

Westpac Active Series

Income Strategies Trust

Fund Update for the quarter ended:

31 December 2024

This fund update was first made publicly available on 13 February 2025.

What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the Income Strategies Trust has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. BT Funds Management (NZ) Limited prepared this update in accordance with the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013. This information is not audited and may be updated.

Description of this fund

The Income Strategies Trust aims to provide stable returns over the short to medium term. The fund invests in a diversified range of income assets. Volatility is expected to be the lowest of the funds in the Westpac Active Series. The fund closed to new investment on 18 April 2019.

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|---------------------------|------------------|
| Total value of the fund | \$ 2,170,495 |
| The date the fund started | 14 February 2012 |

What are the risks of investing?

Risk indicator for the Income Strategies Trust.¹



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 sorted.org.nz/tools/investor-profiler

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 five years to 31 December 2024. 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.

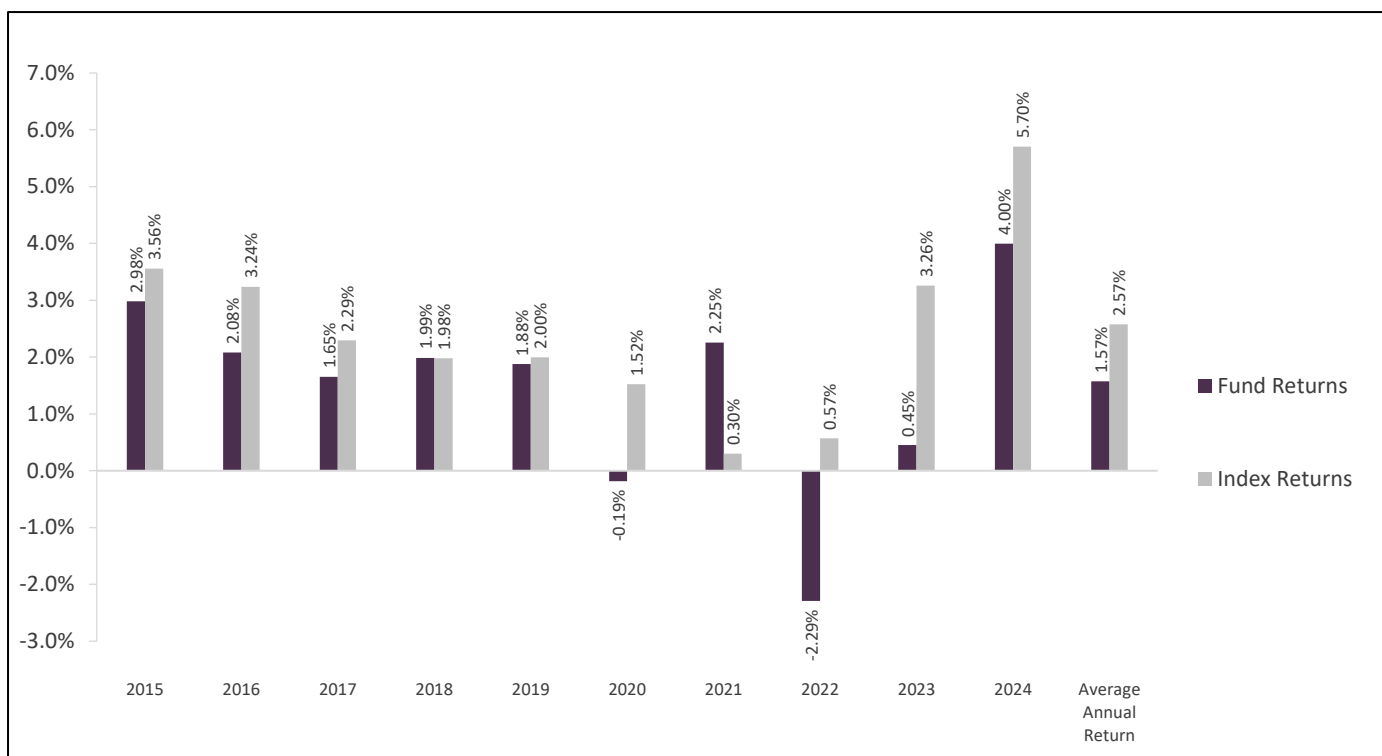
How has the fund performed?

| | Average over past 5 years | Past year |
|---|---------------------------|-----------|
| Annual return (after deductions for charges and tax) | 1.21% | 3.72% |
| Annual return (after deductions for charges but before tax) | 1.69% | 5.20% |
| Market index annual return (reflects no deductions for charges and tax) | 2.84% | 5.55% |

The market index return reflects the return for the Bloomberg NZBond Bank Bill Index.

Additional information about the market index is available in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO) on the offer register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

Annual return graph



This shows the return after fund charges and tax for each of the last 10 complete years ending 31 March. The last bar shows the average annual return for the last 10 years, up to 31 December 2024.

Important: This does not tell you how the fund will perform in the future. Returns in this update are after tax at the highest prescribed investor rate (PIR) of tax for an individual New Zealand resident. Your tax may be lower.

What fees are investors charged?

Investors in the Income Strategies Trust are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2024, these were:

| | % of net asset value |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Total fund charges² | 0.51% |
| Which are made up of | |
| Total management and administration charges | 0.51% |
| Including - | |
| Manager's basic fee | 0.51% |
| Other management and administration charges | 0.00% |
| Total performance-based fees | 0.00% |
| Other charges | \$ amount per investor |
| Other Charges | \$0.00 |

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

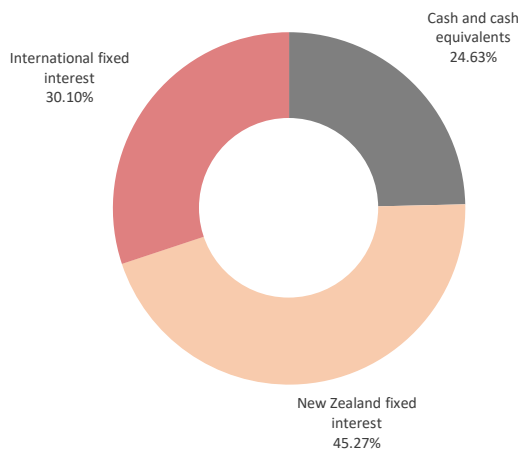
Example of how this applies to an investor

Jason had \$10,000 in the fund at the start of the year and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Jason received a return after fund charges were deducted of \$372 (that is 3.72% of his initial \$10,000). Jason did not pay anything in other charges. This gives Jason a total return after tax of \$372 for the year.

What does the fund invest in?

This shows the types of assets that the fund invests in.³

Actual investment mix⁴



Target investment mix

| | |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | 25.00% |
| New Zealand fixed interest | 45.00% |
| International fixed interest | 30.00% |

Top 10 investments

| | Name | % of fund net assets | Type | Country | Credit rating (if applicable) |
|----|------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Housing NZ 2.183% 24/04/2030 | 1.45% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | AAA |
| 2 | Housing NZ 1.534% 10/09/2035 | 1.34% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | AAA |
| 3 | Westpac 3.696% 16/02/27 | 1.01% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | AA- |
| 4 | US 5YR Note | 0.98% | International fixed interest | United States of America | AA+ |
| 5 | BNZ 5.8720% 01/09/2028 | 0.98% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | AA- |
| 6 | BNZ 4.985% 07/06/2027 | 0.97% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | AA- |
| 7 | Kiwibank 6.254% 19/10/2028 | 0.96% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | A+ |
| 8 | KBN 1.25% 02/07/2030 | 0.95% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | AAA |
| 9 | US 2YR Note | 0.91% | International fixed interest | United States of America | AA+ |
| 10 | CCB FRN 02/11/26 | 0.86% | New Zealand fixed interest | New Zealand | A+ |

The top 10 investments make up 10.41% of the net asset value of the fund.⁵

Currency Hedging

The international fixed interest asset class in the fund has exposure to foreign currencies. As at 31 December 2024, the actual currency hedging for the international fixed interest asset class was 99% (benchmark 100%).

Additional information about the currency hedging policy can be found in the SIPO which is available on the offer register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

Key personnel

| | Name | Current position | Time in current position | Previous or other current position | Time in previous or other current position |
|---|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Nigel Jackson | Chief Executive Officer – BT Funds Management (NZ) Limited | 2 years 5 months | Head of Investments | 1 year 6 months |
| 2 | Philip Houghton-Brown | Head of Investment Solutions | 4 years 3 months | Chief Investment Officer / Head of Investments, Mercer | 8 years 2 months |
| 3 | Francois Richeboeuf | Senior Manager | 14 years 2 months | Acting Head of Investment Solutions | 0 year 8 months |
| 4 | Stephen Hong | Senior Portfolio Manager | 12 years 3 months | Portfolio Manager, AXA Global Investors | 5 years 9 months |
| 5 | Angelika Sansom | Investment Analytics Manager | 23 years 4 months | Investment Consultant, Mercer | 2 years 4 months |

Further information

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the Westpac Active Series, and some additional information from the offer register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

Notes

1. The risk indicator for the fund is calculated based on the volatility of returns over the past five years, which may not be a full investment cycle. In some cases the risk indicator might differ if calculated using a longer timeframe. We believe an average investment cycle is generally considered to be a period of between 7 to 10 years. If the period of returns data that a risk indicator is based on has had unusually low or high volatility the risk indicator presented in a fund update may provide a less reliable indication of a fund's potential future volatility.
2. The amounts specified include GST, where applicable.
3. For further information on each of the asset classes refer to the SIPO.
4. For the reporting of the Actual investment mix, cash and cash equivalents held for operational and hedging purposes at an asset class level (in the underlying funds) are assigned to the asset class to which they relate.
5. The top 10 investments have been calculated excluding cash and cash equivalents held for operational and hedging purposes.