### **EDUCATION BOND FUND FACTS**

### FUTURITY SECTORAL ACTIVE - CASH (First Sentier Institutional Cash Fund)

Fund Code	SA1	Inception date	11 June 2020	
Futurity APIR Code	FIG8878AU	Total Management Fee <sup>1</sup>	0.46%	
Category	Sector	Buy/Sell Spread	0% / 0%	
Investment Style	Active	Underlying strategy APIR code	FSF1809AU	
UMF PDS available at	firstsentierinvestors.com.au	Suggested Minimum Investment Time <sup>2</sup>	No Minimum	
Asset Allocation  Cash  100.0%		Investment Risk Rating*  Very Low – 1  Low to Medium to high		

# Investment Objective, Strategy and Benchmark

To outperform (before fees and tax) the Investment Option's Performance Benchmark – Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index. It may invest into one or multiple UMFs and/or directly invest in Authorised Investments to have a diverse actively managed portfolio of predominately Australian Cash Investments and short to medium term Fixed Interest Investments.

- 1. Total Management Fees is provided on an after-taxation basis and comprised of the Futurity Management Fees and UMF Investment Fees (includes the estimated UMF indirect costs) see 'Fees and Other Costs' Part A of PDS.
- <sup>2</sup> Longer investment timeframes maximise the benefits of investment compounding, especially for medium and higher taxed investors doing this under an Education Bond's Tax-Paid investment structure. Education Bonds also have an 'Investment Bond 10-Year Advantage' meaning the benefits of Tax-Free access to your Bond after 10 years from its Commencement Date, subject to certain conditions as explained in Part A of our PDS.
- \* Performance is measured by Investment Option price movements (after Tax and Management fees). It is quoted using the sell (exit) price and is net of all portfolio taxes, management fees, and fund expenses, however does not take into account any stamp duty, transaction costs and management fee rebates. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

### **ABOUT THE INVESTMENT MANAGER**

### **First Sentier Investors**

First Sentier Investors is a global asset management group focused on providing high quality, long-term investment capabilities to clients. It brings together teams of specialist investment managers who share its common commitment to responsible investment principles.



First Sentier Investors is a stand-alone asset management business and also home to a number of individually branded investment teams, such as Stewart Investors, FSSA Investment Managers, and Realindex Investments. All investment teams operate with discrete investment autonomy, according to their investment philosophies. Together, the group offers a comprehensive suite of investment capabilities across global and regional equities, cash and fixed income, infrastructure and multi-asset solutions, all with a shared purpose to deliver sustainable investment success.

First Sentier Investors has been managing money with a long-term outlook for more than 30 years and today manages approximately A\$231.9 billion of assets as at 31 March 2022 on behalf of institutional investors, pension funds, wholesale distributors and platforms, financial advisers and their clients.

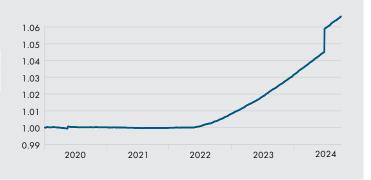
First Sentier Investors is ultimately owned by MUFG, one of the world's largest financial services companies.

# **PERFORMANCE HISTORY**

# Futurity Sectoral Active – Cash at 30 September 2024<sup>3</sup>

1 Mth	3 Mths	6 Mths	1 Yr	2 Yrs	3 Yrs	4 Yrs
0.24%	2.03%	2.74%	4.13%	3.11%	2.17%	1.61%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Other costs relating to the operation of the Investment Option can be charged directly to the Investment Option or reimbursed to Futurity if paid by the Management Fund e.g. acquisition, disposal, valuation and transaction costs, such as brokerage, state duty, insurance, custody, as well as auditor, actuary and legal fees. They are reflected in the Unit Price and capped to a maximum of 0.1% pa, with any excess absorbed by the Management Fund.



### **GENERAL MARKET UPDATE**

In September 2024 quarter, global equities experienced positive growth, with the MSCI World ex Australia Index Hedged to AUD rising by 4.6% and Emerging Market Equities rising by 6.6%. This growth was partly driven by the US Federal Reserve's 50 basis point rate cut, which helped stabilize developed market bond yields. Chinese stocks saw a significant rebound, rising over 20% in the final week of September, following the announcement of a new stimulus package aimed at boosting economic growth and alleviating pressures in the property market.

Inflation trends showed promising signs, with the US Personal Consumption Expenditures Index rising by 2.2% year-over-year in August 2024, indicating progress towards the Federal Reserve's 2% target. In the Euro area, headline inflation slowed to 1.8%, falling below the European Central Bank's target for

the first time since 2021. This has increased the likelihood of an interest rate cut in the upcoming ECB meeting, especially given the signs of slowing economic growth in the region.

The Australian market also performed well, with equities rising by 7.8% over the September quarter, outperforming the S&P500. The Reserve Bank of Australia maintained the official cash rate at 4.35%, noting that while inflation has fallen since its peak in 2022, it remains above the target range. The Judo Bank Australia Manufacturing PMI indicated a contraction in manufacturing activity, and consumer confidence slightly decreased.

Despite these challenges, the Australian Dollar appreciated against the US Dollar, ending the month at 69.38 US cents.

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- Cost of education calculator
- Financial Adviser calculator
- Market Insights

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