

# Active Growth Fund

## Portfolio Investment Entity

### Monthly Fact Sheet as at 31 March 2023



## Portfolio Managers



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Portfolio Manager



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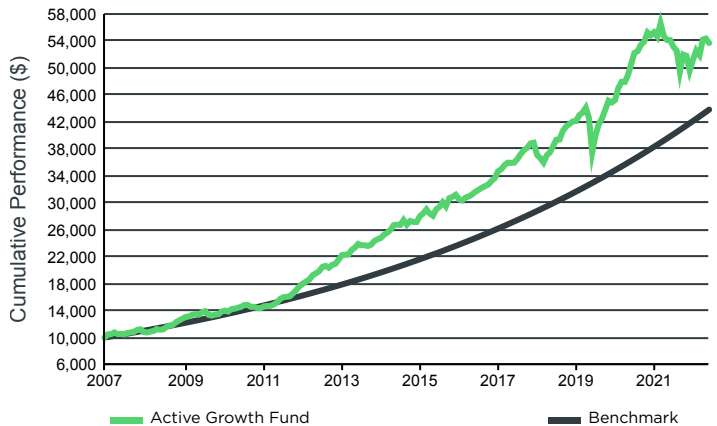
The Fund fell 1.2% in March in what was an extremely volatile month for share and bond markets. Markets initially came under pressure on the prospect of sharper rate rises from central banks. However, rate concerns reversed as the markets' concerns shifted to US regional banks and the potential for tighter lending conditions. The prospect of lower rates helped global shares which ended up 1.0% for the month. Returns from New Zealand and Australian share markets were largely flat. Within share markets, technology companies performed strongly whilst financial and resource companies fell sharply in response to contagion from the failure of Silicon Valley Bank in the US. The underperformance of financials (including a small holding in Silicon Valley Bank), lower weight to growth companies and defensive positioning of the Active Growth Fund led to a disappointing return for the month.

Key positive company performers were large cap US technology companies including Microsoft (+15.6%), Alphabet (+15.2%) and Amazon (+9.6%) and Australian drug development company Neuren Pharmaceuticals (+84.2%). Technology companies benefited from a flight to safety as investors reduced holdings in financials and more cyclical companies. Neuren rose following US regulatory approval for its drug which treats Rett syndrome - a rare neurological disorder. Neuren will receive significant revenue from this drug and also has potential upside from drugs under development. During the month the Fund added holdings in Meta, Visa and Apple, reflecting their dominant market positions and strong balance sheets.

The short-term outlook for share markets remains uncertain, with the prospect that higher interest rates and tighter lending conditions will slow future economic and company earnings growth. Positives for shares include the prospect of inflation rates falling, China reopening and lower energy prices in Europe. Given the uncertain backdrop and relatively high share market valuations, the Fund retains a lower weight to shares and a higher weight to cash and company bonds (fixed income) than normal. The Milford investment team remains active to isolate attractive company investments which have strong medium-term risk and return prospects.

To view Milford's March 2023 Market and Economic Review please see [milfordasset.com/investor-centre](https://milfordasset.com/investor-centre)

## Cumulative Fund Performance (after fees and before tax)



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

## Key Fund Facts

<b>Objective<sup>1</sup></b>	To provide annual returns of 10% over the minimum recommended investment timeframe
<b>Description</b>	Diversified fund that primarily invests in equities, with a moderate allocation to fixed interest securities

<b>Minimum recommended investment timeframe</b>	7 years +
<b>Target Allocation</b>	22% Income Assets / 78% Growth Assets
<b>Neutral FX Exposure</b>	16.0%
<b>Net Asset Value (NAV)</b>	\$2,752.7 M
<b>Buy-sell Spread</b>	None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)
<b>Inception Date</b>	1 October 2007
<b>Benchmark</b>	10% 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>	1.20% (includes an est. performance fee)

	Lower risk						Higher risk
<b>Risk Indicator</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Potentially lower returns				Potentially higher returns		

## External Ratings



Milford Active Growth Fund received a Morningstar Analyst Rating™ of 'Silver' on 07-07-2020

## Active Growth Fund as at 31 March 2023

### Investment Performance after fees as at 31 March 2023<sup>4</sup>

Unit Price: \$4.9701

	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)	-1.24%	3.40%	-0.83%	12.75%	8.35%	11.45%
After Tax 10.50%	-1.12%	3.37%	-0.87%	12.57%	8.16%	10.99%
After Tax 17.50%	-1.03%	3.35%	-0.89%	12.45%	8.04%	10.81%
After Tax 28.00%	-0.90%	3.32%	-0.93%	12.27%	7.84%	10.43%
Benchmark	0.81%	2.38%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%

### Top Equity Holdings

Holdings	% of Fund
Contact Energy	3.60%
HCA Holdings	2.02%
Visa	1.76%
Coca-Cola	1.51%
Shell	1.41%
Charter Hall Retail	1.40%
AGCO	1.38%
Boston Scientific	1.34%
Lowe's	1.24%
Santos	1.22%

### Current Asset Allocation

	Actual Investment Mix	Neutral Investment Mix
Effective Cash #	10.96%	6%
New Zealand Fixed Interest	1.54%	2%
International Fixed Interest	24.96%	14.0%
New Zealand Equities	12.23%	16%
Australian Equities	17.11%	18%
International Equities	32.57%	44%
Other	0.63%	0.0%

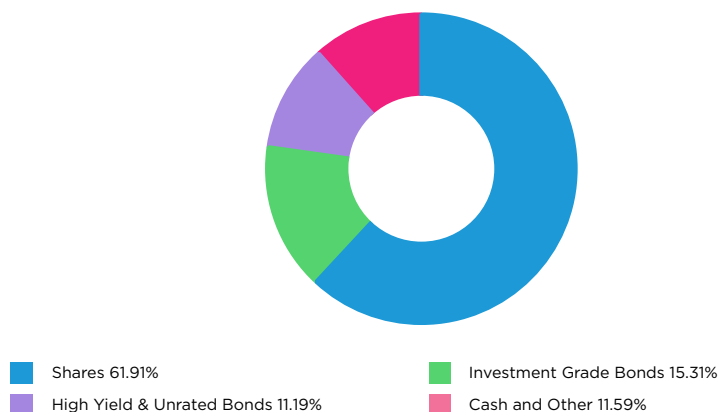
# The actual cash held by the Fund is 9.19%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

### Top Fixed Interest Holdings

Holdings	% of Fund
NatWest 5.125% Perpetual	1.73%
Scentre Group 5.125% 2080	1.08%
CBA 6.704% 2038	0.82%
CBA 6.86% 2032	0.81%
ANZ 6.405% 2034	0.78%
Barclays 4.375% Perpetual	0.78%
ING Groep 4.25% Perpetual	0.73%
Brisbane Airport 4.5% 2030	0.72%
Woolworths 2.8% 2030	0.71%
Westpac 5% 2027	0.69%

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.

Please refer to the 'Glossary for the Monthly Fact Sheet' at [milfordasset.com/fact-sheet](http://milfordasset.com/fact-sheet) for more information about the data published within this document.

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