**CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (%)** 

## **WOOLWORTHS GROUP RETIREMENT FUND**

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# **BALANCED GROWTH PORTFOLIO**

SEPTEMBER 2023

#### About the portfolio

The Balanced Growth Portfolio is a market related portfolio that aims (but does not guarantee) to provide a return that exceeds inflation by 5.5% per annum net of fees over measurement periods of longer than seven years. The portfolio is most suitable for members that have a long term investment horizon and whose objective it is to earn a return that exceeds inflation over the long term.

The Balanced Growth Portfolio is diversified in nature and has a high exposure to growth assets (such as South African and global equity) and investment returns are likely to be volatile. Large positive or negative returns are possible, particularly over short periods. This investment approach requires members to have the courage and patience for long term investing and not to be unsettled by short term fluctuations in performance compared to the peer group. The Balanced Growth Portfolio's assets are managed by specialist and balanced (or multi-asset) mandates run by South African and global asset managers.

### BALANCED GROWTH RETURN SUMMARY

Net of Management Fees	FUND	GPU*	Inflation	24 - 23 22
Last 3 Months (Jul 23 - Sep 23)	-1.6%	-2.7%	1.8%	14 12 12
Year to date (Jan 23 - Sep 23)	7.1%	5.1%	4.3%	
12 Months (Oct 22 - Sep 23)	15.3%	13.5%	5.4%	$5 4 4 7 4_3 6_3 7 5_4$
Annualised				
3 Years (Oct 20 - Sep 23)	13.3%	11.5%	5.9%	-6 _4 -2
5 Years (Oct 18 - Sep 23)	8.4%	7.5%	5.0%	2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023
7 Years (Oct 16 - Sep 23)	7.6%	7.2%	5.0%	
10 Years (Oct 13 - Sep 23)	8.5%	7.8%	5.1%	■Balanced Growth ■ GPU ■ Inflation
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\*Global Peer Universe = The equally weighted average of peer group Regulation 28 Compliant Funds. The return has been reduced with a fee estimate of 0.60% p.a.

#### Fees

The Total Investment Charge (TIC) represents the total investment related fees and costs in managing the portfolio. For the 12 month period to 31 August 2023, the TIC was 1.03%. Source: Alexander Forbes Investments

Top Ten Equity Ho	ldings	ASSET ALLOCATION		
Share Name Prosus British American Tobacco PLC Standard Bank Group	% Equities 7.44% 5.99% 5.79%	SA Equity Property 1.84%		
Naspers Sasol Glencore	4.55% 4.38% 4.24%	Commodity 0.73% Cash 1.96%		
Anheuser-Busch InBev Nedbank Group MTN Group Compagnie Financiere Richemont AG	3.85% 3.48% 3.20% 2.74%	Bonds 11.57%   Offshore 44.68%   0% 20% 40% 60%		



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