# CFS Sestante Index Conservative Portfolio – Super & Pension

Monthly Investment Report

As of 30/11/2023



	1-mth	3-mths	6-mths	1-yr	Inception
CFS MA Index Conservative Pension	2.69	0.06	1.40	_	3.13
CFS MA Index Conservative Super	2.40	0.04	1.24	_	2.82
RBA Cash Rate +1.5% p.a.	0.48	1.43	2.88	5.45	4.24
Morningstar AUS Con Tgt Alloc NR AUD	2.52	-0.15	-0.02	1.25	1.60

### **Market Review**

In November, a new episode unfolded in the bond market, exerting its influence on the equity market against the backdrop of a dynamically shifting global economic landscape. The equity market exhibited strength during this period, marked by the ASX 200 returning an impressive 5%, outpacing the global equity benchmark, which delivered a solid return of 4.3%. Spearheading this rally was the US market, with the S&P 500 outperforming the broad index by a significant margin of 3.5%. Confidence in the market was bolstered by interest rate-sensitive sectors, namely Real Estate (+12%), Technology (+11%), and Consumer Discretionary (+10%), as investors gained assurance in the trajectory of disinflation.

The global economic backdrop in November featured a delicate dance between reduced government borrowing estimates, shifting debt issuance strategies, and pivotal inflation data. The benchmark US 10-year Treasury yield, embarked on a downward trajectory, dropping 50 Bps in the first two weeks of November. This situation was exacerbated by a cooler-thanexpected CPI print in mid-November, causing the yield to drop from around 4.6% to 4.4% bolstering the 3.2% November return from Global Fixed Interest. The unexpected comment from Christopher Waller, known for his hawkish views, hinting at the possibility of lowering the policy rate, added another layer of complexity. This unexpected comment not only contributed to a further 20-30 basis points drop in yields but also steered market sentiment towards anticipating more rate cuts from the Fed in 2024. The futures market is now pricing in five rate cuts from the Fed in 2024, representing a meaningful increase from the previous expectation of two cuts just a month ago. On the domestic front, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) maintained the cash rate as expected in the December meeting, with Governor Michele Bullock emphasizing a data-dependent approach amid ongoing inflation uncertainty. Despite the RBA's persistent hawkish stance, the market foresees a softer monetary policy in 2024, driven by challenges in Australian households, including higher mortgage repayments, and considerations of global central bank shifts, especially the Fed. The futures market currently predicts a single rate cut in late 2024. Australian Fixed Interest returned a strong 2.97% return in November.

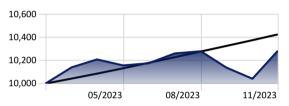
Over the past two years, the global property sector has been the worst-performing, experiencing a shift in market dynamics from a low to a higher interest rate environment. However, in November, global property witnessed a noteworthy jump of 5.64% as interest rates began to ease, alleviating financing costs.

For a detailed market review and outlook, please refer to the Monthly Market Commentary document available on www.azsestante.com/investment-options





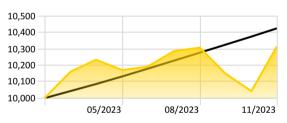
# \$10,000 invested over time - Super



CFS MA Index Conservative
Super

■RBA Cash Rate +1.5% p.a.

## \$10,000 over time - Pension



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#### Portfolio information

- Investment Objective: target RBA cash rate +1.5% per annum over rolling 3-year periods after fees.
- · Asset Class: Diversified
- Standard Risk Measure: Very High
- 30% Growth / 70% Defensive
- Portfolio Inception Date: 1 March 2023
- Estimated Total Cost (before transaction costs and platform fees):

Super: 0.36% Pension: 0.36%

# **Current Asset Allocation - Super**



## **Current Asset Allocation - Pension**



# Where your funds are invested

Cash	33.89	_
CFS FC W PSup-FSI Strategic Cash	33.89	_
Australian Bond	25.27	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Australian Bond	25.27	000
International Fixed Income	15.79	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Global Bond	15.79	000
International Equity	12.25	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Global Share	9.08	00
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Global Shr-Hgd	3.17	_
Australian Equity	9.91	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Australian Share	9.91	000
Global Property	1.45	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Property Sec	1.45	00000
Global Infrastructure	1.44	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Ind Glb List Infr Sec	1.44	00

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#### Portfolio changes

No changes this month

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Australian Bonds	25.17	_
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Australian Bond	25.17	000
International Fixed Income	15.76	_
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Global Bond	15.76	000
International Equity	12.31	_
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Global Share	9.13	00
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Global Shr-Hgd	3.18	_
Australian Equity	9.91	_
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Australian Share	9.91	000
Global Property	1.45	_
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Property Sec	1.45	00000
Global Infrastructure	1.43	_
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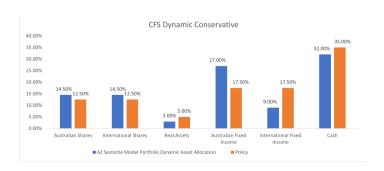
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# **Major Index Returns**

	1 Month 3	Months 6	Months	1 Year	3 Years
MSCI World Ex Australia GR AUD	4.48	-0.62	6.40	14.97	11.47
Bloomberg AusBond Bank 0+Y TR AUD	0.35	1.03	2.08	3.76	1.59
Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg AUD	3.20	0.46	-0.02	0.89	-3.98
S&P Global Infrastructure NR AUD	4.68	-1.12	-1.23	0.24	8.50
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+Y TR AUD	2.97	-0.47	-1.18	0.20	-3.64

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





# **Sustainability Score - Super**

**Corporate Sustainability Score** 



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# **Sustainability Score - Pension**

Corporate Sustainability Score



CFS MA Index Conservative Pension

# **ESG Pillar Score - Super**

**Not Available** 

#### **ESG Pillar Score - Pension**

Not Available

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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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