Fiducian Ultra Growth Fund

Monthly Report - July 2024



Fund description

The Fiducian Ultra Growth Fund has over 95% exposure to growth assets. It is diversified between multiple managers and geographies, utilising the Fiducian "Manage the Manager" system that aims to achieve superior returns with reduced risk. The main assets held are Australian and international small cap shares, emerging market shares and listed property securities. The fund should be capable of generating high returns over the longer term, but will also experience significant volatility and capital losses when markets turn down.

The Fund is suitable for investors seeking good long term capital growth with possible significant short term volatility. The recommended holding period is at least 8 years.

Fund facts

Portfolio manager: Conrad Burge

ARSN: 133 391 634 **APIR code:** FPS0014AU

Benchmark: Zenith AMI Mixed Asset Aggressive Index

Current fund size: \$317 million (July 2024)

Management cost: 1.45% Total management costs: 1.53%

Application/Exit fee: Nil

Inception Date: September 2008



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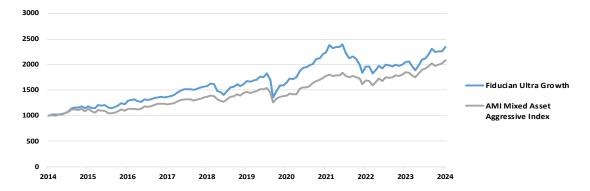
Performance and Risk

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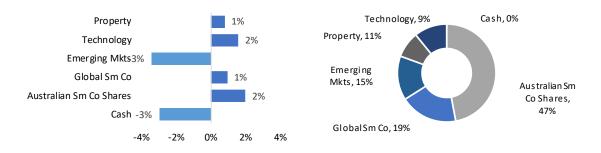
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	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5yrs	7 Yrs	10 Yrs
Fund	4.1%	5.0%	11.4%	15.1%	1.8%	7.0%	8.0%	8.9%
Index	3.0%	5.3%	8.2%	12.9%	5.5%	7.3%	7.9%	7.6%
Excess	1.1%	-0.3%	3.2%	2.2%	-3.8%	-0.3%	0.2%	1.3%
Ranking				34/119	107/109	66/101	49/98	13/88

Risk Exposure

	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
Fund Volatility (Std Dev %)	11.7%	13.3%	15.9%	13.0%
Benchmark (Std Dev %)	8.3%	9.5%	11.4%	9.6%
Beta	1.26	1.28	1.31	1.26
Tracking Error (% pa)	4.0%	5.4%	6.3%	5.2%



Tactical tilts and current asset weights



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Market Commentary and Outlook

Measures taken by central banks over the last two years to reduce rates of inflation by implementing restrictive monetary policies have continued to take effect. Globally, unemployment rates remain low, but have risen from the historically low levels observed during 2023. Consumer spending growth has also moderated, but still remains positive. Inflation rates are now gradually moving back towards the target ranges of most central banks, and some (including Europe and Canada) have recently cut interest rates.

Over the month, the Australian market (ASX 200 index) gained 4.2% and the broad US stock market (S&P 500 index) increased by 1.1%. European markets also had a positive month as the European Central Bank recently moved to a less restrictive monetary policy setting. Australian and international bonds recorded positive returns during the month, and the Australian dollar fell by 2% against the US dollar.

Looking ahead, monetary policy could continue to become less restrictive over coming months if inflation rates continue to decline. While this could help to sustain markets, ongoing wars and other geopolitical issues could continue to act as potential headwinds. With the IMF forecasting global growth to be positive (3.2% in 2024 and 3.3% in 2025) and a likely 'soft landing' for the global economy, share markets continue to appear more attractive than most other investment opportunities.

Managers and weights

Asset Class	Fund Manager	Weight
	Ausbil Dexia	19.9%
Australian Equities (Small Cap)	Pendal	10.8%
45.0%	Novaport	0.0%
43.0%	Phoenix	6.9%
	Perpetual	7.4%
Global Smaller Companies	Royce	11.6%
17.2%	Vanguard Int Small Cap	5.5%
	Fidelity	9.5%
	State Bank of India	0.6%
Emerging Markets 16.7%	Sundaram	0.8%
Lineignig Warkets 10.776	Tata	0.7%
	EquiPoise	0.6%
	Vanguard Emerging Markets	4.5%
	Wellington Techology	4.6%
Technology 8.5%	Wellington Biotechnology	0.8%
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	Nordic Technology	1.1%
	BlackRock	1.0%
Listed Property 10.7%	Phoenix	4.9%
	Principal	4.9%
Cash 1.8%	CMT	1.8%

Fund Commentary

The Fund outperformed its benchmark in July, returning 4.1% compared to the 3.0% return by the median manager. Over the 12 months to the end of July, the Fund has returned 15.1% compared to the 12.9% benchmark return for the same period.

During the month, all asset classes gained. Global Small Companies increased by 8.9% and was the top contributor to performance.

A small overweight exposure to Technology, Property, Global Small Companies and Australian Small Companies remains, as valuations appear attractive relative to other asset classes. There is currently an underweight position in Emerging Markets and cash.

In the Zenith AMI Mixed Asset-Aggressive Category, the Fiducian Ultra Growth Fund returns were ranked 34 out of 119 funds over one year, 66 out of 101 funds over five years, and 13 out of 88 funds over the ten year period to 31 July 2024.

Top stock holdings

Top Australian Stocks	Industry	Weight
Life360	Software	2.7%
Aussie Broadband	Telecommunications	2.6%
Light & Wonder	Entertainment	2.6%
Eqt Holdings Ltd	Diversified Financial Services	2.5%
Macquarie Technology Gro	u Telecommunications	2.4%
Codan Ltd	Telecommunications	2.4%
Pinnacle Investment	Diversified Financial Services	2.2%
HUB24 Ltd	Software	2.2%
Tuas Ltd	Leisure Time	2.0%
Sandfire Resources Ltd	Mining	1.9%

Top Technology Stocks	Industry	Weight
Nvidia Corp	Semiconductors	7.7%
Apple Inc	Computers	7.7%
Microsoft Corp	Software	6.9%
Amazon.Com Inc	Internet	5.9%
Alphabet Inc	Internet	3.6%
Broadcom Inc	Semiconductors	3.5%
Taiwan Semiconductor	Semiconductors	3.3%
Netflix Inc	Internet	3.3%
Samsung Electronics	Semiconductors	2.5%
Adobe Inc	Software	2.4%

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