

# HSBC Flexi Cap Fund

### Fund snapshot

Fund Category	Fund Manager	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Inception Date*	AUM <sup>&amp;</sup>
Flexi Cap Fund	Abhishek Gupta, Sonal Gupta#	NIFTY 500 TRI	24 Feb 2004	Rs. 4,975.41 Cr



Large Caps - Well-researched Large Caps have visibility on earnings growth with proven business and track records.



Mid Caps - Provides strong growth opportunities and relatively under-owned



Small Caps - Opportunities through unexplored and underowned Small Cap businesses



Flexi allocation strategy - Fund can go overweight on equity and within equity on certain market caps in a relatively favorable market cycle or invest in Debt Securities & Money Market instruments

Source - HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as of 31 August 2025.

<sup>&</sup>amp;For disclosure of quarterly AUM/AAUM and AUM by geography, please visit our website: https://www.assetmanagement.hsbc.co.in/en/mutual-funds/investor-resources/information-library#&accordion1446811090=4.

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<sup>1.</sup> As per clause 1.9 of the SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, on 'Guiding Principles for bringing uniformity in Benchmarks of Mutual Fund Schemes' has introduced two-tiered structure for benchmarking of certain categories of schemes. Accordingly, the benchmark has been classified as Tier 1 benchmark effective from 01 December 2021.

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### Portfolio construction approach

**Approach** 

Characteristics

Impact on portfolio

Portfolio return impact

**Quick pitch** 

**Sector Diversification** 



Limits in terms of overweight/ underweight position. Sector cycles played through change in sub-sector weights.

High stock selection impact with an aim for lower volatility.

Potentially lower standard deviation

All-weather fund

Under-researched/ Quality companies



Low analyst coverage and low institutional ownership, however, should fulfil fund manager's '4C' criteria

Key driver for alpha generation

Potential alpha generation through bottom-up approach

**Healthy SMID** 

Risk-reward



Active management of stock weights considering upside potential, liquidity/ impact cost and margin of safety

Right-sizing of bets and reducing impact of commissioning error

Aims to optimise returns

Shock-absorption on rough roads

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# Our 4C approach for HSBC Flexi Cap Fund

#### Company MOAT

- What factors makes this business model excel over its peers?
- Is it Technical/innovation, Financial, lowest cost of production?
- What is brand perception in the eyes of end user & Customer satisfaction score

#### Corporate Governance

- Good capital allocation practices judiciously evaluated
- Independence of Management/professional executives.
- Strong checks and balances to avoid conflict of interest.

#### Cash Flows

- Healthy operating & equity free cash flows
- Capital allocation decision based on ROCE & project-based IRR
- Healthy balance sheet & strong return ratios. (ROCE/ROIC>COC)

### Comparative Valuations

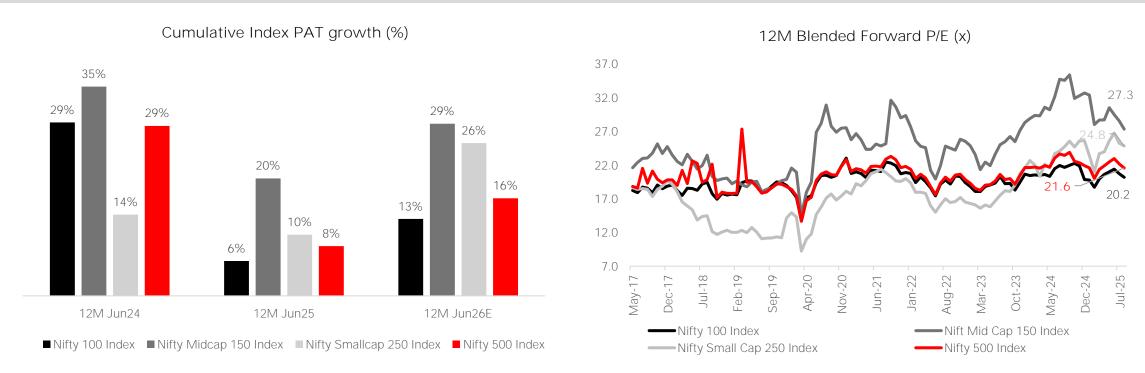
- Using absolute & relative valuations on sectoral basis
- Different valuation matrix depending on sector, company life cycle.
- Understand nuances between static & dynamic value buildup.

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# Variations in growth and valuation warrants a flexible approach

- Earning growth rates have varied across market cap segments. For instance, Nifty Mid Cap Index earnings growth has been the strongest in recent years. However, Nifty Small Cap Index is expected to see sharpest change in earnings growth over the next 12 months.
- Similar trend is visible in valuations. Nifty Small Cap 250 Index was trading cheaper than Nifty 500 Index for most of the history, however, over the past year or so is now trading at premium to Nifty 500 Index arguably on expectations of higher earnings growth.
- These changes in earnings expectation requires active tilt in portfolio in terms of market capitalization, which is possible in Flexi Cap Fund.



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### Sector allocation with active weights

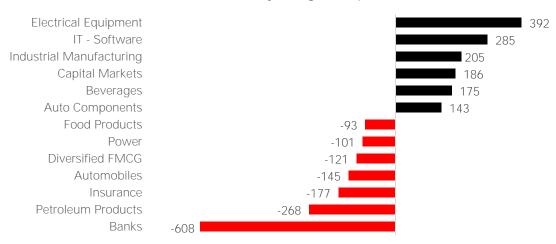
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### <u>Overweight</u>

- **Electrical Equipment:** Exposure primarily to Power T&D companies. Expect strong order inflow and stable margins to continue for most companies.
- IT Software: Sector looks close to bottoming out. US companies' commentary and deal pipeline continue to remain strong.
- Industrial Manufacturing: Aligned to government initiatives on 'Make in India' with focus on EMS and sub-assemblies.
- Capital Markets: Financialization of savings and wealth effect. Prefer Exchanges and Broking/ Wealth Management companies.

#### Active Industry weights (bps)



#### **Underweight**

- Banks: Within Financials, prefer exposure through Capital Markets and NBFCs over Banks.
- Petroleum Products: Geopolitical risk and global uncertainty. Also, volatility in OMC earnings keeps us on sidelines.
- Automobiles: Playing through Auto Components rather than OEMs as that gives widespread exposure at sector level. Overall, Auto remains Equalweight.

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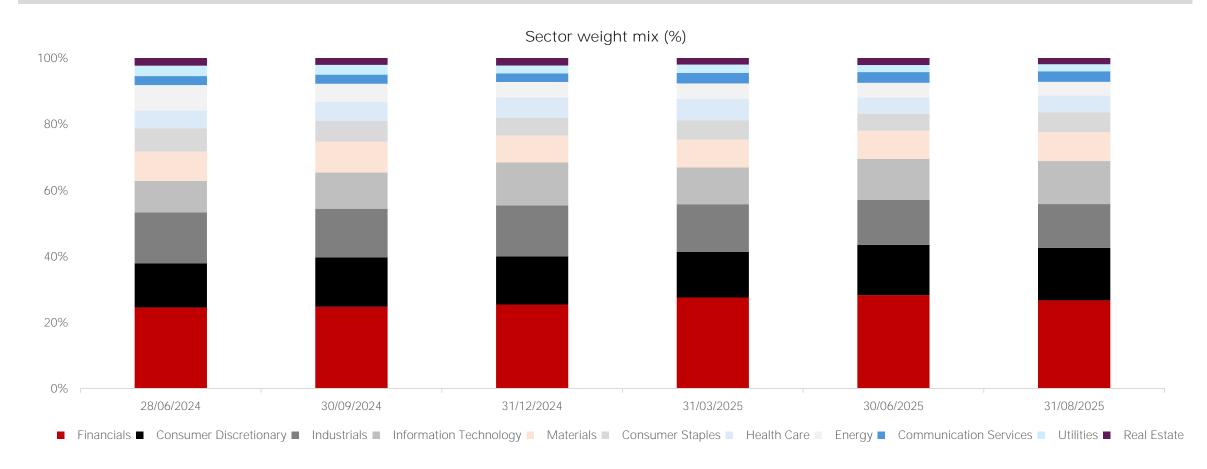
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### Sector allocation trend

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• Sector weights have broadly remained in same range across quarters in line with the fund manager's style



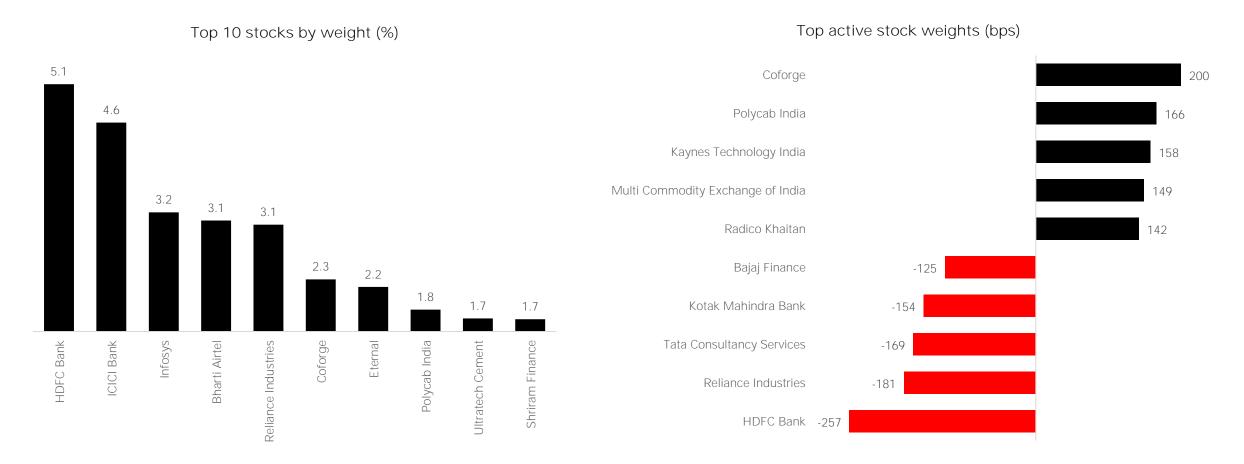
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# Top stocks and active weights

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# Key portfolio metrics

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Number of equity stocks

82

Top 5 stocks weight (%)

19.08

Top 10 stocks weight (%)

28.68

Active Share (%)

58.17

Beta (Slope)<sup>2</sup>

0.98

Sharpe Ratio<sup>1|2</sup>

0.88

Standard Deviation (%)<sup>1</sup>

14.23

Portfolio Turnover (1 year)

0.29

Source: Bloomberg, HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as of 31 August 2025. Note - Quantitative Data disclosed are as per monthly returns (Annualized) for the last 3 years, Risk free rate: 5.52% (FIMMDA-NSE Mibor) Refer to the Fund's website, www.assetmanagement.hsbc.co.in for monthly portfolio disclosures.

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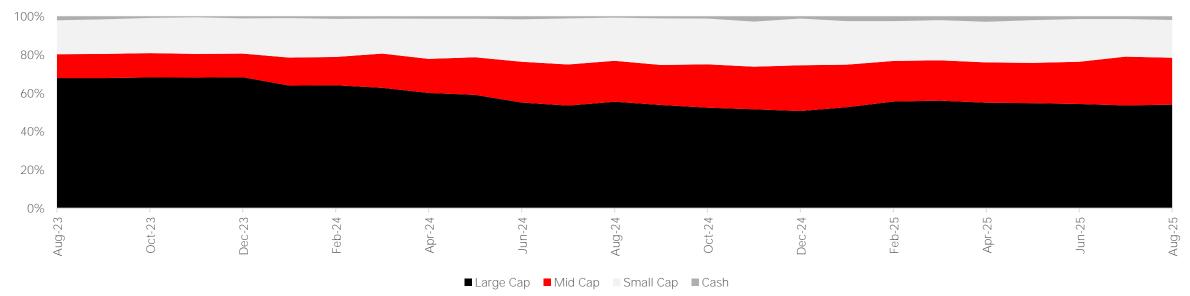
# Market cap classification

### HSBC Flexi Cap Fund

Increase in Mid Cap and reduction in Small Cap allocation since July 2025 has been due to SEBI's semi-annual revision of market capitalization rather than any active increase in allocation. This should normalize over the coming months.

Market Cap (%)	July 2025	August 2025
Large Cap	53.6	54.0
Mid Cap	25.5	24.5
Small Cap	19.6	19.7
Cash	1.4	1.9





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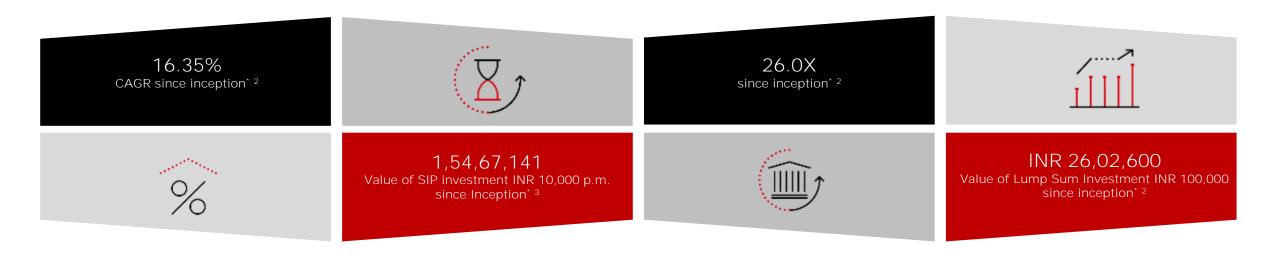


# Fund Snapshot

#### HSBC Flexi Cap Fund

(An open ended equity scheme predominantly investing in mid cap stocks)

Investment Objective - To seek to generate long-term capital growth from an actively managed portfolio of equity and equity related securities of predominantly mid cap companies. However, there can be no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the scheme would be achieved.



Data as on 31 Aug 2025, HSBC Mutual Fund, \* Since inception - 24 Feb 04

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As on 29 August, 2025 of Growth option regular plan. During the same period, scheme benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI) has moved by 20.1x to Rs. 20,15,410 from Rs.1,00,000 and delivered return of 14.97%. Please refer page no. 3 for detailed performance of HSBC Flexi Cap Fund. <sup>3</sup>During the same period, value of investments in scheme benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI) has moved to 1,43,10,670.

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### Lump Sum performance

#### HSBC Flexi Cap Fund

Fund Manager - Abhishek Gupta Effective 01 Mar 2024. Total Schemes Managed – 4, Fund Manager - Sonal Gupta Effective 26 Nov 2022. Total Schemes Managed – 24

Lump Sum Investment Performance						
Fund / Benchmark (Value of Rs 10,000 invested)	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception	Inception Date	
	Returns %	Returns %	Returns %	Returns %	1	
HSBC Flexi Cap Fund-Regular Plan~~	-3.94	18.39	20.47	16.35		
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	-4.42	14.67	20.36	14.97	24-Feb-04	
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	-2.01	12.49	17.92	14.28		
HSBC Flexi Cap Fund-Direct Plan~~	-3.21	19.31	21.40	14.95		
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	-4.42	14.67	20.36	14.25	01-Jan-13	
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	-2.01	12.49	17.92	13.18		

Lump Sum Investment Performance					
Fund / Benchmark	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception	Inception Date
(Value of Rs 10,000 invested)	Amount in ₹	Amount in ₹	Amount in ₹	Amount in ₹	
HSBC Flexi Cap Fund-Regular Plan~~	9607	16593	25360	260260	
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	9559	15080	25248	201541	24-Feb-04
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	9799	14236	22786	176811	
HSBC Flexi Cap Fund-Direct Plan~~	9680	16986	26357	58400	
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	9559	15080	25248	54069	01-Jan-13
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	9799	14236	22786	47980	

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As per clause 5.9.1 of the SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, the scheme returns vis-à-vis the benchmark return (Total Return Index) shall be disclosed are provided from the date of allotment of units.

Post merger performance of the surviving scheme, arising out of merger of schemes with similar features, is computed as per the provisions of clause 13.4 of the SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, on Disclosure of Performance of Schemes post-merger using the weighted average performance of both transferor and transferor schemes. In other cases, performance is computed using the Applicable NAV of the surviving/continuing schemes. ~ Face value Rs 10

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### SIP Performance

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SIP Performance - HSBC Flexi Cap Fund – Regular Plan				
Scheme Name & Benchmarks	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Total amount invested (`)	120000	360000	600000	2580000
Market Value as on August 29, 2025 (`)	1,21,662	4,60,747	9,22,735	1,54,67,141
Scheme Returns (%)	2.61	16.76	17.28	14.49
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark (₹)	1,21,253	4,40,035	8,76,702	1,43,10,670
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark Returns (%)	1.97	13.53	15.19	13.91
Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark (`)	1,22,160	4,27,542	8,31,719	1,30,45,450
Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark Returns (%)	3.40	11.53	13.05	13.22

SIP Performance - HSBC Flexi Cap Fund - Direct Plan				
Scheme Name & Benchmarks	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Total amount invested (`)	120000	360000	600000	1510000
Market Value as on August 29, 2025 (`)	1,22,145	4,66,765	9,44,042	42,27,907
Scheme Returns (%)	3.38	17.68	18.21	15.27
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark (₹)	1,21,253	4,40,035	8,76,702	41,08,741
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark Returns (%)	1.97	13.53	15.19	14.87
Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark (`)	1,22,160	4,27,542	8,31,719	37,55,151
Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark Returns (%)	3.40	11.53	13.05	13.58

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### **Product Label**

Scheme name and Type of scheme	Scheme Risk-o-meter	Benchmark Risk-o-meter (as applicable)
HSBC Flexi Cap Fund (An open ended dynamic equity scheme investing across large cap, mid cap, small cap stocks.)  This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:  • To create wealth over long term  • Investment in equity and equity related securities across market capitalizations.	The risk of the scheme is Very High Risk	As per AMFI Tier I.  Benchmark Index: NIFTY 500 TRI  The risk of the benchmark is Very High Risk

<sup>\*</sup> Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.

Note on Risk-o-meters: Riskometer is as on 31 Aug 2025, Any change in risk-o-meter shall be communicated by way of Notice cum Addendum and by way of an e-mail or SMS to unitholders of that particular scheme

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