# **Zurich Investments** Australian Property Securities Fund

Fund Focus - April 2025

#### **Investment Strategy**

The Fund invests in a range of listed property securities, spread primarily across retail, commercial, industrial and residential property sectors.

| Portfolio Characteristi    | cs                                      |
|----------------------------|---|
| Funds Under Manageme       | \$342.01m                               |
| Number of Holdings         | 33                                      |
| Turnover Ratio %           | 10.57                                   |
| Latest Distribution Date   | 31 March 2025                           |
| Latest Distribution Amount | t 0.4020                                |
| Benchmark                  | S&P/ASX 300 AREIT<br>Accumulation Index |



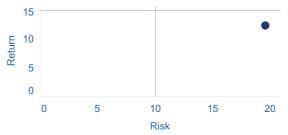
| Fund Facts                 |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| APIR Code                  | ZUR0064AU                                  |
| Inception Date             | 28 February 2000                           |
| Total Est. Management C    | Cost % 0.81                                |
| Est. Transactional Op. C   | ost % 0                                    |
| Buy/Sell Spread %          | 0.30                                       |
| Distribution Frequency     | Quarterly                                  |
| Underlying Fund<br>Manager | Renaissance Property<br>Securities Pty Ltd |

### **Fund Performance After Fees**

|              | 1 Month | 3 Months | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | Since Inception |
|--------------|---------|----------|--------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| Distribution | 0.00    | 0.26     | 2.63   | 2.43    | 2.66    | 5.72            |
| Growth       | 5.81    | -3.89    | 7.66   | 4.13    | 9.83    | 1.89            |
| Total        | 5.81    | -3.63    | 10.29  | 6.56    | 12.49   | 7.61            |
| Benchmark    | 6.29    | -5.00    | 8.90   | 5.15    | 12.26   | 7.24            |

#### **Risk Reward**

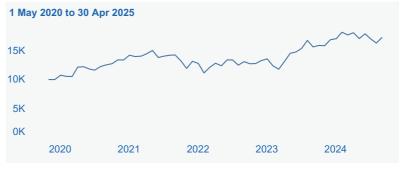
## 1 May 2020 to 30 Apr 2025



#### Top 10 Holdings (%)

|                      | Weight | Benchmark |
|----------------------|--------|-----------|
| Goodman Group        | 31.93  | 36.52     |
| Scentre Group        | 11.31  | 11.29     |
| Stockland            | 7.80   | 7.86      |
| Dexus                | 6.07   | 4.85      |
| Charter Hall Group   | 5.62   | 4.79      |
| Vicinity Centers     | 5.49   | 5.48      |
| Mirvac Group         | 5.19   | 5.40      |
| Unibail-rodamco-west | 4.26   | 0.37      |
| Gpt Group            | 4.10   | 5.32      |
| Gdi Property Group   | 2.88   | 0.00      |

## Investment Growth (\$10,000)



#### Portfolio Equity Sectors (%)



**Top 5 Active Positions** 

|   | Diversified REITs           | 26.84 |
|---|-----------------------------|-------|
| • | Health Care Reits           | 0.18  |
| • | Hotel & Resort REITs        | 0.19  |
| • | Industrial Reits            | 32.29 |
|   | Multi-Family Residential Re | 1.45  |
|   | Office Reits                | 10.39 |
| • | Other Specialized Reits     | 0.32  |
| • | Real Estate Development     | 1.16  |
|   | Retail Reits                | 25.22 |
| • | Self Storage Reits          | 1.00  |
|   |                             |       |

### **Risk Statistics**

#### 1 May 2020 to 30 Apr 2025

| Std Dev              | 19.53 |
|----------------------|-------|
| Alpha                | 0.75  |
| Beta                 | 0.95  |
| Sharpe Ratio (arith) | 0.64  |
| Up Capture Ratio     | 94.36 |
| Down Capture Ratio   | 90.93 |
|                      |       |

|                      | Portfolio Weight<br>(%) | Benchmark | Active Position<br>(%) |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Unibail-rodamco-west | 4.264                   | 0.37      | 3.90                   |
| Gdi Property Group   | 2.880                   | 0.00      | 2.88                   |
| Carindale Prop Trst  | 2.639                   | 0.00      | 2.64                   |
| Aspen Group          | 1.472                   | 0.00      | 1.47                   |
| Dexus                | 6.074                   | 4.85      | 1.22                   |

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#### **Market Commentary**

The Australian Real Estate Investment Trust (AREIT) market experienced a significant surge in April, driven by a decline in bond yields due to expectations of a larger-than-anticipated reduction in the official cash rate. Additionally, markets were buoyed by an announcement from US President Trump, who declared a 90-day pause on tariff increases.

The main AREIT news in the month included:

- The Kirsh family and Public Storage made a bid for Abacus Self Storage.
- Mirvac and Stockland released their quarterly results which showed softer residentia sales.
- Region and Waypoint announced buybacks.

#### **Fund Commentary**

The Fund delivered a solid return of 5.81% in April although it was unable to keep pace with the strong index return. For the 12 months to 30 April 2025, the Fund is outperforming the impressive index return by 1.39%.

The key positive contributors to performance included an overweight position in Aspen Group, which continues to be positively reassessed by the market due to its ongoing outperformance and successful strategy execution.

Positive contribution also came from an underweight position in Goodman Group, as the stock lagged the market owing to its exposure to slowing economic activity.

The main detractors included overweight positions in deep value stocks such as Unibail, Carindale, and GDI, all of which remained relatively flat and did not participate in the market rally.

Additionally, the underweight position in Region detracted from returns after the company released a strong quarterly result and announced a buyback.

During the month, exposure to Goodman and DigiCo was increased. Both stocks have significantly underperformed, with Goodman's price-to-earnings ratio becoming more attractive and DigiCo trading at a substantial discount to NTA. Consequently, the underweight position in Goodman was reduced, and the Fund moved to an overweight position in DigiCo.

Exposure to Vicinity was reduced back to neutral after it significantly outperformed the market over the last quarter.

\* The Estimated Total Management Cost of 0.81% includes an Estimated Performance Fee of 0% and Estimated Indirect Costs of 0.00%.

#### Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

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