

ADVANCE AUSTRALIAN SHARES MULTI-BLEND FUND

As at 31 March 2021

FUND OVERVIEW

	Wholesale	Retail
Inception date	31 May 1998	26 June 1994
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Fund size (AUD millions)	\$1,980.75	
Investment objective	To provide investors with a total investment return (before fees and taxes) that outperforms the benchmark over periods of five years or longer.	
Recommended investment timeframe	5 years	
Minimum initial investment	\$5,000	Closed to new investors
Distribution frequency	Quarterly	
Management costs (%) pa ¹	0.75	1.40
Buy/sell spread (%)	0.30/0.30	0.00/0.00

FUND PERFORMANCE²

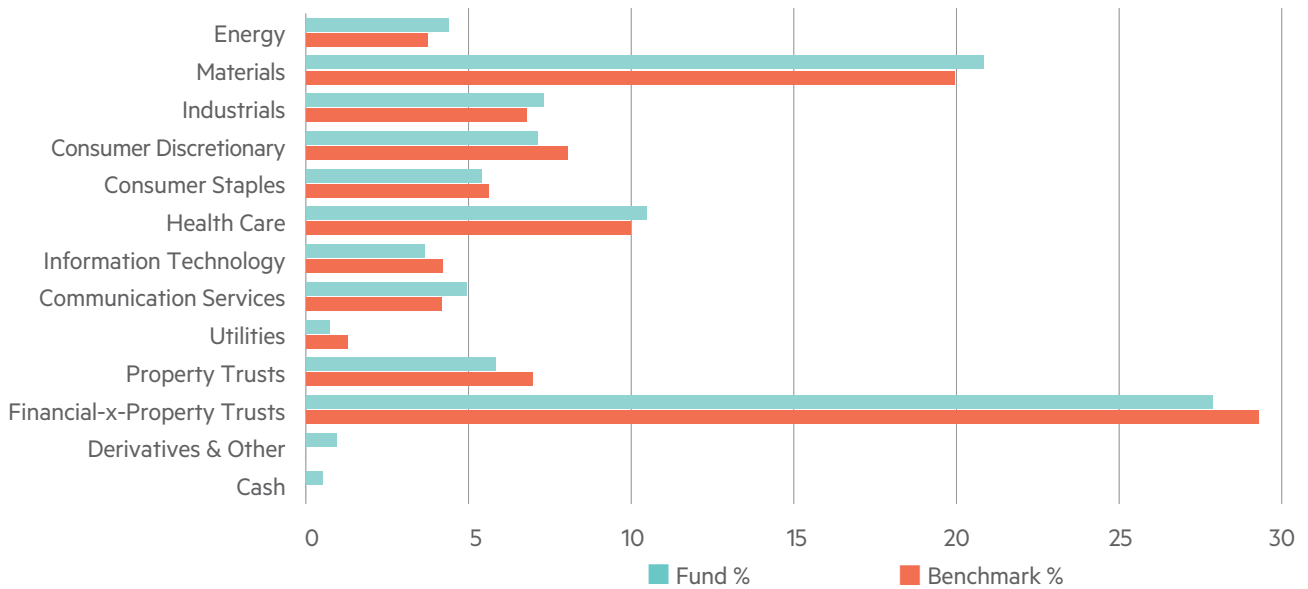
	1 month %	3 months %	1 year %	3 years % pa	5 years % pa	Since Inception % pa
Total Net return	2.48	4.43	39.42	8.83	9.84	8.13
Growth return	1.79	3.73	34.68	2.12	1.48	(0.07)
Distribution return	0.68	0.70	4.74	6.72	8.36	8.20
Benchmark return~	2.30	4.15	38.34	9.73	10.32	8.57

Benchmark: S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index (Pre April 2010 ASX 200 Accumulation Index).

TOP 10 HOLDINGS

	Fund (%)	Benchmark (%)
BHP Group Limited	8.85	6.75
CSL Limited	5.94	6.09
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	5.94	7.73
Westpac Banking Corporation	5.08	4.53
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited	4.91	4.06
National Australia Bank Limited	3.51	4.34
Macquarie Group Limited	3.10	2.63
Telstra Corporation Limited	2.76	2.05
Goodman Group	1.99	1.54
Aristocrat Leisure Limited	1.89	1.11

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS³



FUND UPDATE

The Advance Australian Shares Multi-Blend Fund returned 2.48% on a net basis in March, outperforming the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index by 0.18%. Momentum in the Australian market continued into March with positive sentiment supported by improving economic data and progress with global vaccine rollouts. Financials were the largest driver of index performance, whereas Materials were dragged lower by commodity prices.

Underlying manager performance was mixed, with Pandal being the largest positive contributor to relative performance. The manager has been incrementally repositioning the portfolio into ‘vaccine-winning’ stocks that have benefited from the economic recovery. Over March, the largest contributor to the manager’s performance was positive stock selection in IT, led by not holding Afterpay. Platypus was the largest detractor from relative performance. The pullback in growth stocks has been a challenge for the manager whose focus is on companies with sustainable growth prospects. The overweight to IT has been the manager’s largest source of underperformance over the period.

From a sector perspective, the underweight to and positive stock selection in Consumer Discretionary was the largest contributor to relative performance. On the other hand, underweight to and negative stock selection in Real Estate was the largest detractor. At a stock level, the underweight to Afterpay was the largest positive contributor, while the overweight to BHP was the largest detractor.

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