

Australian Ethical is one of Australia’s leading ethical fund managers. By investing responsibly in well-managed ethical companies, we deliver competitive financial performance to our clients and positive change to society and the environment. Since our inception in 1986, our Ethical Charter has guided all investment decisions and underpinned our business practices. Every year 10 per cent of our profits* are distributed to charitable organisations and social impact initiatives through The Australian Ethical Foundation.

Investment objective

To generate an income stream consistent with prevailing short-term interest rates while minimising the risk of capital loss and meeting our Ethical Criteria. The Fund aims to exceed the return of the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill after taking into account management costs over a 1 year period.

Price information

Pricing frequency: Daily
Buy/Sell spread: 0.00%/0.00%

Fund facts

Fund size: \$11.11m
Benchmark: Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill
Asset class: Money Market
Inception date: 30/06/2015
Minimum investment timeframe: 1 year
Risk level: Very low

Identifiers

ISIN code: AU60AUG00242
APIR code: AUG0024AU

Distributions

Frequency: 2
Dates: 30/06, 31/12

Fees

Management costs - PDS: 0.20%
Minimum initial investment: \$25,000
Additional transactional and operational costs: 0.00%

A full explanation of all the fees and costs that you may be charged for investing in the Fund is provided in the Fund’s Product Disclosure Statements available from our website australianethical.com.au

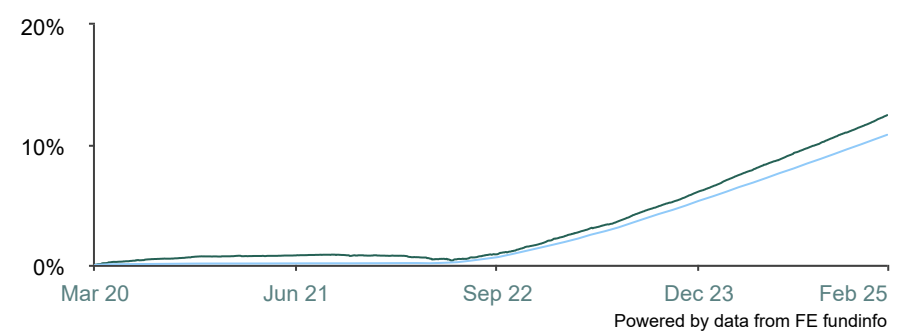
*(after tax, before bonus expense)

**The Benchmark was the Australian 90 Day Bank Bill from inception to 13 Aug 2019 and is the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index thereafter.

Investment strategy

The opportunity to invest in a diversified portfolio of interest-bearing investments generating income. The Fund is invested in short-dated deposits, high grade mortgage-backed securities, State and Commonwealth Government Bonds, and bank and other corporate bonds. As such, the returns of the Fund tend to move in line with the general level of interest rates.

Cumulative performance (as at 31/03/2025)



Performance (as at 31/03/2025)

	1m	3m	6m	1y	3y	5y	10y	Since inception (ann.)
Fund	0.3%	1.2%	2.4%	5.0%	3.9%	2.4%	-	2.2%
Composite Benchmark**	-	0.7%	1.8%	4.1%	3.4%	2.1%	-	1.9%

Calendar Performance (as at end 2024)

	CY2024	CY2023	CY2022	CY2021	CY2020
Fund	5.1%	4.3%	0.9%	0.1%	0.8%
Composite Benchmark**	4.5%	3.9%	1.3%	0.0%	0.4%

Source: FE fundinfo.

Total returns are calculated using the sell (exit) price, net of management fees and gross of tax as if distributions of income have been reinvested at the actual distribution reinvestment price. The actual returns received by an investor will depend on the timing, buy and exit prices of individual transactions. Return of capital and the performance of your investment in the fund are not guaranteed. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Figures showing a period of less than one year have not been adjusted to show an annual total return. Figures for periods of greater than one year are on a per annum compound basis. The current benchmark may not have been the benchmark over all periods shown in the above chart and tables. The calculation of the benchmark performance links the performance of previous benchmarks and the current benchmark over the relevant time periods.

Australian Ethical Income Fund (Wholesale)

Fund Profile - 31 March 2025

Top 10

Government of Australia	14.3%
National Australia Bank Limited	9.5%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	9.1%
Westpac Banking Corporation	7.0%
Treasury Corporation of Victoria	5.1%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited	4.9%
Bank of Queensland Limited	4.8%
Queensland Treasury Corp.	3.5%
Great Southern Bank (Australia)	3.2%
ING Bank (Australia) Limited	3.0%

Ratings and awards

RIAA Certification:



Why invest ethically?

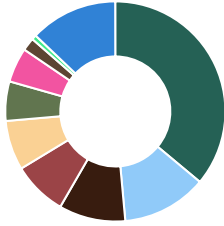
Portfolio diversification: Diversify your portfolio by investing in companies and sectors not well covered by other fund managers and brokers. Help build a better world: Invest in the new, low-carbon economy, fund medical and technology breakthroughs, efficient transport and more. Promote human rights: We strive to avoid any investment in companies involved in the poor treatment of asylum seekers or the exploitation of workers through poor working conditions.

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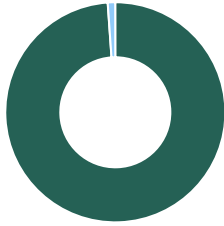
Sector allocation

Bank Senior Debt	36.1%
Government	12.5%
State Government	9.8%
RMBS	8.0%
Corporate Credit	7.3%
SSA	5.8%
Bank Covered Bonds	5.1%
ABS	1.9%
Term Deposit	0.7%
Other	12.9%



Asset allocation

Australian Interest Bearing Investments	98.9%
Cash	1.1%



Commentary

For the quarter ended March 31, 2025 the Australian Ethical income Fund (Wholesale) returned 1.2% net of fees, slightly ahead its benchmark return of 1.1% for the period, the Bloomberg Ausbond Bank Bill Index. The retail fund return was also 1.2%.

In primary markets, major banks priced 5-year senior unsecured bonds at tighter spreads than in 2024, with strong investor demand. In secondary markets, credit spreads remained flat, and the Bloomberg AusBond Credit Index returned +1.52%, outperforming the Treasury Index (+1.16%). These supportive credit conditions benefited funds with credit exposure—such as the Australian Ethical Income Fund, Altius Short Term Income Fund, and the Altius Sustainable Bond Fund.

The Australian Ethical income Fund is a short duration fund that aims to reflect prevailing market interest rates through exposure to a combined portfolio of short dated Commonwealth and State Government bonds, Floating rate notes issued by Banks (ranging from mutual banks to regional banks to the major banks), corporate issues, term deposits, mortgage backed and other asset backed securities.

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