Spheria Australian Smaller Companies Fund

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Performance as at 31 August 2026

	1 Month	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years p.a.	5 Years p.a.	7 Years p.a.	10 Years p.a	Inception p.a[3]
Fund[1]	3.8%	4.6%	-6.2%	10.3%	3.8%	8.7%	8.5%	8.7%
Benchmark[2]	5.2%	-0.2%	-1.2%	9.8%	2.2%	5.7%	6.5%	6.6%
Difference	-1.4%	4.8%	-5.0%	0.5%	1.6%	3.0%	2.0%	2.1%

[1] Spheria Australian Smaller Companies Fund. Returns of the Fund are net of applicable fees, costs and taxes.
[2] Benchmark is the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation index.
[3] Inception date of the current investment strategy is 11th July 2016. The Fund was established in June 2005. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. All p.a. returns are annualised.

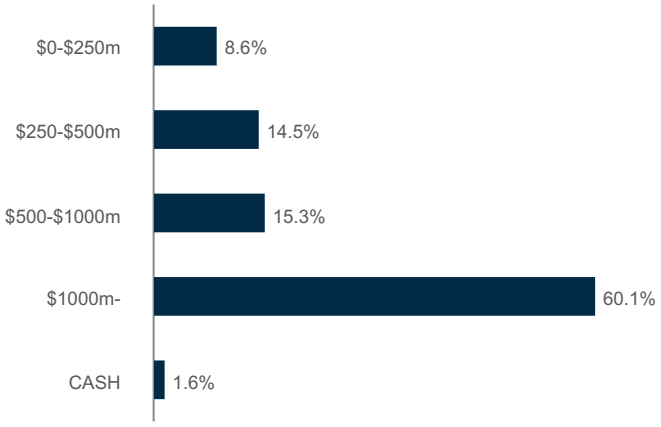
Overall Commentary

In the month ended 31 August 2026, the Fund returned 3.8% (after fees), underperforming the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index by 1.4%.

Top 5 Holdings

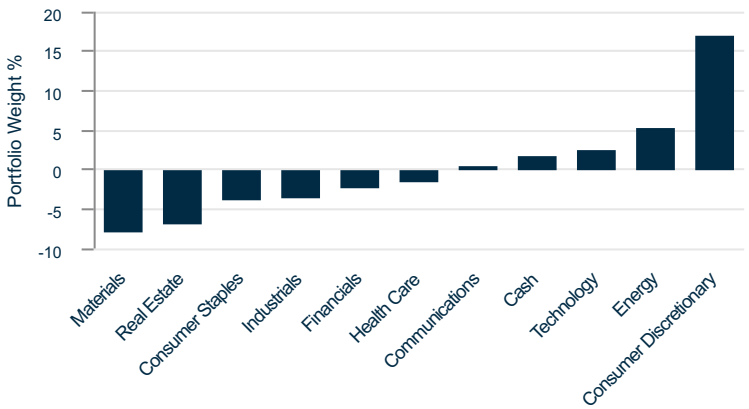
Company Name	% Portfolio
Supply Network Limited	5.3
Perpetual Limited	4.8
Bapcor Limited	4.5
Imdex Limited	3.6
Orora Limited	3.6
Top 5	**21.8**

Market Cap Bands



Source: Spheria Asset Management

Active Sector Exposure



Source: Spheria Asset Management, Bloomberg

Markets

Global equity markets continued to march higher in August due to government spending that is masking economic fragility for now. How and when this ends, nobody knows. A clear beneficiary of government indebtedness is the gold price which after pulling back aggressively since February, rebounded strongly in August from a low of ~US$4,000/oz to US$4,600/oz before easing post month. Domestically, small-caps outperformed large caps by ~4.6%. The materials sector was the key outperformer, driven by the gold price rally, with the Small Resources Index +17% vs Small Industrials broadly flat - a headwind to relative performance given the mandate's underweight position in gold. Within this context, the Fund performed reasonably well with key positions exceeding expectations in the August reporting season. This bodes well for future performance given how important results are for long term outperformance.

In general, reporting season for smaller companies, which tend to be more macro-sensitive, showed broad resilience in the face of rising interest rates, inflation (including much higher petrol prices) and pressure on housing following the May Budget's changes to negative gearing and capital gains tax. While conditions have clearly deteriorated, they were not as bad as many feared, with many consumer discretionary companies exhibiting LFL sales growth and resilient margins in 4QFY26 when conditions were at their worst.

Over the month the largest contributors were an overweight position in Bapcor (BAP.ASX, +55%), owning Capricorn Metals (CMM.ASX, +29%), and an overweight position in Bellevue Gold (BGL.ASX, +27%). The largest detractors from performance included an overweight position in IRESS (IRE.ASX, -15%), not owning Vault Minerals (VAU.ASX, +40%), and owning Mader Group (MAD.ASX, -11%).

Platform Availability List

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Asgard	DASH	Insignia Financial Wrap	OneVue
BT Panorama	Freedom of Choice	Macquarie Wrap	PowerWrap
Centric	HUB24	Mason Stevens	Praemium

Spheria Australian Smaller Companies Fund	
Benchmark	S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index
Investment Objective	Outperform the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index over the medium to long term
Investing Universe	Primarily listed companies outside the top ASX 100 listed companies by market capitalisation and companies listed on the New Zealand Stock Exchange with an equivalent market capitalisation
Risk	Very high
Holdings	Generally 20-65 stocks
Distributions	Half-Yearly
Fees	1.10% p.a Management fee & 20% performance fee of the Fund's excess return verses its benchmark, net of the management fee
Cash	Up to 20% cash, typically 5% - 10%
Expected Turnover	30% - 40%
Style	Long only
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Minimum Initial Investment	$25,000

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