# W | A | M Leaders

Focus: large-cap Australian companies (ASX: WLF)

### Portfolio update

The WAM Leaders portfolio increased 1.0% in March, with the contribution predominately driven by iron-ore and defensive yield-sensitive positions. The strongest contributors included Fortescue Metals Group (ASX: FMG). Rio Tinto (ASX: RIO) and BHP Group (ASX: BHP). The iron-ore price has spiked since the Vale Brumadinho tailings dam disaster on 25 January 2019, which was a catalyst for the closure of an additional 56 Brazilian dams for safety concerns. Brazilian iron-ore exports in March fell to their lowest levels for more than a decade.

On the demand side, the Chinese Government has stepped up measures to stimulate its economy with a large injection of funds to reinvigorate total social financing (TSF), a measure of credit and liquidity in the economy. Chinese Premier Li Keqiang also announced further tax cuts aimed at offsetting deteriorating economic data to maintain the country's strong growth rate. The feedback from our on-the-ground research in China, paints a bullish picture for steel demand in China. FMG. RIO and BHP closed up 17.3%, 1.8% and 3.4% for the month.



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## Net tangible asset (NTA) figures

The below NTA figures are **before** the fully franked interim dividend of 2.65 cents per share due to be paid on 26 April 2019. The shares traded ex-dividend on Wednesday, 10 April 2019. Since inception, WAM Leaders has paid 8.0 cents per share in fully franked dividends to shareholders.

NTA before tax	121.11c*
NTA after tax and before tax on unrealised gains	119.93c
NTA after tax	118.98c

'The NTA before tax is after the payment of \$44k (0.006 cents per share) in tax during the month.

Pre-tax net tangible assets Gross assets

Annualised fully franked interim dividend

Performance (p.a. since May 2016)

\$1.21

\$950.7m 5.3c

					Since inception
Performance at 31 March 2019	1 mth	6 mths	Fin YTD	1 yr	%p.a. (May-16)
WLE Investment Portfolio	1.0%	2.6%	3.4%	11.4%	11.1%
S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index	0.7%	1.8%	3.3%	12.1%	9.6%
Outperformance	+0.3%	+0.8%	+0.1%	-0.7%	+1.5%

Investment performance and Index returns are before expenses, fees and taxes.

#### Portfolio composition by sector



	February 2019		March 2019	
Investment type	\$m	%	\$m	%
Listed equities	764.1	90.0	856.4	90.1
Short portfolio	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fixed interest & cash	84.6	10.0	94.3	9.9
Gross assets	\$848.7m	100.0	\$950.7m	100.0
Market capitalisation	\$795.7m		\$876.7m^	
Total shares on issue	704,135,905		782,756,039#	

During the month, 78,620,134 shares were issued following the completion of the Scheme of Arrangement with Century Australia.

## Top 20 holdings in alphabetical order

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Amcor Limited	AMC
Aristocrat Leisure Limited	ALL
BHP Group Limited	ВНР
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	СВА
Computershare Limited	CPU
CSL Limited	CSL
Fortescue Metals Group Limited	FMG
Macquarie Group Limited	MQG
National Australia Bank Limited	NAB
Newcrest Mining Limited	NCM
OZ Minerals Limited	OZL
Rio Tinto Limited	RIO
South32 Limited	S32
Suncorp Group Limited	SUN
Telstra Corporation Limited	TLS
The Star Entertainment Group Limited	SGR
Treasury Wine Estates Limited	TWE
Westpac Banking Corporation	WBC
Woodside Petroleum Limited	WPL
Woolworths Group Limited	WOV