

# Mercer CoreSeries Passive Defensive Portfolio

Monthly report - 31 December 2024

# Portfolio overview

APIR Code	WFS0583AU			
Investment manager	Mercer Investments (Australia) Limited			
Asset class	Diversified			
Style	Index			
Benchmark index	Composite			
Current number of assets	9			
Investment objective	To deliver a return in line with the benchmark, before fees, over a rolling three year period.			
Inception date	13 May 2016			

Minimum investment horizon	3 years		
Minimum investment	\$900		
Management fees and costs <sup>1</sup>	0.5800% pa		
Fees and costs - other1	Performance fees	0.00% pa	
	Transaction costs	0.01% pa	

## Performance

Period ending	1mth	3mth	6mth	1yr	3yr	5yr	7yr
31 December 2024	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Portfolio	-1.25	-0.57	3.82	6.31	1.54	2.48	3.25
Benchmark	-0.67	0.15	4.50	7.11	2.16	3.09	3.92
Active return	-0.58	-0.72	-0.68	-0.80	-0.62	-0.61	-0.67

# Asset Allocation %



# Top 10 holdings

Name	Portfolio %	Symbol
Mercer Indexed Australian Fixed Int	23.37	ADV0064AU
Advance Cash Multi-Blend	21.95	ADV0069AU
Mercer Indexed International Fixed Int	16.86	ADV0058AU
Mercer Indexed Australian Shares	14.20	ADV0062AU
Mercer Indexed Australian Listed Prpty	5.99	ADV0060AU
Mercer Indexed International Shares	5.27	ADV0056AU
Mercer Passive Global Listed Property	5.09	NCL0010AU
Mercer Passive Hedged International Shrs	4.11	NCL0006AU
iShares Global Listed Property Idx Hdg S	-	
iShares Hedged International Equity Idx	-	

<sup>1</sup> For more information relating to the fees and costs, refer to the relevant BT Managed Portfolios PDS Part 2 – Investment Options Booklet.

## Investment manager

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## Philosophy and process

Mercer applies a strategic asset allocation framework to determine the ideal portfolio allocations intended to achieve the return objective over the investment time horizon, investment philosophy and process with a preference given for lower volatility outcomes. Mercer's portfolios typically consist of a mix of income and growth assets and are typically diversified across asset classes, investment managers and security types. Asset allocation and security selection is managed, with a strong focus on risk, and continually reviewed to adapt to changes in market conditions. Mercer believes that markets are never fully efficient and aims to maximise returns on an after-fee basis for investors by balancing expected returns, risks and costs.

## For more information

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