

Monthly Fact Sheet as at 30 September 2023

Portfolio Managers





Paul Morris

The Fund returned -1.7% in September, bringing the one-year return to 7.1%.

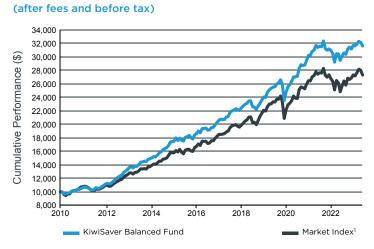
September was a weak month for all assets, with bonds and shares falling and continuing the trend of the quarter. Investors are coming to terms with a normalisation in interest rates, after an abnormal post-GFC period where interest rates were kept extraordinarily low.

In bonds, the falls were concentrated in longer-dated bonds, an area where we don't have a lot of exposure. The increasingly attractive yields we are getting on our shorter-dated bonds increases our conviction in their returns going forward, and the Fund has been increasing its allocation to these assets. Losses in the share market were cushioned by significantly reduced exposure to shares. This underweight was increased in size over the last quarter but, given the declines in Australian and global shares, we have taken the opportunity to add some exposure back.

The outlook is complicated. The US economy is very resilient and this is driving higher long-term interest rates. In turn, this is weighing on activity in the rest of the world that is a lot more interest-rate sensitive. The outlook for returns continues to be boosted by the strong returns available from the bonds we hold. The outlook for shares is more mixed, but we continue to have conviction in the companies we own.

To view Milford's September 2023 Market and Economic Review please see milfordasset.com/insights. For previous fund reports see milfordasset.com/fundreports.

Cumulative Fund Performance



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

Key Fund Facts

| Objective ² | 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 recommended investment timeframe 5 years + | | | | | |
| Target Allocation | 39% Income Assets / 61% Growth Assets | | | | |
| Neutral FX Expos | ure 13.0% | | | | |
| Net Asset Value (| NAV) \$1,173.0 M | | | | |
| Buy-sell Spread | None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details) | | | | |
| Inception Date | 1 April 2010 | | | | |
| Benchmark | Not applicable | | | | |
| Base Fund Fee ³ | 1.05% | | | | |
| Performance Fee | The Fund may invest into related Milford funds that charge performance fees. | | | | |
| Total Fund Fees ⁴ | 1.06% (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 KiwiSaver Balanced Fund has a Morningstar Analyst RatingTM of 'Silver' as of 06-09-2023



Investment Performance after fees as at 30 September 2023⁵

Unit Price: \$3.0222

| | 1 Month | 3 Months | 1 year | 3 years (p.a.) | 5 years (p.a.) | Since inception (p.a.) |
|---|---------|----------|--------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Milford KiwiSaver Balanced Fund (Gross Of Tax) | -1.68% | -0.99% | 7.14% | 5.33% | 6.12% | 8.90% |
| After Tax 10.50% | -1.77% | -1.19% | 6.86% | 5.07% | 5.85% | 8.41% |
| After Tax 17.50% | -1.83% | -1.32% | 6.68% | 4.90% | 5.66% | 8.09% |
| After Tax 28.00% | -1.92% | -1.51% | 6.40% | 4.64% | 5.38% | 7.62% |
| Market Index ¹ | -2.52% | -1.28% | 9.91% | 4.57% | 5.29% | 7.73% |

Top Equity Holdings

| Holdings | % of Fund | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Contact Energy | 1.71% | | |
| Shell | 1.44% | | |
| Elevance Health | 1.38% | | |
| Spark | 1.37% | | |
| HCA Holdings | 1.27% | | |
| Coca-Cola Europacific Partners | 1.25% | | |
| Meta Platforms | 1.06% | | |
| Bank of Ireland Group | 1.03% | | |
| Fiserv | 1.03% | | |
| Telstra | 0.98% | | |

Top Fixed Interest Holdings

| Holdings | % of Fund | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| NZGBI 2% 2025 | 2.25% | | |
| Scentre Group 5.125% 2080 | 0.63% | | |
| BNZ 5.87% 2028 | 0.63% | | |
| CBA 4.9% 2028 | 0.54% | | |
| NatWest 5.125% Perpetual | 0.51% | | |
| AT&T 2.875% Perpetual | 0.46% | | |
| British Telecommunications | 0.45% | | |
| Telstra 4.9% 2028 | 0.45% | | |
| Voyage Float 2029 | 0.39% | | |
| NZ Govt. 3.5% 2033 | 0.38% | | |

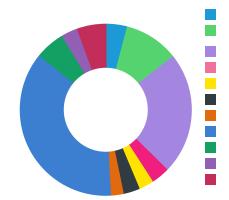
Note: Fixed interest securities are reported in the following format: Issuer name, interest (coupon rate), maturity year.

Current Asset Allocation

| Actual Investment Mix | Neutral Investment Mix |
|--------------------------|--|
| 17.33% | 8% |
| 9.70% | 6% |
| 25.55% | 25.0% |
| 7.46% | 11% |
| 11.34% | 13% |
| 23.75% | 30% |
| 4.22% | 7% |
| 0.65% | 0.0% |
| | Investment Mix 17.33% 9.70% 25.55% 7.46% 11.34% 23.75% 4.22% |

The actual cash held by the Fund is 6.58%. 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



Global Select Wholesale Fund 4.1% Global Opportunities Wholesale Fund 10.3% KiwiSaver Active Growth Fund 23.0% Dynamic Wholesale Fund 3.5% Australian Equity Wholesale Fund 2.8% Australian Absolute Growth Fund 3.1% NZ Equities Wholesale Fund 2.4% Income Wholesale Fund 36.6% Trans-Tasman Bond Fund 5.6% Global Corporate Bond Fund 3.1% Cash and Other 5.6%



 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.
After the Base Fund Fee but before tax and before the performance fee.
Where applicable, the Base Fund Fee includes an estimate of non-related underlying fund charges.
The Total Fund Fees comprise the Base Fund Fee and any guarantee of future returns.

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