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Vanguard Index Australian Shares Fund

Key fund facts	
Management costs	
- First \$50,000	0.75% p.a.
- Next \$50,000	0.50% p.a.
- Balance over \$100,000	0.35% p.a.
Buy spread	0.10%
Sell spread	0.10%
Inception date	26 October 1998
Income distribution	Half yearly
Fund size	\$476.4 million
Number of holdings	310

Trading information	
APIR code	VAN0010AU
Minimum investment	\$5,000

Benchmark information	
Benchmark (Bmk)	S&P/ASX 300 Index
Number of holdings	298

Underlying fund information	
Fund name	Vanguard Australian Shares Index Fund
Fund commencement date	30 June 1997
Total fund size	\$9,402.60 million

Investment objective

The Vanguard Index Australian Shares Fund seeks to track the return of the S&P/ASX 300 Index before taking into account fees, expenses and tax.

Fund overview

The Fund provides low-cost, broadly diversified exposure to Australian companies and property trusts listed on the Australian Securities Exchange. It also offers potential long-term capital growth along with dividend income and franking credits. Franking credits may be used by investors to offset tax payable on other income.

Performance return^{A,B} (%)

	Fund gross	Bmk	Fund total	Distb'n	Growth
1 month	-1.55	-1.56	-1.61	0.00	-1.61
3 months	2.16	2.15	1.97	4.71	-2.74
6 months	14.02	14.07	13.60	5.25	8.35
1 year	9.65	9.69	8.83	7.59	1.24
3 years (p.a.)	6.63	6.61	5.83	5.19	0.64
5 years (p.a.)	9.52	9.48	8.70	4.93	3.77
10 years (p.a.)	5.18	5.07	4.39	4.46	-0.07
Inception (p.a.)	8.86	8.71	8.05	4.25	3.80

Year to year franking levels and gross return^{A,B,D} (%)

	Dec - Dec			June - June	
	Fund	Bmk	Fund	Bmk	Franking
YTD	5.94	5.99	4.72	4.70	50.30
2016	N/A	N/A	0.82	0.87	50.27
2015	2.82	2.80	5.65	5.61	86.15
2014	5.38	5.30	17.29	17.25	90.69
2013	19.70	19.68	21.96	21.90	90.05

Income distribution^C

Half year ended	Amount (CPU)	Reinvestment price
30 June 2016	9.0013	\$1.8602

As at 30 June 2016, the gross distribution of 9.9907 cents per unit comprised 9.0013 of net (cash) distribution plus 0.9894 by way of franking credits and foreign tax credits.

Notes

- A Past performance is not an indication of future performance.
- B Returns assume reinvestment of all distributions. Returns for periods longer than 1 year are annualised. Fund gross returns are before management costs and taxes, but after transaction and operational costs. Fund total return is the fund gross return less management costs. Index returns do not allow for taxes, management, transaction and operational costs.
- C Past distributions are not an indication of future distributions.
- The franking level is an indication of the amount of imputation tax credits which may be claimable by Australian investors. A higher percentage indicates a larger amount of imputation tax credits distributed relative to net cash distributed income.

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Characteristics

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Top 10 holdings
1. Commonwealth Bank of Australia
2. Westpac Banking Corp.
3. Australia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd.
4. National Australia Bank Ltd.
5. BHP Billiton
6. Telstra Corp. Ltd.
7. CSL Ltd.
8. Wesfarmers Ltd.
9. Woolworths Ltd.

The top 10 holdings represent 44.2% of the total underlying fund

Sector allocation (%)

10. Macquarie Group Ltd.

	Underlying	
	fund	Bmk
Financials	44.8	44.8
Materials	14.7	14.7
Industrials	7.5	7.5
Health Care	7.2	7.3
Consumer Staples	7.2	7.1
Consumer Discretionary	5.5	5.5
Telecommunication Services	5.1	5.1
Energy	4.1	4.1
Utilities	2.6	2.6
Information Technology	1.3	1.3

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