

Affluence LIC Fund Fund Report - October 2020

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Fund Commentary

The Affluence LIC Fund outperformed again in October, increasing by 2.7% compared to the ASX200 Index which increased 1.9%. Returns since inception for the Fund have averaged 10.6% per annum, including quarterly distributions of 7.3% per annum. The Fund has outperformed the ASX200 Index over all periods, and these returns have been delivered with significantly lower volatility than the Index.

The portfolio performed well in October. Our best performing LICs this month were Thorney Opportunities Fund (up 9%), Future Generation (up 5%), and Spheria Emerging Companies (up 6%). The largest negative detractors were Platinum Capital and Cordish Dixon Private Equity Fund 1 and 3.

The overall discount to NTA for the Fund portfolio at the end of the month was approximately 17.2% (previous month 19.0%).

As corporate activity continues across the LIC sector, and discounts to NTA are generally decreasing, our portfolio has become a little more concentrated than it was earlier in the year. There are still some very attractive opportunities, however there are some pockets that were cheap that now look a touch expensive. Our top 10 holdings at the end of October make up 55% of the portfolio, with these holdings being a combination of either attractive discounts to NTA and reasonable underlying portfolio valuations,

or catalyst trades where there is an expected corporate action in the future and we are looking to arbitrage the difference.

At the end of October, the Fund held investments in 21 LICs representing 92% of the Fund and 8% in cash. If you would like to know more about the investment portfolio, including our top holdings and weightings, visit the Affluence LIC Fund page at https://affluencefunds.com.au/alf/ or the Members area of our website. You must be registered as an Affluence Member to view the portfolio.

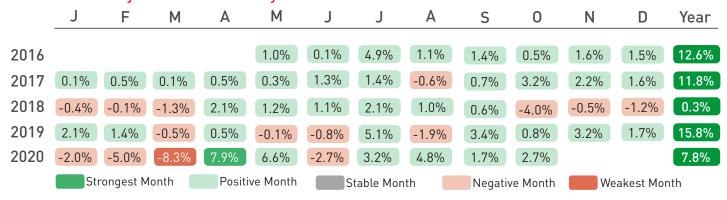
The Fund is open to all investors with a minimum investment amount of \$20,000. The cut-off for applications is the last business day of the month, with units issued effective the first day of the following month.

Fund Performance

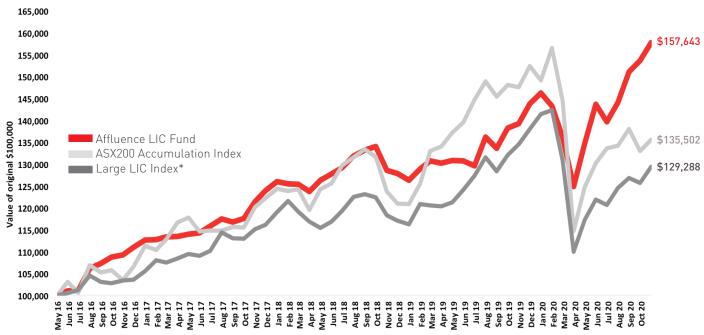
To 31 October 2020	1 Month	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	Inception	Volatility
Distributions	0.0%	11.5%	9.1%	8.4%	8.0%	7.3%	
Change in Unit Price (Capital Growth)	2.7%	1.8%	1.7%	0.7%	1.6%	3.3%	
Affluence LIC Fund Total Returns	2.7%	13.3%	10.8%	9.1%	9.6%	10.6%	9.1%
ASX200 Accumulation Index (AI)	1.9%	(8.1%)	4.7%	4.1%	7.0%	7.0%	14.7%
Performance compared to ASX200AI	0.8%	21.4%	6.1%	5.0%	2.6%	3.6%	

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 3 May 2016. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

Fund Monthly Return History



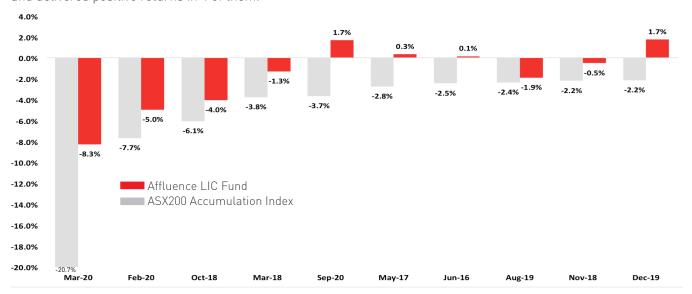
Return on \$100,000 Investment



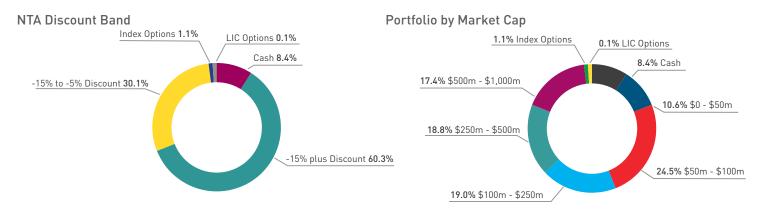
^{*} The Large LIC Index is calculated from the equal weighted returns of the three largest LICs (AFIC, ARG and MLT).

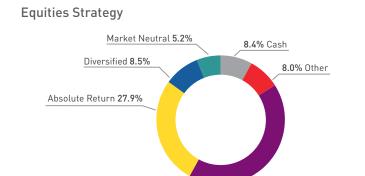
Fund Performance in ASX 200 Worst Months

The below shows the 10 largest monthly falls in the ASX200 Accumulation Index since the Fund commenced, and the performance of the Affluence LIC Fund for that month. The Fund has outperformed the Index in all 10 of the worst months, and delivered positive returns in 4 of them.

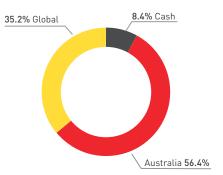


Portfolio Summary



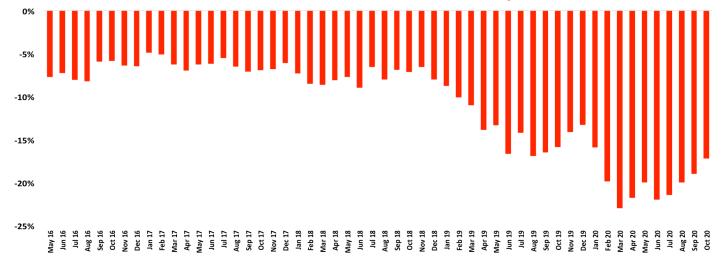








Long Only 42.1%



Five Largest Investments

Thorney Opprotunities Limited (TOP)

WAM Alternative Assets (WMA)

L1 Long Short Fund (LSF)

Monash Absolute Investment Company Limited (MA1)

Platinum Capital (PMC)

Want to know more about Listed Investment Companies (LICs)?

Download our free guide to LICs by clicking <u>here.</u>

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 LICs, and combine them in a way which cushions against market corrections.		
Traditional Asset Classes: Manage large amounts in traditional asset classes (e.g. ASX200 equities), which minimises chances of excess performance.	Unique Strategies: We prefer managers who operate in specialised markets with less funds under management and a competitive advantage.		
High, Fixed Fees: Take fees regardless of performance.	No Fixed Fees: Our fees are 100% performance based.		

Key Statistics

Investment Class	Listed Investment Companies			
Minimum Investment	\$20,000			
Suggested Timeframe	At least 5 years			
Benchmark Returns	ASX200 Accumulation Index			
Fund Value	\$10.7m			
Entry Price	\$1.1572			
Exit Price	\$1.1549			
Annual Distributions	5.70cpu			
Distribution Yield	4.9% p.a.			
Distribution Frequency	Quarterly			
Applications	Monthly			
Withdrawals	Monthly			
Management Fees	Nil			
Performance Fee	12.5% of positive performance			
Buy/Sell Spread	0.10%/0.10%			

Investment Strategy

The Fund provides access to a diversified investment portfolio of ASX Listed Investment Companies as selected by Affluence. We aim to outperform the ASX 200 Accumulation Index over rolling 3 year periods and to deliver these returns with less volatility than the Index.

The Fund aims to invest in LICs that meet one or more of the following criteria; Alpha Generators – LICs that can outperform the market, Discount Capture – LICs trading at an attractive discounts to NTA, or Event Driven – special situations such as IPOs, capital raisings and other corporate activities.

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