- We are **overweight to real assets equities** as we think the sector mitigates risks from rising inflation pertaining to higher energy prices and benefits from AI build-out demand. Precious metals have been subject to momentum swings.
- We are **neutral between equities, bonds and cash**, reflecting a balanced view with a supportive earnings backdrop and fiscal support against expensive valuations and ongoing tensions in the Middle East.
- We are **underweight to U.S. equities**. Valuations remain stretched as hyperscaler capital expenditure is pressuring sentiment, though AI demand supports earnings. If energy prices remain elevated, inflation and policy risks could rise.

Outlook

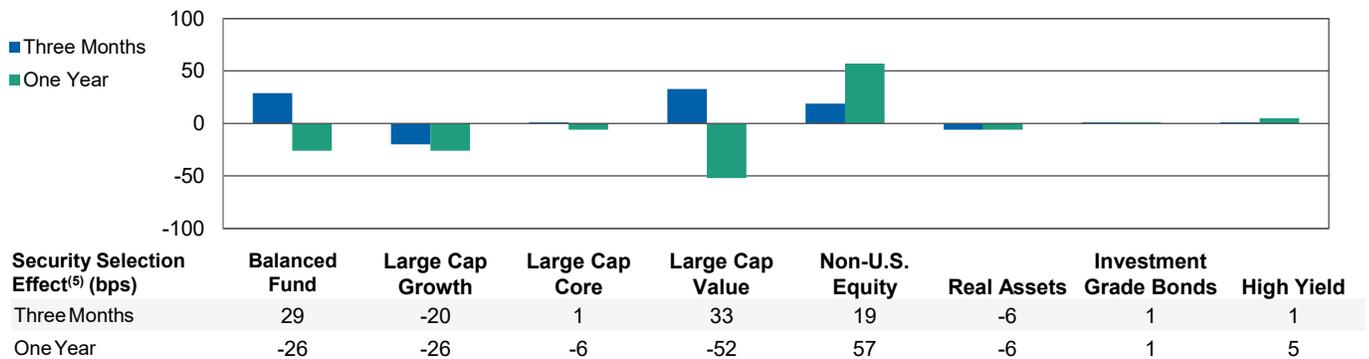
Global equity and fixed income markets were volatile and generally declined during the first quarter as strong early-period gains reversed sharply in March amid the conflict between the U.S., Israel, and Iran in the Middle East. We maintain a neutral stance on risk assets. The impact of the conflict in Iran on higher energy prices and inflation poses a potential headwind, and despite the equity market pullback in March, valuations remain elevated. However, underlying fundamentals have been supported by fiscal policy and the lagged impact of Federal Reserve rate cuts, and market dislocation has not reached significant levels. We continue to favor international markets relative to U.S. equities given more compelling valuations and generally supportive fiscal policy in key markets, as well as potential tailwind to U.S. investors from a weaker U.S. dollar. Within fixed income, we continue to hold a diversified posture with an emphasis on inflation protection and a broad range of income sources. Key risks to global markets include escalating geopolitical tensions, a resurgence in inflation, disappointing returns from aggressive AI capex, further deterioration in labor markets, and a widening of liquidity concerns within private credit. We continue to monitor the economic landscape and maintain our disciplined investment process as we look for compelling opportunities moving forward.

Attribution

Return Attribution: Balanced Fund vs. Combined Index Portfolio (Periods ended March 31, 2026) (bps)



Return Attribution: Security Selection Effect Details – Balanced Fund and Underlying Allocations vs. Style Benchmarks (Periods ended March 31, 2026) (bps)



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Underlying allocation figures are shown gross of fees. Returns would be lower as a result of the deduction of such fees.

⁽³⁾Total Effect: The performance difference between the fund and its Combined Index Portfolio.

⁽⁴⁾Allocation Effect: The allocation effect identifies value added as a result of asset class variances away from neutral allocations. The primary sources of the value added measured by this effect are the tactical allocation decisions made by the Asset Allocation Committee.

⁽⁵⁾Security Selection Effect: This measures the value added by underlying investment sectors relative to their respective benchmark.

⁽⁶⁾Structural Effect: The impact of any differences between the fund's strategic neutral design and its benchmark, including the use of investment sectors that are not represented in the benchmark, and the performance differences between an asset class and the underlying investment sectors chosen to represent it.

⁽⁷⁾Other: If applicable, reflects the impact of intra-month cash flows and rebalancing transactions.

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Please refer to the Performance table on page 1 for the definition of the Combined Index Portfolio.

Attribution

Underlying Allocations (Relative Contributions) (periods ended March 31, 2026) (bps)

		Security Selection Effect ⁽⁸⁾ Three Months	Security Selection Effect ⁽⁸⁾ One Year
Balanced Fund	vs. Combined Index Portfolio	29	-26
Underlying Allocations			
Large-Cap Growth	vs. S&P 500 Growth Index	-20	-26
Large-Cap Core	vs. S&P 500 Index	1	-6
Large-Cap Value	vs. S&P 500 Value Index	33	-52
Non-U.S. Equity	vs. MSCI EAFE Index Net	19	57
Real Assets	vs. Real Assets Weighted Benchmark ⁽⁹⁾	-6	-6
Investment Grade	vs. Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	1	1
High Yield	vs. Bloomberg U.S. High-Yield 2% Issuer Capped Bond Index	1	5

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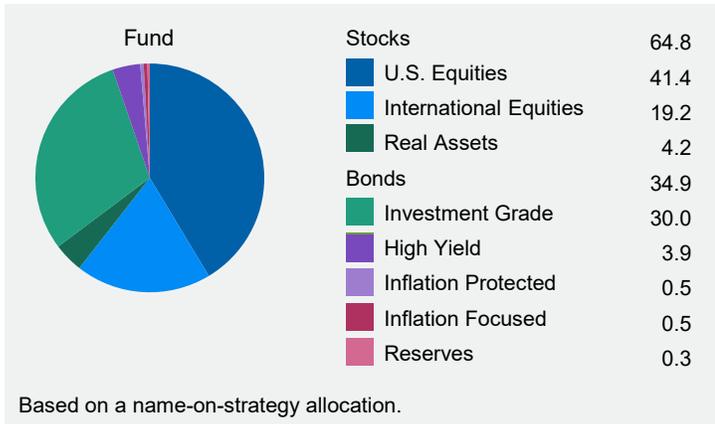
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⁽⁹⁾As of May 1, 2022, the Real Assets Combined Index Portfolio is comprised of 30% MSCI World Select Natural Resources Net, 25% MSCI ACWI Metals and Mining Net, 20% FTSE NAREIT All Equity REITs Index, 20% EPRA/NAREIT Dev Real Estate Index Net, 4% MSCI ACI IMI Gold Net, 1% ACWI IMI Precious Metals Net. Prior to this date, the Real Assets Combined Index Portfolio was comprised of 30% MSCI World Select Natural Resources Net, 25% MSCI ACWI Metals and Mining Net, 20% Wilshire RESI, 20% EPRA/NAREIT Dev Real Estate Index Net, 4% MSCI ACI IMI Gold Net, 1% ACWI IMI Precious Metals Net. Prior to January 1, 2018, the Real Assets Combined Index Portfolio was comprised of 25% MSCI ACWI Metals & Mining Net, 20% Wilshire RESI, 20% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Dev Real Estate Index Net, 19.5% MSCI ACWI Energy Net, 10.5% MSCI ACWI Materials Net, 4% MSCI ACWI IMI Gold Net, 1.00% MSCI ACWI IMI Precious Metals and Minerals Net. Prior December 1, 2013, the Real Assets Combined Index Portfolio was comprised of 25% MSCI ACWI Metals & Mining Net, 20% Wilshire RESI, 20% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Dev Real Estate Index Net, 16.25% MSCI ACWI Energy Net, 8.75% MSCI ACWI Materials Net, 5% UBS World Infrastructure and Utilities Index, 4% MSCI ACWI IMI Gold Net, 1.00% MSCI ACWI IMI Precious Metals and Minerals Net. The indices or percentages may vary over time. Historical benchmark representations were not restated to reflect the component benchmark changes.

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Asset Diversification

Asset Diversification (%)



Market Value (USD)

Total Allocation	5,009,478,077
Reserves	16,832,205
Underlying Allocations	
Investment Grade	1,490,840,646
Inflation Protected Bond	24,259,735
Inflation Focused Bond	26,036,192
High Yield	194,721,108
Large-Cap Growth	714,933,195
Large-Cap Value	747,093,302
Large-Cap Core	595,874,866
Non-U.S. Equity	953,941,102
Real Assets	208,953,979

Total allocation may not fully reflect derivative exposures.

Cash reserves includes cash underlying equity and fixed income futures positions.

Underlying Performance

Performance (%) (total return performance > 1 year is annualized)

	3m	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs
Balanced Fund (Net of Fees)	-1.30	13.37	12.64	6.57	8.78
Combined Index Portfolio	-2.17	13.77	12.26	7.24	8.81
U.S. Equity Allocation (Gross of Fees)	-3.72	15.37	19.70	11.22	14.63
S&P 500 Index	-4.33	17.80	18.32	12.06	14.16
Large-Cap Core Allocation (Gross of Fees)	-1.15	14.65	12.63	6.89	9.15
S&P 500 Index	-4.33	17.80	18.32	12.06	14.16
Large-Cap Growth Allocation (Gross of Fees)	-11.18	16.83	23.53	10.03	15.94
S&P 500 Growth Index	-8.11	22.67	21.91	12.63	15.94
Large-Cap Value Allocation (Gross of Fees)	4.46	11.98	15.68	9.66	11.82
S&P 500 Value Index	0.03	12.91	13.90	10.68	11.49
Non-U.S. Equity Allocation (Gross of Fees)	-2.39	22.85	14.00	7.41	9.09
MSCI EAFE Index Net	-1.24	21.27	13.62	7.91	8.38
Real Assets Allocation (Gross of Fees)	9.11	34.59	14.80	10.50	9.85
Real Assets Weighted Benchmark ⁽¹⁰⁾	10.48	35.50	15.30	11.56	10.67
Investment Grade Allocation (Gross of Fees)	0.01	4.38	3.78	0.35	1.96
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	-0.05	4.35	3.63	0.31	1.70
High Yield Allocation (Gross of Fees)	-0.15	8.26	8.99	4.72	6.30
Bloomberg U.S. High-Yield 2% Issuer Capped Bond Index	-0.50	7.01	8.60	4.22	6.12

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Portfolio Management

	Managed Since	Joined Firm
Charles Shriver	2011	1991
Toby Thompson	2020	2007
Christina Noonan	2025	2015

The Balanced Fund is managed by Charles Shriver, Toby Thompson, and Christina Noonan. The portfolio managers are responsible for the strategic design and day-to-day management of the Fund. This includes portfolio design, positioning, performance, and risk-management oversight. The Fund's tactical asset allocation decisions are made by the firm's Asset Allocation Committee. The Committee is co-chaired by Dave Eiswert and Charles Shriver, and includes some of the firm's most senior investment management professionals across major asset classes. Individual security selection is made by portfolio managers of the Fund's component strategies drawing on the fundamental insights of T. Rowe Price's team of around 200 global research analysts.

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