

# Fiducian Fixed Interest Fund

Monthly Report - December 2025



## 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.

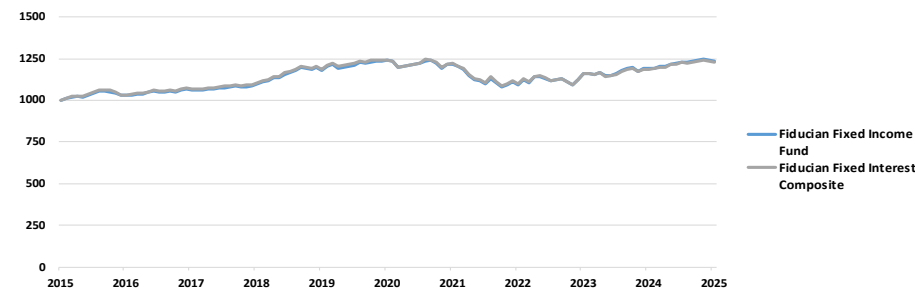
## Fund facts

<b>Portfolio manager:</b> Conrad Burge <b>ARSN:</b> 106 681 707 <b>APIR code:</b> FDN5053AU <b>Benchmark:</b> Fiducian Fixed Interest Composite <b>Current fund size:</b> \$596 million (December 2025) <b>Management cost:</b> 0.20% <b>Total management costs:</b> 0.22% <b>Application/Exit fee:</b> Nil <b>Inception Date:</b> October 2003	<b>Manager</b>	<b>Style</b>		<b>Sector</b>	
		<b>Active</b>	<b>Passive</b>	<b>Cash</b>	<b>FI</b>
	Challenger Inflation Linked		●		●
	Challenger Aus Bond		●		●
	iShares Aus Bond		●		●
	iShares Global Bond		●		●
	Perpetual Aus Bond	●			●
	Cash		●	●	

## Performance and Risk

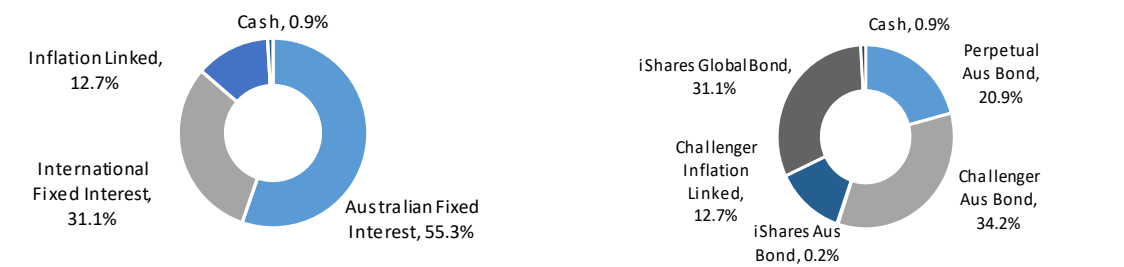
After fee returns as at 31 December 2025								
	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	7yrs	10 Yrs
Fund	-0.6%	-0.6%	0.2%	3.6%	4.2%	-0.1%	1.6%	2.1%
Index	-0.6%	-0.6%	0.2%	3.4%	3.8%	-0.2%	1.5%	2.1%
Excess	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%

Risk Exposure				
	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
Fund Volatility (Std Dev %)	2.0%	4.5%	5.3%	4.2%
Benchmark (Std Dev %)	1.9%	4.3%	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 expand this year and the next, according to the latest estimates provided by the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Global growth is forecast to have been 3.2% in 2025 and to be 3.1% in 2026 (both above the IMF's previous forecasts). As the IMF previously noted, this forecast of marginally lower growth is due to what it has termed 'the swift escalation of trade tensions and extremely high levels of policy uncertainty' following the announcement by the US in April of 'sizeable tariffs against most of its trading partners'. However, as the IMF now puts it, 'the good news is that the negative impact on the global economy (of US tariffs) is at the modest end of the range'. Growth in the advanced economies is forecast to be 1.6% in 2026, matching the forecast for 2025, but with 'risks tilted to the downside' in 2026.

The broad US stock market (S&P 500 Accumulation Index) has been on an uptrend since early April, gaining 0.1% in December. The Australian market (ASX 200 Accumulation Index) gained 1.3% over the month. The Australian dollar gained 1.9% relative to the US dollar over the month. Commodity prices were mixed with copper, gold, and iron ore posting gains, while coal and oil declined.

Key global share markets have been 'pricing-in' a shift by central banks towards less restrictive monetary policy, despite 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 fell by 0.6% in December, which was in line with the Fiducian Fixed Interest Composite Index return of -0.6% for the same period. For the 12 months to the end of December, the Fund rose by 3.6%, compared to the 3.6% return for the index.

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