

31 October 2018



Australian Share Fund

Fund description

Invests mainly in Australian equities. Investments may include equities in companies that are listed or in the process of listing on the Australian stock exchange, and cash and cash equivalents.

Market and fund review

The fund delivered a negative return of 9.1% for the month.

The Australian share market had its worst monthly performance since August 2015, with the ASX 200 Index falling 6.6% over the month. Trade-related issues, weakness in emerging economies and a fall in crude oil prices had a particular impact on its market. Information technology and energy were the worst-performing sub sectors.

Detracting from returns were the fund's holdings in materials companies Bluescope Steel, Boral and Iluka Resources; all fell by between 15-20% due to weaker commodity prices and trade-related concerns.

Financials were also weak, as the sector came under pressure from the initial findings of the Royal Commission. Investors are concerned about the prospects for the sector, especially if there's a tightening in credit conditions off the back of it. A number of the fund's holdings, including those in Commonwealth Bank of Australia, ANZ and National Australia Bank held back returns.

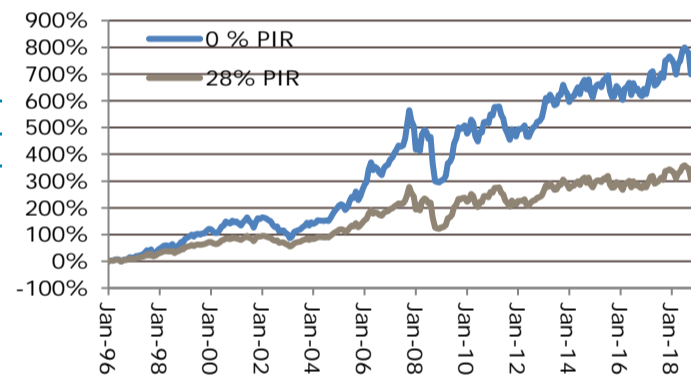
However, the fund's avoidance of the information technology sector was of benefit, given it was the worst-performing sector over the month.

Fund performance

	1mth	3mth	6mth	1yr	3yrs (ann)	5yrs (ann)	Since Launch (ann)
At 0% PIR Tax	-9.1%	-11.3%	-4.7%	-6.1%	3.7%	1.0%	9.6%
At 28% PIR Tax	-8.9%	-11.3%	-5.1%	-6.9%	2.7%	0.0%	6.4%

Performance is after fund fees and stated PIR. The 28% PIR return series shows returns at the highest PIR at the time of the performance. The fund became a PIE fund on 1 October 2007. Performance of the 0% PIR prior to this date has been recalculated on a before tax basis. Performance of the 28% PIR prior to this date are reflective of the tax regime for that period.

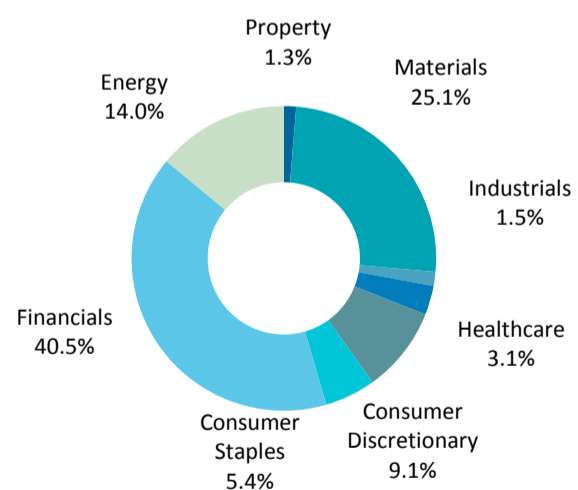
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Top 10 holdings

1	ANZ Banking Group Ltd	8.7%
2	SPI 200 Future Dec 2018	8.4%
3	National Australia Bank Ltd	6.2%
4	Westpac Banking Corporation	6.0%
5	Woodside Petroleum Ltd	6.0%
6	Iluka Resources Ltd	4.6%
7	Aristocrat Leisure	4.6%
8	QBE Insurance Group	4.3%
9	Oil Search Ltd	4.3%
10	Bluescope Steel Ltd	4.3%
Total Top 10 Holdings		57.4%
# of Share Holdings		31

Sector allocation



The sector allocation of this fund is based on the GICS sector of the stocks held in the underlying fund, in which the fund invests.

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Hedging levels

Benchmark hedging rate	Current Hedging
0%	0%

Current fund structure



External fund manager

Nikko AM Limited

Nikko AM Limited (Nikko AM) is a Sydney based manager who manages a portfolio of Australian equities. Nikko uses an investment style that seeks to identify good value stocks that offer the best compromise between risk and expected return.

Additional fund information

Minimum transaction size

Lump sum withdrawals	\$500
Regular withdrawals	\$100

Fees

Annual fund charge	1.29%
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Launch date

26 January 1996

Detailed fund information

[Guide and product disclosure statement](#)

Forms to alter your investment

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