

# FACT SHEET: EQT TAX AWARE AUSTRALIAN EQUITY FUND (CLASS B)

## About the Fund

The EQT Tax Aware Australian Equity Fund offers a diverse portfolio comprising of high-quality companies that are currently included in, or suitable for inclusion in the ASX 200 index. The companies are selected through Equity Trustees' proprietary **Quality At a Reasonable Price (QARP)** investment process which identifies quality companies with an attractive industry structure, strong balance sheets, robust return on equity, substantial cashflows and good management.

We believe quality companies will outperform over the longer term and a portfolio of quality stocks will provide some downside protection when the market falls.

### Investment objective

The Fund is designed for investors seeking strong medium-long term capital growth potential, coupled with an increasing income stream payable from the dividends of the underlying shares. There is a distinct focus on the after-tax returns offered to investors.

The Fund aims to outperform its Benchmark over a rolling 3-year period, after taking into account Fund fees and expenses.

### About the Manager

Equity Trustees Limited (EQT) is the Investment Manager of the Fund, managing more than \$5 billion across various asset classes.

EQT is well resourced with an experienced team of investment professionals, managing funds across various client cohorts, such as large wholesale clients, superannuation funds, corporate trusts, philanthropic investors, not-for-profit organisations and individual investors.

EQT has been operating in Australia for more than 145 years, is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange and has a national presence.

### Platform



### How to Invest

<https://fundservices.onevue.com.au/portal/online-app/EQT>

Signatory of:



### Distributions

	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FYTD
Distribution (CPU)	9.0430	3.8455	2.8443	1.0726

### Performance

PERFORMANCE <sup>1</sup>	3 M %	1 YR %	3 YR % (P.A.)	5 YR % (P.A.)	S.I.% (P.A.) <sup>2</sup>
Income return	0.90	2.58	3.62	3.24	3.22
Capital return	6.00	16.80	4.30	4.87	5.36
Total net return	6.89	19.38	7.92	8.11	8.58
Benchmark return <sup>3</sup>	7.79	21.77	8.45	8.38	8.35
Active return	-0.89	-2.38	-0.53	-0.27	0.23
Franking credit return <sup>4</sup>	0.37	1.01	1.56	1.30	1.32

<sup>1</sup> Income return and total net return are Fund returns after the deduction of ongoing fees and expense and assumes the reinvestment of all distributions. Results greater than one year are annualised.

<sup>2</sup> Inception date is 1 July 2019.

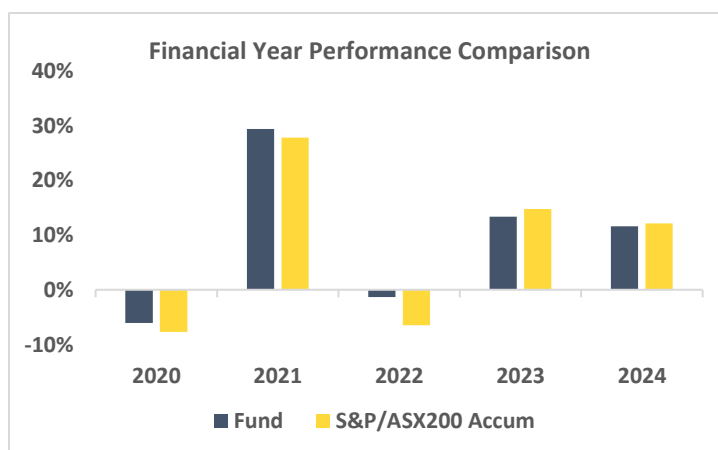
<sup>3</sup> Benchmark is the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index

<sup>4</sup> Franking credit returns are estimates and calculated at a zero-tax rate.

Past performances should not be taken as an indicator of future performance.

### Performance illustrates our Process – Downside Protection

The chart below shows that in times when the market rises the Fund performs broadly In-line but outperforms when the market falls.



The above shows financial year performance, gross of fees for the Fund against the Benchmark. Past performance should not be taken as an indicator of future performance.

## Key Facts

APIR Code	ETL8439AU
Inception Date	01 July 2019
Pooled Size	1,784.4 m
Num of Stocks	39
Benchmark	S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index
Active Stock Limit	+7%/-15%
Tracking Error	Circa 2-4%
Buy/Sell Spread	+/-0.33%
Management Fee	1.03% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund
Performance Fee	Nil
Distributions	Quarterly
Min initial investment	\$5,000
Pricing Frequency & Liquidity	Daily

## Portfolio Manager



**Chris Haynes**

Portfolio Manager and Head of Equities

Chris has more than 28 years' experience in Investments and Portfolio Management.

Chris is aided by a highly experienced team of analysts, most of whom have more than 20 years' experience.

Chris has a proven track record of consistent above benchmark results and building a capable team.

**For further information visit our website or contact us.**

### Website:

[eqt.com.au/asset-management](http://eqt.com.au/asset-management)

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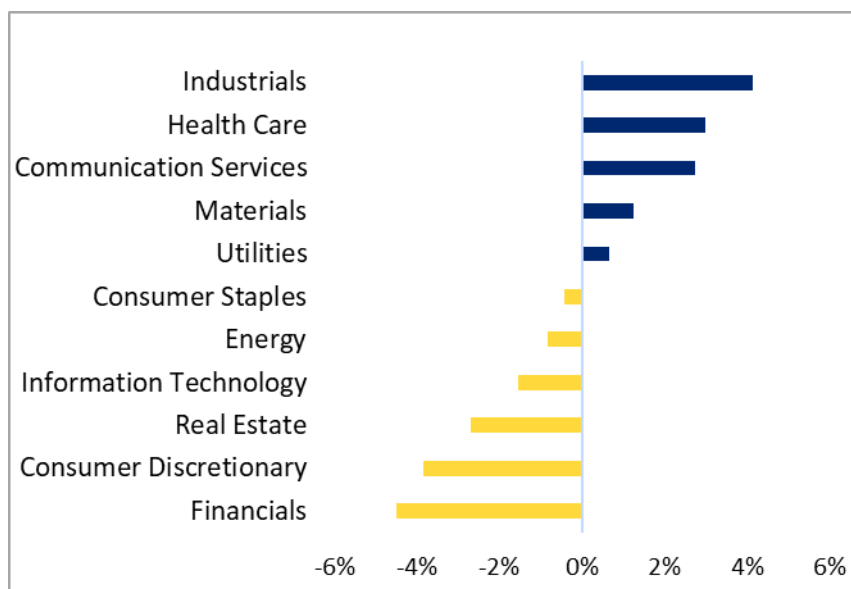
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## Responsible Investing

Equity Trustees Asset Management incorporate ESG analysis into the investment decision making process, explicitly evaluating, querying, and assessing ESG risks and opportunities in our fundamental analysis and interactions with companies. ESG factors are reviewed at regular intervals and taken into consideration in construction of the portfolio.

For further information on our approach to responsible investing, please refer to our Responsible Investment Policy available on our [website](#).

## Active Sector Allocation Vs S&P/ASX200 Index



## Fund Characteristics Vs S&P/ASX200 Index

FUNDS CHARACTERISTICS	FUND	BENCHMARK
Price to Earnings Forecast	16.7	17.7
Dividend Yield Forecast	3.4%	3.5%
Price to Book Forecast	2.7	2.4
Beta	0.96	1.00
Return on Equity Forecast	15.9	14.8

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