

# PRIVATE PORTFOLIO FUND

## MONTHLY REPORT



29 FEBRUARY 2024

The **Investors Mutual Private Portfolio Fund** aims to provide a positive rate of return (after fees and expenses and before taxes) which is 3% above the return of the RBA Cash Rate on a rolling four-year basis.

	1 MONTH	3 MONTHS	1 YEAR	3 YEARS^	5 YEARS^	SINCE INCEPTION^
Income	+0.0%	+3.0%	+7.4%	+6.7%	+6.4%	+5.7%
Growth	-0.2%	+0.1%	-2.0%	+2.1%	+0.0%	+0.6%
Total return*	-0.2%	+3.1%	+5.4%	+8.8%	+6.4%	+6.3%
Benchmark**	+0.3%	+1.1%	+4.1%	+2.0%	+1.4%	+1.4%

^% Performance per annum. \*Fund returns are calculated net of management fees, and assuming all distributions are re-invested. Investors should be aware that past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Returns can be volatile, reflecting rises and falls in the value of underlying investments. \*\*The benchmark for this Fund is the RBA Cash Rate. The Fund aims to provide a positive rate of return (after fees and expenses and before taxes) which is 3% above the return of the RBA Cash Rate on a rolling four-year basis.

### FUND PERFORMANCE

The **Investors Mutual Private Portfolio Fund** returned -0.2% in February, lagging the growth-led rally in the Australian market. The earnings season drove significant dispersion between industry sectors, as investors chased technology and sold resources.

Within the **Relative Value** strategy, our Financials and Utilities holdings, including Westpac and Origin Energy, performed well, while our Materials and Energy stocks such as BHP and Santos were sold off with the market rotations. During the month, we accumulated shares in sound companies at reasonable prices, including Kelsian and ResMed.

In the **Events** strategy, we subscribed successfully to a few capital raising transactions such as Metals Acquisition, Metcash and Orica. In M&A, we participated in the proposed bid for the communications company Superloop by its competitor Aussie Broadband.

The Fund earned good dividend **Income** from many of its core investments over the month. In addition, we used the elevated volatility in the February reporting period to earn supplementary option premium around our holdings including Coles, Steadfast and Telstra.

As always, we maintain our conservative positioning in what we believe are good quality companies with relatively sustainable earnings and dividend yields, in conjunction with a market risk management overlay to reduce downside participation. At the same time, we remain alert to any emerging opportunities.

### FUND RATINGS

Zenith	Recommended
SQM Research	Superior 4.25 stars
Lonsec	Recommended *Visit <a href="https://lonsec.com.au/logo-disclosure">lonsec.com.au/logo-disclosure</a> for important information about this rating

### RG240 DISCLOSURES

The table below sets out additional information we are required to provide in accordance with ASIC's Disclosure Benchmarks regarding the fund each month.

Current total net asset value	\$ 59M
Changes to key service providers	Nil
Changes to the risk profile	Nil
Changes to the investment strategy	Nil
Changes to Portfolio Managers	Nil

### FUND FACTS

ARSN	624 888 035
APIR	IML2681AU
Inception	1 July 2018
Benchmark	RBA Cash Rate
Investment Horizon	4-5 years
Minimum Initial Investment	A\$50,000
Minimum Additional Investment/ Redemption	A\$5,000
Distributions	Generally semi-annual
Management Fee: 0.993% p.a. of the net assets of the fund (includes net effect of GST)	

Performance Fee: 10.25% (includes net effect of GST) of performance in excess of 3% above the Benchmark. The performance fee is capped at 1.5% of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) in each financial year



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