# ASB Superannuation Master Trust ASB Growth Fund



Fund Update for the quarter ending 31 March 2021 This fund update was first made publicly available on: 03 May 2021

### What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the ASB Growth Fund has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the fund with other funds. ASB Group Investments 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

To provide high total returns allowing for large movements of value up and down. The number of years with negative returns are generally expected to be the highest of the multi-sector funds in the ASB Superannuation Master Trust. We manage asset allocation and currency hedging over the medium to long term relative to the target investment mix. We focus on cost effective management. The ASB Growth Fund invests in income and growth assets with a target investment mix of 20% income assets and 80% growth assets.

Total value of the fund	\$499,056,343
Number of investors in the fund	7,130
The date the fund started	20/02/2001

### What are the risks of investing?

#### **Risk indicator for ASB Growth 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 <u>http://www.sorted.org.nz/tools/investorkickstarter</u>

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.

The risk indicator is not a guarantee of a fund's future performance. The risk indicator is based on the returns data for a 5 year period to 31 March 2021. 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.

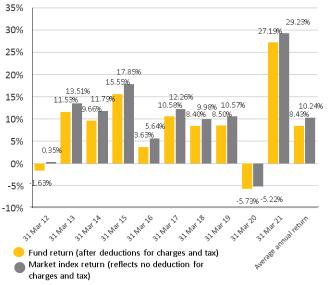
See the Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) for more information about the risks associated with investing in this fund.

The risk indicator may not be a reliable indicator of the risk or returns that a fund is likely to experience in the future. For example, the risk indicator may be different if it was based on returns over a longer period.

# How has the fund performed?

	Average over past five years	Past year
Annual return		
(after deductions for charges and tax)	9.29%	27.19%
Annual return		
(after deductions for charges but before tax)	10.48%	29.61%
Market index annual return		
(reflects no deduction for charges and tax)	10.83%	29.23%

The market index return is the target investment mix asset allocation weighted sum of the asset class market index return, where the target investment mix and asset class market indices are each as described in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO). Additional information about the market index is available on the offer register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz (search for ASB Superannuation Master Trust).



Annual return graph

This shows the return after fund charges and tax for each of the last 10 years ending 31 March. The last bar shows the average annual return for the last 10 years, up to 31 March 2021.

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

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.

# What fees are investors charged?

Investors in the ASB Growth Fund are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2020 these were:

	% of net asset value
Total fund charges <sup>1</sup>	0.43%
Which are made up of:	
Total management and administration charges Including:	0.43%
Manager's basic fee	0.34%
Other management and administration charges	0.09%
Total performance-based fees	0.00%
Other charges	Description of how charge is calculated
Administration fees	See below
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<sup>1</sup>Total fund charges are exclusive of GST.

Investors may also be charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, for withdrawing from or switching funds).

An administration fee may apply. If you are an ordinary member, you will pay an administration fee of 0.50% of the daily average balance of your account. If you are a specified member, the administration fee you pay (if anything) will depend on what has been agreed with your employer – please consult your employer for more information.

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

### Example of how this applies to an investor

Jason had \$10,000 in the fund at the start of the year and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Jason received a return after fund charges were deducted of \$2,719.00 (that is 27.19% of his initial \$10,000). Jason also paid \$56.80 in other charges.\* This gives Jason a total return after tax of \$2,662.20 for the year.

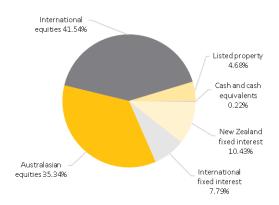
\*The amount of other charges you pay depends on whether you are an ordinary member or a specified member. Jason is an ordinary member and therefore pays an administration fee of 0.50% of the daily average balance of his account.<sup>+</sup> If Jason were a specified member, the administration fee he pays (if any) depends on what we have agreed with his employer.

<sup>+</sup> The administration fee that Jason paid for the year is \$56.80. This assumes that the daily average balance of his account is \$11,359.50.

# What does the fund invest in?

#### Actual investment mix

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



#### Target investment mix

This shows the mix of assets that the fund generally intends to invest in.

Cash and cash equivalents	1.00%
New Zealand fixed interest	6.50%
International fixed interest	12.50%
Australasian equities	40.00%
International equities	32.50%
Listed property	7.50%
Unlisted property	0.00%
Commodities	0.00%
Other	0.00%

#### **Currency hedging**

As at 31 March 2021 the fund's exposure to assets denominated in foreign currencies was 65%, of which 66% was hedged. This means the fund's unhedged foreign currency exposure was 22% of the net asset value of the fund. More information on our currency hedging model can be found in the SIPO on the offer register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz (search for ASB Superannuation Master Trust).

#### Top 10 investments

me	Percentage of net asset value of the fund	Туре	Country	Credit rating (if applicable)
Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Corporation Ltd	3.06%	Australasian equities	New Zealand	
ASB Bank Account NZD	2.66%	Cash and cash equivalents	New Zealand	A-1+
Auckland International Airport Ltd	1.56%	Australasian equities	New Zealand	
Spark New Zealand Ltd	1.36%	Australasian equities	New Zealand	
Apple Inc	1.35%	International equities	United States	
Meridian Energy Ltd	1.11%	Australasian equities	New Zealand	
Microsoft Corporation	1.10%	International equities	United States	
A2 Milk Co Ltd	1.09%	Australasian equities	New Zealand	
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	1.07%	Australasian equities	Australia	
Ryman Healthcare Ltd	1.04%	Australasian equities	New Zealand	
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The top 10 investments make up 15.40% of the fund.

#### Key personnel

This shows the directors and employees who have the most influence on the investment decisions of the fund.

Name	Current position	Time in current position	Previous or other position	Time in previous or other position
1 Nigel Annett	Investment Committee member	7 years, 0 months	Executive GM Corporate Banking, ASB Bank (current position)	2 years, 5 months
2 Adam Boyd	Investment Committee member	4 years, 10 months	Executive GM Private Banking, Wealth & Insurance, ASB Bank (current position)	4 years, 10 months
3 Graeme Edwards	Investment Committee Chairman	1 year, 5 months	Investment Committee member	9 years, 3 months
4 Stephen Moir (not named in the previous fund update)	Investment Committee member	0 years, 2 months	Director, Board of The Guardians of the NZ Superfund (previous position)	10 years, 11 months
5 John Smith	Investment Committee member	9 years, 10 months	Head of Asset Management, ASB Bank (current position)	8 years, 10 months

### **Further information**

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for ASB Superannuation Master Trust, and some additional information from the offer register at <u>disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz</u> (search for ASB Superannuation Master Trust).

#### Notes

Interests in the ASB Superannuation Master Trust are issued by ASB Group Investments Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of ASB Bank Limited. Neither ASB Bank Limited nor any other person guarantees the interests in the ASB Superannuation Master Trust.