# Principal Diversified Real Asset CIT

## First quarter 2025

#### Fund overview

A multi-asset, multi-manager portfolio designed to protect purchasing power by seeking long-term total return in excess of inflation. The CIT's strategy of investing across a universe of real assets offers the potential for enhanced returns and reduced risk relative to a traditional portfolio.

#### Portfolio management

May Tong, CFA 24 years of experience

Ben Rotenberg, CFA, CAIA 32 years of experience

Jessica Bush, CFA 24 years of experience

#### **CIT** information

	CIT-Tier 1	Index
CITAUM	\$1.5B	-
Number of holdings	1072	575
% Equity	62.6	-
% Fixed income	26.1	-
Weighted average duration	1.7	4.9
Sharpe ratio (3-year)	-0.3	-0.23
Standard deviation (3-year)	13.2	14.0

Source: FactSet and Morningstar.

**Duration:** The sensitivity of the value of principal of a fixed-income investment to interest rate changes. **Sharpe ratio:** Measures how an investment balances risks and rewards. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the better the investment's histrorical risk-adjusted performance. Standard deviation: Measures how performance. Standard deviation, measures now widely portfolio returns have varied. Reported FactSet data is subject to revision over time, which may result in slight differences among data points reported during the same period.

### Dynamic real asset exposure, balanced risk profile, more consistent outcome

- Strategically allocate among real return and real asset securities, beyond TIPS, commodities, and REITs.
- Blends multiple strategies Specialist managers within to help mitigate undesired risk; designed to offer real return with lower-thanmarket volatility.
  - each asset class exploit opportunities and deliver a more consistent real asset outcome.

Portfolio allocations (as of 03/31/2025)	Q1 2025	Q4 2024
Infrastructure	22.2%	22.9%
ClearBridge Investments (North America) Pty Limited	7.1%	7.1%
Delaware Investments Fund Advisers (Macquarie*)	15.2%	15.8%
Real estate investment trusts (REITs)	24.6%	25.0%
Global REITs		
Principal Real Estate	19.6%	19.8%
U.S. REITs		
Principal Asset Allocation	4.9%	5.2%
Commodities	14.9%	14.6%
CoreCommodity Management, LLC	7.2%	4.1%
Wellington Management Company LLP+	7.8%	10.5%
Natural resources	12.6%	14.9%
Climate change		
Impax Asset Management Limited	0.0%	2.0%
Global natural resources		
Newton Investment Management North America LLC	7.7%	8.8%
Principal Asset Allocation	3.0%	2.0%
Timber and forestry		
Pictet Asset Management SA	2.0%	2.0%
Real return	12.8%	13.4%
Treasury inflation-protected securities (TIPS)		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	8.6%	8.8%
Floating rate debt		
Nuveen Asset Management, LLC	4.1%	4.6%
Liquidity	2.2%	1.7%
Principal Asset Allocation	2.2%	1.7%
Tactical asset allocation	10.7%	7.5%
Principal Asset Allocation	10.7%	7.5%

The information shown is the representative portfolio of our Diversified Real Asset strategy. May not reflect current allocations of investment managers. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. 'Delaware investments Fund Advisers, a series of Macquarie Investment Management Business Trust. 'Wellington Management Company LLP is a SEC-registered investment advisor and an independent and unaffiliated investment manager to Principal Funds. A Tactical asset allocation sleeve was added in the fourth quarter of 2023. At times, there may not be any tactical views reflected through this sleeve. So allocations may be zero. through this sleeve, so allocations may be zero.

#### Why allocate to a portfolio:

- Protect purchasing power: The value of real assets or their income tends to rise with inflation, they can be more responsive than traditional assets
- Diversification: Real assets have exhibited modest correlation and little overlap with a traditional stock and bond portfolio
- Enhance total return potential: Valuations of the real asset equity universe are more attractive compared with the currect valuations in the broad equity market

#### Real assets have historically delivered resilient returns during periods of higher inflation



As of December 31, 2024. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, CPI ex-food & energy, FactSet. Data is for the period January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2024. Global 60/40 portfolio: 60% MSCI All Country World Index and 40% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index. Real asset portfolio: blend of 30% S&P Global Infrastructure Index NTR, 25% FTSE EPRA/INAREIT Developed Index NTR, 15% Bloomberg U.S. Treasury TIPS Index, 15% Bloomberg Commodity Index, and 15% S&P Global Natural Resources Index NTR. Median inflation for the period is 2.12%. Below median inflation years: 2009-2016, 2019, 2020. Above median inflation years: 2005-2008, 2017, 2018, 2021-2024. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Index performance information reflects no deduction for fees, expenses, or taxes. Indices are unmanaged and individuals cannot invest directly in an index. Reflects annualized total returns.

Years of U.S. inflation above median

#### Performance and ratings

		Average annual total returns (%)										
		3-month	1-year	3-year	5-уе	ar 1	0-year	Since inception (05/30/2013)		nse ratio t/gross)		
Diversified Real Asset CIT - Tier 1		3.29	4.87	-0.73	9.3	2	3.25 3.15		0.7	0.72/0.72		
Diversified Real Asset CIT - Tier 3		3.39	5.02	-0.63	9.4	9.42 3.37		3.28	0.6	0.62/0.62		
Diversified Real Asset Index (Linked)	1),(2)	4.73	8.42	0.39	9.5	1	4.14	-				
Morningstar ratings		3-month	1-year	3-year	5-ye	ar 1	0-year	Overall				
Category and number of funds in cat Global Allocation	egory:	359	349	336	320		243	336				
Diversified Real Asset CIT - Tier 1 <sup>(3)</sup>		-	-	*	**	** * **		** * **		**		
Diversified Real Asset CIT - Tier $3^{\scriptscriptstyle (3)}$		-	-	*	**	*	**	**				
Calendar year total returns (%)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
Diversified Real Asset CIT - Tier 1	-12.26	6.18	10.10	-7.60	14.54	3.94	17.52	-6.02	3.20	3.25		
Diversified Real Asset CIT - Tier 3	-12.31	6.37	10.15	-7.47	14.84	4.08	17.58	-5.88	3.31	3.28		

Morningstar ratings are based on risk-adjusted returns. These calculated returns reflect the historical performance of the oldest tier level of the fund, adjusted to reflect the fees and expenses of each tier. For time periods prior to inception date of the tier, predecessor performance is reflected. Investment results will differ for each tier level.

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<sup>(1)</sup>Diversified Real Asset Index (Linked) benchmark description: January 1, 2022 and after, 15% Bloomberg U.S. Treasury TIPS Index (includes publicly issued U.S. Treasury inflation-protected securities that meet the index criteria), 30% S&P Global Infrastructure Index (designed to track 75 companies from around the world chosen to represent the listed infrastructure industry, covering energy, transportation, and utilities), 15% S&P Global Natural Resources Index (includes 90 of the largest publicly-traded companies in natural resources and commodities businesses that meet specific investability requirements, covering three primary commodity-related sectors: agribusiness, energy, and metals & mining), 15% Bloomberg Commodity Index (a broadly diversified commodity price index), and 25% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Markets Index (designed to represent general trends in eligible real estate equities worldwide). Before January 1, 2022, 35% Bloomberg U.S. Treasury TIPS Index, 20% S&P Global Infrastructure Index, and 10% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Markets Index.

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