# **Trans-Tasman Equity Fund**

## Portfolio Investment Entity

# Monthly Fact Sheet as at 30 April 2023



### **Portfolio Managers**



Sam Trethewey Portfolio Manager



Wayne Gentle Co-Portfolio Manager

The Fund rallied 1.4% in April compared to a 1.1% return from the NZX 50 index and 1.8% return from the ASX 200. Global share markets were relatively calm over the month after a volatile March. This provided a positive lead for our local markets and allowed our stock selection to drive strong Fund returns.

Fund performance was led by Restaurant Brands (+10.6%), Xero (+4.4%) and Gentrack (+14.2%). Restaurant Brands released a solid trading update with the company continuing to implement price increases to manage inflationary pressures. We expect Restaurant Brands to be a sound defensive exposure in softer economic conditions as consumers trade down their eating out offerings. Xero continues to be well supported by investors following an announcement of a cost out programme in March. Utility software provider Gentrack benefitted from several broker upgrades over the month as the market continues to gain confidence in the outlook for the business following new customer wins and strong underlying revenue growth. During the month we exited Origin Energy following the binding implementation scheme with the Brookfield consortium, trimmed Fisher & Paykel Healthcare on strength, and continued to increase our holding in Auckland Airport on the expectation that its upcoming aeronautical pricing review is likely to present upside to earnings.

Looking ahead, the Fund remains defensive compared to history. However, over the month there were some noteworthy surprises in the economic data. Firstly, local central banks moved in opposite directions; the RBNZ caught the market out with a larger-than-anticipated interest rate hike, while the RBA paused its hiking programme. The nature of the RBNZ's hike and commentary indicated the bank remains concerned about controlling our inflation. Secondly, NZ migration data released over the month demonstrated non-NZ migrants are flowing back into our country at record levels. A continuation of this trend will be important to rebalancing the NZ labour market and ultimately slowing local inflation pressure which is critical to share valuations. We will be watching closely in coming months. The other piece of the outlook equation is company earnings, which remain under pressure. Regardless of the economic backdrop, we still expect some companies to do well for stock-specific reasons and, as demonstrated by Restaurant Brands, Xero and Gentrack this month, we will aim to position the Fund accordingly.

To view Milford's April 2023 Market and Economic Review please see milfordasset.com/insights.

#### **Cumulative Fund Performance**

(after fees and before tax)



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

To provide capital growth by out-performing a mix

#### **Key Fund Facts**

Objective <sup>1</sup>		vo relevant share market indices over the mum recommended investment timeframe						
Description	Prima	arily invests in Australasian equities						
Minimum recomminvestment timefra		8 years	+					
Target Allocation		5% Income Assets / 95% Growth Assets						
Neutral FX Exposure		0%						
Net Asset Value (NAV)		\$670.9 M						
Buy-sell Spread		None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)						
Inception Date		1 October 2007						
Current Distribution		1.5 cents per unit (Biannually)						
Benchmark		50% x S&P/ASX 200 Total Return Index (100% NZD-hedged) + 50% x S&P/NZX 50 Gross Index						
Base Fund Fee <sup>2</sup>		1.05%						
Performance Fee		15% of the Fund's returns above the Benchmark <sup>1</sup> , subject to the high watermark.						
Total Fund Fees <sup>3</sup>		1.05%						
		Lower risk	k				Hig	her risk
Risk Indicator		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Potentiall	y lower r	eturns		Potential	y higher	returns

#### **External Ratings**



Milford Trans-Tasman Equity Fund received a Morningstar Analyst Rating<sup>TM</sup> of 'Silver' on 19-05-2021



Unit Price: \$3.8756

### Trans-Tasman Equity Fund as at 30 April 2023

## Investment Performance after fees as at 30 April 2023 4

	1 Month	3 Months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Milford Trans-Tasman Equity Fund (Gross Of Tax)	1.44%	1.74%	2.43%	10.72%	10.04%	10.80%
After Tax 10.50%	1.43%	1.60%	1.91%	10.41%	9.72%	10.38%
After Tax 17.50%	1.43%	1.50%	1.56%	10.20%	9.50%	10.15%
After Tax 28.00%	1.42%	1.36%	1.04%	9.88%	9.18%	9.78%
Benchmark	1.54%	-0.04%	2.36%	9.51%	8.13%	5.91%

## **Top Security Holdings**

Holdings	% of Fund
Fisher & Paykel	5.90%
CSL	5.36%
ВНР	5.25%
Spark	4.94%
Infratil	4.60%
Auckland Airport	4.11%
СВА	3.90%
Contact Energy	3.38%
Mainfreight	3.35%
EBOS Group	3.03%

#### **Sector Allocation**

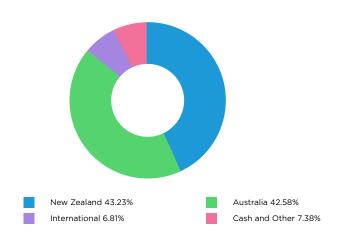
Allocation	Weight %
Health Care	17.84%
Industrials	13.57%
Financials	12.01%
Utilities	11.57%
Communication Services	9.56%
Materials	9.32%
Consumer Staples	5.17%
Information Technology	4.35%
Other Sectors	9.23%
Cash and Other	7.38%

### **Current Asset Allocation**

Actual Investment Mix	Neutral Investment Mix
5.91%	5%
0.00%	0.0%
0.00%	0.0%
44.14%	47.5%
48.48%	47.5%
0.00%	0.0%
1.47%	0.0%
	1.00% Investment Mix 5.91% 0.00% 0.00% 44.14% 48.48% 0.00%

# The actual cash held by the Fund is 5.89%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

### **Region Exposure**



<sup>1.</sup> 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. Assumes the reinvestment of distributions. Please note past performance is not a guarantee of future returns.