# **New Zealand Fire Service Superannuation Scheme**



## Fund update for the Growth option Year ended 31 March 2023

This update was first made publicly available on 23 June 2023.

#### What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the Growth option has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. FireSuper Trustee Limited has prepared this update in accordance with the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013. This information is not audited and may be updated.

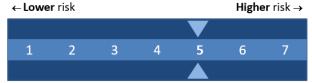
#### **Description of this fund**

The Growth option invests in a targeted 85:15 split of growth assets (such as shares) and income assets (such as fixed interest and cash). It is constructed with an expectation of providing a long-term (10 years plus) return after tax and investment expenses of approximately 3.5-4% p.a. above inflation. There is a reasonably small risk (approximately one in 100 years) of a member losing more than 30% after inflation in any year, with a likelihood of a negative return of (currently) one year in every four.

Total value of the fund	\$143,670,098
Number of investors in the fund	1310
The date the fund started	1 October 2008

#### What are the risks of investing?

#### Risk indicator for the Growth option



← Potentially **lower** returns Potentially **higher** returns →

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 <a href="https://www.sorted.org.nz/tools/investor-kickstarter">www.sorted.org.nz/tools/investor-kickstarter</a>.

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-year period to 31 March 2023. 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.

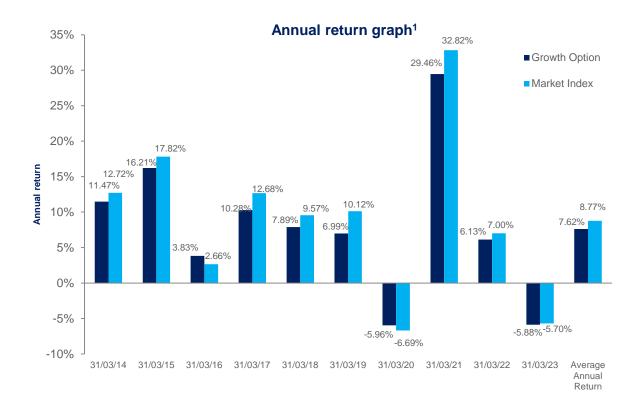
See the product disclosure statement (PDS) for more information about the risks associated with investing in this fund.

#### How has the fund performed?

	Average over past 5 years	Past year
Annual return	5.41%	-5.88%
(after deductions for charges and tax)		
Annual return	5.84%	-6.28%
(after deductions for charges but before tax)		
Market index annual return	6.61%	-5.70%
(reflects no deduction for charges and tax)		

The market index annual return is based on the strategic asset allocation-weighted benchmark index return, where the benchmark indices are defined in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives.

Additional information about the market index is available on the offer register at <a href="https://www.disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz">www.disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</a>.



This shows the 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 2023.

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

#### What fees are investors charged?

Investors in the Growth option are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2023 these were:

	% of net asset value
Total fund charges	0.55%
Which are made up of:	
Total management and administration charges	0.55%
Including -	
Manager's basic fee	0.00%
Other management and administration charges	0.55%
<b>Total performance-based fees</b>	0.00%
Other charges	Dollar amount per investor or description of how charge is calculated
Administration fee	\$0.00 per annum

Investors may also be charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, withdrawing from or switching funds). See the PDS for the New Zealand Fire Service Superannuation Scheme on the offer register at <a href="https://www.disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz">www.disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</a> for more information about those fees.

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

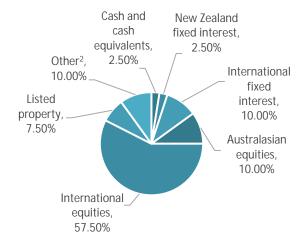
Mary had \$10,000 in the fund at the start of the year and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Mary incurred a loss after fund charges were deducted of \$628 (that is -6.28% of her initial \$10,000). Mary also paid \$0 in other charges. This gives Mary a total loss after tax of \$588 for the year.

#### What does the fund invest in?

Actual investment mix
This shows the types of assets that the fund invests in

Target investment mix
This shows the mix of assets that the
generally intends to invest in





**Top 10 investments** 

Asset name	% of fund net assets	Туре	Country	Credit rating (if applicable)
Mercer Hedged Overseas Shares Index				
Portfolio	29.98%	International equities	NZ	N/A
Mercer Overseas Shares Index Portfolio	22.32%	International equities	NZ	N/A
Russell Investments Global Fixed Interest Fund	10.80%	International fixed interest	NZ	N/A
First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure		_		
Fund	9.89%	Other <sup>2</sup>	NZ	N/A
ANZ Wholesale International Property				
Securities Fund	6.74%	Listed property	NZ	N/A
Mercer Emerging Markets Portfolio	6.67%	International equities	NZ	N/A
Salt Core NZ Shares Fund	5.15%	Australasian equities	NZ	N/A
Harbour Australasian Equity Fund WUT	5.01%	Australasian equities	NZ	N/A
ANZ High Grade Bond Fund	1.34%	New Zealand fixed interest	NZ	N/A
ANZ Wholesale Cash Fund	1.18%	Cash and cash equivalents	NZ	N/A

The total value of the top 10 individual assets is 99.08% of the net asset value of the fund.

## **Currency hedging**

The target foreign currency exposure is equal to approximately 50% of the international equities exposure. Foreign currency exposure is not actively managed at a strategic level. However, at an asset class and subasset class level, both market movements and, where applicable, active positions taken by the underlying fund managers can result in deviations away from the target level. The resultant foreign currency exposure would normally be expected to sit within a range of 40-60% of the international equities exposure.

#### **Key personnel**

Name	Current position	Time in current position	Previous or other current position (if relevant)	Time in previous or other position
Denis James Fitzmaurice	Board Member of New Zealand Fire Service Superannuation Scheme	16 years 6 months		
Andrew Roland Johnson	Licensed Independent Trustee Director	4 years 0 months	Head of Asset Consulting (NZ), Russell Investments	3 years 8 months
Angela Hauk-Willis	Board Member of New Zealand Fire Service Superannuation Scheme	4 years 10 months		
Guy Maxwell Fisher	Head of Investment Consulting, Russell Investments	1 year 9 months	Senior Consultant, Russell Investments	2 years 8 months
David Kandziora <sup>3</sup>	Senior Relationship Manager, Russell Investments	2 years 10 months	Partner, Three Sixty Capital Partners	3 years 0 months

#### **Further information**

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the New Zealand Fire Service Superannuation Scheme and some additional information from the offer register at <a href="https://www.disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz">www.disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</a> or on the Documents & Forms page of <a href="https://www.firesuper.org.nz">www.firesuper.org.nz</a>, or by calling the scheme helpline 0800 MY SUPER (0800 69 78737).

#### **Notes**

- 1. The bar graph shows fund returns after the deduction of fees and tax, while the market index returns are shown before any fees or tax are deducted.
- 2. Other includes investments in global listed infrastructure.
- 3. David Kandziora has not been named in a previous fund update for the fund.