

Monthly report - 31 August 2025



Investment objective

Aims to achieve a long-term total return (before fees and expenses) that exceeds the MSCI World ex Australia Index, in \$A unhedged with net dividends reinvested (Benchmark).

Key information

| Fund details | |
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| APIR code | MAQ0404AU |
| Inception date | 17 November 2004 |
| Investment manager | Independent Franchise Partners LLP (London, UK) |
| Fund size | \$1,784.1m |
| Distribution frequency | Generally annually |
| Management fee* | 1.26% pa |
| Minimum investment (Direct) | \$5,000 |
| Unit prices and | macquarie.com/mam/unit- prices |

^{*}Read the Product Disclosure Statement for more details on fees and costs.

Fund performance to 31 August 2025

| | Total Fund return (gross) | Total Fund return (net) | Benchmark return | Total excess return (net) |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 month (%) | 1.80 | 1.69 | 0.92 | 0.77 |
| 3 months (%) | 6.85 | 6.51 | 6.62 | -0.11 |
| 1 year (%) | 27.13 | 25.55 | 20.06 | 5.49 |
| 3 years (% pa) | 21.97 | 20.44 | 20.50 | -0.06 |
| 5 years (% pa) | 17.56 | 16.06 | 15.74 | 0.32 |
| 7 years (% pa) | 15.03 | 13.53 | 13.22 | 0.31 |
| 10 years (% pa) | 13.92 | 12.42 | 12.60 | -0.18 |
| 15 years (% pa) | 16.53 | 14.98 | 13.89 | 1.09 |
| 20 years (% pa) | 12.94 | 11.43 | 9.26 | 2.17 |
| Since inception (% pa) | 13.25 | 11.73 | 9.48 | 2.25 |

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Total returns are calculated based on changes in net asset values and assumes the reinvestment of distributions.

Total net Fund returns are quoted after the deduction of fees and expenses. Due to individual circumstances, your net returns may differ from the net returns quoted above.

The management fee was reduced to 1.28% pa from 14 May 2021 and reduced to 1.26% pa inclusive of the net impact of GST effective 1 July 2024.

Top 10 stocks*

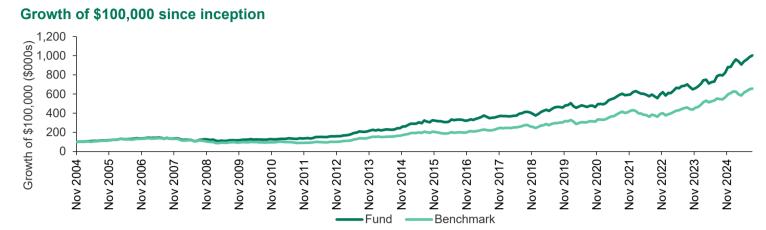
| Stock | Sector | Industry | Holding (%) |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Corteva Inc | Materials | Chemicals | 5.04 |
| GlaxoSmithKline PLC | Health Care | Pharmaceuticals | 5.00 |
| Intercontinental Exchange | Financials | Capital Markets | 4.65 |
| News Corp | Communication Services | Media | 4.56 |
| Bristol-Myers Squibb Co | Health Care | Pharmaceuticals | 4.20 |
| Reckitt Benckiser Group | Consumer Staples | Household Products | 4.02 |
| Nintendo Co Ltd | Communication Services | Entertainment | 3.88 |
| Novartis AG | Health Care | Pharmaceuticals | 3.77 |
| Philip Morris International | Consumer Staples | Tobacco | 3.67 |
| British American Tobacco | Consumer Staples | Tobacco | 3.62 |
| Total number of stocks | | | 31 |
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^{*}The information in this table is as at end of month, three months prior to the date of this report.

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Growth of \$100,000 since inception

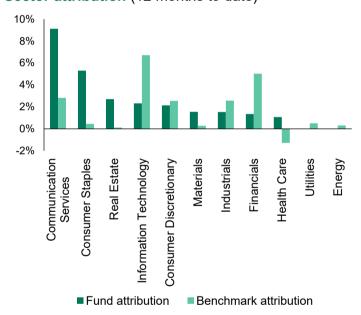


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Sector weights

| Sector | Fund (%) | Benchmark (%) |
|------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Communication Services | 25.44 | 8.61 |
| Consumer Staples | 21.34 | 5.76 |
| Health Care | 20.69 | 9.34 |
| Industrials | 6.53 | 11.38 |
| Financials | 6.34 | 16.78 |
| Consumer Discretionary | 6.07 | 10.40 |
| Real Estate | 4.07 | 1.91 |
| Materials | 3.02 | 3.00 |
| Information Technology | 1.70 | 26.70 |
| Energy | 0.00 | 3.54 |
| Utilities | 0.00 | 2.58 |
| Cash | 4.80 | 0.00 |
| Total | 100 | 100 |

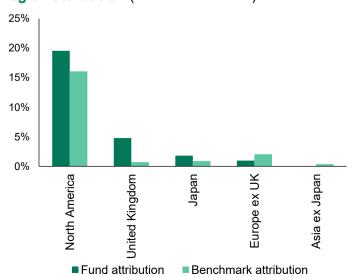
Sector attribution (12 months to date)



Region weights

| Region | Fund (%) | Benchmark (%) |
|----------------|----------|---------------|
| North America | 57.09 | 76.70 |
| United Kingdom | 24.11 | 3.70 |
| Europe ex UK | 8.97 | 12.97 |
| Japan | 5.02 | 5.60 |
| Asia ex Japan | 0.00 | 1.03 |
| Cash | 4.80 | 0.00 |
| Total | 100 | 100 |

Region attribution (12 months to date)



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Performance summary

- The Fund returned 1.69%, net of fees, in August 2025, compared with a return for the Benchmark of 0.92%.
- Health Care and Financials led the index higher in August, with IT serving as main detractor. For the Fund, the largest relative sector contributors included Communication Services, driven by overweight positioning and holdings such as Live Nation Entertainment, TKO Group and Electronic Arts, and Health Care, due to overweight positioning and holdings in names including Bristol-Myers Squibb and Novartis. The largest relative sector detractors included Financials, driven by the Fund's holding in Intercontinental Exchange.
- Live Nation Entertainment was among the top individual contributors to performance in August, following the release of strong quarterly results. The company delivered record revenue and concert ticket sales, benefitting from a strong concert schedule over the next 6 to 12 months. Consumer demand for live entertainment remains robust and Live Nation continues to execute its strategy well, investing in high growth markets and fan experiences. Franchise Partners believe the company is well placed to deliver attractive revenue and operating profit growth.
- Oracle was among the top individual detractors from performance in August. The stock appeared to be affected by broader market
 concerns about rising Al-related infrastructure costs and the impact that might have on the potential return on those investments.
 Franchise Partners continue to think the company is an increasingly viable competitor to the incumbent hyperscalers Microsoft,
 Amazon and Alphabet for next-generation Al workloads. Oracle's shares have risen significantly since the early April low and,
 mindful of valuation, Franchise Partners have continued to reduce the position size since then, further trimming the position in early
 August.
- The Fund completed the initial purchase of **Universal Music Group** (UMG) during the month. UMG is the number one music publisher globally with an approximately one-third share of the recorded music market. Its key intangible asset is its valuable catalogue of hit music content, a must have for streaming platforms like Spotify and Apple Music. Franchise Partners think UMG should be able to compound revenue in the high-single digits, driven by continued streaming growth, further price increases at the streaming platforms, and tiering of streaming subscription prices. This purchase is additive to the Fund's exposure to UMG via Vivendi. The key risk to the investment thesis is that UMG and its streaming customers are unable to drive through price increases to consumers.

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Important information

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