# Bendigo Managed Wholesale Funds Index Funds



## Monthly fund update - May 2021

## Investment approach

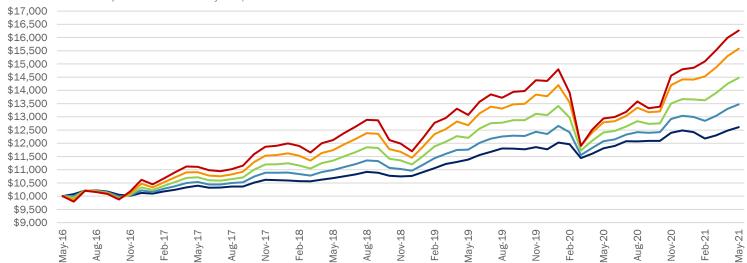
Each Fund invests via expert asset managers that specialise in index strategies that seek to track the performance of selected benchmarks as well as alternative assets and cash. Alternative assets and cash may or may not invest in index strategies. Sandhurst will invest each Fund's assets across a variety of asset classes in a manner that we believe will meet the investment return objective of each Fund. Each Fund aims to provide a total return after fees in excess of a stated percentage above inflation over a full market cycle (typically 7 to 10 years), where inflation is measured by the Australian Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Fund performance <sup>1</sup> as at 31 May 2021	Morningstar Rating <sup>TM</sup> Overall <sup>2</sup>	Morningstar Category Rank 5 Year <sup>2</sup>	3 months %	1 year %	3 years %p.a.	5 years %p.a.	Fund size \$m
Bendigo Defensive Index Fund Peer Comparison	****	1/23	3.50 2.31	6.77 4.97	5.68 3.51	<b>4.75</b> 3.29	\$112.40
Bendigo Conservative Index Fund Peer Comparison	****	4 / 114	4.88 3.28	<b>11.56</b> 7.92	7.02 4.51	6.14 4.24	\$471.94
Bendigo Balanced Index Fund Peer Comparison	****	7 / 115	<b>6.23</b> 5.15	<b>16.66</b> <i>14.07</i>	8.46 6.26	7.68 6.06	\$501.74
Bendigo Growth Index Fund Peer Comparison	****	6/191	7. <b>21</b> 6.58	<b>21.77</b> 18.63	9.89 7.43	9.27 7.40	\$392.46
Bendigo High Growth Index Fund Peer Comparison	****	23 / 121	7.7 <b>4</b> 8.05	<b>25.74</b> 24.38	<b>10.30</b> 9.09	10.22 9.31	\$78.89

## An example of how your investment grows

Growth of \$10,000 over 5 years<sup>1</sup>

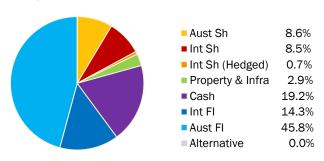
(Based on historic Fund performance over 5 years)



Fund Facts	APIR Code	Fund inception date	Distribution frequency	Return objective	Recommended investment timeframe	Risk level	Management costs <sup>3</sup>	Buy / Sell spread <sup>3</sup>
Bendigo Defensive Index Fund	STL0031AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 1.5%	2 years +	Low	0.390% p.a.	+0.09%/-0.12%
Bendigo Conservative Index Fund	STL0032AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 2%	3 years +	Low to medium	0.410% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%
Bendigo Balanced Index Fund	STL0033AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 3%	4 years +	Medium	0.430% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%
Bendigo Growth Index Fund	STL0034AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 4%	5 years +	Medium to high	0.450% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%
Bendigo High Growth Index Fund	STL0035AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 5%	7 years +	High	0.460% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%

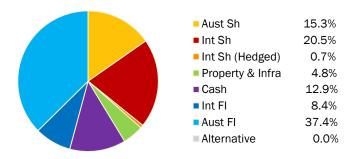
## Asset allocation

## **Bendigo Defensive Index Fund**

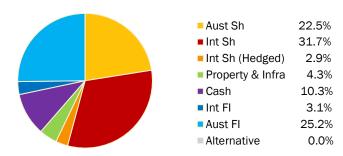


#### Unit prices **Application** Withdrawal as at 31 May 2021 price price **Bendigo Defensive Index Fund** \$1.19852 \$1.19600 **Bendigo Conservative Index Fund** \$1.37710 \$1.37435 Bendigo Balanced Index Fund \$1.55684 \$1.55373 **Bendigo Growth Index Fund** \$1.76592 \$1.76240 **Bendigo High Growth Index Fund** \$1.83888 \$1.83521

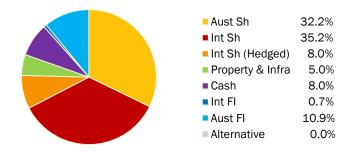
## **Bendigo Conservative Index Fund**



### **Bendigo Balanced Index Fund**



#### **Bendigo Growth Index Fund**



## Make the most of your investment

You need \$50,000 to start an investment in one of our Bendigo Managed Wholesale Funds

▶ The power of compounding Compounding can be a powerful tool in wealth creation. Reinvesting distributions can be one of the easiest and cheapest ways to increase your holdings over time. You're compounding your investment's growth by continually adding more units which, in turn, will generate distributions of their own.

Why not reinvest your half yearly distributions?

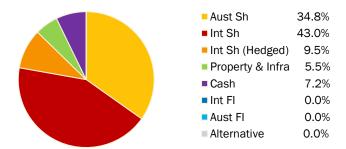
► The benefits of making it regular Making regular contributions to your investment can both grow your investment and smooth the effects of market highs and lows.

Why not add a Regular Savings Plan to your investment? You can establish one from as little as \$50 per month.

You can also use  $\mathsf{BPAY}^{\otimes}$  to add to your investment at any time with as little as \$100. See your statement for your  $\mathsf{BPAY}$  reference number.

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## Bendigo High Growth Index Fund



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## Performance commentary

Returns for the month ending May were strong across all risk profiles as every major asset class had positive returns. Inflation expectations rose over the month, while bond yields remained stable. This resulted in strong returns for the Funds allocation to gold and Australian inflation linked bonds. The Funds maintain a bias towards Australian equities given the large weighting to resource companies and banks, in which resources continue to be supported by strong global demand, and banks which are supported by strong credit growth.

## **Economic commentary**

Strong corporate earnings, improving economic data and inflation normalising post COVID disruptions buoyed most major asset classes in the month of May. The push and pull between elevated inflation being transitory or structurally higher for longer has puzzled investors and as a result caused divergences in performance between longer and shorter duration asset classes.

Longer duration assets have underperformed relative to their peers as the market has doubted the steadfast stance of central bank officials that recent higher inflation prints are transitory in nature. Federal Reserve and RBA officials expect that CPI prints will normalise towards the end of the calendar year following the easing of disruptions to supply chains and low base effects of data rebounding from COVID lows.

Of all the major equity indices, Australian large capitalisation equities performed strongest in May (up 2.3%) given higher commodity prices which benefited resource stocks and improving operating conditions for financial companies such as the major banks. Global equities underperformed (up 1.0%) as the rotation into cyclical business continued in May, hurting growth sectors trading at elevated multiples which gave back some of their gains from earlier in the year.

Inflation data over the next couple months will be key in understanding the likely path of price rises and its impact on the business cycle. Fiscal and monetary conditions remain accommodative and will continue to support financial assets going forward. The investment team believes a balanced approach to building portfolios will ensure protection from heightened volatility in outcomes related to inflation and will continue to manage the portfolio with regard to changing market conditions.

#### Footnotes

- 1. Fund performance figures are calculated before tax and after fees and costs; using withdrawal prices and assumes distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not an indication of future performance.
- 2. Morningstar rates managed funds from one to five stars based on how well they've performed (after adjusting for risk) in comparison to similar funds. Within each Morningstar Category, the top 10% of funds receive five stars, the next 22.5% four stars, the middle 35% three stars, the next 22.5% two stars, and the bottom 10% receive one star. Funds are rated for up to three time periods - three, five, and 10 years - and these ratings are combined to produce an overall rating. Funds with less than three years of history are not rated. Ratings are objective, based entirely on a mathematical evaluation of past performance. They're a useful tool for identifying funds worthy of further research, but shouldn't be considered buy or sell recommendations.

Bendigo Defensive Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 23 Multisector Conservative funds as of 31 May 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Conservative Category, the Bendigo Defensive Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 1 out of 23 funds as of 31 May 2021. Source: www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19288

Bendigo Conservative Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup> out of 119 Multisector Moderate funds as of 31 May 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Moderate Category, the Bendigo Conservative Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 4 out of 114 funds as of 31 May 2021. Source: www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19289

Bendigo Balanced Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 125 Multisector Balanced funds as of 31 May 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Balanced Category, the Bendigo Balanced Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 7 out of 115 funds as of 31 May 2021. Source: www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19290

Bendigo Growth Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar RatingTM out of 198 Multisector Growth funds as of 31 May 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Growth Category, the Bendigo Growth Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 6 out of 191 funds as of 31 May 2021. Source: www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19291

Bendigo High Growth Index Fund received a 4-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 131 Multisector Aggressive funds as of 31 May 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Aggressive Category, the Bendigo High Growth Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 23 out of 121 funds as of 31 May 2021. Source: www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19292

'Peer Comparison' performance refers to the performance of the relevant 'Morningstar Category' for the stated period. Investments are placed into Morningstar Categories based on their compositions and portfolio statistics so that investors can make meaningful comparisons. 'Morningstar Category Rank' is the Fund's performance rank relative to all funds in the same Morningstar Category.

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3. Management costs are based on costs incurred by the Fund in the past financial year and may be different in the current and future financial years. Other fees and costs may apply. See the Product Disclosure Statement for full details.

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