



AMP MySuper 1990s Plus

Quarterly Investment Option Update

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Aim and Strategy

The strategy aims to achieve a rate of return of 3.5% pa above the inflation rate (measured by the Consumer Price Index), after fees and superannuation tax, over the suggested investment timeframe. Returns from both capital growth and income are provided through a diversified portfolio. AMP's MySuper investment option gives you an investment solution that takes you all the way through your superannuation savings journey. This approach, known as lifestages investing, delivers an investment strategy that continuously evolves to align with the changing stages of an investor's life. It takes the hard work out of deciding how to invest your savings by providing the simplicity of a single investment choice. This investment option is an age-based investment, meaning that the strategy of this investment option will change progressively over your lifetime as appropriate for the average investor born during the 1990s or later. This means that younger investors will have higher exposure to growth investment strategies because they have a longer period to retirement and can afford to take more risk. However, for investors closer to retirement, investments will have greater focus on seeking to preserve the capital built up and reducing risk whilst maintaining some exposure to growth assets. International investments may be partially or fully hedged back to Australian dollars. Subject to certain conditions, the underlying investments may use derivatives (such as options, futures, forwards and swaps) and engage in short selling.

Investment Option Performance

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Investment Option Overview

Investment category	Multi-Sector
Suggested minimum investment timeframe	10 years
Standard Risk Measure	6/High
Investment style	Active
Manager style	Multi-manager

Asset Allocation	Benchmark (%)
Australian Shares	36
Global Shares	43
Property	7
Infrastructure	6
Alternatives	3
Fixed Income	4
Cash	1

Actual Allocation	%
Global Shares	43.17
Australian Shares	34.73
Infrastructure	6.83
Property	5.65
Fixed Income	3.89
Alternatives	2.21
Cash	3.52

Fund Performance

The June quarter saw share markets continue their rally which started during the fourth quarter of 2022. This ultimately resulted in a firmly positive financial year for markets and translated well for the 1990s Option, which has delivered strongly positive performance over both the short and long term. We feel this is particularly noteworthy given the broad-based negativity and volatility which surrounded markets and the economy 12 months ago.

The 1990s Option was well placed to participate in the market rally over the quarter and financial year as a whole, given its higher risk/reward allocations such as shares, amid strength in equity markets. This was despite headlines being dominated by recessionary concerns, elevated inflation, and global central banks aggressively hiking interest rates. Smaller diversifying allocations to alternatives, direct property and direct infrastructure, as well private equity, were mixed and fell well short of share market gains.

The Option outperformed its CPI objective over both the quarter and 12-month periods.

Despite recent share market gains, the road ahead for investors remains fraught with challenges and we expect markets to come under increased volatility over the next 6-12 months. Equity markets are precariously positioned, as much of the recent rally has largely been driven by gains in the tech sector, thanks to excitement surrounding Artificial Intelligence. Additionally, we are still yet to see the full effect of rising interest rates on global economic growth with recessionary fears, particularly in the US and Europe a highly plausible reality. In this environment, we are rotating away from equity markets, locking in recent gains in favour of more diversifying assets such as infrastructure, as we expect these assets to provide good diversification and defensive characteristics.

Market Review

The June quarter saw previous concerns around banking stability ease somewhat, as did volatility in many investment markets. The US debt ceiling was, for some time, a focus in the financial press, though markets weren't overly bothered. In late May, a last-minute agreement was unsurprisingly reached, as has been the case so frequently in past decades. High but falling inflation remained an ever-present theme, with drops in commodity prices shown to be reducing headline figures, though core inflation remained somewhat sticky around the globe, notably in Europe and the US. Global employment levels remained close to full, while wages growth also continued. Services PMIs were shown to be at healthy levels, though declined slightly in June, while manufacturing PMIs continued to show contracting activity.

In the US, the economy continued to grow at a moderate pace, despite gloomy headlines. Inflation ticked down consistently and now sits at only 4.0%, a level last seen in April 2021 and well down from the peak of 9.1%. Jobless claims, while still low, trended slightly higher along with the unemployment rate, adding to hopes central banks may ease off the monetary brakes. Consumer spending meanwhile remained resilient, surprising a little to the upside.

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