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Monthly Performance and Portfolio Report – March 2016

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Overview

The Fund returned 5.30% in March 2016. As at 31 March 2016 the Fund was worth \$29.60 billion.

	As at 31 March 2016 (unaudited)	Because of its weighting to growth assets, the Fund can experience large short-term
Fund size	\$29.60 billion	movements. As a long-term investor we have a
Value of NZ investments	\$4.2 billion or 16.0% of investments*	greater-than-average ability to withstand this volatility. Shifts in value from month to month must be seen in the context of the Fund's long-
Return since inception (30 September 2003)	9.44% p.a.	term purpose and performance.
Last 10 years	7.79% p.a.	Fund returns are unaudited and calculated before NZ tax and after costs. We consider tax
Last 5 years	12.00% p.a.	paid as a return to the Crown.
Last 3 years	12.64% p.a.	
Last 12 months	1.05%	
March 2016	5.30%	

* The value given for NZ investments excludes cash and foreign exchange hedging instruments.



Performance summary

The Fund measures its performance in two ways:

- relative to the NZ 90 day Treasury Bill return; and
- relative to a passive <u>Reference Portfolio</u> benchmark.

Performance as at 31 March 2016	March 2016	Last 12 months	Last 3 years p.a.	Last 5 years p.a.	Last 10 years p.a.	Since inception p.a.
Actual Returns	5.30%	1.05%	12.64%	12.00%	7.79%	9.44%
Reference Portfolio Return	5.04%	-1.20%	9.57%	9.13%	6.33%	8.20%
Treasury Bill return	0.21%	2.90%	2.87%	2.71%	4.08%	4.46%
Long-term performance expectation*	0.42%	5.55%	5.42%	5.24%	6.59%	6.93%

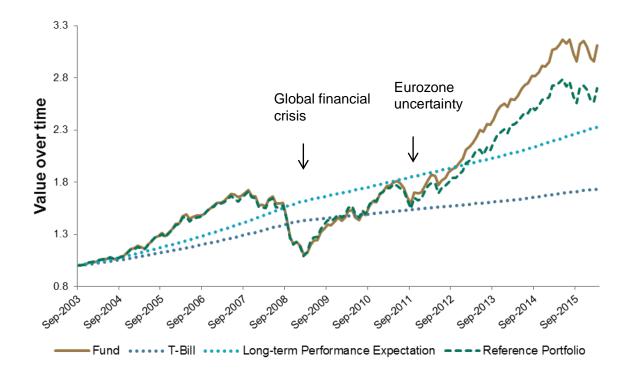
*Given the investment risk of the Fund, over the long-term (rolling 20 year periods) we expect to exceed the New Zealand Treasury Bill return by at least 2.7% p.a. (prior to 1 July 2015, 2.5% p.a.)

- For further information:
 - Full list of monthly Fund returns
 - Previous monthly reports



Performance since inception

This graph shows what has happened to the first dollar invested in the Fund over time.



Since inception the Guardians have added \$12.7 billion to the Fund, compared to the <u>Treasury</u> <u>Bill return</u>.

Over the same period, as illustrated by the gap between the brown and green lines, the Guardians' active investment strategies have added an estimated \$4.1 billion in value to the Fund, compared to the passive <u>Reference Portfolio</u> benchmark.



Performance since inception

The Fund's long-term performance expectation is that it will beat the <u>Treasury</u> <u>Bill return</u> by at least 2.7% (over rolling 20 year periods). Since inception, the Fund has exceeded the Treasury Bill return by 4.98%.

Performance as at 31 March 2016	Since inception (30 September 2003)
Actual Fund return	9.44% p.a.
NZ Treasury Bill return	4.46% p.a.
Net Return (actual Fund return minus NZ Treasury Bill return)	4.98% p.a.
Estimated \$ earned relative to NZ Treasury Bills	\$12.708 billion
Reference Portfolio return	8.20% p.a.
Value added by active investment (actual Fund return minus Reference	
Portfolio return)	1.24% p.a.
Estimated \$ earned relative to Reference Portfolio	\$ 4.101 billion



Fund size breakdown

	March 2016	Last 12 months	Last 3 years	Last 5 years	Last 10 years	Since inception
Contributions received	\$0.00 billion	\$0.00 billion	\$0.00 billion	\$0.00 billion	\$7.27 billion	\$14.88 billion
Returns (after fees and foreign tax, and before NZ tax)	\$1.52 billion	\$0.53 billion	\$9.11 billion	\$13.41 billion	\$16.78 billion	\$19.20 billion
NZ tax (paid) / received*	\$0.00 billion	\$0.12 billion	\$(1.64) billion	\$(2.65) billion	\$(4.04) billion	\$(4.49) billion
Other movements**	\$0.00 billion	\$(0.01) billion	\$0.02 billion	\$0.02 billion	\$0.03 billion	\$0.01 billion
Closing Fund balance as at 31 March 2016	\$29.60 billion					

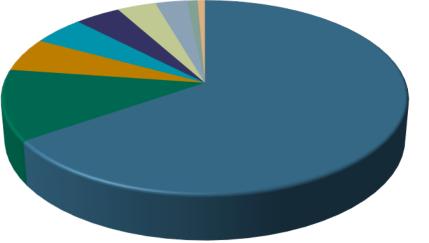
* Tax 'received' covers any instances of refunds for overpayment of tax

** Other movements relate to transactions other than tax paid or received e.g. tax expense, movements in reserves.



Asset class exposures

This graph shows the Fund's economic exposures as a percentage of Fund value (prior to the impact of any strategic tilting positions). For further information on how the Fund's capital is allocated and our strategic tilting activities see <u>https://www.nzsuperfund.co.nz/how-we-invest</u>.



Asset class exposures as at 31/03/16

Global equities 65%
Fixed income 12%
Timber 6%
Private equity 5%
NZ equities 4%
Infrastructure 4%
Other private markets 3%
Other public markets 1%
Rural farmland 1%



Where we invest

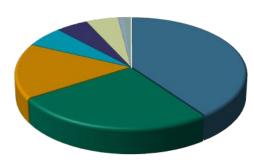
These graphs illustrate the Fund's investments by geographic region.

The left-hand analysis breaks down 'investments', as categorised in the statutory accounts, by their **value**, excluding foreign exchange hedging instruments such as FX contracts and cross currency swaps, plus investments in rural and forest land.

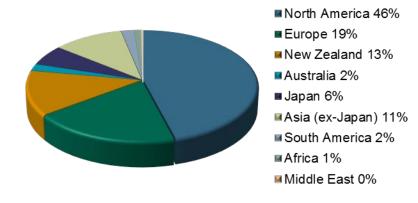
The right-hand analysis breaks down the Fund as a whole by economic **exposure**, again, excluding hedging instruments, as well as cash; collateral held to back derivative positions; and market neutral investments (e.g. arbitrage trades or hedge funds).

Investments by value as at 31/03/16

Investments by economic exposure as at 31/03/16



North America 40%
Europe 26%
New Zealand 16%
Australia 6%
Japan 5%
Asia (ex-Japan) 5%
South America 1%
Africa 1%
Middle East 0%





Largest equity holdings as at 31/03/2016

NZ listed equities	Value \$NZm	% of Fund	International listed equities	Value \$NZm	% of Fund
Z Energy	280.9	0.9%	Apple	171.4	0.6%
Metlifecare	220.2	0.7%	Zurich Airport	141.1	0.5%
Fisher & Paykel Healthcare	143.9	0.5%	Alphabet	128.4	0.4%
Auckland International Airport	129.5	0.4%	Microsoft	117.6	0.4%
Fletcher Building	122.6	0.4%	Exxon Mobil	98.1	0.3%
Meridian Energy	108.3	0.4%	General Electric	85.7	0.3%
Spark New Zealand	107.4	0.4%	Johnson & Johnson	84.9	0.3%
Ryman Healthcare	79.4	0.3%	Facebook	72.6	0.2%
Trade Me Group	66.3	0.2%	Copenhagen Airport	69.7	0.2%
Contact Energy	65.9	0.2%	Nestle	69.6	0.2%

* A full list of the Fund's equity holdings is published annually: see https://www.nzsuperfund.co.nz/publications/annual-equity-listings.



Substantial Security Holdings

A Substantial Security Holder (SSH) is a person with a relevant interest in 5% or more of the total voting securities of a public issuer. This table sets out the companies in which the Fund or related entities were Substantial Security Holders as at 31 March 2016.

Date last SSH filing made	Security name	Percentage holding at date of filing	Exchange
25-Oct-2013	Metlifecare	19.90	New Zealand
6-Oct-2015	Z Energy	10.49	New Zealand
20-Oct-2015	Summerset Group Holdings	6.77	New Zealand
27-Jul-2015	Restaurant Brands	5.25	New Zealand
7-Dec-2015	Kathmandu Holdings	5.02	New Zealand



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