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**100**  
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**Your goals are simple:** Protect your family; educate your kids; retire comfortably. It's executing those goals that can be so darned complicated. While MONEY can't turn you into the financial equivalent of Garry Kasparov, you don't need to be a world-class strategist to get where you want to go. What you do need is a guide that will help you control the board no matter what unforeseen events—crashes, recessions, layoffs—may strike. Our annual Best List gives you 100 great ideas for a winning game plan. →

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BEST MOVES

# INVESTING

## 15<sup>18</sup> Best Steady Eddies



These four no-load funds, which hold both stocks and bonds, have proved themselves paragons of consistency that regularly outperform their peers over the long haul. Buy one and you just may sleep a little better at night.

### Mairs & Power Balanced (MAPOX)

3-yr. ann. return: 1.6%  
10-yr. ann. return: 5.9%

Managers of this small Minnesota fund favor stocks of Midwestern companies "that they know well, which has obvious advantages," says Morningstar analyst William Rocco.

### Oakmark Equity & Income (OAKBX)

3-yr. ann. return: 4.5%  
10-yr. ann. return: 9.8%

This balanced fund is known for protecting investors during bad times: In 2008 it was down less than most competitors, thanks to a heaping helping of Treasuries. It's currently about 60% in stocks.

### Parnassus Equity Income (PRBLX)

3-yr. ann. return: 4.4%  
10-yr. ann. return: 6.1%

Manager Todd Ahlsten looks for stocks that have a dividend yield of 1.5% to 4%—"not so little that [the payout] doesn't matter, but not so much that the company can't grow," he says.

### Vanguard Wellington (VWELX)

3-yr. ann. return: 1.8%  
10-yr. ann. return: 6.7%

This venerable fund keeps 60% to 70% of its assets in stocks and favors companies with solid balance sheets and attractive P/E ratios. Its fees run 0.34% a year, about a third what its peers charge.

NOTE: As of March 31. SOURCE: Morningstar

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Average Annual Returns as of 03/31/2010:	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years	20 Years
Mairs and Power Balanced Fund <sup>(1)</sup>	41.43%	4.53%	5.88%	9.68%
S&P 500 Index <sup>(2)</sup>	49.77%	1.92%	-0.65%	8.66%
Composite Index <sup>(3)</sup>	31.57%	3.54%	2.40%	8.35%

- (1) Performance information shown includes the reinvestment of dividend and capital gain distributions, but does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.
- (2) The S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged index of 500 common stocks that is generally considered representative of the U.S. stock market.
- (3) The Composite Index reflects an unmanaged portfolio of 60% of the S&P 500 and 40% of the Barclays Capital Government/Credit Bond Index.

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