Fund Update

For the quarter ended 30 September 2026

- **ACI Funds**
- **ACI Balanced Strategy**

This fund update was first made publicly available on: 29 October 2026

What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the ACI Balanced Strategy has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. FundRock 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

Objective: To achieve a rate of return (net of fees but before tax) of at least 3.125% per annum above inflation (as measured by Statistics New Zealand's Consumer Price Index) over the longer term.

Strategy: Blend of the ACI Conservative Fund and ACI Growth Fund. The strategy invests mainly in growth assets but includes some income assets.

Total value of the fund	$7,804,681
The date the fund started	4 April 2023

What are the risks of investing?[See note 1]

Risk indicator for the ACI Balanced Strategy.

⇦ Potentially lower returns — Potentially higher returns ⇨

1	2	3	**4**	5	6	7

⇦ 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 https://sorted.org.nz/.

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 5 years to 30 Sep 2026. 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.

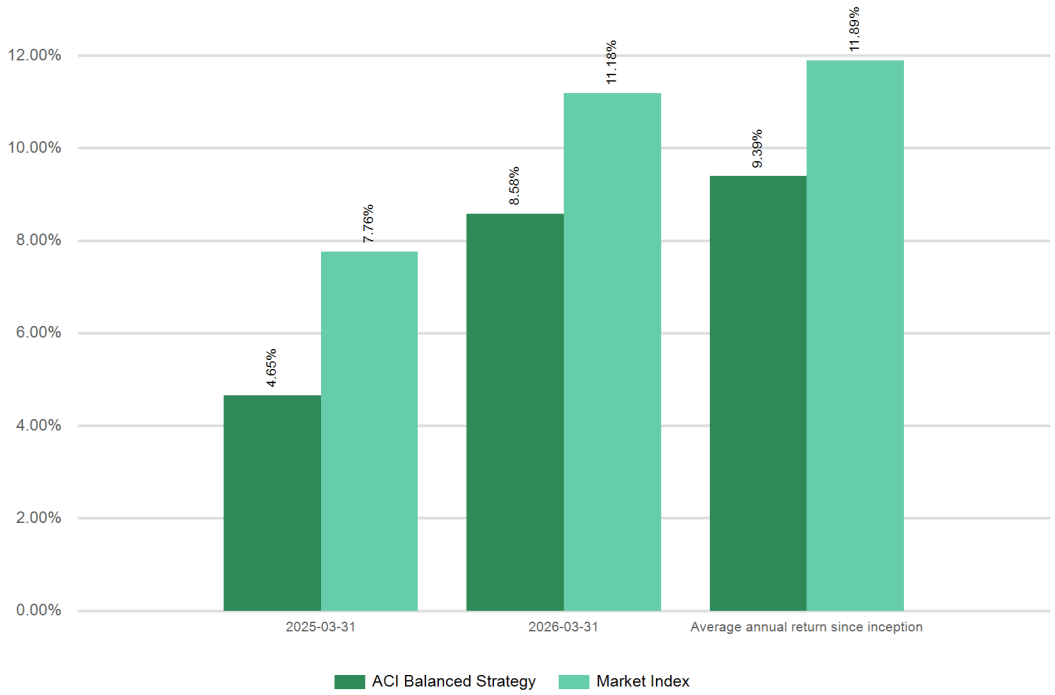
How has the fund performed?

	Past year
Annual return (after deductions for charges and tax)	6.21%
Annual return (after deductions for charges but before tax)	6.66%
Market index annual return (reflects no deduction for charges and tax)	8.91%

The market index return is a composite of benchmark index returns, weighted for the fund's target asset allocation. The benchmark indices used for each asset class are defined in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO). This has been the market index since the inception of the fund.

Additional information about the market index is available on the offer register at https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz .

Annual Return Graph See note 2



This shows the return after fund charges and tax for each year ending 31 March since the fund started. The last bar shows the average annual return since the fund started, up to 30 September 2026.

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 ACI Balanced Strategy are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2026 these were:

	% of net asset value (inc. GST)
Total fund charges	1.18%
Which are made up of:	
Total manager and admin charges (inc. GST)	1.18%
Including:	
Manager's basic fee (inc. GST)	0.42%
Other management and administration charges	0.76%
Total performance-based fees	0.00%

"Other Management and Admin Fees" includes an estimate of the charges incurred in the underlying funds in which the fund invests. The estimate incorporates information provided by the underlying fund manager as well as information sourced from the Underlying Fund's disclosure documents.

Investors may also be charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, for withdrawing from or switching funds). See the PDS for the ACI Balanced Strategy on the offer register at https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz for more information about those fees.

Example of how this applies to an investor

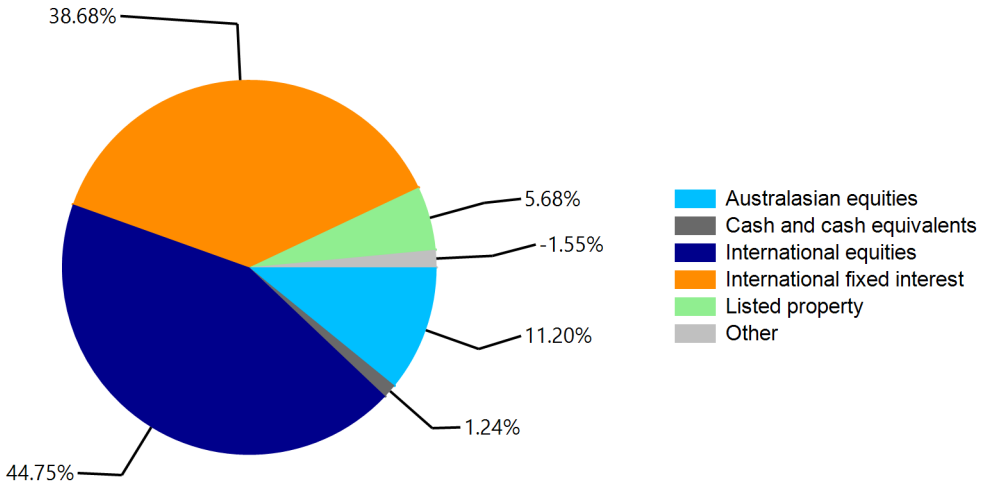
Small differences in fees and charges can have a big impact on your investment over the long term.

Anthony 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, Anthony received a return after fund charges were deducted of $666 (that is 6.66% of his initial $10,000). This gives Anthony a return after tax of $621 for the year.

What does the fund invest in?

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

Actual Investment Mix

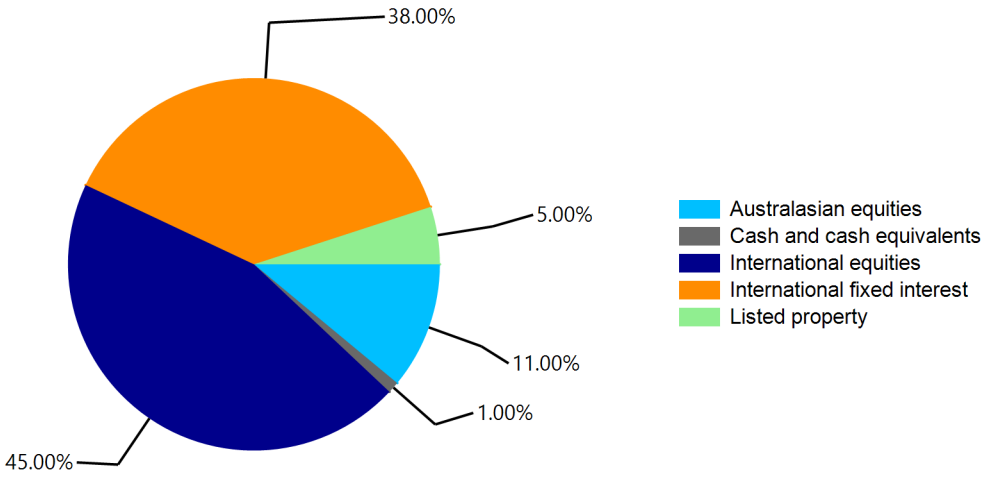


Foreign currency exposure was 61.00% hedged to New Zealand dollars as at 30 September 2026

Note: "Other" includes derivatives.

The strategy aims to hedge 100% of foreign currency exposures in the underlying international fixed-interest assets, 100% of property exposure and 50% of the underlying international equity assets. Currency exposure in Australian equities and Emerging Markets equities is unhedged. The overall target hedging ratio of the portfolio is 65%.

Target Investment Mix



Top 10 investments

	Asset Name	% of Fund net assets	Type	Country	Credit Rating (if applicable)
1	Dimensional Global Bond Sustain Trust Aud Class	27.67%	International fixed interest	AU	
2	Dimensional Two Year Sustain Fixed Interest Trust	11.01%	International fixed interest	AU	
3	Dimensional Emerging Markets Sustainability Trust AUD	9.25%	International equities	AU	
4	Smartshares NZ Core Equity Trust	8.51%	Australasian equities	NZ	
5	Dimensional Global Real Estate Trust NZD Hedged Class	4.91%	Listed property	NZ	
6	Apple Inc	2.01%	International equities	US	
7	Nvidia Corp	2.00%	International equities	US	
8	Cash at Bank (BNZ)	1.24%	Cash and cash equivalents	NZ	AA-
9	Meta Platforms Inc	0.86%	International equities	US	
10	Microsoft Corp	0.81%	International equities	US	

The top 10 investments make up 68.27% of the net asset value of the fund.

Key Personnel

Name	Current position	Time in current position	Previous or other current position	Time in previous or other current position
Nicholas Stewart	Director, Stewart Group Asset Management Limited	14 years 2 months	Chief Executive Officer, Stewart Financial Group Limited	12 years 9 months
Rory O'Neill	Director, Stewart Group Asset Management Limited	3 years 11 months	General Manager, Stewart Financial Group Limited	7 years 4 months

Further information

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the ACI Funds, and some additional information from the offer register at https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

Notes

1. A combination of actual returns and market index returns have been used to determine the risk indicator as the strategy has not been operating for the required five years. Market index returns have been used until 30 April 2023 and strategy returns thereafter. The risk indicator may therefore provide a less reliable indicator of the strategy's future volatility.
2. The bar chart shows fund returns after deducting fees and tax. Tax is deduced at the highest Prescribed Investor Rate of 28%. However, the market index returns are shown before deducting fees and tax.