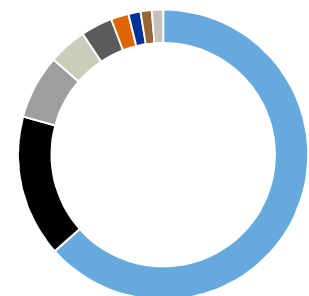


# Russell Investments International Shares Fund

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



United States	63.4%
Europe ex UK	15.8%
Japan	7.2%
UK	4.3%
Canada	3.5%
Emerging Markets	2.0%
Australia/New Zealand	1.4%
Asia ex Japan	1.2%
Other	1.2%

## Fund objective

To provide a total return, before costs and tax, higher than the Fund's benchmark over the long term by providing exposure to a diversified portfolio of predominantly international shares.

## Fund strategy

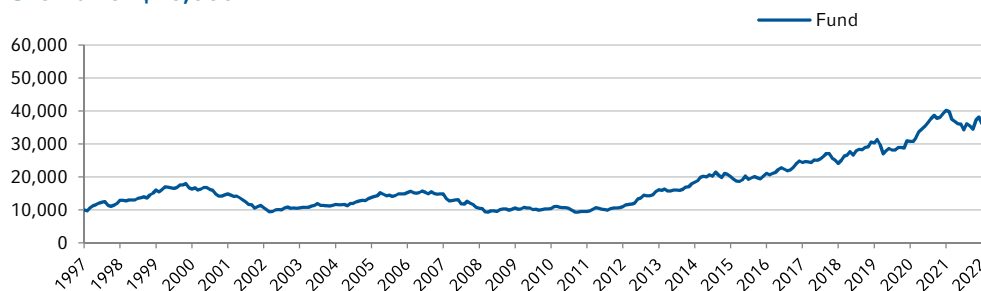
The Fund invests predominantly in a broad range of international shares listed on stock exchanges in developed international markets. The Fund may also be exposed to emerging market shares. Derivatives may be used to obtain or reduce exposure to securities and markets, to implement investment strategies and to manage risk.

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

Period ending 31/01/2023	1 month %	3 months %	1 year %	3 years %p.a.	5 years %p.a.	Since inception %p.a.
Total return	3.38	0.57	-5.78	6.16	8.69	5.41

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

## Growth of \$10,000



## Fund commentary

The Russell Investments International Shares Fund outperformed the benchmark in January.

Much of the Fund's outperformance was driven by strong stock selection in the US, including overweights to Uber Technologies and ratings agency Moody's Corp.; both of which posted strong, double-digit gains for the month. Stock selection in the UK also added value over the period; notably underweights to poor-performing names like AstraZeneca and British American Tobacco. An overweight exposure to Continental Europe added further value in January, including overweights to France's BNP Paribas, the Netherlands' ING Groep NV and Italian banking giant UniCredit S.p.A. Other notable positions to add value were an ex-benchmark holding in Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. and an overweight to Argentine e-commerce company MercadoLibre. In contrast, an underweight exposure to the strong-performing Chinese market detracted from overall performance. Chinese stocks have rallied strongly since Beijing decided to begin relaxing its strict COVID-zero policy. Underweight exposures to Japan and Australia also weighed on returns; the latter including underweights to leading financials such as Commonwealth Bank of Australia and Macquarie Group. Performance was further impacted by poor stock selection within the consumer discretionary space. This included underweights to large US growth names like electric car maker Tesla and Amazon.com; though this was more or less offset by a material overweight to the sector. Other key holdings to impact returns were overweights to US names PepsiCo and Johnson & Johnson.

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

<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.

## Fund facts

### Share class

Class A

### Inception date

31 December 1997

### Fund size

AUD 350.05m

### Benchmark

MSCI World Index - Net

### Portfolio manager

Jordan McCall

### Recommended investment timeframe

7 years

### Tax structure

Investment - Class A

### APIR code

RIM0008AU

### ARSN code

092-808-261

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

1.04%

### Performance fees<sup>‡</sup>

N/A

## Russell Investments International Shares Fund (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	-5.8	6.2	8.7	5.4
Distribution	3.0	2.1	1.8	2.3
Growth	-8.8	4.1	6.9	3.1

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

### ESG data

	Fund	Benchmark
ESG Risk Score**	21.01	21.41
Carbon Footprint***	104.10	135.46
Tobacco Exposure	0.00%	0.70%

\*\* Higher scores imply higher ESG risk

\*\*\* Higher score implies greater carbon exposure

The ESG Risk Score is the weighted average of the Sustainalytics' Risk Score for companies in the portfolio. The Sustainalytics' Risk Score focuses on ESG issues that are financially material to the company and incorporates both risk exposure and issue management. The scores range from 0 to 100 where higher scores imply higher ESG risk. The carbon footprint is the weighted average carbon intensity of the Scope 1 (direct) and Scope 2 (electricity consumption) carbon emissions of companies in the portfolio, measured in metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>-e) divided by company revenue (USD). Tobacco exposure is defined as the weight of securities in the portfolio classified as being in the GICS tobacco subindustry.

### Top ten holdings

Security
MICROSOFT CORP
APPLE INC
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR-SP ADR
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC
ALPHABET INC-CL A
JOHNSON & JOHNSON
MASTERCARD INC - A
PEPSICO INC
MOODYS CORP
NESTLE SA-REG

## Russell Investments International Shares Fund (continued)

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

Manager	Style	Weight %
Fiera Capital	Global growth	14.5
Liquidity Reserve	Cash	3.0
Man Numeric Investors	Quantitative: Global	18.0
Morgan Stanley	Growth: Global	12.5
Russell Investments	Positioning Strategies	19.0
Sanders Capital	Value: Global	16.5
Wellington Management Company	Global contrarian value (excl. small caps)	16.5

<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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