

Sestante Assertive Index Portfolio

Monthly Investment Report

As of 31/08/2023

Latest Performance*

	1-mth	3-mths	1-yr	3-yr	Inception
Sestante Assertive Index	-0.65	3.75	8.67	7.51	6.64
RBA Cash Rate + 3% p.a.	0.61	1.80	6.57	4.37	4.19

Market Review

In August the market took the view that it no unlikely that the US will go into recession but that we will have interest rates higher for longer. As a consequence, we saw global equity markets sell off in the month with the MSCI World index down -2.40% in local currency terms but up 1.60% in AUD terms as the Aussie dollar sold off by 4.0% against the Greenback. US equities declined in August. Investors' confidence that the Federal Reserve's (Fed) tightening cycle ended with the rate rise in July took a knock due to indications that policy makers are divided on next steps. Economic data for the US remained robust. Eurozone shares also fell in August. Energy and real estate were the only sectors to register a positive return, with all others declining. Global bonds in AUD terms were also slightly negative for the month down -0.27%. August saw Fitch Ratings, one of the "Big Three" credit rating agencies, downgrade the US's top-tier triple-A rating to double-A plus, citing the growing debt burden and an "erosion of governance" as reasons for its decision. The US Treasury's subsequent announcement of its higher-than-expected borrowing intentions over the coming months, led to the 10-year Treasury yield briefly rising to a nine-month high before retreating. The yield on the US 10-year rose from 3.95% to 4.10%, while the 2-year yield fell slightly from 4.86% to 4.85%. Real Assets also took a beating with both Global Property and Global Infrastructure down -2.91% and -3.74% respectively in AUD for the month. The Australian bond market returned 0.74% in August reflecting a more negative sentiment on the Australian economy on the back of China woes and an increased concern about recession. The bond market is telling us that the RBA might need to be cutting rates sooner than expected. This more negative sentiment continued into the Australian share market with the ASX200 down -0.73%.

For a detailed market review and outlook, please refer to the *Monthly Market Commentary* document for more.



\$10,000 invested over time



■ Sestante Assertive Index ■ RBA Cash Rate + 3% p.a.

Portfolio information

- Investment Objective: target RBA cash rate +3.0% per annum over rolling 7-year periods after fees.
- Asset Class: Diversified
- 85% Growth / 15% Defensive
- Portfolio Inception Date: 8 August 2020

Sustainability Score

● Sestante Assertive Index

Corporate Sustainability Score

22.6



Sovereign Sustainability Score



ESG Pillar Score



6.1

Environmental



9.2

Social



6.7

Governance



0.5

Unallocated

Major Index Returns

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years
S&P/ASX 200 TR AUD	-0.73	3.92	3.00	9.56	10.68
MSCI World Ex Australia GR AUD	1.65	7.07	16.33	23.27	13.89
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+Y TR AUD	0.74	-0.72	1.38	1.78	-3.09
Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg AUD	-0.27	-0.47	1.49	-1.17	-3.84
S&P Global Infrastructure NR AUD	-0.90	-0.11	3.02	3.76	11.92
RBA Cash Rate + 3% p.a.	0.61	1.80	3.53	6.57	4.37

Important information

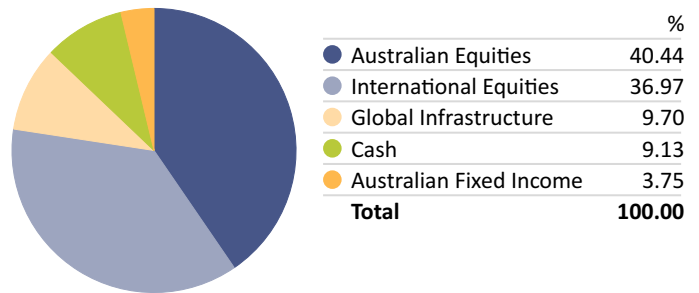
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ESG pillar scores are displayed as a number between 0 and 100 with most scores range between 0 and 25. It is the asset-weighted average of the company environmental, social, governance risk scores for the covered corporate holdings in a portfolio. The scores measure the degree to which a company's economic value may be at risk driven by environmental, social, and governance factors. The risk represents the unmanaged risk exposure after taking into account a company's management of such risks.

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Current Asset Allocation



Where your funds are invested

Australian Equities	40.44	—
iShares Core S&P/ASX 200 ETF	31.32	●●●●
iShares Australian Equity Index	9.12	●●●●
International Equities	36.97	—
Vanguard All-World ex-US Shares ETF	18.03	●●●●
iShares S&P 500 AUD Hedged ETF	12.38	●●●●
iShares S&P 500 ETF	6.56	●●●●
Global Infrastructure	9.70	—
VanEck FTSE Gbl Infrs(Hdg)ETF	6.00	●●●●
Vanguard Global Infrastructure Index	3.71	●●●●
Cash	9.13	—
BetaShares Aus High Interest Cash ETF	6.38	—
RBA Cash Rate Target	2.75	—
Australian Fixed Income	3.75	—
iShares Australian Bond Index	3.75	—
Total	100.00	

Morningstar's Globe Ratings are just one tool that can help investors work out a fund's ESG credentials. A 5 Globe Rating indicates a fund is at the top end of its peer group in terms of sustainability, while a 1 Globe Rating shows it is underperforming on sustainability issues.

Portfolio changes

There are no portfolio changes this month.

Active Asset Allocation: AZ Sestante Model Portfolio vs Investment Policy Target

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