AUSTRALIAN FOUNDATION INVESTMENT COMPANY

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Monthly net tangible asset (NTA) backing per share and top 25 investments as at 30 September 2020

	Before Tax*	After Tax*
30 September 2020	\$5.90	\$5.09
31 August 2020	\$6.05	\$5.18

* The before and after tax numbers relate to the provision for deferred tax on the unrealised gains in the Company's investment portfolio. The Company is a long term investor and does not intend disposing of its total long term investment portfolio. Under current Accounting Standards, the Company is required to provide for tax on any gains that may arise on such a theoretical disposal, after the utilisation of brought forward losses.

Key facts

Investment objectives: AFIC aims to provide shareholders with attractive investment returns through access to a growing stream of fully franked dividends and enhancement of capital invested over the medium to long term.

Benchmark: S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index.

Size of portfolio: \$7.2 billion at 30 September 2020.

Management cost: 0.13 per cent, no performance fees.

Investment style: Long-term, fundamental, bottom-up.

Suggested investment period: Five years to 10 years or longer.

Net asset backing: released every month with top 25 investments.

Listed on ASX and NZX: code AFI.

Portfolio performance percentage per annum-periods ending 30 September 2020*



* Assumes an investor can take full advantage of the franking credits. AFIC's portfolio return is also calculated after management fees, income tax and capital gains tax on realised sales of investments. It should be noted that Index returns for the market do not include management expenses or tax.

Past performance is not indicative of future performance

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Key benefits

Diversified portfolio primarily of ASX-listed Australian equities.

Tax-effective income via fully franked dividends.

Consistent after tax paid investment returns achieved over the long term.

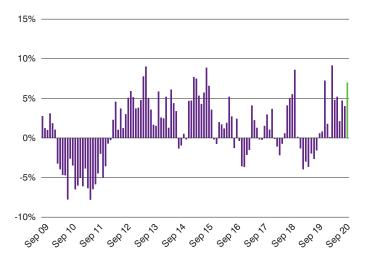
Professional management and an experienced Board, investment and management team.

Low-cost investing.

Ease of investing, transparent ASX pricing, good liquidity in shares.

Shareholder meetings on a regular basis.

Share price premium/discount to NTA



Market commentary

Australian equities declined in September, following on from five-months of gains, as investors became concerned about a more extreme second wave of coronavirus cases globally, as well as the outlook for global growth. The S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index fell 3.7 per cent in September, following on from the end of company reporting season in Australia and as global indices fell. September was the worst month for performance since March 2020.

All but one sector was down, with the largest falls in Energy, down 11.1 per cent, Information Technology, down 6.8 per cent, (although this sector is up 28.6 per cent over the year to September), Consumer Staples, down 6.6 per cent and Financials, down 6.1 per cent (and down 28.5 per cent over the year to September).

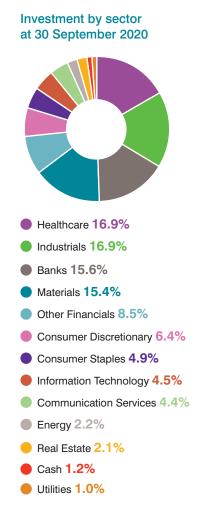
Sectors less impacted through September were Healthcare, up 0.9 per cent and Industrials, down only 0.3 per cent.

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Portfolio facts

Top 25 investments valued at closing prices at 30 September 2020

		Total Value \$ Million	% of Portfolio
1	CSL	619.1	8.7
2	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	502.5	7.1
3	BHP Group*	495.9	7.0
4	Wesfarmers	327.5	4.6
5	Transurban Group	326.5	4.6
6	Westpac Banking Corporation	261.8	3.7
7	Macquarie Group	259.4	3.7
8	Woolworths Group	230.9	3.3
9	National Australia Bank	214.0	3.0
10	Rio Tinto*	188.6	2.7
11	Amcor	177.8	2.5
12	James Hardie Industries	157.0	2.2
13	Telstra Corporation	151.5	2.1
14	Sydney Airport	150.1	2.1
15	Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	146.2	2.1
16	Mainfreight	138.7	2.0
17	Sonic Healthcare	134.4	1.9
18	Brambles	127.3	1.8
19	Ramsay Health Care	126.5	1.8
20	Coles Group	120.1	1.7
21	Goodman Group	119.9	1.7
22	Fisher & Paykel Healthcare	106.5	1.5
23	Carsales.com	104.0	1.5
24	Reece Group	103.0	1.5
25	ARB Corporation	96.9	1.4
Total		5,386.2	
As percentage of total portfolio value (excludes cash)		75.9%	



* Indicates that options were outstanding against part of the holding.

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