# A new approach to investment gearing



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# 42B+

In assets under management

## 1 million

Investors in our funds

## 90 + funds

Widest range of exchange traded products on the ASX





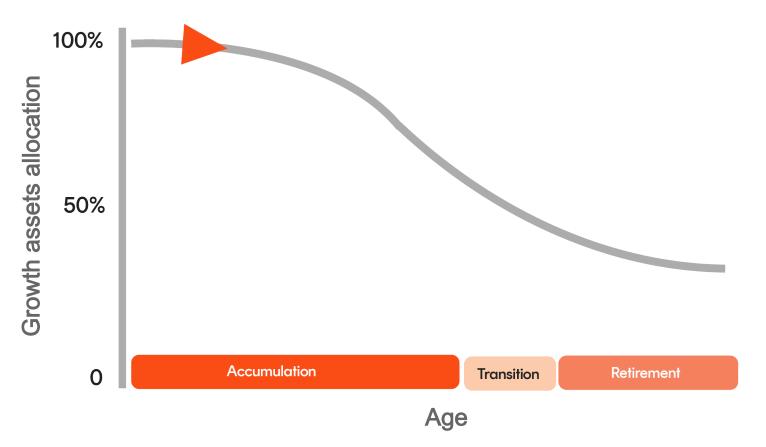


# 01. Why consider a geared investment approach?



## Conventional wisdom on age-based asset allocation... ..but should you follow this approach?

Investment asset allocation 'glide path'



Glide path investment allocation approach provided for illustrative purposes only. Not a recommendation to invest or a dopt any investment strategy.





# 02. Different investment strategies using gearing



## Examples of investment strategies using gearing:

- Boosting your investment in Super beyond the concessional cap
- Enhancing after-tax income
- Efficient use of capital and paying down non-deductible debt
- Managing your portfolio and entitlement to a government pension in retirement

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# 03. The outperformance potential of gearing



# Beta shares Geared ETFs | GEAR & GGUS

GEAR and GGUS were the first geared ETFs launched in Australia, in 2014 and 2015 respectively.

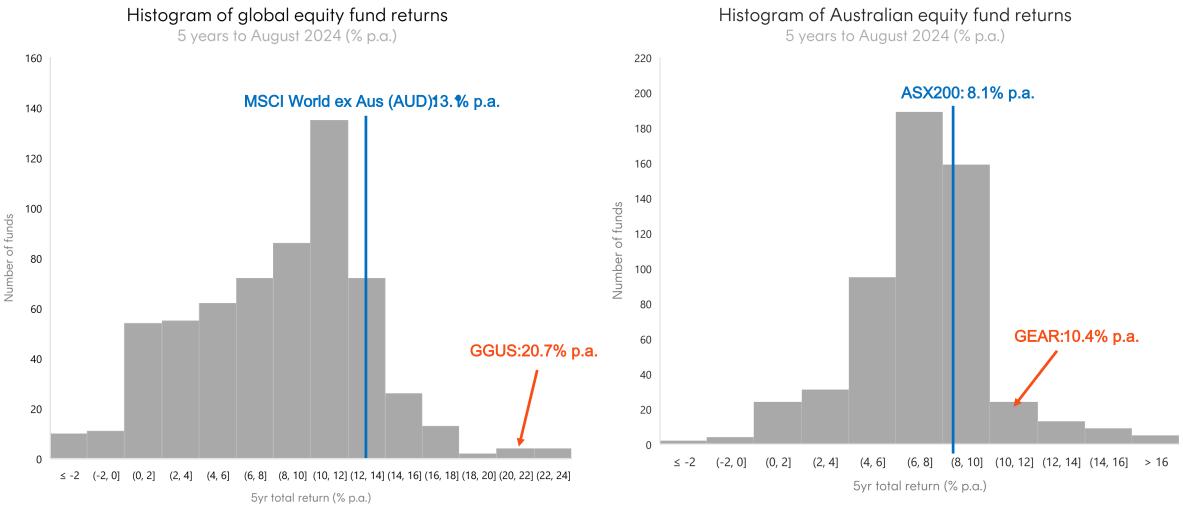
Exposure	Australian equities	US equities
Fund	Betashares Geared Australian Equity Fund (hedge fund)	Betashares Geared US Equity Fund - Currency Hedged (hedge fund)
ASX Code	GEAR	GGUS
Underlying portfolio	200 largest ASX-listed companies	500 largest S&P 500 listed companies
Management fees and costs	0.80% p.a. of Gross Asset Value	0.80% p.a. of Gross Asset Value
Loan to value ratio range	50-65%	50-65%
Geared exposure range	2x - 2.86x on a given day	2x - 2.86x on a given day

Each Fund's returns will not necessarily be in the stipulated geared exposure range over periods longer than a day, primarily due to the effects of rebalancing to maintain the Fund's daily target geared exposure range and the compounding of investment returns over time, as well as the impact of fees and costs. Each Fund's returns over periods longer than one day m ay differ in amount and possibly direction from the daily target geared return range.

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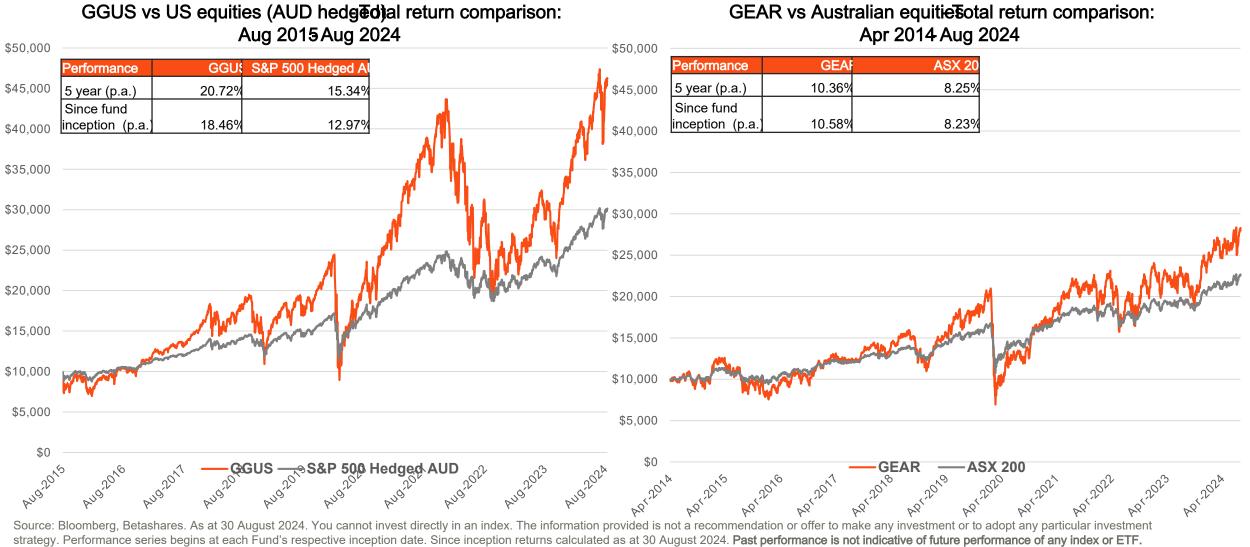
# GGUS and GEAR performance versus peer groups over last 5 years



Source: Morningstar Direct. As at 31 August 2024. Australian equity funds universe includes all 555 Australian domiciled equity funds within the Morningstar category "Australia Fund Equity Australia" and with five years' of return data. Global equity funds universe includes all 606 Australian domiciled equity funds except for those within a Morningstar category of "Australia Fund Equity Australia" and with five years' of return data. The returns for all funds are shown after fees and costs. Past performance is not indicative of future performance of any index or fund. Gearing magnifies gains and losses and may not geared investments involve significantly higher risk than non geared investments. An investment in each fund is very high risk i n nature

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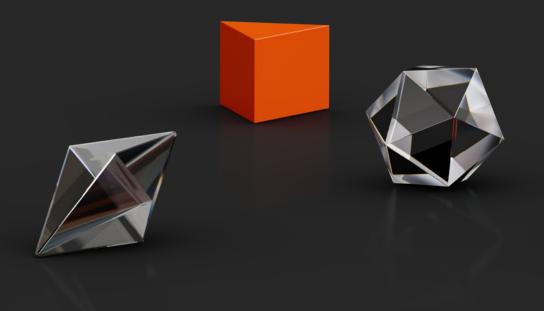
# Historical performance illustration using \$10,000 investment



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# 03. Risks and challenges



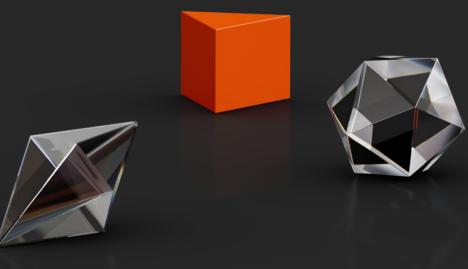
If gearing can be so powerful, why don't more people use it? What are the risks of using gearing?

- Higher volatility Gearing magnifies gains and losses and may not be a suitable strategy for all investors
- Additional cost Need underlying investment to go up (and exceed borrowing costs) for geared exposure to outperform an ungeared exposure
- Complexity and additional administration
- Risk of margin call and impact of rebalance on long term performance

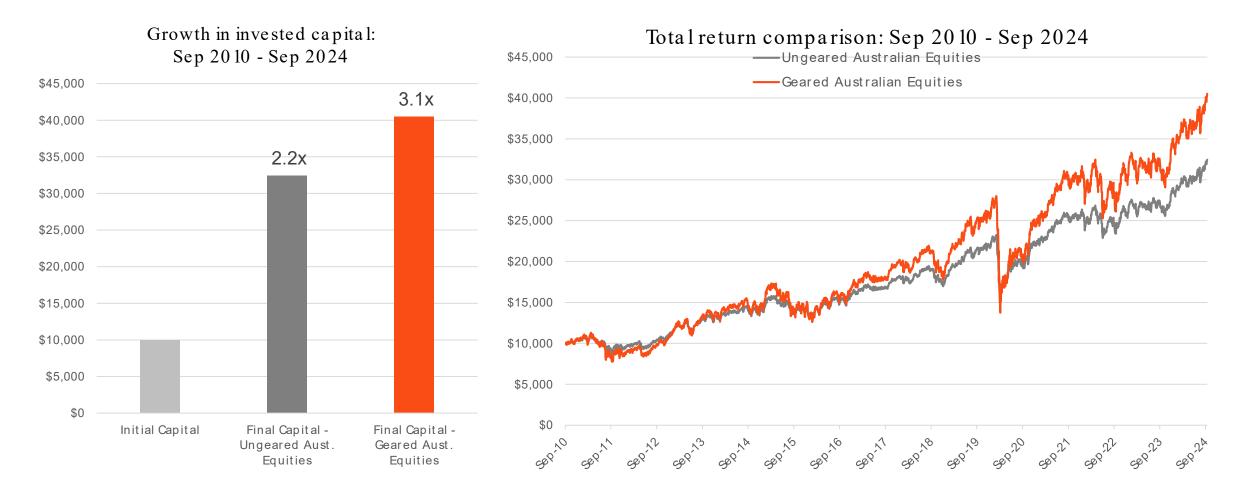




# 03. Introducing Betashares Wealth Builder ETFs



### Moderately geared Australian equities strategy vungeared strategy: Simulated performance illustration using \$10,000 investment



Source: Bloomberg, Betashares. As at 30 September 2024. Important information and ey assumptions in prior slideThis information is provided for illustrative purposes only and is not representative of actual fund performance. Actual outcomes may differ materially. You cannot invest directly in an index. Thenformation provided is not a recommendation or offer to make any investment or to adopt any particular investment strategy. Simulated past performance is not indicative of future performance of any fund or strategy.

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#### Simulated historical strategy performance illustration – Australian equities Important information and assumptions

#### Important information

- The following information shows<u>simulated</u> historical performance of a geared strategy for a broad market Australian equities exposure (as measured by the Solactive Australia 200 Index) compared to an ungeared strategy over the same exposure for the period **fno** September 2010 toSeptember 2024. It is based on certain assumptions (see below) and is subject to certain inherent limitations. It is provided for **illustrative purposes only** and is not representative of actual fund performance. Actual outcomes may differ materially.
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#### Key assumptions

- Simulated strategy performance is shown net of management fee and costs, being 0.04% p.a. of net asset value (for ungeared strategy) and 0.35% p.a. of gross asset value (for geared strategy).
- For the geared strategy, a gearing ratio of 3040% is applied, with the ratio brought back to the midpoint (35%) at end of dayfithe ratio moves outside of this range.
- Borrowing costs are based on the rates/margins agreed with the prime broker for G200.
- All returns assume reinvestment of distributions. Does not take into account transaction costs.



# Beta shares Wealth Builder ETFs | G200 & GHHF

The Wealth Builder ETFs provide investors with the potential to build long-term wealth through diversified exposure to Australian and global shares using a 'moderate' level of gearing.

Exposure	Australian Equities	Australian and global equities	Nasdaq 100
Fund	Betashares Wealth Builder Australia 200 Geared (30-40% LVR) Complex ETF	Betashares Wealth Builder Diversified All Growth Geared (30-40% LVR) Complex ETF	Betashares Wealth Builder Nasdaq 100 Geared (30-40% LVR) Complex ETF
ASX Code	G200	GHHF	GNDQ
Underlying portfolio	200 largest ASX-listed companies	Diversified basket of Australian and global developed and emerging markets equities	100 of the largest non-financial companies listed on the Nasdaq
Management fee	0.35% p.a. of Gross Asset Value	0.35% p.a. of Gross Asset Value	0.50% p.a. of Gross Asset Value
Loan to value ratio range	30-40%	30-40%	30-40%
Geared exposure range	1.43x - 1.67x on a given day	1.43x - 1.67x on a given day	1.43x - 1.67x on a given day

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### Simulated historical strategy performance/risk comparison Comparison period: September 2010 – September 2024

Risk Metrics	Ungeared Australian Equities	Geared Australian Equities	"SMSF Top Stocks" portfolio <sup>1</sup>
Volatility (p.a.)	14.73%	22.47%	18.58%
Max drawdown	-36%	-51%	-44%
Days to recover from drawdown	4 12	445	604

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1. Source: Morningstar, Class Benchmark Report 2023. As at October 2023. "SMSF Top Stocks" portfolio is an equally weighted ptfolio of the top 6 stocks held by SMSFs, according to the Class Benchmark Report 2023, being BHP Group, Woodside, Westpac, CBA, NAB, ANZ. The portfolio is assumed to be rebalanced daily, thidividends reinvested on the ex-date.

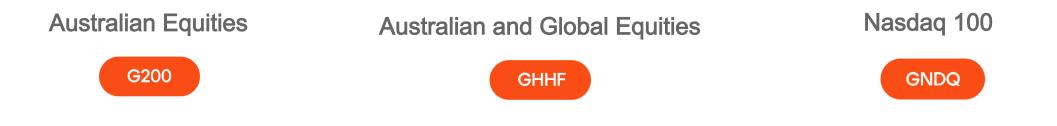


# In Conclusion

Gearing in 'moderation' may be suitable for a range of investors, provided they are comfortable with the risk associated with gearing and have the view that equity markets will generally appreciate over time.

Betashares Wealth Builder ETFpsrovide a choice of diversified exposures to different share markets utilising a relatively 'moderate' level of gearing.

- Potential for accelerated wealth creation
- Access to low-cost funding
- Convenience
- Enhanced franking credits (for G200 and GHHF)



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# Things to consider

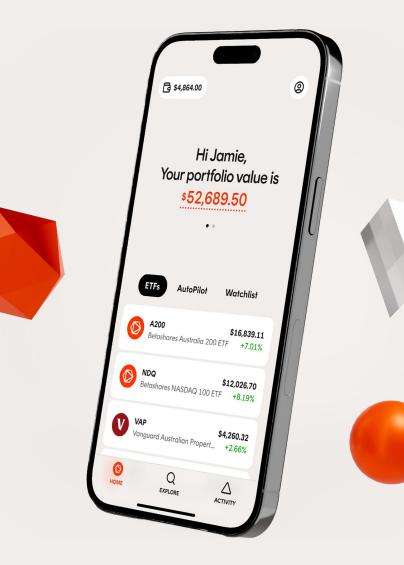
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