

CFS AZ Sestante Wholesale Growth Fund Monthly Investment Report

As of 30/09/2025

Latest performance*

	1-mth	3-mths	6-mths	1-yr	3-yrs	5-yrs	Inception
Investment	0.31%	3.33%	7.97%	7.90%	12.50%	7.91%	6.67%
Super	0.28%	3.02%	7.18%	7.49%	11.45%	7.41%	6.10%
Pension	0.31%	3.30%	7.97%	8.21%	12.85%	8.25%	6.70%
Benchmark	0.59%	1.83%	3.64%	7.09%	8.08%	8.68%	7.51%

Market Review

Global markets in September 2025 reflected cautious optimism, with investors balancing hopes for monetary policy support against lingering concerns over global growth and political risk. While economic headlines were relatively subdued, equity markets continued their upward trend, supported by strong earnings, especially in the U.S. and Japan, and growing confidence in central bank policy.

While the Federal Reserve cut interest rates by 0.25% to a range of 4.00–4.25%, its cautious tone and firm inflation data dampened expectations for aggressive easing. Treasury yields moved sharply during the month, with the 10-year yield fluctuating between 4.01% and 4.14% as investors weighed mixed macroeconomic signals.

During the month, U.S. equity markets extended their rally, though momentum slowed somewhat compared to August's AI-driven surge. Despite this, the S&P 500 still gained 3.8% for the month and notched multiple record highs during the month, driven by broad sector participation.

Mid and small-cap indices posted more modest gains, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average also hit new highs. Investors are now turning their attention to third-quarter earnings, with early estimates pointing to robust year-over-year growth and strong buyback activity. The outcome of this earnings season is likely to shape the next leg of market direction, particularly if results exceed already high expectations.

In Europe, equity markets also advanced, with the Euro Stoxx 50 rising 2.8%. Gains were concentrated in banks and industrials, bolstered by the European Central Bank's decision to hold rates at 2.0%. Investors welcomed the steady hand of the ECB, even as risks such as U.S. trade policy and uneven regional growth weighed on sentiment. The euro weakened slightly against the dollar, and bond markets were stable, with the German 10-year yield around 2.4%.

UK markets saw a more mixed performance, as the FTSE 100 was supported by energy and financial stocks, helping offset a weakening pound. The Bank of England held rates at 4.0%, while fiscal concerns ahead of the November budget limited broader investor enthusiasm. Gilt yields remained elevated around 4.5%.

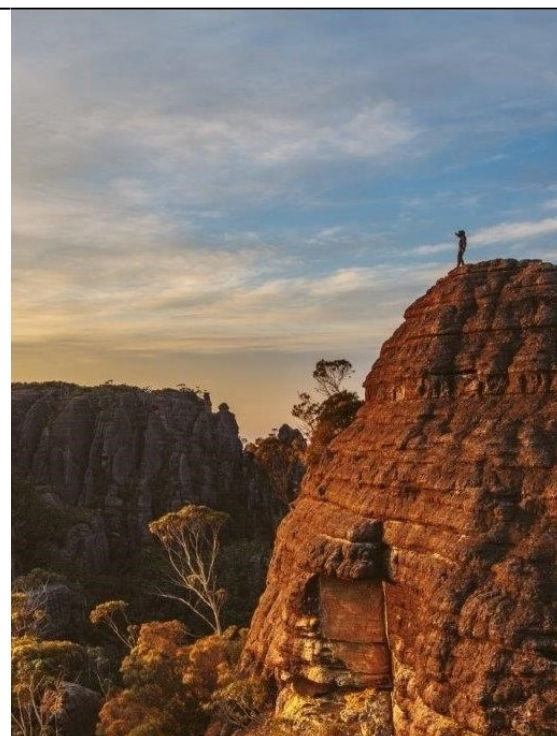
Globally, Japan's Nikkei 225 was the standout performer with a 6.5% gain, driven by a weaker yen, strong tech exports, and speculation around further Bank of Japan stimulus. Chinese equities were flat, pausing after August's rebound as investors weighed state support against persistent real estate and consumer challenges.

Australia's ASX 200 Accumulation Index was down by 0.8%. The poor performance was mainly driven by inflation kicking up more strongly than expected in both July and August causing the RBA to keep the cash rate at 3.60% and reducing expectations of future rate cuts. This meant that Australian bond yields rose over September with the 2-year up by 0.154% and the 5-year up by 0.128%.

Commodities were mixed, with gold gaining 11% on safe-haven flows, while oil prices declined.

Heading into October, earnings and central bank decisions will likely dominate market focus, with investors maintaining a cautiously optimistic stance.

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



■ CFS AZ Sestante Growth ■ RBA Cash Rate +4.5%p.a.

Portfolio information

- **Investment Objective:**
target CPI +4.5% per annum over rolling 5-year periods after fees.
- **Asset Class:** Diversified
- **Portfolio Inception Date:**
5 December 2016
(for investments only)

ESG Risk Score

● CFS AZ Sestante Growth

Corporate ESG Risk Score



Sovereign ESG Risk Score



*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 5/12/2016 and represents modelled performance only and assumes income received is reinvested.

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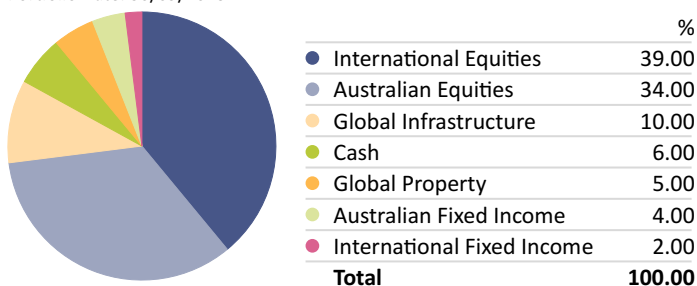
Important information

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Current Asset Allocation

Portfolio Date: 30/09/2025



Where your funds are invested

International Equities	39.00	
CFS Index Global Share-Hedged	12.00	
CFS FC-GQG Partners Global Equity	8.00	
CFS FC W- RQI Global Value	7.00	
CFS FC-T. Rowe Price Global Equity	7.00	
CFS FC-Royal London Con Glb Share	5.00	
Australian Equities	34.00	
CFS FC-Schroder Australian Equity	16.00	
CFS FC-Pendal Australian Share	11.00	
CFS Wholesale Indexed Australian Share	7.00	
Global Infrastructure	10.00	
CFS Index Global List Infrastructure Sec	10.00	
Cash	6.00	
CFS Wholesale Cash	5.50	
Cash	0.50	
Global Property	5.00	
CFS Index Global Property Securities	5.00	
Australian Fixed Income	4.00	
CFS FC-Franklin Aust Abs Return Bond	2.00	
CFS FC-Pendal Sust Aust Fixed Interest	2.00	
International Fixed Income	2.00	
CFS FC-Macquarie Dynamic Bond	1.00	
CFS FC-PIMCO Global Bond	1.00	
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 were no portfolio changes this month.

Major Index Returns

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years
S&P/ASX 200 TR AUD	-0.78	4.71	14.66	10.56	15.17
MSCI World Ex Australia GR AUD	2.03	6.23	12.70	23.57	23.21
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+Y TR AUD	0.10	0.40	3.04	4.09	4.25
Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg AUD	0.68	1.02	2.53	2.44	3.96
S&P Global Infrastructure NR AUD	0.20	2.34	7.09	21.21	15.55