Simplicity Investment Funds Hedged Global Share Fund Fund update This update was first made publicly available on 25 October 2024



# Fund update Quarter ending 30 September 2024

### What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the Simplicity Hedged Global Share Fund (Hedged Global Share Fund) has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. Simplicity NZ Limited prepared this update in accordance with the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013. This information is not audited and may be updated.

# **Description of this fund**

The Hedged Global Share Fund invests in shares across developed markets, designed to generate a return similar to the performance of the Bloomberg DM ex NZ ESG Screened index (NZD hedged) and to be the hedged International shares component of a diversified investment portfolio.

Total value of the fund	\$ 2,464,668,800	
The date the fund started	28 April 2023	

### What are the risks of investing?

Risk indicator for the Hedged Global Share Fund:<sup>1</sup>



The risk indicator is rated from 1 (low) to 7 (high). The rating reflects how much the value of the fund's assets goes up and down. A higher risk generally means higher potential returns over time, but more ups and downs along the way.

To help you clarify your own attitude to risk, you can seek financial advice or work out your risk profile at https://www.sorted.org.nz/tools/investor-profiler

Note that even the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment, and there are other risks that are not captured by this rating.

This risk indicator is not a guarantee of a fund's future performance. As the fund has not been in existence for five years, the risk indicator is based on five year information including actual performance figures from 28 April 2023 and market returns data for the period prior to that date. As a result of this, the risk indicator may provide a less reliable indicator of the potential future volatility of the fund. While risk indicators are usually relatively stable, they do shift from time to time. The risk indicator will continue to be updated in future fund updates.

See the product disclosure statement (PDS) for more information about the risks associated with investing in this fund.

# How has the fund performed?

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Annual return (after deductions for charges and tax)	29.86%
Annual return (after deductions for charges but before tax)	31.62%
Market index annual return (reflects no deduction for charges and tax)	31.24%

The market index is the Bloomberg DM ex NZ ESG Screened index (NZD hedged).

Additional information about the market index is available on the Disclose Register: http://www.companiesoffice.govt.nz/disclose

#### What fees are investors charged?

Investors in the Hedged Global Share Fund are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2024, these were:

Total fund charges (including GST)	0.15%
Which are made up of	
Total management and administration charges	0.15%
Including:	
Manager's basic fee	0.15%
Other management and administration charges	0.00%
Total performance-based fees	0.00%
Other charges	Dollar amount per investor
Administration Fee	\$0.00

Investors are not charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, for withdrawing from or switching funds).



# **Example of how this applies to an investor**

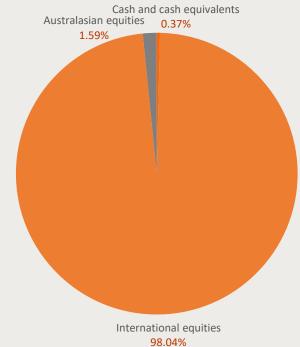
Small differences in fees and charges can have a big impact on your investment over the long term.

Artie had \$10,000 in the fund at the start of the year and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Artie received a return after fund charges were deducted of \$3,162 (that is 31.62% of their initial \$10,000). This gives Artie a total return after tax of \$2,986 for the period.

#### What does the fund invest in?

This shows the types of assets that the fund invests in.

#### **Actual investment mix**



#### Target investment mix<sup>2</sup>

Cash and cash equivalents	0%	International equities	98.5%
New Zealand fixed interest	0%	Listed property	0%
International fixed interest	0%	Unlisted property	0%
Australasian equities	1.5%	Commodities	0%

# **Top 10 investments**

Asset Name	% of fund net assets	Туре	Country	Credit rating
Apple Inc	6.16%	International Equities	US	N/A
Microsoft Corporation	5.71%	International Equities	US	N/A
NVIDIA Corp	5.13%	International Equities	US	N/A
Amazon.Com Inc	3.09%	International Equities	US	N/A
Alphabet Inc Class A	1.73%	International Equities	US	N/A
Alphabet Inc Class C	1.44%	International Equities	US	N/A
Broadcom Inc	1.41%	International Equities	US	N/A
Eli Lilly and Company	1.35%	International Equities	US	N/A
Tesla Motors Inc	1.30%	International Equities	US	N/A
JP Morgan Chase & Co	1.07%	International Equities	US	N/A

The top ten investments make up 28.39% of the fund. All exposures to assets denominated in foreign currencies are hedged<sup>3</sup>.

### **Key personnel**

Name	Current position	Term	Previous or other current position	Term
Sam Stubbs	Managing Director, Simplicity	8 years and 6 months	Chief Executive Officer,TOWER Investments	5 years and 1 month
Joy Marslin	Director, Simplicity	7 years and 10 months	Head of Private Wealth Management, Westpac NZ	3 years and 7 months
Reuben Halper	Director, Simplicity	7 years and 4 months	Agency Lead, Google NZ(current position)	9 years
Andrew Lance	Chief Investment Officer, Simplicity	7 months	Chief Operating Officer, Simplicity	7 years and 8 months
Matthew Houtman	Head of Private Capital, Simplicity	3 years and 10 months	Co-Managing Director, Pioneer Capital Management	16 years

# **Further information**

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the Simplicity Investment Funds and some additional information from the offer register at http://www.companiesoffice.govt.nz/disclose

### Notes

- 1. As the fund started on 28 April 2023, five-year actual returns for the fund are not available. To calculate the risk indicator for the five-year period ending 30 September 2024, market index returns have been used up to 28 April 2023 with actual fund returns used for the balance of the period. As a result of those market returns, the risk indicator may provide a less reliable indicator of the potential future volatility of the fund.
- 2. We have no specific target for Australasian equities. Exposure to Australasian equities is included in International equities. We have no target for listed property. Exposures to real estate investment trusts are included in International equities.
- 3. We do not show hedging instruments in the top 10 investments.