W | A | M Leaders

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

Portfolio update

The WAM Leaders investment portfolio increased 0.5% in December. The outperformance was driven by tactical positions in gold and mining companies and exposure to defensive holdings that were beneficiaries of the equity market volatility during the month. Evolution Mining (ASX: EVN) was a notable performer as gold prices rallied under equity market volatility and expectations of lower than previously anticipated interest rate rises from the US Federal Reserve. Holdings in BHP Billiton (ASX: BHP) and Rio Tinto (ASX: RIO) also drove the investment portfolio's outperformance as commodity prices rallied due to the falling USD, more accommodative Chinese domestic policy and improvements in the trade war dialogue.



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Net tangible asset (NTA) figures

NTA before tax	109.24c
NTA after tax and before tax on unrealised gains	109.37c
NTA after tax	110.20c

Pre-tax net tangible assets Gross assets

FY18 fully franked full year dividend

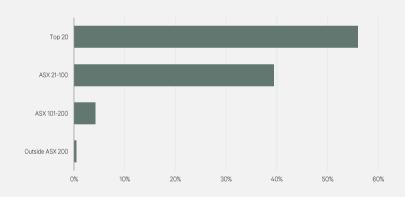
Performance (p.a. since May 2016)

\$771.4m 5.0c

Performance at 31 December 2018	1 mth	Fin YTD	1 yr	inception %p.a. (May-16)
WLE Investment Portfolio	0.5%	-7.1%	-2.2%	7.8%
S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index	-0.1%	-6.8%	-2.8%	6.3%
Outperformance	+0.6%	-0.3%	+0.6%	+1.5%

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

Equity portfolio composition by market capitalisation



	November 2018		December 2018	
Investment type	\$m	%	\$m	%
Listed equities	691.9	89.3	697.3	90.4
Short portfolio	0.0	0.0	(1.8)	(0.2)
Fixed interest & cash	82.9	10.7	75.9	9.8
Gross assets	\$774.8m	100.0	\$771.4m*	100.0
Market capitalisation	\$760.5m		\$746.4m^	
Total shares on issue	704,135,905		704,135,905	

^{*}This figure is after the payment of \$6.6m in tax for FY18 during the month.

Top 20 holdings in alphabetical order

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Aristocrat Leisure	Limited	ALL
Aurizon Holdings L	imited	AZJ
BHP Billiton Limite	d	BHF
Commonwealth Ba	nk of Australia	CBA
CSL Limited		CSL
Evolution Mining L	imited	EVN
Fortescue Metals (Froup Limited	FMC
National Australia	Bank Limited	NAE
Newcrest Mining L	imited	NCN
Origin Energy Limi	ted	ORC
Oil Search Limited		OSH
Rio Tinto Limited		RIO
South32 Limited		S32
Tabcorp Holdings	Limited	TAH
Transurban Group		TCL
Telstra Corporation	n Limited	TLS
The Star Entertain	ment Group Limited	SGR
Westpac Banking (Corporation	WBG
Woodside Petroleu	m Limited	WPL
Woolworths Group	Limited	WO