# CFS Sestante Index Balanced Portfolio – Super & Pension

Monthly Investment Report

# As of 31/10/2024

# Latest Performance\*

	1-mth	3-mths	6-mths	1-yr	Inception
CFS MA Index Balanced Super	-0.45	1.73	7.01	17.57	10.21
CFS MA Index Balanced Pension	-0.51	1.92	7.79	19.74	11.39
RBA Cash Rate + 2.5% p.a.	0.59	1.75	3.53	7.13	6.96
Morningstar AUS Growth Tgt Alloc NR AUD	-0.43	1.58	7.38	20.91	12.02

# **Market Review**

US markets held up reasonably well and only lost relatively small amounts of territory given the level of volatility seen during the lead-up to the US election. The S&P 500 recorded a loss of around 1% in US dollars. When adjusted back into Australia dollars the return was positive for the month due to the depreciation of the Australian dollar versus the US dollar.

Tesla and Netflix reported this month, and both enjoyed solid price gains after announcing strong third-quarter results. This positive sentiment extended to information technology stocks more broadly, with Nvidia achieving a new record high after a positive earnings result from Taiwan Semiconductor boosted investor sentiment again for Al-related investments.

In Europe, the Stoxx 50 was up around 0.5%, while the broader Stoxx 600 index lost approximately 1.6% for the month. Eurozone inflation dipped to 1.7% in September, falling below the European Central Bank's (ECB) target for the first time in three years, but rebounded to 2.0% in October according to a flash estimate by Eurostat, which was marginally above forecasts. The UK's FTSE 100 dropped by 1.2% for the month. The decline was primarily driven by the energy sector and falling oil prices, which negatively impacted companies like BP. In China, all major markets ended the month lower. This was the result of the fiscal stimulus measures announced last month not meeting investor expectations. In Japan, the Yen weakened after the ruling coalition failed to secure a majority in the recent elections. The Yen declined against the US dollar and a number of other currencies, including the Swiss Franc and the Euro. Interestingly, the weaker currency helped export-heavy Japanese companies. This saw the Nikkei close up for the month.

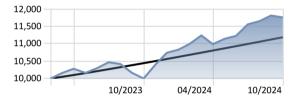
While October saw the short end of the US yield curve fall as the Fed eased rates, the medium to longer dated bonds rose suggesting inflation fears regardless of the result of the US election.

In Australia, October saw the S&P 200 lose 1.33%. While the banking sector performed well, the other large sector in the Australian market, metals and mining lost ground. Both BHP and Rio Tinto took a hit during October after both produced solid gains the prior month. This was a reflection of the Chinese stimulus story and the iron ore price.

After a few solid month's performance, Property and Infrastructure generally took a downturn in October. The S&P/ASX 200 A-REIT was down 2.52%, with Goodman Group, the largest security in the Index, down 0.95%. Global listed infrastructure, as measured by the FTSE Developed Core Infrastructure 50/50 Net Return Index Hedged into AUD lost 0.79% for the month, while Global Property lost 3.74% based on the FTSE EPRA NAREIT Developed hedged in AUD Net Total Return Index. The Global Property loss was mainly driven by rising US treasuries yields, as the market factored in a slower rate cutting cycle by the Fed.

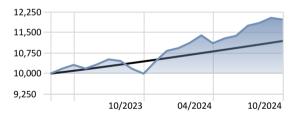
For a detailed market review and outlook, please refer to the Monthly Market Commentary document available on www.azsestante.com/investment-options

#### \$10,000 invested over time - Super



CFS MA Index Balanced -RBA Cash Rate + 2.5% p.a. Super

### \$10,000 over time - Pension



CFS MA Index Balanced RBA Cash Rate + 2.5% p.a. Pension

#### Portfolio information

- Investment Objective: target RBA cash rate +2.5% per annum over rolling 5-year periods after fees.
- Asset Class: Diversified
- Standard Risk Measure: High
- 70% Growth / 30% Defensive
- Portfolio Inception Date: 1 March 2023
- Estimated Total Cost (before transaction costs and platform fees):

Super: 0.35% Pension: 0.35%



### **Current Asset Allocation - Super**

Portfolio Date: 31/10/2024		
		%
	<ul> <li>Global Infrastructure</li> </ul>	9.60
	International Fixed Income	8.09
	Cash	4.29
	Australian Equities	30.36
	International Equities	26.64
	Australian Fixed Income	16.93
	Global Property	4.09
	Total	100.00

#### Where your funds are invested

Australian Equities	30.36	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Australian Share	30.36	000
International Equities	26.64	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Global Share	16.41	00
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Global Shr-Hgd	10.24	_
Australian Fixed Income	16.93	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Australian Bond	16.93	000
Global Infrastructure	9.60	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Ind Glb List Infr Sec	9.60	<b>@@</b>
International Fixed Income	8.09	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Global Bond	8.09	000
Cash	4.29	_
CFS FC W PSup-FSI Strategic Cash	4.29	
Global Property	4.09	_
CFS FC W PSup-CFS Index Glb Property Sec	4.09	000

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#### Portfolio changes

No changes this month

# **Major Index Returns**

	1 Month 3	Months 6	Months	1 Year	3 Years
S&P/ASX 200 TR AUD	-1.31	2.10	8.44	24.89	8.01
MSCI World Ex Australia NR AUD	3.92	2.14	10.20	29.31	11.39
S&P Global Infrastructure NR AUD	4.55	6.75	14.00	27.61	11.86
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+Y TR AUD	-1.88	-0.39	2.26	7.08	-0.62
Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg AUD	-1.51	0.53	4.02	8.37	-1.89

### **Current Asset Allocation - Pension**

Portfolio Date: 31/10/2024



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International Equities	26.66	_
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Australian Fixed Income	16.82	_
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Australian Bond	16.82	000
Global Infrastructure	9.65	—
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Ind Glb List Infr Sec	9.65	00
International Fixed Income	8.06	_
CFS FC W Pen-CFS Index Global Bond	8.06	000
Cash	4.28	_
CFS FC W Pen-FSI Strategic Cash	4.28	
Global Property	4.09	_
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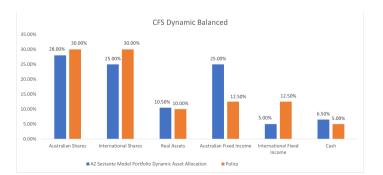
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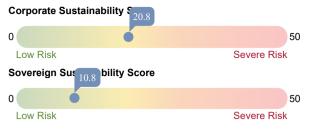
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#### Active Asset Allocation: AZ Sestante Model Portfolio vs Investment Policy Target



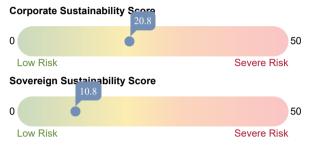


## Sustainability Score - Super



CFS MA Index Balanced Super

### **Sustainability Score - Pension**



CFS MA Index Balanced Pension

### **ESG Pillar Score - Super**

Governance



Unallocated

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