The State of the Managed Accounts Market

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In Summary

- Resumed fast growth ~\$80 bn Dec 2019
- Up 28% YoY
- Increasing effect on reshaping dynamics of advice



FUM by legal structure

Managed Account Category	31 Dec 2019 (\$ billions)	Incr / Decr \$ (\$ billions) June 2019 to Dec 2019	Incr / Decr Percentage% Dec 2018 to Dec 2019	30 June 2019 (\$ billions)	31 Dec 2018 (\$ billions)
SMA/MIS	\$29.3	\$3.8	35.6%	\$25.6	\$21.2
MDA services	\$31.1	\$1.9	17.4%	\$29.2	\$26.5
Other	\$18.8	\$2.3	30.3%	\$16.6	\$14.5
Total	\$79.3	\$7.9	27.6%	\$71.4	\$62.1





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Managed Accounts are Working

- Managed Accounts are working well in the current environment from a number of perspectives including:
 - being able to make portfolio changes across all clients in that portfolio where required
 - o ability to rebalance as portfolios have become significantly distorted
 - o being able to provide up to date reporting across all clients in portfolios to help provide support and a level of comfort that portfolios are being managed
 - no client is 'left behind'. All clients in the managed account portfolio are treated equally and experience the same portfolio management decisions and / or rebalancing
- Platforms are under volume pressure and while the actual trading / execution process has been laborious, portfolio changes have been executed (especially for those portfolios consisting of managed investments)



Developments in Managed Accounts

- Strong demand for lower cost portfolios
- Increasing demand for dedicated retirement / drawdown portfolios
- Potential to lower the investment cost via access to lower priced unit classes or rebates for volume invested
- Historically the demand for investment consulting portfolio services for advice groups rises following market corrections



Market Observations

- Buy / Sell spreads (particularly sell spreads) have widened significantly on fixed interest funds (including ETF's) as the markets suffer liquidity challenges with investors selling
- Alternative strategies have provided portfolios some protection (i.e. have fallen less than equity markets)
- Active managers provide better downside protection in downward moving markets and this has generally been the case again
- Concern that the 'value' style hasn't worked. This is normal, initial indiscriminate
 panic selling affects all investment styles. Value will work longer term as investors
 identify those investments backed by stronger earnings.



Regulatory Issues

- ASIC MDA review
- FASEA Code of Ethics
- Compensation Scheme of Last Resort
- RG97
- Design & Distribution Obligations

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