AMP MySuper 1990s Plus

Quarterly Investment Option Update

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Aim and Strategy

The strategy aims to achieve a rate of return of 3.5% pa above the inflation rate (measured by the Consumer Price Index), after fees and superannuation tax, over a 10-year timeframe. Returns from both capital growth and income are provided through a diversified portfolio

Investment Option Performance

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Investment Option Overview

Investment category	Multi-Sector
Suggested minimum investment timeframe	10 years
Standard Risk Measure	6/High
Investment style	Active
Manager style	Multi-manager

Asset Allocation	Benchmark (%)
Australian shares	35
Global Shares	41
Property	7
Infrastructure	7
Alternatives	1
Fixed Income	6
Cash	3

Actual Allocation	%
Global Shares	42.98
Australian Shares	34.71
Fixed Income	6.64
Infrastructure	6.63
Property	6.19
Cash	2.34
Alternatives	0.52

Fund Performance

Spurred on by market momentum that commenced in Q1, June quarter performance ended on a positive note for most markets. This rally resulted in another firmly positive financial year for markets and translated into a strong double-digit FY24 return for 1990s option members.

After a choppy start to the quarter, initial concerns of a global 'hard landing' subsided in June as inflationary indicators cooled, as did the risk of a rate increase in the US. In fact, by quarter's end, some developed economies appeared to have entered a period of policy easing, delivering their first cuts to cash rates since the outbreak of COVID-19. This was well received by both developed and emerging markets.

Companies exposed to artificial intelligence added to performance over the quarter. Returns of Australian share allocations lagged global counterparts, as domestic inflation proved relatively difficult to bring under control, creating a bias towards further tightening or, at least, a 'higher for longer' rate environment. Performance of our bond allocations were constrained by a volatile outlook, however higher yielding credit allocations contributed positively overall thanks to a strong end to the quarter. Unlisted property and alternatives exposures' performance were somewhat constrained over the quarter, amid weaker valuations, particularly when compared to global shares.

The Option underperformed its CPI objective over the quarter as markets were choppy, but was ahead over one year, following strong gains in shares and inflation tapering off. Over the long-term, whilst relative performance has improved, it remains mixed following volatile markets and above normal inflationary conditions in recent years.

Looking ahead, we anticipate the second half of 2024 to be a reasonable year for returns, bolstered by easing inflation pressures, central banks moving to cut rates and prospects for stronger growth in 2025-2026. As previously mentioned however, there remains a high risk of recession, geopolitical risks and possible delays to expected rate cuts. In this environment, we remain highly diversified across asset classes and strategies.

Market Review

The June quarter in many ways was a close reflection of recent quarters and indeed much of the 2024 financial year. Further gains in global growth asset markets were seen, as familiar themes remained dominant in economic news flow. Deflation also generally continued around the globe, though some spikes in inflation again caused some angst in interest rate-sensitive markets. Services, rather than goods, were generally the culprit of these inflationary spikes, particularly in the US. Global central banks meanwhile continued their slow shift towards cutting rates, with a number of rate cuts in Europe and the Americas, though this didn't eventuate in the US or Australia over the period. Outside of inflation, US economic data, while still somewhat resilient, weakened slightly, which again drove positive market sentiment via hopes of bringing Fed rate cuts closer, despite the central bank indicating fewer hikes were likely this year than markets were predicting.

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