

# Australian Absolute Growth Fund

## Portfolio Investment Entity

### Monthly Fact Sheet as at 30 June 2025



## Portfolio Managers



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Global share markets continued their climb into highs and Australia was no different, finishing 1.4% higher in June. The Fund performed well, up 1.8%, outperforming its benchmark (by 1.2%) and the broader Australian equity market.

Energy was the top performing sector as the Iran/Israel conflict drove oil prices higher. Fear over finished product supply helped refining margins and overall buoyed both our oil and refining exposures. Energy company Santos (+16.2%), a core energy holding for the strategy, was a top contributor during the month after it was bid for by a consortium consisting of UAE oil company ADNOC and US investment firm Carlyle to take the business private. We welcome the bid, which highlights the embedded value we see in Santos's portfolio.

Other notable contributors included refiner and convenience retailer Viva Energy (+15.5%). Gold miners were a relatively weaker sector and exposure during the month, giving up some of the strong rally which had triggered us to take profits over the year. Other notable Fund activity included initiating a position in domestic airline Virgin Airlines and gold miner Greatland Gold. Both IPOs have traded well since listing.

Looking ahead, tariff implementation and policy uncertainty may result in a weaker period of global economic growth. The good news is that this period is likely to be short lived, as fiscal spending from governments in the US and Europe picks up in 2026. It should support a rebound in growth from then on as well as the potential for additional monetary policy support.

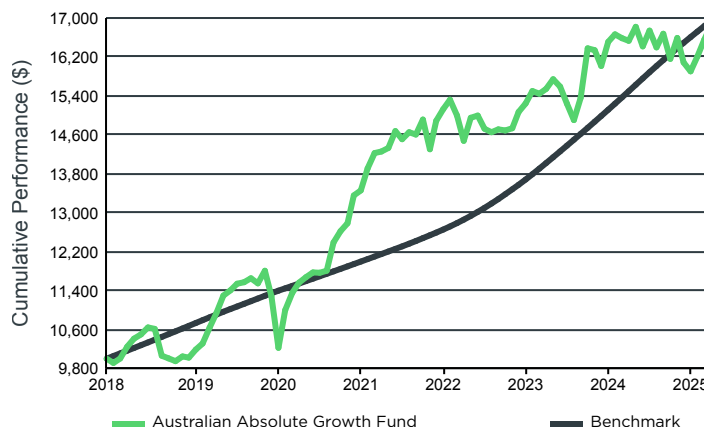
All up, whilst geopolitical uncertainty and downside risk remain, the backdrop for investment returns remains reasonable. This is reflected in Fund positioning with some put option protection remaining in place to cushion any downside volatility. We believe our equity position is relatively well invested to companies with good risk/reward, which should help the Fund participate well if the market continues to finish higher.

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For previous fund reports see [milfordasset.com/fund-reports](https://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

### Objective<sup>1</sup>

Targets an absolute return with an annualised return objective of 5% above the New Zealand Official Cash Rate while seeking to protect capital over rolling three year periods

### Description

Diversified fund that primarily invests in Australasian equities, complemented by selective exposure to international equities and cash

<b>Minimum recommended investment timeframe</b>	7 years +
<b>Target Allocation</b>	17.5% Income Assets / 82.5% Growth Assets
<b>Neutral FX Exposure</b>	0%
<b>Net Asset Value (NAV)</b>	\$332.0 M
<b>Buy-sell Spread</b>	None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)
<b>Inception Date</b>	1 March 2018
<b>Benchmark</b>	OCR + 5% p.a.
<b>Base Fund Fee<sup>2</sup></b>	1.05%
<b>Performance Fee</b>	15% of the Fund's returns above the Benchmark <sup>1</sup> , subject to the high watermark.
<b>Total Fund Fees<sup>3</sup></b>	1.30% (includes an est. performance fee)
<b>Risk Indicator</b>	<div> <div>Lower risk</div> <div>1 2 3 4 5 6 7</div> <div>Potentially lower returns Potentially higher returns</div> </div>

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## Investment Performance after fees as at 30 June 2025 <sup>4</sup>

Unit Price: \$1.6707

	1 Month	3 Months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Milford Australian Absolute Growth Fund (Gross Of Tax)	1.82%	6.02%	1.99%	5.21%	7.84%	7.38%
After Tax 10.50%	1.82%	6.04%	1.90%	5.27%	7.86%	7.33%
After Tax 17.50%	1.82%	6.05%	1.84%	5.31%	7.87%	7.30%
After Tax 28.00%	1.83%	6.08%	1.75%	5.37%	7.89%	7.25%
Benchmark	0.65%	2.04%	9.36%	9.64%	7.98%	7.45%

## Top Security Holdings

Holdings	% of Fund
CSL	5.75%
Santos	3.07%
Resmed	2.39%
BHP	2.38%
Xero	2.34%
ALS	2.27%
Cleanaway Waste Management	2.26%
NAB	2.21%
SmartPay	2.13%
Rio Tinto	2.02%

## Current Asset Allocation

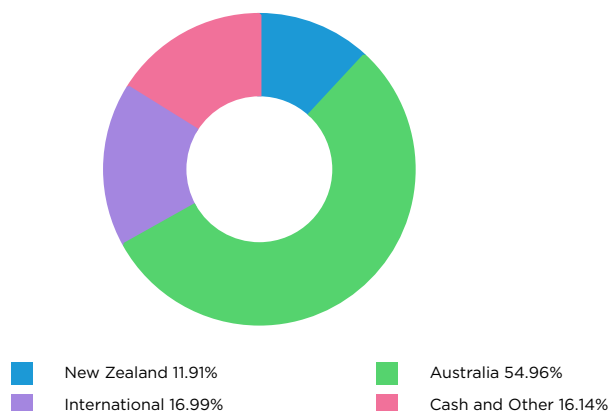
	Actual Investment Mix	Neutral Investment Mix
Effective Cash #	16.14%	7.5%
New Zealand Fixed Interest	4.04%	10%
International Fixed Interest	3.27%	0.0%
New Zealand Equities	4.49%	0.0%
Australian Equities	66.84%	77.5%
International Equities	5.22%	5%
Other	0.00%	0.0%

# The actual cash held by the Fund is 12.28%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

## Sector Allocation

Allocation	Weight %
Financials	17.41%
Materials	14.28%
Health Care	11.69%
Industrials	7.53%
Energy	7.36%
Real Estate	5.82%
Information Technology	4.71%
Utilities	4.61%
Other Sectors	10.45%
Cash and Other	16.14%

## Region Exposure



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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