

Fund description

The Fund invests in a diversified group of fixed interest assets. The Fund utilises the Fiducian “Manage the Manager” process, carefully selecting best of breed managers with different styles, sector and geographical exposures with the aim of achieving superior returns with reduced risk.

This Fund gives investors exposure to a range of fixed interest instruments, including Australian Bonds, International Bonds, Inflation Linked Bonds and Cash.

The Fund is intended to provide a secure return with a lower risk of capital loss relative to other investment categories. The return may be above cash when interest rates are falling, and below cash when interest rates are rising. The recommended holding period is at least 3 years.

Fund facts

Portfolio manager: Conrad Burge

ARSN: 106 681 707

APIR code: FDN5053AU

Benchmark: Fiducian Fixed Interest Composite

Current fund size: \$594 million (September 2025)

Management cost: 0.20%

Total management costs: 0.22%

Application/Exit fee: Nil

Inception Date: October 2003

Manager	Style		Sector	
	Active	Passive	Cash	FI
Challenger Inflation Linked	●			●
Challenger Aus Bond	●			●
iShares Aus Bond		●		●
iShares Global Bond		●		●
Perpetual Aus Bond	●			●
Cash		●	●	

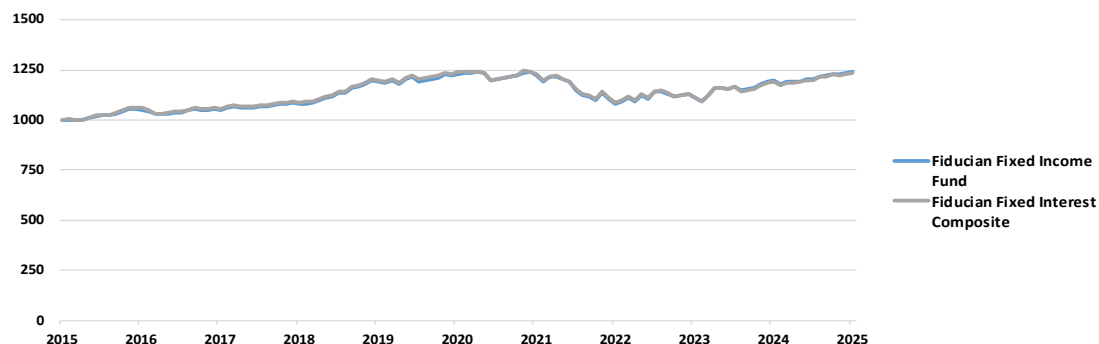
Performance and Risk

After fee returns as at 30 September 2025

	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	7yrs	10 Yrs
Fund	0.4%	0.8%	3.2%	3.6%	4.8%	0.2%	2.0%	2.2%
Index	0.4%	0.8%	3.0%	3.4%	4.3%	0.0%	1.9%	2.1%
Excess	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%

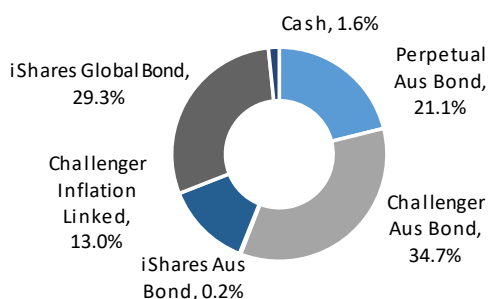
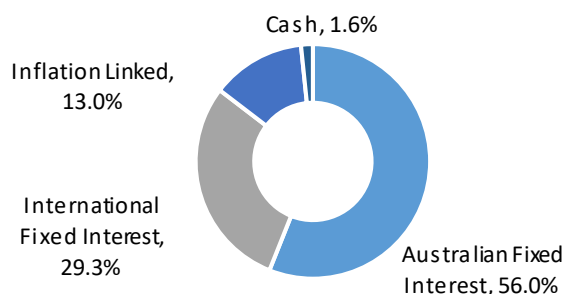
Risk Exposure

	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
Fund Volatility (Std Dev %)	2.8%	4.7%	5.3%	4.2%
Benchmark (Std Dev %)	2.7%	4.5%	5.1%	4.1%
Beta	0.96	1.01	1.02	1.02
Tracking Error (% pa)	0.1%	0.3%	0.6%	0.5%



Benchmark: Fiducian Fixed Interest Composite (60% Australian Fixed Interest, 28% International Fixed Interest, 12% Inflation-Linked Fixed Interest)

Sector exposures and current manager weights



Market Commentary and Outlook

The global economy is forecast to slow marginally this year, according to the latest estimates provided by the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Global growth is forecast to be 3.0% this year and 3.1% in 2026 (both marginally below the long-term trend rate, but slightly above the IMF's previous forecast). In the IMF's words, 'the global economy has continued to hold steady', with recent 'macroeconomic data turning out better than expected'. While this year's lower growth has been due to what the IMF has termed 'the swift escalation of trade tensions and extremely high levels of policy uncertainty', it now notes that 'a new wave of credible trade agreements could usher in a broader reform momentum to lift medium-term growth'. Growth in developed economies is forecast to be 1.5% this year, with 'risks to the outlook remaining tilted to the downside'.

The broad US stock market (S&P 500 Accumulation Index) has been on an uptrend since early April, gaining 3.7% in September alone. The Australian market (ASX 200 Accumulation Index) fell 0.8% over the month, with the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) reporting that 'inflation in the September quarter may be higher than expected', prompting the RBA to hold its 'cash rate' at 3.60% at its September meeting. The Australian dollar gained 1.2% relative to the US dollar. Commodity prices were mixed, with gold and iron ore posting gains, while lithium, coal, and oil declined over the month.

Key global share markets have been 'pricing-in' a shift by central banks towards less restrictive monetary policy, despite some signs of inflation rising again in some economies. However, share markets are likely to remain volatile until a resolution of trade tensions is achieved.

Fund Commentary

The Fund gained 0.4% in September, which was in line with the Fiducian Fixed Interest Composite Index return of 0.4% for the same period. For the 12 months to the end of September, the Fund rose by 3.6%, compared to the 3.4% growth by the index.

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