## **Superannuation Master Trust**



Fund Update for the year ended 31 March 2024

This fund update was first made publicly available on 27 June 2024.

# **Lifetime Balanced Fund**

### What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the Lifetime Balanced Fund (**Fund**) has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the Fund with other funds. Lifetime Asset Management Limited (**Lifetime**) 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 Lifetime Balanced Fund seeks to track composite indices (before annual fund charge and tax). The Fund provides diversified exposure to both income and growth assets with investments spread across cash, fixed interest, equities and property. The Fund is expected to experience moderate volatility.

Total value of the Fund	\$96,106,507
Number of members in the Fund	1,733
The date the Fund started	1 March 2000

## What are the risks of investing?

#### **Risk indicator for the Lifetime Balanced Fund**

Pote retur	ntially l n	ower		Poten	tially h	igher 🕨 eturn
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
< Lowe	✓ Lower risk Higher risk ►					

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 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. The risk indicator is based on the returns data for the five years to 31 March 2024. 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.

## How has the fund performed?

	Average over past 5 years	Past Year
Annual return (after deductions for charges and tax)	3.22%	12.07%
Annual return (after deductions for charges but before tax)	3.21%	13.19%
Market index annual return (reflects no deduction for charges and tax)	5.61%	12.77%

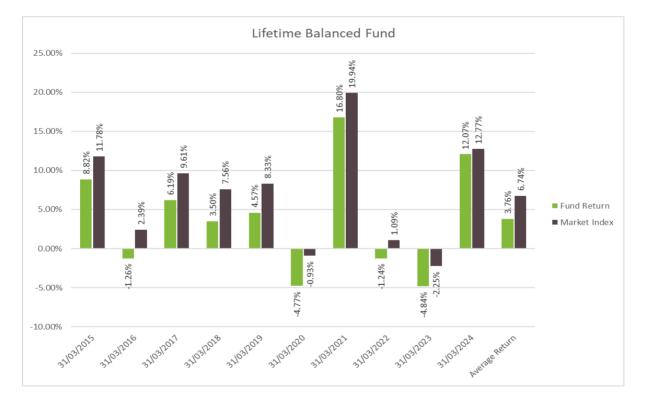
The market index annual return for the Fund is a composite index, calculated using the return of each asset class index the Fund invests in, weighted by the Fund's benchmark asset allocation.



See the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO) for details of the Fund's benchmark asset allocation and the asset class indices.



Additional information about the market index is available in the 'Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives' on the 'Scheme Register' at **disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz** (search for 'Superannuation Master Trust').



## Annual return graph

This shows the fund return after fund charges and tax for each of the last 10 years ending 31 March. The last bar shows the average annual return for the last 10 years, up to 31 March 2024.

Important: This does not tell you how the fund will perform in the future.

Returns in this update are after tax at the highest prescribed investor rate (PIR) of tax for an individual New Zealand resident. Your tax may be lower.

#### What fees are investors charged?

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

	% of net asset value
Total fund charges	1.93%
Which are made up of:	
Total management and administration charges	1.93%
Including:	
Manager's basic fee	1.72%1
Other management and administration charges	0.21% <sup>2</sup>
Total performance-based fees	0.00%
Other charges	\$0.00

All fees are inclusive of GST (if any).

Investors may also be charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions.

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

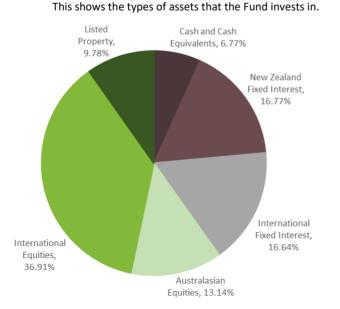
Small differences in fees and charges can have a big impact on your investment over the long term.

## Example of how this applies to an investor

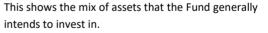
Ben had \$10,000 in the Fund at the start of the year and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Ben received a return after fund charges and tax were deducted of \$1,206.81 (that is 12.07% of his initial \$10,000). Ben also paid \$0.00 in other charges. This gives Ben a total return after tax of \$1,206.81 for the year.

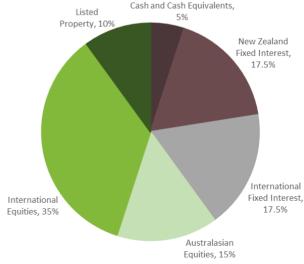
#### What does the fund invest in?

#### Actual investment mix



#### Target investment mix





#### Top 10 investments<sup>3</sup>

Name	Percentage of the net asset value of the Fund	Туре	Country	Credit rating (if applicable)
Mercer Socially Responsible Overseas Shares Index Portfolio	18.61%	International Equities	New Zealand	-
Mercer Hedged Socially Responsible Overseas Shares Index Portfolio	18.09%	International Equities	New Zealand	-
Fisher Institutional New Zealand Fixed Interest Fund	16.68%	New Zealand Fixed Interest	New Zealand	-
Mercer Ethical Leaders Hedged Global Fixed Interest Index Fund	16.54%	International Fixed Interest	New Zealand	-
Kernel NZ Commercial Property Fund	9.72%	Listed Property	New Zealand	-
Mercer Macquarie Australian Shares Fund	6.68%	Australasian Equities	New Zealand	-
Simplicity NZ Share Fund	6.39%	Australasian Equities	New Zealand	-
Fisher Institutional New Zealand Cash Fund	6.39%	Cash & Cash Equivalents	New Zealand	-
Cash at Bank	0.90%	Cash & Cash Equivalents	New Zealand	AA-

The top 10 investments make up 100.00% of the net asset value of the Fund.

#### **Currency hedging**

The following foreign currency exposure targets apply to international assets:

- International Fixed Interest 100% hedged to New Zealand dollars.
- Australian Equities unhedged. However, the underlying fund manager has the discretion to hedge the underlying fund back to New Zealand dollars.
- International Equities 50% hedged to New Zealand dollars. However, we may aim to add value by tactically adjusting the strategic hedging level on international equities above or below the benchmark of 50% depending on our view of how the New Zealand dollar will perform.



Additional information about currency hedging is available in the 'SIPO' on the 'Scheme Register' at **disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz** (search for 'Superannuation Master Trust').

## **Key personnel**

This shows the directors, employees and Investment Committee members and advisors who have the most influence on the investment decisions of the Fund.

Name	Current position	Time in current position	Previous or other position	Time in previous or other position
Ralph Stewart	Managing Director, Lifetime Asset Management Limited	9 years and 10 months	Chief Executive, Accident Compensation Corporation	1 year and 4 months
			Chief Executive, AXA New Zealand	10 years and 1 month
Peter Verhaart <sup>4</sup>	Contract Chief Investment Officer, Investment Committee	0 years and 1	Head of Investment Consulting EriksensGlobal Limited (current position)	2 years and 4 months
	Investment Committee month Chair	Head of Wholesale and Private Investment, Kiwi Wealth	5 years and 7 months	
Cameron Bagrie	Cameron Bagrie	2 years and	Managing Director & Chief Economist, Bagrie Economics (current position)	6 years and 3 months
Investment Committee 11 months	11 months	Chief Economist, ANZ	11 years and 10 months	
Kevin Stirrat	Member, Lifetime Investment Committee	2 years and 11 months	Director/Strategy Wealth Management Research, Forsyth Barr Limited	15 years and 10 months
Ellen Cheyne	Chief Financial Officer & Member, Lifetime Investment Committee	5 years and 9 months	Head of Finance, The Co- operative Bank	7 years and 10 months
Paul Robertshawe	Advisor, Lifetime Investment Committee	2 years and 11 months	Chief Investment Officer, Octagon Asset Management Limited (current position)	2 years and 5 months

### **Further information**

You can also obtain this information and some additional information from the offer register at **disclose**register.companiesoffice.govt.nz (search for 'Superannuation Master Trust').

#### Notes

1. The Manager's basic fee is a weighted average estimated fee. During the year the fees were tiered lower. The fees disclosed are a blend of the fees charged throughout the year.

	1 April 2023 – 31 May 2023	1 June 2023 – 30 September 2023	1 October 2023 – 31 December 2023	1 January 2024 – 31 March 2024	Average fee for the year
Administration fees	1.08%	1.05%	1.03%	0.98%	
Contribution fees	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	-
Adviser fees	0.65%	0.65%	0.65%	0.65%	
Manager's basic fee	1.77%	1.74%	1.72%	1.67%	1.72%
Other management and administration charges	0.21%	0.21%	0.21%	0.21%	0.21%
Total Fund charges	1.98%	1.95%	1.93%	1.88%	1.93%

The average fund charge was as follows during the year:

- 2. The other management and administration charges include estimates of underlying fund charges provided by underlying fund managers. To estimate the charges, Lifetime calculates the benchmark weighted average underlying investment management cost.
- 3. The top 10 investments have been calculated excluding operational cash items.
- 4. Peter Verhaart in his role as Contract Chief Investment Officer, & Investment Committee Chair, has been added as an individual who has the most influence on the investment decisions of the fund.