MAS Retirement Savings Scheme
Balanced Fund
Monthly Fund Fact Sheet as at 30 September 2026



Market commentary

Share markets posted positive returns in August, helped by encouraging company earnings and resilient economic data. It wasn't all plain sailing however, with investors navigating periods of uncertainty as inflation remained slightly elevated and geopolitical tension in the Middle East escalated following additional US sanctions on Iran. The US share market led the way forward with investors focusing particular attention on the earnings reports of artificial intelligence related businesses. Many of these companies delivered results that met or exceeded expectations. Holdings in the technology and healthcare sectors positively contributed to performance over the month.

All returns are in local currency terms unless stated.

Fund performance

	Average over past 5 years	Past year
Annual return (after deductions for charges and a PIR tax rate of 28%)	5.29%	7.70%
Annual return (after deductions for charges but before tax)	5.76%	8.07%
Market index annual return* (reflects no deduction for charges and tax)	6.01%	7.86%

*The market index comprises the benchmark index returns of each of the asset classes weighted by their benchmark asset allocations. Refer to the SIPO for more information on the market index for this Fund.

Key fund facts

Objective: The Balanced Fund aims to provide a medium level of return over the medium to long term. It is suitable for investors who are prepared to accept a medium level of risk.

Description: The Balanced Fund is an internationally diversified fund that mainly invests in growth assets (e.g. shares) with a moderate allocation to income assets (e.g. bonds).

Minimum recommended investment timeframe	6 years
Target allocation	60% growth assets / 40% income assets
Inception date	1 October 2007
Annual fund charges (estimated % of net asset value)	0.95%
Risk indicator	Potentially lower returns: 1 2 3 **4** 5 6 7 :Potentially higher returns Lower risk … Higher risk

Investment managers

JBWere — Investment manager for the Scheme and International equities, Australasian equities, and Cash asset classes.

Harbour Asset Management — Investment manager for the International fixed interest asset class.

amova Asset Management — Investment manager for the New Zealand fixed interest asset class.

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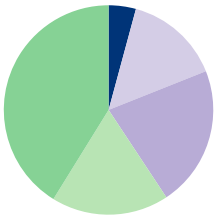
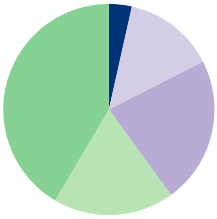
Actual asset allocation as at 30 September 2026



- Cash and cash equivalents 4.21%
- New Zealand fixed interest 14.76%
- International fixed interest 21.72%
- Australasian equities 18.13%
- International equities 41.18%

Target asset allocation



- Cash and cash equivalents 3.50%
- New Zealand fixed interest 14.00%
- International fixed interest 22.50%
- Australasian equities 18.50%
- International equities 41.50%

Top 10 investments as at 30 September 2026

No	Asset name	% of fund net assets	Type	Country	Credit rating (If Applicable)
1	Hunter Global Fixed Interest Fund	21.72%	International fixed interest	NZ	
2	Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Ltd	3.67%	Australasian equities	NZ	
3	Infratil Ltd	2.66%	Australasian equities	NZ	
4	Custody Call Account - NZD	2.47%	Cash and cash equivalents	NZ	
5	Nvidia	2.25%	International equities	US	
6	Apple	1.99%	International equities	US	
7	Microsoft	1.79%	International equities	US	
8	Auckland International Airport Ltd	1.60%	Australasian equities	NZ	
9	Alphabet Class A	1.25%	International equities	US	
10	Meridian Energy Limited	1.15%	Australasian equities	NZ	

The total value of the above investments as a percentage of the net asset value of the Balanced Fund is 40.55%.

Medical Funds Management Limited is the issuer of the MAS Retirement Savings Scheme. A copy of the PDS and the latest Monthly Fund Update is available on our website at mas.co.nz/resources/documents-and-forms/

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