

Investments Held as at 31 October 2024

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Summary

This report provides details of the City's investment portfolio and performance to 31 October 2024.

The City's total Investment and Cash position was \$827.5M at 31 October 2024, with investments earning interest of \$3.6M for the month.

Annual CPI inflation was 2.8 per cent in the September quarter, significantly down from 3.8 per cent in the June quarter. This is the lowest annual inflation rate since the March 2021 quarter. Even though the inflation has fallen within the target range of 2 per cent to 3 per cent, economic forecasters remain concerned the decline may only be temporary. While global factors explain much of the variation in inflation, domestic factors also continue to play a role. Widespread upward pressures on prices remain in the economy due to strong demand, a tight labour market and capacity constraints in some sectors of the economy.

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) board last raised the official cash rate on 7 November 2023, by 25 basis points to 4.35 per cent, a 12-year high, up from the record low of 0.10 per cent level in May 2022. While inflation is declining, economic analysts note that the decline has been slower than anticipated. The general expectation of majority of the banks is that official rates will remain on hold until early 2025 with potential for further rate cuts to follow, provided that the declining inflation trend continues. The financial institutions have reduced medium term deposit rates based on expectations of number of interest rate cuts by the Reserve Bank of Australia in early 2025.

The City's cash and investments portfolio includes restricted funds in both internal (\$241M) and external (\$89M) cash reserves, to satisfy the City's legislative responsibilities and to set aside specific amounts for major initiatives within the Community Strategic Plan Delivering Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision. Key commitments within the City's Long Term Financial Plan include public domain works in the CBD, infrastructure and community facilities in the Green Square urban renewal area and commercial property and open space acquisitions. The balance of investment funds represents working capital and funding required for the City's operating and capital expenditure commitments.

The City achieved an annualised monthly return of 5.10 per cent for October, which remains above the 30-Day Bank Bill Rate (BBR) of 4.31 per cent, the latest AusBond Monthly Bank Bill Index of 4.44 per cent and the enhanced benchmark of 4.76 per cent (BBR + 0.45 per cent).

Since 2015, the City has utilised an additional strategic benchmark rate to measure its investment performance by exceeding the 30 day benchmark returns, by at least 45 additional basis points (0.45 per cent p.a.). The 45 basis point increase is based on observed historical average increased credit spreads (or margins) over bank bill rates on offer in relation to 30–90 day investments.

The City's annual rolling return of 5.07 per cent continues to exceed the 12 month average 30 Day Bank Bill Rate of 4.30 per cent, the latest AusBond 12 Month Average Bank Bill Index of 4.45 per cent and the enhanced benchmark of 4.75 per cent (BBR + 0.45 per cent). The benchmarks were endorsed in the revised Investment Strategy approved by Council in October 2023.

It is worth noting that Council's investment opportunities are constrained by a combination of legislation, regulation and any directions and guidelines issued by the Minister for the Office of Local Government. These guidelines were developed, in large part, as a response to the Global Financial Crisis and its impact on the local government sector's investments.

They effectively limit the City's investment profile to something similar to a cash managed fund, which generally produce lower returns but provide a high level of security. The City's returns from the investment portfolio remain in line with cash managed funds in the market. This report includes graphs demonstrating that the City's liquidity profile continues to satisfy the requirements of the Policy, and charts that identify the distribution of the City's portfolio across credit ratings, investment product types and financial institutions. Charts depicting the City's portfolio returns over and above both the 90-day Bloomberg AusBond and 30-day Bank Bill Rate benchmarks have also been included to provide further insight into the City's total investment portfolio performance.

The structure of the City's investment portfolio continues to reflect the conservative approach outlined in the Investment Policy and Strategy, which remains appropriate for the current global and domestic economic conditions. The Policy and Strategy also maintain the City's commitment to sustainable investments where returns and risks are equivalent, under the environmentally and socially responsible investment criteria.

Recommendation

It is resolved that Investment Report as at 31 October 2024 be received and noted.

Attachments

Attachment A. Register of Investments and Cash as at 31 October 2024

Attachment B. Investment Performance as at 31 October 2024

Background

1. In accordance with the principles of sound financial management, cash that is surplus to the City's immediate requirements is invested within acceptable risk parameters to optimise interest income while ensuring the security of these funds.
2. Surplus cash is only invested in authorised investments that comply with governing legislation and the City's Investment Policy and Strategy. The benchmark performance goal of the City's Investment Policy and Strategy is to surpass the 30 Days Bank Bill Rate (BBR) by 45 basis points while performance also continues to be measured against the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index.
3. The City's total Investment and Cash position as at 31 October 2024 was \$827.5M, a decrease of \$10.8M from 30 September 2024. The monthly movement reflects capital works expenditure and other operational payments for the period exceeding operating income. A schedule detailing all of the City's investments as at the end of October 2024 is provided at Attachment A.
4. A substantial portion of the City's cash and investments portfolio is held as internally restricted (\$241M) or externally restricted (\$89M) cash reserves, to satisfy the City's legislative responsibilities and to set aside specific funds for major initiatives within the Community Strategic Plan Delivering Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision.
5. Key commitments within the City's Long Term Financial Plan include public domain works in the CBD, infrastructure and community facilities in the Green Square urban renewal area and the acquisition of commercial property and open space. The balance of investment funds represents working capital and funding required for the City's operating and other capital expenditure commitments.
6. The City achieved an annualised monthly return of 5.10 per cent for October which remains above the 30-Day Bank Bill Rate (BBR) of 4.31 per cent, the latest AusBond Bank Bill Index of 4.44 per cent and the enhanced benchmark of 4.76 per cent (BBR + 0.45 per cent).
7. Since 2015, the City has utilised an additional strategic benchmark rate to measure its investment performance by exceeding the 30 day benchmark returns, by at least 45 additional basis points (0.45 per cent p.a.). The 45 basis point increase is based on observed historical average increased credit spreads (or margins) over bank bill rates on offer in relation to 30 to 90 day investments.
8. The City's annual rolling return of 5.07 per cent continues to exceed the 12 month average 30 Day Bank Bill Rate of 4.30 per cent, the latest AusBond Bank Bill Index of 4.45 per cent and the enhanced benchmark of 4.75 per cent (BBR + 0.45 per cent). The benchmarks were endorsed in the revised Investment Strategy approved by Council in October 2023.
9. The City aims to achieve returns equal to or above these benchmark rates for the period. However, this achievement remains secondary to the critical strategies of maintaining a prudent and conservative risk profile and ensuring adequate liquidity for operational purposes.

10. It is worth noting Council's investment opportunities are constrained by a combination of legislation, regulation and any directions and guidelines issued by the Minister or the Office of Local Government. These guidelines were developed, in large part, as a response to the Global Financial Crisis and its impact on the local government sectors investments. They effectively limit the City's investment profile to something similar to a cash managed fund, which produces lower returns but provides a high level of security.
11. Annual CPI inflation was 2.8 per cent in the September quarter, significantly down from 3.8 per cent in the June quarter. There are indications that inflationary pressures are reducing. This is the lowest annual inflation rate since the March 2021 quarter. Even though the inflation has fallen within the target range of 2 per cent to 3 per cent, the RBA's assumption is that temporary measures have contributed to the decrease in inflation. The RBA's preferred inflation measure, the 'trimmed mean', is still high at 3.5%. Trimmed mean is the measure that averages inflation after excluding the largest price changes and focusing on the weighted average of the middle 70% of items. While global factors explain much of the variation in inflation, domestic factors also continue to play a role. Widespread upward pressures on prices remain in the economy due to strong demand, a tight labour market and capacity constraints in some sectors of the economy.
12. The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) board last raised the official cash rate on 7 November 2023, by 25 basis points to 4.35 per cent, a 12-year high, up from the record low of 0.10 per cent level in May 2022.
13. Inflation appears to be trending down based on recent CPI quarterly results. Economic analysts note that the decline has been slower than anticipated resulting in official interest rates remaining unchanged since November 2023. The current expectation of the majority of banks is that official rates will remain on hold until early 2025, with potential for rate cuts to follow, provided that the declining inflation trend continues. The financial institutions have reduced medium term deposit rates based on expectations of number of interest rate cuts by the Reserve Bank of Australia in early 2025.
14. The report includes graphs depicting the City's portfolio returns over and above both the 90-day Bloomberg AusBond, and 30-day Bank Bill Rate benchmarks, to provide further insight into the City's total investment portfolio performance.
15. The structure of the City's investment portfolio continues to reflect the conservative approach outlined in the Investment Policy and Strategy which was last revised and approved by Council in October 2023 remains appropriate for the current global and domestic economic conditions. Note that the revised 2024 Investment Policy and Strategy will be presented to Council as part of the current reporting cycle. Apart from some minor administrative updates the revised policy and strategy remain largely unchanged from the 2023 version.

Key Implications

Strategic Alignment - Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision

16. The City's investments accord with all legislative and policy requirements, as detailed below, and aim to achieve returns above minimum benchmark rates.

Relevant Legislation

17. Council is authorised to invest its surplus cash under section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993.
18. The Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 (section 212) requires the City to provide a written monthly report of all monies invested, under section 625 of the Act.
19. The Investment Policy and Strategy was last revised in October 2023, maintaining Council's commitment to give preference to sustainable investments where returns and risks are equivalent to other investments.
20. The City's investments accord with the Minister's Investment Order, the Office of Local Government's Investment Policy Guidelines, and the City's own Investment Policy and Strategy as adopted by Council on 23 October 2023.

Critical Dates / Time Frames

21. A monthly investment report must be submitted for Council's information and review within the following month.

Public Consultation

22. Consultation is regularly undertaken with a number of financial institutions and investment advisers to consider options and ensure the City continues to maximise its investment return within appropriate legislative and risk parameters.
23. City staff meet regularly with representatives of the 'Big 4' banks and NSW TCorp. At these meetings City staff actively advocate for Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) opportunities.
24. The banks acknowledge the appetite in the market for these products and they continue to investigate the development of suitable products, however it has been challenging to match the level of funds to available Socially Responsible Investment opportunities that meet the credit risk and maturity profile requirements of the City.

25. As noted in previous Investment Reports, Westpac were able to bring a Green Tailored Deposit product to market, which delivers a comparable return while achieving the City's preferred outcomes. The City currently holds \$80.0M in sixteen tranches with this Green Tailored deposit.

26. The City currently holds \$5.0M in a sustainability bond/FRN with Bank Australia due to mature on 24 November 2025 and an additional \$4.5M, invested in February 2023 and due to mature on 22 February 2027. This is based on an investment framework that is in line with the 2021 versions of the ICMA Green Bond Principles (GBP), Social Bond Principles (SBP) and Sustainability Bond Guidelines (SBG). This Socially Responsible investment opportunity meets both the credit risk and maturity profile requirements of the City.

SCOTT MCGILL

Acting Chief Financial Officer

Attachment A

**Register of Investments and Cash
as at 31 October 2024**

Register of Investments and Cash for October 2024 period

Institution	Rating	Face Value \$	Amortised Value \$	Monthly Net Returns	Monthly Net Return Annualised	Net Returns Rolling 12 Months	Maturity Date	Investment Date	Term (months)
Call Account & General Fund									
Westpac Bank- General Fund (Interest bearing)	AA-	41,788,809.70	41,718,928.04	0.37%	4.45%	4.20%	1-Nov-24	31-Oct-24	0
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	35,107,700.05	35,107,700.05	0.36%	4.35%	4.15%	1-Nov-24	31-Oct-24	0
Total		76,896,509.75	76,826,628.09	0.37%	4.40%	4.18%			
Term Deposits (TD)									
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.16%	1-Nov-24	1-Sep-23	14
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.16%	5-Nov-24	1-Sep-23	14
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.16%	8-Nov-24	1-Sep-23	14
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.16%	12-Nov-24	4-Sep-23	14
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.16%	15-Nov-24	4-Sep-23	14
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	19-Nov-24	5-Sep-23	14
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	22-Nov-24	6-Sep-23	15
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	26-Nov-24	8-Sep-23	15
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	29-Nov-24	12-Sep-23	15
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.21%	5.21%	3-Dec-24	18-Sep-23	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.28%	5.28%	6-Dec-24	20-Sep-23	15
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.30%	5.30%	10-Dec-24	25-Sep-23	14
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.31%	5.31%	13-Dec-24	3-Oct-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.25%	5.25%	17-Dec-24	11-Oct-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.23%	5.23%	20-Dec-24	17-Oct-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.46%	5.48%	5.48%	27-Dec-24	6-Nov-23	14
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	30-Dec-24	7-Feb-24	11
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.45%	5.45%	10-Jan-25	6-Nov-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.44%	5.44%	14-Jan-25	14-Nov-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.46%	5.48%	5.48%	17-Jan-25	8-Nov-23	14
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.38%	5.38%	24-Jan-25	15-Nov-23	14
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.38%	5.38%	28-Jan-25	15-Nov-23	14
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.46%	5.50%	5.50%	31-Jan-25	29-Nov-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.34%	5.34%	4-Feb-25	4-Dec-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.34%	5.34%	7-Feb-25	4-Dec-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.34%	5.34%	11-Feb-25	6-Dec-23	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.00%	5.00%	18-Feb-25	19-Aug-24	6
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.29%	5.29%	18-Feb-25	11-Dec-23	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	21-Feb-25	18-Dec-23	14
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.22%	5.22%	28-Feb-25	8-Jan-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.08%	5.08%	4-Mar-25	26-Feb-24	12
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.16%	7-Mar-25	6-Feb-24	13
Bank of Queensland	A-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.96%	4.96%	11-Mar-25	6-Sep-24	6
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.16%	11-Mar-25	6-Feb-24	13
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.13%	5.13%	14-Mar-25	7-Feb-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.15%	5.15%	18-Mar-25	14-Feb-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.15%	5.15%	21-Mar-25	14-Feb-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.15%	5.15%	25-Mar-25	15-Feb-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.29%	5.29%	28-Mar-25	3-Mar-24	11
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.19%	5.19%	28-Mar-25	19-Feb-24	13
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.19%	5.19%	1-Apr-25	19-Feb-24	13
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.19%	5.19%	4-Apr-25	20-Feb-24	13
Bank of Queensland	A-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.05%	5.05%	22-Apr-25	30-Sep-24	7
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.18%	5.18%	22-Apr-25	22-Feb-24	14
Bank of Queensland	A-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.05%	5.05%	20-May-25	8-Apr-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.06%	5.06%	23-May-25	9-Apr-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.25%	5.25%	27-May-25	15-May-24	12
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.31%	5.31%	6-Jun-25	3-May-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.25%	5.25%	10-Jun-25	15-May-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.22%	5.22%	13-Jun-25	16-May-24	13
Northern Territory Treasury Corporation- Fixed Rate Bond- Annual	AA	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.08%	0.90%	0.90%	15-Jun-25	9-Feb-21	52
Northern Territory Treasury Corporation- Fixed Rate Bond- Annual	AA	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.08%	0.90%	0.90%	15-Jun-25	5-Feb-21	52
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.22%	5.22%	17-Jun-25	16-May-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.19%	5.19%	20-Jun-25	20-May-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.28%	5.28%	24-Jun-25	31-May-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.28%	5.28%	27-Jun-25	31-May-24	13
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.25%	5.25%	1-Jul-25	3-Jun-24	13
Suncorp Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.25%	5.25%	4-Jul-25	3-Jun-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	8-Jul-25	6-Jun-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.23%	5.23%	11-Jul-25	12-Jun-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.45%	5.45%	15-Jul-25	1-Jul-24	12
Bank of Queensland	A-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.90%	4.90%	18-Jul-25	16-Sep-24	10
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.46%	5.46%	5.46%	18-Jul-25	2-Jul-24	12
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.44%	5.44%	22-Jul-25	3-Jul-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.44%	5.44%	25-Jul-25	3-Jul-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.44%	5.44%	1-Aug-25	4-Jul-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.38%	5.38%	5-Aug-25	5-Jul-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.39%	5.39%	8-Aug-25	10-Jul-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.44%	5.44%	12-Aug-25	12-Jul-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.40%	5.40%	15-Aug-25	24-Jul-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.30%	5.30%	19-Aug-25	29-Jul-24	13
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.07%	5.07%	22-Aug-25	2-Aug-24	13
ING Bank	A+	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.41%	4.93%	4.93%	26-Aug-25	4-Sep-24	12
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.95%	4.95%	2-Sep-25	6-Aug-24	13
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.95%	4.95%	5-Sep-25	6-Aug-24	13
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.00%	5.00%	23-Sep-25	13-Aug-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.90%	4.90%	26-Sep-25	6-Sep-24	13
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.97%	4.97%	7-Oct-25	9-Oct-24	12
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.40%	4.80%	4.80%	14-Oct-25	23-Aug-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.90%	4.90%	21-Oct-25	29-Aug-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.90%	4.90%	24-Oct-25	29-Aug-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.90%	4.90%	28-Oct-25	30-Aug-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.90%	4.90%	31-Oct-25	30-Aug-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.91%	4.91%	11-Nov-25	2-Sep-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.92%	4.92%	18-Nov-25	3-Sep-24	14
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.92%	4.92%	21-Nov-25	3-Sep-24	15
Bank of Queensland	A-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.39%	4.70%	4.70%	25-Nov-25	17-Sep-24	14
ING Bank	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.96%	4.96%	24-Mar-26	27-Mar-24	24
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.23%	5.21%	9-Sep-25	7-Aug-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.21%	5.20%	12-Sep-25	7-Aug-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.23%	5.21%	16-Sep-25	8-Aug-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.26%	5.23%	19-Sep-25	12-Aug-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.24%	5.21%	26-Sep-25	13-Aug-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.24%	5.22%	30-Sep-25	16-Aug-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.22%	5.19%	3-Oct-25	20-Aug-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.21%	5.19%	7-Oct-25	21-Aug-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.23%	5.			

Register of Investments and Cash for October 2024 period

Institution	Rating	Face Value \$	Amortised Value \$	Monthly Net Returns	Monthly Net Return Annualised	Net Returns Rolling 12 Months	Maturity Date	Investment Date	Term (months)
Term Deposits (TD) 'Green Tailored Deposits'									
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (Annual Interest)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.45%	5.40%	5.40%	2-Jan-25	24-Nov-23	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (Annual Interest)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.46%	5.46%	5.46%	7-Jan-25	27-Nov-23	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 85 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.19%	25-Feb-25	29-Feb-24	12
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 85 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.23%	5.20%	8-Apr-25	21-Feb-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 85 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.23%	5.20%	11-Apr-25	21-Feb-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 85 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.25%	5.23%	15-Apr-25	22-Feb-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 85 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.22%	5.20%	17-Apr-25	27-Feb-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 85 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.19%	29-Apr-25	23-Feb-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 85 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.44%	5.27%	5.29%	2-May-25	4-Mar-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.19%	5.21%	6-May-25	5-Mar-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.21%	9-May-25	6-Mar-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.21%	5.19%	13-May-25	2-Apr-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (90 days BBSW + 80 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.21%	5.19%	16-May-25	2-Apr-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (Annual Interest)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.10%	5.10%	30-May-25	15-Apr-24	13
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (Annual Interest)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.13%	5.13%	3-Jun-25	16-Apr-24	14
Westpac Banking Corporation - Green Tailored Deposit - (4.98% fixed 1 year & 3 months BBSW +78 bps 2 years)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	4.98%	4.98%	2-Apr-27	3-Apr-24	36
Total		589,000,000.00	589,000,000.00	0.43%	5.12%	5.12%			
Floating Rate Notes (FRN)									
National Australia Bank (90 days BBSW + 77 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.14%	5.13%	21-Jan-25	21-Jan-20	60
Macquarie Bank (3 months BBSW + 84 points)	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.43%	5.21%	5.22%	12-Feb-25	12-Feb-20	60
Suncorp Bank (90 days BBSW + 112 points)	A+	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	0.46%	5.50%	5.51%	24-Apr-25	27-Apr-20	60
Suncorp Bank (90 days BBSW + 83 points) - Covered Bond	A+	2,200,000.00	2,200,000.00	0.44%	5.25%	5.19%	17-Oct-25	17-Oct-22	36
Great Southern Bank (3months BBSW + 158 points)	BBB+	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.50%	5.98%	5.96%	1-Dec-25	1-Dec-22	36
Macquarie Bank (3 months BBSW + 48 points)	A+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.41%	4.91%	4.86%	9-Dec-25	9-Dec-20	60
Suncorp Bank (90 days BBSW + 45 points)	A+	2,100,000.00	2,100,000.00	0.40%	4.80%	4.80%	24-Feb-26	24-Feb-21	60
Newcastle Greater Mutual Group Ltd (90 days BBSW + 63 points)	BBB+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.04%	5.02%	4-Mar-26	4-Mar-21	60
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank (90 days BBSW + 125 points)	A-	4,500,000.00	4,500,000.00	0.47%	5.60%	5.61%	15-May-26	15-May-23	36
Suncorp Bank (90 days BBSW + 105 points)	A+	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.45%	5.40%	5.40%	18-May-26	18-May-23	36
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank (90 days BBSW + 65 points)	A-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.42%	5.07%	5.04%	18-Jun-26	18-Jun-21	60
Macquarie Bank (3 months BBSW + 85 points)	A+	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.44%	5.28%	5.22%	14-Sep-26	14-Sep-23	36
Suncorp Bank (90 days BBSW + 48 points)	A+	3,750,000.00	3,750,000.00	0.41%	4.91%	4.87%	15-Sep-26	15-Sep-21	60
Bank of Queensland (90 days BBSW + 70 points)	BBB+	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.43%	5.20%	5.20%	27-Oct-26	27-Oct-21	60
Commonwealth Bank (3 month BBSW + 70 points)	AA-	3,250,000.00	3,250,000.00	0.43%	5.13%	5.05%	14-Jan-27	14-Jan-22	60
Westpac Banking Corporation (90 days BBSW + 70 points)	AA-	3,900,000.00	3,900,000.00	0.42%	5.08%	5.10%	25-Jan-27	18-Jan-22	60
Suncorp Bank (90 days BBSW + 78 points)	A+	4,500,000.00	4,500,000.00	0.43%	5.16%	5.18%	25-Jan-27	17-Jan-22	60
Great Southern Bank (3months BBSW + 165 points)	BBB+	2,500,000.00	2,500,000.00	0.50%	6.03%	6.03%	9-Feb-27	9-Feb-23	48
Newcastle Greater Mutual Group Ltd (90 days BBSW + 100 points)	BBB+	2,250,000.00	2,250,000.00	0.45%	5.37%	5.38%	10-Feb-27	3-Feb-22	60
National Australia Bank (90 days BBSW + 72 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.42%	5.07%	5.07%	25-Feb-27	25-Feb-22	60
ING Bank (3 months BBSW + 95 points)	A+	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	0.45%	5.39%	5.40%	22-Mar-27	22-Mar-24	36
ANZ Bank (90 day BBSW + 97 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.45%	5.34%	5.35%	12-May-27	12-May-22	60
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank (90 days BBSW + 100 points)	A-	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	0.45%	5.35%	5.36%	14-May-27	14-May-24	36
Westpac Banking Corporation (90 days BBSW + 105 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.45%	5.42%	5.40%	20-May-27	20-May-22	60
Suncorp Bank (3 months BBSW + 110 points)	A+	3,750,000.00	3,750,000.00	0.45%	5.45%	5.45%	24-May-27	24-May-22	60
National Australia Bank (3 months BBSW + 73 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.43%	5.13%	5.13%	18-Oct-27	18-Oct-24	36
ANZ Bank (90 days BBSW + 120 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.47%	5.60%	5.58%	4-Nov-27	4-Nov-22	60
Westpac Banking Corporation (90 days BBSW + 123 points)	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.47%	5.60%	5.61%	11-Nov-27	11-Nov-22	60
National Australia Bank (90 days BBSW + 120 points)	AA-	4,200,000.00	4,200,000.00	0.46%	5.55%	5.55%	25-Nov-27	25-Nov-22	60
Suncorp Bank (3months BBSW + 125points)	A+	2,700,000.00	2,700,000.00	0.47%	5.68%	5.62%	14-Dec-27	14-Dec-22	60
ANZ Bank (90 days BBSW + 106 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.46%	5.50%	5.47%	31-Mar-28	31-Mar-23	60
Suncorp Bank (3 months BBSW + 105 points)	A+	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.46%	5.48%	5.40%	12-Jul-28	12-Jul-23	60
Commonwealth Bank (3 month BBSW + 95 points)	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.44%	5.30%	5.31%	17-Aug-28	17-Aug-23	60
ANZ Bank (90 days BBSW + 93 points)	AA-	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	0.45%	5.36%	5.31%	11-Sep-28	11-Sep-23	60
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank (90 days BBSW + 96 points)	A-	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	0.45%	5.34%	5.34%	24-Oct-28	24-Oct-24	48
National Australia Bank (3 months BBSW + 103 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.45%	5.39%	5.39%	16-Nov-28	16-Nov-23	60
Westpac Banking Corporation (3 months BBSW + 100 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.45%	5.40%	5.39%	15-Jan-29	15-Jan-24	60
ANZ Bank (90 days BBSW + 96 points)	AA-	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	0.45%	5.36%	5.35%	5-Feb-29	5-Feb-24	60
National Australia Bank (3 months BBSW + 90 points)	AA-	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	0.44%	5.34%	5.35%	22-Mar-29	22-Mar-24	60
ANZ Bank (90 days BBSW + 86 points)	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.44%	5.28%	5.28%	18-Jun-29	18-Jun-24	60
ING Bank (90 days BBSW + 102 points)	A+	4,500,000.00	4,500,000.00	0.45%	5.39%	5.39%	20-Aug-29	20-Aug-24	60
Suncorp Bank (3 months BBSW + 92 points)	A+	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.45%	5.35%	5.35%	27-Sep-29	27-Sep-24	60
Floating Rate Notes (FRN) 'Green/Climate Bonds/Sustainability Bond'									
Bank Australia - Sustainability Bond (3 months BBSW + 160 points)	BBB+	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	0.50%	5.95%	5.95%	24-Nov-25	24-Nov-22	36
Bank Australia - Sustainability Bond (3months BBSW + 155 points)	BBB+	4,500,000.00	4,500,000.00	0.49%	5.92%	5.90%	22-Feb-27	22-Feb-23	48
Total		161,600,000.00	161,600,000.00	0.45%	5.36%	5.35%			
Total Investments		827,496,509.75	827,426,628.09	0.43%	5.10%	5.07%			
Benchmark: 30 Day Bank Bill Index				0.36%	4.31%	4.30%			
Benchmark: Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index				0.37%	4.44%	4.45%			
TOTAL INVESTMENTS & CASH		827,496,509.75	827,426,628.09						
Note:									
Total Investments & cash - as per investment report			827,496,509.75						
IGS Sinking Fund Balance - as at October 2024			2,270,799.60						
Net reconciling amount - closing Bank Balance (per register above) and closing General Ledger account balance (timing difference)			-2,538,362.73						
Total Investments & cash - as per general ledger balance			827,228,946.62						

Summary of Net Investment Movements - October 2024

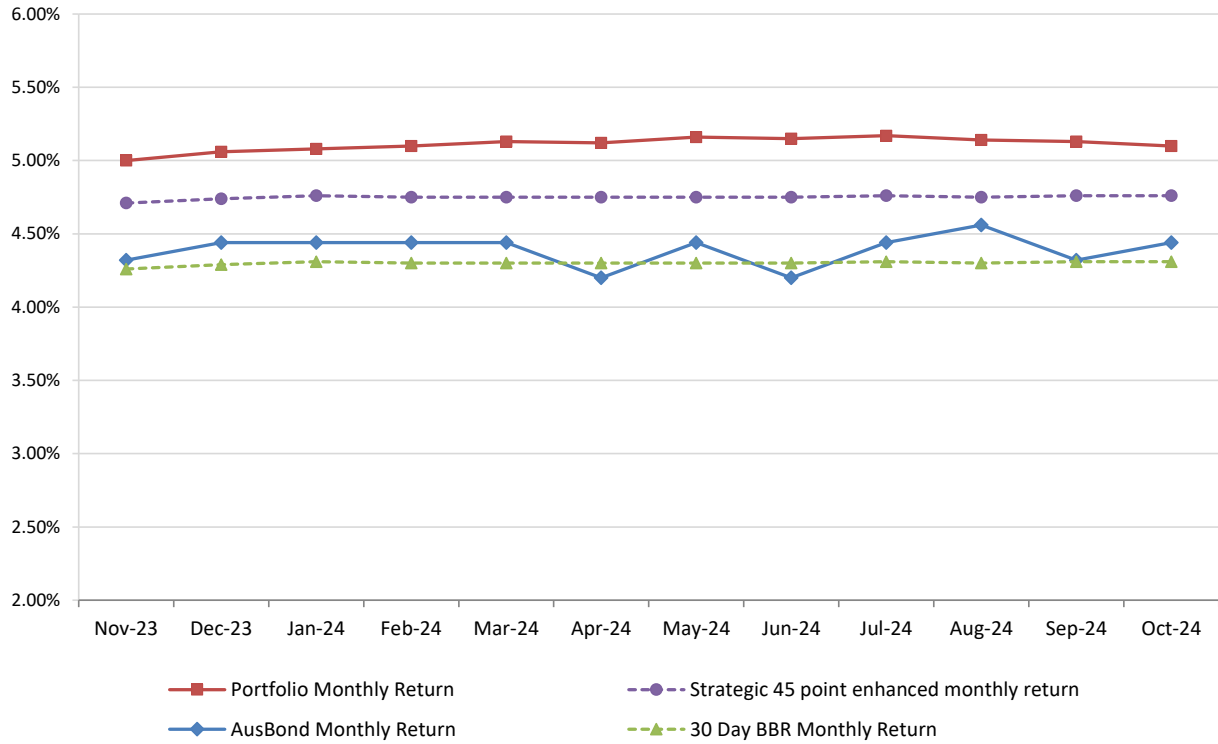
Financial Institution	Fund Rating	Net Investment/(Reduction) Amount \$	Commentary
<u>General Fund & Call Account</u>			
Westpac Banking Corporation- General Fund	AA-	3,500,000	Additional funds received from other income and matured investments placed in Westpac General fund and CBA call account for operational purposes
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	15,200,000	
<u>Term Deposits (TDs)</u>			
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	(35,000,000)	Redeemed matured investments utilised for operational purposes, or placed in higher yielding investments
Westpac Banking Corporation	AA-	(5,000,000)	
National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000	Redeemed matured investments and any additional income received, placed in higher yielding term deposits.
<u>Floating Rate Notes (FRNs)</u>			
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank	A-	1,500,000	Redeemed matured investments and additional income placed in higher yielding investments
National Australia Bank	AA-	4,000,000	

Attachment B

**Investment Performance
as at 31 October 2024**

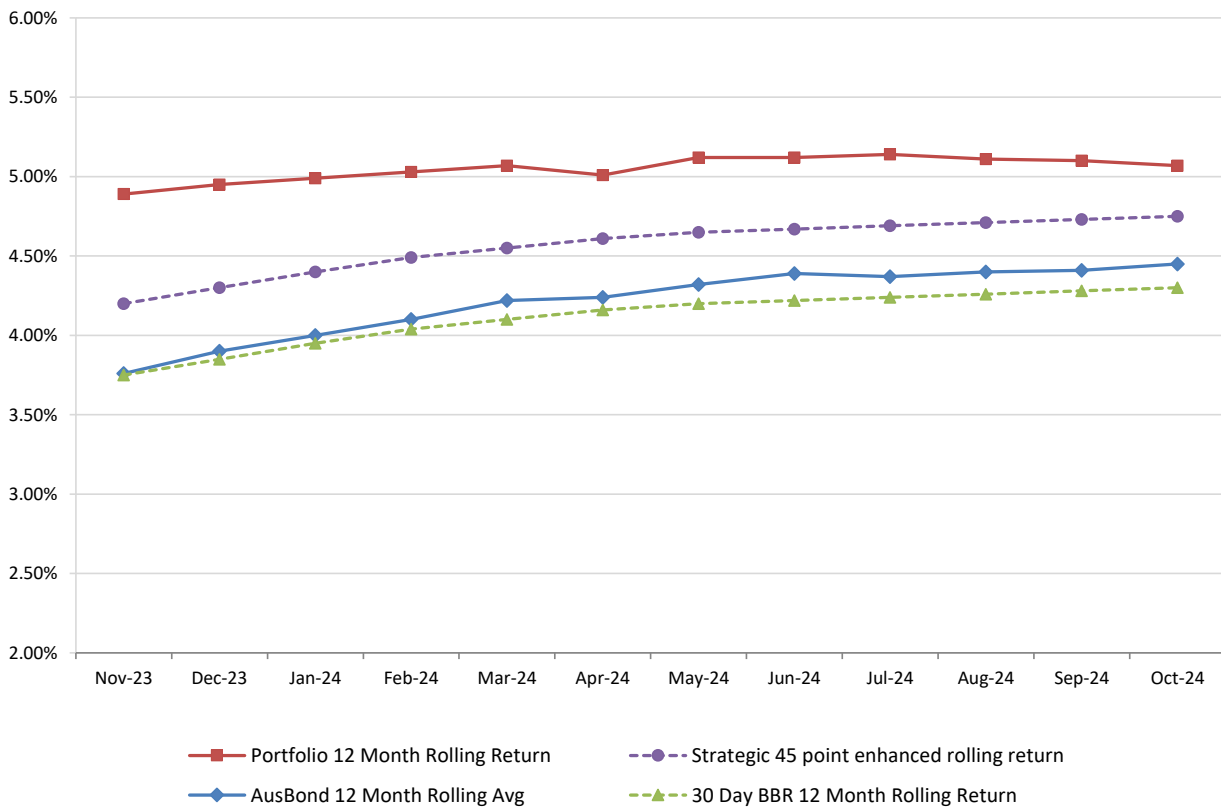
Monthly Results

Actual Portfolio vs Strategic Enhanced Benchmark vs AusBond Benchmark vs 30 Day BBR Benchmark
October 2024

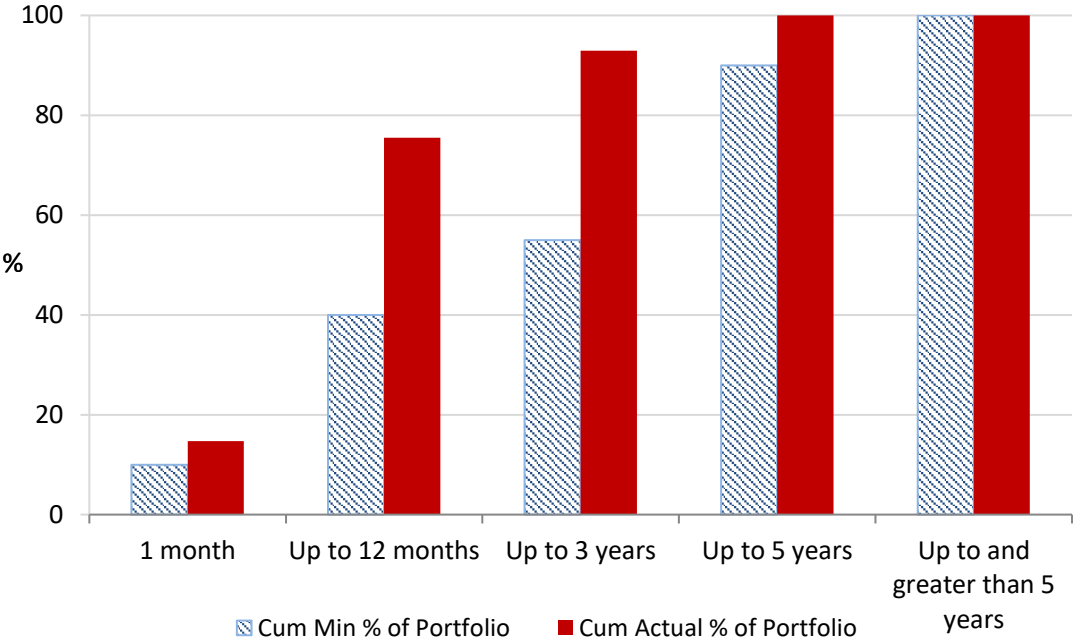


12 Month Rolling Averages

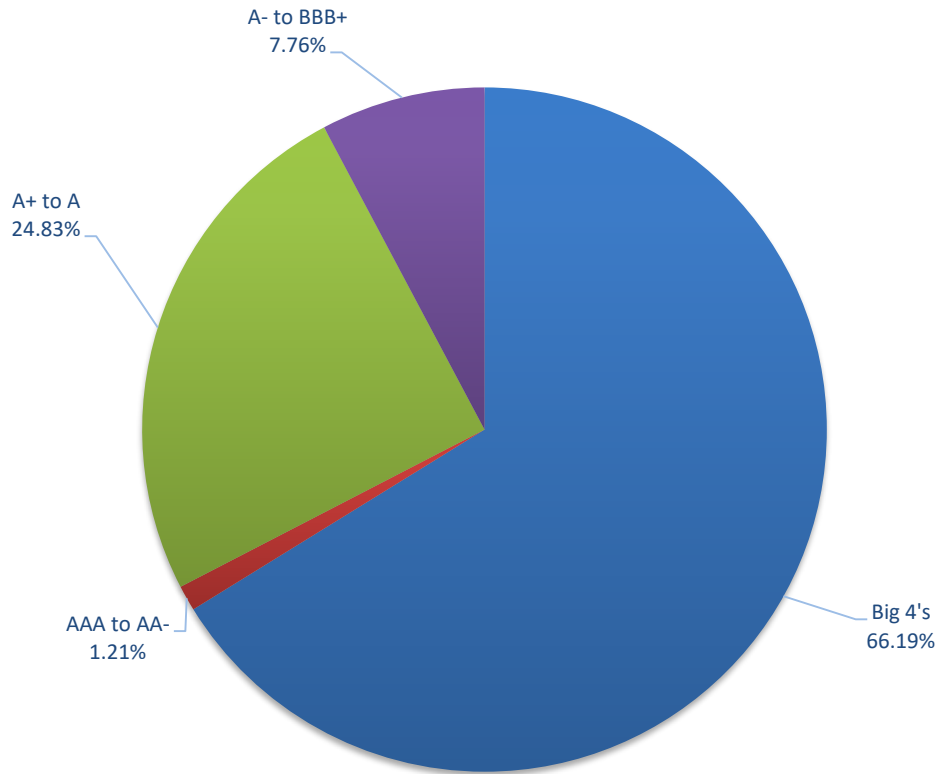
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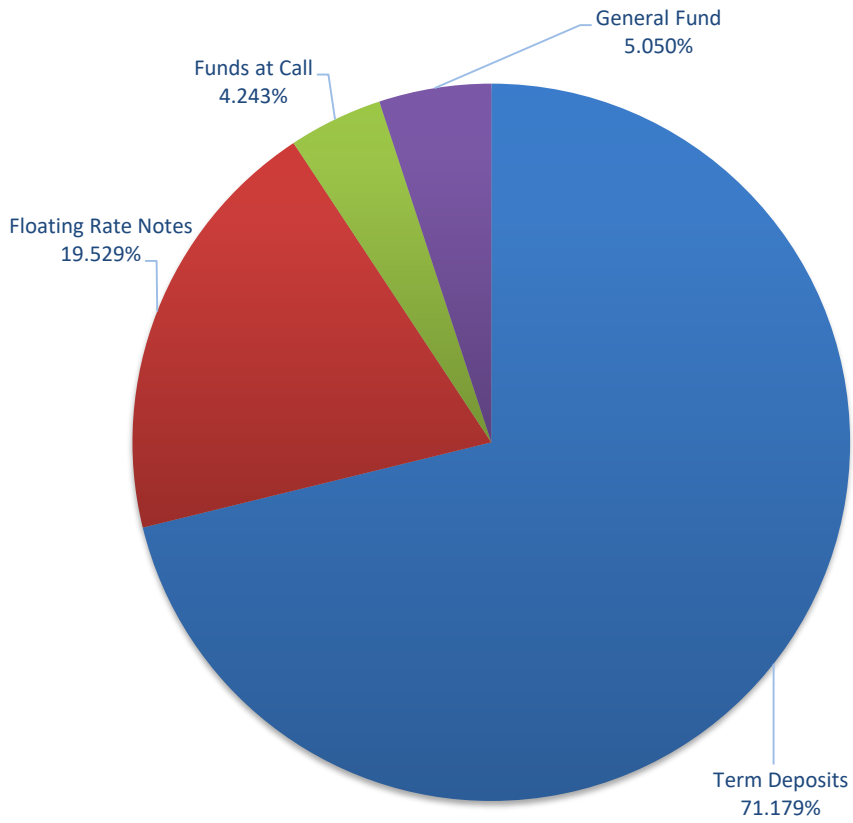
Portfolio Liquidity - Minimum Allocations as at 31 October 2024



Risk Profile as at 31 October 2024



Investments by Type as at 31 October 2024



INVESTMENT AND CASH DISTRIBUTION BY FINANCIAL INSTITUTION				
as at 31 October 2024				
Institution Category	Financial Institution	Amount \$M	Financial Inst. %	Institution Cat. %
Australian Big 4 Bank (and related institutions)	ANZ Bank	23.0	2.8	
	Commonwealth Bank	41.4	5.0	
	National Australia Bank	214.7	25.9	
	Westpac Banking Corporation	268.7	32.5	
Big 4 Total		547.7		66.193
Other Australian ADIs and Australian subsidiaries of foreign institutions	Bank Australia Limited	9.5	1.1	
	Bank of Queensland	28.0	3.4	
	Bendigo & Adelaide Bank	13.0	1.6	
	Great Southern Bank (formerly Credit Union Australia)	6.5	0.8	
	ING Bank	100.0	12.1	
	Suncorp Bank	91.5	11.1	
	Macquarie Bank Ltd	14.0	1.7	
	Northern Territory Treasury Corporation	10.0	1.2	
Newcastle Greater Mutual Group Ltd	7.3	0.9		
Other ADI Total		279.8		33.807
Grand Total		827.5	100.0	100.000