

**FUTURITY MANAGED & BLENDED – BALANCED (Futurity Investment Group)**

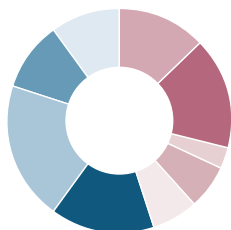
**Underlying managed fund:** Invests into select underlying managed funds from the following approved manager list

- AllianceBernstein
- First Sentier
- Lazard Asset Management
- Perpetual
- Resolution Capital
- Australian Ethical
- Investors Mutual Limited
- MFS
- PIMCO
- State Street Global Advisors
- Charter Hall
- JANA Investment Advisors
- MLC
- Realindex
- Vanguard

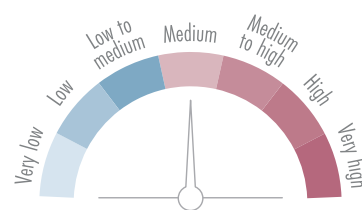
<b>Fund Code</b>	FM1	<b>Inception date</b>	11 June 2020
<b>Futurity APIR Code</b>	FIG3094AU	<b>Total Management Fee<sup>1</sup></b>	1.23%
<b>Category</b>	Diversified	<b>Buy/Sell Spread</b>	0.15% / 0.15%
<b>Investment Style</b>	Active	<b>Suggested Minimum Investment Time<sup>2</sup></b>	Five to seven years

**Asset Allocation**

Aust. Equities	12.8%
International Equities	16.3%
Emerging Markets Equities	2.9%
Unlisted Property	6.5%
Unlisted Infrastructure	6.5%
Cash	15.0%
Aust. Fixed Income	20.0%
Aust. Inflation Linked Bonds	10.0%
International Fixed Income	10.0%



**Investment Risk Rating\***  
Medium – 4



**Investment Objective, Strategy and Benchmark**

To outperform (before fees and tax) the Investment Option’s Performance Benchmark - an absolute return benchmark based on expected returns of a mix of market indices relevant to the Option’s long-term strategic asset allocation. It invests into multiple UMFs and/or directly in Authorised Investments to have a balanced portfolio.

<sup>1</sup> 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**

**Futurity Investment Group**

Futurity is an independent and mutually structured financial institution and Australia’s leading issuer of tax-effective, life-event Education Bonds.



As at 30 June 2023, Futurity had total assets of A\$1.01 billion. Futurity currently has over 50,000 members and for over almost 50 years we have been managing and investing their education savings and investments. Since inception in 1974, we have supported the education journeys of over 570,000 children and returned over A\$3.8 billion in education benefits.

Our experience and expertise in managing our members’ funds has focussed on multi-asset investment portfolios. Our constant aim is to ensure they are prudently managed to meet the investment outcomes, in a risk adjusted manner, of our members and to protect capital in down markets.

Futurity is an APRA supervised financial institution. We have considerable financial strength and capital reserves that underpin our resilience to meet product, administration and service commitments to our members over the long-term and across changing investment and economic cycles.

**PERFORMANCE HISTORY**

**Futurity Managed & Blended – Balanced  
at 31 December 2024<sup>3</sup>**

1 Mth	3 Mths	6 Mths	1 Yr	2 Yrs	3 Yrs	4 Yrs
-0.54%	0.31%	3.42%	5.59%	5.26%	1.77%	2.83%

<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**

Over the December 2024 quarter, investment markets have been driven by central bank interest rate adjustments, persistent inflation trends, rising bond yields, mixed equity market performance, economic indicators showing contraction, and political tensions impacting investor sentiment.

The December 2024 quarter saw mixed performances in global markets. Global equities rose, with the MSCI World index up 1.9% hedged to AUD and 12.1% unhedged to AUD, while emerging market equities rose by 3.0%.

Developed market bond yields increased, reflecting a shift in investor sentiment. The Federal Reserve's slower-than-expected rate-cutting cycle and political tensions in the U.S. contributed to market volatility.

In the U.S., 10-year Treasury yields rose to near 4.6%, nearing their annual peak. Rising yields negatively impacted bond

performance, particularly long-duration U.S. Treasuries, which saw a sharp decline.

Central banks made several policy adjustments: the Federal Reserve reduced its policy rate by 25 basis points to 4.5%, the European Central Bank cut its rate to 3%, and the Bank of Canada reduced its rate by 50 basis points to 3.25%. The Reserve Bank of Australia maintained its cash rate at 4.35%.

Australian equities fell by 0.8%, with the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index lagging the S&P 500.

The Australian dollar depreciated against the U.S. dollar, with the AUD/USD ending the quarter 0.62. The Judo Bank Australia Manufacturing PMI indicated continued contraction, and consumer confidence declined.

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- Financial Adviser calculator
- Market Insights

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