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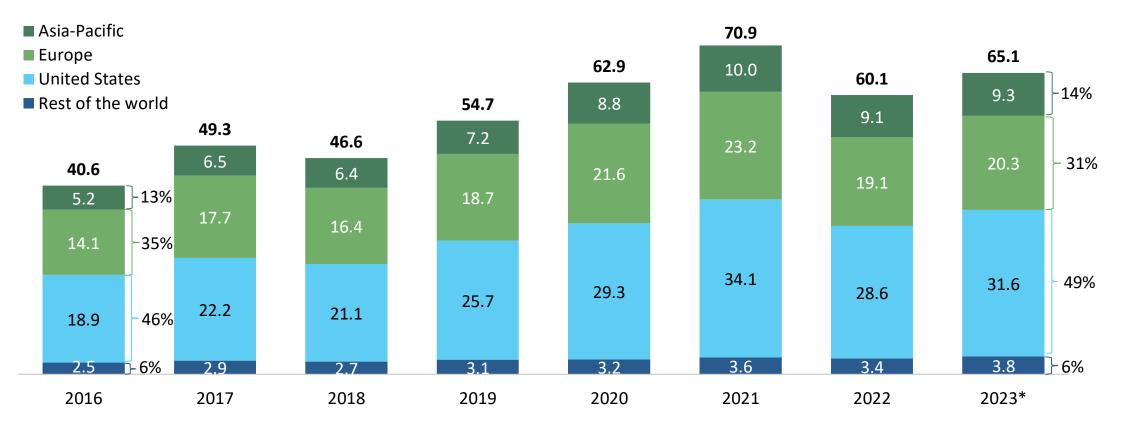
### **Understanding Trends in UCITS**

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#### Total Net Assets of Worldwide Regulated Open-End Funds

Trillions of US dollars by region, year-end



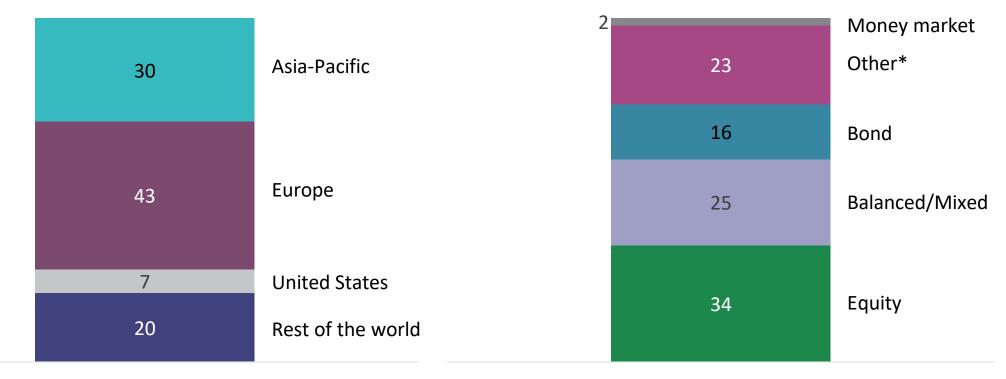
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#### Number of Worldwide Regulated Open-End Funds

Percentage of funds by region or type of fund, June 2023



Region

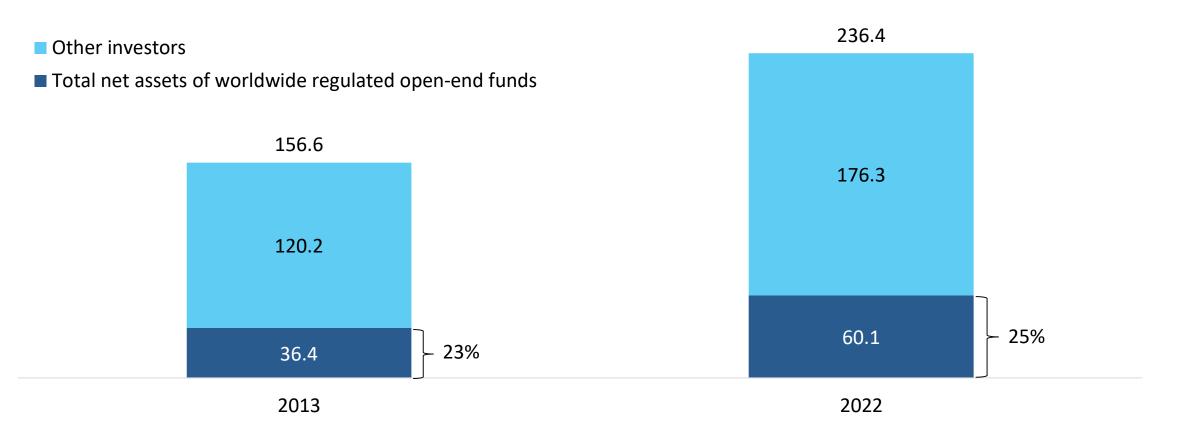
Type of fund

#### Number of worldwide regulated open-end funds: 138,874

\*Other funds include guaranteed/protected funds, real estate funds, and other funds. Note: Regulated open-end funds include mutual funds, ETFs, and institutional funds. Source: International Investment Funds Association

# Worldwide Regulated Funds Held 26 Percent of Worldwide Equity and Debt Markets

Trillions of US dollars, year-end



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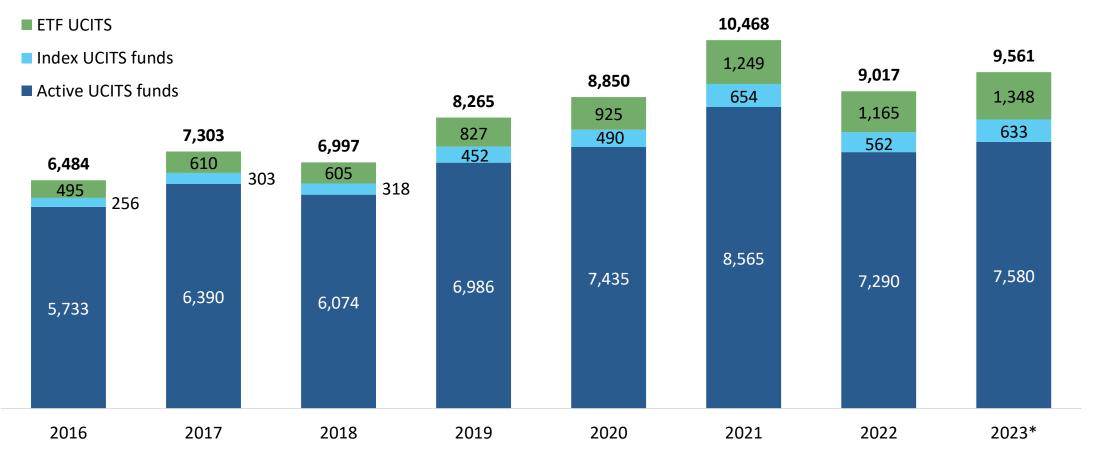
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#### Net Assets in UCITS

Billions of euros, end of period



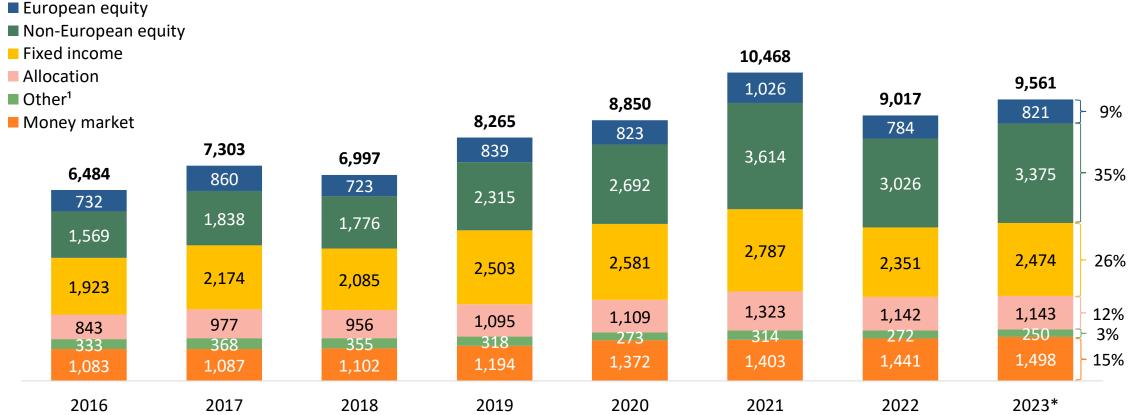
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#### Equity Funds Accounted For About 44 Percent of UCITS Net Assets in August 2023

Billions of euros, end of period



<sup>1</sup>Other includes alternative, commodities, convertibles, miscellaneous, property, and unclassified funds.

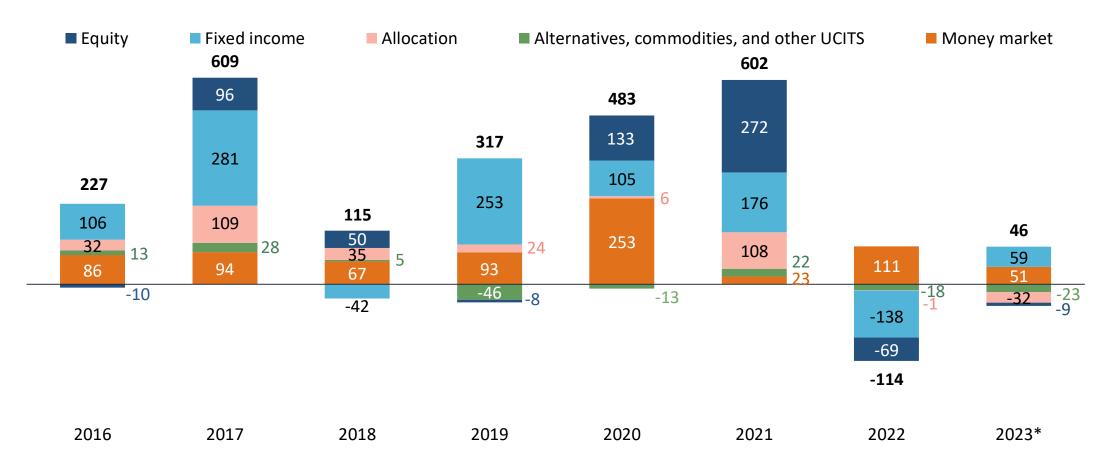
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#### Investor Demand for UCITS Was Weak in 2022

Estimated net flow, billions of euros, annual



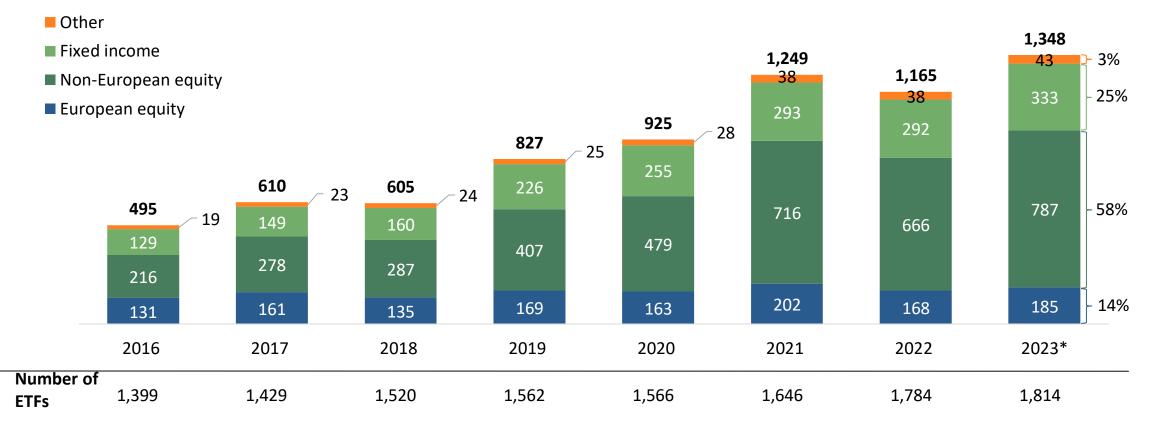
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#### **UCITS ETFs Also Are Growing Rapidly**

Billions of euros, end of period



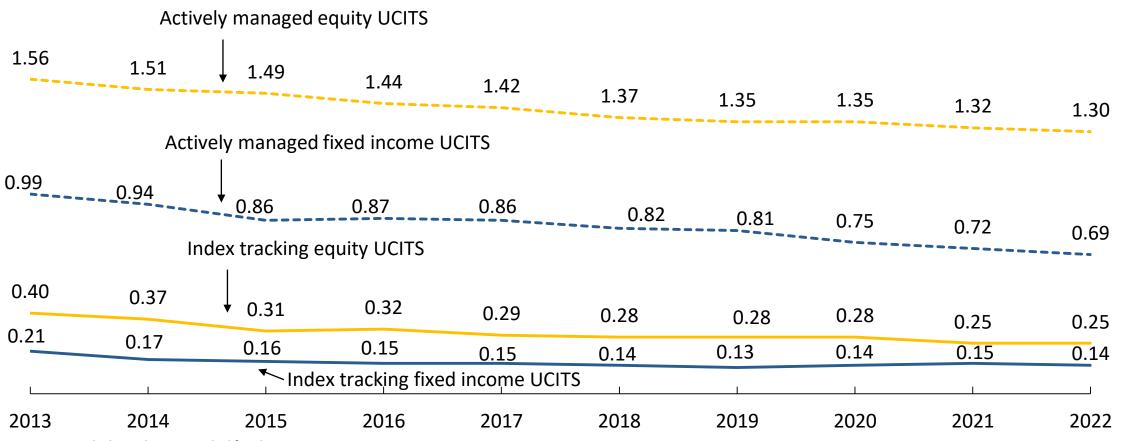
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#### Ongoing Charges For Actively Managed and Index Tracking UCITS Have Fallen

Percent



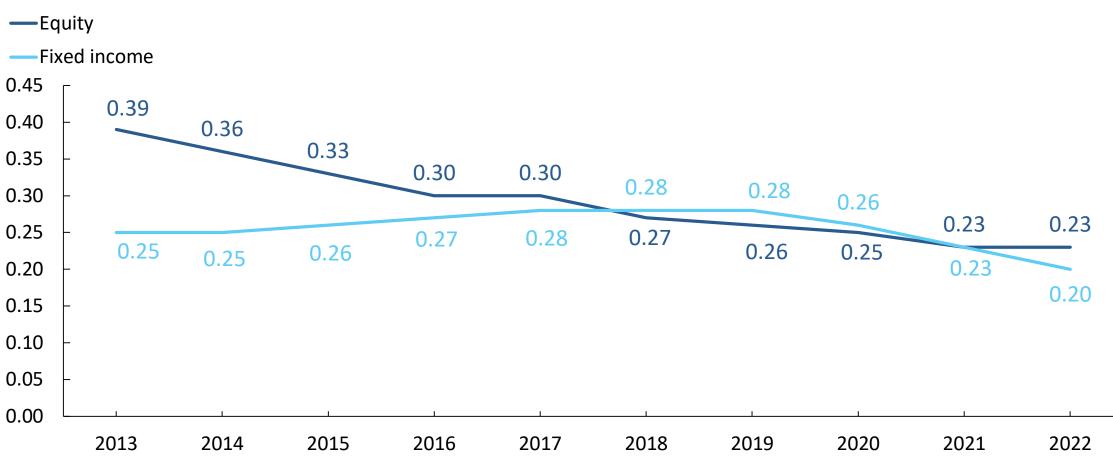
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## Ongoing Charges for Equity and Fixed-Income UCITS ETFs

Percent

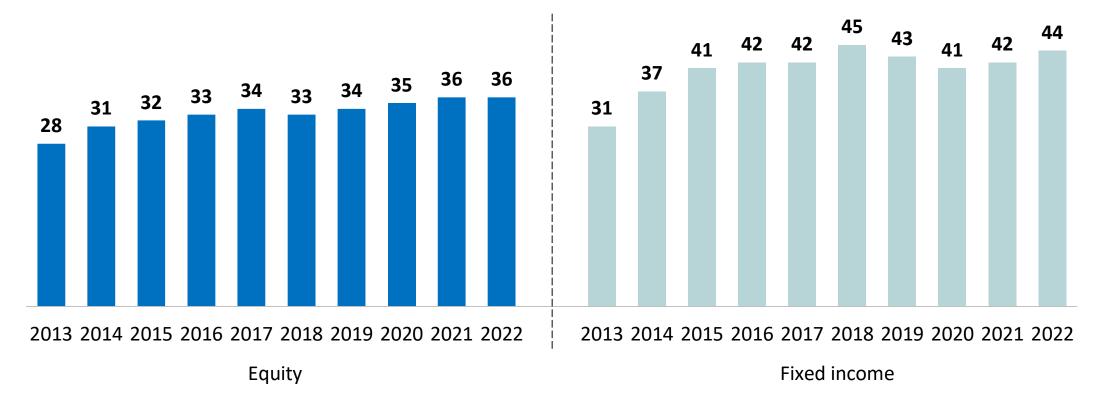


Note: Data include a small number of actively managed exchange-traded funds, representing 2.0 percent of net assets or less in any given year. Source: Investment Company Institute tabulations of Morningstar Direct data



#### Investors Generally Concentrate Their Assets in Lower-Cost UCITS

Percentage of UCITS net assets with ongoing charges in the lowest quartile

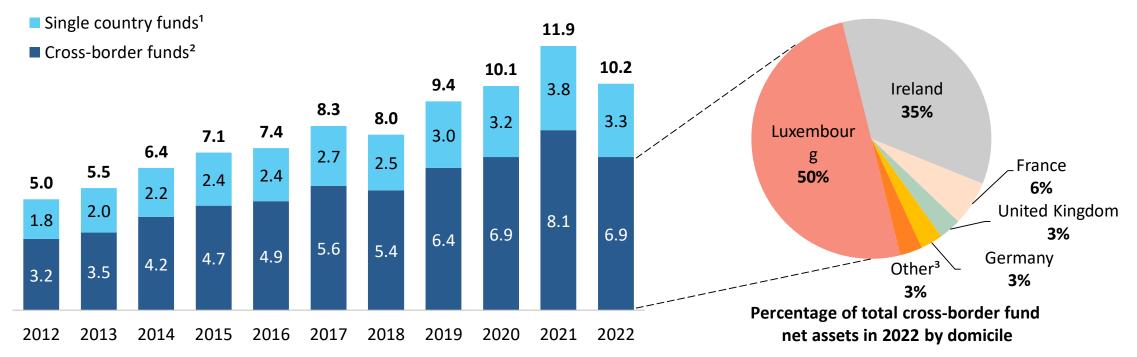


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#### Cross-Border Funds Represent Nearly Two-Thirds of Total UCITS Net Assets

Total UCITS net assets in trillions of euros, year-end



<sup>1</sup>Single country funds include funds registered and available for sale in one country. Single country funds also include round-trip funds—funds domiciled in one country but primarily intended for sale in a different country.

<sup>2</sup>Cross-border funds are defined as funds registered and available for sale in three or more countries.

<sup>3</sup>Other includes Sweden, Belgium, Austria, the Netherlands, Finland, Denmark, Malta, Slovenia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Spain.

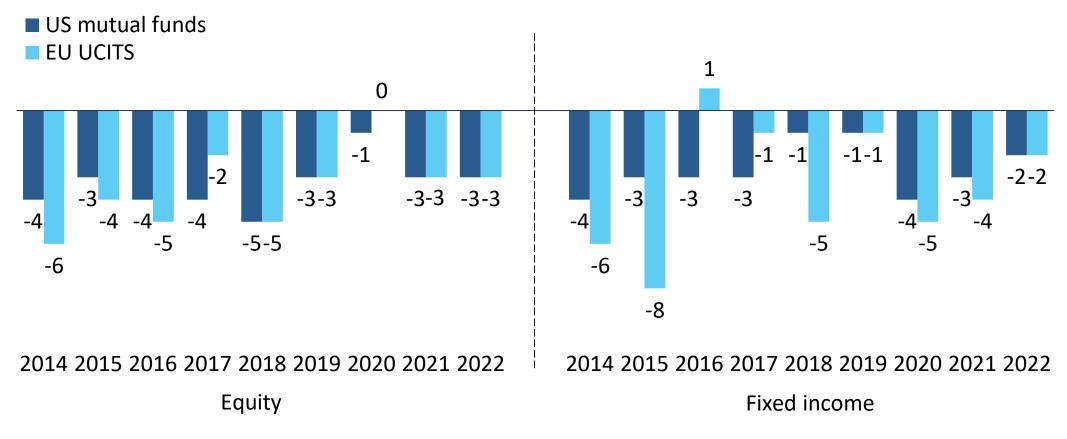
Note: Data include UCITS domiciled in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands (representing 12 percent of net assets at year-end 2022). Data also include exchange-traded funds.

Source: Investment Company Institute tabulations of Morningstar Direct data



#### EU and US Equity Funds Experience Similar Annual Changes in Ongoing Charges

Annual change in the UCITS ongoing charge and the US mutual fund expense ratio, basis points



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