

# WHILE FINANCIALS ARE THE LARGEST EQUITY SECTOR IN THE WORLD, INVESTMENT COMPANIES ARE THE LARGEST SECTOR IN UK, BY NUMBER OF COMPANIES!





### RECENT CAPITAL RAISING INCLUDING IPOS HAS HELPED

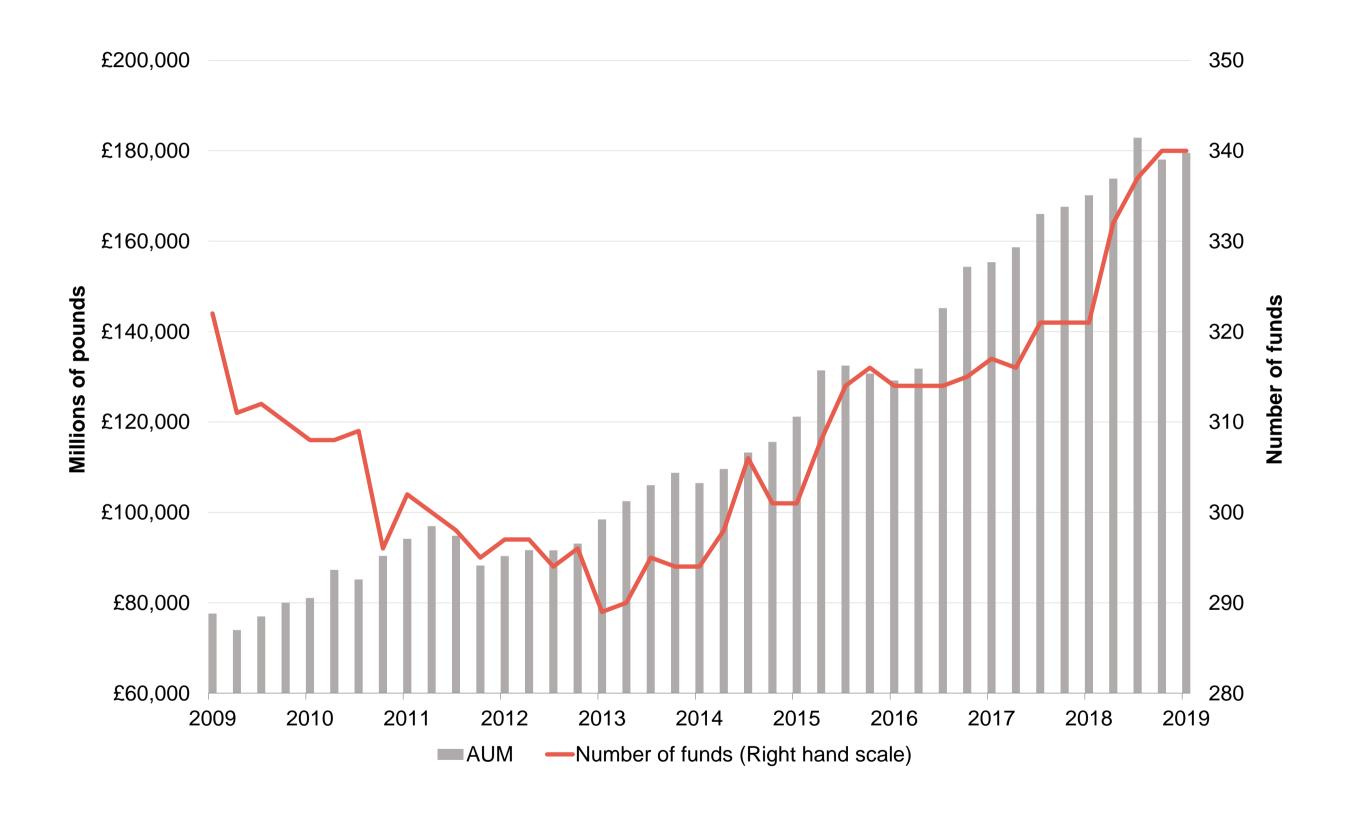
Figures from QuotedData's annual review research

- 2018 22 new issues raised £3.6bn, including existing funds £9.1bn
- 2017 19 new issues raised £2.8bn, including existing funds £10.7bn
- 2016 7 new issues raised £630m, including existing funds £7.9bn

| Smithson Investment Trust           | 822m | Global mid/small cap – largest ever new issue! |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|------|--|--|--|
| Biopharma Credit                    | 384m | Loans to biotech companies                     |  |  |
| Sequoia Economic Infrastructure     | 355m | Loans to infrastructure projects               |  |  |
| GRIT Real Estate Income             | 343m | African property                               |  |  |
| Secure Income REIT                  | 350m | Property on long leases                        |  |  |
| Tritax EuroBox                      | 300m | Logistics assets in Europe                     |  |  |
| Trian Investors 1                   | 271m | Cash to target an unnamed company              |  |  |
| The Renewables Infrastructure Group | 261m | Wind and solar power                           |  |  |
| Scottish Mortgage                   | 252m | Global equities                                |  |  |
| PRS REIT                            | 231m | Private rented sector housing in the UK        |  |  |
|                                     |      |  |  |  |



### RECENT GROWTH OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANIES







### ABOUT PERFORMANCE TOO - RELATIVE TO OPEN-ENDED FUNDS

|                                 | 1 YR  | 3 YR   | 5 YR  |
|---------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|
| Asia Pacific Excluding Japan    | 3.55  | 13.52  | 17.51 |
| China/Greater China             | -2.93 | 14.94  | 27.07 |
| Europe Excluding UK             | 5.58  | 9.00   | 15.29 |
| European Smaller Companies      | -4.70 | 3.66   | 5.98  |
| Flexible Investment             | 5.14  | 12.24  | 25.35 |
| Global                          | 1.60  | 32.94  | 48.23 |
| Global Emerging Markets         | 5.60  | 14.09  | 5.66  |
| Global Equity Income            | -2.95 | 20.05  | 7.63  |
| Japan                           | -5.60 | 12.91  | 35.40 |
| Japanese Smaller Companies      | -1.15 | 23.53  | 64.13 |
| North America                   | 1.24  | 5.95   | -1.76 |
| North America Smaller Companies | -0.81 | -15.70 | -1.23 |
| Technology/Telecommunications   | -0.15 | 60.19  | 56.31 |
| UK All Companies                | -2.41 | -0.79  | 8.40  |
| UK Equity Income                | 3.34  | 8.01   | 5.10  |
| UK Property direct              | -1.36 | 3.88   | 6.30  |
| UK Property other               | 5.97  | 3.40   | 32.38 |
| UK Smaller Companies            | 2.53  | 12.75  | 8.84  |



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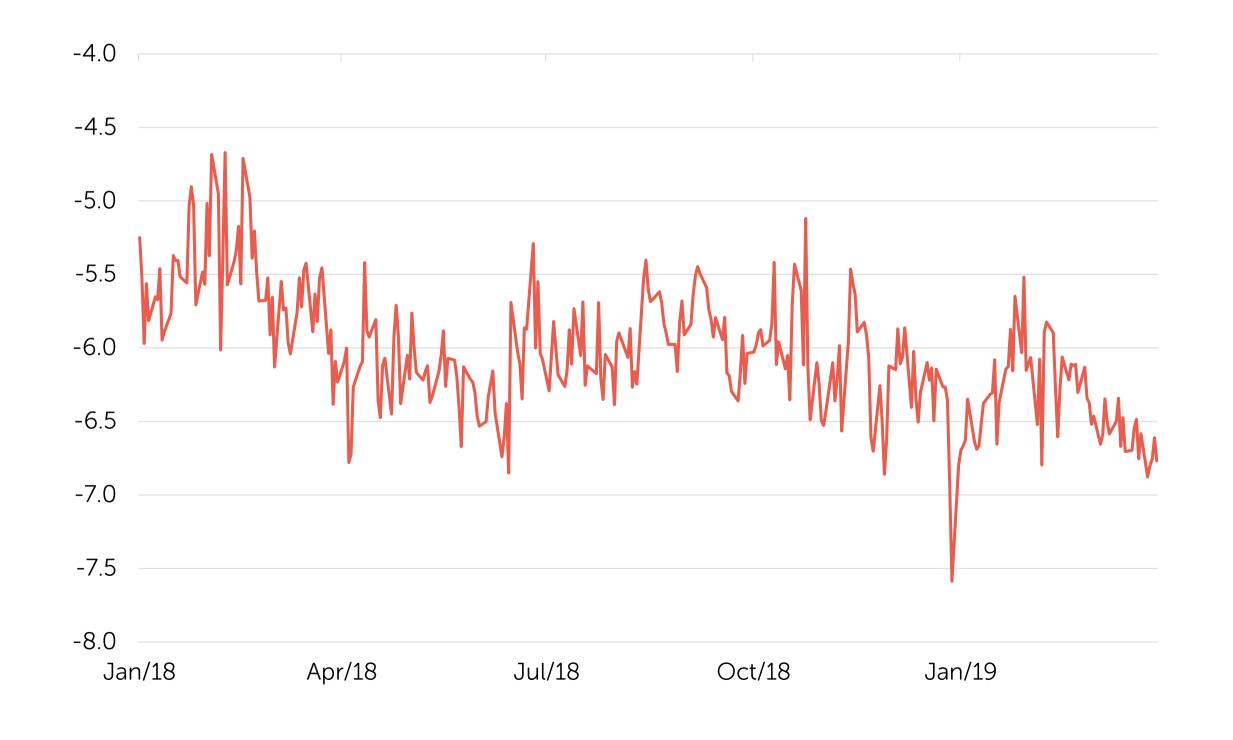
## PERFORMANCE RELATIVE TO INDICES (AND ETFS)

|                                 | 1 YR | 3 YR  | 5 YR  |
|---------------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| Asia Pacific Excluding Japan    | 4.9  | 8.5   | 7.7   |
| China/Greater China             | -2.4 | 6.7   | 13.9  |
| Europe Excluding UK             | 1.3  | 5.1   | 16.5  |
| European Smaller Companies      | -5.5 | -2.1  | -1.0  |
| Global                          | -0.3 | 28.2  | 33.2  |
| Global Emerging Markets         | 4.7  | 9.9   | 2.5   |
| Global Equity Income            | -4.1 | 6.4   | -15.6 |
| Japan                           | -9.2 | 14.6  | 36.9  |
| Japanese Smaller Companies      | -4.7 | 29.6  | 72.6  |
| North America                   | 0.1  | 3.3   | -17.9 |
| North America Smaller Companies | 3.1  | -14.0 | -1.0  |
| Technology/Telecommunications   | 2.2  | 50.5  | 10.4  |
| UK All Companies                | -6.9 | -7.5  | 4.6   |
| UK Equity Income                | -0.2 | -3.7  | 1.8   |
| UK Smaller Companies            | -0.9 | 20.3  | 13.6  |
|                                 |      |       |       |



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### **DISCOUNTS TO NET ASSETS HAVE BEEN WIDENING**



When markets had a wobble in the run-up to Christmas, discounts spiked out beyond 7.5%





### INVESTMENT STRATEGIES – WHAT WORKS AND HOW ARE THEY IMPLEMENTED

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