

# **Affluence Small Company Fund**

Fund Report - July 2019

### **Fund Commentary**

The ASX Small Ordinaries Index increased by 4.5% in July. The Affluence Small Company Fund increased 4.3%, with the Fund now returning 4.1% per annum since inception in April 2016. The Fund has underperformed its benchmark (ASX Small Ordinaries) since inception, however it has delivered its returns with lower volatility than the ASX Small Ordinaries.

Our best performing funds this month were the Microequities Deep Value Fund (up 8.6%), the Phoenix Opportunities Fund (up 6.5%) and the Affluence LIC Fund (up 5.1%). The biggest detractor was the Terra Capital Natural Resources Fund (down 1%).

At the end of July, the Affluence Small Company Fund held investments in 7 unlisted funds (including the Affluence LIC Fund) representing 96% of the total portfolio, and the balance 4% cash.

The Affluence Small Company
Fund is now open to Wholesale and
Sophisticated Investors. We held
off opening the Affluence Small
Company Fund for quite some time.
We wanted to wait until we felt
conditions were appropriate. It feels
like now is the right time. Not only do
we see pockets of extraordinary value
in some areas, but we are confident
that all the managers we have or
plan to invest with, have the potential
to outperform substantially over the
long term.

If you qualify as a wholesale or sophisticated investor and are interested in the Fund, contact us or visit the website to find out more. The cut-off for this month's applications is 23rd August. Units will be issued effective 1st September.

#### Fund Performance

To 31 July 2019	1 Month	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	Inception	Volatility
Affluence Small Company Fund	4.3%	(3.3%)	1.2%	2.9%	4.1%	7.1%
ASX Small Ordinaries Index	4.5%	7.6%	14.8%	9.3%	12.2%	11.9%
Outperformance against ASX Small Ords Index	(0.2%)	(10.9%)	(13.6%)	(6.3%)	(8.1%)	

Total returns are net of fees and costs (excluding buy-sell spread) using the mid prices and assume the reinvestment of distributions. Returns of more than 1 year are annualised. Inception date is 21 April 2016.

# Fund Monthly Return History

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2016					1.2%	-1.2%	4.5%	2.3%	1.8%	-0.5%	-1.5%	2.1%	8.9%
2017	1.0%	-0.4%	0.5%	-2.0%	-0.3%	1.5%	1.9%	0.2%	1.5%	2.7%	2.5%	3.2%	12.9%
2018	-0.8%	-1.6%	-2.0%	-0.1%	1.1%	-0.5%	-0.2%	1.2%	0.3%	-5.3%	-2.3%	-3.9%	-13.5%
2019	1.3%	2.4%	-0.2%	1.0%	-0.9%	-0.8%	4.3%						7.1%
Strongest Month Positive Month Stable Month Negative Month Weakest Month													

# Return on \$100,000 Investment



### Portfolio Summary

# 78.5% ASX Small Companies 0.1% Index Options Affluence LIC Fund 17.0%

## Top 5 Largest Investments

Phoenix Opportunities Fund			
Affluence LIC Fund			
Spheria Australian Microcap Fund			
Deep Value Microcap Fund			
Wentworth Williamson Fund			

#### What Makes This Fund Different

Traditional Fund Managers	Affluence - Invest Differently
Follow The Herd: Traditional managers are too scared to fail, so they don't succeed. Most don't outperform the index.	Actively Pursue Out-performance: From our fee structure alignment to our investment methodology, our strategy targets positive returns and low volatility.
Restricted Product Selection: Commonly places clients into their own managed funds or choose from a restricted list of 'approved' funds.	Best Of Breed: We will seek the best fund managers, and combine them in a way which cushions against market corrections.
<b>Traditional Asset Classes:</b> Manage large amounts in traditional asset classes (e.g. ASX200 equities), which minimises chances of excess performance.	<b>Unique Strategies:</b> We prefer managers who operate in specialised markets with less funds under management and a competitive advantage.
<b>High, Fixed Fees:</b> Take fees regardless of performance.	No Fixed Fees: Our fees are 100% performance based.

#### **Key Statistics**

Investment Class	ASX Small Companies
Minimum Investment	\$20,000
Suggested Timeframe	At least 5 years
Benchmark Returns	ASX Small Ords Accumulation Index
Entry Price	\$0.9705
Exit Price	\$0.9637
Distributions	Quarterly
Applications	Monthly
Withdrawals	Monthly
Management Fees	Nil
Performance Fee	12.5% of positive performance
Buy/Sell Spread	0.35%/0.35%

### Investment Strategy

We believe that exposure to Small Company stocks through quality investments across different managers, investment strategies and structures can provide higher risk adjusted returns from this asset class.

The Fund provides access to a diversified portfolio of Small Company Equities unlisted funds and LIC's as selected by Affluence. We aim to outperform the ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index over rolling 5 year periods and to deliver these returns with lower volatility.

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