

Market Overview

The S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index recorded a positive second quarter (+8.5%) as each of the last three months resulted in the index finishing higher. Stronger performance from mining related commodities and oil helped local resource companies, even though concerns around global free trade continued. Political tensions in Europe, global relations with regards to the US, and the speed at which the US Federal Reserve intended to raise rates added to the uncertainty. Locally the quarter saw the release of a Federal Budget focussed on tax cuts, and a steady stream of news from the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry.

Economic data for Australia started the quarter with a weak March quarter inflation print (+0.4%) giving an annual inflation rate of +1.9%. GDP numbers were better than expected, rising +1.0% over the first quarter, or +3.1% for the year, helped by higher mining exports and strong government expenditure. Unemployment decreased to 5.4% driven by a decrease in the number of people looking for jobs. Relatively unchanged underemployment and underutilisation continuing to be a headwind for meaningful wages growth. Previous quarter wage growth registered only +0.5%, with the yearly gain just +2.1%. The RBA remained consistent in its view that inflation would continue to remain low for some time, as the central bank maintained the cash rate at +1.50%. The Australian dollar finished the quarter lower at US73.9c.

Resource stocks did well over the quarter as commodity prices improved. Rising oil prices helped the Energy sector (+19.7%) finish as the best performing sector over the quarter. The Materials sector was also one of the better performers, in large part due to a strong mining sub-sector. Overall though, the Health Care sector (+16.5%) was the second best performing sector, with pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device companies reporting well the past three months. The worst performing sector was the Telecommunications sector (-13.7%) led lower by Telstra after it flagged challenging trading conditions would persist. The Financials sector (+4.1%) managed a gain but was negatively impacted by publicity from the Royal Commission.

The best performing stock over the quarter was WiseTech Global (WTC +66.2%) which raised guidance and announced a string of global acquisitions as it continued on its strategy to expand globally. The worst performing stock over the quarter was Retail Food Group (RFG -39.2%) who announced a new CEO, downgraded earnings as the retail environment remained difficult, and were removed from the S&P/ASX 200 index.

Performance as at 30 June 2018

	Gross %	Out-performance % [^]	Benchmark % [*]
1 Month	3.82	0.55	3.27
3 Months	9.67	1.20	8.47
6 Months	7.17	2.88	4.29
1 Year	15.42	2.41	13.02
2 Years (pa)	12.69	-0.88	13.57
3 Years (pa)	8.02	-1.03	9.04
Since inception (pa) [*]	4.58	-0.17	4.75

^{*} S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index.

[^] Shows the difference between Portfolio Gross Return and Benchmark Return.

[#] Model performance inception date: 27/2/2007.

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Rounding used in the presentation of data may result in minor variations.

Summary

Model Portfolio Name	BlackRock 200 Growth
Model Code	BR0012
Model inception date	27/02/2007
Principal investment objective	To achieve capital growth and dividend income through investing in a portfolio of 20 to 30 stocks in the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index that are ranked well on measures of operating growth
Can derivatives be used?	No
Indicative number of stocks	20 – 30
Minimum Model investment	No fixed minimum*
Model Provider's Fees*	
Investment Fee	0.40% p.a.
Performance Fee applicable?	No
Benchmark Index	S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index

* Please refer to the Product Disclosure Statement for further details.

About the Model Portfolios

Investment objective

The BlackRock 200 Growth Model Portfolio (the "Model") aims to achieve capital growth and some dividend income through investing in a portfolio of 20 to 30 stocks in the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index that are ranked well on characteristics like revenue growth, earnings growth and other measures of operating growth.

Investment strategy

The investment objective of the Model is pursued by investing in securities listed in the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index which exhibit a growth outlook (or exhibit a bias to growth characteristics). Growth securities are generally stocks that achieve steady cash flow generation capability.

The Model is reviewed monthly. The Model invests in stocks in the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index that are ranked well on measures of operating growth.

Designed for investors who...

- Seek capital growth
- Are satisfied with market returns
- Accept the risk of significant price fluctuations