

## About the State Street Institutional Investor Holdings Indicator

The **Holdings Indicator** offers a unique view into the asset allocation decisions of institutional investors. It provides a decomposition of asset class holdings expressed as a proportion of total assets under management (AUM) across all fund types: equity funds, fixed income funds, money market funds, and multi-asset funds. The indicator captures real-money funds only and excludes leveraged funds.

The proportion reported for equities is equal to the value of all equity holdings across all funds, divided by the total AUM of all funds. The proportions for cash (which includes money market instruments and treasury bills) and fixed income (excluding bills) are computed in the same fashion.

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