

# Investment report

## Market Overview

November 2009

After declining in October, share markets across the world rallied in November, as the global economy continued to show signs of recovery. Encouraging economic data was released in most parts of the world, with the US leading the way, recording a fall in the unemployment rate from 10.2% to 10.0%. The US economy also recorded a 2.7% annualised rise in gross domestic product (GDP) for the September 2009 quarter, which was a downward revision from the 3.5% estimate made several weeks earlier, but nevertheless still a positive figure, the first since mid-2008. Japan's economy also grew by 0.3% for the same quarter, however, deflation remains a concern, with Tokyo recording a 1.9% decline in consumer prices over the year.

In Europe, the recession finally ended as the region's economy expanded by 0.4% in the September quarter, although some hard hit nations such as Spain and the UK continued to record economic contraction. The Australian economy continued along the path of strong economic recovery, with positive news on the housing and employment front, as well as rising consumer and business confidence. As a result, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) lifted official interest rates by 0.25%, for the third time in as many months, to 3.75% on 1 December.

However, investor risk appetite was tested towards the end of November following the release of news that Dubai World, a Dubai Government owned company, may fail to meet its financial obligations to bondholders. The announcement took the world by surprise and resulted in sharp declines in share markets around the world on the day following the release of the news. However, market weakness was short-lived, as most share markets recovered quickly after that.

## Monthly Performance

**SUPER OPTION RETURNS to 30 November 2009**

|                        | High Growth (%) | Growth (%) | Balanced (%) | Stable (%) | Cash (%) |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Month                  | 1.37            | 1.18       | 1.00         | 0.85       | 0.19     |
| 3 months               | 2.60            | 2.41       | 2.21         | 1.94       | 0.65     |
| Financial Year         | 11.32           | 8.99       | 8.02         | 5.78       | 1.04     |
| 1 Year                 | 15.22           | 9.96       | 7.99         | 8.94       | 2.84     |
| 3 Years (p.a.)         | -2.15           | -1.34      | -0.76        | 2.99       | 4.49     |
| 5 Years (p.a.)         | 5.50            | 5.24       | 4.92         | 5.29       | 4.56     |
| 7 Years (p.a.)         | 7.20            | 6.60       | 6.19         | 5.84       | n.a.     |
| 10 Years (p.a.)        | n.a.            | 5.31       | 5.26         | 5.52       | n.a.     |
| Since inception (p.a.) | 4.54            | 5.92       | 8.51         | 5.64       | 4.68     |

|                        | Australian Shares (%) | Overseas Shares (%) | Property (%) | Fixed Interest (%) | Sustainable Future Shares (%) |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Month                  | 0.86                  | 2.07                | 0.74         | 1.04               | 1.38                          |
| 3 Months               | 4.83                  | 0.40                | -0.88        | 2.82               | 3.11                          |
| Financial Year         | 17.83                 | 6.36                | 0.95         | 4.51               | 15.01                         |
| 1 Year                 | 26.34                 | 6.99                | -8.69        | 7.57               | 20.76                         |
| 3 Years (p.a.)         | -0.04                 | -4.84               | 0.36         | 4.17               | -1.41                         |
| Since inception (p.a.) | 7.78                  | 2.06                | 6.41         | 3.96               | 5.13                          |

All returns are net of fees and taxes. The investment returns and capital invested in this Fund are not guaranteed by the Trustee nor any service provider to the Trustee. Past performance is not an indication of future performance. Investment performance data prior to July 1 2008 relates to Print Super's past investment performance. Media Super was formed by the merger of Print Super and Just Super on 1 July 2008.

# Monthly Performance

## PENSION OPTION RETURNS to 30 November 2009

|                        | High Growth (%) | Growth (%) | Balanced (%) | Stable (%) | Cash (%) |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Month                  | 1.51            | 1.31       | 1.12         | 0.98       | 0.22     |
| 3 months               | 2.85            | 2.67       | 2.48         | 2.23       | 0.76     |
| Financial Year         | 12.48           | 10.02      | 9.04         | 6.66       | 1.22     |
| 1 Year                 | 14.71           | 9.41       | 7.65         | 9.62       | 3.35     |
| 3 Years (p.a.)         | -3.90           | -2.71      | -1.86        | 2.98       | 5.31     |
| 5 Years (p.a.)         | 5.25            | 5.16       | 4.99         | 5.81       | 5.42     |
| 7 Years (p.a.)         | 7.03            | 6.62       | 6.30         | 6.24       | n.a.     |
| Since inception (p.a.) | 4.22            | 4.51       | 4.65         | 5.48       | 5.37     |

|                        | Australian Shares (%) | Overseas Shares (%) | Property (%) | Fixed Interest (%) | Sustainable Future Shares (%) |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Month                  | 0.92                  | 2.39                | 0.84         | 1.23               | 1.49                          |
| 3 Months               | 5.18                  | 0.45                | -1.01        | 3.33               | 3.34                          |
| Financial Year         | 19.24                 | 7.33                | 1.07         | 5.32               | 16.19                         |
| 1 Year                 | 25.45                 | 7.32                | -10.67       | 8.96               | 19.46                         |
| 3 Years (p.a.)         | -1.67                 | -6.34               | -0.16        | 4.92               | -3.18                         |
| Since inception (p.a.) | 7.26                  | 2.19                | 6.88         | 4.98               | 4.30                          |

## 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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