

Australian Ethical is one of Australia's leading ethical fund managers. By investing responsibly in well-managed ethical companies, we deliver competitive financial performance to our clients and positive change to society and the environment. Since our inception in 1986, our Ethical Charter has guided all investment decisions and underpinned our business practices. Every year 10 per cent of our profits\* are distributed to charitable organisations and social impact initiatives through The Australian Ethical Foundation.

## Investment objective

To provide investors with a balance between capital growth and a moderate level of income through a diversified portfolio of assets that supports the Australian Ethical Charter.

## Price information

**Pricing frequency:** Daily

**Buy/Sell spread:** 0.05%/0.05%

## Fund facts

**Fund size:** \$92.26m

**Benchmark:** Australian Ethical Balanced Composite

**Asset class:** Mixed Asset

**Inception date:** 16/10/1989

**Minimum investment timeframe:** 5 years

**Risk level:** Medium-High

## Identifiers

**ISIN code:** AU60AUG00010

**APIR code:** AUG0001AU

## Distributions

**Frequency:** 2

**Dates:** 30/06, 31/12

## Fees

**Management costs - PDS:** 1.52%

**Minimum initial investment:** \$1,000  
\$500 with a Regular investor plan

**Additional transactional and operational costs:** 0.02%

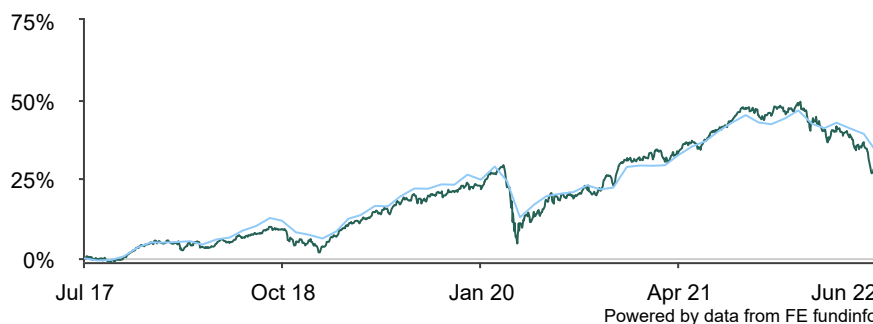
A full explanation of all the fees and costs that you may be charged for investing in the Fund is provided in the Fund's Product Disclosure Statements available from our website [australianethical.com.au](http://australianethical.com.au)

\*(after tax, before bonus expense)

## Investment strategy

The opportunity to invest in a diversified portfolio of asset types and markets to reduce the volatility of returns. Asset classes include Australian and international shares, property and fixed income securities.

## Cumulative performance (as at 30/06/2022)



■ Australian Ethical Balanced  
■ Benchmark

## Performance (as at 30/06/2022)

|           | 1m    | 3m    | 6m     | 1y    | 3y   | 5y   | 10y  | Since inception |
|-----------|-------|-------|--------|-------|------|------|------|-----------------|
| Fund      | -4.3% | -7.7% | -12.3% | -7.7% | 3.5% | 5.4% | 7.5% | 6.5%            |
| Benchmark | -4.3% | -6.7% | -9.1%  | -5.0% | 3.7% | 5.9% | 8.5% | 7.2%            |

## Calendar Performance (as at end 2021)

|           | CY2021 | CY2020 | CY2019 | CY2018 | CY2017 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Fund      | 13.2%  | 7.5%   | 17.3%  | -0.8%  | 8.1%   |
| Benchmark | 13.4%  | 3.6%   | 17.4%  | 1.2%   | 8.9%   |

Source: FE fundinfo.

Total returns are calculated using the sell (exit) price, net of management fees and gross of tax as if distributions of income have been reinvested at the actual distribution reinvestment price. The actual returns received by an investor will depend on the timing, buy and exit prices of individual transactions. Return of capital and the performance of your investment in the fund are not guaranteed. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Figures showing a period of less than one year have not been adjusted to show an annual total return. Figures for periods of greater than one year are on a per annum compound basis. The current benchmark may not have been the benchmark over all periods shown in the above chart and tables. The calculation of the benchmark performance links the performance of previous benchmarks and the current benchmark over the relevant time periods.

## Top 10

|   |      |
|---|------|
| DEXUS HEALTHCARE PROPERTY FUND ORDINARY UNITS | 6.7% |
| INVESTA PROPERTY GROUP                        | 4.4% |
| AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT 2-25 SER153 21/11/2022  | 1.8% |
| AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT 5-5 133 21/04/2023      | 1.2% |
| MICROSOFT CORP                                | 1.0% |
| WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION ORD F/ PD SHARES  | 0.8% |
| ALPHABET INC-CL A                             | 0.7% |
| SUNCORP GROUP LIMITED                         | 0.7% |
| NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK                       | 0.7% |
| AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT 4-25 21/04/2026         | 0.7% |

## Ratings and awards

### RIAA

#### Certification:



## Why invest ethically?

**Portfolio diversification:** Diversify your portfolio by investing in companies and sectors not well covered by other fund managers and brokers.

**Help build a better world:** Invest in the new, low - carbon economy, fund medical and technology breakthroughs, efficient transport and more.

**Promote human rights:** We strive to avoid any investment in companies involved in the poor treatment of asylum seekers or the exploitation of workers through poor working conditions.

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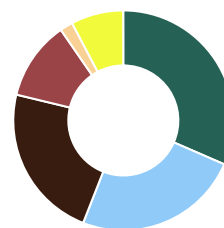
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## Asset allocation

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|---|-------|
| Australian & NZ Shares                        | 31.5% |
| International Shares                          | 24.4% |
| Australian Fixed Interest                     | 22.8% |
| Property                                      | 11.6% |
| Alternative Assets                            | 1.9%  |
| Cash, FRN's and short duration fixed interest | 7.7%  |



## Commentary

The Balanced Fund (Wholesale) returned  $-7.7\%$  ( $-7.6\%$  Wholesale) over the final 3-months of FY22, underperforming its SAA weighted benchmark by 0.9ppts. The negative absolute and relative performance were driven by the domestic equities portfolio which declined  $14.7\%$  against its S&P/ASX 200 benchmark return of  $-11.9\%$ . While international markets saw similar declines, with the MSCI World ex AU index declining  $14.3\%$  in local currency terms, our unhedged currency exposure demonstrated its defensiveness as the AUD fell from US\$0.75 to US\$0.69, leading to a net of currency return of  $-8.35\%$ , against the MSCI World ex AU index return of  $-8.42\%$ .

Our Fixed Income portfolio also continued to decline over the quarter as inflation fears drove bond yields higher. The Australian 10y Government bond yield rose from  $2.83\%$  to a high of  $4.19\%$  in mid-June before pulling back considerably to end the quarter at  $3.66\%$  as markets became increasingly concerned with the prospect of a recession triggered by the aggressive rate rising cycle anticipated to continue by Central Banks globally.

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