

# **Fund Update**

For the quarter ended 31 December 2023

This fund update was first made publicly available on 13 February 2024

## What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the **Growth Fund** has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. **Booster Investment Management Limited** prepared this update in accordance with the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013. This information is not audited and may be updated.

## **Description of this fund**

The Growth Fund is part of the Investment Series range of funds. The fund is suited to investors who seek potentially relatively high returns on average over longer term periods (seven years plus), allowing for short to medium term ups and downs. We aim to achieve this by investing primarily in growth assets, with a moderate allocation of income assets.

Total value of the Fund	\$41,321,564
The date the fund started	31 May 2015

## What are the risks of investing?

Risk indicator for the Growth Fund:



The risk indicator is rated from 1 (low) to 7 (high). The rating reflects how much the value of the fund's assets go up and down. A higher risk generally means higher potential returns over time, but more ups and downs along the way.

To help you clarify your own attitude to risk, you can seek financial advice or work out your risk profile at <a href="https://www.sorted.org.nz/tools/investor-kickstarter">https://www.sorted.org.nz/tools/investor-kickstarter</a>

Note that even the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment, and there are other risks not captured by this rating.

This risk indicator is not a guarantee of a fund's future performance. The risk indicator is based on returns data for the five years to 31 December 2023. While risk indicators are usually relatively stable, they do shift from time to time. The risk indicator will continue to be updated in future fund updates.

See the product disclosure statement (PDS) for more information about the risks associated with investing in this fund.

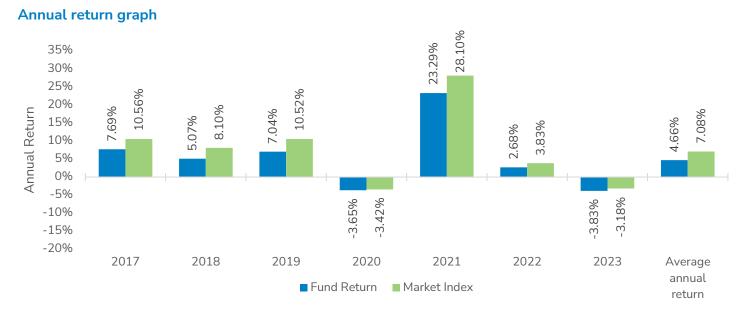


## How has the fund performed?

	Average over the past 5 years	Past Year
Annual return	6.00%	10.11%
(after deductions for charges and tax)		
Annual return	6.22%	10.59%
(after deductions for charges but before tax)		
Market index annual return	7.88%	12.72%
(reflects no deduction for charges and tax)		

The market index return is based on the weighted average return of the market indices used in respect of the underlying asset classes as described in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives.

More information about the market index is available on the Disclose offer register at <a href="https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz/">https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz/</a>



This shows the return after fund charges and tax for each year ended 31 March since the fund started. The last bar shows the average annual return since the fund started, up to 31 December 2023. Please note that the market index returns do not include deductions for charges and tax.

Important: This does not tell you how the fund will perform in the future.

Returns in this update are after tax at the highest prescribed investor rate (PIR) of tax for an individual New Zealand resident. Your tax may be lower.

## What fees are investors charged?

Investors in the Growth Fund are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2023 these were:

Total fund charges12.96%	
Which are made up of:	
Total management and administration charges 2.95%	
Including:	
Manager's basic fee <sup>2</sup> 2.81%	
Other management and administration charges 0.14%	
Total Performance-based fees <sup>3 4 5 6</sup> 0.00%	
Other charges Dollar amount per investor	
Member Fee \$0.00	

Investors may also be charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, for withdrawing from or switching funds). See the Booster Investment Scheme: Investment Series: Multi-Sector Funds PDS for more information about those fees.

See the product disclosure statement for more information about the basis on which performance fees are charged.

Small differences in fees and charges can have a big impact on your investment over the long term.

## Example of how this applies to an investor

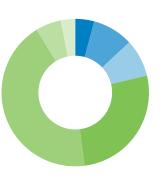
Ruby had \$10,000 in the fund at the start of the year and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Ruby received a return after fund charges and tax were deducted of \$1,011 (that's 10.11% of her initial \$10,000). Ruby also paid \$0.00 in other charges. This gives Ruby a total return after tax of \$1,011 for the year.

## What does the fund invest in?

#### **Actual Investment Mix**

This shows the types of assets that the fund invests in.

- 4.15% Cash and cash equivalents
- 8.91% New Zealand fixed interest
- 8.23% International fixed interest
- 26.69% Australasian equities
- 43.23% International equities
- 5.59% Listed property
- 3.20% Unlisted property



#### **Target Investment Mix**

This shows the mix of assets that the fund generally intends to invest in.

- 2.00% Cash and cash equivalents10.00% New Zealand fixed interest
- 8.00% International fixed interest
- 27.00% Australasian equities
- 44.00% International equities
- 2.00% Listed property
- 7.00% Unlisted property





## **Top 10 Investments**

Name	% of fund net assets	Туре	Country	Credit Rating (if applicable)
Vanguard Ethically Conscious Gbl Agg Bond Index Fund NZD Hqd	7.42%	Diversified fund	AU	
Vanguard Emerging Markets Share Index Fund	6.53%	Diversified fund	AU	
Vanguard ESG US Stock ETF	4.03%	Diversified fund	US	
Communication Services Select Sector SPDR ETF	3.47%	Diversified fund	US	
Vanguard Int'l Prop Sec. Index Fund (AUD Hgd)	2.85%	Diversified fund	AU	
iShares MSCI Europe ESG ETF	2.44%	Diversified fund	DE	
Vanguard Int'l Shares Select Exclusions Fund - NZD Hgd	2.15%	Diversified fund	AU	
Booster Wine Group Limited Partnership	1.95%	Australasian equities	NZ	
NZ Cash (BNZ Bank Trust Account)	1.59%	Cash and cash equivalents	NZ	A-1+
Microsoft Corporation	1.49%	International equities	US	

The top 10 investments make up 33.92% of the fund.

# **Currency Hedging**

Currency hedging can apply to some of the asset classes this fund invests in. All international fixed interest investments and international listed property investments are fully hedged. The level of currency hedging for Australian equities is normally 50% but this can be actively managed between 0% - 100% and exposures for international equities is normally 50% hedged but can be actively managed between 20% - 80%. Refer to the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives for more information.

## Key personnel

This shows the directors and employees who have the most influence on the investment decisions of the fund.

Name	Current Position	Time in current position	Previous or other position	Time in previous or other position
Nic Craven	Chief Investment Officer, Booster Financial Services Limited	2 years, 5 months	Senior Manager - Research, Booster Financial Services Limited	3 years, 2 months
Brendon Doyle	Director of Direct Investments, Booster Financial Services Limited	6 years, 11 months	Deputy Secretary, Financial Operations, New Zealand Treasury	1 year, 1 month
David Beattie	Chair of the Investment Committee, Booster Investment Management Limited	4 years, 10 months	CIO, Booster Financial Services Limited	17 years, 6 months
Aaron Usher	Portfolio Strategy Manager, Booster Financial Services Limited	2 years, 5 months	Portfolio Manager - Australasian Equities, Booster Financial Services Limited	3 years, 8 months
Rowan Calvert	Portfolio Manager - Global Equities, Booster Financial Services Limited	6 years, 2 months	Senior Equity Analyst, Booster Financial Services Limited	7 years, 4 months

## **Further Information**

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the **Booster Investment Scheme: Investment Series: Multi-Sector Funds**, and some additional information from the offer register at <u>https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz/</u>



## Notes

1 Total fund charges are charged as a percentage of an investor's interest in the fund (i.e. as a percentage of their account balance). GST is included in the manager's basic fee but is not included for any other fund charges stated and will be added where required.

2 Because the manager of Booster Tahi LP is a related party to Booster Investment Scheme, and it may receive a performance fee based on the returns of the Booster Tahi LP; 0.50% of Booster Investment Management Limited's annual management fee is rebated on the amount invested by the Fund in Booster Tahi LP.

3 The Fund may invest a portion of its net asset value in Booster Innovation Fund, which is managed and established by Booster Investment Management Limited. Booster Innovation Fund pays a performance fee to Booster Investment Management Limited. By investing in Booster Innovation Fund, the Fund will bear a proportionate share of any performance fee charged which will be reflected in the unit price of the Fund.

4 The Fund may invest a portion of its net asset value in Booster Tahi LP, a limited partnership managed and established by related parties to Booster Investment Management Limited. Booster Tahi LP pays performance fees to the fund manager, Booster Funds Management Limited. By investing in Booster Tahi LP, the Fund will bear a proportionate share of any performance fee charged which will be reflected in the unit price of the Fund.

5 No performance-based fee was charged for the Booster Tahi LP for the year ended 31 March 2023. The performance fee will vary based on the performance of the Booster Tahi LP or the Booster Innovation Fund and this charge for the year ending 31 March 2023 may be materially different to the fee charged for the year ended 31 March 2024.

6 For more information on the performance-based fee, refer to the Fund's PDS and to the "Estimate of Fee" document lodged on the offer register at <a href="https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz">https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</a> for more information on the performance-based fee.