

Allianz Technology Trust PLC

Technology investing from the heart of the industry

Allianz 
Global Investors

Aim

The Trust's objective is to achieve long-term capital growth by investing principally in the equity securities of quoted technology companies on a worldwide basis.

Trust Benefits

The award-winning Allianz Technology Trust PLC offers investors access to the fast moving world of technology with the reassurance that investment decisions are made by the highly experienced Global Technology Team which currently manages \$12bn in assets under management.

At the Heart of the Industry

Allianz Technology Trust PLC is managed by the highly experienced Global Technology team based in San Francisco. The team benefits from its close proximity to Silicon Valley where many of the world's key technology companies are headquartered.

Awards & Ratings

This is a marketing communication. Please refer to the Key Information Document (KID) before making any final investment decisions.



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Key Information

Launch Date	December 1995
AllianzGI Appointment	April 2007
AIC Sector	Specialist Sector: Technology, Media & Telecoms
Benchmark	Dow Jones World Technology Index (sterling adjusted, total return)
Annual Management Fee	0.8% p.a. on market capitalisation up to £400 million, 0.6% p.a. on any market capitalisation between £400 million and £1 billion, and 0.5% p.a. on any market capitalisation over £1 billion. In addition there is an admin fee of £55,000 p.a.
Performance Fee ¹	Yes
Ongoing Charges ²	0.70%
Year End	31 December
Annual Report	Final published in March, Half-yearly published in August
AGM	April
NAV Frequency	Daily
Price Information	Financial Times, The Daily Telegraph, www.allianztechnologytrust.com
Company Secretary	Kelly Nice Kirsten Salt
Investment Managers	Mike Seidenberg (Lead Portfolio Manager) Erik Swords (Portfolio Manager)
Codes	RIC: ATT.L SEDOL: BNG2M15

1. Calculated as 10% of outperformance against the benchmark, after adjusting for changes in share capital and will be capped at 1.75% of the Company's average daily NAV over the relevant year.

2. As at the Trust's Financial Year End (31.12.2023). Ongoing Charges (previously Total Expense Ratios) are published annually to show operational expenses, which include the annual management fee, incurred in the running of the company but excluding financing costs.

Total Assets £1,539.0m **Shares in Issue** 384,022,319 (Ordinary 2.5p) **Market Cap** £1,419.0m

Share Price
369.5p

NAV per Share
400.8p

Premium/-Discount
-7.8%

From 25 July 2022, discretionary portfolio management services formerly provided to Allianz Technology Trust PLC (the "Company") by Allianz Global Investors ("AllianzGI") have been delegated to Voya Investment Management Co. LLC ("Voya IM"). All members of the former AllianzGI Global Technology Team transferred to Voya IM and continue to manage the Company's portfolio. It is anticipated that there will be no change to the investment process. AllianzGI will remain the Company's AIFM (Alternative Investment Fund Manager), providing company secretarial, administration and sales and marketing services.

All data source DataStream and Allianz Global Investors as at 31.07.24 unless otherwise stated.

Fund Manager's Review

Portfolio review

Allianz Technology Trust's Net Asset Value (NAV) total return was -7.40% in July, compared to the Dow Jones World Technology Index return of -4.30%.

Technology stocks were lower in July as there was a rotation away from artificial intelligence (AI) and semiconductor-related companies, in favour of those with a lower valuation level, including IT services and technology hardware. Small cap stocks also outperformed their mega and large cap counterparts on a relative basis in light of the shift in investor sentiment.

Monthly relative results trailed the benchmark due to short-term stock selection. Our exposure to the broadline retail industry contributed to relative results, while stock selection in software and IT services trailed the benchmark as did a below-benchmark allocation and more conservative stockpicking in technology hardware industry.

Contributors

Our top performer for the month was **Microsoft Corp.**, as a below-benchmark allocation drove relative results given the stock's significant benchmark weight and high-single-digit decline. Shares were lower amid the broad-based technology sell-off, combined with expectations of a moderation in Azure cloud growth and greater spend in AI which is likely to impact near-term margins. We incrementally added to the stock on the pullback given its leadership position across enterprise, cloud and security solutions combined with a likely market share gains in AI-related workloads.

Shares of **Monolithic Power Systems, Inc.**, a provider of high-performance, semiconductor-based power electronics solutions, rallied in advance of quarterly earnings results as the sell-side (firms that issue, sell, or trade securities) took an increasingly positive view on the company's product development across server, storage, AI and automotive segments. We continue to hold the stock given its ability to offer integrated solutions and solve complex power management issues across multiple applications.

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A below-benchmark allocation to search engine, services, infrastructure and data analytics platform **Alphabet Inc.**, an active overweight weight in management software provider **ServiceNow, Inc.** and the avoidance of semiconductor maker **Qualcomm Inc.** also contributed to relative performance for the month.

Detractors

A below-benchmark position in iPhone and personal computer maker **Apple Inc.** offset results as the stock was a beneficiary of a relative improvement in sentiment related to their AI offering and seen by investors as a relative safe harbour compared to other areas of technology. We continue to hold the stock, but at a structural below-benchmark weight due to our position size limitations, given its leadership position, consumer loyalty and history of innovation.

An above-benchmark allocation to cyber security 'pure play' **CrowdStrike Holdings, Inc.** offset results following a software update which resulted in a widespread outage of Microsoft systems globally. While we are thankful this was not a security incident or cyberattack, the outcome is likely a reset in the company's near-term sentiment and may translate to a sales cycle elongation and an earnings impact which is being digested by the market. We continue to believe that CrowdStrike is currently one of the most compelling stories in the cybersecurity space and the most likely path forward is for the company to implement improved testing and security controls internally to ensure there is not another incident. In the meantime however, we trimmed our exposure to the company in light of near-term uncertainty and in an effort to manage the risk profile of the portfolio.

Our active overweight allocations to memory solutions provider **Micron Technology, Inc.**, social media networking site **Pinterest, Inc.** and wafer fabrication equipment supplier **Lam Research Corp.** also offset relative performance for the month.



Mike Seidenberg, Lead Portfolio Manager

Michael Seidenberg is a senior portfolio manager for the global technology strategies and an equity analyst on the fundamental thematic team at Voya Investment Management. He joined the firm following Voya's integration of certain assets and teams comprising the substantial majority of Allianz Global Investors U.S. business, where he was a portfolio manager, analyst and director on the U.S. global technology team. Prior to that, he worked at a number of hedge funds, including Pequot Capital, Andor Capital and Citadel Investment Group. He also worked in the software industry and at Oracle Corporation. Michael earned a BS in business administration from the University of Colorado and an MBA with concentrations in finance and accounting from Columbia Business School.

New buys and sells

Portfolio turnover was lower than average in July as the portfolio was already well-positioned from a bottom-up and top-down thematic standpoint and we chose not to overreact to short-term market dynamics. We purchased **EPAM Systems, Inc.** a provider of digital platform engineering and software development services given its attractive growth versus valuation mix and amid expectations that the stock may be poised for a turnaround following headwinds in prior months. We also bought shares of **SAP SE**, a German business and enterprise management software provider, on the backdrop of a favourable product cycle move to cloud-based alongside an improved product offering, with improved cash flow and cost discipline also factoring. Meanwhile, we made the decision to fully exit our position in document database provider **MongoDB** in favour of companies with better strategic and growth opportunities.

Outlook

Technology earnings results have been constructive for most companies, but we have seen several cross currents arise as of late including growing investor concerns about the timing of the benefits from some emerging secular themes, namely AI, as enthusiasm may have eclipsed near-term fundamental factors. We continue to have a constructive outlook for equity markets but anticipate market volatility may rise as investors are increasingly concerned about an economic slowdown and late timing of interest rate cuts. Also, a closer race in the upcoming U.S. elections is adding to uncertainty and compounding geopolitical and global value chain headwinds.

We anticipate a potential broadening of performance across industries and market capitalisations, consistent with a more normalised environment. Valuations continue to be reasonable and we believe there is the potential for upward revenue and earnings estimates should we see a better spending environment for technology in the second half of the year.

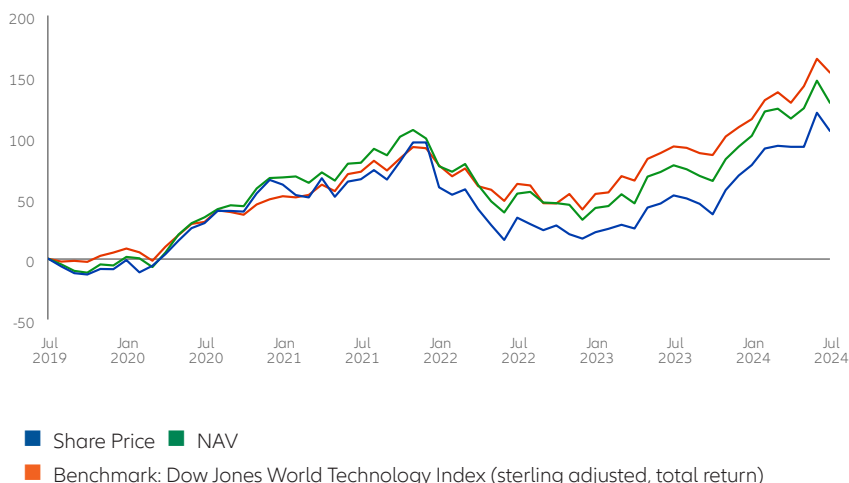
We continue to build the portfolio from a bottom-up perspective with a macro-overview. Technology remains a key enabler across almost every industry and we will continue to seek companies which solve difficult problems and can be long-term outperformers. Despite short-term periods of higher volatility, earnings growth ultimately drives stock prices over the long term and, in our view, we are still early in the spending trend supporting this dynamic segment.

Mike Seidenberg
12 August 2024

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Performance Track Record

Five Year Performance (%)



Risk & Features

Investment trusts are quoted companies listed on the London Stock Exchange. Their share prices are determined by factors including the balance of supply and demand in the market.

Competition among technology companies may result in aggressive pricing of their products and services, which may affect the profitability of the companies in which the Trust invests. In addition, because of the rapid pace of technological development, products or services developed by these companies may become rapidly obsolete or have relatively short product cycles. This may have the effect of making the Trust's returns more volatile than the returns of a fund that does not invest in similarly related companies.

Derivatives can be used to manage the Trust efficiently.

Cumulative Returns (%)

	3M	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y
Share Price	6.8	15.8	34.9	24.0	105.0
NAV	6.0	13.3	28.8	28.0	129.0
Benchmark	10.8	17.8	31.6	47.5	153.0

Discrete 12 Month Returns to 31 July (%)

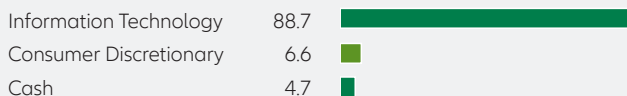
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Share Price	34.9	13.7	-19.1	27.9	29.3
NAV	28.8	15.9	-14.2	33.4	34.1
Benchmark	31.6	19.1	-5.8	31.7	30.3

Source: Thomson Reuters Refinitiv DataStream, percentage growth, mid to mid, total return to 31.07.24. Copyright 2024 © DataStream, a Thomson Reuters company. All rights reserved. DataStream shall not be liable for any errors or delays in the content, or for any actions taken in reliance thereon.

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Portfolio Breakdown

Sector Breakdown (%)

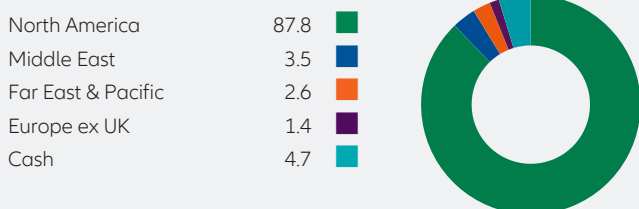


Top Ten Holdings (%)

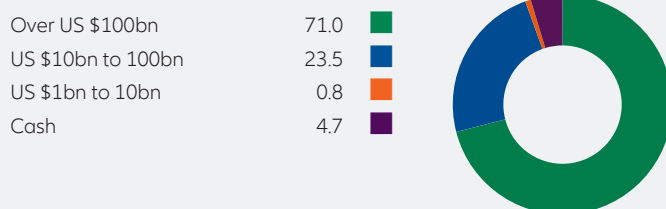
Nvidia	10.7
Microsoft	8.5
Apple	7.9
Meta	5.2
Broadcom	5.0
Amazon	4.2
Alphabet	3.9
Lam Research	3.1
Monolithic Power Systems	2.9
ServiceNow	2.7

Total number of holdings 44

Geographic Breakdown (%)



Market Cap Breakdown (%)



This is for guidance only and not indicative of future allocation. Totals may not sum to 100.0% due to rounding. This is no recommendation or solicitation to buy or sell any particular security.

Board of Directors

Tim Scholefield (Chairman)

Katya Thomson (Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee)

Neeta Patel (Senior Independent Director)

Sam Davis

Elisabeth Scott

Glossary

Share Price is the price of a single ordinary share, as determined by the stock market. The price shown above is the mid-market price.

Net Asset Value (NAV) per Share is calculated as available shareholders' funds divided by the number of shares in issue, with shareholders' funds taken to be the net value of all the company's assets after deducting liabilities. An undiluted, cum-income NAV is shown.

Premium/Discount. Since investment company shares are traded on a stock market, the share price that you get may be higher or lower than the NAV. The difference is known as a discount or premium.

How to invest

You can buy shares in the Trust through:

- A third party provider - see 'How to Invest' on our website, where you will find links to a range of these platforms, many of which allow you to hold the shares within an ISA, Junior ISA, SIPP and/or savings scheme.
- A stockbroker.
- A financial adviser.

Contact us

If you have any queries regarding our investment trusts our Investor Services team can be contacted on:

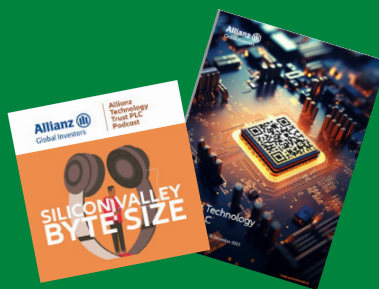
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