

# **Portfolio Managers**



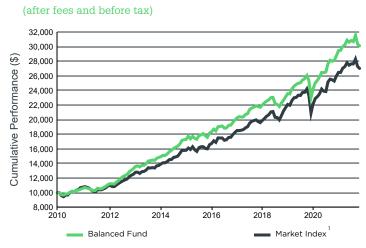


The Fund returned -0.8% in the month with a one-year return of 7.2%. Despite the invasion of Ukraine by Russia and the ensuing market volatility, the funds only suffered modest losses in February. This is partly due to the fact that share markets finished the month on a stronger footing with Australian and NZ markets actually positive over the month. The Fund's ongoing defensive position also helped. The Fund has been running reduced exposure to US share markets since the beginning of the year. Exposure was reduced even further at the end of January which cushioned the Fund from the sharper falls in February. Some exposure was increased as markets fell sharply but the Fund retains a broadly defensive stance.

The market conditions lend themselves to a more nimble approach and the Fund's exposures will likely change frequently over the coming weeks, although a core defensive tilt will likely remain. Other recent changes in the Fund have been an increase in exposure to NZ bonds, as the yields on offer are now looking more attractive. On the other hand, exposures to NZ shares have been reduced as rising interest rates will be a significant headwind for the domestic economy. Going forward, more volatility in markets is expected. Mediumterm returns are still expected to be positive and we continue to find good companies at reasonable prices to invest in.

To view Milford's March 2022 Market and Economic Review please see <u>milfordasset.com/fact-sheet</u>.

# **Cumulative Fund Performance**



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

# **Key Fund Facts**

Objective <sup>2</sup>	To provide capital growth over the minimum recommended investment timeframe				
Description	Diversified fund that primarily invests in equities, with a significant allocation to fixed interest securities				
Minimum recomi investment time		5 years +			
Target Allocation	ı	39% Income Assets / 61% Growth Assets			
Neutral FX Expo	sure	13.0%			
Net Asset Value	(NAV)	\$1,724.5 M			
Buy-sell Spread		None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)			
Inception Date		1 April 2010			
Benchmark		Not applicable			
Base Fund Fee <sup>3</sup>		1.05%			
Performance Fee	9	The Fund may invest into related Milford funds that charge performance fees.			
Total Fund Fees	4	1.07% (includes an est. performance fee)			
	Lo	Lower risk Higher risk			
Risk Indicator		1 2 3 4 5 6 7			
	Po	Potentially lower returns Potentially higher returns			

# **External Ratings**



Milford Balanced Fund received a Morningstar Analyst Rating<sup>™</sup> of 'Silver' on 13-07-2020



#### Investment Performance after fees as at 28 February 2022<sup>5</sup>

#### Unit Price: \$2.8886

	1 Month	3 Months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Milford Balanced Fund (Gross Of Tax)	-0.75%	-1.89%	7.24%	9.95%	8.98%	9.69%
After Tax 10.50%	-0.79%	-1.97%	7.11%	9.66%	8.66%	9.19%
After Tax 17.50%	-0.82%	-2.02%	7.03%	9.46%	8.44%	8.86%
After Tax 28.00%	-0.86%	-2.10%	6.90%	9.16%	8.12%	8.37%
Market Index <sup>1</sup>	-0.98%	-2.25%	6.84%	8.46%	8.54%	8.69%

# **Top Equity Holdings**

Holdings	% of Fund
Contact Energy	2.13%
Santos	1.27%
HCA Holdings	1.19%
Alphabet	1.18%
Microsoft	1.14%
Telstra	1.05%
Spark	1.01%
Charter Hall Retail	0.92%
Anthem	0.91%
EBOS Group	0.87%

# **Top Fixed Interest Holdings**

Holdings	% of Fund
NZGBI 2% 2025	1.03%
NatWest 5.125% Perpetual	0.58%
NZ Govt. 0.5% 2026	0.57%
Scentre Group 5.125% 2080	0.52%
ING Groep 4.25% Perpetual	0.52%
Westpac 3.696% 2027	0.47%
CBA Float 2031	0.37%
JPMorgan 5% 2024	0.37%
GAIF 2.584% 2027	0.37%
NAB 2.9% 2027	0.35%

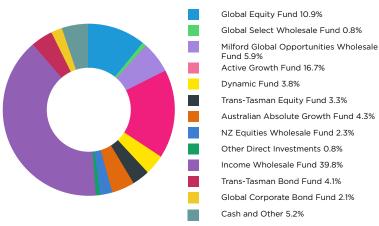
Note: Fixed interest securities are reported in the following format: Issuer name, interest (coupon rate), maturity year.

#### **Current Asset Allocation**

	Actual Investment Mix	Neutral Investment Mix
Effective Cash #	20.19%	8.0%
New Zealand Fixed Interest	5.57%	6.0%
International Fixed Interest	22.55%	25.0%
New Zealand Equities	9.51%	12.0%
Australian Equities	12.26%	13.0%
International Equities	22.85%	29.0%
Listed Property	7.07%	7.0%
Other	0.00%	0.0%

# The actual cash held by the Fund is 10.08%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

# **Fund Allocation**



# 1. The Fund does not have a performance benchmark, hence a market index has been included for comparison purposes. See the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives for more details on the market index. The market index is a blend of indices that represent the Fund's neutral asset allocation. Note the Fund's investment strategy is designed to achieve its objective, which may mean that at times, the returns of the market index may not be an appropriate measure. **2**. After the base fund fee but before tax and before the performance fee. **3**. Where applicable, the Base Fund Fee includes an estimate of non-related underlying fund charges. **4**. 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. **5**. 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 for more information about the data published within this document.

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