# **Fund Fact Sheet: Thematic Fund**

# Quarterly as at 30 June 2024

Focusing on global themes has proven to be an effective way of identifying stocks that will beat future earnings expectations, a key driver of share price performance.

#### About the Fund

Timing is critical for performance – therefore our themes are significantly more targeted, focusing on specific trends that are relevant to the current trading environment. Investments may cover a wide range of geographies and industries, even within a single theme.

## Portfolio Manager

The fund is managed by Nathan Field. Nathan is responsible for theme identification, portfolio construction, security selection and risk management in the Thematic portfolio. With more than 20 years' experience in the investment industry,



**Nathan Field**Portfolio Manager

Nathan has worked in New Zealand, Sydney and London, in roles including Senior Equity Analyst and Director at ABN Amro, Portfolio Manager at Kiwi Wealth and Asian Markets Adviser for Macquarie Bank. Nathan's Thematic strategy has a track record of outperformance, and during the period 2013 to 2023 the global equities funds under his management beat the market index by more than 4% p.a.

# **Fund Commentary**

The Thematic Managed Fund had a good second quarter, outperforming its benchmark. The MSCI World Index, was up +3.1% in USD terms and +1.2% in NZD terms, driven by growing confidence in Al-related stocks.

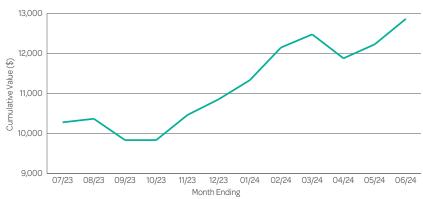
The strongest performer in the quarter was the king of Al, microchip designer, Nvidia, which rose +37.2%. Nvidia delivered an impressive earnings beat and guided to a strong outlook for the next quarter, which exceeded market expectations and gave investors greater confidence that Nvidia will remain the leader in accelerated computing.

Apple was also a strong performer, appreciating +24.9% over the period. Apple held its annual Worldwide Developers Conference in June, during which it announced a whole host of Al-driven features coming soon to its devices, including an enhanced Siri assistant, with ChatGPT integration, and Apple Intelligence. These features have fuelled market expectations for a new iPhone upgrade supercycle starting in September, when iPhone 16 is due to be announced.

The weakest performing stock in the portfolio during Q2 was Atkore, which is a global manufacturer of electrical conduits and fittings, cable and safety solutions. At its quarterly results in May, Atkore issued earnings guidance below market expectations in response to the uncertain economic outlook in the US.

#### **Thematic Fund Performance**

(After fees and before tax)



Assumes the growth of \$10,000 investment at inception

## **Key Fund Facts**

#### **Risk indicator:**



For more information on risks and risk indicators refer to section 4 of the Managed Funds Product Disclosure Statement.

Objective	The Thematic Managed Fund aims to provide a higher return over the long term. It invests in an actively managed portfolio of growth assets predominately made up of mid-large cap international equities with a very minor allocation of income assets. Volatility is likely to be very high. Returns will vary and may be low or negative at times.
Minimum Investment Timeframe	10 Years
Target Allocation	2% Income assets / 98% Growth Assets
Total Value of Fund	\$3,327,501
Date fund started	03 July 2023
Benchmark	Please refer to SIPO
Fund Management Fee	1.29%
Performance Fee	0.00%
Total fund fees	1.29%

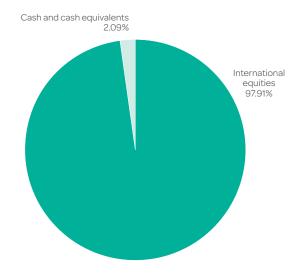
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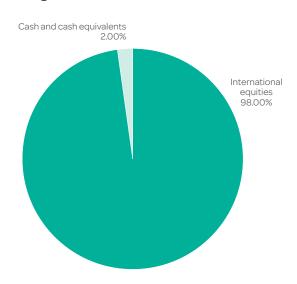
#### **Current Asset allocation**

	Actual Investment Mix	Target Investment Mix	
Cash	2.09%	2.00%	
New Zealand Fixed Interest	0.00%	0.00%	
International Fixed Interest	0.00%	0.00%	
Australasian Equities	0.00%	0.00%	
International Equities	97.91%	98.00%	
Unlisted Property	0.00%	0.00%	
Listed Property	0.00%	0.00%	

#### **Actual investment mix**



## Target investment mix



# Top 10 investments

Name	Percentage of fund net assets	Туре	Country	Credit rating (if applicable)
Microsoft	6.23%	International equities	U.S.A.	
Apple Computer	5.34%	International equities	U.S.A.	
Alphabet	5.19%	International equities	U.S.A.	
Amazon.Com	4.59%	International equities	U.S.A.	
Nvidia	4.06%	International equities	U.S.A.	
Asml Holding Nv	3.07%	International equities	Netherlands	
Royal Caribbean Cruises	2.38%	International equities	Liberia	
Meta Platforms	2.30%	International equities	U.S.A.	
Visa	2.28%	International equities	U.S.A.	
Elevance Health	1.98%	International equities	U.S.A.	

The top 10 investments make up 37.42% of the fund.

The fund's net foreign currency exposure was 50.39% of net asset value on the 30 June 2024. At target the fund's net foreign currency exposure is 49.00% of net asset value. More details on the approach to currency hedging is available in the SIPO on the register at business.govt.nz/disclose.