

# **Super Easy Alternative**

Quarterly Investment Option Update

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## **Aim and Strategy**

To provide returns similar to the Hedge Fund Research Index (Customised) benchmark on a 3 year rolling basis. The option takes long and short positions using derivatives. Investments are made globally across equity, government bond, commodity and currency futures markets. The strategy does not make investments in underlying hedge strategies. Currency exposures are not hedged back to Australian dollars and are instead used as a value add strategy. The strategy is allowed to gear using short positions - no more than 30% of the Net Asset Value of the strategy.

# **Investment Option Performance**

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### **Investment Option Overview**

Investment category	Alternative strategies
Suggested minimum investment timeframe	5 years
Relative risk rating	Medium
Investment style	Index
Manager style	Single

Asset Allocation	Benchmark (%)
Growth Alternatives	100
Cash	0
Actual Allocation	%
Growth Alternatives	100.00

#### **Market Review**

Global equities remained resilient during the quarter, despite the International Monetary Fund downgrading global growth forecasts. However, the risks around growth and the strong gains in shares this year have increased the probability of a correction. Central banks are retaining their bias towards accommodative measures as visibility on growth fades.

Despite the rise in equity values, there has been some flight-to-safety as trade war and geo-political risks increase, and this has seen bond yields fall, resulting in a positive correlation between bond and equity prices.

Despite the ongoing global trade tensions, hopes remain that a practical and sustainable resolution to the US-China dispute will be reached. However, market optimism is fragile and there remain significant risks. The US's approach appears to be widening in scope if anything, with its removal of India's preferential trade status and associated implementation of tariffs. In addition, the potential for armed conflict between the US and Iran has heightened the geo-political risk environment. There were thus great expectations for positive communications and outcomes for world trade at the G20 meeting in Japan at the tail-end of the quarter, particularly from sideline talks between country heads.

# **Availability**

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AMP Flexible Super - Retirement account	AMP1846AU
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