# Australian Ethical Conservative Fund (Wholesale)

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 members with returns only moderately above inflation over a medium time horizon with low to medium levels of investment risk. The Fund aims to achieve a return 1.50% above inflation after management costs over a 10 year period.

### **Price information**

Pricing frequency:	Daily
Buy/Sell spread:	0.05%/0.05%

### Fund facts

Fund size:	\$0.38m
Benchmark:	Australian Ethical Conservative SAA Weighted Benchmark
Asset class:	Mixed Asset
Inception date:	21/11/2023
Minimum investment timeframe:	4 Years
Risk level:	Low to Medium
Identifiers	
ISIN code:	AU60AUG62671
APIR code:	AUG6267AU
Distributions	
Frequency:	2
Dates:	30/06, 29/12
Fees	
Management costs - PDS:	0.66%
Minimum initial investment:	\$25,000
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

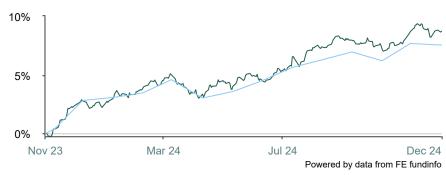
\*(after tax, before bonus expense)

#### Investment strategy

The opportunity to invest in a diversified portfolio with exposure of around 30% growth and 70% defensive assets. Asset classes include, but are not limited to, Australian and international shares, unlisted property, alternative assets and fixed income securities.

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



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Benchmark

# Performance (as at 31/12/2024)

	1m	3m	6m	1y	Зу	5у	10y	Since inception
Fund	0.0%	0.7%	3.9%	5.8%	-	-	-	8.7%
Benchmark	-0.1%	0.5%	3.0%	4.6%	-	-	-	7.5%

### Calendar Performance (as at end 2024)

	CY2024	CY2023	CY2022	CY2021	CY2020
Fund	5.8%	-	-	-	-
Benchmark	4.6%	-	-	-	-

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

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RENAISSANCERE MEDICI FD S A 1	1.7%
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AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT 3-25 SER139 21/04/2025	1.0%
AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT 2-75 SER148 21/11/2027	1.0%
TREASURY CORP VICTORIA 0-5 SERMTN 20/11/2025	0.9%
MORR CO GROW INF FU NO.2 TRUST UUT	0.9%
INFRADEBT ETHICAL INFRASTRUCT DEBT FUND	0.9%
AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT 3-25 SER138 21/04/2029	0.9%
AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT 0-5 SER 164 21/09/2026	0.9%

### **Ratings and awards**

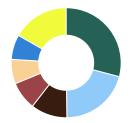
**RIAA Certification:** 



### 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.

### Asset allocation



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# Commentary

The Conservative Fund Wholesale (net.) returned +0.7% in the quarter ended 31 December 2024, outperforming its benchmark which returned +0.5%. Both domestic and international fixed income markets faced a volatile quarter as interest rate cut expectations were modified from September's initial optimism. Inflation rates remain above central bank targets for Australia and the US. President Trump's election in November raised considerable question of potential policy impact on inflation and fiscal deficits. Longer dated bonds saw yields rise in the US and Australia from September's lows. Australia's RBA continues to reiterate the need to, "remain vigilant to upside risks to inflation" with markets only expecting the first rate cut sometime in early CY2025.

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