Perpetual Investment Funds

BARROW HANLEY EMERGING MARKETS FUND

July 2026

FUND FACTS

Investment objective: Aims to provide long-term capital growth through investment in emerging market shares and to outperform the MSCI Emerging Markets Net Total Return Index (AUD) (before fees and taxes) over a full market cycle, typically five-years.

FUND BENEFITS

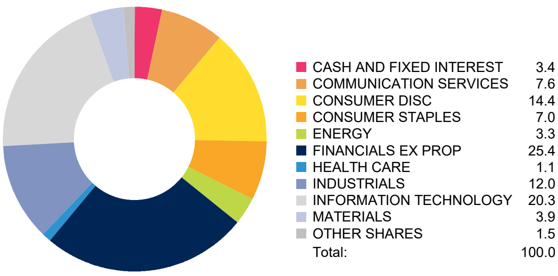
Provides investors with the potential for capital growth through a portfolio of emerging market shares using Barrow Hanley's experienced investment team and disciplined investment process. The Barrow Hanley team focuses primarily on fundamental securities analysis, valuation, and prospects for a return to fair valuation.

FUND RISKS

All investments carry risk and different strategies may carry different levels of risk. The relevant product disclosure statement or offer document for a fund should be considered before deciding whether to acquire or hold units in that fund. Your financial adviser can assist you in determining whether a fund is suited to your financial needs.

Benchmark: MSCI Emerging Markets Net Total Return (AUD)
Investment Manager: Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC
Inception Date: October 2022
Size of Portfolio: $3.71 million as at 30 Jun 2026
APIR: PER6134AU
Management Fee: 0.99%*
Investment style: Emerging Markets
Suggested minimum investment period: Seven years or longer

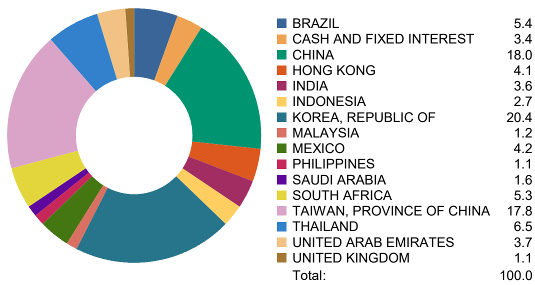
PORTFOLIO SECTORS



TOP 5 STOCK HOLDINGS

	% of Portfolio
MediaTek Inc.	4.3%
SK Inc.	3.3%
SK hynix Inc.	3.2%
Samsung Electro-Mechanics Co., Ltd	3.1%
BizLink Holding Inc.	3.0%

PORTFOLIO COUNTRIES

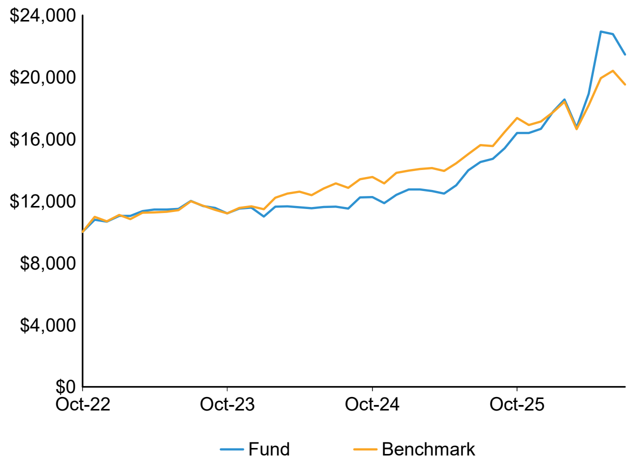


NET PERFORMANCE - periods ending 31 July 2026

	Fund	Benchmark	Excess
1 month	-5.84	-4.39	-1.45
3 months	13.39	7.30	+6.09
1 year	47.82	25.07	+22.75
2 year p.a.	35.80	21.92	+13.88
3 year p.a.	21.34	17.69	+3.65
4 year p.a.	-	-	-
5 year p.a.	-	-	-
7 year p.a.	-	-	-
10 year p.a.	-	-	-
Since incep. p.a.	22.13	18.61	+3.52

Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Returns may differ due to different tax treatments.

GROWTH OF $10,000 SINCE INCEPTION



*Information on Management Costs (including estimated indirect costs) and a full description of the Fund's performance fee is set out in the Fund's PDS.

MARKET COMMENTARY

Emerging market equities remained under pressure in July, recording a second consecutive month of negative returns with a 3.1% decline. The asset class lagged all other major regions and underperformed the MSCI World Index by 3.6%. The MSCI EM Value Index significantly outperformed the MSCI EM Growth Index. Escalating tensions between Iran and the U.S. at the start of the month pushed Brent crude oil prices above $100, with Brent crude gaining 24.6% over the month. Geopolitical concerns eased almost as quickly as they emerged, and the global market narrative once again centered on the AI investment cycle and concerns about the sustainability of capital expenditures, particularly by hyperscalers. While technology and AI-related stocks came under pressure globally, the impact was disproportionately larger in emerging markets.

July's sell off was driven by a sharp correction in the Information Technology sector, including Asian semiconductors and other AI beneficiaries, as investors became more cautious about future earnings power and took profits despite continued strong fundamentals. Progress in China's advanced semiconductor manufacturing capabilities put further pressure on semiconductor leaders in Korea and Taiwan, with Korea's double-digit market decline making it the worst performer for the month.

Most other emerging market countries delivered positive gains, benefiting from a weaker U. S. dollar. Colombia, Poland, and Indonesia were the strongest performers, driven by a mix of improving political developments, a supportive commodity price backdrop, and rotation into more cyclical sectors. Brazil also benefited from the weaker greenback, as well as better-than-expected inflation numbers and limited exposure to the AI ecosystem.

China, a laggard for most of the year, delivered strong positive returns overall as investors rotated out of Korean and Taiwanese AI beneficiaries and into Chinese banks and Hong Kong-listed internet names. Expectations of further policy support as an outcome of the end of month Politburo meeting provided additional support for the market. However, Chinese hardware and semiconductor companies predominantly listed on mainland exchanges faced similar selling pressure to their Korean counterparts.India outperformed the broad market with modest positive gains, also benefiting from the rotation out of AI leveraged trades in North Asian markets. The higher oil price presented a slight headwind for further returns given the country's dependence on oil imports.

As noted above, the Information Technology sector led emerging markets lower, with the sector declining nearly 13% in the month. The Industrials sector also faced headwinds in the month, declining 8%. The remaining nine sectors all produced positive returns with Consumer Discretionary stocks posting very strong returns being up 14% in the month. However, given the Information Technology sector currently accounts for more than 40% of the index, positive returns in the other sectors could not lift the overall index higher.

PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

The Barrow Hanley Emerging Markets Equity strategy gave back in the month some of the gains from earlier in the year, underperforming the MSCI Emerging Markets Index in the month of July. Challenging stock selection in the Information Technology sector drove the weaker relative returns led by exposure to Korean semiconductor names that faced downward pressure. It is worth noting this weakness follows some extraordinary gains in these companies in the past year. Positive stock selection within Financials, Consumer Staples and Industrials sector helped mitigate the underperformance.

OUTLOOK

July was a reminder that beneath headline returns, markets can shift leadership abruptly. The long-crowded AI and momentum trade cracked under the weight of elevated valuations and forced deleveraging, yet the broader market proved resilient as investors rotated into value, energy, and financials rather than exiting equities. Renewed Middle East tensions and higher oil prices reintroduced an inflation and policy risk that had faded only weeks earlier, even as strong earnings and resilient economic data supported the underlying tone.

Looking ahead, the same core variables remain in focus: the persistence of inflation pressures, the path of central bank policy, and the evolution of geopolitical risks. However, volatility in the market continues to show that investors remain more sensitive to forward-looking growth drivers, particularly AI investment, than to near-term macro uncertainty. While volatility may persist as these dynamics evolve, the durability of earnings and the scale of ongoing capital investment remain supportive for risk assets.

Despite the recent pullback in emerging market equities, we continue to believe there are many reasons why the emerging markets equity asset class may continue to be in demand for those investors looking for geographical diversification combined with a risk-return pay off at attractive valuation levels relative to other asset classes. It is an effective diversifier with lower correlation to other regions and its role as a higher growth component in asset owners' allocation is of increasing importance with lowered growth of developed economies.

We will continue to refrain from letting macro events, often with only short-term impact on markets, dictate our portfolio positioning and remain focused on our disciplined framework in identifying exploitable market dislocations. As we have seen in the past, heightened volatility can often present attractive entry points for patient investors, and our process is well designed to capture such opportunities. By maintaining a long-term perspective, we aim to navigate near-term uncertainty and capture these inefficiencies for longer term gains. Thank you for your continued confidence in our process and philosophy as we position portfolios for durable performance in 2026 and beyond.

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