Investment Update October 2024



W A M Leaders ASX: WLE

Actively investing in the highest quality Australian companies.









Net Tangible Assets (NTA) per share before tax

October 2024

136.29c

September 2024 141.55C

The October NTA figure is **before** the fully franked final dividend of 4.6 cents per share payable on 28 November 2024. The shares will trade exdividend on 18 November 2024.

The net current and deferred tax asset/(liability) position of the Company for October 2024 is 0.76 cents per share.

Dividend highlights

9.2c

Fully franked full year dividend (per share)

6.7%

Fully franked dividend yield*

48.75c

Dividends paid since inception (per share)

9.6%

Grossed-up dividend yield*

69.6c

Dividends paid since inception, when including the value of franking credits (per share)

34.2c

Profits reserve (per share)

Assets

\$1.9bn

Investment portfolio performance[^] (pa since inception May 2016)

12.5%

S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index: 9.3%

Month-end share price

(at 31 October 2024)

S1.37

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^{*}Based on the 31 October 2024 share price and the FY24 fully franked full year dividend of 9.2 cents per share. Grossed-up dividend yield includes the benefits of franking credits and is based on a tax rate of 30%.

Investment portfolio performance is before expenses, fees, taxes and the impact of capital management initiatives to compare to the relevant index which is before expenses, fees and

Latest episode of 'Talking Stocks' with Anna Milne and Hailey Kim

Macroeconomic update with John Ayoub



The WAM Leaders (ASX: WLE) investment portfolio underperformed the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index in October. Mining companies detracted from investment portfolio performance during the month with BHP (ASX: BHP) and Rio Tinto (ASX: RIO) partly reversing the sector's strong performance in September. Contributors to performance included mining company Arcadium Lithium (ASX: LTM), following the announced acquisition by Rio Tinto, as well as ResMed (ASX: RMD) which reported strong sales and earnings for the past quarter.

The resources sector gave back some of September's gains this month. The market was hoping for more detail than was provided on the co-ordinated China stimulus packages, and combined with the US dollar strength, drove weakness across the board for the sector. We expect the government to provide more details around local government debt swaps and bank capital injections at the next Chinese Government's National People's Congress (NPC) meeting on 8 November 2024.

Medical device manufacturer, ResMed released its first quarter results which beat market expectations on both sales and profit. Strong growth was seen across key geographies, while margins also improved on tight cost controls, manufacturing efficiencies and higher selling prices. Continued strong financial results from ResMed not only drive stronger earnings but helped dispel the short thesis that weight loss drugs are threatening the demand for sleep apnoea devices, thereby commanding a higher valuation.

Fully franked dividends since inception

The Board declared a fully franked final dividend of 4.6 cents per share payable on 28 November 2024.



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Our proven investment process

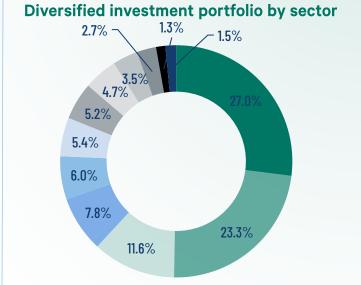
The WAM Leaders investment process combines a top-down macroeconomic analysis with Wilson Asset Management's proven fundamental research and market positioning investment process.











- Materials: 27.0%
- Health care: 11.6%
- Consumer staples: 6.0%
- Energy: 5.2%
- Industrials: 3.5%
- Utilities: 1.3%

- Financials: 23.3%
- Communication services: 7.8%
- Real estate: 5.4%
- Consumer discretionary: 4.7%
- Information technology: 2.7%
- Cash: 1.5%

Active sector weights (%)

| Sector | Portfolio %* | Benchmark % | Active % |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| Materials | 27.0 | 20.3 | 6.7 |
| Communication services | 7.8 | 3.7 | 4.1 |
| Consumer staples | 6.0 | 3.7 | 2.3 |
| Health care | 11.6 | 9.6 | 2.0 |
| Energy | 5.2 | 4.0 | 1.2 |
| Utilities | 1.3 | 1.3 | - |
| Information technology | 2.7 | 3.1 | -0.4 |
| Real estate | 5.4 | 6.9 | -1.5 |
| Consumer discretionary | 4.7 | 7.3 | -2.6 |
| Industrials | 3.5 | 6.8 | -3.3 |
| Financials | 23.3 | 33.3 | -10.0 |

^{*}Investment portfolio held 1.5% cash.

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Top 5 active security weights **Overweight**

Treasury Wine Estates

| Code | Company name | | |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| RIO | Rio Tinto | RioTinto | |
| SPK | Spark New Zealand | ¥ Spark [™] | |
| IAG | Insurance Australia Group | iag | |
| CGF | Challenger | challenger 🍪 | |

Underweight

| Code | Company name | |
|------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| СВА | Commonwealth Bank of Australia | Commonwealth Bank |
| MQG | Macquarie Group | MACQUARIE |
| ANZ | ANZ Group Holdings | ANZ 🖓 |
| WBC | Westpac Banking Corporation | estpac GROUP |
| BHP | BHP Group | BHP |

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Wilson Asset Management created and is the lead supporter of the first LICs to deliver both investment and social returns: Future Generation Australia (ASX: FGX) and Future Generation Global (ASX: FGG).

| >\$5 billion | in funds under management | |
|--------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 130,000 | retail investors | |
| >200 years | combined investment experience | |
| 10 | investment products | |

Listed Investment Companies

W A M Capital

W | A | M Leaders

W A M Global

W A M Microcap

W A M Alternative Assets

W | **A** | **M** Strategic Value

W A M Research

W A M Active

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