

Investment report

Market Overview

May 2009

The Australian Federal Government's Budget made headlines over the month. The 2009-10 Budget is expected to produce a deficit of almost \$A58 billion, or 4.9% of gross domestic product (GDP). The centrepiece of the budget stimulus is a \$A22 billion infrastructure spending plan, focusing on roads, rail, ports, education, health, clean energy and telecommunications. In addition, there is further fiscal stimulus for the consumer planned, through increased pensions, two further rounds of income tax cuts and an extension of the First Home Owner's Grant.

The Australian economy, as measured by GDP growth, rose at an annualised rate of 1.5% in the first quarter of 2009. Not only was the outcome much better than the 1.0% decline the consensus forecast had anticipated, but it also stands in stark contrast to the significant declines that GDP took in most other developed economies.

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) left interest rates on hold this month at 3.0% citing the global improvement in confidence and activity, and the improved sentiment in financial markets. The European Central Bank (ECB) was the only major central bank to lower interest rates, reducing its policy rate by 0.25% to a new record low of 1.0%.

Monthly Performance

SUPER OPTION RETURNS to 31 May 2009

	High Growth (%)	Growth (%)	Balanced (%)	Stable (%)	Cash (%)
Month	0.53	0.22	0.03	0.55	0.19
3 months	8.18	4.89	3.59	3.10	0.63
Financial Year	-17.32	-13.85	-12.22	-2.93	4.15
1 Year	-21.34	-17.47	-15.17	-4.32	4.64
3 Years (p.a.)	-3.88	-2.09	-1.37	2.29	4.84
5 Years (p.a.)	4.77	4.77	4.57	4.97	4.77
7 Years (p.a.)	3.97	4.25	4.32	4.91	n.a.
10 Years (p.a.)	n.a.	4.98	4.91	5.19	n.a.
Since inception (p.a.)	3.12	5.18	8.26	5.25	4.85

	Australian Shares (%)	Overseas Shares (%)	Property (%)	Fixed Interest (%)	Sustainable Future Shares (%)
Month	0.76	1.31	-1.45	0.49	0.39
3 Months	12.01	7.68	-3.44	1.29	10.76
Financial Year	-21.41	-11.64	-12.32	4.02	-17.57
1 Year	-25.85	-17.16	-13.71	2.95	-22.74
3 Years (p.a.)	-3.67	-4.99	5.17	3.52	-4.49
Since inception (p.a.)	3.13	0.75	7.51	3.20	0.85

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Monthly Performance

PENSION OPTION RETURNS to 31 May 2009

	High Growth (%)	Growth (%)	Balanced (%)	Stable (%)	Cash (%)
Month	0.58	0.24	0.04	0.64	0.23
3 months	9.00	5.43	4.03	3.57	0.75
Financial Year	-18.99	-15.35	-13.68	-3.39	4.90
1 Year	-25.05	-20.65	-18.05	-5.43	5.48
3 Years (p.a.)	-5.24	-3.07	-2.17	2.45	5.78
5 Years (p.a.)	4.63	4.84	4.75	5.51	5.67
7 Years (p.a.)	3.87	4.33	4.44	5.25	n.a.
Since inception (p.a.)	2.71	3.45	3.75	4.88	5.56

	Australian Shares (%)	Overseas Shares (%)	Property (%)	Fixed Interest (%)	Sustainable Future Shares (%)
Month	0.81	1.51	-1.65	0.58	0.41
3 Months	12.93	8.87	-3.91	1.52	11.56
Financial Year	-23.02	-13.43	-13.90	4.74	-18.95
1 Year	-29.10	-20.87	-15.49	3.47	-26.06
3 Years (p.a.)	-4.85	-6.22	5.63	4.19	-5.69
Since inception (p.a.)	2.75	0.82	8.33	4.13	0.22

INCEPTION DATES

The following are the dates each investment option became available to members and relate to the “Since inception” figures in the tables above.

Option	Super Options	Pension Options
High Growth	01/07/2000	01/07/2001
Growth	01/07/1998	01/07/2001
Balanced	01/01/1987	01/07/2001
Stable	01/07/1998	01/07/2001
Cash	01/01/2003	01/01/2003
Australian Shares	01/04/2005	01/04/2005
Overseas Shares	01/04/2005	01/04/2005
Property	01/04/2005	01/04/2005
Fixed Interest	01/08/2005	01/08/2005
Sustainable Future Shares	01/08/2005	01/08/2005

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