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# Opening Address

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### Our Mission

To help our members grow and protect their wealth by providing affordable investment advice and solutions.

Research & Advice

Affordable Investment Advice

Investment

**Products** 





### Our Ethos

We believe in transparency and honesty.

Central to our philosophy are our three core principles:



#### Diversification

We recognise over the long-term, no one asset class is guaranteed to deliver consistent returns. Instead, we offer solutions to build a diversified portfolio to minimise risk without sacrificing returns.



#### **Lower Fees**

Compounded over time, even a small difference in fees can result in substantial differences to your return. That's why our goal is to develop low cost investment solutions.

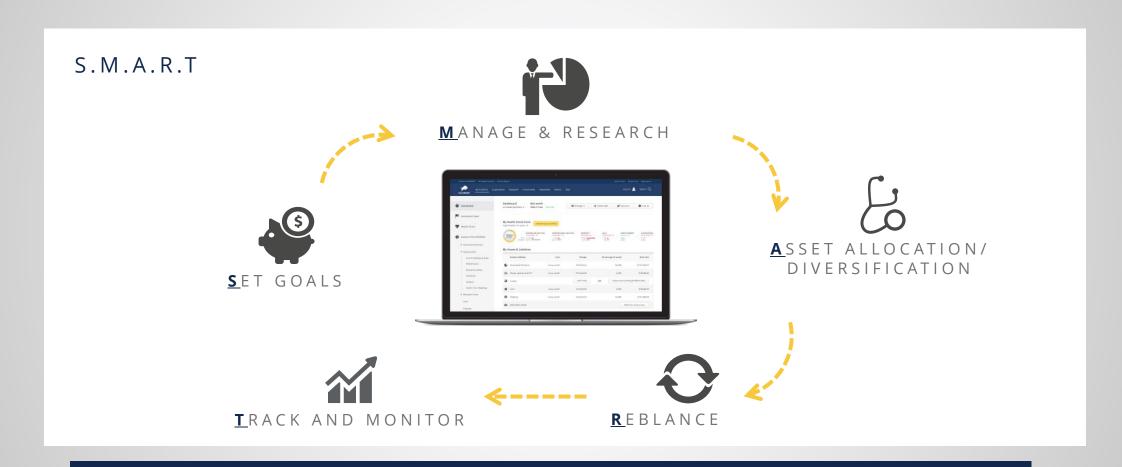


#### Transparency

You can see what's in your portfolio at any time and track changes made by us



## Affordable Investment Advice



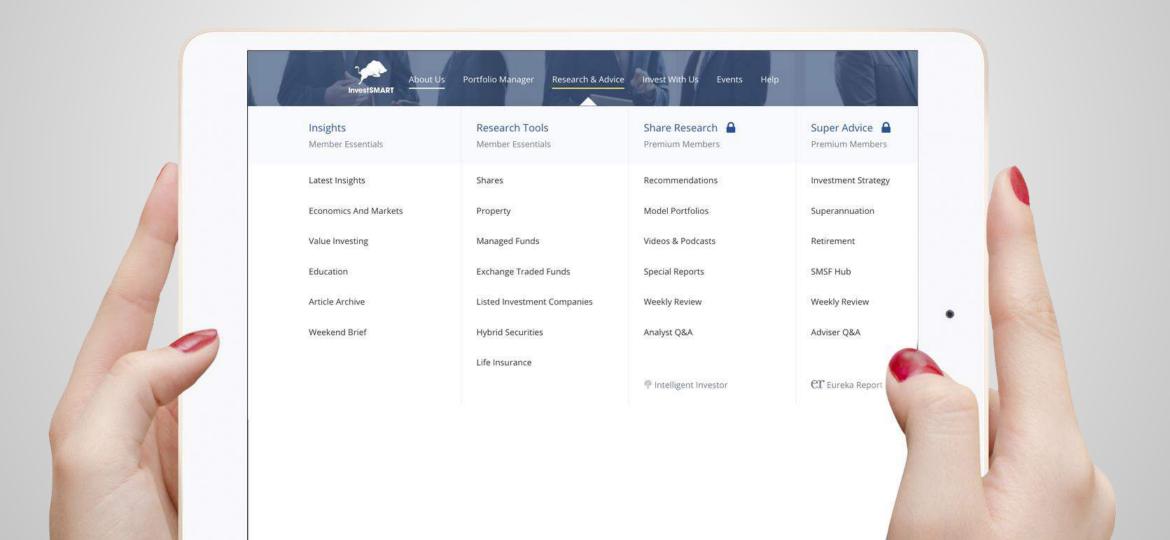
Assets on Platform

Total Value of Shares: <b>\$9,181,836,626</b>	Total Value of Funds: <b>\$2,068,419,538</b>		
Total Value of Cash: <b>\$1,956,991,914</b>	Total Value of Property: <b>\$7,883,347,175</b>		



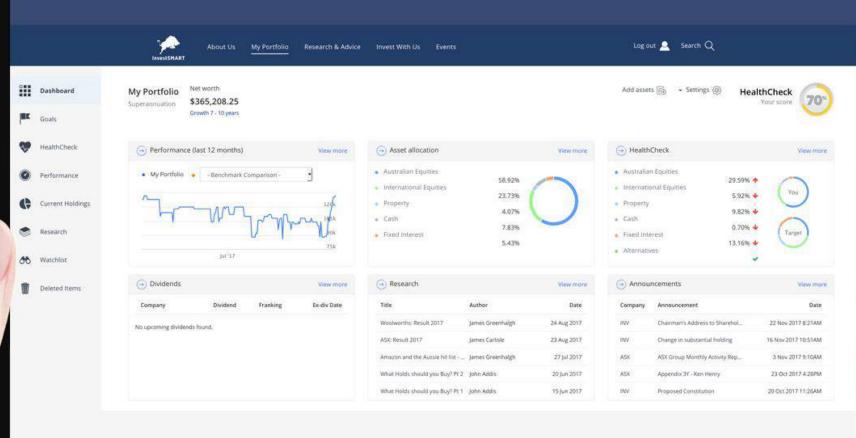
## Research & Advice

Benefit from independent advice and research from our team of analysts and advisers.



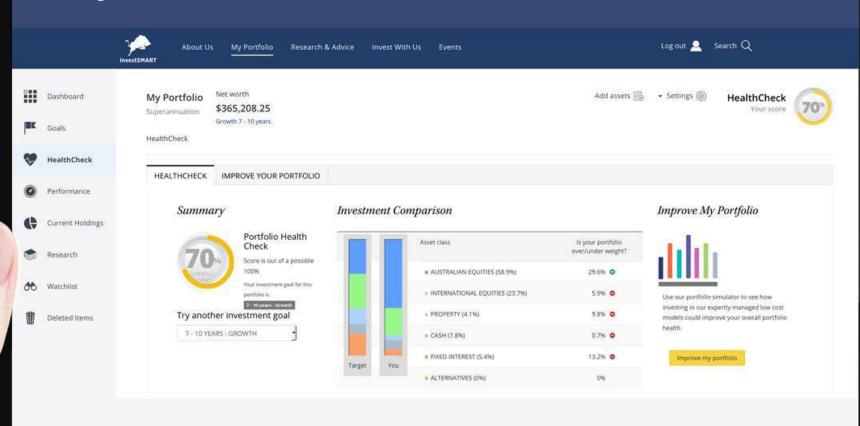






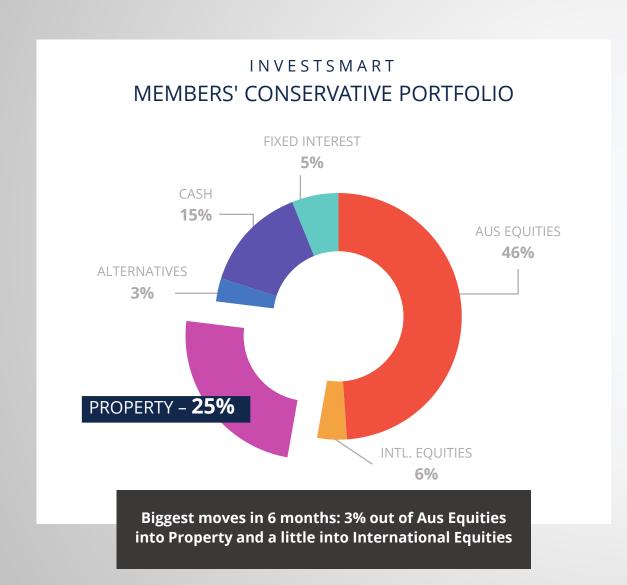


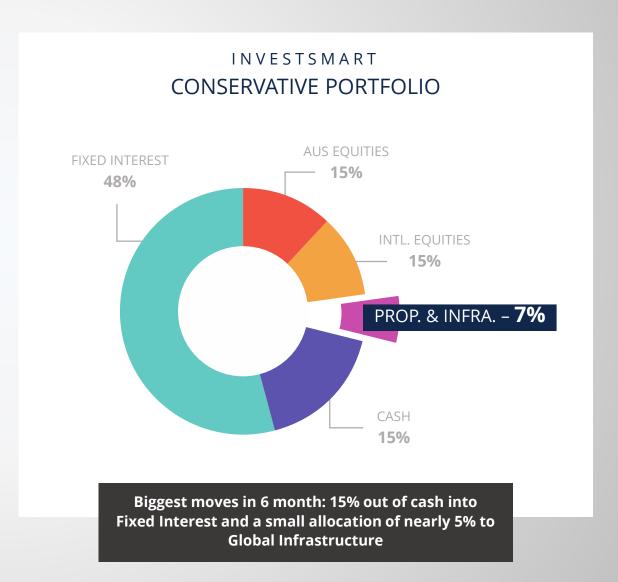






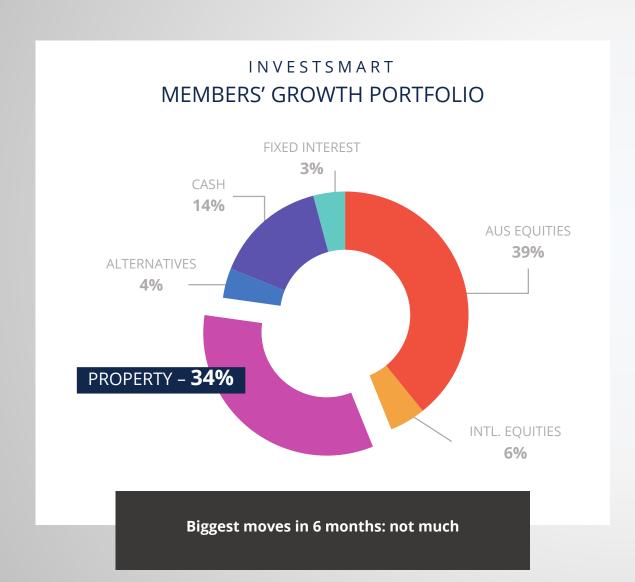
## Asset Allocation – Conservative

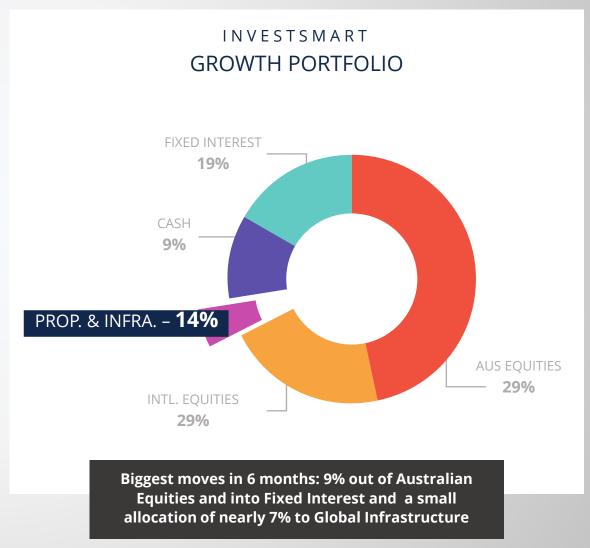






### Asset Allocation – Core Growth







## Diversification Still Misunderstood



37%

of Australian adults or **6.9 million** people hold investments that are available through a financial exchange

31%

of Australian adults hold shares

7%

of Australian adults hold derivatives 11%

hold other on-exchange investments

Diversification is still not well understood

46%

of investors claim to be diversified and hold **2.7** investment products 40%

of investors say they do not have diversified portfolios. They hold **1.6** investment products 15%

of investors don't know if they're diversified

75%

of share owners hold only Australian shares



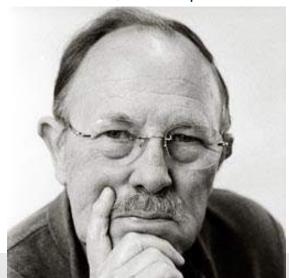
## Modern Portfolio Theory

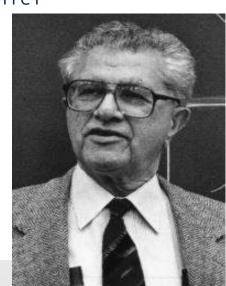
NOBEL PRIZE 1990

"Adding assets to a diversified portfolio that have correlations of less than one with each other can decrease portfolio risk without sacrificing returns."

- Markowitz, Sharpe and Miller

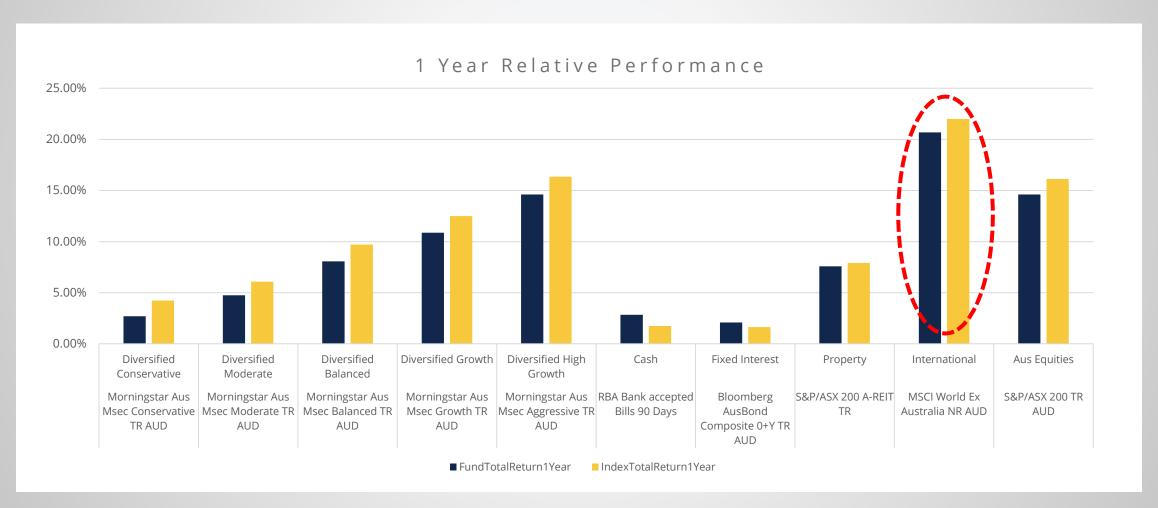






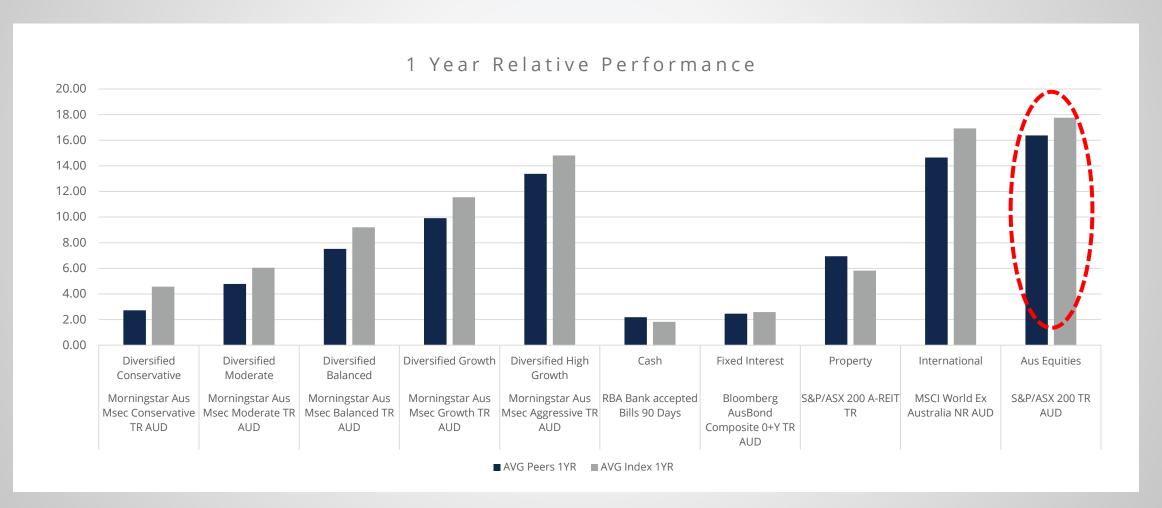


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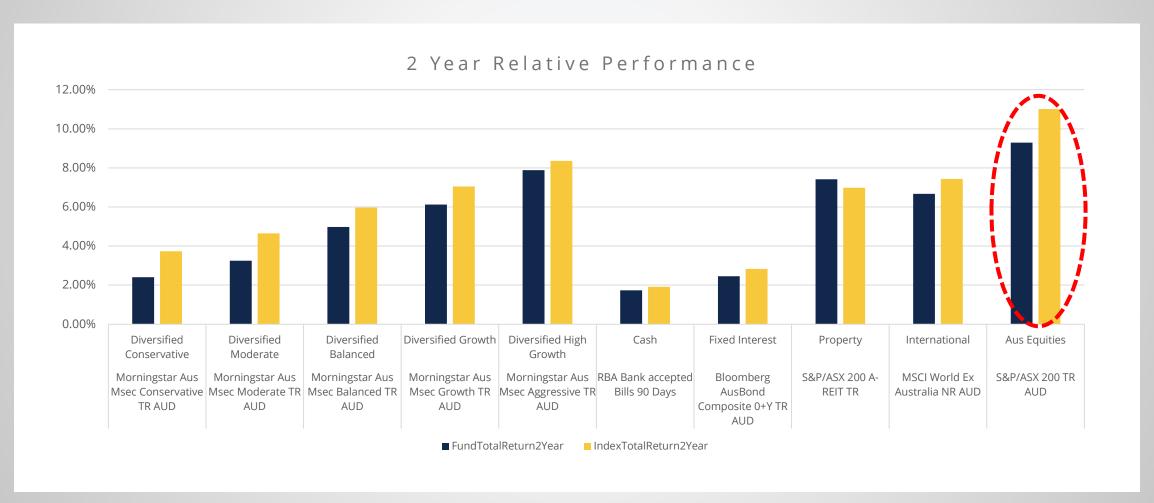


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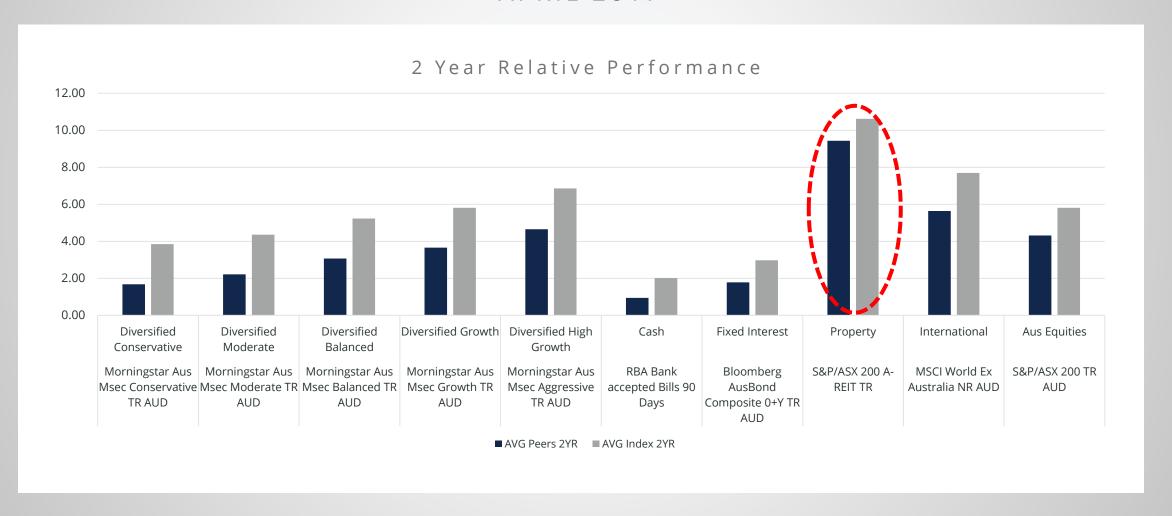


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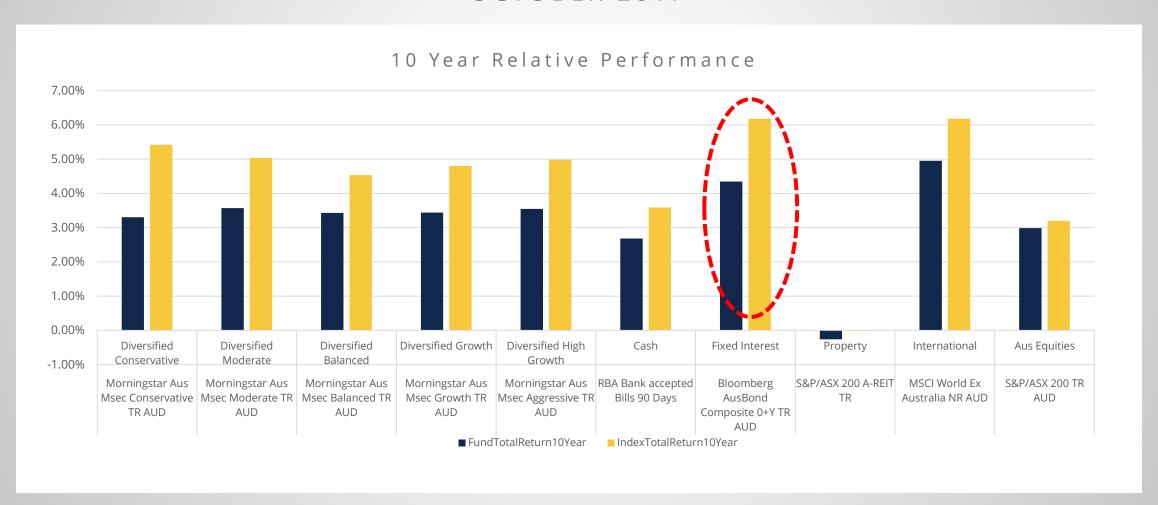


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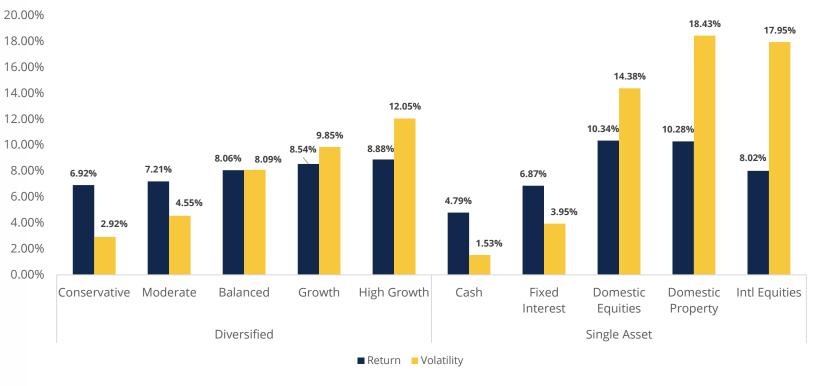
## Sequencing risk?

The impact of volatility of investment returns on the value of your investment, called **sequencing**.

**Sequencing** is the order and timing of investment returns.

The **risk** with **sequencing** and retirement income is that unfavourable investment returns close to retirement can result in less money for retirement.







# Does rebalancing work?

Without rebalancing

Total capital = **\$217,814** 

Rebalancing only 4x over 20yrs

Total capital = **\$250,666** 

CGAR over 20 years without rebalancing **7.64%** 

CGAR over 20 years with rebalancing **8.39%** 

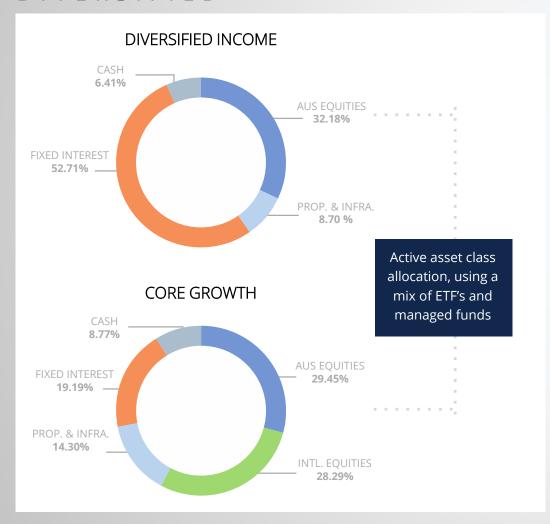
Rebalancing Works			Starting Balance			\$50,000		
		Cash	Fixed Interest	Australia	International	Property	Total	
Rebalance		\$ 4,450	\$ 9,650	\$ 14,700	\$ 14,600	\$ 6,600	\$ 50,000	
YES/NO	Year	RBA Bank	Bloomberg Aus	S&P/ASX All Ordi	MSCI World E	S&P/ASX 300	Total	Health Check
0	1997	4,725	10,956	17,214	18,358	7,981	59,235	97.93%
0	1998	4,964	12,182	18,672	25,282	9,611	70,712	93.05%
0	1999	5,210	12,608	21,364	29,660	9,843	78,685	91.519
0	2000	5,514	13,239	23,619	35,967	10,757	89,096	88.83%
1	2001	8,375	18,892	27,770	23,564	13,556	92,158	96.37%
0	2002	8,767	19,876	27,971	18,673	15,440	90,726	91.389
0	2003	9,191	21,345	28,280	15,437	17,134	91,387	87.69%
0	2004	9,682	22,293	34,454	17,080	20,626	104,136	87.20%
0	2005	10,225	23,721	43,060	18,627	24,367	120,000	85.94%
1	2006	11,301	24,201	43,923	41,347	19,298	140,070	97.15%
1	2007	13,271	28,109	52,177	43,082	22,512	159,150	95.679
0	2008	14,237	30,047	43,081	35,389	14,081	136,835	93.75%
0	2009	14,896	32,791	37,623	29,759	8,598	123,668	88.62%
0	2010	15,539	34,648	43,858	30,625	9,942	134,612	87.749
0	2011	16,315	37,260	44,873	30,345	10,073	138,866	86.71%
1	2012	12,889	29,551	41,208	42,029	21,196	146,873	97.95%
0	2013	13,289	30,732	50,160	55,123	25,748	175,051	96.20%
0	2014	13,645	32,436	55,520	67,740	28,844	198,185	93.67%
0	2015	13,990	34,731	58,877	83,926	35,502	227,026	89.79%
0	2016	14,308	36,226	60,152	84,022	40,874	235,582	89.389
0	2017	14,502	36,352	66,860	91,501	41,452	250,666	89.36%

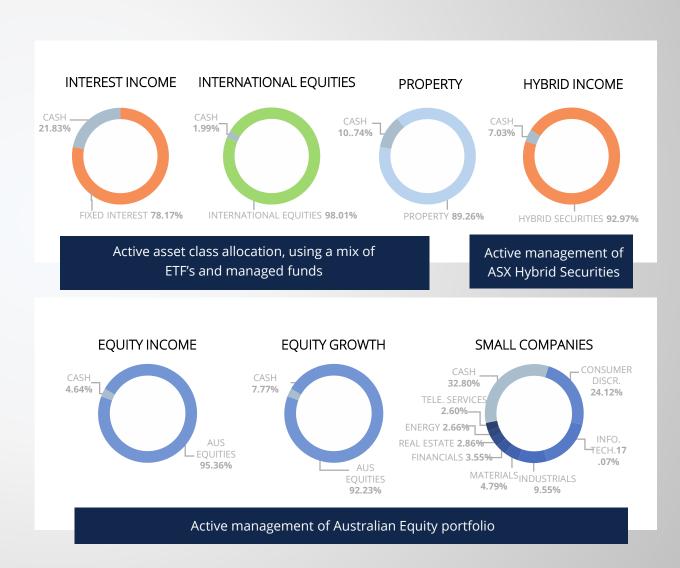
Assumption: Growth Portfolio asset allocation



## Portfolio Optimisation

#### DIVERSIFIED







## InvestSMART Core Growth

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ACTIVE ASSET ALLOCATION

#### **BENCHMARK:**

Morningstar Aus Msec Growth TR AUD

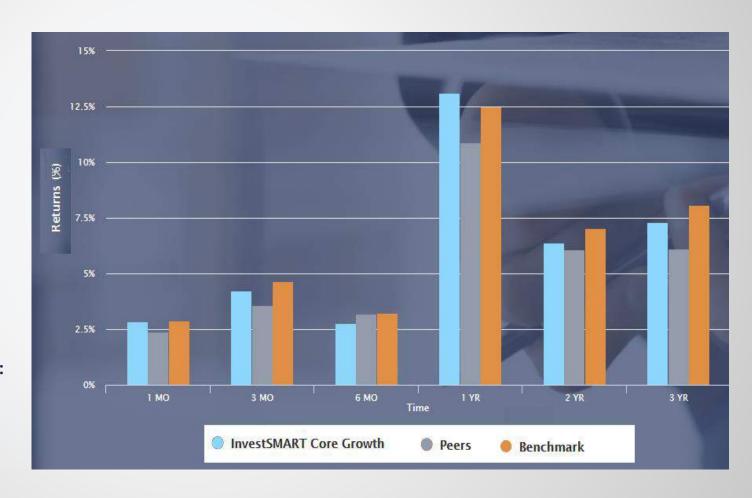
### AVERAGE RELATIVE PERFORMANCE:

vs 847 peers

#### RELATIVE FEE COMPARISON:

Core Growth Fees: 0.77%

Average peer fees: 1.80%





#### Staying the course is not easy

Our 5 SMART step plan to help

- 1. **S**et achievable goals
- 2. <u>M</u>anage and research
- 3. Assess & diversify across asset classes
- 4.  $\mathbf{R}$  ebalance from time to time
- 5.  $\underline{\mathbf{T}}$  rack to stay on course







## Focus on Portfolio

- Portfolio defines the stocks you're holding
- The mission: maintain portfolio that's as undervalued as possible within acceptable levels of risk
- The method: Hold. Buying and selling just a means to an end



## How Many Stocks?

• *Passive approach*: maximum diversification; an index tracker

• *Active approach*: 12–30 holdings will make sense for most active investors





# Why Diversify?

- The Rumsfeld Principle
- Think in probabilities
- It's OK to lose money
- Investing is about process not prediction





## What Are We Trying To Do?

- Buy something for less than it's worth
- Hunt for mispricings
- Look where others aren't
- Employ second order thinking





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- Recommended as a Buy below \$2.00
- Telco with \$400m market cap

#### DISCLOSURE

- RECOMMENDED AS A BUY
- II GROWTH FUND OWNS IT
- I OWN IT PERSONALLY







## Our Investment Case

- High incremental margins
- Low capex, high cash
- Cost advantage
- Vital to Optus



## Our Insight

- Not being priced for its potential
- Capital light
- High ROE, high FCF model
- Economics improve as it grows





## Woodside Petroleum

- LNG, oil and gas producer
- \$22bn market cap
- PER 18x

#### DISCLOSURE

- RECOMMENDED AS A BUY
- II EQUITY GROWTH FUND OWNS IT
- II EQUITY INCOME FUND OWNS IT







## Our Investment Case

- Changes in LNG market make WPL assets more valuable
- Can pursue production growth cheaply
- Potential resources not counted
- Payoff structure is attractive
- High option value





## Our Insight

- Reserve replacement an imperfect measure
- LNG market is changing
- Assets worth more than book
- Low production costs are an advantage





## Summary

- We need to work to become better investors
- All investing is the hunt for mispricings
- Look for opportunity where others aren't





## Fewer Analysts Means More Opportunity

MARKET CAP RANGE (\$M)	NO. OF COMPANIES	ANALYSTS	AVERAGE NO. OF ANALYSTS	
>100,000	4	84	21	
50,000-99,999	3	55	18	
25,000–49,999	5	81	16	
10,000-24,999	29	438	15	
5,000-9,999	35	432	12	
1,000–4,999	134	1,239	9	
500-999	98	451	5	
250–499	121	322	3	
100-249	224	339	2	
<100	1,175	300	0.3	



# Finding Ideas

- No concept stocks or 'specy' explorers
- Focus on competitive advantage or deep mispricing
- Independent thinking, psychology, time horizon



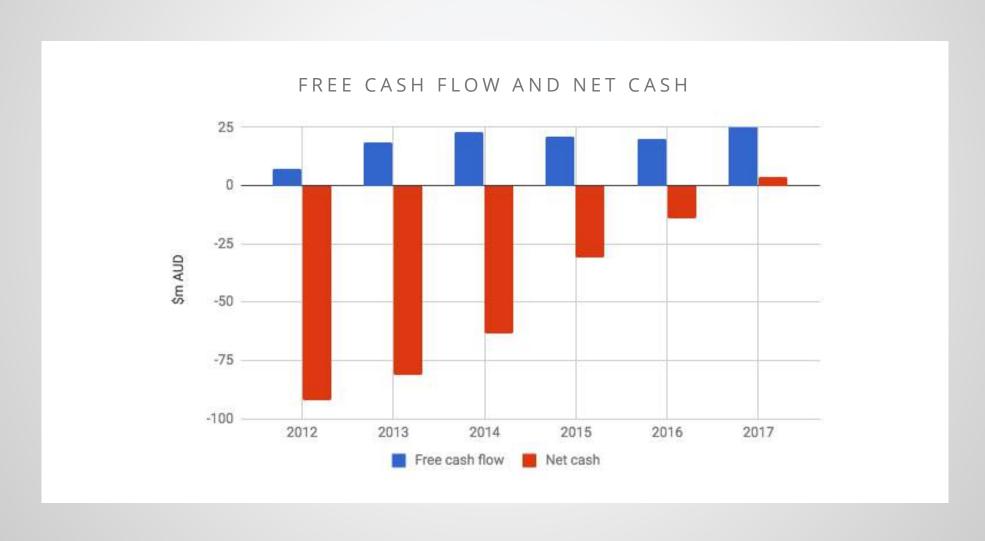
## Case Study

GLOBAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES (ASX:GCS)

- A Western Australian scaffolding business
- Utilisation is name of the game.
   Paid per tonne per day for installed kit
- Commercial, mining and residential construction



#### Cash Generation & Balance Sheet Repair Overlooked



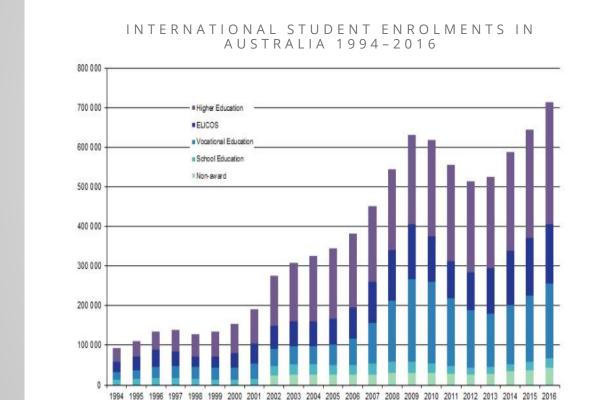


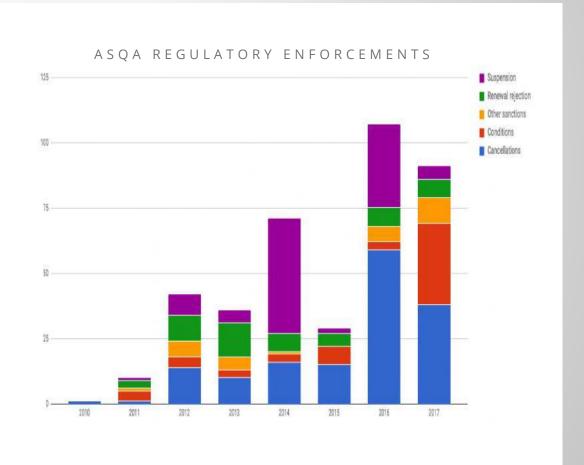
# What Happened After Buying?

- Non core assets sold for \$42.5m, boosting cash flow and unlocking tax losses
- Reinstated semi-annual dividends, paid a special dividend
- Expanded east at very low cost/risk
- Grenfell tower disaster provides big opportunity



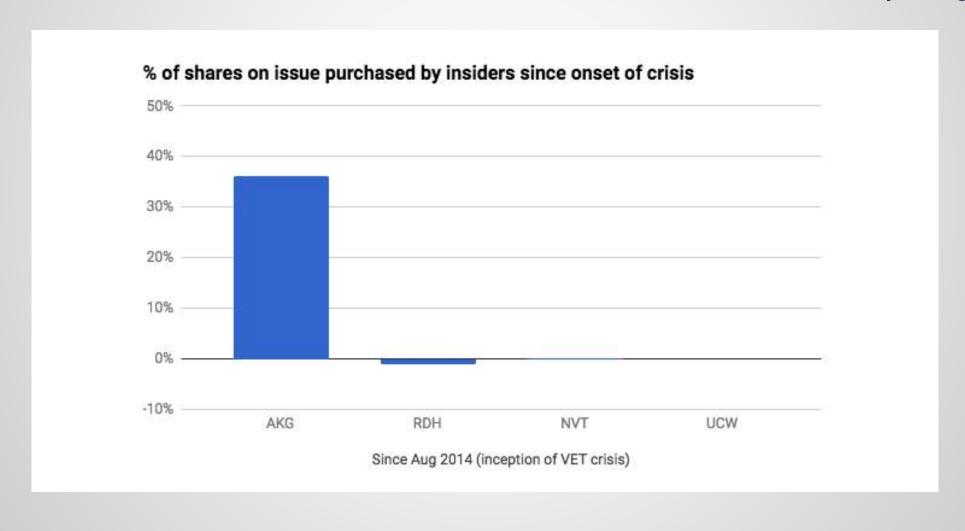
### For Profit Education: Industry Tailwinds But Many Shonks







### Which Insiders Have Conviction in Their Company?





### Live Idea

ACADAMIES AUSTRALIA (ASX:AKG)

- A mini Navitas
- Founded in 1908. Listed in 1977
- Pathway courses, English & vocation across
   18 colleges
- Predominantly full fee paying international students
- Owns 7.8% of competitor Redhill Education (ASX:RDH)
- \$45m market cap
- EV/EBITDA of ~5x (for context Navitas is 13.5x)





#### Live Idea

REDFLEX (ASX:RDF)

- Red light, speed and school bus arm photo enforcement
- \$65m market cap
- USA (57%) and international (43%)
- Owns ~1,000 cameras in USA. 70% on fixed fee per camera
- Voted down \$2.75 takeover bid by Macquarie in 2011.
- 2012 bribery scandal torpedoed share price to \$0.22.





## The Litigation Anchor

- Significant leadership time spent addressing legal issues
- Capital stockpiled for settlements instead of invested for growth
- Contract tenders lost due to client concerns over insolvency
- Difficulties attracting talent
- General reputational damage



## The Value Proposition

- Sunk costs ensure Redflex is the cheapest on re-tenders
- US camera network worth more than market cap
- 2017 saddled with one-offs. Strong reversion likely
- Takeover target (watch for ATS or Conduent)





### InvestSMART Australian Small Companies Fund

PERFORMANCE TO 30 SEP 2017	1 MTH	3 MTHS	6 MTHS	1 YR	S.I. (P.A)*
InvestSMART Australian Small Companies Fund	3.50%	9.24%	11.50%	N/A	21.48%
S&P/ASX Small Companies Accumulation Index	1.31%	4.41%	4.04%	2.98%	8.21%
Excess to Benchmark	2.19%	4.83%	7.46%	N/A	13.27%

\* Inception date = 1 February 2017

