



INTERNATIONAL GROWTH FUND FACT SHEET

as at 28 February 2023

**Annualised return
Since inception**

7.1%

as at 28/02/2023
after fees and before tax

**Annualised return
5 year**

6.8%

as at 28/02/2023
after fees and before tax

**If you had invested
\$10,000 at inception,
today it would be worth ...**

\$28,410

inception date 7/11/2007

Unit price

\$2.800

as at 28/02/2023

**Minimum
investment**

\$100 per month

ABOUT THE FUND

The Fisher Funds International Growth Fund is a handpicked portfolio of 20-40 growth companies located predominantly in the US, Europe and Asia. We provide New Zealand investors access to a portfolio of high-quality growth companies through a single tax efficient investment.

Our investment team travels around the world to identify businesses that have durable competitive advantages and significant growth opportunities. The portfolio includes both large well-recognised businesses (many of which are household names), and smaller companies with long growth runways. Regardless of the size of these businesses they are typically leaders in their markets. We employ a research heavy investment process, and invest only when we believe the market does not fully appreciate the long-term potential of these businesses.

WHY INTERNATIONAL SHARES

- » **World of opportunity** – the global investment opportunity set is vast and can provide New Zealand investors access to a range of businesses in industries not available on the local stock market. We invest in a range of industries including digital payments, online advertising, ecommerce and medical devices, which not only have attractive industry outlooks, but also provide valuable diversification for New Zealand investors.
- » **Flexibility** to invest wherever we find the best opportunities – there are always attractive growth companies somewhere in the world, it is our job to find them.
- » **Diversification** – in addition to broad industry diversification, we invest in a wide range of countries globally, in both developed and emerging markets.
- » **We look for quality** – we do not buy shares in new or unproven companies, but focus on companies with proven track records and sustainable advantages that help them outstrip competition.

FUND HIGHLIGHTS

February 2023

The International Growth Fund was down -2.4%, vs the benchmark (S&P Global LargeMidCap Index, 50% hedged into NZD) which was down -0.2%. Companies that meaningfully influenced portfolio returns were:

Meta (+17%) reported 4Q22 earnings at the start of February, where management reduced FY23 expenditure guidance and announced an extra US\$40bn of share repurchases (equivalent to approximately 9% of Meta's market capitalisation). It was good to see the clear focus on cost discipline. Meta has 3.7bn monthly active users across its four apps (Facebook, Messenger, Instagram, and WhatsApp), up +4% compared to the prior year.

PayPal (-11%) reported 4Q22 results in February. New account adds and revenues were weaker than expected given the return of e-commerce towards normal levels following the pandemic as well as increasing competition. PayPal exceeded its earnings per share expectations due to a large cost rationalisation program and increased capital returns to shareholders through share buybacks. 1Q23 so far is off to a stronger start than expected indicating PayPal is gaining market share, particularly when merchants implement their latest payment checkout technology.

FUND PERFORMANCE

after fees and before tax for the period ending 28/02/2023

	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	7 Years*	Since Launch*
International Growth Fund	-14.4%	3.6%	6.8%	9.9%	7.1%
S&P Global LargeMidCap Index (NZD 50% hedged)	-3.7%	7.7%	6.2%	9.5%	

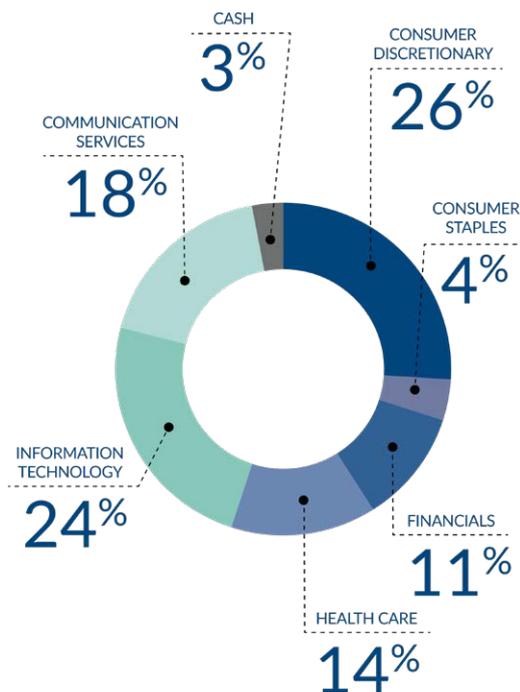
* Fund performance figures have been annualised where the performance period is more than one year.

Growth of \$10,000 invested in the Fund since inception



SECTOR SPLIT

as at 28 February 2023



BIGGEST CONTRIBUTORS/DETRACTORS

for the month of February 2023

Meta Platforms Inc. Class A

17%

Share Price Change

1.5%

Contribution to Return

Alibaba Group Holding Limited

-20%

Share Price Change

-0.6%

Contribution to Return

StoneCo Ltd. Class A

-24%

Share Price Change

-0.4%

Contribution to Return

SIGNIFICANT HOLDINGS

as at 28 February 2023

Meta Platforms Inc. Class A	7.7%
Amazon.com, Inc.	7.6%
Alphabet Inc. Class A	7.4%
Cash	1.8%

FUND DETAILS

Fund inception	November 2007
PIE registered	Yes
Annual fund charge*	1.41% p.a.
Performance fee	10% of returns in excess of the Official Cash Rate + 5% (subject to a high water mark) . Capped at 2% of the International Growth Fund's average net asset value per year.
Entry fee – direct	Nil
Entry fee – adviser	0-4%
Exit fee	Nil
Minimum investment	\$2,000
Minimum withdrawal	\$100
Regular savings plan	Yes – min \$100 per month
Manager	Fisher Funds Management Ltd
Supervisor/custodian	Trustees Executors Ltd

* See the Fisher Funds Managed Funds 'Other Material Information' document at fisherfunds.co.nz/resources for more information on how the annual fund charge has been calculated.

UP CLOSE & PERSONAL

Ashley looks at Alphabet, the parent company of tech giant Google

What does it do?

Alphabet is the holding company that owns Google, the world's leading internet search provider and the largest global advertising platform.

As consumers spend more time viewing media on their mobile devices and less on traditional formats (TV, radio, newspaper), advertisers are increasingly moving ad budgets to these new forums.

Why do we own it?

We believe they are still in the early stages of monetising their dominance in search. They still have room to improve the monetisation of Google Maps and mobile search.

Furthermore, YouTube is going from strength to strength as faster broadband speeds have resulted in a boom in mobile video consumption. We believe Alphabet provides a very compelling investment candidate and we expect the company to grow its earnings significantly faster than the market over the next 3-5 years.



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