

### Monthly fund update - October 2021

#### Investment approach

Each Fund invests via expert asset managers that specialise in index strategies that seek to track the performance of selected benchmarks as well as alternative assets and cash. Alternative assets and cash may or may not invest in index strategies. Sandhurst will invest each Fund's assets across a variety of asset classes in a manner that we believe will meet the investment return objective of each Fund. Each Fund aims to provide a total return after fees in excess of a stated percentage above inflation over a full market cycle (typically 7 to 10 years), where inflation is measured by the Australian Consumer Price Index (CPI).

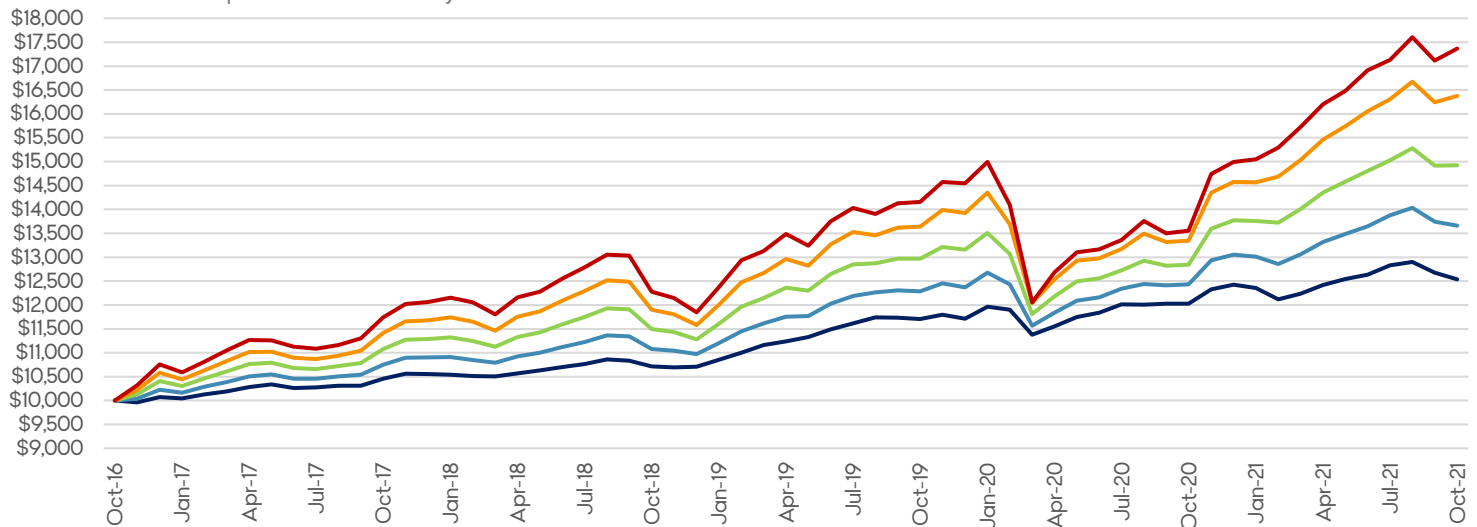
#### Fund performance<sup>1</sup>

as at 31 October 2021	Morningstar Rating™ Overall <sup>2</sup>	Morningstar Category Rank 5 Year <sup>2</sup>	3 months %	1 year %	3 years %p.a.	5 years %p.a.	Fund size \$m
<b>Bendigo Defensive Index Fund</b>	★★★★★	2 / 20	-2.28	4.22	5.37	4.62	\$110.62
<i>Peer Comparison</i>			-1.43	3.44	3.57	3.20	
<b>Bendigo Conservative Index Fund</b>	★★★★★	3 / 105	-1.53	9.88	7.23	6.44	\$477.37
<i>Peer Comparison</i>			-0.67	7.48	4.94	4.39	
<b>Bendigo Balanced Index Fund</b>	★★★★★	6 / 110	-0.69	16.18	9.09	8.34	\$511.01
<i>Peer Comparison</i>			-0.17	14.09	7.24	6.44	
<b>Bendigo Growth Index Fund</b>	★★★★★	5 / 173	0.41	22.66	11.21	10.37	\$426.61
<i>Peer Comparison</i>			0.48	19.63	9.01	8.15	
<b>Bendigo High Growth Index Fund</b>	★★★★	23 / 123	1.38	28.09	12.24	11.67	\$84.31
<i>Peer Comparison</i>			1.04	26.94	11.37	10.49	

#### An example of how your investment grows

Growth of \$10,000 over 5 years<sup>1</sup>

(Based on historic Fund performance over 5 years)

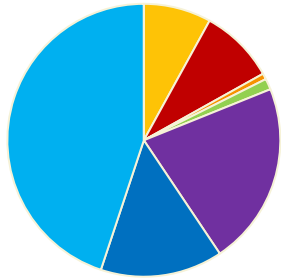


#### Fund Facts

	APIR Code	Fund inception date	Distribution frequency	Return objective	Recommended investment timeframe	Risk level	Management costs <sup>3</sup>	Buy / Sell spread <sup>3</sup>
<b>Bendigo Defensive Index Fund</b>	STL0031AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 1.5%	2 years +	Low	0.390% p.a.	+0.09%/-0.12%
<b>Bendigo Conservative Index Fund</b>	STL0032AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 2%	3 years +	Low to medium	0.410% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%
<b>Bendigo Balanced Index Fund</b>	STL0033AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 3%	4 years +	Medium	0.430% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%
<b>Bendigo Growth Index Fund</b>	STL0034AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 4%	5 years +	Medium to high	0.450% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%
<b>Bendigo High Growth Index Fund</b>	STL0035AU	30 Sept 2011	Half yearly	CPI + 5%	7 years +	High	0.460% p.a.	+0.10%/-0.10%

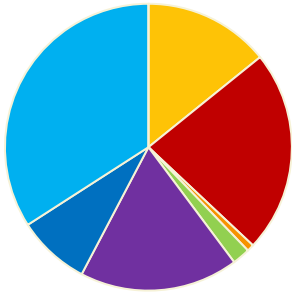
## Asset allocation

### Bendigo Defensive Index Fund



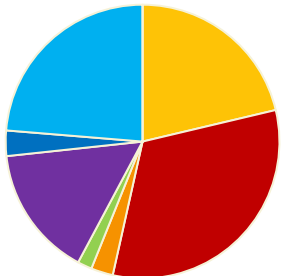
Aust Sh	8.0%
Int Sh	8.9%
Int Sh (Hedged)	0.7%
Property & Infra	1.3%
Cash	21.7%
Int FI	14.5%
Aust FI	44.9%
Alternative	0.0%

### Bendigo Conservative Index Fund



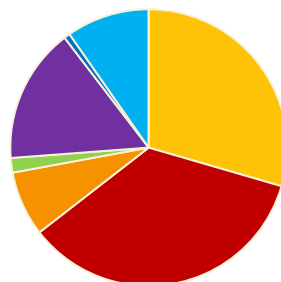
Aust Sh	14.2%
Int Sh	22.8%
Int Sh (Hedged)	0.8%
Property & Infra	2.0%
Cash	17.9%
Int FI	8.2%
Aust FI	34.1%
Alternative	0.0%

### Bendigo Balanced Index Fund



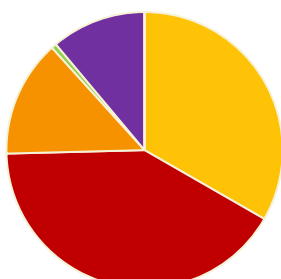
Aust Sh	21.3%
Int Sh	32.2%
Int Sh (Hedged)	2.6%
Property & Infra	1.7%
Cash	15.5%
Int FI	3.0%
Aust FI	23.7%
Alternative	0.0%

### Bendigo Growth Index Fund



Aust Sh	29.5%
Int Sh	35.0%
Int Sh (Hedged)	7.6%
Property & Infra	1.7%
Cash	15.8%
Int FI	0.7%
Aust FI	9.7%
Alternative	0.0%

### Bendigo High Growth Index Fund



Aust Sh	33.3%
Int Sh	41.3%
Int Sh (Hedged)	13.7%
Property & Infra	0.6%
Cash	11.1%
Int FI	0.0%
Aust FI	0.0%
Alternative	0.0%

## Unit prices

as at 31 October 2021

Application price      Withdrawal price

<b>Bendigo Defensive Index Fund</b>	\$1.14526	\$1.14285
<b>Bendigo Conservative Index Fund</b>	\$1.32162	\$1.31898
<b>Bendigo Balanced Index Fund</b>	\$1.49917	\$1.49617
<b>Bendigo Growth Index Fund</b>	\$1.74233	\$1.73885
<b>Bendigo High Growth Index Fund</b>	\$1.82837	\$1.82472

## Make the most of your investment

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### ► The power of compounding

Compounding can be a powerful tool in wealth creation. Reinvesting distributions can be one of the easiest and cheapest ways to increase your holdings over time. You're compounding your investment's growth by continually adding more units which, in turn, will generate distributions of their own.

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## Performance commentary

Returns for the month ending October were mixed with Defensive and Conservative risk profiles underperforming their relative peer groups while Balanced through to High Growth profiles fared better relative to their peers. October was difficult for fixed income investments due to rising bond yields. Inflation expectations picked up in October and bonds sold off as CPI data remains elevated indicating some of the transitory inflationary forces will persist for longer than expected. Pleasingly, global developed world equity exposures benefitted the funds with corporate earnings exceeding expectations driving equities higher over the month.

## Economic commentary

October was a mixed month for asset returns. On the growth side of the ledger, developed world equities (measured by the MSCI World Ex Australia index) returned 1.7%, as corporate earnings were stronger than expected. As of writing, US corporates have reported double digit earnings growth despite fears of rising inflation and pressure on profit margins. Conversely, fixed interest investments came under pressure due to rising bond yields.

Central banks' stance that higher inflation is largely transitional was challenged by the bond market in October as selling resulted in yields moving higher. Annual CPI prints have risen to levels that are now within or above target bands of many central banks (2-3%). Higher energy prices, housing costs and supply chain constraints have played a role in driving expectations for further tapering of bond purchases and cash rate movements earlier than previously thought. Australian bonds, as measured by the Bloomberg Ausbond Govt 0+ Year Index, returned -3.6% in October.

China's engineered economic slowdown continues to concern investors. This coupled with fears of a potential Evergrande (property developer) collapse saw the China dominated MSCI Emerging Market index fall 2.9% in October. Performance outcomes have diverged between developed and emerging market equities over the last 12 months. Global developed world equities have returned 31.4% while emerging market equities have returned 9.4%, opening a 22% performance gap.

Developed world equity valuations appear expensive in an absolute sense but relative to bonds are attractive. Economic growth is slowing from peak levels recorded earlier in the year while inflation prints remain elevated. Company earnings continue to surprise to the upside, while rising vaccination rates should lead to continued opening of economies, with Australia to be a notable beneficiary in the final quarter of the year. The Diversified funds are well placed to navigate through the complexities facing markets with diverse fund exposures set to benefit from a range of outcomes.

### Footnotes

1. Fund performance figures are calculated before tax and after fees and costs; using withdrawal prices and assumes distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not an indication of future performance.

2. Morningstar rates managed funds from one to five stars based on how well they've performed (after adjusting for risk) in comparison to similar funds. Within each Morningstar Category, the top 10% of funds receive five stars, the next 22.5% four stars, the middle 35% three stars, the next 22.5% two stars, and the bottom 10% receive one star. Funds are rated for up to three time periods - three, five, and 10 years - and these ratings are combined to produce an overall rating. Funds with less than three years of history are not rated. Ratings are objective, based entirely on a mathematical evaluation of past performance. They're a useful tool for identifying funds worthy of further research, but shouldn't be considered buy or sell recommendations.

Bendigo Defensive Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 20 Multisector Conservative funds as of 31 October 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Conservative Category, the Bendigo Defensive Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 2 out of 20 funds as of 31 October 2021. Source: [www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19288](http://www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19288)

Bendigo Conservative Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 107 Multisector Moderate funds as of 31 October 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Moderate Category, the Bendigo Conservative Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 3 out of 105 funds as of 31 October 2021. Source: [www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19289](http://www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19289)

Bendigo Balanced Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 118 Multisector Balanced funds as of 31 October 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Balanced Category, the Bendigo Balanced Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 6 out of 110 funds as of 31 October 2021. Source: [www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19290](http://www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19290)

Bendigo Growth Index Fund received a 5-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 180 Multisector Growth funds as of 31 October 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Growth Category, the Bendigo Growth Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 5 out of 173 funds as of 31 October 2021. Source: [www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19291](http://www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19291)

Bendigo High Growth Index Fund received a 4-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 127 Multisector Aggressive funds as of 31 October 2021. In the Morningstar Multisector Aggressive Category, the Bendigo High Growth Index Fund 5 year return was ranked 23 out of 123 funds as of 31 October 2021. Source: [www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19292](http://www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19292)

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