



Overall Morningstar Rating



(Investor)

Among 316 70-85% Equity Allocation Funds (as of 12/31/17)

The Overall Morningstar Rating is based on risk-adjusted returns, derived from a weighted average of the Fund's 3-, 5-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar metrics.

Portfolio Managers



Cindy Starke

- Over 20 years of experience
- Fund manager since 2014
- MBA - Fordham University
- BS - Fordham University



Liane Rosenberg

- Over 20 years of experience
- Fund manager since 2009
- MBA - Fordham University
- BA - State University of New York at Albany

Portfolio Manager Q&A

Value Line Income and Growth Fund (VALIX/VLIIX)

Q1: How is the Fund differentiated from other allocation funds?

Unlike other allocation funds that emphasize value-oriented stocks or a meaningful blend of value and growth stocks, we hold a large concentration of large-cap growth companies, which we believe is a catalyst for above average capital appreciation over time. The Fund's portfolio includes many market-leading, large-cap growth companies that possess unique products or services and compete in industries with high barriers to entry. We prefer companies with high rates of sustainable sales and earnings growth because these metrics have historically been long-term drivers of stock prices.

In fact, we believe this strategy drove its exceptional results in 2017 as **the Fund was recognized as a "Category King" by The Wall Street Journal among the Mixed-Asset Target Allocation Moderate Funds for the one-year period ended December 31, 2017.** According to *The Wall Street Journal*, the Fund outperformed 546 other funds in this category by over 1100 basis points for the one-year period.

Q2: Would you please discuss the Fund's 2017 outperformance relative to the 60/40 S&P 500/Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index?

As of December 31, 2017, the Fund's one-year total return was 23.86% while the blended Balanced Index rose 14.21%. Impressively, the Fund also outperformed the S&P 500 Index's return of 21.83% even though approximately 15% of its assets was invested in fixed income and cash during the year.

The sector weightings and favorable stock selection of the Fund's equity portion drove overall performance. Compared to the S&P 500 Index, the Fund's allocation to the Information Technology and Consumer Staples sectors were notable.

In Technology, the Fund gained nearly 500 basis points of outperformance relative to the Index. The Fund's Technology holdings rose, on average, approximately 55% in 2017 while the Technology companies in the S&P 500 increased, on average, approximately 39%. Specifically, Fund holdings Activision Blizzard (+76%), Alibaba (+96%) and GrubHub (+91%) were strong performers in 2017.

In Consumer Staples, the Fund benefited relative to the S&P 500 from an underweight position and superior stock selection. At year-end, the Fund had a 3% weighting compared to the S&P 500's 9% weighting. Our growth-oriented stock selection process resulted in portfolio holdings within the sector rising over 50%, on average, whereas Consumer Staples stocks in the S&P grew only 13%. The Fund's top performers in the sector were Constellation Brands (+51%), Estee Lauder (+69%) and Monster (+43%).

Fund Facts

Symbol

Investor VALIX
Institutional VLIIX

Inception Date

Investor 10/1/52
Institutional 11/1/15

Total Assets

\$400M
(as of 12/31/17)

Value Line Income and Growth Fund (VALIX/VLIIX)
Q3: With your focus on owning many large-cap growth companies in the equity portion of the Fund, what is the Fund's average sales and earnings growth rate relative to the S&P 500?

As of December 31, 2017, the Fund's 3-year projected sales growth rate was 20%, more than double the rate of the S&P 500 at 7%. The Fund's 3- to 5-year estimated forward earnings growth rate was 22%, almost double the Index's projected growth rate of 12%.

Value Line Income and Growth Fund Performance (as of 12/31/17)						
	Average Annual Returns					
	QTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	15 Year
Investor - VALIX	2.14%	23.86%	8.07%	10.79%	6.93%	9.04%
Institutional - VLIIX¹	2.30	24.31	7.99	10.74	6.90	9.02
60/40 S&P 500/BbgBarc US Agg. Bond Index	4.12	14.21	7.80	10.25	6.98	7.82
Morningstar 70-85% Equity Allocation Cat. Avg.	4.06	15.80	6.56	9.22	5.38	7.79
Morningstar Category Rank (%) - VALIX		1	27	16	7	12
# of Funds in Category		349	316	279	201	41
Morningstar Return			Above Avg.	Above Avg.	High	
VALIX Expense Ratio: 1.16%, VLIIX Gross/Net Expense Ratio*: 4.82% / 0.91%						

Morningstar Ratings and Categories based on risk adjusted returns of Investor class shares.

¹*Italics indicates Morningstar Extended Performance. Extended performance is an estimate based on the performance of the fund's oldest share class, adjusted for fees. The Inception Date of VLIIX is November 1, 2015.*

As of 12/31/17, the Fund's Top 10 Holdings were as follows: Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (5.03%), Activision Blizzard, Inc. (3.25%), Facebook, Inc. (3.18%), Visa, Inc. (3.09%), Celgene Corp. (2.67%), Alphabet, Inc. (2.64%), Bank of America Corp. (2.44%), Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (2.37%), JPMorgan Chase & Co. (1.93%), Amazon.com, Inc. (1.88%).

*EULAV Asset Management (the "Adviser") and EULAV Securities LLC, the Fund's principal underwriter (the "Distributor"), have agreed to waive certain class-specific fees and/or pay certain class-specific expenses incurred by the Institutional Class so that the Institutional Class bears its class-specific fees and expenses at the same percentage of its average daily net assets as the Investor Class's class-specific fees and expenses (excluding 12b-1 fees and any extraordinary expenses incurred in different amounts by the classes) (the "Expense Limitation"). The Adviser and the Distributor may subsequently recover from assets attributable to the Institutional Class the reimbursed expenses and/or waived fees (within 3 years after the fiscal year end in which the waiver/reimbursement occurred) to the extent that the Institutional Class's expense ratio is less than the Expense Limitation or, if lower, the expense limitation in effect when the waiver/reimbursement occurred. The Expense Limitation can be terminated or modified before June 30, 2019 only with the agreement of the Fund's board. The Fund's performance would be lower in the absence of such waivers.

The performance data quoted herein represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Market volatility can dramatically impact the fund's short term performance. Current performance may be lower or higher than figures shown. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. Past performance data through the most recent month end is available at www.vlfunds.com or by calling 800.243.2729. You should carefully consider investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of Value Line Mutual Funds before investing. This and other information can be found in the fund's prospectus and summary prospectus, which can be obtained free of charge from your investment representative, by calling 800.243.2729, or by clicking on the applicable fund at www.vlfunds.com. Please read it carefully before you invest or send money. The average annual returns shown above are historical and reflect changes in share price, reinvested dividends and are net of expenses. Investment results and the principal value of an investment will vary.

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There are risks associated with investing in small and mid cap stocks, which tend to be more volatile and less liquid than stocks of large companies, including the risk of price fluctuations.

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