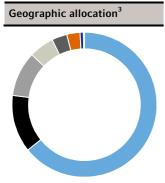


## Russell Investments Low Carbon Global Shares Fund - \$A Hedged



<ul><li>United States</li><li>Europe ex UK</li><li>Emerging Markets</li></ul>	64.3% 12.8% 10.1%
■ Japan ■ UK ■ Canada ■ Asia ex Japan ■ Australia/New Zealand	5.6% 3.4% 2.9% 0.8% 0.2%
Other	-0.1%

Share class

Class AUDH

Inception date

10 October 2017

**Benchmark** 

MSCI ACWI ex Australia Hedged 100% to AUD Index

Portfolio manager

Andrew Zenonos

Recommended investment timeframe

7 Years

Tax structure

Investment - Class A

APIR code

RIM8525AU

ARSN code

619-152-644

Management fees and costs†

0.37%

Performance fees‡

N/A



#### **Fund objective**

To provide a total return, before costs and tax, in line with the Class's benchmark over rolling three year periods with a focus on reducing the Fund's exposure to carbon relative to benchmark.

#### **Fund strategy**

The Fund invests predominantly in a broad range of international shares listed on stock exchanges in developed and emerging international markets. The Fund targets a reduction in carbon exposure, and an increase in exposure to renewable energy, compared to the Benchmark. The Fund also employs certain investment exclusions. Derivatives may be used by the Fund to obtain or reduce exposure to securities and markets, to implement investment strategies and to manage risks. Foreign currency exposures for the Class are largely hedged back to Australian dollars using derivatives.

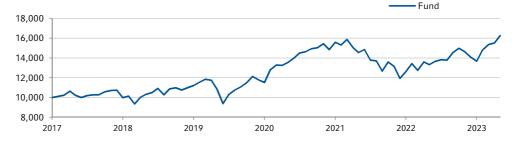
For further information on how the Fund seeks to achieve a reduced carbon exposure, an increase in exposure to renewable energy, and the investment exclusions employed, refer to ESG considerations in the 'How we invest your money' section of the Additional Information Booklet.

#### Performance review<sup>1</sup>

Period ending 29/02/2024	1	3	1	3	5	Since
	month	months	year	years	years	inception
	%	%	%	%p.a.	%p.a.	%p.a.
Total return	4.72	9.96	22.15	6.31	9.50	8.10

<sup>1</sup> Performance is net of fees and charges. Assumes reinvestment of income. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future

#### Growth of \$10,000



#### **Fund commentary**

The Russell Investments Low Carbon Global Shares Fund returned 4.8% in hedged AUD terms in February, outperforming the benchmark by a modest 0.1%.

The Fund's exclusion of companies involved in defence contracting contributed positively to performance over the period. This included nil holdings in US names Lockheed Martin and Boeing; the latter extending its recent decline after the US Federal Aviation Administration gave the plane maker 90 days to develop an action plan to address what it described as systemic quality-control issues at the company. Stock selection within the consumer discretionary sector also added value; notably overweights to Chinese-owned travel agency Trip.com and Indian multinational restaurant aggregator and food delivery company Zomato. Both stocks posted very strong gains for the month. Our structural underweight to the utilities space added further, albeit modest value over the period. In contrast, stock selection within the information technology sector detracted from overall performance; notably an underweight to US company Super Micro Computer, which climbed 66% in February. Stock selection within healthcare also weighed on returns, including overweights to US medical device maker Insulet Corp. and Swiss hearing solutions provider Sonova Holding AG. Both stocks significantly underperformed the broader market over the period. Performance was further impacted by stock selection within energy and materials; though this was partly offset by our structural underweights to both sectors.

3 Allocations may not equal 100% due to rounding.

As a percentage of net assets. Includes management fee, indirect costs and expense recoveries. Reflects RIM's reasonable estimates of the typical fees for the current financial year. All costs reflect the actual amount incurred for previous financial year and may include RIM's reasonable estimates where information was not available or where RIM was unable to determine the exact amount. Refer to the PDS for further information.

As a percentage of net assets. RIM does not charge a performance fee at the Fund level, however underlying funds and managers may charge a performance fee. This estimated fee is based on the average of actual performance fees incurred over the past 5 financial years.

Refer to PDS for further information.

\* We license and apply the SASB® Materiality MapTM General Issue Categories in our work















# Russell Investments Low Carbon Global Shares Fund - \$A Hedged (continued)

**Fund** 

MSCI ACWI ex Australia Index Net

Carbon Emissions vs Index\* 62% lower





Carbon Reserves vs Index\*\* 59% lower





Green energy ratio vs Index\*\*\* 30% higher





Material ESG Score vs Index ~ 4% higher





Index is the fund benchmark, MSCI ACWI ex Australia Hedged 100% to AUD Index.

- \* Carbon Emissions is the Weighted Average Carbon Intensity which we define as relative carbon emissions as the weighted average of portfolio companies' Scope 1 & 2 GHG emissions divided by revenue (CO2e/\$1M revenue USD).
- \*\* We refer to relative carbon reserves as the asset relative fossil fuel reserves of a company. Specifically it is defined as: Fossil fuel reserves (m tonnes) divided by total company assets (USD).
- \*\*\* The green energy score calculates the percentage of total energy produced from renewable energy sources. The calculation accounts for energy source classifications of Green, Brown and Grey power generation. With the calculation reflecting the proportion of green power generation divided by total power generation.
- "Using Russell Investments proprietary material ESG scores. Further details of our Material ESG scoring approach and methodology is contained in our research paper **Materiality Matters**: Targeting the ESG issues that impact performance the Material ESG score. <a href="https://russellinvestments.com/-media/files/au/about-us/responsible-investing/materiality-matters.pdf">https://russellinvestments.com/-media/files/au/about-us/responsible-investing/materiality-matters.pdf</a>

#### **ESG Considerations**

For detailed information on the Fund's ESG considerations, including applicable investment exclusions, refer to 'ESG considerations' in section 5 of the Additional Information Booklet that forms part of the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement, available at <a href="mailto:russellinvestments.com/au/RFA/investing.">russellinvestments.com/au/RFA/investing.</a>



### Russell Investments Low Carbon Global Shares Fund - \$A Hedged (continued)

#### **Fund Exclusions**

Tobacco Manufacture and Controversial weapons Production

production

Coal mining and power generation

Nuclear weapon production

Uranium mining











#### Sector allocation<sup>3</sup>

	Fund
Information Technology	24.6%
Financials	15.9%
Health Care	11.6%
Consumer Discretionary	11.5%
Industrials	10.6%
Communication Services	7.9%
Consumer Staples	6.6%
Energy	3.9%
Materials	3.2%
Real Estate	2.4%
Utilities	2.0%
Other	-0.1%

<sup>3</sup> Allocations may not equal 100% due to rounding.

#### Top ten holdings

Security	Fund	Benchmark
MICROSOFT CORP	4.2%	4.2%
APPLE INC	4.1%	4.1%
NVIDIA CORP	2.8%	2.8%
AMAZON.COM INC	2.3%	2.4%
META PLATFORMS INC-CLASS A	1.6%	1.6%
ALPHABET INC-CL A	1.2%	1.2%
ALPHABET INC-CL C	1.1%	1.1%
ELI LILLY & CO	0.9%	0.9%
BROADCOM INC	0.8%	0.8%
TESLA INC	0.8%	0.8%

#### Important information

Issued by Russell Investment Management Ltd ABN 53 068 338 974, AFS Licence 247185 (RIM). This document provides general information only and has not been prepared having regard to your objectives, financial situation or needs. Before making an investment decision, you need to consider whether this information is appropriate to your objectives, financial situation or needs. This information has been compiled from sources considered to be reliable, but is not guaranteed. The performance data shown does not take into account fees, charges and taxes, and is not a reliable indicator of the net return to you as an investor. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. This document is not intended to be a complete statement or summary of the Russell Investments Funds (the Funds). Investing in the Funds has risks. You should consider these risks in light of your objectives, financial situation and needs. Any potential investor should consider the latest PDS in deciding whether to acquire, or to continue to hold, an investment in any Russell Investments product. The PDS can be obtained by visiting russellinvestments.com.au or by phoning (02) 9229 5111. The Target Market Determinations for the RIM Funds are available on our website at russellinvestments.com/au/support/tmds

RIM is part of Russell Investments. Russell Investments or its associates, officers or employees may have interests in the financial products referred to in this information by acting in various roles including broker or adviser, and may receive fees, brokerage or commissions for acting in these capacities. In addition, Russell Investments or its associates, officers or employees may buy or sell the financial products as principal or agent. Neither RIM, Russell Investments or its associates, officers or employees guarantees the repayment of capital, the performance of any Russell Investments products or any rate of return referred to in this document. Source for MSCI data: MSCI. The MSCI information may only be used for your internal use, may not be reproduced or redisseminated in any form and may not be used to create any financial instruments or products or any indices. The MSCI information is provided on an "as is" basis and the user of this information assumes the entire risk of any use made of this information. MSCI, each of its affiliates and each other person involved in or related to compiling, computing or creating any MSCI information (collectively, the MSCI Parties) expressly disclaims all warranties (including, without limitation, any warranties of originality, accuracy, completeness, timeliness, non-infringement, merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose) with respect to this information. Without limiting any of the foregoing, in no event shall any MSCI Party have any liability for any direct, indirect, special, incidental, punitive, consequential (including, without limitation, lost profits) or any other damages. Russell Investments' ownership is composed of a majority stake held by funds managed by TA Associates Management, L.P., with a significant minority stake held by funds managed by Reverence Capital Partners, L.P. Certain of Russell Investments' employees and Hamilton Lane Advisors, LLC also hold minority, non-controlling, ownership stakes. This work is copyright 2024. Apart from any use permitted under the Copyright Act 1968, no part may be reproduced by any process, nor may any other exclusive right be exercised, without the permission of Russell Investment Management Ltd. Russell Investments became a signatory of the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) in 2009; the Carbon Disclosure Project's climate change program since 2010; and the Climate Action 100 in 2017. Russell Investments is also a member of the Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC) since 2015; and the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia Russell Investments became a supporter for the Taskforce on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) in May 2019. Russell Investments has consecutively achieved an A+ rating for our strategy and governance approach from the PRI from 2016-2020. For further information visit russellinvestments.com.