

# ADVANCE INTERNATIONAL SHARES MULTI-BLEND FUND

As at 31 December 2022

## FUND OVERVIEW

	Wholesale	Retail
Inception date	31 August 1998	30 June 1994
APIR	ADV0053AU	ADV0028AU
Fund size (AUD millions)	\$1,427.47	
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 <sup>1</sup>	0.96	1.55
Buy/sell spread (%)	0.20 / 0.20	0.00 / 0.00

## FUND PERFORMANCE<sup>2</sup>

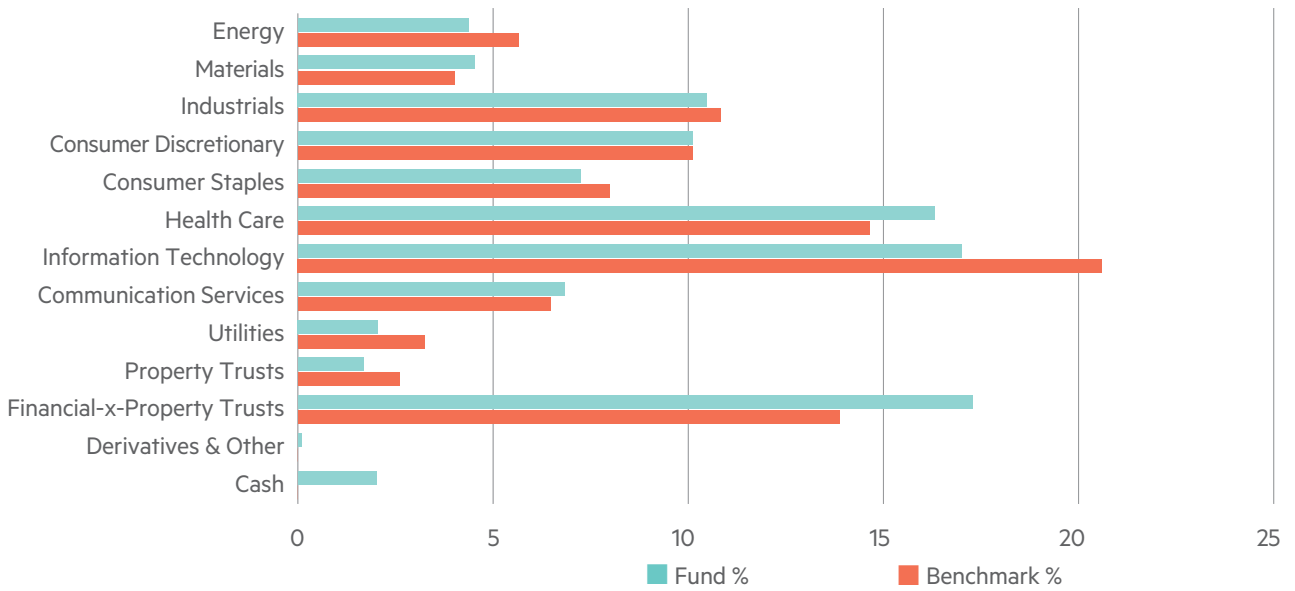
	1 month %	3 months %	1 year %	3 years % pa	5 years % pa	Since Inception % pa
Total Net return	(3.87)	5.79	(11.50)	5.37	7.97	4.18
Growth return	(3.94)	5.71	(13.21)	(1.81)	0.60	(2.48)
Distribution return	0.07	0.08	1.71	7.18	7.37	6.66
Benchmark return~	(5.49)	3.95	(12.52)	6.22	9.26	5.87

~ Benchmark: MSCI World Ex Australia (Standard) Index (Net Dividends) in Australian dollars.

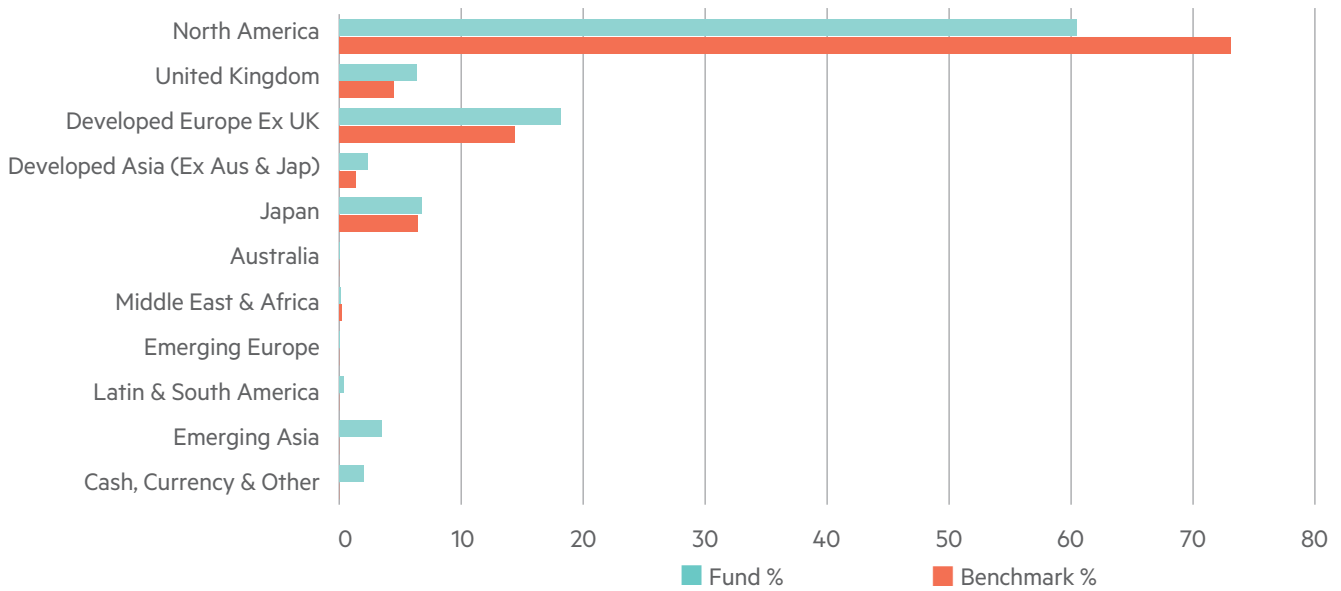
## TOP 10 HOLDINGS

	Fund (%)	Benchmark (%)
Mastercard Inc.	1.99	0.62
UnitedHealth Group Inc.	1.95	1.02
Alphabet Inc.	1.91	2.09
Novo Nordisk A/S	1.64	0.46
Microsoft Corp.	1.41	3.48
Charles Schwab Corp.	1.40	0.25
EssilorLuxottica SA	1.30	0.11
CME Group Inc.	1.15	0.12
Booking Holdings Inc.	1.08	0.16
Accenture Plc	1.02	0.35

### SECTOR ALLOCATIONS<sup>3</sup>



### REGIONAL ALLOCATIONS<sup>3</sup>



## FUND UPDATE

The Advance International Equities Multi-Blend Fund declined 3.87% in December, outperforming the MSCI World ex-Australia Index by 1.62%. Global equities sold off in December as recession fears and expectations of earnings downgrades weighed on investor sentiment. A persistently hawkish tone from the US Federal Reserve Chair Powell compounded these concerns over the month.

Against this background, Wellington Global Opportunistic Value was the top contributor to relative performance. The strategy invests in companies that have sold off due to increased uncertainty. Strong stock selection in the US consumer discretionary sector drove outperformance over the month. Conversely, Ardevora was the largest detractor from performance. The manager applies a framework based on cognitive psychology to identify risky management behaviour and errors made by investors and analysts. Negative stock selection, particularly in financials and industrials detracted over the month.

From a country perspective, strong stock selection in the United States was the top contributor to relative performance, while the fund's overweight to Korea was the top detractor from relative performance. On a sector level, effective stock selection in consumer discretionary names was the top contributor to relative performance, whereas the overweight to utilities was the largest detractor. The fund's underweight to Tesla was the top driver of relative performance whereas the overweight to the London Stock Exchange Group was the heaviest detractor.

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