# Australian Ethical Fixed Interest Fund

Fund Profile - 31 December 2024

Australian Ethical is one of Australia's leading ethical fund managers. By investing responsibly in well-managed ethical companies, we deliver competitive financial performance to our clients and positive change to society and the environment. Since our inception in 1986, our Ethical Charter has guided all investment decisions and underpinned our business practices. Every year 10 per cent of our profits\* are distributed to charitable organisations and social impact initiatives through The Australian Ethical Foundation.

# Investment objective

To provide exposure to primarily Australian fixed interest securities that meet our Ethical Criteria, generating income with some capital growth potential over the medium to long term. The Fund aims to track the return of the Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+ years Index before taking into account management costs over a 3 year period.

## **Price information**

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Pricing frequency:	Daily
Buy/Sell spread:	0.00%/0.00%
Fund facts	
Fund size:	\$0.85m
Benchmark:	Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0+ Years
Asset class:	Fixed Interest
Inception date:	14/06/2012
Minimum investment timeframe:	3 years
Risk level:	Low-Medium
Identifiers	
ISIN code:	AU60AUG00218
APIR code:	AUG0021AU
Distributions	
Frequency:	2
Dates:	30/06, 31/12
Fees	
Management costs - PDS:	0.50%
Minimum initial investment:	\$1,000 \$500 with a Regular investor plan
Additional transactional and operational costs:	0.00%

A full explanation of all the fees and costs that you may be charged for investing in the Fund is provided in the Fund's Product Disclosure Statements available from our website australianethical.com.au

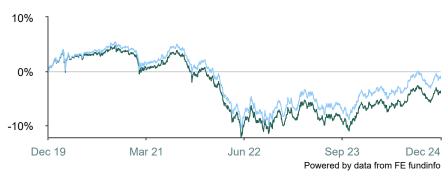
\*(after tax, before bonus expense)

#### Investment strategy

The opportunity to invest in a diversified portfolio of interest-bearing investments generating income. The Fund is invested in primarily fixed rate bonds, from issuers such as the Commonwealth and State Governments, banks and other corporate issuers that meet the Australian Ethical Charter.

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#### Cumulative performance (as at 31/12/2024)



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Bloomberg AusBond Composite Bond Index (0+Y)

## Performance (as at 31/12/2024)

	1m	3m	6m	1y	Зу	5у	10y	Since inception (ann.)
Fund	0.5%	-0.4%	2.5%	2.5%	-1.3%	-0.7%	1.0%	1.9%
Bloomberg AusBond Composite Bond Index (0+Y)	0.5%	-0.3%	2.7%	2.9%	-0.8%	-0.2%	2.0%	2.7%

### Calendar Performance (as at end 2024)

	CY2024	CY2023	CY2022	CY2021	CY2020
Fund	2.5%	4.5%	-10.2%	-3.5%	3.7%
Bloomberg AusBond Composite Bond Index (0+Y)	2.9%	5.1%	-9.7%	-2.9%	4.5%

Source: FE fundinfo.

Total returns are calculated using the sell (exit) price, net of management fees and gross of tax as if distributions of income have been reinvested at the actual distribution reinvestment price. The actual returns received by an investor will depend on the timing, buy and exit prices of individual transactions. Return of capital and the performance of your investment in the fund are not guaranteed. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Figures showing a period of less than one year have not been adjusted to show an annual total return. Figures for periods of greater than one year are on a per annum compound basis. The current benchmark may not have been the benchmark over all periods shown in the above chart and tables. The calculation of the benchmark performance links the performance of previous benchmarks and the current benchmark over the relevant time periods.

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## Top 10

Government Of Australia	41.5%
Treasury Corporation Of Victoria	10.4%
New South Wales Treasury Corp.	9.9%
Queensland Treasury Corp.	8.2%
Western Australian Treasury Corp.	2.3%
South Australian Government Financing Authority	1.9%
Kfw	1.3%
Nbn Co Limited	1.3%
International Finance Corp.	1.2%
National Australia Bank Limited	1.2%

## **Ratings and awards**

#### **RIAA Certification:**



## Why invest ethically?

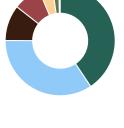
Portfolio diversification: Diversify your portfolio by investing in companies and sectors not well covered by other fund managers and brokers. Help build a better world: Invest in the new, lowcarbon economy, fund medical and technology breakthroughs, efficient transport and more. Promote human rights: We strive to avoid any investment in companies involved in the poor treatment of asylum seekers or the exploitation of workers through poor working conditions.

### Sector allocation

Government	40.6%
State Government	34.4%
Corporate Credit	10.5%
SSA	8.1%
Bank Senior Debt	4.0%
Bank Covered	1.9%
Cash	0.4%

## Asset allocation

Australian Fixed Interest	99.6%
Cash	0.4%





#### Commentary

The December Quarter saw negative performance in line with benchmark, with the Fixed Interest Fund (wholesale) performance of -0.3% (after fees) with the benchmark Bloomberg Ausbond Composite Bond Index 0+, down -0.3%. As the probability of Trump winning the US election began clouding the outlook for global inflation and the capacity of the Federal Reserve to continue delivering policy easing, the three months to the end of December saw this yield decline reverse course and bond value decline. The Australian 10-year yield ended the quarter at December 31, 2024f at 4.35%.. The scheme ended the December period with a small long duration

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