

# Alternative Index

Quarterly Investment Option Update

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## Aim and Strategy

To provide returns similar to the Hedge Fund Research Index (Customised) benchmark on a 3 year rolling basis. The option takes long and short positions using derivatives. Investments are made globally across equity, government bond, commodity and currency futures markets. The strategy does not make investments in underlying hedge strategies. Currency exposures are not hedged back to Australian dollars and are instead used as a value add strategy. The strategy is allowed to gear using short positions - no more than 30% of the Net Asset Value of the strategy.

## Investment Option Performance

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## Investment Option Overview

<b>Investment category</b>	Alternative strategies
<b>Suggested minimum investment timeframe</b>	5 years
<b>Relative risk rating</b>	Medium
<b>Investment style</b>	Index
<b>Manager style</b>	Single

<b>Asset Allocation</b>	<b>Benchmark (%)</b>
Growth Alternatives	100
Cash	0
<b>Actual Allocation</b>	<b>%</b>
Growth Alternatives	100.00

## Market Review

December saw some closure and improved visibility on issues that had been weighing on the market for most of 2020. Despite further COVID-19 waves, breakouts and new strains, tangible plans for vaccine rollouts in 2021 showed an improved path to normalcy. In Europe, a Brexit deal was finally agreed and signed. All-in-all, the global environment imparted a more positive backdrop at the tail-end of the year which kept equity markets supported. However, many equity markets now look stretched and signs of excessive optimism have been reflected in IPOs often trading significantly above their launch valuations, with sketchy or sometimes zero profitability.

Ahead of the US presidential election global equities exhibited mixed performance as the initial acrimonious presidential debate impacted market certainty and support. After a protracted count, Democratic candidate Joe Biden won the election, although it took significant time for the Trump administration to tacitly accept defeat and agree to co-operate with a transition of power. Post the US election, global equity markets were buoyed by increased political certainty and positive news on several viable COVID-19 vaccines.

Global markets will be looking ahead to 2021 hoping than the impact of 2020 will be able to be reversed as soon as possible once vaccine programmes start to make their full effect felt.

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