



Pension National Scheme

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the National Provident Fund, set out below is a report on the performance and activities of your Scheme for the year ended 31 March 2019. Further information on the National Provident Fund's activities, and commentary on investment markets, is set out in the Review.

YOUR SCHEME

CROWN GUARANTEE

The Pension National Scheme is a defined contribution scheme. The benefits payable by your Scheme are guaranteed by the Crown.

LOCKED-IN SECTION

The Locked-in section of the Scheme was created on 1 July 2007 as an alternative to KiwiSaver schemes. The Locked-in section has many of the benefits of KiwiSaver schemes, and also has the Crown guarantee and the 4% pa minimum earnings rate. These two features are hallmarks of the NPF schemes and are not available with KiwiSaver schemes. Further details are available on our website - www.npf.co.nz.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

The asset class returns (before tax and expenses) and the comparative performance of the benchmark indices are shown in the table below.

	Return	Index
Fixed interest	1.96%	4.51%
Alternatives*	-8.52%	0.96%
New Zealand shares	16.40%	19.37%
Overseas shares	7.31%	7.58%

* The Scheme's investment in alternatives was previously included with overseas shares. A new unit fund of the Global Asset Trust, the Alternatives Unit Fund, was established in 2018. Since 1 October 2018, the Scheme's investment in alternatives has been through the Alternatives Unit Fund. The above return for alternatives is for the period 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019.

The investment return (after tax and operating expenses) earned by the Scheme for the year ended 31 March 2019 was 3.57%.

See the comparison over the page for the key statistics of your Scheme over the last 10 years. For an overview of the financial performance of the Scheme, refer to the tables on the following pages.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements included in this Annual Report have been extracted from the full financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as the full financial statements.

Members are welcome to contact the Scheme administrator, Datacom (see details on back page), for a free copy of the Scheme's full financial statements.



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EARNINGS RATE

The earnings rate declared by the Board for the Scheme for the year ended 31 March 2019 was 4.0% on contributors' total credits as at 1 April 2018, and 1.6% on contributions paid during the year. In line with the Board's crediting and reserving policy, the difference between the investment return of 3.57% and the earnings rate of 4.0% credited to members' total credits as at 31 March 2019 has been taken from the reserves of the Scheme. The reserves are now 8.2% of contributors' total credits (2018: 8.6%).

The objective of the Board's crediting and reserving policy is to build the reserves back up to 10% of contributors' total credits. An equitable share of any positive reserves is added to a contributor's total credit on retirement, withdrawal through redundancy or permanent incapacity, or on death before the contributor has commenced receiving a benefit.

WHO INVESTS YOUR MONEY

Fixed interest

Ashmore Investment Management Limited (emerging markets)
Brandywine Global Investment Management, LLC
Pacific Investment Management Company LLC
Wellington Management Australia Pty, Ltd
(contract ended June 2018)

Alternatives

AQR Capital Management, LLC (Style Premia Fund)

New Zealand shares

Devon Funds Management Limited
Harbour Asset Management Limited

Overseas shares

Arrowstreet Capital, Limited Partnership
Lazard Asset Management, LLC
Marathon Asset Management, LLP

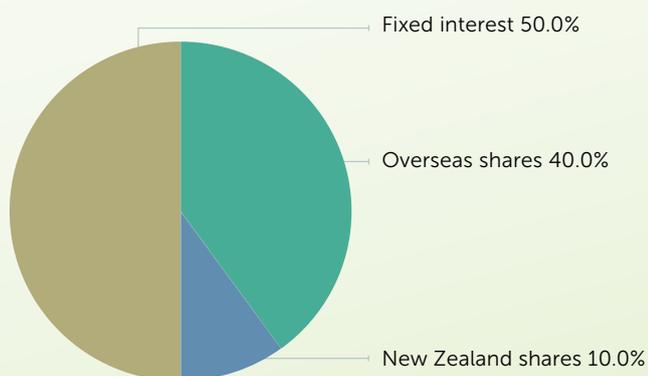
Foreign exchange hedging

ANZ Bank New Zealand Limited
Bank of New Zealand Limited

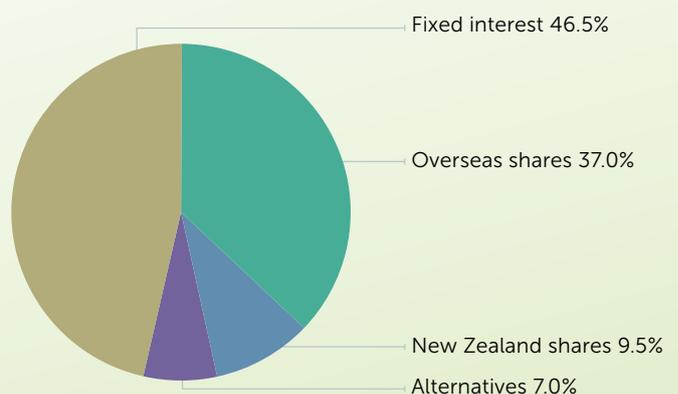
HOW YOUR MONEY IS INVESTED

The Scheme's asset allocation strategy is set by the Board and reviewed regularly. The asset allocation strategy for the Scheme was reviewed during the year. The pie charts show the Scheme's asset allocation strategy effective from 1 May 2018 and the new strategy effective from 1 October 2018.

Effective 1 May 2018



Effective 1 October 2018



The Board's Statement of Investment Policies, Standards and Procedures (**SIPSP**) was changed during the year to add a new unit fund, the Alternatives Unit Fund. There were no other significant changes to the SIPSP during the year.

See our website, www.npf.co.nz, for more information about your Scheme, including the Board's SIPSP, and the Scheme trust deed.

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SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

This is a summary of the Scheme's income and expenses, and membership contributions and payments. NPPS refers to the National Provident Pension Scheme.

	2019 (\$000)	2018 (\$000)
Income		
Investment income	18,635	34,957
Operating expenses	(949)	(1,039)
Net income before tax and membership activities	17,686	33,918
Add income tax credit	251	273
Net income after tax and before membership activities	17,937	34,191
Scheme receipts		
Scheme receipts – Non Locked-in section:		
Member contributions	5,323	8,008
Employer contributions	3,052	2,814
Scheme receipts – Locked-in section:		
Member contributions	2,174	888
Employer contributions	212	279
Member tax credits	30	49
Total Scheme receipts	10,791	12,038
Scheme payments		
Benefit, withdrawal and transfer payments	(32,270)	(31,860)
Transfers to the NPPS	(21,502)	(23,218)
Total Scheme payments	(53,772)	(55,078)
Net membership activities	(42,981)	(43,040)
(Decrease) in liability for accrued benefits	(25,044)	(8,849)

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

This is a summary of the Scheme's assets and liabilities, as at 31 March 2019.

Assets include the Scheme's investments in fixed interest, alternatives, New Zealand shares and overseas shares plus what the Scheme had in the bank and was owed by others.

Liabilities are what the Scheme owed to others.

Net assets is the money available to pay future entitlements.

	2019 (\$000)	2018 (\$000)
Investment assets		
Fixed Interest Unit Fund	224,078	315,795
Alternatives Unit Fund	32,727	-
New Zealand Equity Unit Fund	44,805	41,091
Overseas Equity Unit Fund	188,616	163,328
Total investment assets	490,226	520,214
Other assets	8,886	3,806
Total assets	499,112	524,020
Less liabilities	(238)	(102)
Net assets available to pay benefits	498,874	523,918
Represented by:		
Liability for accrued benefits		
Allocated to contributors' total credits	461,263	482,263
Unallocated reserves	37,611	41,655
	498,874	523,918

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

This is a summary of the cash flows through the Scheme during the year.

Cash was received from:

- operating activities (being contributions less benefit and transfer payments and operating expenses); and
- investing activities.

The difference between the two cash flows is recorded as an increase or decrease in cash held.

	2019 (\$000)	2018 (\$000)
Opening cash brought forward	3,375	3,366
Net cash flows from operating activities	(43,730)	(43,917)
Net cash flows from investing activities	48,571	43,926
Net increase in cash held	4,841	9
Closing cash carried forward	8,216	3,375

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NOTES TO THE SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements:

- have been extracted from the full financial statements which were:
 - prepared in accordance with, and comply with, the New Zealand Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards;
 - authorised for issue by the Board on 25 June 2019; and
 - audited and received an unmodified opinion;
- cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements;
- are reported in New Zealand dollars, rounded to the nearest thousand;
- are for a profit oriented entity; and
- comply with Financial Reporting Standard 43: Summary Financial Statements.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2019

MEMBERSHIP

Changes in the Scheme membership numbers during the year were as follows:

	Contributors		Total
	Non Locked-in Section	Locked-in Section	
Opening membership as at 1 April 2018	2,534	134	2,668
Retirements	(182)	(11)	(193)
Withdrawals	(8)	-	(8)
Transfers	(93)	-	(93)
Deaths and disablements	(151)	-	(151)
Joins/rejoins	2	1	3
Extinguished liabilities*	246	-	246
Closing membership as at 31 March 2019	2,348	124	2,472

* Following a trust deed amendment on 5 April 2001, once reasonable efforts have been made to locate a member who has been missing for at least five years, the Board may extinguish the liabilities to that member. Where a person re-establishes contact with the Board within 15 years of the liabilities to that person being extinguished, the person is reinstated as a member of the Scheme.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

As at 31 March 2019, there were 2,472 members in the Scheme (2018: 2,668), with allocated contributors' total credits of \$461.26 million (2018: \$482.26 million). These numbers include the members of the Locked-in section.

For the Locked-in section, as at 31 March 2019 there were 124 members, of whom 33 were not contributing (2018: 134 and 33) with allocated contributors' total credits of \$11.82 million (2018: \$11.48 million). There were 11 retirements from the Locked-in section and one member joined the Locked-in section during the year to 31 March 2019. The total value of assets withdrawn from the Locked-in section of the Scheme during the year was \$2,512,519.

On the basis of evidence available, the Board believes all contributions required to be made to the Scheme, in accordance with the terms of the Scheme trust deed, have been made.

The Board certifies, to the best of its knowledge, all benefits required to be paid from the Scheme were paid in accordance with the terms of the Scheme trust deed.

The Board, based on the advice of the Actuary, certifies that as at 31 March 2019 the market value of the net assets of the Scheme exceeded the total value of the vested benefits of the Scheme.

The Board confirms, to the best of its knowledge, not more than 10 percent of the market value of the assets of the Scheme at any time during the year was invested with employers (or associated entities), either directly or indirectly, who are parties to the Scheme.

FEES

Scheme administration fees are calculated on fee per member and fee per transaction bases and are charged to the Scheme as a whole. Effective 1 October 2018, the administration fees increased in line with inflation. The Board certifies it is satisfied the increase in the administration fees for the Scheme is not unreasonable. The Board is satisfied the total management fees charged to the Scheme are not unreasonable.

TRUST DEED AMENDMENTS

The Scheme trust deed has not been amended since the date of the last annual report, being 21 June 2018. A copy of the trust deed is available on our website - www.npf.co.nz.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Pension National Scheme Summary financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 Opinion

The summary financial statements of the Pension National Scheme (the Scheme), that comprise the summary statement of net assets as at 31 March 2019, the summary statement of changes in net assets, and the summary statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, and related notes, are derived from the full financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 that we have audited.

In our opinion, the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the full financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019, in accordance with FRS-43: Summary Financial Statements issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board.

Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the full financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

The summary financial statements do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our auditor's report on the full financial statements.

The full financial statements and our audit report thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the full financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 in our auditor's report dated 25 June 2019.

Board of Trustees' responsibility for the summary financial statements

The Board of Trustees is responsible on behalf of the Scheme for the preparation of the summary financial statements in accordance with FRS-43: Summary Financial Statements.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the full audited financial statements of the Scheme, based on our procedures, which were carried out in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Professional and Ethical Standards and the International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

We did not evaluate the security and controls over the electronic publication of the summary financial statements.

Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with, or interests in the Scheme.

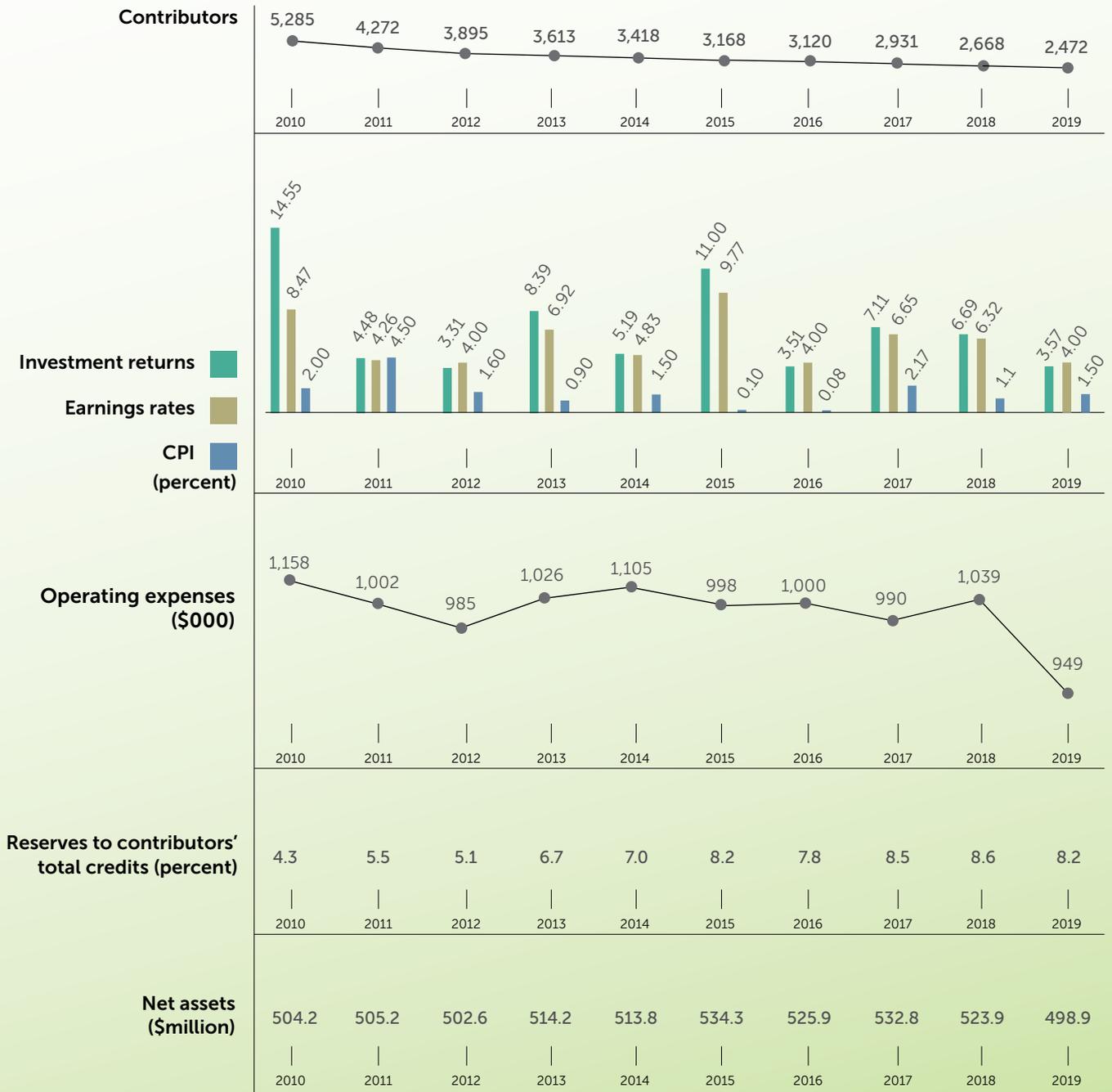


Michael Wilkes
for Deloitte Limited
On behalf of the Auditor-General
Christchurch, New Zealand

25 June 2019

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10 YEAR COMPARISON





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Directory as at 25 June 2019

BOARD MEMBERS

Edward Schuck PhD, MBA (appointed 2015 and Chair from 1 September 2017).

Catherine McDowell (appointed 2013 and Chair from 1 July 2016 to 31 August 2017)

Graeme Mitchell BA, CA, FCA (appointed 2010, Deputy Chair from 1 July 2016)

Daniel Mussett (appointed 2016)

Wayne Stechman (appointed 2012)

Stephen Ward (appointed 2016)

There were no changes to the Board members during the year. Further information on the Board members is provided on our website – www.npf.co.nz.

MANAGEMENT

Simon Tyler

Chief Executive

Fiona Morgan

Chief Financial Officer

Philippa Drury

General Manager – Schemes

Janet Shirley

Manager – Schemes

Paul Bevin

General Manager – Investments

Nicky Rumsey

Manager – Investments

Peter McCaffrey

Manager – Equities and Alternatives

There were no changes to Management during the year.

DATAKOM

ADMINISTRATION

Datacom Connect Limited is the administrator of the NPF Schemes.

CONTACT DETAILS

You are welcome to contact Datacom if you have any specific questions about the information in this package, if you would like to receive a free copy of the full financial statements in the mail, to purchase a copy of the trust deed (\$10) or the actuarial valuation (\$10), or to enquire about your Scheme membership in general.

Please quote your identity number when contacting Datacom.

Free phone: 0800 628 776 between 8.30 am and 5.00 pm, Monday to Friday.

Phone: (04) 381 0600

Post to:

The Manager

National Provident Fund Administration

Datacom Connect Limited

P O Box 1036 WELLINGTON 6140

Email: npfenquiries@datacom.co.nz

If you would like to know more about NPF in general, or if you would like to view or download a copy of the Scheme's full financial statements rather than receive a copy in the mail, please visit our website – www.npf.co.nz.

You may contact the Board by writing to:

The Chief Executive

Board of Trustees of the National Provident Fund

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95 Customhouse Quay

WELLINGTON 6011

Auditor: Michael Wilkes, Deloitte Limited, on behalf of the Auditor-General

Actuary: Christine D Ormrod, PricewaterhouseCoopers Consulting (New Zealand) LP

Bank: Bank of New Zealand Limited

Custodian: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

Solicitor: DLA Piper New Zealand

There were no changes to the Auditor, Actuary, Bank, Custodian or Solicitor during the year.

