HIGH INCOME

VALUE MICROCAP FUND



MONTHLY PERFORMANCE AS AT 31/05/2024

latest unit price

return since inception (March 2012)

return 1 month

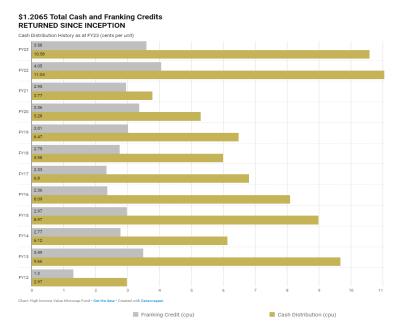
\$1.7799

244.62%

-2.52%

FUND OUTLINE

The High Income Value Microcap Fund is a wholesale fund investing in high dividend paying, undervalued, ASX microcap companies.

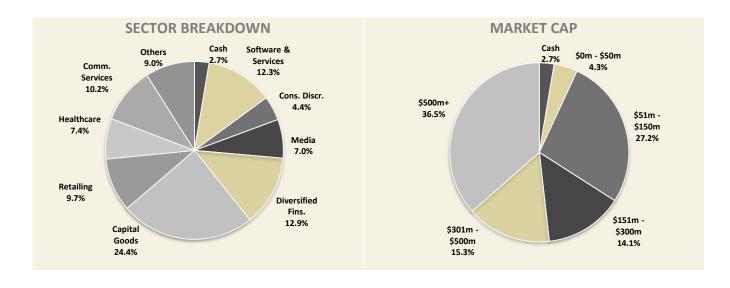


Current Forecast Grossed Up Dividend Yield

+5.75%**

**Represents the annual dividend yield of the companies in the portfolio grossed up for franking credits. It is based on internal forecasts and actual results may vary. It is not a forecast distribution as distributions will depend on actual dividend income received, expenses of the fund and actual number of units on issue at the time a distribution is made.

	Total	Compound	12 Year	10 Year	5 Year	3 Year	1 Year	1
	since	p.a. since	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual		Month
	inception	inception	Compound	Compound	Compound	Compound		
HIMF	244.62%	10.63%	10.84%	9.29%	10.39%	6.79%	12.03%	-2.52%



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MARKET UPDATE AND COMMENTARY

Australia's headline CPI number for March ticked up to 3.6% from 3.5%. Core inflation (removing volatile price items such as fruit and vegetables, energy) remained unchanged at 4.1%. Monthly inflation numbers can be volatile, and this data print is unlikely to change RBA's thinking and remains within the forecast range. We expect the RBA to keep rates unchanged at its next meeting. Over in Europe, Germany, the biggest economy in the European Union, clawed back to economic growth in the first quarter of 2024 with its GDP expanding at +0.2%, after declining in the last quarter of 2023. The data print follows a similar pattern to the UK which also returned to economic growth during its first quarter, with its GDP expanding by 0.6% for the first three months of 2024. The overall picture for Europe is one of a slowly improving economy after a 2023 that would best be categorised as a stagnant economic performance.

Microequities High Income Value Microcap Fund returned -2.52% in May; this brings the total return net of fees to 244.62% for the Fund since inception in March 2012.

Aviation services company Alliance Aviation (ASX:AQZ) last month announced changes to its debt facilities ensuring the company is funded for its planned fleet expansion of E190 planes. During this month, the company confirmed it will beat consensus profit forecasts of PBT of \$83.9m for FY24 which represents growth of more than 60% yoy. Profit will include some engine sales from inventory and a plane recently parted out for spare parts. The company also note that strong global demand for narrow body jets means 3 of its E190 planes are currently leased out to a third party. AQZ has in the recent past and in the coming 18 months undergoing a significant capacity increase locked in at opportune prices. We expect management will reinstate dividends either in FY25 or FY26 at which stage the earnings power from the expanded asset base will be significantly transformed v pre pandemic earnings. A wholesale distribution business announced a trading update late in the month with EBITDA and EBIT coming in largely in line with consensus forecasts. We think it was commendable outcome given the business executed on a large acquisition during the half. This business is positively exposed to the electrification, data centre and electrical vehicle infrastructure rollout thematics. Mining services company that the Fund had been building its stake in the past few months provided a capital management update confirming net debt was likely to come in well below its previously stated targets. Final dividend for the 2nd half was likely to be in line with the 1st half and represents a cash dividend yield of 8.9% on the closing share price. The balance sheet is well setup for modest growth capex investments along with the current strong dividend yield.

Projected EPS Growth		
1 Year Forward +10.2		
(on a weighted basis)	110.270	
Projected EPS Growth		
2 Years Forward	+9.2%	
(on a weighted basis)		

Number of	
companies	39
Top 5 Holdings	
% of NAV	38.1%
Top 10 Holdings	
% of NAV	55.2%
Top 20 Holdings	
% of NAV	79.1%
Cash Position	
% of NAV	2.7%

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