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# **Russell Investments Balanced Fund**

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Diversified - growth
10 September 2004
UF10
\$27.64 million
ALL0014AU
0.87%p.a.
0.17% / 0.15%
5 Years
6 - High
Russell Investments Balanced Fund (APIR: RIM0001AU)

# **Recent Fund History**

Please note this investment option changed name from Generation Life Sectoral Blend Fund to Russell Investments Balanced Fund on 20 May 2019

### Investment objective

To outperform (before fees and tax) an internal benchmark comprising the weight combination of relevant market indexes.

## Investment approach

The fund typically invests in a diversified portfolio mix with exposure to growth investments of around 70% and defensive assets of around 30%. Derivatives may be used to implement investment strategies.

# About the investment manager

Russell Investments, a global asset manager, is one of only a few firms that offers actively managed multi-asset portfolios and services that include advice, investments and implementation. Russell Investments provides solutions for institutional investors, financial advisers and individuals working with their advisers - using the firm's core capabilities that extend across capital market insights, manager research, asset allocation, portfolio implementation and factor exposures - to help each achieve their desired investment outcomes. The firm has A\$371 billion in assets under management (as of 31 December 2018) and works with more than 2,500 institutional clients, independent distribution partners and individual investors globally.

# Performance<sup>2</sup> (after tax and management fees)

	Performance
1 month (%)	1.52
3 months (%)	2.81
6 months (%)	5.15
1 year (%)	9.75
2 year (p.a. %)	3.63
3 year (p.a. %)	4.95
5 year (p.a. %)	4.91
10 Year (p.a. %)	5.56
Since Inception (p.a. %)	4.30

#### Notes

<sup>1</sup> The Indirect Cost Ratio (ICR) includes the investment manager's fees, estimated performance fee (if applicable), estimated expense recoveries and other indirect costs as a percentage of total average assets of the investment option as at 17 December 2019, but excludes indirect transactions and operation costs (see latest copy of the PDS).

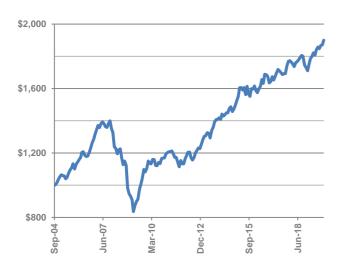
<sup>2</sup> Past performance is not an indicator of future performance.

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### Growth of \$1,000 since inception



#### Fund commentary

Global share markets made good gains in November with the MSCI World Index - Net closing the month up 4.7% (or 3.2% in hedged AUD terms). Much of the gains were driven by a deescalation in US-China trade frictions after the two sides appeared to close in on the first phase of a trade agreement. Stocks also benefited from news the US economy expanded by more than expected in the 12 months ended 30 September and some encouraging Chinese manufacturing data. Australian shares also performed well over the period; the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index rising 3.2% on the back of positive Sino-US trade developments, news the Reserve Bank of Australia considered cutting interest rates at its November board meeting and good gains across the major miners. Elsewhere, global bonds were slightly weaker in November, with the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index down 0.2% in hedged AUD terms. Australian bonds outperformed their global counterparts over the period, with the Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+ Year Index returning 0.8%. The domestic cash market returned 0.1%.

#### Target asset allocation

	Range
Cash	0-20%
Fixed interest	0-40%
Australian shares	0-60%
International shares	0-40%
Property	0-20%
Other	0-20%

#### Actual asset allocation

	Range %
Cash	1.54
Australian fixed interest	8.47
International fixed interest	10.36
Australian property	5.67
Australian shares	33.39
International shares	33.98
Other	6.59

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