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ARTESIAN GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE BOND FUND (NZD) **MONTHLY REPORT: JUNE 2026**

ABOUT THE FUND

The Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) offers New Zealand-based investors a Portfolio Investment Entity (PIE) vehicle through which to invest in the Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (AUD). Through this structure, the Fund will invest in a diversified portfolio of liquid, predominately investment grade fixed and floating rate green and sustainable bonds.

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PERFORMANCE	1 Mth	3 Mth	1 Yr	2 Yr	3 Yr	Since Inception
Artesian Green & Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) Gross	0.69%	1.81%	1.61%	4.64%	5.23%	5.23%
Artesian Green & Sustainable Bond Fund Net (NZD)*	0.64%	1.55%	0.35%	3.42%	4.11%	4.11%
Artesian Green & Sustainable Bond Fund PIR Return (NZD)**	0.64%	1.65%	0.97%	3.98%	4.57%	4.56%
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0-5 Yr Index 100% Hedged to NZD	0.51%	1.42%	0.58%	3.48%	4.09%	4.06%

*Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) returns are after all fees and expenses, but before tax which varies by investor. Past performance should not be taken as an indicator of future performance. The inception date for Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) is 19 June 2023.
**Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) returns are after all fees and expenses, but before tax which varies by investor and inclusive of tax credits. The Fund invests in an underlying Australian Unit Trust (AUT) which is required to distribute all income. Tax on these distributions is withheld at fund level but investors receive a tax credit for this amount. As such, the Zero PIR return is a reasonable basis for comparing performance between the NZD Fund and its AUT alternative.

PERFORMANCE of the Underlying Fund	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	2 Yr	3 Yr	4 Yr	5 Yr	Since Inception (p.a.)
Gross Fund Return	0.85%	2.30%	2.26%	2.83%	5.20%	5.50%	4.98%	2.98%	3.12%
Net Fund Return	0.81%	2.17%	2.01%	2.32%	4.67%	4.98%	4.46%	2.46%	2.61%
Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0-5 Yr Index	0.67%	1.92%	1.87%	1.99%	4.15%	4.22%	3.56%	1.76%	1.55%
Active Return (net Fund return - benchmark)	0.14%	0.25%	0.14%	0.33%	0.52%	0.75%	0.90%	0.71%	1.05%

Past performance should not be taken as an indicator of future performance. Net of fees performance is based on end of month redemption prices after the deduction of fees and expenses and the reinvestment of all distributions. Gross performance is the net return with fees and expenses added back. The inception date for the Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (AUD) is 25 September 2020.

PORTFOLIO UPDATE#

June was shaped by the partial unwind of Middle East driven energy pressures, even as central banks continued to grapple with the inflationary fallout. The RBA left the cash rate on hold at 4.35%, pausing after three rate hikes earlier this year to assess how much of the cumulative tightening had flowed through to the economy. The Board noted that financial conditions had tightened materially and that signs of slowing economic activity were beginning to emerge. In Europe, the ECB tightened policy for the first time since 2023, raising its deposit rate by 25bps to 2.25% after eurozone inflation accelerated to 3.2% in May, while core inflation also increased to 2.5% from 2.2%. In the United States, the Fed left rates unchanged at 3.50% to 3.75% in Kevin Warsh's first meeting as Chair. However, the accompanying dot plot adopted a more hawkish tone, with the median 2026 policy rate projection rising to 3.8% from 3.4% in March. Midway through the month, a US brokered peace agreement reopened the Strait of Hormuz, providing some relief to oil prices following months of conflict-driven spikes. Despite this easing in energy markets, growth indicators across developed economies remained soft.

The Underlying Fund's outperformance versus benchmark in June was driven by the overweight credit duration positioning (credit spreads were lower/tighter) and the overweight interest rate duration positioning (interest rates were lower/tighter). The Underlying Fund's running yield of 5.24% versus the benchmark's 4.62%, had a positive contribution to this month's return.

Outperformance came from the Underlying Fund's positions in ANZ (Sustainable), BPCE SA (Social), Lloyds Banking Group (Green), Investa Commercial Property Fund (Green) and Optus Finance (Sustainability-Linked). Underperformance came from the Underlying Fund's positions in Transpower (Green), NBN (Green), Bank Australia (Sustainable), MTR Corp (Green) and Contact Energy (Green).

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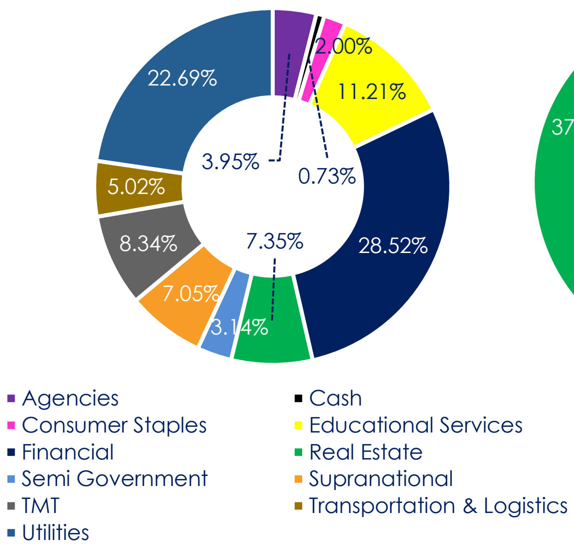
PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN#

SECTOR BREAKDOWN



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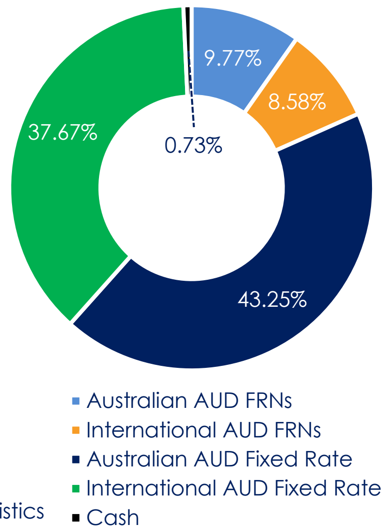
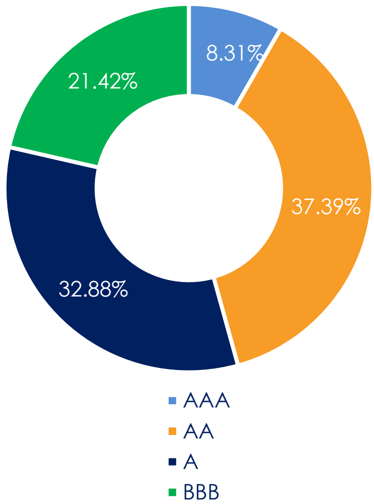


CREDIT RATING



CREDIT SPREADS#

Global credit spreads were mixed in June, with the AUD market slightly outperforming its global peers. On average, Australian dollar investment grade credit spreads tightened by 1bp to 105bps. In comparison, euro denominated spreads widened by 1bp to 80bps, while US dollar spreads widened by 2bps to 74bps. The outperformance of the AUD market was all the more impressive given another considerable month of new issuance, with AUD 16.7b priced during June. Total year to date AUD corporate issuance now stands at a record AUD 102.4b, representing another important step in the continued maturity and liquidity of the domestic credit market. Despite the elevated supply, demand remained robust and new transactions were well absorbed. One notable exception during the month was Judo Bank (no exposure in the Underlying Fund), which announced a surprise profit downgrade. The announcement saw subordinated debt spreads widen by approximately 50bps.

AS AT 30TH JUNE 2026	PRICE	CHG ON MTH
ITRAXX AUSTRALIA 5YR	0.68%	-0.04%
ITRAXX EUROPE 5YR	0.52%	-0.01%
ITRAXX EUROPE XOVER 5YR	2.45%	-0.14%
CDX US IG 5YR	0.51%	0.01%
CDX US HY 5YR	3.06%	0.06%

METRICS FOR THE UNDERLYING FUND#

Although the Underlying Fund's metrics did not change materially month on month, Artesian was once again active across both the primary and secondary markets. Australian government bond yields continued to rally during June, declining by approximately 17bps across the curve. Whilst the Underlying Fund remains neutral relative to the benchmark interest rate duration (IRD), with 3yr Australian Government Bond yields at 4.35%, broadly in line with the RBA cash rate, Artesian sees limited value in adding further duration at current levels. The Underlying Fund's credit duration (CD) remains longer than the benchmark, reflecting the Underlying Fund's constructive view on investment grade credit valuations. However, should credit spreads continue to tighten, Artesian expects to gradually reduce credit duration as valuations become less compelling. The Underlying Fund's running yield declined by 8bps during June as a result of the rally in government bond yields but remains attractive at 5.24%.

AS AT 30TH JUNE 2026	FUND	BENCHMARK
INTEREST RATE DURATION	2.33	2.35
CREDIT DURATION	3.49	2.35
YIELD TO MATURITY	5.25%	4.62%
YIELD TO WORST	5.24%	4.62%
BLOOMBERG COMPOSITE RATING (weighted average)	A	AA+

*Using the Morningstar methodology for Average Credit Quality

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In June Artesian witnessed another impressive month of new issuance in the AUD labelled bond market. Artesian recorded four new deals from three unique issuers for a total volume of AUD 3.75b.

ISSUER	Bond Type	Issue Date	Issue Size $M	Fixed/ Floating	Maturity
LLOYDS BANKING GROUP PLC	Green Green	4-Jun-26 4-Jun-26	300 450	Fixed Floating	11-Jun-32 11-Jun-32

Issuer	LLOYDS
Currency	AUD
Sector	Financials
SDG Alignment	7 Affordable and clean energy; 9 Industry, innovation and infrastructure; 11 Sustainable cities and communities
Eligible Projects	• Renewable Energy: Development, construction, operation, maintenance and storage of renewable energy projects. • Energy Efficiency: Energy efficiency technologies and equipment including smart meters, energy-efficient lighting and heating. • Clean Transportation: Zero-emission passenger vehicles, electric vehicle charging infrastructure • Green Buildings: Construction, acquisition or retrofit of residential and commercial buildings meeting recognised environmental standards.

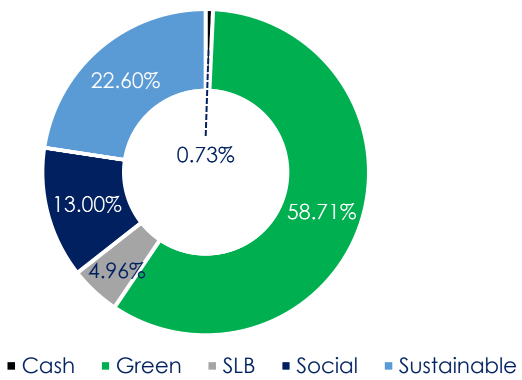
Lloyds Banking Group plc (Lloyds) is one of the UK's largest financial institutions, providing a broad range of retail and commercial banking, insurance and wealth management services to more than 27 million customers across the United Kingdom. The bank has issued two tranches of an inaugural 6NC5 AUD Green Bonds.

As a founding signatory to the Net-Zero Banking Alliance in 2021, Lloyds has committed to aligning its financed emissions with net zero by 2050. The Group has established interim 2030 decarbonisation targets across several carbon-intensive sectors including residential mortgages, commercial real estate, power generation, automotive manufacturing, agriculture, cement, iron and steel.

Lloyds has committed to publishing annual reporting for as long as any Green Bonds remain outstanding.

GREEN, SUSTAINABLE AND SOCIAL HOLDINGS#

BOND TYPE



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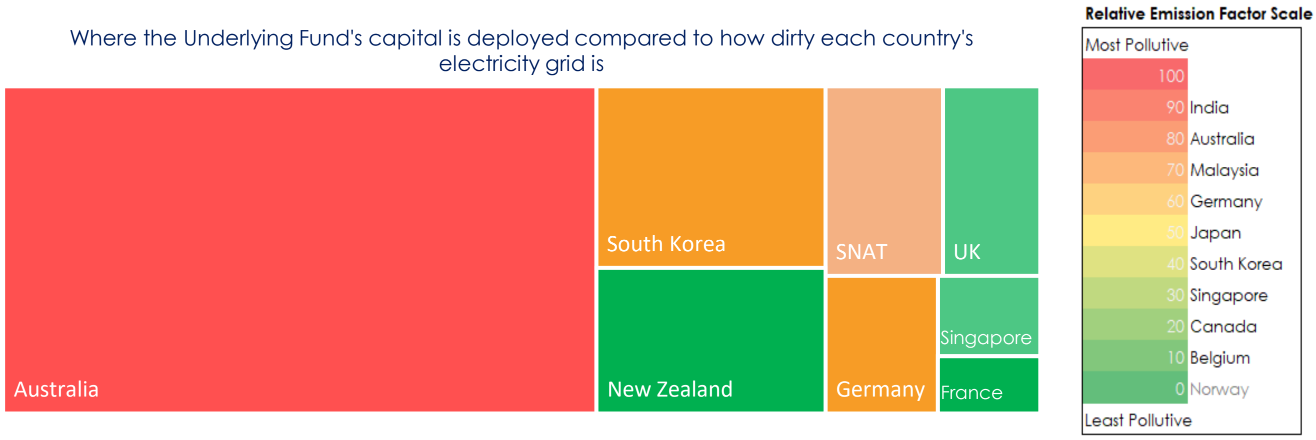
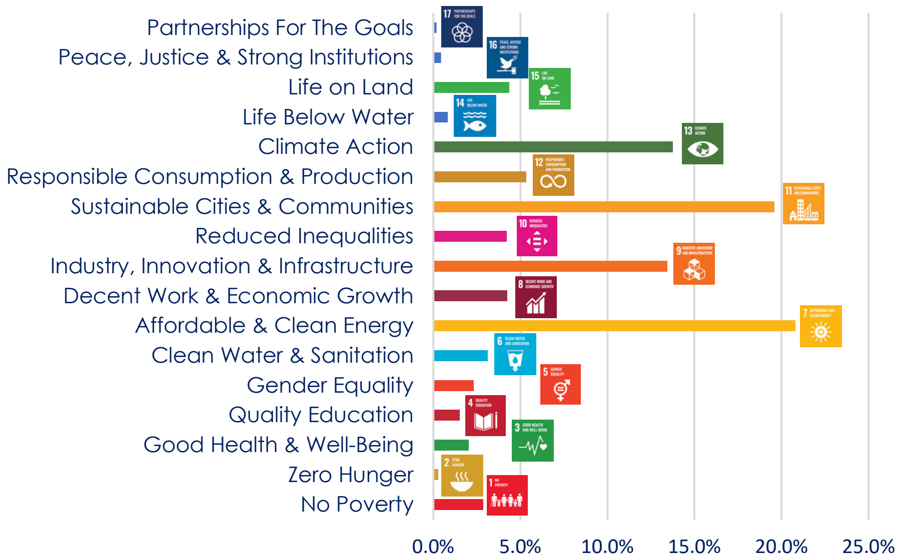
ALLOCATION OF FUNDS IN THE UNDERLYING FUND#



The heatmap above shows which countries the Underlying Fund is allocating capital to, to improve the global green economy. The Relative Emission Factor Scale shows how dirty the energy grid of each country is. It is a normalised scale of the baseline emission factor for electricity generation across 43 major countries - how much gCO2e/kWh is emitted. In essence, the more green capital investors can channel to higher pollutive countries, the higher the impact per dollar.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS#



The Sustainable Development Goals are the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. They address the global challenges we face, including poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace and justice. When mapping the SDG's per bond held in the Underlying Fund, Artesian take's a conservative approach. If one bond targets more than one SDG, then the allocation is split evenly between the SDGs and then portfolio weighted. Unsurprisingly, the Underlying Fund is most aligned with Clean Energy, Climate Action and Sustainable Cities, making up 54% of the Underlying Fund's targeted SDGs. The Underlying Fund currently supports 17 of the 17 SDGs.

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NOTES

The impact metrics published in this document reflect the proprietary methodology developed by Artesian for the collection, evaluation, calculation and harmonization of thematic ESG indicators that are aligned with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Actual data and estimated data are both analysed based on companies' disclosures including but not limited to "Use of Proceeds", "Impact Report" and "Second-party Verification", as well as engagement with the companies themselves.

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