

Peso Growth Fund

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

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing in stocks listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange, government securities and/or pooled fund/s that invest in these securities and other liquid instruments.

Fund Information

Inception Date April 2009	Fund Size PHP 20.82 billion	Fund Currency Philippine peso	Dealing/Valuation Daily
Price (NAV/unit) PHP 2.954	Management Fee 2.25% per annum	Bloomberg Ticker MPPHGRW	

Performance Return (May 31, 2025)

Peso Growth Fund (net of management fee)	1 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Absolute	0.41%	1.03%	4.71%	3.47%	17.60%	196.59%
Annualized	n.a.	n.a.	4.71%	1.14%	3.29%	6.97%

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

SM INVESTMENTS CORPORATION	12.74%
INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER TERMINAL SERVICES INC	11.01%
BDO UNIBANK INC	9.92%
BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	9.81%
Manulife Equity Wealth Fund Class I	9.62%

Monthly Performance



*Market Indicator = 100% Philippine Stock Exchange Index

Portfolio Breakdown

Asset Allocation (at Market Value)



As per the fund's Investment Policy Statement, initial subscriptions are invested in fixed 100% Equity Pool. The investments of the Equity Pool consist of stocks listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange and term deposits.

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Market Review

In May, the Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi) experienced a modest rise of 0.31%, which helped reduce its year-to-date loss to 0.93%. Investor sentiment remained cautious, with earlier concerns about tariffs and trade fading into the background. Instead, market participants turned their focus to the underwhelming first-quarter corporate earnings and the evolving political landscape following the May midterm elections.

Headline inflation for May eased to 1.3%, down from 1.4% in April, marking the lowest rate since 2019. The decline in inflation was primarily due to a 2.4% drop in rice prices, the 11th consecutive monthly decrease. Transport costs fell by 2.9%, although these were slightly offset by increases in vegetable and meat prices. The market expects inflation for 2025 to settle at 2.2%.

First-quarter 2025 GDP growth was 5.4% year-on-year, falling short of the 5.7% market consensus. While private and public consumption remained strong, overall growth was hampered by weaker net exports and subdued investment activity.

Outlook

The escalating geopolitical tensions in the Middle East, which began in early June, are likely to dampen our optimistic outlook on Philippine equities. These developments may lead investors to move away from risky assets, like emerging market equities, in favor of safe-haven assets such as US Treasuries. Consequently, we anticipate continued pressure on the Philippines peso currency and elevated global oil prices, which could adversely affect equities in the near term. In terms of portfolio positioning, we are maintaining a defensive portfolio strategy, emphasizing sectors such as banks, REITs, and consumer staples. We will continue to closely monitor any upward pressure on major commodity prices and potential secondary effects on local consumption trends throughout the remainder of 2025.

The investment fund option for The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company's variable life insurance product is managed by Manulife Investment Management and Trust Corporation.

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