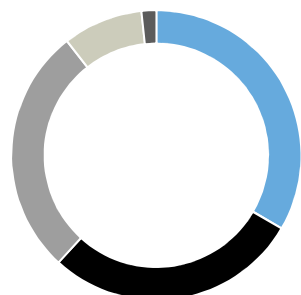


# Russell Investments Balanced Fund

Asset allocation as at  
31 August 2021<sup>3</sup>



Fixed Int & Cash	33.4%
Aust Shares	28.4%
Int Shares	27.7%
Property	8.9%
Alternatives	1.6%

## Fund objective

To provide returns over the medium to long term, with moderate to high volatility, consistent with a diversified mix of predominantly growth oriented assets and some defensive assets.

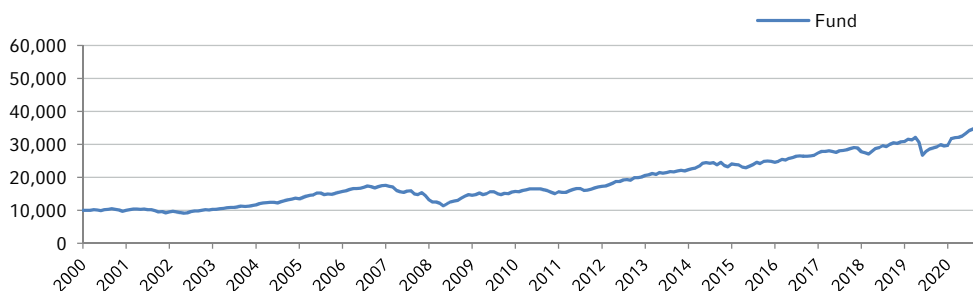
## Fund strategy

The Fund typically invests in a diversified portfolio mix with exposure to growth investments of around 70% and defensive investments of around 30%. Derivatives may be used to implement investment strategies.

## Performance review<sup>1,2</sup>

Period ending 31/08/2021	1 month %	3 months %	1 year %	3 years %p.a.	5 years %p.a.	Since inception %p.a.
Total return	1.88	5.21	21.77	7.81	7.85	6.41
Distribution	-	9.94	11.56	7.33	6.54	6.18
Growth	1.88	-4.73	10.21	0.48	1.31	0.22

## Growth of \$10,000



## Fund facts

### Share class

Class A

### Inception date

31 October 2000

### Fund size

AUD 1,337.56m

### Portfolio manager

Symon Parish

### Recommended investment timeframe

5 years

### Tax structure

Investment - Class A

### APIR code

RIM0001AU

### ARSN code

094-799-345

### Management cost<sup>†</sup>

0.88%

### Performance-related fee<sup>‡</sup>

0.00%

## Fund commentary

The Russell Investments Balanced Fund performed in line with the benchmark in August. The Fund's 70% allocation to growth assets such as Australian and global equities and listed property tends to drive returns.

The Fund's exposure to extended fixed income contributed positively to performance, including global high-yield debt, global floating rate credit and Metrics Credit. The Fund also benefited from its exposures to global listed infrastructure and global and Australian listed property; the latter benefiting from a modest decline in longer-term government bond yields and some encouraging earnings results within the sector. In contrast, our Australian and global equity portfolios were mixed in August. In terms of domestic equities, the Russell Investments Australian Shares Core Fund delivered positive absolute and excess returns for the month, benefiting from its pro-cyclical bias and strong stock selection within the materials space. The Russell Investments Australian Opportunities Fund and the Russell Investments Australian Factor Exposure Fund also recorded positive absolute returns, though the latter did underperform its benchmark. Within our global equity portfolio, both the Russell Investments Tax Effective Global Shares Fund and the Russell Investments Global Opportunities Fund – \$A Hedged underperformed their benchmarks over the period, while the Russell Investments Multi-Asset Factor Exposure Fund performed in line with its benchmark. In saying that, all three funds did record positive absolute returns for the month. Meanwhile, our exposure to traditional fixed income had a relatively neutral impact on overall returns, with both the Russell Investments International Bond Fund – \$A Hedged and the Russell Investments Australian Bond Fund performing in line with their respective benchmarks over the period.

<sup>†</sup> For the year ending 30/6/2020 as a percentage of net assets. Includes performance-related fees. Refer to PDS for further information.

<sup>‡</sup> For the year ending 30/6/2020. May be charged if performance targets are met. Refer to PDS for further information.

# Russell Investments Balanced Fund (continued)

## Actual asset allocation as at 31 August 2021<sup>3</sup>



■	Cash	10.4%		
■	Russell Investments International Bond Fund - A\$ Hedged	5.5%		
■	Russell Investments Floating Rate Fund	5.1%		
■	Metrics Credit Partners	4.0%		
■	Russell Investments Australian Bond Fund	3.7%		
■	Russell Investments Extended Strategies Fund	2.8%		
■	Russell Investments Global Bond Fund AUD Hedged	0.9%		
■	Russell Investments Australian Floating Rate Fund	0.0%		
■	Fixed Interest and Cash - Derivatives	1.1%		
			<b>Fixed Interest and Cash</b>	<b>33.4%</b>
■	Russell Investments Australian Shares Core Fund	17.1%		
■	Russell Investments Australian Opportunities Fund	8.2%		
■	Russell Investments Australian Factor Exposure Fund	5.1%		
■	Australian Shares - Derivatives	-2.0%		
			<b>Australian Shares</b>	<b>28.4%</b>
■	Russell Investments Tax Effective Global Shares Fund	16.6%		
■	Russell Investments Multi-Asset Factor Exposure Fund	14.6%		
■	Russell Investments Global Opportunities Fund - A\$ Hedged	2.1%		
■	International Shares - Derivatives	-5.5%		
			<b>International Shares</b>	<b>27.7%</b>
■	Vanguard International Properties Securities Fund	5.0%		
■	Vanguard Australian Properties Securities Fund	2.2%		
■	Russell Investments Private Assets Fund - Property Portion	1.7%		
			<b>Property</b>	<b>8.9%</b>
■	Russell Investments Global Listed Infrastructure Fund	1.1%		
■	Russell Investments Private Assets Fund - Infrastructure Portion	0.5%		
■	Vanguard Global Infrastructure Fund - A\$ Hedged	0.1%		
■	Amundi Absolute Volatility World Equities Fund	0.0%		
			<b>Alternatives</b>	<b>1.6%</b>

## Russell Investments Balanced Fund (continued)

### Portfolio structure\*

<b>Russell Investments Australian Opportunities Fund</b>	
Allan Gray	Deep Value
Ausbil Investment Management	Style Neutral, 130/30
Firetrail Investments	Opportunistic, high conviction
L1 Capital	Opportunistic, high conviction
Liquidity Reserve	Cash
Platypus Asset Management	Aggressive growth
Russell Investments	Positioning strategies
Vinva	Quantitative, 130/30
<b>Russell Investments Australian Shares Core Fund</b>	
Ausbil	Core, earnings revisions focus
DFA	Deep value small cap
Liquidity Reserve	Cash
Numeric Investors	Quantitative
Platypus	Aggressive growth
Russell Investments	Positioning strategies
<b>Russell Investments Australian Factor Exposure Fund</b>	
Russell Investments	Core
<b>Russell Investments Global Opportunities Fund - \$A Hedged</b>	
Fiera Capital	Core global equities
J O Hambro Capital Management	UK equity dynamic
Liquidity Reserve	Cash
Man Numeric Investors	Core global equities, global low volatility
Nissay Asset Management	Japanese equities
Oaktree Capital	Emerging markets
Russell Investments	Positioning strategies
RWC Partners	Global emerging markets
Sanders Capital, LLC	Core global value
Wellington Management Company LLP	Core global growth horizons
<b>Russell Investments Multi-Asset Factor Exposure Fund</b>	
Russell Investments	Core
<b>Russell Investments Tax Effective Global Shares Fund</b>	
Fiera Capital	Global growth
J O Hambro Capital Management	UK equity
Liquidity Reserve	Cash
Morgan Stanley	Global growth
Nissay Asset Management	Japan equity
Numeric Investors	Global core, global low volatility
Oaktree Capital	Emerging markets
Russell Investments	Positioning strategies
RWC Partners	Emerging markets
Sanders Capital	Global value
<b>Amundi Absolute Volatility World Equities Fund AUD Hedged</b>	
Amundi	Volatility
<b>Russell Investments Global Listed Infrastructure Fund - Hedged</b>	

## Russell Investments Balanced Fund (continued)

### Portfolio structure\*

Cohen & Steers	Growth, valuation sensitive
First Sentier Investors	Fundamental with growth at a reasonable price
Nuveen	Style Neutral, diversified
Russell Investments	Active risk overlay
<b>Russell Investments Private Assets Fund</b>	
Brookfield Premier Real Estate Partners Australia	Core plus Australian office property
Charter Hall Prime Industrial Fund	Core Australian industrial property
DEXUS Wholesale Property Fund	Core Australian diversified property, office focus
IFM Australian Infrastructure Fund	Core diversified Australian infrastructure
Morrison & Co Utilities Trust of Australia	Core diversified Australian & UK infrastructure
<b>Vanguard Global Infrastructure Fund (Hedged)</b>	
Vanguard	Passive
<b>Vanguard International Property Securities Index Fund (Hedged)</b>	
Vanguard	Passive
<b>Vanguard Australian Property Securities Index Fund</b>	
Vanguard	Passive
<b>Metrics Credit</b>	
Metrics Credit	Australian Corporate Loans
<b>Russell Investments Australian Bond Fund</b>	
AMP Capital	Alpha seeking
Russell Investments	Positioning strategies
UBS	Alpha seeking
Western Asset Management	Alpha seeking
<b>Russell Investments Australian Floating Rate Fund</b>	
Perpetual	Cash enhanced
Russell Investments	Positioning strategies
<b>Russell Investments International Bond Fund - \$A Hedged</b>	
BlueBay	Country selection
Russell Investments	Integrated Global Governments
Russell Investments	Intelligent Credit
Russell Investments	Liquidity
Schroders	Securitized specialist
Western Asset Management	Security selection
<b>RIC Global Bond Fund Class AUDH</b>	
BlueBay	Country & credit selection
Colchester	Rates & currency – value
Insight	Broad market approach, currency & rates
Russell Investments	Positioning strategies
Schroders	Securitized specialist
Voya	Diversified alpha
<b>Russell Investments Floating Rate Fund</b>	
First Eagle Alternative Credit	US leveraged loans
Intermediate Capital Group PLC	European leveraged loans
TwentyFour Asset Management	European asset backed securities

## Russell Investments Balanced Fund (continued)

### Portfolio structure\*

Voya Investment Management	US asset-backed securities
<b>Russell Investments Extended Strategies Fund</b>	
Putnam Advisory Company	Bond Volatility
Russell Investments	Fallen Angels - Europe
Russell Investments	Fallen Angels - US
Russell Investments	Inflation Linked Bonds

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