

Active Growth Fund

Portfolio Investment Entity

Monthly Fact Sheet as at 31 October 2024



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The Fund returned 0.7% in October, with New Zealand shares (+1.7%) outperforming global shares in local currency (-0.9%) and Australian shares (-1.3%). Returns for unhedged global shares (+4.8%) were strong following the fall in the New Zealand dollar.

Global share markets were under pressure over the month, as US yields increased 0.5% on expectations of a Trump win, and broadly stronger US economic data. While results are unknown at the time of writing, a Trump win could entail extensions of US tax cuts and large-scale tariffs, with the former increasing the fiscal deficit and the latter potentially keeping inflation above target for longer. Both of these factors are likely to keep interest rates higher, which is negative for fixed income investments.

The Fund has had a meaningful New Zealand dollar short position against the US dollar for several months, which paid off over October, as the currency depreciated 5.9%, benefiting Fund performance. We continue to think the NZ dollar is vulnerable to further downside, given rate cuts are reducing the interest rate differential that investors previously received from owning the NZ dollar. Top company performers were US bank JP Morgan (+5.9%), UK bank NatWest (+6.9%) and streaming service Netflix (+6.6%). Both the banks performed well on the back of higher rates which helps interest income, while Netflix delivered a third quarter result that was broadly better than feared.

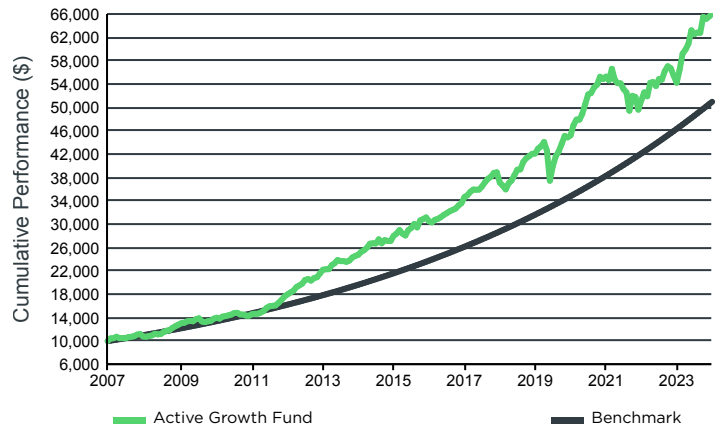
Looking forward, November has a number of potentially major events for markets including the US election, several monetary policy meetings and company earnings reports. Shares remain supported by strong growth in the US and the prospect of further interest rate cuts. Headwinds for shares are relatively high valuations, slower economic growth outside the US, and the risk that interest rate cuts do not eventuate as expected. On balance, the strategy of the Fund is to be active and take market opportunities as they arise.

To view Milford's October 2024 Market and Economic Review please see milfordasset.com/insights.

For previous fund reports see milfordasset.com/fund-reports.

Cumulative Fund Performance

(after fees and before tax)



Assumes the growth of \$10,000 invested at the Fund's inception date.

Key Fund Facts

Objective¹	To provide annual returns of 10% over the minimum recommended investment timeframe
Description	Diversified fund that primarily invests in equities, with a moderate allocation to fixed interest securities

Minimum recommended investment timeframe	7 years +
Target Allocation	22% Income Assets / 78% Growth Assets
Neutral FX Exposure	16.0%
Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$4,024.3 M
Buy-sell Spread	None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)
Inception Date	1 October 2007
Benchmark	10% p.a.
Base Fund Fee²	1.05%
Performance Fee	15% of the Fund's returns above the Benchmark ¹ , subject to the high watermark.
Total Fund Fees³	1.20% (includes an est. performance fee)

Lower risk Higher risk

Risk Indicator 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Potentially lower returns Potentially higher returns

External Ratings



The Milford Active Growth Fund has a Morningstar Medalist Rating™ of 'Silver' as of 06-09-2023

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Investment Performance after fees as at 31 October 2024⁴

Unit Price: \$6.0921

	1 Month	3 Months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Milford Active Growth Fund (Gross Of Tax)	0.72%	0.81%	21.78%	6.10%	9.41%	11.68%
After Tax 10.50%	0.60%	0.67%	21.12%	5.76%	9.10%	11.21%
After Tax 17.50%	0.52%	0.58%	20.68%	5.53%	8.89%	11.00%
After Tax 28.00%	0.40%	0.45%	20.02%	5.19%	8.58%	10.60%
Benchmark	0.81%	2.43%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%

Top Equity Holdings

Holdings	% of Fund
CRH	2.89%
Contact Energy	2.60%
Microsoft	2.35%
HCA Holdings	1.98%
Natwest	1.93%
Coca-Cola Europacific Partners	1.87%
Elevance Health	1.85%
Aena SME	1.62%
Aramark	1.61%
JPMorgan	1.55%

Current Asset Allocation

	Actual Investment Mix	Neutral Investment Mix
Effective Cash #	13.27%	6%
New Zealand Fixed Interest	1.24%	2%
International Fixed Interest	18.03%	14.0%
New Zealand Equities	9.51%	12%
Australian Equities	13.18%	18%
International Equities	44.77%	48%
Other	0.00%	0.0%

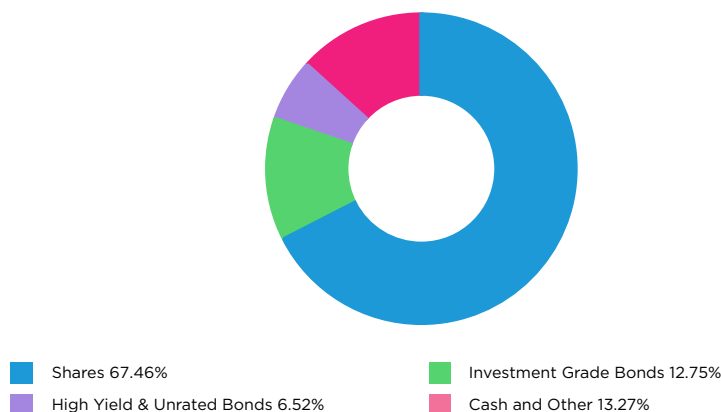
The actual cash held by the Fund is 7.21%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

Top Fixed Interest Holdings

Holdings	% of Fund
NatWest 5.125% Perpetual	1.07%
Xero 1.625% 2031	0.76%
NAB Float 2027	0.71%
Westpac 7.199% 2038	0.71%
Scentre Group 5.125% 2080	0.67%
ING Groep 4.25% Perpetual	0.58%
Westpac 5.4533% 2029	0.54%
ANZ 6.405% 2034	0.50%
Lloyds Bank 8.5% Perpetual	0.50%
Barclays 4.375% Perpetual	0.49%

Note: Fixed interest securities are reported in the following format: Issuer name, interest (coupon rate), maturity year.

Fund Portfolio Mix



1. After the Base Fund Fee but before tax and before the performance fee. 2. Where applicable, the Base Fund Fee includes an estimate of non-related underlying fund charges. 3. The Total Fund Fees comprise the Base Fund Fee and any estimated Performance Fee. Please refer to the Product Disclosure Statement for more information as to how these are calculated. 4. Please note past performance is not a guarantee of future returns.

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