

PERFORMANCE REPORT | AUGUST 2021 NWQ FIDUCIARY FUND

ARSN 606 556 049

FUND OBJECTIVE

The NWQ Fiduciary Fund (Fund), managed by NWQ Capital Management, is a diversified multi manager portfolio. The principal investment objective of the Fund is to produce attractive positive returns irrespective of market direction. This is achieved through active allocations to selected Australian equity fund managers that employ a variety of traditional and absolute return strategies. The Fund places emphasis on managers who demonstrate a rigorous and repeatable investment process that has delivered a strong track record.

This report contains performance figures for a Wholesale A Investor where a management fee of 0.50% p.a. and a performance fee of 5.00% (subject to performance hurdle and high water mark) have been deducted along with estimated ordinary expenses of 0.50% p.a. and assuming the reinvestment of distributions. Past performance is no guarantee of future performance.

PERFORMANCE	NWQ FIDUCIARY FUND	HFRI DIVERSIFIED FOF INDEX	BLOOMBERG AUSBOND COMPOSITE INDEX	RBA CASH
NET RETURNS				
1 MONTH	2.69%	1.02%	0.09%	0.01%
3 MONTHS	4.93%	1.02%	2.55%	0.03%
1 YEAR	10.58%	13.06%	1.05%	0.13%
3 YEARS (p.a.)	5.63%	6.23%	4.52%	0.68%
5 YEARS (p.a.)	5.52%	5.62%	3.33%	1.01%
SINCE INCEPTION (p.a.) ¹	6.51%	4.21%	4.23%	1.53%
TOTAL RETURN SINCE INCEPTION ¹	69.23%	40.98%	41.27%	13.47%
RISK				
STANDARD DEVIATION SINCE INCEPTION $(p.a.)^1$	5.78%	4.76%	2.97%	0.23%

¹ Inception date is 15 May 2013.

MANAGER ALLOCATION

Total number of managers being allocated to: 11

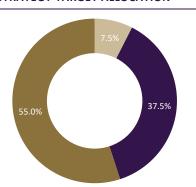
ALPHA: Equity market neutral managers whose returns do not depend on the direction of the equity market.
Manager allocation: 5 managers

BETA: Long/short managers whose returns can be dependent on the direction of the equity market.

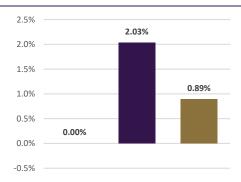
Manager allocation: 6 managers

CASH & FIXED INCOME: Allocation to an at-call cash account held for liquidity purposes.

STRATEGY TARGET ALLOCATION



STRATEGY CONTRIBUTION TO PERFORMANCE BEFORE NWQ FEES



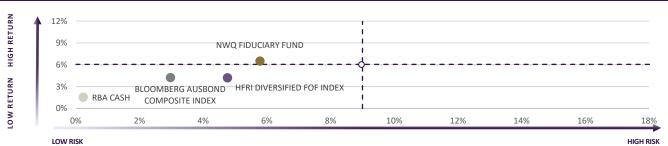
COMMENTARY

The NWQ Fiduciary Fund (Fund) returned +2.69% in August compared with the HFRI benchmark return of +1.02%.

Risk sentiment was generally positive as global investors shrugged off concerns about the spread of the delta variant and early signs of a potential global growth slowdown. Sentiment was buoyed by guidance from the Fed that while tapering could begin by year end there is still significant progress to be made before interest rates hikes would be considered. Equity markets rose in the US (+3.04%), Japan (+3.01%), Australia (+2.50%), and Europe (+1.97%). A strong corporate earnings season, led by the banks and miners, drove the Australian market higher in August. However, earnings momentum has slowed in recent weeks as analysts have revised down their expectations for future earnings. While forward earnings are now back to their level from June 2019 the price being paid for those earnings has increased by 13%. The market is expensive at a time when uncertainty around the outlook for corporate earnings is elevated.

The August company reporting season produced elevated levels of stock volatility and return dispersion across the Australian equity market. This provided a rich opportunity set for the underlying managers and the Fund was able to capture greater than 100% of the equity market upside with a net exposure to the equity market of approximately 30%. The opportunity set for the underlying managers is expected to remain favourable with company fundamentals coming into focus as fiscal stimulus abates and earnings expectations for the market as a whole are managed down. Among the companies comprising the index there will continue to be opportunities on the long side in those companies with growing earnings but also more opportunities on the short side in companies facing earnings headwinds.

RISK VS. RETURN SINCE INCEPTION MAY 2013



Risk return benchmark is RBA Cash Rate + 4.0-5.0% p.a. with the maximum allowable risk budget of 9% p.a. as measured by the standard deviation of monthly returns



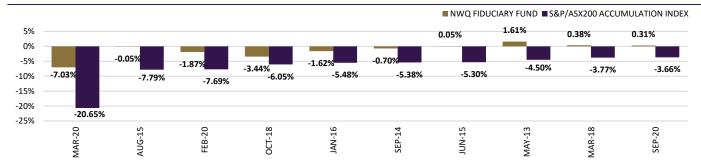
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MONTHLY NET RETURNS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	YTD
2021	1.41%	-1.07%	-0.63%	4.13%	0.76%	1.05%	1.12%	2.69%					9.75%
2020	1.90%	-1.87%	-7.03%	1.31%	2.31%	2.30%	5.13%	1.93%	0.31%	-0.53%	-0.94%	1.93%	6.42%
2019	0.44%	1.68%	-0.58%	0.16%	-0.72%	-0.03%	3.21%	0.85%	0.07%	0.56%	0.39%	1.68%	7.91%
2018	0.40%	0.45%	0.38%	0.62%	1.20%	-0.16%	-0.58%	0.80%	-0.46%	-3.44%	-2.22%	-0.49%	-3.55%
2017	1.02%	-0.35%	0.21%	0.25%	0.81%	0.86%	-0.17%	-0.13%	2.57%	2.50%	1.65%	2.80%	12.62%
2016	-1.62%	-2.53%	-1.48%	0.27%	2. 86%	-0.44%	1.88%	-1.54%	0.16%	-2.26%	-1.57%	-0.86%	-7.03%
2015	1.09%	1.73%	1.49%	0.10%	-0.19%	0.05%	4.19%	-0.05%	2.97%	1.80%	0.66%	2.23%	17.19%
2014	-0.38%	2.26%	1.29%	-0.95%	0.42%	-0.25%	1.78%	0.04%	-0.70%	-0.76%	0.71%	-0.40%	3.03%
2013	-	-	-	-	1.61%	0.10%	2.76%	0.79%	0.63%	2.00%	0.42%	1.41%	10.11%

PERFORMANCE VS. S&P/ASX200 ACCUMULATION INDEX'S 10 WORST DOWN MONTHS (SINCE INCEPTION)



FUND INFORMATION

FUND NAME: NWQ FIDUCIARY FUND

APIR CODE: NWQ001AU

INVESTMENT MANAGER: NWQ CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

ADMINISTRATOR: APEX FUND SERVICES (SYDNEY) PTY LTD

AUDITOR: **ERNST & YOUNG** LEGAL COUNSEL: **HWL EBSWORTH**

RESPONSIBLE ENTITY: **EQUITY TRUSTEES LIMITED**

SUBSCRIPTIONS: MONTHLY

REDEMPTIONS: MONTHLY WITH 30 DAYS NOTICE

*Incentive fee calculations only

RETAIL MANAGEMENT FEE: DIRECT: 1.30% P.A. INDIRECT: 1.00% P.A. DIRECT: 0.00% **RETAIL PERFORMANCE FEE:** INDIRECT: 0.00% WHOLESALE MANAGEMENT FEE: WHOLESALE A: 0.50% P.A. WHOLESALE B: 0.95% P.A. WHOLESALE PERFORMANCE FEE: WHOLESALE A: 5.00% WHOLESALE B: 0.00%

RBA CASH RATE. HIGH WATER MARK **HURDLE*:**

MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION: \$25.000

INCOME DISTRIBUTIONS: ANNUALLY AFTER JUNE 30

NAV PRICE (AS AT 31/08/2021): WHOLESALE A: 1.2587 WHOLESALE B: 1.2535

DIRECT: 1.0901

INDIRECT: 1.1270

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HFRI Diversified Fund of Funds Index: FOFs classified as 'Diversified' exhibit one or more of the following characteristics: invests in a variety of strategies among multiple managers; historical annual return and/or a standard deviation generally similar to the HFRI Fund of Fund Composite index; demonstrates generally close performance and returns distribution correlation to the HFRI Fund of Fund Composite Index. A fund in the HFRI FOF Diversified Index tends to show minimal loss in down markets while achieving superior returns in up markets. Bloomberg Ausbond Composite Index: A capital accumulation index that includes all securities in the Treasury, Semi-Government, and Non-Government indices. The minimum issuance size is A\$100m and issues must carry a BBB- (S&P) rating or higher.

RBA Cash Rate: The RBA Cash Rate denotes the target rate set by the Reserve Bank of Australia at which financial institutions can borrow or charge to lend funds in the money market on an overnight basis. The returns associated with the RBA Cash Rate are those that would

be earned on a sum of money lent in the money market for the duration of the relevant time frame.

Traditional Balanced Fund: The Traditional Balanced Fund is a composite index adapted from Morningstar's Multisector Balanced Index and is comprised of the following asset classes: Australian Shares (S&P/ASX300 TR), International Shares (MSCI World Ex-Australia NR AUD), Australian Listed Property (S&P/ASX300 A-REIT TR), International Listed Property (FTS EPRA/NAREIT Developed NR Hdg AUD), Unlisted Property (S&P/ASX300 A-REIT TR), Australian Fixed Interest (Bloomberg Ausbond Composite 0+Y TR AUD), International Fixed Interest (BarCap Global Aggregate TR Hdg AUD), and Australian Cash (RBA Bank accepted Bills 90 Days).

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