

# USD Global Market Leaders Fund

An investment fund option for variable life insurance products of **The Manufacturers Life Insurance Co., (Phils), Inc.**

## Investment Objective

The Fund aims to achieve capital growth from investing at least 80% of its net assets in a concentrated portfolio of equity and equity related securities of large capitalisation companies listed globally (including in emerging markets from time to time), including, but not limited to, common stocks and depositary receipts.

## Fund Information

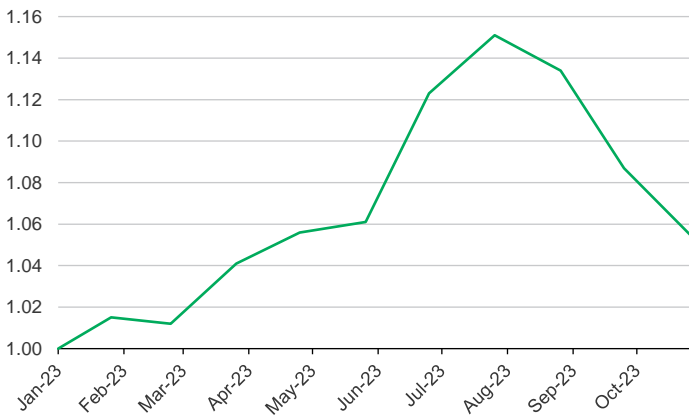
<b>Inception Date</b> January 2023	<b>Fund Size</b> USD 55.48 thousand	<b>Fund Currency</b> US dollar	<b>Dealing/Valuation</b> Daily
<b>Price (NAV/unit)</b> USD 1.055	<b>Management Fee</b> 2.25% per annum	<b>Bloomberg Ticker</b> PHEQPUL	

## Performance Return (October 31, 2023)

USD Global Market Leaders Fund (net of management fee)	1 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Absolute	-2.94%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.50%
Annualized	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.50%

Past performance is not an indication of future results. Information about the portfolio's holdings, asset allocation, or country diversification is historical and is not an indication of future portfolio composition, which will vary.

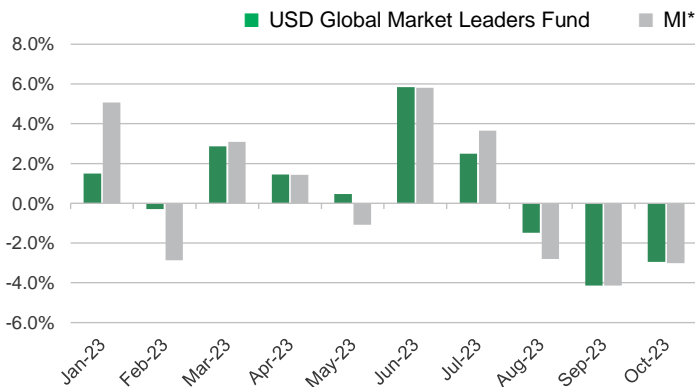
## Monthly Net Asset Value per Unit



## Top Five Holdings

Microsoft Corporation	4.29%
Amazon.com, Inc.	3.28%
Walmart Inc.	2.56%
Alphabet Inc. Class A	2.55%
Apple Inc.	2.50%

## Monthly Performance

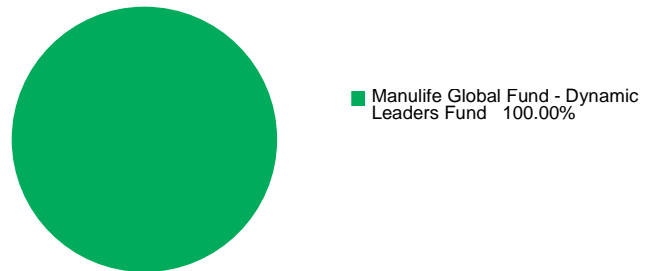


\*100% MSCI ACWI NR USD Index

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## Portfolio Breakdown

### Asset Allocation (at Market Value)



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## Market Review

The global equity markets suffered losses in October, with nearly all countries participating in the sell-off.

Several factors combined to weigh on sentiment. While economic growth appeared to be slowing, persistent inflation fueled worries that central banks would need to keep interest rates elevated for an extended period. Bond yields spiked in response, fueling instability throughout the financial markets. The jump in yields was caused, in part, by concerns about the long-term implications of a pronounced increase in the United States' government debt. The global indexes were further pressured by the poor performance of the seven mega-cap U.S. technology stocks that play a large role in headline returns. Geopolitical factors also contributed to the downturn, with worries that the conflict in the Middle East could spiral into a wider war depressing investors' appetite for risk. Amid these challenging headlines, corporate earnings failed to provide a lift to the markets due in part to cautious guidance from company managements.

## Outlook

As we move through the final quarter of the year, we are a bit more optimistic than we have been given the pullback in the equity markets and the beginning of a seasonally strong period for equities. Additionally, every day that goes by gets us one day closer to a more normalized level of inflation which can then lead to an interest rate environment that is more supportive of stocks. While valuations are still at the aggregate index level elevated, we don't buy the index. We buy individual stocks that we consider to be Dynamic Leaders. With the pullback, we are likely to find opportunities to put some of the elevated levels of cash to work in the types of companies we favor.

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