

Sestante Assertive Index Portfolio

Monthly Investment Report

As of 30/11/2025

Latest Performance*

	1-mth	3-mths	1-yr	3-yr	5-yr	Inception
Sestante Assertive Index	-0.66	1.59	10.95	12.26	9.42	9.00
RBA Cash Rate + 3% p.a.	0.54	1.66	7.20	7.29	5.79	5.26

Market Review

Global markets paused in November after strong gains earlier in the year, as investors reassessed valuations, shifting policy expectations, and the durability of earnings momentum. Equity markets were broadly flat to slightly positive in developed regions, while several major Asian markets retreated following an extended rally. Defensive sectors outperformed, reversing the trend that had favoured cyclical and technology since mid-year.

In the U.S., uncertainty created by suspended economic releases during the prolonged government shutdown left markets relying more heavily on private data, much of which pointed to softer labour conditions. This increased expectations that the Federal Reserve may deliver a rate cut in December, supporting a late-month rebound in risk assets. Even so, market performance was mixed. The S&P 500 was roughly unchanged for the month (+0.1%), the Nasdaq fell about 1.5%, and small caps outperformed, with the Russell 2000 rising around 0.8%. Technology shares lagged despite another strong earnings season, with investors questioning whether lofty growth expectations, particularly surrounding AI, can be sustained.

European equities modestly outperformed the U.S., helped by healthier earnings breadth and less concentration in mega-cap technology names. The region's large markets posted gains of around 1%, supported by financials and selective industrials. UK equities were flat and were held back by cautious consumer-facing sectors. In Japan, a weaker yen supported exporters, though the Nikkei ultimately fell close to 4% after a strong October.

Emerging markets faced notable headwinds during the month. The Korean market (KOSPI 200) was down around 4.4%, while the Taiwanese market also fell. The main driver was investors taking profits in tech-heavy markets, while Middle Eastern equities were pressured by softer oil-market expectations. India outperformed on a relative basis, declining only marginally.

Australia experienced one of the weakest monthly equity performances globally. The S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index fell 2.6%, marking a third month of underperformance as investors reduced expectations for future Reserve Bank of Australia rate cuts. Local bond yields rose sharply, 10-year yields climbed to 4.52%, after another stronger-than-expected inflation reading reinforced views that monetary easing is unlikely in the near term. Notably, the Australian dollar remained broadly steady against the U.S. dollar despite higher domestic rate expectations.

Commodities delivered mixed results. Precious metals advanced, while energy and industrial metals were weaker. Bond markets were similarly subdued, with global fixed income returning 0.2% as falling U.S. Treasury yields offset weakness elsewhere.

Across fixed income, the U.S. led performance with Treasury returns of about 0.6% as yields declined. Japanese government bonds lagged, falling more than 1% amid concerns over the sustainability of ultra-loose monetary policy. European bond markets were mixed, with German Bunds underperforming due to higher expected issuance.

Although headline returns were muted, pronounced style and sector rotation underscored the shifting market backdrop. Investors remained highly sensitive to policy signals, valuation risks, and the uneven global earnings landscape.

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 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: 7 February 2019

ESG Risk Score

● Sestante Assertive Index

Corporate ESG Risk Score

20.2



Sovereign ESG Risk Score

14.3



ESG Pillar Score



6.0

Environmental



8.3

Social



4.4

Governance



0.7

Unallocated

Major Index Returns

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years
S&P/ASX 200 TR AUD	-2.66	-3.05	3.77	5.47	9.71
MSCI World Ex Australia GR AUD	0.20	5.64	12.73	16.98	20.72
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+Y TR AUD	-0.88	-0.42	0.62	4.35	3.22
Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg AUD	0.18	1.61	2.88	3.76	3.60
S&P Global Infrastructure NR AUD	3.06	4.25	6.49	16.10	13.81
RBA Cash Rate + 3% p.a.	0.54	1.66	3.42	7.20	7.29

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.

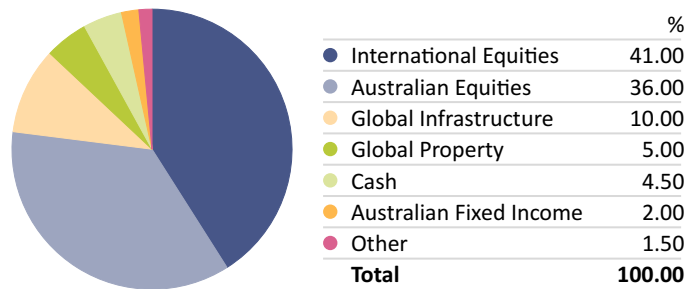
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ESG pillar scores are displayed as a number between 0 and 50 with most scores range between 0 and 25. It is the asset-weighted average of the company environmental, social, governance risk scores for the covered corporate holdings in a portfolio. The 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

Portfolio Date: 30/11/2025



Where your funds are invested

International Equities	41.00	—
Vanguard All-World ex-US Shares ETF	14.00	⊗⊗⊗⊗
iShares S&P 500 AUD Hedged ETF	13.00	⊗⊗⊗⊗
iShares S&P 500 ETF	11.00	⊗⊗⊗⊗
Vanguard Emerging Markets Shares Index	3.00	⊗⊗
Australian Equities	36.00	—
iShares Core S&P/ASX 200 ETF	28.00	⊗⊗⊗⊗
iShares Australian Equity Index	8.00	⊗⊗⊗⊗
Global Infrastructure	10.00	—
VanEck FTSE Gbl Infrs(AUD Hdg)ETF	10.00	⊗⊗⊗⊗
Global Property	5.00	—
VanEck FTSE Intl Prop (AUD Hdg) ETF	5.00	⊗⊗⊗⊗
Cash	4.50	—
BetaShares Aus High Interest Cash ETF	2.50	—
Cash	2.00	—
Australian Fixed Income	2.00	—
iShares Australian Bond Index	2.00	—
International Fixed Income	1.50	—
iShares Global Bond Index	1.50	⊗⊗⊗⊗
	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.