

Clime All Cap Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale)

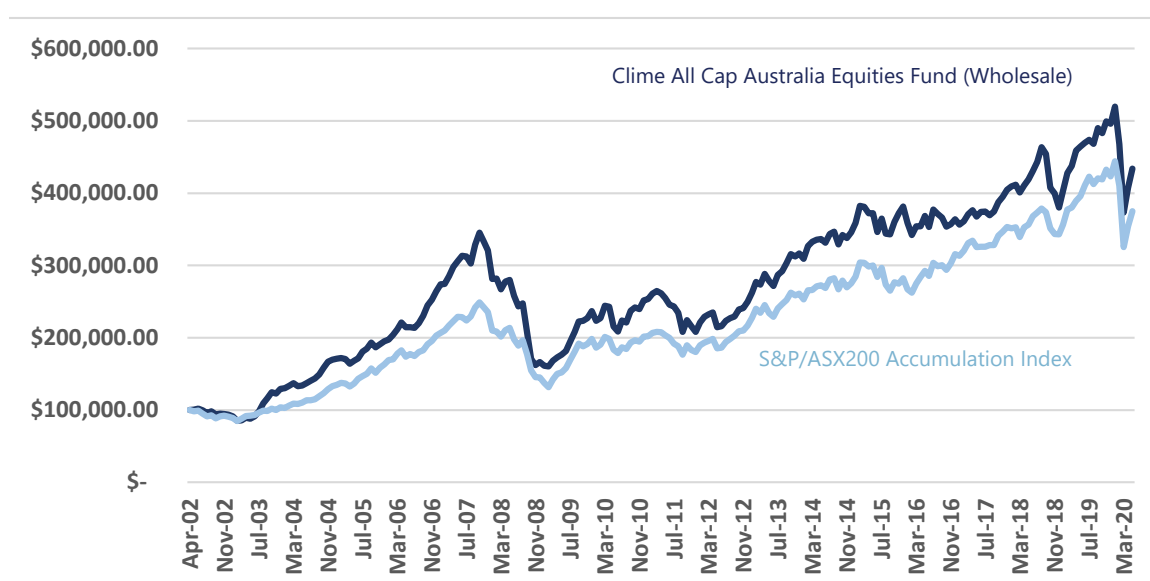
(Formerly Clime CBG Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale))



Monthly Report May 2020

The Clime All Cap Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale) seeks to deliver strong risk-adjusted returns by investing in a portfolio of high quality large, mid and small cap Australian companies that are attractively priced. Its objective is to achieve returns in excess of the S&P/ASX200 Accumulation index.

1-Month Net Return (Wholesale)*	1 - Year Net Return (Wholesale)*	Inception p.a. Net Return (Wholesale)*	Total Fund Size
6.5%	-6.6%	8.4%	\$58.3m



	1 month	FYTD	1-year	3-years*	5-years*	10- years*	Inception p.a.	Inception Total
Fund Net Return (Wholesale)*	6.5%	-7.6%	-6.6%	5.7%	3.1%	7.3%	8.4%	333.9%
Benchmark	4.4%	-6.0%	-6.7%	4.3%	4.3%	7.2%	7.6%	274.9%

Inception: 9 April 2002.

*Performance figures for more than 1 year are annualised, calculated after all applicable fees and taxes. Performance figures compare unit price to unit price for the given period. The returns exclude the impact of imputation.

^Benchmark refers to S&P / ASX200 Accumulation Index

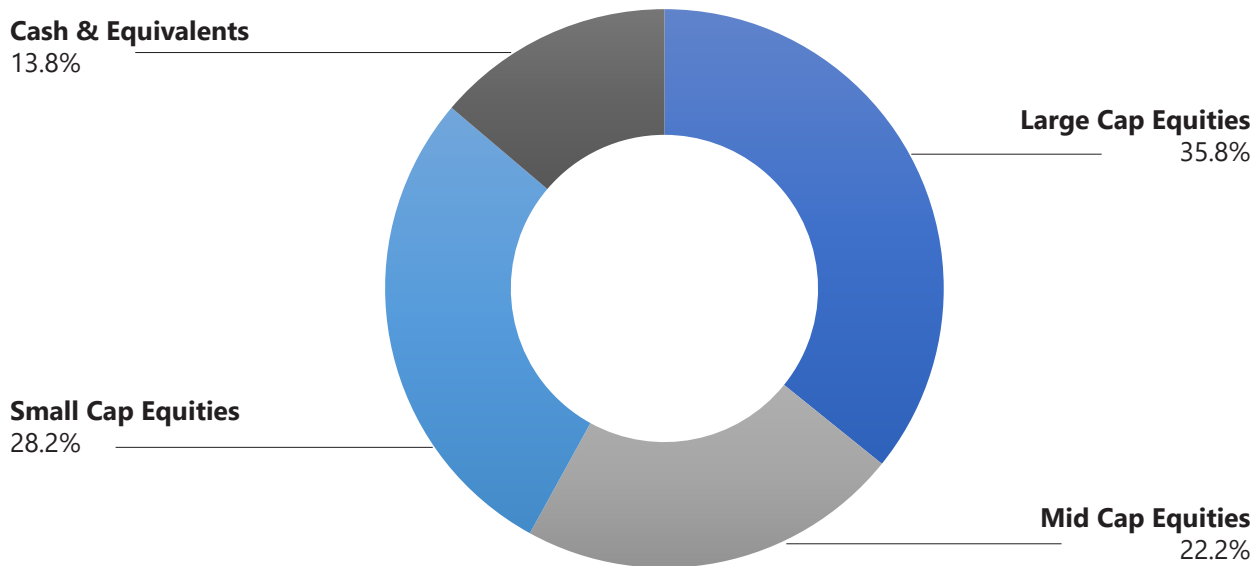
Fund Facts	
Portfolio Managers	Adrian Ezquerro, Ronni Chalmers, Jonathan Wilson & Vincent Cook
Fund Inception	April 2002
Fund Size	\$58.3m
Number of Stocks	25-40
Cash Distributions	Annually
Eligibility	Wholesale

Top 5 Holdings (Alphabetical)

Company	ASX Code
Austal	ASB
BHP Group	BHP
Bravura Solutions	BVS
CSL	CSL
Westpac Banking Corporation	WBC



Asset Allocation by Market Capitalisation



Asset Allocation by Sector

Industry	Weighting
Financials	18.9%
Information Technology	14.6%
Health Care	11.7%
Materials	10.5%
Consumer Discretionary	9.9%
Industrials	8.4%
Real Estate	7.9%
Communication Services	4.3%
Cash & Equivalents	13.8%



Portfolio Commentary

The portfolio returned 6.5% in May, compared to a 4.4% return for the S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index and a 4.9% return for the S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index.

Most sectors closed higher over the month with Information Technology (14.5%) and Communication Services (8.4%) the best performing. Consumer Staples (-0.4%) and Health Care (-5.3%) were the worst performing sectors. The Small Resources Index continued its extraordinary bounce in May, up a further 14.3% for the month after returning in excess of 20.0% in April.

Key contributors and detractors to the portfolio return for the month were:

- **Australian Equity Large Cap Sub-Portfolio:** Key contributors Goodman Group (GMG), BHP Group (BHP), Fortescue Metals Group (FMG) and Macquarie Group (MQG), detractor CSL Ltd (CSL).
- **Australian Equity Mid Cap Sub-Portfolio:** Key contributors Appen (APX), Breville Group (BRG), Invocare (IVC) and Altium (ALU), no material detractors.
- **Australian Equity Small Cap Sub-Portfolio:** Key contributors Electro Optic Systems (EOS), Macquarie Telecom (MAQ), City Chic Collective (CCX), Omni Bridgeway (OBL) and Mach7 Technologies (M7T), no material detractors.

Leading industrial property group GMG delivered another positive Q3 operational update early in the month, with management reaffirming FY20 earnings and distribution guidance. FMG, BHP and RIO continued their respective rallies during the month, with all companies benefiting from robust iron ore pricing. Free cash flow yields at spot commodity prices remain attractive for the major Australian resource companies.

BRG executed a surprise though relatively small capital raise during the month, which we participated in, while concurrently providing a particularly strong trading update. At a group level, BRG delivered 32% revenue growth from 1 January to 30 April 2020, a remarkable outcome given the circumstances.

APX and EOS each held Annual General Meetings (AGMs) during the month, with both reaffirming respective earnings guidance for calendar year 2020 earnings. CCX also provided a positive update towards the end of May, with the group's online channel reporting sales growth of 57% versus the prior corresponding period. Management also announced the staged re-opening of their ANZ store footprint.

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Market Commentary

Global markets continued with their extraordinary bounce from the low point on 23 March through the month of May. Although volatile, the Australian equity market benchmark S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index rallied to finish up 4.4% in May, adding to the 8% surge in April. This is still around 20% below the high reached in February, before the global pandemic and subsequent lockdowns took hold. The market is now focused on the recovery as more sectors open up and return to a semblance of normality. We expect that the domestic economy will probably recover at a somewhat tepid pace as business and consumer confidence take time to rebuild.

What explains this extraordinary bounce in markets since late March?

The global mood in investment markets is set on Wall Street. US stocks have been on a tear since the March low even as the COVID-19 pandemic cost 100,000 American lives, tens of millions of American jobs, shut down huge swaths of the global economy and depressed international trade.

There are various explanations for the rebound. Firstly, the pandemic – while ghastly and enormously destructive – seems to have been largely contained in the developed countries, and the duration of the lockdown appears to have been shorter than feared. Secondly, the huge amount of stimulus coming out of the US Federal Reserve and other central banks have worked in avoiding a financial collapse and supported markets with ultra-low rates that will stay “lower for longer”. Third, record low bond yields have meant that investors had few other attractive choices but to invest back into stocks. A final explanation: large IT companies, like Google, Microsoft, Facebook, Amazon and Netflix, which make up a quarter of the S&P 500 index, have benefited from a surge in demand during the pandemic and could emerge from this period even stronger. Investors are looking “across the valley” and seeing beyond the anticipated short and sharp recession.

These factors, perhaps in combination, help explain why the S&P 500 has gained over 35% since 23 March, and the ASX 200 a healthy 33%. But emerging risks will test the resolve of investors: valuations are now exceedingly rich. The S&P 500 companies are priced at around 21 times next year’s earnings, and the ASX 200 close to 19 times. Both ratios are well above long term averages and close to or at 20-year peaks.

Geopolitical tensions are on the rise, which is certainly not helping the global economy. Chinese government officials told major state-run agricultural companies to pause purchases of some American farm goods as Beijing evaluates the ongoing escalation of tensions with the US over a range of issues, including Hong Kong. Chinese buyers have cancelled pork orders in the US, and barley orders in Australia.

With the US and its allies distracted by the pandemic, China’s leadership has taken some bold steps on issues where they have often faced international pushback, including Taiwan, the South China Sea and a disputed border with India. With the US presidential election approaching in November, we can imagine these tensions getting worse in coming months.

There has been some rare good economic news over the last month. New data indicate that China’s factories are continuing a tentative recovery from the pandemic. Manufacturing activity in the country unexpectedly rose last month, with the manufacturing Purchasing Managers Index increasing to 50.7 in May, better than expected. Manufacturing production recovered faster than expected, but exports from China remain sluggish as the rest of the world continues to grapple with the virus. Expectations are that across the rest of Asia, output is likely to remain well below normal levels for many months as domestic and global demand remain depressed.

While the economic data is yet to be presented, it is certain now that the global economy (including Australia’s) is already in recession. As such, it is perhaps courageous to focus exclusively on the landscape beyond the valley. Nevertheless, this is where the markets are at. Our approach is that where we find compelling value in high quality companies, we intend to invest with confidence and conviction. We retain slightly larger cash levels than normal and are thus well positioned to deploy as and when further opportunities arise.

Adrian Ezquerro
Head of Investments



Fund Information

Investment Objective

The Clime All Cap Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale) is a concentrated portfolio providing a balanced exposure to high quality companies across the large, mid and small cap segments of the ASX.

The Fund invests in leaders that have good economics, strong balance sheets, and significant growth prospects. The Fund is managed to generate a sound balance of capital growth and income.

Its objective is to achieve returns in excess of the S&P/ASX200 Accumulation index.

Investment Methodology

The Clime All Cap Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale) has a quality focus with a valuation discipline. Fund holdings are characterised by:

- A competitive advantage, leadership within a specific niche
- High levels of profitability and margin
- Low financial leverage
- Capital-efficient growth and cash generation
- Capable management aligned with shareholders
- Sustainable long-term growth
- Attractive share prices relative to assessed value

Position sizing reflects not only our assessment of valuation and quality, but also the degree of strategy execution.

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Name	Clime All Cap Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale)	Investor Eligibility	Wholesale
Structure	Managed Investment Scheme	Minimum Investment	Wholesale: \$100,000
Benchmark	S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index	Fees	Wholesale: 1.03% management and 20.5% performance
Stock Holdings	25-40	Admin	Link Fund Solutions
Fund Size	\$58.3m	Stock Limit	15% at cost
Liquidity	Weekly Unit Pricing Applications and Redemptions		

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