



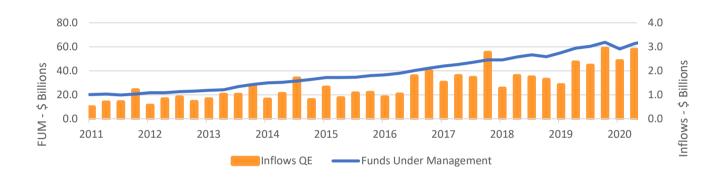
Market Overview

Australia & New Zealand Responsible Investments Sep-20

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7.8% Annual Growth in Responsible Investment Funds Outpacing the Wider Market

The Responsible Investment Managed Funds market, as captured by Plan For Life across Australia and New Zealand (including RIAA certified and non-certified responsible investments), accounted for over \$65bn of Funds Under Management in 2020 up 7.8% over the past year as investment markets recovered from early 2020 falls. On average, annual growth in Responsible Funds has exceeded the wider market by 3.8% p.a. consistently over the past 3 years and total Responsible Funds have had negative quarterly Net Flows only twice since 2015.



Australian Investment Responsible funds, including both Retail and Wholesale Unit Trusts, while posting slower annual growth than the ETF and NZ sub-markets, still rose 7.2% amidst a wider Investment market that fell 1.6% over the past year. The corresponding Australian Super Responsible sub-market fell 2.4% over the latest year but recorded a 5 year CAGR of 8.9% and holds over 14% of overall Responsible Investment Funds Under Management. ETFs have been slower to embrace Responsible Investment as a focus but are growing rapidly in terms of both FUM and products, now with 13 products making up the current total and FUM rising 54% over the past year. New Zealand Responsible Funds now comprise \$10.2bn of Funds Under Management, which is over 14% of the total NZ Retail market, and have defied falling investment markets to post significant recent growth.

Funds Under Management								
\$millions	2020		2019		2015		Growth Rates	
							Annual	5yr CAGR
Australian Investment	36,641	56.24%	34,178	56.57%	20,109	58.20%	7.21%	12.75%
Australian Super	15,789	24.23%	16,171	26.76%	10,328	29.89%	-2.36%	8.86%
New Zealand	10,232	15.70%	8,459	14.00%	3,734	10.81%	20.95%	22.34%
Exchange Traded Funds	2,492	3.82%	1,614	2.67%	379	1.10%	54.35%	45.72%
Totals	65,154	100.00%	60,423	100.00%	34,550	100.00%	7.83%	13.53%





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Investment Performance – Overseas Equity Trusts

Responsible International Equity Trusts have on average clearly outperformed comparable Trusts over the past 5 years, closely tracking the wider market when rising but displaying more resilience during turbulent periods.



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