

# Nikko AM Wholesale Multi-Strategy Fund

Monthly Update 30 June 2025

The factsheet covers the MMAF ordinary share class but not the A & C share class units which are side-pocketed.

## Performance

	One month	Three months	One year	Three years (p.a)	Five years (p.a)	Ten years (p.a)
<b>Wholesale<sup>1</sup></b>	1.47%	3.84%	6.20%	6.18%	5.38%	4.13%
<b>Benchmark<sup>2</sup></b>	0.52%	1.63%	7.75%	8.01%	6.23%	5.54%

1. Returns are before tax and before the deduction of fees and including tax credits (if any).

2. Current Benchmark: Bloomberg NZ Bond Bank Bill Index plus 3.0% per annum. No tax or fees.

## Performance Contribution by Strategy

Strategy	No. of funds	Contribution YTD*
Credit	3	0.73%
Event Driven	3	-0.04%
Long/Short Equities	4	2.49%
Macro/Opportunistic	2	-0.01%
Relative Value	3	2.33%

\*Contribution is for the calendar year.

## Five Year Cumulative Performance, \$10,000 invested<sup>1,2</sup>

Performance is for JPMAAM MSF II strategy up to 30.06.20 and for MMAF from 01.07.20



## Investment Manager

The Wholesale Multi-Strategy Fund invests into the JP Morgan Alternative Asset Management Hedge Fund Solutions JP Morgan Multi Manager Alternatives Fund (MMAF).

JPMAAM HFS is led by CIO Paul Zummo who co-founded the business in 1994 and is still head of the Portfolio Management Group and chairs the JPMAAM HSF Investment Committee. Paul has over 25 years industry experience and is a member of the CFA Institute.

## Overview

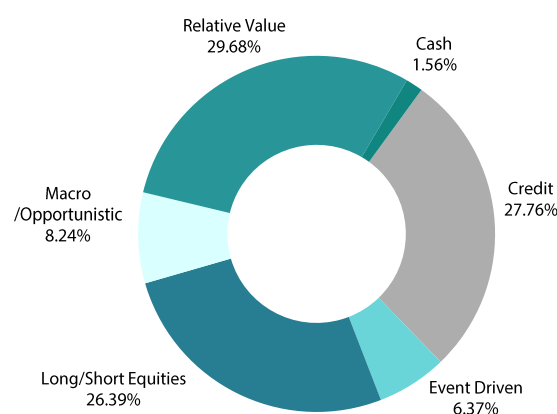
The fund provides access to a multi-manager, multi-strategy investment fund designed to generate returns over the long term.

The portfolio has a diversified risk profile with low to medium volatility.

## Objective

The fund aims to outperform the benchmark return before fees, expenses and taxes over a rolling three-year period.

## Strategy Allocation (by value of fund)



## Market Commentary

In June, the U.S. economy was marked by ongoing concerns surrounding tariffs and the reconciliation bill. Geopolitics in the Middle East briefly disrupted market stability mid-month, but tensions eased following a ceasefire announcement. The interplay of tariffs, which hurt growth, and the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, which supports growth, continues to cloud the Federal Reserve's (Fed's) economic projections, keeping the Fed in a cautious wait-and-see approach to the rates outlook. Despite these challenges, the U.S. equity market remained resilient, with the S&P 500 index achieving a record high by the end of the month. Global equity markets were also broadly higher, with the MSCI World Index increasing by +4.35%, while the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index returned +1.89%.

## Fund Commentary (source: JPMAAM for underlying USD share class)

Four out of five strategy returns were positive for the month of June.

**Long/Short Equity Strategy (Return: +3.48%)** – The long/short equity strategy continued to extend its gains from the previous month and was once again the best-performing strategy for the month. All managers ended the month positively. Most of the gains for a consumer-focused manager came from positions in the communication services sector (TKO Group Holdings Inc., Spotify Technology SA). Additional positive gains came from a technology specialist manager and a European specialist manager. The technology specialist manager posted gains from positions within the information technology sector (Marvell Technology Inc., Flex Ltd.) whereas the European specialist manager posted gains from positions within the industrials sector (American Industrials Partners LP) and financials sector (Legal and General Group Plc.). Gains from the utilities and renewables manager mainly came from positions within the industrials sector (Siemens Energy AG).

**Relative Value Strategy (Return: +1.64%)** – The relative value strategy was the second-highest contributor for the month, continuing its positive performance. Gains predominantly came from the multi-strategy portfolio and a market-neutral statistical arbitrage manager. The multi-strategy portfolio achieved gains from positions within the information technology and financial sectors, while gains from the market-neutral statistical arbitrage manager came from positions within the financial sector, followed by index trading.

**Credit Strategy (Return: +0.89%)** – The credit strategy ended the month positively with all managers contributing to gains. Most of the gains came from the corporate bond trading portfolio and CDX tranche positions of a long/short and structured credit manager. Additional gains were made by another credit manager with corporate bond positions. The municipal bond trading portfolio also contributed positively to the strategy.

**Macro/Opportunistic Strategy (Return: +2.16%)** – The macro strategy contributed modestly, ending the month with positive performance. Gains predominantly came from the quantitative macro portfolio, primarily due to long positions in index futures. Additionally, the reinsurance segment also managed to contribute small positive gains for the month.

**Event Driven Strategy (Return: -1.07%)** – The event-driven strategy was the only strategy that ended the month negatively, albeit slightly. Most of the losses occurred within the multi-event portfolio from corporate bond positions in Sunnova Energy International Inc. The shareholder engagement strategy ended the month flat, as gains from a sustainable biorefinery platform, Green Plains, and a provider of rail transport services, Norfolk Southern Corp, were offset by losses from a leading auto parts and accessories manufacturer, LKQ Corp, and index hedges.

## Key Fund Facts

<b>Estimated annual fund charges (incl. GST)</b>		<b>Hedging:</b>	JPMAAM hedges all currency exposure back to NZ dollars.	<b>Strategy Launch:</b>	June 2008
<b>Wholesale:</b>	None.	<b>Redemptions:</b>	Requests can be made on a daily basis and they will be processed within 12 working days.	<b>Strategy size:</b>	\$13.7m
<b>Distributions:</b>	Generally does not distribute			<b>Buy / Sell spread:</b>	0.00%/0.00%
<b>Management Fee</b> to JPMAAM 1.95% p.a. includes underlying JPMAAM fund expenses and underlying manager fees.					

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