

CarbonFund

Quarterly Fund Update: Carbon Fund – 31 December 2023

This fund update was first made publicly available on 13 February 2024.

What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the Carbon Fund has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. Salt Investment Funds Limited prepared this update in accordance with the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013. This information is not audited and may be updated.

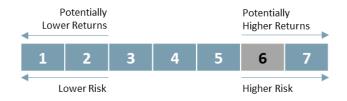
Description of this fund

The Carbon Fund's investment objective is to provide investors with a total return exposure to movements in the price of carbon credits. The Fund has the ability to buy carbon credits in emissions trading schemes in New Zealand and offshore. As a result, the Fund may also provide exposure to the price of carbon offshore. The Fund targets a position of being fully hedged to the New Zealand dollar.

Total value of the fund	\$95,451,035
The date the fund started	8 November 2018
Number of investors in the fund	1,046

What are the risks of investing?

Risk indicator for the Carbon Fund



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 www.sorted.org.nz/tools/investor-kickstarter.

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 a mix of the historical price of carbon credits in NZ and actual Fund returns for the five years to 31 December 2023. 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 five years	Past year
Annual return (after deductions for charges and tax)	15.16%	-8.17%
Annual return (after deductions for charges but before tax)	15.16%	-8.17%

There is no appropriate market index and no suitable peer group index against which to assess the performance of the fund. For more information about the market index see the offer register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz

Annual return graph



This shows the return after fund charges and tax for each year ending 31 March since the fund started. The last bar shows the average annual return since the fund started, up to 31 December 2023. 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.

Important: This does not tell you how the fund will perform in the future.

What fees are investors charged

Investors in the Carbon Fund are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2023, these were:

	% of net asset value
Total fund charges Which are made up of:	1.06%
Total management and administration charges Including:	1.06%
Manager's basic fee	1.06%
Other management and administration charges	0.00%
Total performance-based fees	0.00%

Investors may also be charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, for withdrawing from or switching funds). See the PDS on the offer register at <u>disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</u> for more information about those fees.



Example of how this applies to an investor

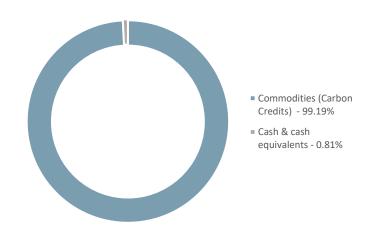
Small differences in fees and charges can have a big impact on your investment over the long term.

Sam had \$10,000 in the fund at the date the fund started and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Sam incurred a loss after fund charges were deducted of \$817 (that is -8.17% of his initial \$10,000). Sam did not pay any other charges. This gives Sam a loss after tax of \$817 for the year.

What does this fund invest in?

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

Actual investment mix



Target investment mix

Commodities (Carbon Credits)	98%
Cash	2%

Currency hedging

The Fund targets a position of fully hedging foreign currency exposure, although this may be partially hedged or completely unhedged at the Manager's discretion.

Top 10 investments

Name	% of Fund Net Assets	Туре	Country
Carbon Credits - NZ Emissions Trading Scheme	85.52%	Commodities	NZ
Carbon Fund	10.42%	Commodities	NZ
Carbon Credits – AU Emissions Trading Scheme	3.25%	Commodities	AU
Cash	0.81%	Cash & Cash Equivalents	NZ

The top 10 investments make up 100% of the net asset value of the fund.

Key personnel

Matthew Goodson	
Current position	Managing Director
Time in position	10 years & 7 months
Previous position	Portfolio Manager at BT Funds Management (NZ) Limited
Time in position	4 years & 5 months
Paul Harrison	
Current position	Managing Director
Time in position	10 years & 7 months
Previous position	Portfolio Manager at BT Funds Management (NZ) Limited
Time in position	5 years
Paul Turnbull	
Current position	Chief Investment Officer
Time in position	4 years & 7 months
Previous position	Research Analyst at Jarden
Time in position	6 Years
Greg Fleming	
Current position	Head of Global Diversified Funds
Time in position	2 years & 9 months
Previous position	Head of Investment Strategy at AMP Capital NZ
Time in position	4 Years & 8 months
Bevan Graham	
Current position	Economist
Time in position	2 years & 10 months
Previous position	NZ Managing Director, AMP Capital NZ
Time in position	2 years & 2 months

Further information

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the Carbon Fund, and some additional information from the offer register at <u>disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</u>.