# Sestante Balanced Index Portfolio

## Monthly Investment Report

As of 30/06/2025



### Latest Performance\*

	1-mth	3-mths	1-yr	3-yr	5-yr	Inception
Sestante Balanced Index	1.61	6.07	12.56	10.16	7.16	6.57
RBA Cash Rate + 2.5% p.a.	0.52	1.64	6.99	6.54	4.97	4.64

### **Market Review**

Global equity markets delivered robust returns in June 2025, with investor optimism prevailing over a backdrop of geopolitical tensions and policy uncertainty. The U.S. stock market led the rally, powered by strength in megacap technology stocks and enthusiasm around artificial intelligence. The S&P 500 climbed 5.1% during the month, pushing its year-to-date return to 6.2% including dividends. The tech-heavy Nasdaq outperformed with a 6.6% monthly gain, bringing its total return for the year to 3.6%.

While mid-cap and small-cap U.S. equities posted positive monthly returns, up 3.4% and 3.9% respectively, they remained negative for the year overall. Market breadth in the S&P 500 was moderately constructive, with 340 stocks rising and 163 declining in June.

Internationally, equities also advanced, with the MSCI AC World Index gaining 3.9% in local currency terms. Emerging markets outpaced developed markets, returning 5.0%. Chinese stocks rebounded strongly on progress toward a partial trade deal, even as signs of economic softness persisted. In Asia, South Korea's KOSPI performed well following the election of a market-friendly administration, while Taiwan and Hong Kong equities were buoyed by ongoing Al-driven momentum.

Technology led all other sectors with a 9.9% monthly gain, driven by strong performance in semiconductors and technology hardware. Consumer Discretionary rose 7.3%, while Energy climbed 4.9%, helped by a temporary spike in oil prices. Consumer Staples was the only sector to fall, down 1.6% during the month.

Despite notable geopolitical developments, including a ceasefire agreement between Iran and Israel and ongoing U.S. diplomatic discussions, markets remained relatively stable. Volatility remained subdued overall, although the VIX briefly spiked above 21 mid-month amid heightened headline risk.

Australia's ASX 200 rose 1.4% in June, as expectations of further interest rate cuts supported risk sentiment. Energy (+9.0%), Financials (+4.3%), and Real Estate (+1.7%) led the gains, while Materials (-3.1%) lagged.

Bond markets saw yields decline globally, driven by expectations of monetary easing. U.S. Treasury yields fell across the curve, with the 2-year yield down 0.18%. Similarly, Australia's 10-year government bond yield dropped 0.11% to 4.16%

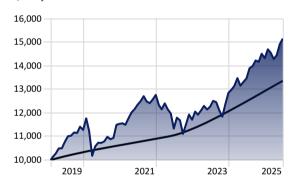
In currency markets, the U.S. dollar weakened sharply, falling 2.5% in June, as measured by the DXY Index. The Australian dollar and most Asian currencies appreciated, supported by stronger local equity performance.

Despite ongoing uncertainties, markets ended the first half of 2025 on a strong footing, with technology leadership and easing interest rate expectations underpinning gains across global equities..

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



Sestante Balanced Index

■RBA Cash Rate + 2.5% p.a.

### Portfolio information

- Investment Objective: target RBA cash rate +2.5% per annum over rolling 6-year periods after fees.
- · Asset Class: Diversified
- 70% Growth / 30% Defensive
- Portfolio Inception Date: 7 February 2019

# Corporate ESG Risk Score Low Risk Sovereign ESG Risk Low Risk Severe Risk Severe Risk Severe Risk Severe Risk Severe Risk

### **ESG Pillar Score**



5.5 Environmental



8.9 Socia



5.2 Governance



0.9
Unallocated

### **Major Index Returns**

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years
S&P/ASX 200 TR AUD	1.41	9.50	6.44	13.81	13.56
MSCI World Ex Australia GR AUD	2.49	6.09	3.65	19.11	20.93
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+Y TR AUD	0.75	2.63	3.95	6.81	3.88
Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg AUD	0.91	1.49	2.65	5.45	2.28
S&P Global Infrastructure NR AUD	0.00	4.64	8.56	29.06	13.29

### Important information

\*Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Performance is calculated before taxes, model management and platform fees and after underlying investment management fees. For full details of fees please refer to the relevant platform offer documents. Performance is notional in nature and an individual investor's actual performance may differ to the that of the model portfolio. Investment performance is shown from 7/2/2019 and represents modelled performance only and assumes income received is reinvested.

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### **Current Asset Allocation**



### Where your funds are invested

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International Equities	32.00	_
Vanguard All-World ex-US Shares ETF	13.00	000
iShares S&P 500 AUD Hedged ETF	9.50	000
iShares S&P 500 ETF	9.50	000
Australian Equities	26.50	_
iShares Core S&P/ASX 200 ETF	23.50	0000
iShares Australian Equity Index	3.00	000
Australian Fixed Income	13.50	_
iShares Australian Bond Index	13.50	_
International Fixed Income	11.50	_
iShares Global Bond Index	11.50	000
Global Infrastructure	8.00	_
VanEck FTSE Glbl Infras(AUD Hdg)ETF	8.00	000
Global Property	5.00	_
VanEck FTSE Intl Prop (AUD Hdg) ETF	5.00	000
Cash	3.50	_
Cash	2.00	_
BetaShares Aus High Interest Cash ETF	1.50	_
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### Portfolio changes

There were no portfolio changes this month.

