

# **Sharesies KiwiSaver Scheme**

### **Sharesies Smartshares Balanced Fund**

#### Fund update for the quarter ending 31 December 2023

This fund update was first made publicly available on 29 January 2024.

## What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the Sharesies Smartshares Balanced Fund has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. Sharesies Investment Management Limited prepared this update in accordance with the <u>Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013</u>. This information is not audited and may be updated.

# Description of this fund

The fund invests wholly in the SuperLife Balanced Fund. The fund is designed for investors that want a balance between stability of returns and growth of their investment over the long term. The fund provides exposure to a diverse mix of growth and income assets.

Total value of the fund	\$12,344,717
Number of investors	414
The date the fund started	25 January 2023

# What are the risks of investing?

Risk indicator for the Sharesies Smartshares Balanced Fund<sup>1</sup>



The risk indicator is rated from 1 (low) to 7 (high). The rating reflects how much the value of the fund's assets goes up and down. A higher risk generally means higher potential returns over time, but more ups and downs along the way.

To help you clarify your own attitude to risk, you can seek financial advice or work out your risk profile at <u>www.sorted.org.nz</u>.

Note that even the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment, and there are other risks that are not captured by this rating.

This risk indicator is not a guarantee of a fund's future performance. The risk indicator is based on the returns data for the past 5 years. While risk indicators are usually relatively stable, they do shift from time to time. The risk indicator will continue to be updated in future fund updates.

See the product disclosure statement (PDS) for more information about the risks associated with investing in this fund.



### How has the fund performed?

	Past year
Annual return (after deductions for charges and tax)	Not applicable
Annual return (after deductions but before tax)	Not applicable
Market index return (reflects no deduction for charges and tax)	11.81%

The market index annual return is based on the weighted average annual return of the market indices used to measure the performance of the assets that the fund invests in. The specific benchmark indices used for each asset class are defined in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO). The SIPO and further additional information about the market index is available on the offer register at <u>https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</u>.

### What fees are investors charged?

Investors in the Sharesies Smartshares Balanced Fund are charged fund charges which are:

	% of net asset value (incl. GST)
Total fund charges (estimate) <sup>2</sup>	0.50%
Which are made up of:	
Total management and administration charges	0.50%
Including:	
Manager's Basic Fee	0.50%
Other management and administration charges	0.00%
Total performance-based fees	0.00%

Investors may also be charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, for withdrawing from or switching funds). See the PDS for the Sharesies KiwiSaver Scheme on the offer register at <u>https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</u> for more information about those fees.

Small differences in fees and charges can have a big impact on your investment over the long term.

#### Example of how this applies to an investor

Sophie had \$10,000 in the fund on 25 January 2023 (the date the fund started) and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the period to 29 December 2023, Sophie received a return after fund charges were deducted of \$566 (that is 5.66% of her initial \$10,000). This gives Sophie a total return after tax of \$544.38for the period from 25 January 2023 to 29 December 2023.

#### What does the fund invest in?

This shows the types of assets that the fund invests in



#### **Top 10 investments**

	Name	% of fund net assets	Туре	Country	Credit rating
1	SuperLife Balanced Fund	100%	Interest in a diversified fund	NZ	N/A

#### **Key personnel**

Name	Current position	Time in current position	Previous or other current position	Time in previous or other current position
Leighton Roberts	Executive Director and Chief Executive	2 years and 5 months	Executive Director and 3EO, Sharesies Limited	5 years and 4 months
Matthew Macpherson	General Manager Super and Funds	2 years and 5 months	Head of Products, Co-operative Bank	1 year and 6 months
Nick Dobson	Investments Manager	2 years and 5 months	Investment Manager, NZTE	5 years and 8 months

#### **Further information**

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the Sharesies KiwiSaver Scheme, and some additional information from the offer register at <u>https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</u>.

#### Notes

- 1. A combination of actual fund returns and market index returns have been used to determine the risk indicator as the fund has not been operating for the required five years. The risk indicator may therefore provide a less reliable indicator of the fund's future volatility. Market index returns have been used until 30 April 2023 and fund returns thereafter.
- As the Sharesies Smartshares Balanced Fund only started accepting contributions on 25 January 2023, historical fee information is not available. The fund charges represent our best estimates of the fees and expenses that will be charged to the fund. These have been estimated using information provided by the underlying fund manager and by reference to the underlying fund's disclosure documents.