

TITLE:

NZ Super Fund – purpose and investment approach

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Where we fit in

RETIREMENT INCOME

New Zealand Superannuation (NZS)

Fund partially pre-funds

NOTE: CONTRIBUTIONS SUSPENDED 2009

Mandatory private savings accounts



Voluntary private savings accounts

Kiwisaver and other



Our mandate

We must invest the Fund on a prudent, commercial basis, and in a manner consistent with:

- best practice portfolio management;
- maximising return without undue risk to the Fund as a whole; and
- avoiding prejudice to New Zealand's reputation as a responsible member of the world community.



Key points

- Long-term investor able to look through market cycles
- We are firm believers in passive investment and highly disciplined about active investment
 - We work hard to exploit our endowments
 - Separate opportunities from access points
 - Allocate capital to the opportunities we are most confident in
 - Use long-term investment themes to inform decisions
 - Prefer direct, flexible access
 - Integrate ESG throughout the investment process
- We have out-performed the market and exceeded our passive Reference Portfolio benchmark by \$4 billion since inception – and exceeded the government's cost of debt by more than \$11 billion



Defining our endowments

Long Horizon Certainty of Liquidity

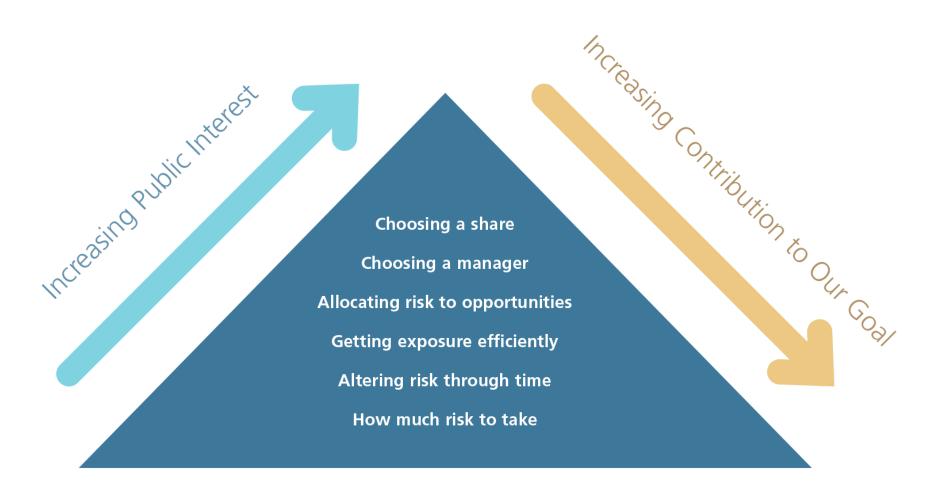
Operational Independence

Location & Crown Owner

- We can ride-out short term volatility
- Genuine contrarian investor
- We can invest in private market and illiquid assets
- We pay lower tax in some jurisdictions (sovereign status)
- Favourably regarded as a potential co-investor and business partner

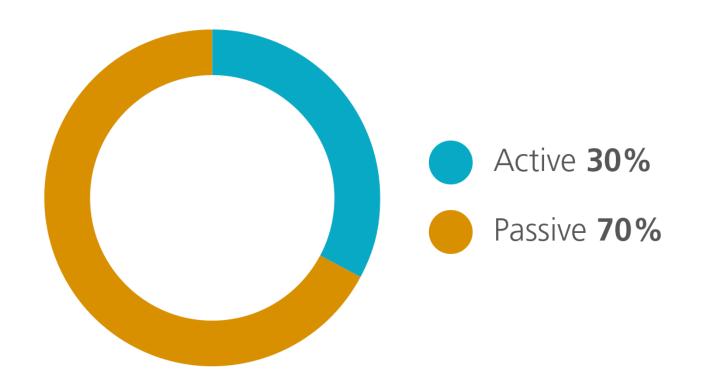


Decisions: Importance vs Interest



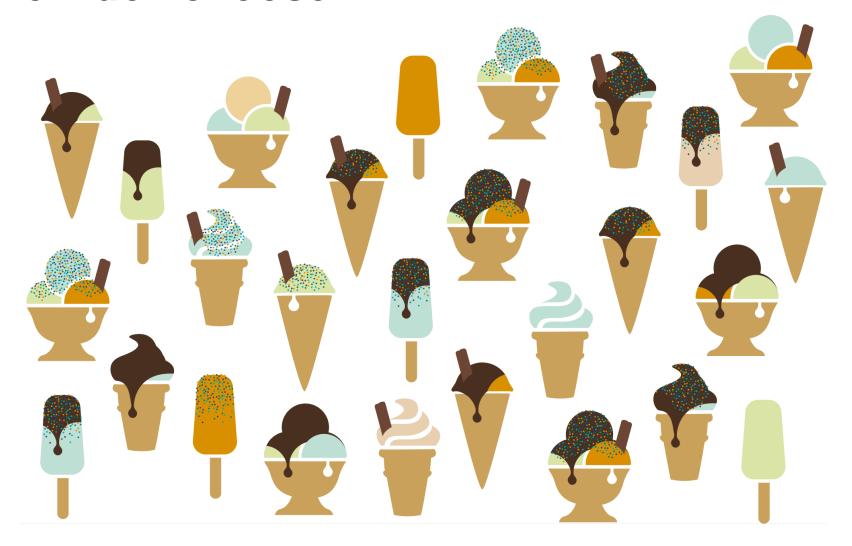


Get broad market exposures cheaply





How do I choose?





Separate opportunity from access point









HIGHEST CONFIDENCE





Using Investment Themes



Resource Sustainability



Emerging Markets Segmentation



Evolving Demand Patterns



Integrate Responsible Investment

"Responsible investors must have concern for environmental, social and governance factors because they are material to long-term returns."





ESG in action: NZ Corporate Governance Forum

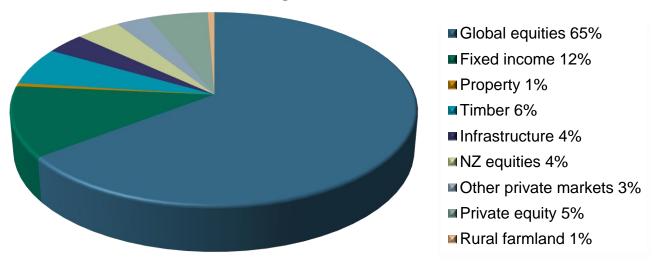
- Members institutional investors with significant \$\$\$ in NZ listed companies
- Purpose to promote <u>global best practice governance</u> in NZ listed companies
- Current focus areas:
 - promoting high quality boards; focus on board composition including skills, diversity and independence;
 - reporting and disclosure; better disclosure on strategy, risks and conflicts and through fair and accurate communication of financial performance;
 - structure and disclosure of executive remuneration (to align with the company's short and long-term strategic objectives)
 - guidelines and rules issued by regulatory bodies.
- NZCGF Issued Guidelines for listed companies and investors in listed companies in 2015
 - Guidelines extend the FMA's Governance Principles in areas of particular interest
 - www.nzcgf.org.nz



Asset class exposures

This graph shows the Fund's economic exposures as a percentage of Fund value (prior to the impact of any strategic tilting positions). For further information on how the Fund's capital is allocated and our strategic tilting activities see https://www.nzsuperfund.co.nz/how-we-invest.

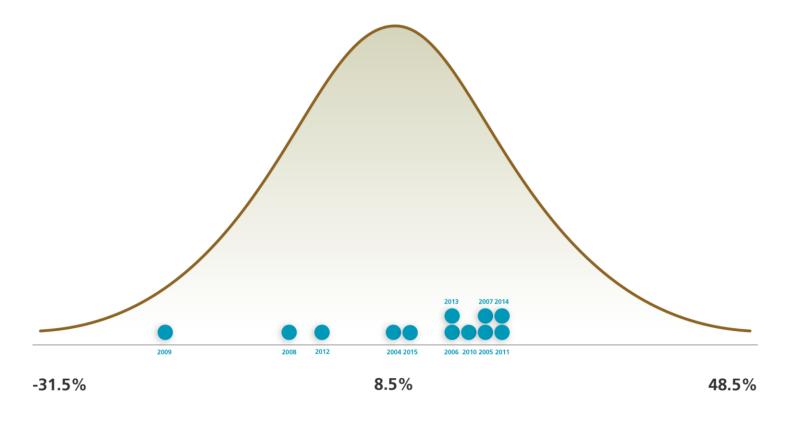
Asset class exposures as at 31/01/16





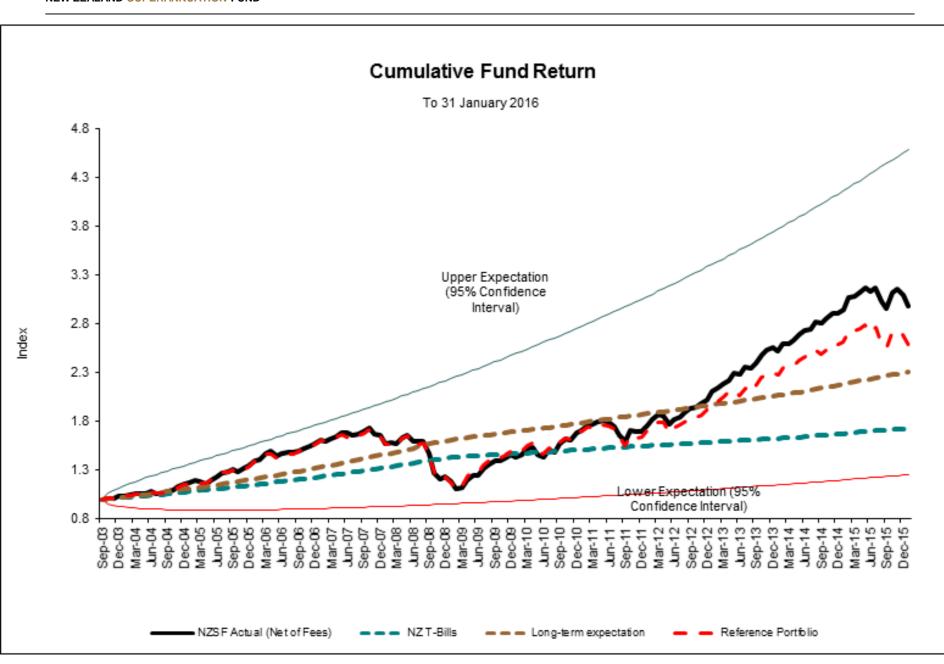
Our experience to date

Expected and actual reference portfolio returns



Historic Reference Portfolio Returns

Expected Reference Portfolio Returns





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