### **Cash Fund**

## Portfolio Investment Entity

# Monthly Fact Sheet as at 29 February 2024



#### **Portfolio Managers**



**Katlyn Parker**Portfolio Manager



Ian Robertson
Co-Portfolio Manager

In February the Fund generated a return of 0.5%, which was in line with its objective to deliver a return in excess of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand (RBNZ) Official Cash Rate (OCR) after fees.

Short-dated NZ dollar bank bills, a reflection of interbank funding levels, ended the month moderately lower. This was driven by the RBNZ keeping the OCR on hold at its February meeting, alongside its updated forecasts showing a reduced probability of another OCR hike over its forecast period compared to its stance in November.

Our expectation is that when compared to recent years, interest rates will remain at relatively elevated levels for some time. This will continue to benefit the Fund in terms of the interest rates into which the Fund can reinvest maturing holdings.

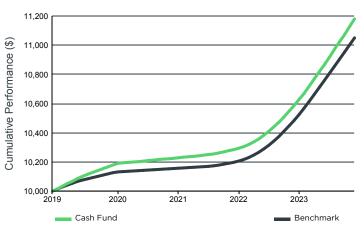
The portfolio management of the Fund remains focused on maintaining its low-risk strategy which is built on a diversified portfolio of cash, short-dated debt securities and term deposits, so as to protect capital. As a reminder, while the yield of the Fund may vary over time, its objective is to deliver a return in excess of the OCR after fees. We expect we will continue to be able to deliver on this objective.

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#### **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 a return above the New Zealand Official Cash Rate				
Description	Primarily invests in New Zealand cash, short-dated debt securities and term deposits				
Minimum recomminvestment timef					
Target Allocation	100% Income Assets / 0% Growth Assets				
Neutral FX Expos	sure 0%				
Net Asset Value (	(NAV) \$692.6 M				
Yield <sup>2</sup>	5.62%				
Average Credit R	ating A				
Duration	0.12 years				
Buy-sell Spread	None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)				
Inception Date	1 March 2019				
Benchmark	OCR				
Base Fund Fee <sup>3</sup>	0.20%				
Performance Fee	Not applicable				
Total Fund Fees 4	0.20%				
	Lower risk Higher risk				
Risk Indicator	1 2 3 4 5 6 7				
	Potentially lower returns Potentially higher returns				





Unit Price: \$1.118

## Investment Performance after fees as at 29 February 2024<sup>5</sup>

	1 Month	3 Months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Milford Cash Fund (Gross Of Tax)	0.46%	1.42%	5.61%	3.02%	2.25%	2.25%
After Tax 10.50%	0.41%	1.27%	5.01%	2.70%	2.02%	2.02%
After Tax 17.50%	0.38%	1.17%	4.61%	2.49%	1.86%	1.86%
After Tax 28.00%	0.33%	1.02%	4.01%	2.17%	1.62%	1.62%
Benchmark	0.43%	1.34%	5.40%	2.85%	2.02%	2.02%

## **Top Security Holdings**

Holdings	% of Fund
Westpac 45 Day WND	15.97%
Kiwibank 6% 2024	4.37%
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ANZ 5.88% 2024	2.93%
Mercury CP 2024	2.85%
Contact CP 2024	2.85%
Heartland CP 2024	2.60%
ASB 6.01% 2024	2.17%
Mercury CP 2024	2.16%
Meridian CP 2024	2.16%

#### **Current Asset Allocation**

	Actual Investment Mix	Neutral Investment Mix
Effective Cash#	19.62%	20%
New Zealand Fixed Interest	80.38%	80%
International Fixed Interest	0.00%	0.0%
New Zealand Equities	0.00%	0.0%
Australian Equities	0.00%	0.0%
International Equities	0.00%	0.0%
Other	0.00%	0.0%

<sup>#</sup> The actual cash held by the Fund is 19.62%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

<sup>1.</sup> After the Base Fund Fee but before tax. 2. The yield to maturity is not an indicator of future return, but reflects the current yield to maturity of the fund's underlying holdings (before tax and after the base fund 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.