# **Funds Snapshot**

Monthly Update as at 30 April 2024





AUSTRALASIAN GROWTH



GLOBAL GROWTH



DIVERSIFIED

# **FUND DETAILS**

		Fund Status	Inception Date	Unit Price	Standard Withdrawal Period (working days)	Lead Portfolio Manager(s)	Co-Portfolio Manager
	Pie KiwiSaver Conservative		Aug-18	\$1.18		M. Taylor, T. Murdo	och
3	Pie KiwiSaver Balanced		Aug-18	\$1.34		M. Taylor, T. Murdo	och
	Pie KiwiSaver Growth		Aug-18	\$1.55		M. Taylor, T. Murdo	och
	Australasian Growth		Dec-07	\$7.49	15	M. Goltsman	M. Ross
25	Australasian Growth 2		Aug-15	\$2.57	10	M. Lopez	K. Williams
) Section of the sect	Australasian Dividend Growth		Sep-11	\$4.56	10	M. Ross	M. Goltsman
	Australasian Emerging	lacksquare	Apr-13	\$6.60	15	K. Williams	M. Lopez
	Global Growth		Sep-13	\$2.47	10	G. Thornewill, T. W	oods* & M. Taylor
	Global Growth 2		May-18	\$1.31	5	G. Thornewill, T. W	oods* & M. Taylor
	Growth UK & Europe		Nov-16	\$1.78	10	G. Thornewill, T. W	oods* & M. Taylor
	Conservative		Apr-15	\$1.17	5	T. Murdoch, M. Tay	lor
S	Chairman's***		Sep-14	\$2.45	15	M. Taylor	M. Lopez
	Fixed Income		Dec-23	\$1.01	5	T. Murdoch, M. Tay	lor
	Property & Infrastructure		Dec-23	\$1.03	5	M. Taylor, T. Wood	s & M. Young**

<sup>\*</sup>Guy Thornewill and Toby Woods are responsible for research and analysis



# **PERFORMANCE**

		1 month	3 month	1 yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a)	Total since inception
	Pie KiwiSaver Conservative	-1.5%	1.0%	6.5%	-0.1%	3.1%	3.0%	18.4%
1	Pie KiwiSaver Balanced	-2.1%	3.6%	10.9%	-1.2%	5.6%	5.4%	35.0%
	Pie KiwiSaver Growth	-2.2%	4.8%	12.9%	-3.0%	8.1%	8.2%	56.5%
	Australasian Growth	-0.9%	8.3%	26.4%	-1.9%	6.7%	13.2%	660.5%
The state of the s	Australasian Growth 2	-1.5%	11.1%	18.7%	-6.5%	8.3%	11.5%	158.7%
LA CO	Australasian Dividend Growth	-3.3%	6.8%	20.5%	7.2%	13.8%	16.0%	551.4%
	Australasian Emerging	0.4%	8.7%	20.0%	5.8%	13.4%	18.7%	565.0%
	Global Growth	-3.7%	0.8%	0.4%	0.5%	9.2%	8.9%	148.4%
	Global Growth 2	-2.2%	4.6%	11.2%	2.6%	6.3%	4.7%	31.9%
	Growth UK & Europe	-3.0%	1.1%	5.0%	-2.2%	7.5%	8.1%	79.0%
	Conservative	-1.3%	0.0%	5.3%	1.7%	2.9%	3.7%	38.5%
(\$)	Chairman's	-2.4%	4.8%	11.5%	0.9%	9.4%	9.8%	147.0%
(\$)	Fixed Income	-1.7%	-1.6%					0.7%
	Property & Infrastructure	-2.7%	0.8%					2.9%

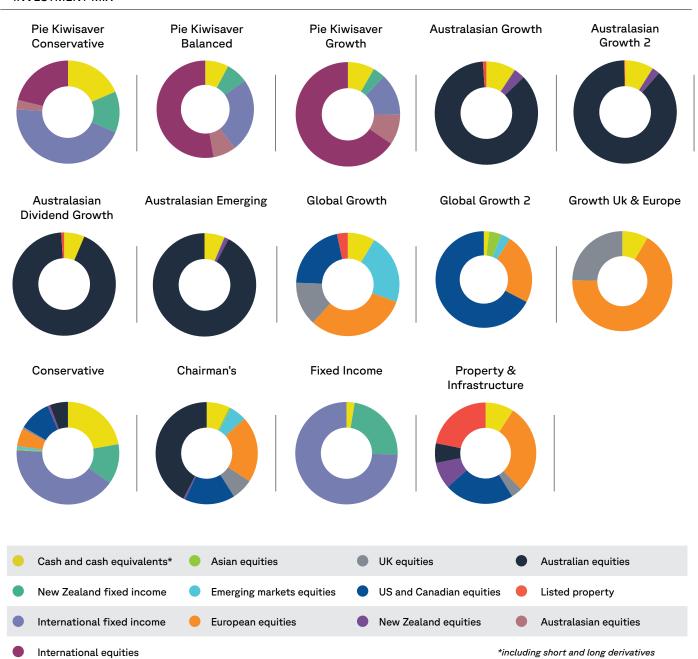
Figures are after fees and before any individual tax except for the KiwiSaver returns which are before fees and any individual tax.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Toby Woods and Matt Young are responsible for research and analysis
\*\*\*Minimum investment is \$500,000

Monthly Update as at 30 April 2024

# Total Funds Under Management: \$2b

#### **INVESTMENT MIX**







MIKE TAYLOR Founder and Chief Investment Officer

# **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Pie KiwiSaver Growth Fund returned -2.2% during the month, bringing its 12-month return to 12.9%.

April was a more difficult month for global equities, especially for small caps. In the US, the Russell 2000 smaller company index fell 7%, and the DOW was down 5%, as bond yields moved higher following recent data showing that the steep declines in inflation have slowed. We still expect inflation to fall further during 2024, but interest rate cuts in the US have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. Continued strong earnings from US large-cap tech reinforce our view that the AI theme has plenty of runways and is a multi-year story.

The best performers during April were TotalEnergies and Newmont. TotalEnergies, the large French oil and renewable energy producer gained as the oil price initially rose early in the month due to geopolitical tensions. Newmont, the large gold mining company, rose after reporting excellent results, helped by a rapid rise in the gold price in recent months, which has been largely driven by central bank buying. On the negative side, the main detractors were Microsoft and Meta, despite both companies posting good results.

We initiated one new position in the month, the Danish affordable jewellery retailer Pandora. The company is performing very well right now, gaining market share and expanding its store base globally, as well as buying in franchises. This should lead to earnings upgrades over time, and the company also has a very high-quality management team.

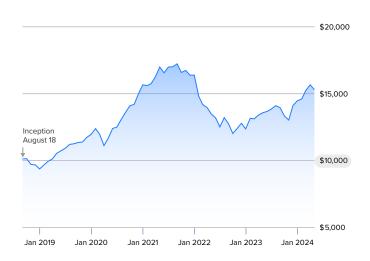
In summary, despite the pullback in markets during the month, we were pleased the Fund held up well, and we remain optimistic about the opportunities for upside we see within the current holdings.



TRAVIS MURDOCH Head of Fixed Income and Portfolio Manager

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

If you had invested \$10,000 at inception, the graph below shows what it would be worth today, before fees and tax.



Growth Fund

# **FUND DETAILS**

Recommended				
minimum investment				
period				
Objective				

7 years

Objective

Seeks to maximise capital growth for members over a period exceeding 7 years.

Description

Invests primarily in International and Australasian equities with a focus on globally-known brands, along with a cash and fixed interest exposure, directly and/or through investment in other funds also managed by Pie

Funds.

Inception date August 2018

Risk indicator



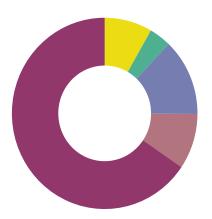
PERFORMANCE					
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Growth Fund	-2.2%	12.9%	-3.0%	8.1%	8.2%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-2.3%	15.2%	7.5%	9.1%	8.5%

We report fund performance before fees and before individual PIR tax applied.

The market index is a composite index (5% NZBond Bank Bill Index (NZD), 5% Bloomberg NZBond Credit 0+ Yr Index (NZD), 10% Bloomberg Global
Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index (100% hedged to NZD), 15% S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD), 65% S&P Global
Broad Market (BMI) Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD)).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash and cash equivalents	8.3%
New Zealand Fixed Income	3.8%
<ul> <li>International Fixed Income</li> </ul>	13.0%
Australasian Equities	9.4%
<ul> <li>International Equities</li> </ul>	65.5%

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



# **TOP FIVE HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING CASH)**

Amazon.Com Inc

Microsoft Corporation

Morrison & Co High Conviction Infrastructure Fund

Stryker Corp

TotalEnergies SE

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order and exclude cash.

**UNIT PRICE** 

\$1.55

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

8.2% p.a.

before fees and before tax



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MIKE TAYLOR
Founder and Chief
Investment Officer

# **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Pie KiwiSaver Balanced Fund returned -2.1% during the month, bringing its 12-month return to 10.9%.

April was a more difficult month for global equities, especially for small caps. In the US, the Russell 2000 smaller company index fell 7%, and the DOW was down 5%, as bond yields moved higher following recent data showing that the steep declines in inflation have slowed. We still expect inflation to fall further during 2024, but interest rate cuts in the US have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. Continued strong earnings from US large-cap tech reinforce our view that the AI theme has plenty of runways and is a multi-year story.

The best performers during April were TotalEnergies and Newmont. TotalEnergies, the large French oil and renewable energy producer gained as the oil price initially rose early in the month due to geopolitical tensions. Newmont, the large gold mining company, rose after reporting excellent results, helped by a rapid rise in the gold price in recent months, which has been largely driven by central bank buying. We initiated one new position in the month, the Danish affordable jewellery retailer Pandora. The company is performing very well right now, gaining market share and expanding its store base globally, as well as buying in franchises.

After a significant re-pricing in interest rates, we think bond yields are attractive, providing a cushion against rates moving higher and the potential for capital gains when rates fall. The Fund is well diversified and positioned to take advantage of ongoing geographic divergence in government bonds.

In summary, despite the pullback in markets during the month, we were pleased the Fund held up well, and we remain optimistic about the opportunities for upside we see within the current holdings.

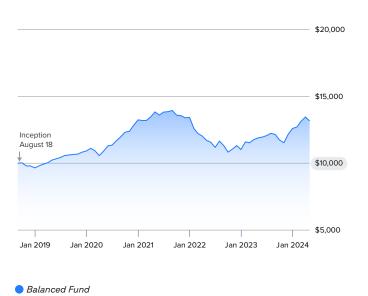


TRAVIS MURDOCH

Head of Fixed Income and
Portfolio Manager

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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FUND DETAILS	
Recommended minimum investment period	5 years
Objective	Seeks to provide members with steady capital growth over a period exceeding 5 years.
Description	Invests in equities, with a reasonable allocation towards fixed interest, directly and/or through investment in the Pie KiwiSaver Growth Fund and/or through other funds also managed by Pie Funds.

Inception date August 2018

Risk indicator



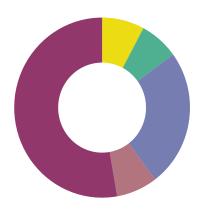
PERFORMANCE					
	1 month	1 yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Balanced Fund	-2.1%	10.9%	-1.2%	5.6%	5.4%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-1.9%	12.4%	5.7%	7.1%	6.9%

We report fund performance before fees and before individual PIR tax applied.

1. The market index is a composite index (10% NZBond Bank Bill Index (NZD), 10% Bloomberg NZBond Credit 0+ Yr Index (NZD), 20% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index (100% hedged to NZD), 10% S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD), 50% S&P Global Broad Market (BMI) Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD)).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash and cash equivalents	7.8%
New Zealand Fixed Income	7.2%
<ul> <li>International Fixed Income</li> </ul>	24.7%
Australasian Equities	7.6%
<ul> <li>International Equities</li> </ul>	52.8%

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



# TOP FIVE HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING CASH)

Amazon.Com Inc

Microsoft Corporation

Morrison & Co High Conviction Infrastructure Fund

Stryker Corp

TotalEnergies SE

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order and exclude cash.

**UNIT PRICE** 

\$1.34

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

5.4% p.a.

before fees and before tax



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# Pie KiwiSaver Conservative Fund Monthly Update as at 30 April 2024

# PORTFOLIO MANAGER(S)



MIKE TAYLOR
Founder and Chief
Investment Officer

# **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Pie KiwiSaver Conservative Fund returned -1.5% during the month, bringing its 12-month return to 6.5%.

April was a more difficult month for global equities, especially for small caps. In the US, the Russell 2000 smaller company index fell 7%, and the DOW was down 5%, as bond yields moved higher following recent data showing that the steep declines in inflation have slowed. We still expect inflation to fall further during 2024, but interest rate cuts in the US have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. However, continued strong earnings from US large-cap tech reinforce our view that the AI theme has plenty of runways and is a multi-year story.

After a significant re-pricing in global yields year-to-date, we think the bulk of the pain has been taken for now. Bond yields are attractive, providing a cushion against rates moving higher and potential for capital gains when rates fall. The Fund is well diversified and positioned to take advantage of ongoing geographic divergence in government bonds. We continue to think Europe will be the first to cut rates next month, followed closely by New Zealand.

The best performering equity holdings during April were TotalEnergies and Newmont. TotalEnergies, the large French oil and renewable energy producer gained as the oil price initially rose early in the month due to geopolitical tensions. Newmont, the large gold mining company, rose after reporting excellent results, helped by a rapid rise in the gold price in recent months, which has been largely driven by central bank buying. We initiated one new position in the month, the Danish affordable jewellery retailer Pandora.

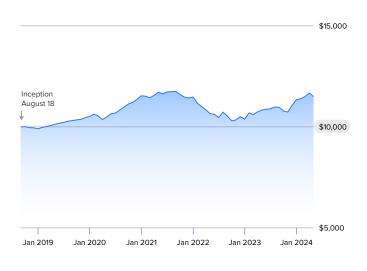
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**TRAVIS MURDOCH**Head of Fixed Income and Portfolio Manager

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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Conservative Fund

# **FUND DETAILS**

Description

Recommended minimum investment period 3 years

Objective Seeks to preserve members' capital

with modest growth over a period exceeding 3 years.

Invests primarily in fixed interest and cash, with an allocation to equities, directly and/or through investment in the Pie KiwiSaver Balanced Fund and/or through other funds also managed by Pie

Funds.

August 2018

Risk indicator

Inception date



PERFORMANCE					
	1 month	1 yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Conservative Fund	-1.5%	6.5%	-0.1%	3.1%	3.0%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-1.3%	7.1%	2.6%	3.5%	3.9%

We report fund performance before fees and before individual PIR tax applied.

1. The market index is a composite index (25% NZBond Bank Bill Index (NZD), 15% Bloomberg NZBond Credit 0+ Yr Index (NZD), 35% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index (100% hedged to NZD), 6% S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD), 19% S&P Global Broad Market (BMI) Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD)).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash and cash equivalents	18.5%
New Zealand Fixed Income	12.9%
International Fixed Income	44.4%
Australasian Equities	3.0%
International Equities	21.2%

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



# TOP FIVE HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING CASH)

Contact Energy Ltd 6.398% 21/11/2030

JPMorgan Chase & Co 5.336% 23/01/2035

Mercury NZ Ltd 5.64% 19/06/2028

Pfizer Inc 4.65% 19/05/2030

TotalEnergies SE 3.455% 19/02/2029

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order and exclude cash.



**UNIT PRICE** 

\$1.18

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

**3.0%** p.a.

before fees and before tax



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MICHAEL GOLTSMAN Lead Portfolio Manager

# **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Australasian Growth Fund returned -0.9% in April, bringing it to a 12-month return of 26.4%.

Generation Development Group provided a solid trading update for its March 2024 quarter. Investment Bonds, which is a long-term investment product that offers tax advantages, had \$154m of inflows, up 50% on the prior year. The result was particularly strong in the context that March is typically a slow quarter. We suspect that the Federal Government's planned legislative changes to tax superannuation balances above \$3m are starting to attract new demand to Investment Bonds and will likely support continued sales momentum.

Pacific Smiles' takeover battle intensified in April with a second bidder, National Dental Care, emerging with a \$1.90 cash offer. National Dental Care is owned by PE Firm Crescent Capital. As a competing dental network in Australia, a merger of the two groups is likely to produce significant synergies. We continue to hold Pacific Smiles and see an opportunity for higher offers to emerge, given its strategic value to both bidders.

Cettire was a detractor this month. Since its IPO, Cettire has lacked transparency around its business model, which has led to investors raising questions about the way it deals with sales taxes, duties, and its relationship with suppliers. Business performance remains extraordinary, with the company this month confirming it grew sales revenue by 88% in 3Q24, although it proved insufficient to offset the poor market sentiment surrounding the stock.

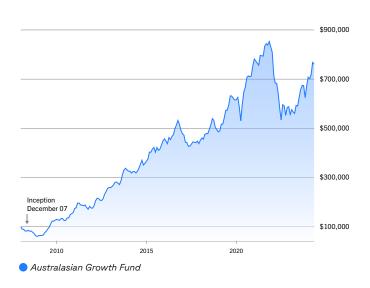
We increased the number of positions to 29 (up from 26) during the month, and cash has reduced to 9.2%.



MIKE ROSS Co-Portfolio Manager

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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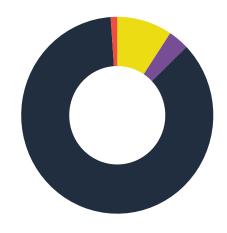
FUND DETAILS						
Recommended minimum investment period	5 years					
Objective	Capital growth over a period exceeding five years.					
Description	Invests predominantly in Australasian smaller com					
Inception date	December 2007					
Standard withdrawal period	15 working days					
Risk indicator						
	Potentially Lower Returns  1 2 3 4 5  Lower Risk	Potentially Higher Returns  6 7 Higher Risk				

PERFORMANCE							
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	10 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Australasian Growth Fund	-0.9%	26.4%	-1.9%	6.7%	8.4%	8.8%	13.2%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-2.9%	8.8%	0.3%	4.5%	6.3%	6.5%	1.1%

1. S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD).

INVESTMENT MIX				
Cash (including Derivatives)	9.3%			
New Zealand Equities	3.5%			
Australian Equities	86.1%			
<ul><li>Listed Property</li></ul>	1.1%			

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



Reject Shop Ltd/The

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order.

TOP FIVE EQUITY HOLDINGS
Clearview Wealth Ltd
Generation Development Group Ltd
IPD Group Ltd
Life360 Inc
Reject Shop Ltd/The

**UNIT PRICE** 

\$7.49

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

13.2% p.a.

after fees and before tax

**FUND STATUS** 

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MIKE ROSS Lead Portfolio Manager



**MICHAEL GOLTSMAN**Co-Portfolio Manager





#### **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Dividend Growth Fund returned -3.3% in April, bringing it to a 12-month return of 20.5%.

Sticky inflation and rising bond yields weighed on equities in April. Detractors outnumbered winners, and the most notable of them were Cettire, Johns Lyng, and Karoon. On the positive side of the ledger were Navigator Global Investments, Aussie Broadband and Alliance Aviation.

The fund was active during the month, adding one new position and increasing others while recycling capital out of winners or lower-conviction investments.

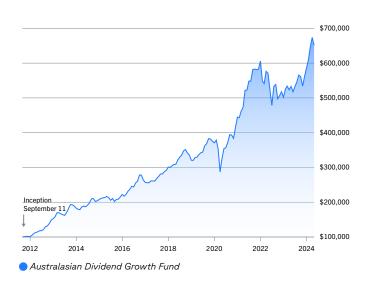
Alliance Aviation finished the month 9% higher after providing more clarity around its funding profile. Alliance is an owner and operator of Fokker and Embraer aircraft, generating most of its revenues through contracted and wet-leasing services to resource companies and commercial airlines. Its capital allocation has been counter-cyclical, heavily expanding its fleet during times of distress for the global aviation industry. While positive for long-term returns, in recent years, this has meant significant upfront investment and a growing balance sheet, which is why we have maintained a smaller position. Alliance's second bulk purchase of Embraer E190s in 2023 caught us off-guard as it pushed out Alliance's deleveraging profile.

The good news is that given the prices paid for assets and the commercial terms available, we believe the company should achieve strong returns on capital and free cash flow over the medium term, which would result in a healthier balance sheet and significantly higher share price. Recent support from lenders is encouraging.

Karoon released a weak quarterly result that included a downgrade to production guidance at "Who Dat" in the Gulf of Mexico. Given the company's interest in the asset was recently acquired and involved a large and poorly executed equity raise, this development was a knock to market sentiment in addition to short-term cash flow.

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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# **FUND DETAILS**

	Recommended minimum investment period	5 years	
	Objective	Generate income and capital growth over a period exceeding 5 years.	
	Description	Invests predominantly in listed Australasian smaller and medium growth companies paying dividends or that will produce cash-flow for future distributions.	
	Inception date	September 2011	
	Standard withdrawal period	10 working days	
	Risk indicator	Potentially Potentially Higher Returns  1 2 3 4 5 6 7	

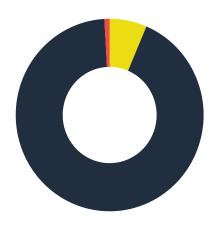
Lower Risk

PERFORMANCE							
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	10 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Australasian Dividend Growth Fund	-3.3%	20.5%	7.2%	13.8%	13.8%	13.2%	16.0%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-2.9%	8.8%	0.3%	4.5%	6.3%	6.5%	3.6%

1. S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD).

INVESTMENT MIX				
Cash (including Derivatives)	6.4%			
Australian equities	92.7%			
<ul><li>Listed Property</li></ul>	0.9%			

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



# TOP FIVE EQUITY HOLDINGS

**AUB Group Limited** 

Aussie Broadband Pty Ltd

Johns Lyng Group LTD

Karoon Gas Australia Ltd

Mermaid Marine Australia Ltd

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order.

\$4.56

**UNIT PRICE** 

**16.0%** p.a.

ANNUALISED RETURN

after fees and before tax

SINCE INCEPTION

**FUND STATUS** 

CLOSED OPEN





**KENT WILLIAMS**Lead Portfolio Manager

#### **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Emerging Companies Fund returned 0.4% in April, bringing it to a 12-month return of 20.0%.

April brought uncertainty to equity markets, with large global indices selling off in the first half of the month. Markets have gained some ground in the latter half of the month, particularly Australian indices, given our exposure to commodities, which have been the best performers.

The key contributors to performance were Winsome Resources, Firefly Metals and Metro Mining. Our exposure to resources drove fund performance, with resources being the only sector to deliver a positive return in the market.

Winsome resources rallied strongly after acquiring a site with an operational plant below cost. This fast tracks them to lithium production by at least 3-5 years, a huge outcome. We are surprised the stock was not up more on the news.

Firefly Metals benefited from higher copper prices and positive drill results during the month. We believe Firefly is one of the most attractive copper exposures on the ASX and see a strong path to resource upgrades and then production.

Metro Mining is a story of operational improvements coupled with stronger market dynamics. This combination is a perfect setup for outsized shareholder returns, and we think this story has more to play out.

Dropsuite detracted after releasing their quarterly results. The business continues to deliver exceptional top-line growth with best-in-class software metrics.

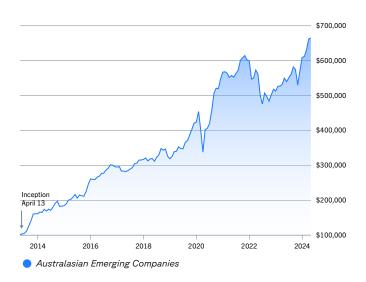
In summary, despite the pullback in markets during the month, we were pleased with the performance of the Emerging Companies Fund, which finished positive and remain optimistic about the opportunities for upside we see within the current holdings.



MICHELLE LOPEZ
Head of Australasian Equities and
Co-Portfolio Manager

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

If you had invested \$100,000 at inception, the graph below shows what it would be worth today.



FUND DETAILS				
Recommended minimum investment period	5 years			
Objective	Capital growth over a period exceeding five years.			
Description	Invests predominantly in listed Australasian emerging companies.			
Inception date	April 2013			
Standard withdrawal period	15 working days			
Risk indicator				
	Potentially Potentially Lower Returns Higher Returns			
	1 2 3 4 5 6 7			

Lower Risk



PERFORMANCE							
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	10 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Australasian Emerging Companies Fund	0.4%	20.0%	5.8%	13.4%	13.0%	14.7%	18.7%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	3.0%	5.9%	3.2%	12.0%	10.7%	9.6%	6.4%

<sup>1.</sup> S&P/ASX Emerging Companies Index Total Return (75% hedged to NZD).

INVESTMENT MIX				
Cash (including Derivatives)	6.3%			
Global Fixed Income	0.1%			
New Zealand Equities	1.3%			
Australian Equities	92.3%			

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.

TOP FIVE EQUITY HOLDINGS
Audinate Group Ltd
Addinate Group Ltd
Austin Engineering Ltd
IPD Group Ltd
Mermaid Marine Australia Ltd

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order.

Service Stream LTD

UNIT PRICE	ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION	FUND STATUS
\$6.60	18.7% p.a.	CLOSED OPEN





MICHELLE LOPEZ
Head of Australasian Equities and
Lead Portfolio Manager

#### **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Australasian Growth 2 Fund returned -1.5% in April, bringing it to a 12-month return of 18.7%.

Australian shares had a tougher period during April, as inflation showed signs of acceleration and more evidence of labour market strength. This drove a 46bps increase in the Australian 10-year bond yield and economists pushing out any rate cut into 2025. Given the shift in expectations from a macro policy perspective, the pullback was within expectations.

A key contributor to performance this month was Telix Pharmaceuticals (+16.8%), which benefitted from a strong 1024 update. Its key commercial product, ILLUCIX (prostate cancer imaging agent), reported 18% quarter-onquarter sales growth, which exceeded expectations and indicates that they are growing well ahead of the market and taking share. The company is on track to receive FDA approval for its second commercial product this year (Zircaix), with revenue to flow through in CY25. The key risk (to both the up and downside) for this company will be the readout of data on their ProstACT Select study. These are trials for their first therapeutic asset, TLX591, and are expected mid-year. Our view is that there is little value attributable to this drug in the company's valuation. However, a negative readout may cause a material move in the share price, especially given the very strong share price performance (+50% year to date).

Pro Medicus (+7.4%) was another contributor to performance. Whilst there was no specific corporate news, there remains a long-run way for growth for their Visage product as they continue to win contracts, move into new adjacencies such as Cardiology and leverage their product's edge with the use of artificial intelligence in Radiology.

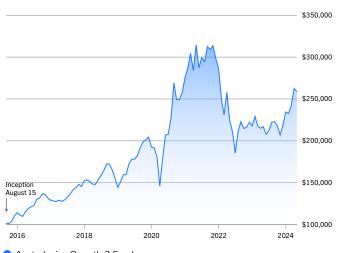
Karoon released a weak quarterly result that included a downgrade to production guidance at "Who Dat" in the Gulf of Mexico. Given the company's interest in the asset was recently acquired and involved a large and poorly executed equity raise, this development was a knock to market sentiment in addition to short-term cash flow.



**KENT WILLIAMS**Co-Portfolio Manager

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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Australasian Growth 2 Fund

	FUND DETAILS			
	Recommended minimum investment period	5 years		
	Objective	Capital growth over a perexceeding five years.	eriod	
	Description	Invests predominantly in listed Australasian smaller and medium companies.		
	Inception date	August 2015		
	Standard withdrawal period	10 working days		
	Risk indicator			
		Potentially Lower Returns	Potentially Higher Returns	

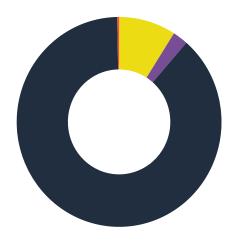
Lower Risk

PERFORMANCE						
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Australasian Growth 2 Fund	-1.5%	18.7%	-6.5%	8.3%	10.6%	11.5%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-2.4%	6.6%	-0.4%	4.1%	6.0%	7.3%

1. S&P/ASX Mid Cap 50 & Small Ordinaries Daily 50/50 Blend Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash (including Derivatives)	9.0%
New Zealand Equities	2.4%
Australian Equities	88.3%
<ul><li>Listed Property</li></ul>	0.3%

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



# TOP FIVE EQUITY HOLDINGS

Life360 Inc

Mineral Resources Ltd

Resmed Inc

Seven Group Holdings Ltd

Webjet Ltd

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order.

**UNIT PRICE** 

\$2.57

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

11.5% p.a.

after fees and before tax

**FUND STATUS** 

CLOSED OPEN





GUY THORNEWILL\*
Head of Global Research



TOBY WOODS\*
Senior Investment Analyst



MIKE TAYLOR Founder and Chief Investment Officer

\*Guy Thornewill and Toby Woods are responsible for research and analysis

#### **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Global Growth Fund returned -3.7% during the month, taking its 12-month return to 0.4%.

April was a more difficult month for global equities, especially for small caps. In the US, the Russell 2000 smaller company index fell 7%, as bond yields moved higher following recent data showing that the steep declines in inflation have slowed. We still expect inflation to fall further during 2024, but interest rate cuts in the US have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. This data has been unhelpful for smaller company equity valuations in the short term, but we remain convinced that this asset class remains very undervalued at current levels.

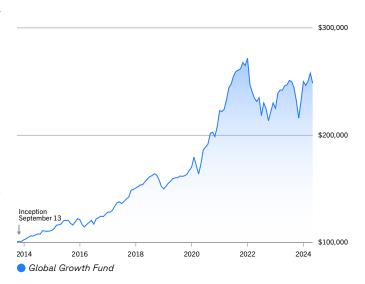
Companies are now reporting first-quarter results, which have been mostly positive for the fund so far. Sdiptech showed resilient organic growth that was higher than expected, driving the shares up 11% on the day of release. Other notable performers included Vusion Group, which announced impressive orders, including an additional €1bn order from Walmart for its electronic shelf label solutions, and our recent purchase of Blackbaud, which rose after receiving a bid from private equity firm Clearlake Capital. We believe the low bid significantly undervalues the company. Blackbaud is a cloud computing provider that serves the social good community—nonprofits, foundations, education institutions and healthcare.

On the negative side, Bufab missed revenue numbers, indicating a slowdown for its industrial clients, which triggered the stock to fall 13% on the day. We expect demand to rebound later in the year. Colliers International, the real estate business, was weak ahead of results, but mainly because of the change in interest rate expectations, so we added to our holding.

We added one new position during April. We participated in an IPO for the first time in more than two years, which was well judged, as French software company Planisware advanced 25% on its first trading day. We exited CIE Automotive as the end market for autos is slowing faster than we had expected, and we also sold Rational as the shares had reached our valuation after a strong performance.

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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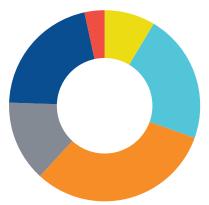


FUND DETAILS				
Recommended minimum investment period	5 years			
Objective	Capital growth over a period exceeding five years.			
Description	Invests predominantly in listed international smaller companies, international managed funds and other products issued by Pie Funds.			
Inception date	September 2013			
Standard withdrawal period	10 working days			
Risk indicator	Potentially Lower Returns  1 2 3 4  Lower Risk	Potentially Higher Returns  6 7  Higher Risk		

PERFORMANCE							
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	10 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Global Growth Fund	-3.7%	0.4%	0.5%	9.2%	8.9%	8.9%	8.9%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-3.8%	13.5%	4.7%	8.5%	8.6%	10.4%	10.1%

<sup>1.</sup> S&P Global SmallCap Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash (including Derivatives)	8.6%
<ul> <li>Emerging Market Equities</li> </ul>	21.9%
<ul><li>European Equities</li></ul>	31.4%
UK Equities	13.7%
<ul> <li>US and Canadian Equities</li> </ul>	21.1%
Listed Property	3.4%



Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may

# **TOP FIVE EQUITY HOLDINGS**

Blackbaud Inc

CBIZ Inc

Discoverie Group PLC

Frp Advisory Group PLC

William Blair SICAV

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order.

**UNIT PRICE** 

\$2.47

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

8.9% p.a.

after fees and before tax

# **FUND STATUS**

CLOSED OPEN





**GUY THORNEWILL\*** Head of Global Research



**TOBY WOODS\*** Senior Investment Analyst



MIKE TAYLOR Founder and Chief Investment Officer

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#### **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Growth UK and Europe Fund returned -3.0% during the month, bringing it to a 12-month return of 5.0%.

April was a tricker month across the board in equities, with Europe being no exception, as the 'higher-for-longer' narrative took its toll on the markets. For Europe, however, the light at the end of the tunnel is closer than elsewhere, with the market factoring an 85% chance of a first interest rate cut by the ECB in June. In the US, the first cut is not expected until the end of the year.

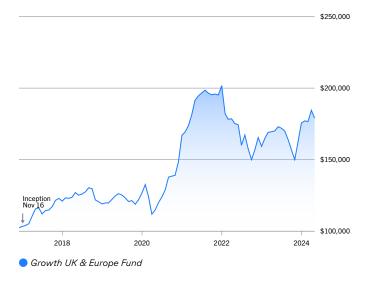
We have started to have companies reporting first-quarter results, which, on the whole, have been positive for the fund. For instance, Sdiptech showed resilient organic growth that was higher than expected, driving the shares up 11% on the day of release. Vusion announced impressive orders, backed up by an additional €1bn order from Walmart for its electronic shelf label solutions. The shares ended the session 15% higher. Although MIPS's results were light versus expectations, they indicated a potential inflection point in orders, pushing the shares up by 10%. On the negative side, however, Bufab missed revenue numbers, indicating a slowdown for its industrial clients, which triggered the stock to fall 13% on the day. Finally, although Trainline has yet to report, the shares have been weak due to the announcement from the UK Labour Party that it wants to nationalise parts of the railway. The concern is that third-party ticket retailers would be sidelined, despite Labour insisting this would not be the case.

We added two new positions during April. We participated in an IPO for the first time in more than two years, which was well-judged, as French software company Planisware advanced 25% on its debut. We also bought SOL, an Italian supplier of medical and industrial gases. We have been following the company for more than a year, and the FY 2023 results confirmed its earnings quality, so we initiated a position. We exited Royal Unibrew to fund these positions.

Overall, with a story of growth recovery, falling interest rates and very compelling valuations, we remain optimistic about the fund's performance in the coming 12 months.

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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FUND DETAILS					
Recommended minimum investment period	5 years				
Objective	Capital growth over a period exceeding five years.				
Description	Invests predominantly in listed UK & European smaller companies.				
Inception date	November 2016				
Standard withdrawal period	10 working days				
Risk indicator					
	Potentially Potentially Lower Returns Higher Returns				
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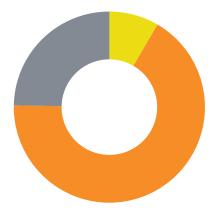
Lower Risk

PERFORMANCE						
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Growth UK & Europe Fund	-3.0%	5.0%	-2.2%	7.5%	6.5%	8.1%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-0.9%	6.6%	0.9%	6.1%	6.1%	8.7%

<sup>1.</sup> S&P Europe Small Cap Gross Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash (including Derivatives)	8.4%
European Equities	66.9%
<ul><li>UK Equities</li></ul>	24.7%

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



# **TOP FIVE EQUITY HOLDINGS**

Discoverie Group PLC

Do & Co AG

**ID Logistics SAS** 

Nexus AG

Sdiptech AB (publ)

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order.

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\$1.78

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

8.1% p.a.

after fees and before tax

# **FUND STATUS**

CLOSED OPEN





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# **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Global Growth 2 Fund returned -2.2% during the month, taking its 12-month return to 11.2%.

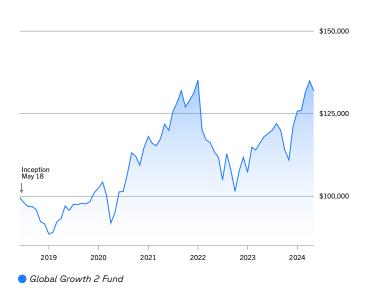
April was a more difficult month for global equities, as bond yields moved higher following recent data showing that the steep declines in inflation have slowed. We still expect inflation to slow further during 2024, but interest rate cuts have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. Rising tensions in the Middle East were also unhelpful, and we employed some portfolio hedging in the month to help reduce downside risk.

The best performers during April were TotalEnergies and Newmont. TotalEnergies, the large French oil and renewable energy producer gained as the oil price initially rose early in the month due to geopolitical tensions. Newmont, the large gold mining company, rose after reporting excellent results, helped by a rapid rise in the gold price in recent months, which has been largely driven by central bank buying. On the negative side, the main detractors were Microsoft and Meta, despite both companies' posting good results. Investors were concerned that Meta was once again ramping up spending on AI, but we think this will increase future growth rates.

The fund was less active in the month compared to March. We exited Walmex as earnings momentum has stalled for now, and we sold the remaining small position in Samsung SDI as EV sales remain lacklustre, impacting its EV battery business. We initiated one new position in the month, the Danish affordable jewellery retailer Pandora. The company is performing very well right now, gaining market share and expanding its store base globally, as well as buying in franchises. This should lead to earnings upgrades over time, and the company also has a very high-quality management team.

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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**FUND DETAILS** Recommended 5 years minimum investment period Objective Capital growth over a period exceeding five years. Description Invests predominantly in listed international large companies. Inception date May 2018 Standard Up to 5 working days withdrawal period Risk indicator Potentially Lower Returns Potentially Higher Returns 2

Lower Risk

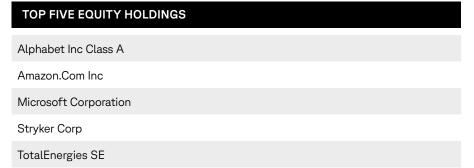
PERFORMANCE					
	1 month	1 yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Global Growth 2 Fund	-2.2%	11.2%	2.6%	6.3%	4.7%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-2.6%	18.7%	8.7%	9.8%	9.6%

1. S&P Global Broad Market (BMI) Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash (including Derivatives)	1.8%
Asian Equities	4.1%
Emerging Market Equities	3.2%
European Equities	23.6%
US and Canadian Equities	67.3%

3.2% 23.6% 67.3%

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



Holdings are listed in alphabetical order.

UNIT PRICE	PRICE
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\$1.31

# ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

**4.7%** p.a

after fees and before tax

# **FUND STATUS**

CLOSED OPEN





MIKE TAYLOR Founder and Chief Investment Officer



TRAVIS MURDOCH Head of Fixed Income and Portfolio Manager

# **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Conservative Fund returned -1.3% during the month, bringing its 12-month return to 5.3%.

April was a more difficult month for global equities, especially for small caps. In the US, the Russell 2000 smaller company index fell 7%, and the DOW was down 5%, as bond yields moved higher following recent data showing that the steep declines in inflation have slowed. We still expect inflation to fall further during 2024, but interest rate cuts in the US have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. However, continued strong earnings from US large-cap tech reinforce our view that the Al theme has plenty of runways and is a multi-year story.

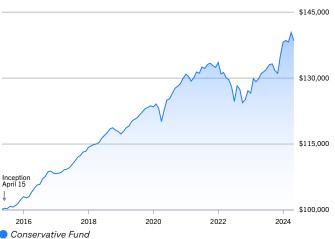
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After a significant re-pricing in global yields year-to-date, we think the bulk of the pain has been taken for now. Bond yields are attractive, providing a cushion against rates moving higher and potential for capital gains when rates fall. The Fund is well diversified and positioned to take advantage of ongoing geographic divergence in government bonds. We continue to think Europe will be the first to cut rates next month, followed closely by New Zealand.

In summary, despite the pullback in markets during the month, we were pleased the Fund held up well, and we remain optimistic about the opportunities for upside we see within the current holdings.

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

If you had invested \$100,000 at inception, the graph below shows what it would be worth today.



# **FUND DETAILS** Recommended 3 years minimum investment period Objective Capital preservation (with some growth) which outperforms the market index over a period exceeding three years. Description Invests predominantly in fixedinterest securities and some cash, with an allocation to equities (directly or through other products issued by Pie Funds). It may also invest in other products such as term deposits and bonds. Inception date April 2015 Standard 5 working days withdrawal period Risk indicator Potentially Lower Returns Potentially Higher Returns 2 7

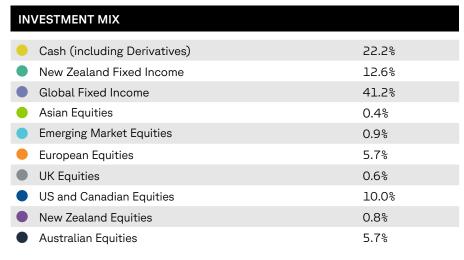
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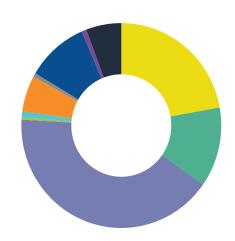
Lower Risk

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PERFORMANCE						
	1 month	1 yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Conservative Fund	-1.3%	5.3%	1.7%	2.9%	3.4%	3.7%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-1.3%	7.1%	2.5%	3.5%	4.0%	4.3%

<sup>1.</sup> The market index is a composite index (25% NZBond Bank Bill Index (NZD), 15% Bloomberg NZBond Credit 0+ Yr Index (NZD), 35% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index (100% hedged to NZD), 6% S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD), 19% S&P Global Broad Market (BMI) Total Return Index (75% hedged to NZD)).





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# **TOP FIVE HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING CASH)**

Contact Energy Ltd 6.398% 21/11/2030

JPMorgan Chase & Co 5.336% 23/01/2035

Morrison & Co High Conviction Infrastructure Fund

Pfizer Inc 4.65% 19/05/2030

TotalEnergies SE 3.455% 19/02/2029

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order and exclude cash.

**UNIT PRICE** 

\$1.17

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

**3.7%** p.a

after fees and before tax

**FUND STATUS** 

CLOSED OPEN





**TRAVIS MURDOCH**Head of Fixed Income and Portfolio Manager



MIKE TAYLOR
Founder and Chief
Investment Officer

# **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Fixed Income Fund returned -1.7% in April, taking its return since inception in Dec 2023 to 0.7%

Bond markets had a tough month as the US economy produced yet another set of strong jobs numbers and a third month in a row of higher-than-expected inflation. This led markets to speculate that the Federal Reserve may not be able to cut interest rates at all later in the year, resulting in US treasuries having their worst month of the year so far.

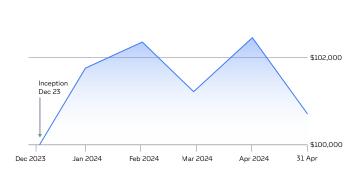
Whilst most bond markets struggled, it increasingly looks like global central banks will diverge from the Fed. The European Central Bank signalled that they are likely to start cutting rates in June. At the other end of the spectrum, Australia printed a hotter-than-expected inflation print, which led to rate markets pricing in a material chance that the RBA hikes this year.

Meanwhile, at home, the data continues to show that the New Zealand economy is doing it tough. In particular, several indicators suggest that weakness in the labour market is accelerating. Despite ongoing stickiness in aspects of domestic inflation, we continue to think that the Reserve Bank will be forced to start cutting interest rates in the coming months.

After a significant re-pricing in global yields year-to-date, we think the bulk of the pain has been taken for now. Bond yields are attractive, providing a cushion against rates moving higher and potential for capital gains when rates fall. The Fund is well diversified and positioned to take advantage of ongoing geographic divergence in government bonds. We continue to think Europe will be the first to cut rates next month, followed closely by New Zealand, and expect Australian government bonds to continue underperforming as one of the countries least likely to cut in the next year.

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

If you had invested \$100,000 at inception, the graph below shows what it would be worth today.



Fixed Income Fund

# **FUND DETAILS**

Recommended minimum investment period	3 years
Objective	Capital preservation (with some growth) which outperforms the market index over a period exceeding three years.
Description	Invests predominantly in New Zealand and international fixed interest securities, and may also invest in cash.
Inception date	5 December 2023
Standard withdrawal period	Up to 5 working days
Risk indicator	Potentially Lower Returns Potentially Higher Returns  1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Lower Risk

# Pie Fixed Income Fund Monthly Update as at 30 April 2024

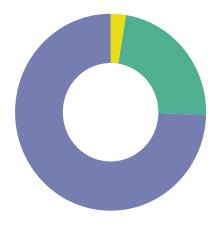
PERFORMANCE						
	1 month	1 yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	Since inception
Fixed Income Fund	-1.7%					0.7%
MARKET INDEX <sup>1</sup>	-1.5%					1.7%

Returns after fees but before individual PIR tax applied

<sup>\*</sup> The market index is a composite index (70% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index (100% Hedged to NZD), 5% Bloomberg Global High Yield Index (100% Hedged to NZD), 25% Bloomberg NZBond Credit 0+ Yr Index (NZD))

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash (including Derivatives)	2.6%
New Zealand fixed income	22.8%
Global Fixed Income	74.6%

Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.



# **TOP FIVE HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING CASH)**

Contact Energy Ltd 6.398% 21/11/2030

JPMorgan Chase & Co 5.336% 23/01/2035

Mercury NZ Ltd 5.64% 19/06/2028

Pfizer Inc 4.65% 19/05/2030

TotalEnergies SE 3.455% 19/02/2029

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order and exclude cash.

UNIT PRICE	RETURN SINCE INCEPTION	FUND STATUS
\$1.01	0.7% after fees and before tax	CLOSED OPEN







TOBY WOODS\*

Senior Investment Analyst for Global and UK & Europe Funds



# FUND COMMENTARY

The P&I Fund returned -2.7% during the month, taking its return since inception in Dec 2023 to 2.9%

\*Toby Woods and Matt Young are responsible for research and analysis.

April was a challenging month for the listed Property & Infrastructure sector as higher long-term interest rates again tested the valuation assumptions of the underlying assets. The global benchmark for interest rates, the US 10-year Government bond yield, increased around 0.5% to a high of 4.7% during the month. Interest rates have a direct impact on the valuations, and as such, we witnessed a sharp fall in stock prices (albeit not very dramatic in the grand scheme of this asset class).

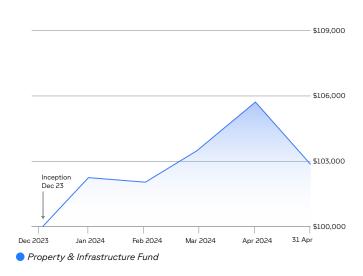
We still expect inflation to fall further during 2024, but interest rate cuts in the US have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. Whilst this inflation data has been unhelpful for valuations in the short term, we remain convinced that listed Property & Infrastructure remains good value at current levels. In particular, the key themes we are focussing on, in many cases, have multidecade tailwinds. They include AI, the need for more data centres to run the Al chips, and continued strong earnings from US large-cap tech, which reinforces our view that the AI theme has plenty of runways. The average AI search will require 10x the power of a traditional Google search. Electrification, Travel, & Decarbonisation are amongst the key areas where the fund is focussed, and I have a high degree of confidence that demand here will remain very strong for the foreseeable future.

In terms of Fund performance, the real estate holdings were hit the hardest during the month, with Prologis falling over 20%; on the other side, Energy, Utilities and Renewable Energy performed strongly, with French company TotalEnergies up over 8% for the month.

For those looking for an entry point, this pullback could provide an opportunity as we view the likelihood of US 10-year Government Bond yields exceeding 5% this year as low.

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

If you had invested \$100,000 at inception, the graph below shows what it would be worth today.



FUND DETAILS				
Recommended minimum investment period	7 years			
Objective	Capital growth over a period exceeding seven years.			
Description	Invests predominantly in listed property and infrastructure securities, directly and/or through externally managed funds.			
Inception date	5 December 2023			
Standard withdrawal period	5 working days			
Risk indicator	Potentially Lower Returns Potentially Higher Returns  1 2 3 4 5 6 7  Lower Risk Higher Risk			

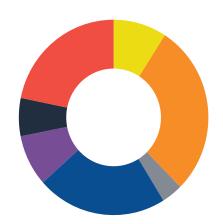
# Pie Property & Infrastructure Fund Monthly Update as at 30 April 2024

PERFORMANCE					
	1 month	3 yrs	5 yrs	10yrs	Since inception
Property & Infrastructure Fund	-2.7%				2.9%
MARKET INDEX*	-1.7%				4.0%

Returns after fees but before individual PIR tax applied

\*The market index is a composite index (70% S&P Global Infrastructure Fund Net Total Return Index (100% Hedged to NZD), 30% S&P Global REIT Total Return Index (100% Hedged to NZD))

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash (including Derivatives)	9.1%
European Equities	28.5%
<ul><li>UK Equities</li></ul>	3.6%
<ul> <li>US and Canadian Equities</li> </ul>	22.2%
New Zealand Equities	8.5%
Australian Equities	6.3%
Listed Property	21.8%



Asset allocation is rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the aggregate may not equal 100%.

TOP FIVE HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING CASH)
Alexandria Real Estate Equit
Constellation Energy Corp
Contact Energy Ltd
Morrison & Co High Conviction Infrastructure Fund
TotalEnergies SE

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order and exclude cash.

UNIT PRICE	RETURN SINCE INCEPTION	FUND STATUS
\$1.03	2.9% after fees and before tax	CLOSED OPEN





MIKE TAYLOR
Founder and Chief
Investment Officer

#### **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Chairman's Fund returned -2.4% in April, bringing it to a 12-month return of 11.5%.

April was a more difficult month for global equities, especially for small caps. In the US, the Russell 2000 smaller company index fell 7%, with the DOW down 5%, as bond yields moved higher following recent data showing that the steep declines in inflation have slowed. We still expect inflation to fall further during 2024, but interest rate cuts in the US have now been pushed out to later in the year or even 2025, except in Europe, where the ECB is expected to cut rates in June. Continued strong earnings from US large-cap tech reinforce our view that the AI theme has plenty of runways and is a multi-year story.

The best performers during April were mainly in Europe, being Sdiptech, Duerr, Planisware and Vusion Group. Planisware is a new French holding that IPO'd during the month. It is a software company focused on project portfolio management. Life360 in Australia also had a strong month after a solid company update. TotalEnergies, the large French oil and renewable energy producer gained as the oil price initially rose early in the month due to geopolitical tensions. Newmont, the large gold mining company, rose after reporting excellent results, helped by a rapid rise in the gold price in recent months, driven by central bank buying.

We initiated one new position in the month, the Danish affordable jewellery retailer Pandora. The company is performing very well right now, gaining market share and expanding its store base globally, as well as buying in franchises.

Detractors include a mix of small caps mainly caught up with the sell-off in April (mentioned above).

In summary, despite the pullback in markets during the month, we were pleased the Fund held up well and remain optimistic about the upside opportunities we see within the current holdings.

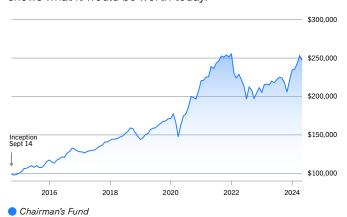


MICHELLE LOPEZ

Head of Australasian Equities
and Co-Portfolio Manager

# **CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE**

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# **FUND DETAILS**

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Recommended minimum investment period	5 years		
Objective	To generate capital growth, which outperforms the market index.		
Description	Invests predominantly in Pie Funds products which predominantly invest in listed equities.		
Inception date	September 2014		
Standard withdrawal period	15 working days		
Risk indicator	Potentially Lower Returns	Potentially Higher Returns	
	1 2 3 4 5	6 7	
	Lower Risk	Higher Risk	

# TOP FIVE EQUITY HOLDINGS

Discoverie Group PLC

Frp Advisory Group PLC

Life360 Inc

Mermaid Marine Australia Ltd

William Blair SICAV

Holdings are listed in alphabetical order and exclude Cash and Cash Equivalents

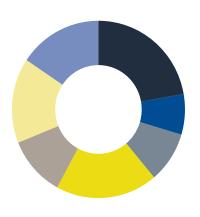
PERFORMANCE						
	1 month	l yr	3 yrs (p.a.)	5 yrs (p.a.)	7 yrs (p.a.)	Annualised since inception
Chairman's Fund	-2.4%	11.5%	0.9%	9.4%	9.7%	9.8%
MARKET INDEX: COMPOSITE <sup>1</sup>	-3.3%	11.2%	2.6%	6.6%	7.5%	8.0%

1. The market index is a composite index (50% S&P Global SmallCap Total Return Index (75% Hedged to NZD), 50% S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Total Return Index (75% Hedged to NZD)).

INVESTMENT MIX	
Cash (including Derivatives)	7.3%
Asian Equities	0.6%
<ul> <li>Emerging Market Equities</li> </ul>	5.3%
European Equities	21.0%
<ul><li>UK Equities</li></ul>	6.8%
<ul> <li>US and Canadian Equities</li> </ul>	15.9%
New Zealand Equities	0.6%
Australian Equities	42.4%



HOLDINGS	
Global Growth	22.2%
Australasian Growth	7.4%
Australasian Growth 2	9.3%
Australasian Dividend Growth	19.0%
Australasian Emerging Companies	11.0%
Growth UK & Europe	15.5%
Global Growth 2	15.6%



Net of Chairman's cash holdings

**UNIT PRICE** 

\$2.45

ANNUALISED RETURN SINCE INCEPTION

9.8% p.a.

after fees and before tax

# **FUND STATUS**

CLOSED OPEN

