

# BlackRock Pensions Limited

## DC UK Focus Fund

### Defined Contributions

As at 31 March 2010

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#### Overview and Manager's Report

UK equities made a healthy start to 2010 during the first quarter, despite concerns over tightening Chinese monetary policy, increasing pressure for widespread banking reform and mounting sovereign stress levels, particularly in peripheral European countries. These concerns were all outweighed by the pace of corporate earnings recovery: cost cutting allied to sales marginally ahead of expectations led to numerous positive surprises. Notable sector contributors included Mining. Weakness was seen in Pharmaceuticals and Life Insurance, following Prudential's \$35bn bid for AIA.

The DC UK Focus Fund outperformed its benchmark over the quarter.

Carnival rose as pricing for cabin berths rebounded with improving consumer confidence. Compass Group rose on strong trading statements, highlighting margin expansion and a return to sales growth. Cairn Energy surprised the market by securing two drilling rigs for its frontier exploration programme in Greenland a year ahead of expectations. Rio Tinto rose in anticipation of strong iron ore pricing over the next year. Standard Chartered delivered stronger results than its competitor HSBC. Man Group remained weak as its assets under management shrank following further outflows. Tullow Oil made further progress in operational terms but the shares weakened as the company raised further equity to fund the purchase of assets from Heritage Oil.

Within the market we believe that there are stock selection opportunities from investment in companies that will benefit from the stronger growth in overseas markets and from companies that are best positioned for the recovery.

#### Performance & Fund Characteristics

Performance for 12 months to:

	31 Mar 06	31 Mar 07	31 Mar 08	31 Mar 09	31 Mar 10
Fund	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	+46.2%
Benchmark	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	+52.3%

Performance for:

	3 months	Year to date	12 months	3 years p.a.	5 Years or since launch	5 Years or since launch p.a.
Fund	+9.1%	+9.1%	+46.2%	n/a	+12.3%	+7.3%
Benchmark	+6.4%	+6.4%	+52.3%	n/a	+8.5%	+4.0%

Source: BlackRock. Performance shown is gross of fees. Please call our helpline to check the charges that will apply to your investment.

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#### Objectives and Policies

The Fund seeks to maximise total returns by investing in a highly concentrated portfolio, primarily consisting of UK equities. Investment in this Fund involves a higher than usual degree of risk.

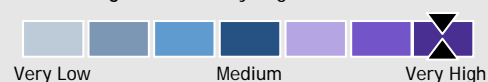
#### Fund Facts

Fund Value (£m): 5.4

Launch Date: 11 August 2008

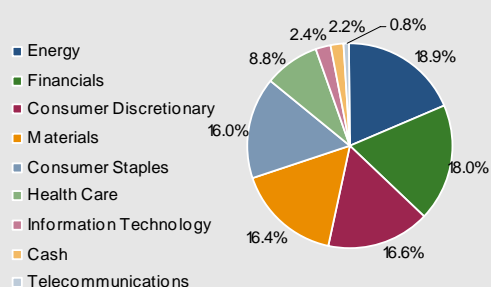
Benchmark: FTSE All Share

Risk Rating Profile: Very High



These ratings give an indication of the risk level of a fund only in relation to BPL's overall fund range.

#### Asset Allocation



Source: BlackRock

#### Top Ten Holdings

	Fund (%)
Rio Tinto	11.9
BG Group	7.9
British American Tobacco	7.7
Standard Chartered	6.3
Compass	5.8
Reckitt Benckiser	5.5
Carnival	5.5
Cairn Energy	5.1
Barclays	4.8
Antofagasta	4.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.0</b>

Source: BlackRock