

Wholesale Funds

PERPETUAL WHOLESALÉ INTERNATIONAL SHARE FUND

August 2021

FUND FACTS

Investment objective: Aims to provide investors with long-term capital growth through investment in quality global shares.

FUND BENEFITS

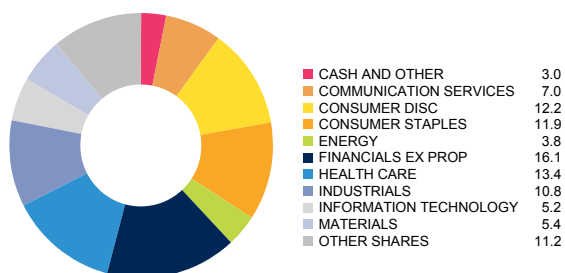
Provides investors with the potential for capital growth and income through a portfolio of global companies using Barrow Hanley's experienced investment team and disciplined investment process.

FUND RISKS

All investments carry risk and different strategies may carry different levels of risk. The relevant product disclosure statement or offer document for a fund should be considered before deciding whether to acquire or hold units in that fund. Your financial adviser can assist you in determining whether a fund is suited to your financial needs.

Benchmark:	MSCI World Net Total Return Index (\$A)
Investment Manager:	Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC
Inception Date:	April 1997
Size of Portfolio:	\$112.66 million as at 30 Jun 2021
APIR:	PER0050AU
Management Fee:	0.99%*
Investment style:	Active, fundamental, bottom-up, value
Suggested minimum investment period:	Seven years or longer

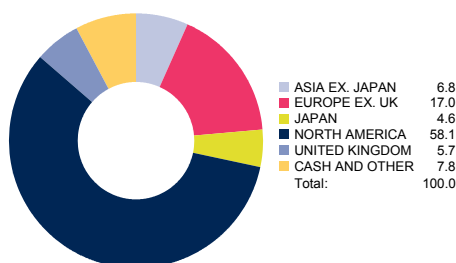
PORTFOLIO SECTORS



TOP 5 STOCK HOLDINGS

	% of Portfolio
Comcast Corporation Class A	3.7%
Seven & I Holdings Co., Ltd.	3.5%
Oracle Corporation	3.4%
Advance Auto Parts, Inc.	2.4%
Coca-Cola Europacific Partners plc	2.2%

PORTFOLIO REGIONS



NET PERFORMANCE - periods ending 31 August 2021

	Fund	Benchmark #	Excess
1 month	1.33	3.08	-1.75
3 months	4.81	12.14	-7.33
FYTD	3.31	7.17	-3.86
1 year	40.18	31.31	+8.87
2 year p.a.	17.23	18.20	-0.97
3 year p.a.	12.64	14.56	-1.92
4 year p.a.	14.27	16.86	-2.59
5 year p.a.	14.47	15.47	-1.01
7 year p.a.	13.78	14.78	-1.01
10 year p.a.	14.95	16.63	-1.68
Since incep.	6.55	7.93	-1.37

Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Returns may differ due to different tax treatments.

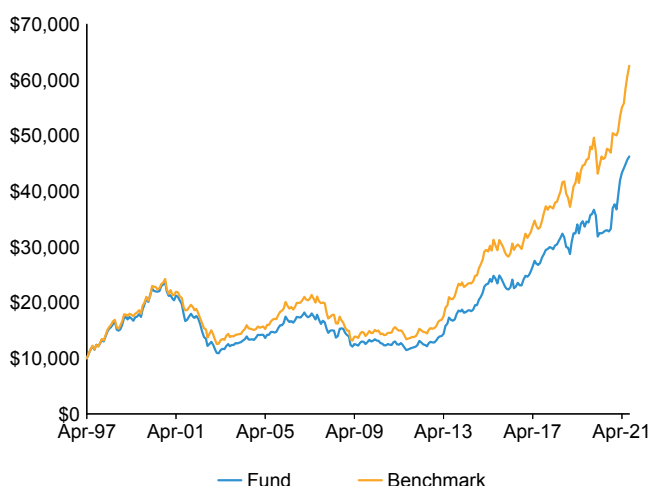
PORTFOLIO FUNDAMENTALS[^]

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Price / Earnings*	14.8	19.5
Dividend Yield*	2.7%	2.3%
Price / Book	2.0	3.0
Debt / Equity	95.1%	54.6%
Return on Equity*	13.9%	16.0%

[^] Portfolio Fundamentals are compiled using our methodology and provided only for the purpose of illustrating the Fund's investment style in action. These figures are forecast estimates, calculated based on consensus broker estimates where available, and should not be relied upon. Dividend Yield is a dividend forecast of underlying securities for the portfolio and does not reflect the distributions to be determined for the fund.

* Forward looking 12-month estimate.

GROWTH OF \$10,000 SINCE INCEPTION



*Information on Management Costs (including estimated indirect costs) and a full description of the Fund's performance fee is set out in the Fund's PDS.

MARKET COMMENTARY

Despite growing concerns over increasing COVID infections due to the Delta variant, combined with what appears to be peaking growth, the performance of markets in August was robust once again, with the MSCI AC World Total Return Index up 3.1%. US equities remained among the top-performing regions, with the S&P 500 reaching all-time highs. Japanese equities performed well in August after lagging for much of the year. Similarly, emerging markets ended the month higher after a sell-off in early August on the back of Chinese regulatory concerns.

Although markets continue to perform strongly, high inflation levels in several countries are a cause for concern. The US consumer price index, for example, printed a decade-high year-on-year increase of 5.4%. Although the US Federal Reserve continues to talk of transitory inflation, risks of prolonged inflation remain top of mind. In addition, with the rise in COVID cases across the globe, fears of further lockdowns impacted equity market performance at the sector level as it shunned the more cyclical areas of the market in favour of more defensive sectors. While economic fundamentals such as PMIs have appeared to peak, they remain in expansionary territory. Further, economic growth has been constrained due to supply chain disruptions.

Classic defensive sectors such as Utilities, Health Care, Communication Services, and Information Technology were all favoured in the month. The Financials sector surprised, outperforming despite concerns over lower interest rates. Value stocks continued to come under pressure in August despite a strong performance by the Financials. On a year-to-date basis, the MSCI World Growth Index has closed the gap with the MSCI World Value Index and is now slightly ahead. The MSCI ACW Value Index continues to outpace its MSCI ACW Growth Index modestly, as value stocks from the emerging market have meaningfully outpaced their growth peers year-to-date.

PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

The Fund's largest overweight positions include convenience store operator Seven & I Holdings Co, video, internet, and phone service provider Comcast Corporation, and computer technology company Oracle Corporation. Conversely, the Fund's largest underweight positions include Microsoft, Apple, and Amazon, all of which are not held by the Fund.

American International Group, Inc. (AIG) performed strongly in the month as earnings came in well above consensus. Its core P&C Insurance operation continues to show substantial improvement and is the primary driver for the earnings beat. Premium growth was very strong during the quarter in both commercial and personal insurance. Overall, pricing continues to be favorable and substantially exceeds loss cost trends. AIG authorized an incremental \$5 billion share repurchase program, giving it a total capacity of \$6 billion, a sizeable-14.5% of market value. Like AIG, KunLun Energy Co. Ltd. reported better-than-expected first half 2021 earnings in the month, which contributed to the strong relative performance. The results demonstrated the strong growth in the remaining business. The next leg up in the stock price will be from executing growth and improved profitability in the natural gas sales business that can reduce the stock's valuation discount to peers. We continue to see positive indicators for further re-rating but are monitoring management actions to see continued progress towards their growth initiatives.

Hess Corporation underperformed in August, largely in line with the price of crude oil which was down more than 7% in the month. Given the strong earnings report we saw in July, we continue to see Hess as a good risk/reward opportunity.

OUTLOOK

As we have noted in our prior month commentaries, despite the recent challenges for value stocks given concerns about economic growth, we view the opportunity for value stocks as quite compelling. In looking at PMIs, global economies appear healthy and, in some cases, seem to be held back by supply constraints. Once these supply constraints are alleviated, we expect economic growth to pick up, thus enabling the more economically-sensitive areas of the market to do well. Additionally, with the high level of consumer savings, government stimulus, and government fiscal spending, economies are likely to be pushed higher as this money is added to economies through increased spending. Accordingly, we see the recent pause in value stock performance as temporary and believe our portfolio is well-positioned for the future.

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