

AMP Secure Growth Plus

Quarterly Investment Option Update

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Aim and Strategy

To provide returns which exceed inflation over the longer term, but with lower variability of returns than would be expected from an investment option with the same exposure to bonds, cash, shares and property. The investment strategy is to invest in a diversified portfolio with a core of cash and bonds with exposure to shares and property to enhance returns. Changes to investment allocations, including the use of derivatives, can be made according to the outlook for the various investment sectors and the nature of the investment. Assurance: Investors are protected from capital losses at specified times (see additional information about AMP Secure Growth Plus for more information).

Investment Option Performance

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Investment Option Overview

Investment category	Multi-Sector
Suggested minimum investment timeframe	5 years
Relative risk rating	Very Low
Investment style	Active
Manager style	Multi-manager

Asset Allocation	Benchmark (%)
International and Australian Fixed Interest	55
Australian Shares	19.6
International shares	10.6
Unlisted Property and Infrastructure	7.6
Listed Property and Infrastructure	7.2

Actual Allocation	%
International Shares	10.66
Australian Shares	19.80
Listed Property and Infrastructure	7.46
Unlisted Property and Infrastructure	7.00
Australian Fixed Interest	52.21
Others	2.99

Market Review

Increasing predispositions by global central banks to become ever more accommodative during the September quarter have kept the bias on interest rates downwards, making equities relatively attractive and increasing the correlation between equities and bonds. However, the International Monetary Fund revised down its projection for global growth further during the period.

For the US-China trade dispute, which saw further escalation during the period, trust will need to be re-established between both parties at face-to-face meetings before any serious progress can be made. Until then, there is the potential for volatility to ramp-up substantially.

As was widely factored into the market, the US Federal Reserve (Fed) cut the Federal Funds Rate range by 25 basis points to 2.0-2.25% on 31 July; the first cut since the Global Financial Crisis, followed by a further cut of 25 basis points on 18 September to take the rate range to 1.75-2.0%.

In the US economy, the trade deficit continued to widen. However, as a whole, US economic data was generally benign, and the US stock market reached a record high during the quarter. There has been strong consumer-related and business data; however, jobs growth has been somewhat sluggish, and the ISM manufacturing conditions index remains subdued. Recent retail sales have risen more than expected and small business confidence remains strong, although latest labour market indicators have been more mixed.

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