Things you should know As at 30 June 2021

Where did that year go? It feels like only yesterday that we sent out last year's statements. It's nice to take a moment to reflect on what we've all achieved in that time. Whether it's something big or small, be proud of what you've accomplished. Now that you've seen how your super has been tracking in your statement, we'd like to let you know about some of the things we've been up to over the past 12 months and some important changes to your product.

Our new beginning with IOOF

We're excited to now be a part of IOOF.

On **31 May 2021**, National Australia Bank (NAB) sold MLC to wealth manager, IOOF Holdings Ltd (IOOF). IOOF has been helping Australians plan for and achieve their financial goals for over 170 years and has grown to become a leading provider of quality financial advice, investment, superannuation and trustee products and services.

While it's been a big change for us, for you things have stayed pretty much the same. You're still a part of the MLC Super Fund with NULIS Nominees (Australia) Limited as Trustee and there's been no change to your fees, product or services.

We've set up a dedicated website with all the information about our sale to IOOF. To find out more, visit **plum.com.au/ownership**

Buy/sell spread changes

Each individual fund manager reviews their fund's performance and makes appropriate changes from time to time.

When assets in an investment option are bought or sold, costs such as brokerage, stamp duty and settlement costs are incurred. Some or all of these costs may be recovered by a buy-sell spread. These can change from time to time, so we recommend you contact a financial adviser if you're thinking of selling or switching.

You can keep up to date with current buy-sell spreads at **plum.com.au**

On **1 November 2021** we're introducing a buy/sell spread for members when they transact on the investment options in the table below. This means, if you choose to buy or sell any of these options, you'll incur either a buy or sell spread.

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Investment option	Buy/sell spread (%)
Essentials – Conservative	0.15/0.15
Essentials – Cautious	0.15/0.15
Plus – Conservative	0.15/0.15

Tobacco exclusion

We're committed to making responsible investment decisions for the benefit of our members. In line with our Responsible Investment Policy, we're looking at ways we can consider Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors in investment decisions.

One environmental factor is tobacco production and manufacturing.

Our Plum investment options have had minimal exposure to tobacco companies in recent years. From October 2021, we will no longer allow investment managers to invest in companies with material exposure (over 5% of total revenue) to the production and manufacture of tobacco, for several of our Plum options. There may, from time to time, be a small level of unintended exposure across some of the asset classes (such as unlisted assets, alternatives and Private Equity).

You can view the full list of impacted investment options at **plum.com.au/tobaccoexclusion**

Trustee NULIS Nominees (Australia) Limited ABN 80 008 515 633 AFSL 236465

Fund MLC Super Fund ABN 70 732 426 024 This exclusion won't change the fees or costs of the impacted investment options.

We'll continue to look at ways we can consider ESG factors with our investments in future.

Standard Risk Measure update for some investment options

We use the Standard Risk Measure (SRM) to help you compare investment risk across the investment options offered. The SRM is based on industry guidance and is an estimate of the number of negative annual returns an investment option may experience over any 20-year period. It's not a complete guide, but it can help you compare the investment risk of different investment options.

The SRM for various investment options have changed, which we've tabled below. We've also listed the definition of each SRM to help you understand these changes. For more information, see the Product Disclosure Statement and the Investment Menu.

Investment menu Effective 1 December 2020	Previous SRM	Updated SRM
MySuper — at age 57	High	Medium to high
MySuper – at age 58	High	Medium to high
Diversified Fixed Interest	Medium	Low to medium
Fixed Interest Option	Medium	Low to medium
Pension Fixed Interest Option (BHP Super Plan only)	Medium	Low to medium
Plum Active – Cautious	Medium	Low to medium
Plum Active – Assertive	High	Medium to high
Plus – Moderate	High	Medium to high
Cash Option (BHP Super Plan Only)	Low	Very low

These changes were effective **1 December 2020**.

Risk label Risk **Estimated number of negative** band annual returns in any 20-year period Very low Less than 0.5 1 Low 0.5 to less than 1 2 Low to medium 1 to less than 2 3 4 Medium 2 to less than 3 Medium to high 3 to less than 4 5 6 High 4 to less than 6 Very high 6 or greater 7

Reclassification of growth assets for MySuper

MySuper invests in a mix of growth and defensive assets that change depending on your age. We've adjusted how we classify some of the asset classes that make up the growth and defensive mix for MySuper. Unlisted property, unlisted infrastructure, and growth alternatives are now considered 75% growth and 25% defensive assets while they were previously grouped as 100% growth assets. Reclassifying these asset classes as partly defensive is consistent with the direction being taken by the industry and the desire to achieve more standardised treatment of these asset classes.

The new growth and defensive mix for MySuper is shown in the table below.

All changes were effective **1 June 2021**.

Investment option	Growth assets (%)	Defensive assets (%)
MySuper – under age 55	80	20
MySuper – at age 55	79	21
MySuper – at age 56	78	22
MySuper – at age 57	77	23
MySuper – at age 58	76	24
MySuper – at age 59	75	25
MySuper – at age 60	74	26
MySuper – at age 61	73	27
MySuper – at age 62	72	28
MySuper – at age 63	70	30
MySuper – at age 64	68	32
MySuper – age 65 and over	66	34

Reclassification of growth assets in other options

We've adjusted how we classify some of the asset classes, which make up the growth and defensive mix of an investment option. Unlisted property, unlisted infrastructure, and growth alternatives are now considered 75% growth and 25% defensive assets while they were previously grouped as 100% growth assets. Reclassifying these asset classes as partly defensive is consistent with the direction being taken by the industry and the desire to achieve more standardised treatment of these asset classes. The table below breaks down the growth asset classes that were reclassified, effective **1 June 2021**.

Previously 100% growth assets	New classification		
growth assets	Growth assets (%)	Defensive assets (%)	
Unlisted infrastructure	75	25	
Unlisted property	75	25	
Growth alternatives	75	25	

Clarification on how we process withdrawals

We've had some feedback that we weren't as clear with you as we could have been about how we process withdrawals, particularly with what unit price is used to process the transaction.

When you make a withdrawal, the transaction will generally be processed using the unit price for the day the Trustee receives relevant documents and all requirements have been met. For example, if we received your withdrawal form and certified identification on 1 July 2021 and everything was completed correctly, we would generally use the unit price for 1 July 2021 to process your withdrawal.

Changes to Strategic Asset Allocations and ranges

We're always looking for ways to either improve returns or reduce risk in our portfolios. As a result of a recent review, we've made changes to the Strategic Asset Allocations (SAAs) for our Pre-mixed, MLC, Active, Essentials and Plus investment options. Since our previous review we've experienced complex market environments and changes in the competitive landscape. We believe these changes provide our members with better returns for the risk taken, and help position these investment options to deliver long-term competitive investment outcomes for members.

The new SAAs are shown in the tables below and were effective **1 June 2021**.

Pre-mixed,	MLC,	Active,	Essentials	and Plus
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Asset Class	Conservative (%)	Cautious (%)	Moderate (%)	Assertive (%)	Aggressive (%)
Australian Shares	10	18	25	33	42
Global Shares	8	15	20	23	28
Global Shares (hedged)	3	4	9	12	16
Property	7	7	8	8	5
Private Equity	1	4	5	5	6
Infrastructure	5	6	7	7	3
Growth Alternatives and other	3	3	6	2	0
Defensive Alternatives and other	8	8	7	5	0
Fixed Interest	42	26	9	5	0
Cash	13	9	4	0	0
Growth assets	33	53	75	86	98
Growth asset range	20-50	40-70	60–90	65–95	90–100
Defensive assets	67	47	25	14	2
Defensive asset range	50-80	30–60	10-40	5-35	0-10

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Asset class	Diversified Shares – Geared (%)
Australian Shares	50
Global Shares	38
Global Shares (hedged)	27
Private Equity	8
Growth Alternatives and other	5
Defensive alternatives and other	2
Gearing ¹	(30)

1 If asset values fall dramatically (such as in unusually adverse market conditions), the portfolio's gearing level may rise above 30%.

Investment option closures

Note: this only applies to members of the BHP Super Plan

On **31 March 2021**, we closed some of the investment options available to members of the BHP Super Plan – we've listed them in the table below.

The investment options we closed had a low number of members invested, which results in additional investment risk and increased costs for members. We considered continuing to offer these investment options, but to do so we'd need to increase the investment fees to cover the increased costs which would've then reduced the return for these options. As a result, the following investment options have been closed.

Closing investment option

Australian Shares Option

Fixed Interest Option

Global Shares (Hedged) Option

Global Shares (Unhedged) Option

Property Option

MLC Australian Shares (Pension)

Pension Australian Shares Option

Pension Fixed Interest Option

Pension Global Shares (Hedged) Option

Pension Global Shares (Unhedged) Option

Pension Property Option

Keeping up with communications

We want to take away the complexity and make it as simple as possible for you to get active with your super. Whether it's communicating better by email, personal opportunities to hear about your fund or further improving our online support, we're committed to making it easy for you to get involved.

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