

Net tangible assets report and performance update

August 2017

Net tangible assets per share

 Jul -17
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 NTA pre-tax
 \$0.9738
 \$0.9578

 NTA post-tax**
 \$0.9686
 \$0.9577

CBG Capital

ASX Code CBC

Listing date 19 December 2014
Shares on issue 25.0 million
Benchmark S&P/ASX 200

Accumulation Index

Number of stocks held 39

Market commentary

The Australian equity market declined slightly in August, returning -0.1% before dividends. The accumulation index including dividends rose +0.7%. August was dominated by the company result reporting season which saw wide variance in operating performance relative to expectations.

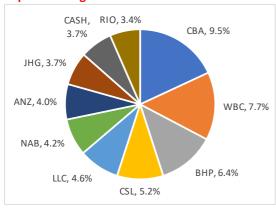
Around 30% of reported results beat expectations, slightly more than those under forecasts at about 28%. Overall market earnings expectations fell (not unusual) however management also generally signalled higher capital expenditure and overall a decline in dividend payout ratios (heavily influenced by the cut in expected FY18 dividend from 28cps to 22cps at Telstra).

International equity markets were again mixed in August. The S&P500 was flat, adding +0.1% - hindered by politics and potential confrontation with North Korea. The FTSE 100 returned +0.8% but European markets were weaker; the French CAC40 eased -0.2% and the German DAX fell -0.5%. The Shanghai Composite was strong rising +2.7% after a strong July; the Nikkei 225 was down -1.4% and the NZ50 gained +1.6%.

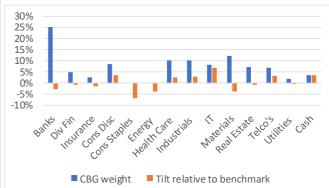
Across Australian industry sectors, Staples (+5.3%), Materials (+4.4%) and Utilities (+3.2%) were strongest. Telecoms underperformed (-7.3%) following Telstra's capital review and disappointing results from Vocus and TPG. Insurance (-4.0%) and Banks (-2.5%) also underperformed.

Portfolio overview (as at 31 August 2017)

Top 10 holdings



Sector weights



^{**}Please note that the post-tax figures are theoretical, assuming that all holdings in the portfolio are sold and then tax paid on the gains that would arise on this disposal.



Portfolio commentary

The strongest relative contributors within the portfolio in the month were Janus Henderson Group (JHG), NRW Holdings (NWH) and Speedcast International (SDA). The biggest detractors were Automotive Holdings Group (AHG), Vocus Group (VOC), and iSelect Ltd (ISU).

Janus Henderson (4.0% weight) rose +4.9% following a strong result and positive outlook comments regarding merger benefits. The outlook for JHG remains positive, with synergies from the Janus merger worth 20% of group earnings and Henderson's retail funds returning to positive flows of +\$1bn in the June quarter.

NRW Holdings (weight 0.2%) was a positive contributor after a value adding acquisition and well-subscribed capital raising (CBG participated). We sold our position following the deal after a share price rise of +63% in August.

Speedcast (weight 2.8%) shares rebounded after a positive result and market conviction regarding the outlook for the company's major customer sectors in remote communications services to energy, government and shipping. The share price rose +5.5%.

Automotive Holdings Group (1.1% weight) returned - 16% after a +14% rise in July. This capped the share price recovery from weaker car sales in May. Management were more cautious in their comments regarding the outlook for FY18, however the share price has risen 6% in September at the time of writing.

Vocus Group (0.8% weight) announced that potential buyers from two private equity funds had pulled out of a proposed acquisition which saw the share price fall -34%.

iSelect (weight +0.7%) reported a weaker than expected result with a slower FY18 also expected causing a share price decline of -19%.

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