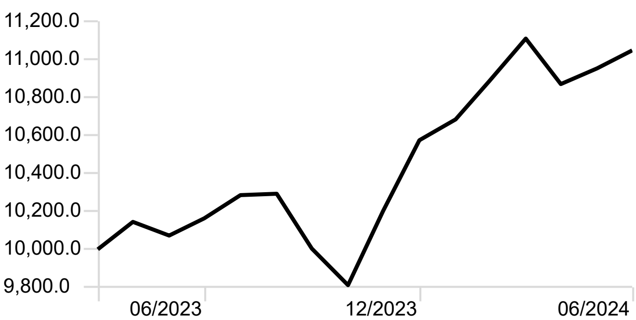
Cornerstone Sustainable Balanced Managed Portfolio

The portfolio returned -0.56%^ in the June quarter. The direct Australian equity ESG portfolio underperformed its benchmark over the period. Traditional fixed income assets like government bonds were weaker against a backdrop of rising yields, while corporate bonds were relatively flat. Higher bond yields also weighed on the portfolio's global and Australian listed property exposures. Our global equities and emerging markets exposures delivered positive returns for the quarter.

Growth of $10,000

Time Period: 31/03/2023 to 30/06/2024



Performance Review

As of Date: 30/06/2024

	Return
1 Month	0.86
3 Months	-0.56
1 Year	8.69
2 Years	—
3 Years	—
YTD	4.47
Since Inception	8.28

Inception date: 31/03/2023

^This performance is net of management fees for both the Managed Portfolio and the underlying managers' fees and costs. It does not take into account any third party platform fees charged to individual investors or transaction costs (including buy/sell spreads and brokerage fees). It assumes income is reinvested without any tax deduction. It is for RIML's preferred model portfolio of holdings. A holding in the preferred model portfolio may be restricted or replaced with another similar asset in the Managed Portfolio on different platforms if the preferred holding is not available. Different platforms may also charge different management fees for the Managed Portfolio. This can result in variances in performance of the Managed Portfolio between platforms. An individual investor's performance will differ, according to the investor's actual exposures to Managed Portfolio holdings and other factors (including transaction timing, transaction costs, actual underlying manager fees and costs and whether income is paid in cash). Platforms will have their own methodology for calculating performance, at both a platform level and an individual investor level. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Please contact your platform or adviser for details of your performance or current holdings in the Managed Portfolio.

Portfolio objective

To provide returns over the medium term, with moderate volatility, consistent with a diversified mix of defensive and growth-oriented assets. The portfolio aims to provide exposure to predominantly sustainable investment strategies and outperform the benchmark, after fees, over a rolling 4-year period.

Portfolio strategy

The portfolio typically invests in a diversified investment mix of predominantly sustainable investment strategies with exposure to growth investments of around **50%** such as Australian shares, international shares, property, infrastructure and alternatives; and defensive investments of around **50%** such as cash and fixed interest over the long term. These allocations will be actively managed within the allowable ranges depending on market conditions.

Main market highlights

Global share markets made only modest gains in theJune quarter. Much of the gains continued to be driven by central bank activity. In the US, the Federal Reserve (Fed) left its benchmark fed funds rate on hold at a target range of between 5.25% and 5.50% throughout the period. Speaking after the Bank's June gathering, Chairman Jerome Powell said that while inflation has eased considerably from its peak, it nonetheless remains too high, and that policymakers do not yet have the confidence to begin lowering interest rates. However, he did reaffirm his belief that current monetary policy is sufficiently restrictive to achieve the Bank's inflation goal. Encouragingly, the latest inflation figures showed an easing in consumer prices between April and May. At the time of writing, the market was fully priced for a first Fed rate cut in November. Elsewhere, the European Central Bank cut interest rates in June; the Bank lowering its main refinancing rate by 0.25% (to 4.25%). However, the Bank gave no indication of the timing of its next move. Meantime, both the Bank of England and the Bank of Japan left their respective benchmark policy rates unchanged over the period. Australian shares underperformed their global counterparts; the local market falling on expectations domestic interest rates will remain higher for longer amid stubbornly high inflation.

Both global and domestic bonds were weaker for the quarter, albeit modestly.

Long-term investing: Positioning for 5 years and beyond

The portfolio has a long-term asset allocation of 56% to growth assets. Growth asset valuations have increased year to date but are below pre-pandemic levels. Long-term, forward-looking return expectations for US shares and high-yield debt have moderated. The economic outlook creates uncertainty in the near term, however in the long term, growth assets are still preferred due to superior returns relative to defensive assets.

Defensive assets such as fixed income and cash have an allocation of 44% in the portfolio. A tilt toward credit further enhances the long-term return potential, but also increases the risk of losses. Credit spreads have narrowed and are near their long-term averages. Government bonds are cheap across some markets and are now offering much higher yields than at the beginning of 2022.

Strategically, the portfolio has positions in cheaper and higher momentum securities per our research.

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Country Exposure

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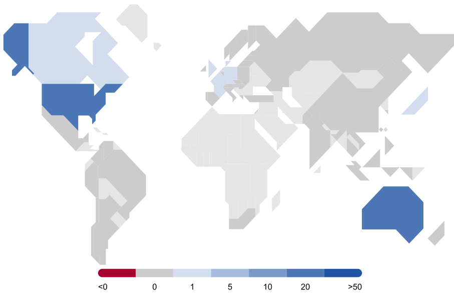

	%
Australia	45.4
United States	35.0
United Kingdom	2.9
Japan	2.6
France	2.2
Germany	1.5
Denmark	1.2
Canada	1.2
Taiwan	1.2
Netherlands	1.0

Asset Allocation

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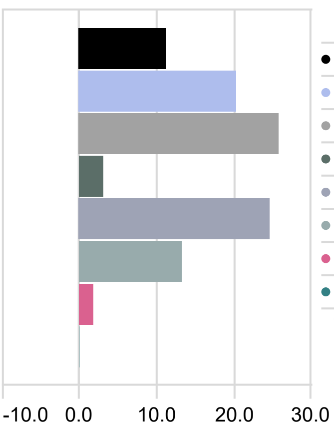

	%
Cash	11.2
Domestic Equity	20.3
Domestic Fixed Interest	25.8
Domestic Listed Property	3.1
International Equity	24.6
International Fixed Interest	13.2
International Listed Property	1.8
Other	0.0
Total	**100.0**

Sector Allocation

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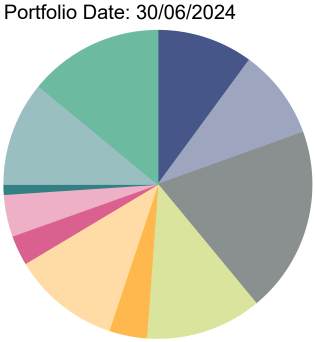

	%
Basic Materials	10.1
Consumer Cyclical	9.4
Financial Services	19.5
Real Estate	12.2
Consumer Defensive	4.0
Healthcare	11.3
Utilities	3.1
Communication Services	4.4
Energy	1.0
Industrials	11.0
Technology	14.0
Total	**100.0**

Main portfolio highlights

The direct Australian equity ESG portfolio underperformed its benchmark, driven largely by stock selection within the materials, industrials and healthcare sectors. Amongst materials, an overweight to James Hardie Industries weighed the most on returns, while in the healthcare space a sizable overweight to Sonic Healthcare was the main detractor. Within industrials, a large overweight to Brambles, which manages the world's largest pool of reusable pallets, crates and containers, weighed on overall performance.

Mirova's Global Sustainable Equity No.2 Fund outperformed its benchmark, benefiting in part from stock selection within the materials space; notably overweights to Air Liquide and Ball Corp. Stock selection amongst utilities also added value; including an overweight to American Water Works and Spanish renewable energy company Iberdrola SA.

The Russell Investments Low Carbon Global Shares Fund narrowly outperformed its benchmark, benefiting from positioning within the healthcare sector; including an overweight to US biotech company Intuitive Surgical. The Fund's structural underweight to the poor-performing energy space and its exclusion of companies involved in defence contracting also added value.

The Impax Sustainable Leaders strategy underperformed its benchmark, driven in part by stock selection within the healthcare sector. This included overweights to US consumer electronics company Agilent Technologies and laboratory testing provider Eurofins Scientific. A material overweight to the poor-performing industrials space also weighed on returns.

There were no material positional changes over the period.

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Detailed Asset Allocation

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	Portfolio Weighting %
Pendal Sustainable Aust Fixed Interest	11.44
Vanguard Etclly Cons Gbl Aggt Bd H ETF	10.47
iShares Core Cash ETF	7.38
Russell Invmts Low Carbon Glb Shrs A	6.53
Mirova Global Sustainable Equity Fund	6.10
Russell Invmts Low Carbon Glb Shrs AUDH	6.05
Altius Sustainable Short Term Income Ord	5.42
Altius Green Bond Ordinary	4.75
Impax Sustainable Leaders Fund A	4.48
Perpetual ESG Australia Share	3.46
Regnan Credit Impact Trust	2.99
Robeco SDG Credit Income (AUD Hdg) C	2.95
Ausbil Active Sustainable Equity	2.79
Alphinity Sustainable Share	2.74
Vanguard Australian Property Secs ETF	2.42
Russell Intl Property Secs Hedged A	2.24
Ardea Real Outcome Fund	1.88
First Sentier Responsible Listed Infras	1.32
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	1.33
CSL Ltd	0.94
National Australia Bank Ltd	0.87
ANZ Group Holdings Ltd	0.77
Westpac Banking Corp	0.75
Wesfarmers Ltd	0.74
Rio Tinto Ltd	0.53
Telstra Group Ltd	0.53
Brambles Ltd	0.42
Fortescue Ltd	0.42
JB Hi Fi Ltd	0.40
Goodman Group	0.39
QBE Insurance Group Ltd	0.38
Woolworths Group Ltd	0.36
Transurban Group	0.35
Sonic Healthcare Ltd	0.33
Technology One Ltd	0.31
BlueScope Steel Ltd	0.30
Amcor PLC	0.30
WiseTech Global Ltd	0.29
James Hardie Industries PLC	0.27
Macquarie Group Ltd	0.27
Medibank Private Ltd	0.25
Coles Group Ltd	0.24
Northern Star Resources Ltd	0.24
Evolution Mining Ltd	0.20
Stockland Corp Ltd	0.19
Iluka Resources Ltd	0.18
Lynas Rare Earths Ltd	0.18
Pilbara Minerals Ltd	0.15

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