Bentleys Wealth // Balanced Portfolio

May 2022 Overview

Bentleys Wealth's model portfolios are a suite of real return, multi-asset class, multi-manager portfolios across four risk/return profiles. The portfolios are actively managed through our dynamic asset allocation and investment manager selection processes.

We dynamically adjust the portfolios' allocations to achieve a high probability of meeting or exceeding the required return objectives while maintaining the stated risk profiles. The mix of asset classes and strategies in the portfolios will vary through time depending on our forward-looking estimates of market risk and return. Our style is active value management with quantitative foundations and qualitative decision-making.

Fund Details

Risk profile	Medium	
Fund type	Diversified multi-manager	
Investments	SMAs, Unit Trusts, ETFs and Direct Shares	
Return objective	CPI + 3.5% (RBA Trimmed Mean CPI)	
Investment timeframe	5 years +	
Investment style	Dynamic active allocation	
Fund inception date	December 2020	
Platform	Macquarie	

Current Asset Allocation



- Cash A\$ 1.00%
- Australian fixed income 27.50%
- Global fixed income 8.00%
- Australian equities 26.50%
- Global equities unhedged 13.50%
- Global equities hedged 5.00%
- Emerging markets 2.50%
- Global property & infrastructure 3.00%
- Alternatives 13.00%

Performance

May-2022	Balanced Portfolio*	Return Objective CPI + 3.5%
1 Month	-2.08%	
3 Months	-1.84%	
1 Year	1.88%	6.08%
3 Years p.a.	6.20%	5.43%
5 Years p.a.	7.24%	5.30%

Top & Bottom 3 by Performance

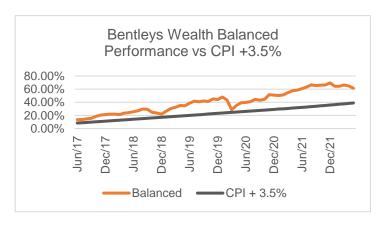
Top 3	Return
Betashares Global Banks ETF (Hedged)	4.73%
CC RWC Global Emerging Markets Fund	1.23%
Fortlake Real Higher Income Fund	0.84%
Bottom 3	Return
Allan Gray Australia Equity Fund Class B	-4.89%
ETFS Physical Gold	-4.73%
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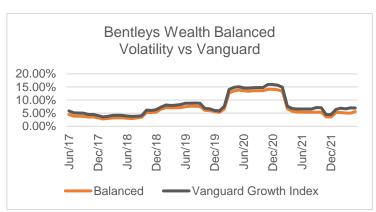
^{*} Returns for periods prior to Dec 2020 are backtested. Returns are net of all investment costs. Returns over more than 1 month are geometrically compounded from monthly data. Returns over periods longer than 12 months are annualised. CPI = RBA Trimmed Mean quarterly data series; CPI + figures shown here include an estimate for the months since the last published quarterly CPI figure. Performance data is an estimate based on information provided to Quilla by Financial Express.



Performance and Rolling Annual Volatility[^]

Bentleys Wealth's portfolios are designed with a focus on minimising the impact of volatility on an investors' assets. In practice, this means the portfolios will have reduced exposure to asset classes where we anticipate risks will outweigh the expected returns. This active management has resulted in consistently lower volatility than an equivalent passively managed index strategy (see chart below).





^ The above charts include actual portfolio performance data (from December 2020) combined with back tested data prior to this date. The back tested data is based on the portfolio's initial allocation (both weights and managers). This allocation is static over the time period, as we believe that this will serve as an appropriate proxy for the portfolio.

Strategy and Outlook

The global economy is clearly moving from an expansionary phase, that has been in place since the introduction of post-pandemic stimulus, to a slowing phase. Typically, the transition between these phases of the cycle can cause market volatility, which we have observed over recent months. Whilst this volatility has caused some investors to completely retreat from the share market, we believe a more effective strategy at this stage of the cycle is to re-orientate towards strategies that have historically demonstrated attractive risk and return qualities during an economic slowdown.

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