

## QUALITY

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Quality Trust seeks to generate total return by investing primarily in equities the Focused Equity team believes to be of high quality.

The team believes that companies with established track records of historical profitability and strong fundamentals – high quality companies – are able to outgrow the average company over time and are therefore worth a premium price. The Trust's disciplined approach uses both quantitative and fundamental techniques to assess the relative quality and valuation of global companies and aims to exploit a long-term investment horizon while withstanding short-term volatility.

## CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURNS (AUD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>
Portfolio	-3.21	-3.21	12.17	28.55	-8.48	32.55	6.57
Benchmark	-3.23	-3.23	10.16	23.03	-12.24	29.29	6.83

## ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (AUD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>1 Year</i>	<i>3 Years</i>	<i>5 Years</i>	<i>10 Years</i>	<i>ITD</i>
Portfolio	25.67	15.90	–	–	18.90
Benchmark	20.48	11.92	–	–	14.80

## FACTS

APIR Code	GMO1447AU
ISIN	AU60GMO14472
Inception	23-Sep-20
Total Assets	\$241mm AUD
Management Fee	0.607% p.a.
Buy/Sell Spread	0.05%
Pricing Frequency	Daily
Distribution Frequency	Quarterly
Liquidity	Daily
Benchmark	MSCI World

## RISK PROFILE (SINCE INCEPTION 30-SEP-20)

Alpha (Jensen's)	4.18
Beta	0.99
R Squared	0.89
Sharpe Ratio	1.36
Standard Deviation	12.40

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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Joined GMO in 1995  
MS, Rensselaer  
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**Risks:** Risks associated with investing in the Fund may include Market Risk - Equities, Management and Operational Risk, Focused Investment Risk, Non-U.S. Investment Risk, and Currency Risk. For a more complete discussion of these risks and others, please consult the Trusts Product Disclosure Statement. Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com). **Performance Returns:** Net returns are presented after the deduction of management fees and incentive fees if applicable. These returns include transaction costs, commissions and withholding taxes on foreign income and capital gains and include the reinvestment of dividends and other income, as applicable. The inception date of the fund is 23 September 2020. The inception date of the performance data above is 24 September 2020, the first full day that the GMO Quality Trust was fully invested. Performance data using an inception date of 23 September 2020 would produce a different outcome and compare fund performance over a period different to that reflected in the benchmark performance. The GMO Quality Trust ARSN 643 940 872 ("the Trust") is issued by GMO Australia Limited ABN 30 071 502 639, AFS Licence No. 236 656. Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not predictive of future performance. Buy/Sell Spread: Entry/ Exit Transaction Cost Allowance. Distribution Frequency: Distributions are assessed on a quarterly basis. Management Fees: Inclusive of GST and net of any applicable Input Tax Credits and/or Reduced Input Tax Credits.

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## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Price/Earnings - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	21.8x	21.1x
Return on Equity - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	26.7%	20.4%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	331.8 AUD	174.2 AUD
Number of Equity Holdings	43	1441
Net Debt/EBITDA - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	0.1x	0.7x

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Small (5.4 & Below)	0.4	1.3
Small - Medium (5.4 To 15.5)	1.3	8.1
Medium (15.5 To 40.4)	3.5	15.7
Medium - Large (40.4 To 111.8)	16.6	24.4
Large (111.8 & Above)	78.2	50.4

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
United States	77.9	70.6
United Kingdom	7.0	4.0
France	4.8	3.2
Germany	3.5	2.3
Taiwan	3.2	0.0
Switzerland	2.5	2.4
Spain	0.7	0.7
Cash	0.6	0.0
Australia	0.0	1.9
Austria	0.0	0.1

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
United States	77.9	70.6
Europe	18.4	17.2
Rest of World	3.2	12.1
Cash Equivalents	0.6	0.0

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Communication Services	8.3	7.5
Consumer Discretionary	9.9	10.6
Consumer Staples	10.7	6.7
Energy	0.0	4.7
Financials	7.5	15.4
Health Care	25.0	12.0
Industrials	6.5	11.3
Information Technology	32.1	23.2
Materials	0.0	3.9
Real Estate	0.0	2.2
Utilities	0.0	2.5

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>Sector</i>	<i>%</i>
Microsoft Corp	Information Technology	6.4
Alphabet Inc	Communication Services	4.6
UnitedHealth Group Inc	Health Care	4.0
Meta Platforms Inc	Communication Services	3.7
Apple Inc	Information Technology	3.5
Johnson & Johnson	Health Care	3.5
Safran SA	Industrials	3.4
SAP SE	Information Technology	3.2
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	Information Technology	3.2
Coca-Cola Co/The	Consumer Staples	3.1
<b>Total</b>		<b>38.6</b>

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## GLOSSARY

**Risk Statistics:** Risk profile data is net of fees. Alpha is a measure of risk-adjusted return. Beta is a measure of a portfolio’s sensitivity to the market. R-Squared is a measure of how well a portfolio tracks the market. Sharpe Ratio is the return over the risk free rate per unit of risk. Std Deviation is a measure of the volatility of a portfolio.

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