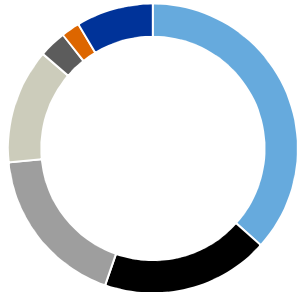


30 April 2022

# Russell Investments International Bond Fund - \$A Hedged

## Geographic allocation<sup>3</sup>



North America	36.6%
Asia Pacific	18.7%
Euro Zone	18.1%
Non-Euro Zone	12.8%
Caribbean, South and Central America	3.0%
Middle East & Africa	2.1%
Other	8.6%

Data as at 31 March 2022

## Fund objective

To provide a total return, before costs and tax, higher than the Fund's benchmark over the medium term by providing exposure to a diversified portfolio of predominantly fixed income securities denominated in foreign currencies and largely hedged into Australian dollars.

## Fund strategy

The Fund invests predominantly in debt securities issued by supnationals, international governments, quasi-governments, agencies and corporates as well as structured credit securities including mortgage and asset backed securities. The Fund may also be exposed to low grade or unrated debt securities, emerging markets and currency. Derivatives may be used to obtain or reduce exposure to securities and markets, to implement investment strategies and to manage risk. Foreign currency exposures are largely hedged back to Australian dollars, apart from those foreign currency exposures which are utilised to generate excess returns from active currency management.

## Performance review<sup>1</sup>

Period ending 30/04/2022	1 month %	3 months %	1 year %	3 years %p.a.	5 years %p.a.	Since inception %p.a.
Total return	-2.78	-6.99	-8.05	-0.35	1.00	5.68

<sup>1</sup> Performance is net of fees and charges. Assumes reinvestment of income. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

## Fund facts

### Share class

Class A

### Inception date

31 December 1997

### Fund size

AUD 367.06m

### Benchmark<sup>^^</sup>

Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index (\$A Hedged)

### Portfolio manager

Gerard Fitzpatrick

### Recommended investment timeframe

3 years

### Tax structure

Investment - Class A

### APIR code

RIM0007AU

### ARSN code

092-806-954

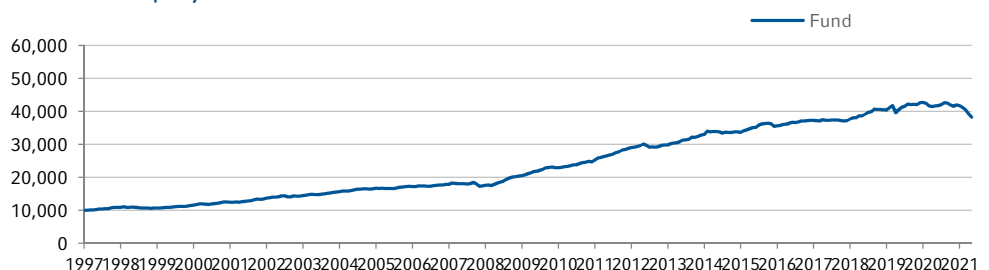
### Management fees and costs<sup>†</sup>

0.65%

### Performance fees<sup>‡</sup>

N/A

## Growth of \$10,000



## Fund commentary

The Russell Investments International Bond Fund (AUD hedged) narrowly outperformed the benchmark in April. However, the Fund did deliver negative absolute returns for the month.

The Fund's active currency positioning contributed positively to performance over the period; notably short euro, Swiss franc and Australian dollar positions. Partly offsetting these positions were long New Zealand dollar and British pound exposures. In contrast, the Fund's interest rate positioning detracted from overall returns in April. Much of this was driven by overweights to German bunds, US Treasuries and Canadian government bonds. Meanwhile, credit positioning was mixed for the month. Whilst the Fund benefited from overweights to US and European corporate high-yield financials, these positions were countered by our overweights to European investment-grade credit and US asset-backed securities; notably collateralised loan obligations. Overweights to European and Latin American hard currency emerging markets debt also weighed on returns. At the manager level, both Schroders and the Russell Investments Intelligent Credit strategy outperformed their respective benchmarks in April; the latter benefiting from underweights to European and Latin American hard currency emerging markets debt. BlueBay also outperformed its benchmark over the period, while Western Asset Management and the Russell Investments Integrated Governments strategy both underperformed.

<sup>3</sup> Allocations may not equal 100% due to rounding.

<sup>^^</sup> Effective August 24, 2021, the Bloomberg Barclays fixed income indices were rebranded the Bloomberg indices.

<sup>†</sup> As a percentage of net assets. Includes management fee, indirect costs and expense recoveries. Reflects RIM's reasonable estimates of the typical fees for the current financial year. All costs reflect the actual amount incurred for previous financial year and may include RIM's reasonable estimates where information was not available or where RIM was unable to determine the exact amount. Refer to the PDS for further information.

<sup>‡</sup> As a percentage of net assets. RIM does not charge a performance fee at the Fund level, however underlying funds and managers may charge a performance fee. This estimated fee is based on the average of actual performance fees incurred over the past 5 financial years. Refer to PDS for further information.

# Russell Investments International Bond Fund - \$A Hedged (continued)

## Detailed performance review<sup>1,2</sup>

	1 year %p.a.	3 years %p.a.	5 years %p.a.	Since inception %p.a.
Total return	-8.1	-0.4	1.0	5.7
Distribution	6.8	6.2	5.7	6.4
Growth	-14.8	-6.6	-4.7	-0.7

<sup>1</sup> Performance is net of fees and charges. Assumes reinvestment of income. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

<sup>2</sup> The distribution return reflects income paid from the Fund, whilst the growth return reflects changes in the capital values of the units.

## Portfolio structure<sup>4</sup>

Manager	Style	Weight %
BlueBay	Country selection	26.0
Russell Investments	Integrated Global Governments	14.0
Russell Investments	Intelligent Credit	14.0
Russell Investments	Liquidity	5.0
Schroders	Securitized specialist	13.0
Western Asset Management	Security selection	28.0

<sup>4</sup> Russell Investments retains the discretion to change the investment managers at any time without notice. Please check [russellinvestments.com.au/disclosures](https://russellinvestments.com.au/disclosures) for the latest list of managers.

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