MONTHLY UPDATE

September 2026

SHARE PRICE	KFL NAV	DISCOUNT[1]
$1.20	$1.30	7.5%

as at 31 August 2026

A WORD FROM THE MANAGER

The Kingfish portfolio gross performance return and adjusted NAV return in August were +1.5% and +1.2% respectively, versus the New Zealand shares benchmark S&P/NZX 50 return of +1.6%.

Portfolio

a2 Milk (-1%) delivered its full year result ahead of its April guidance and expects further growth in revenue and core operating profit ('EBITDA') in its new financial year. However, the recovery from out-of-stock events in its 'Zhi Chu' China label infant formula range in the middle of 2026 will mean performance is likely weighted towards the second half of the year.

Auckland Airport (+2%) delivered full-year profit of $309 million despite passenger growth of only 1.6% and ongoing disruption from the transformation as it redevelops and integrates its terminals. Unsurprisingly, its near-term outlook was cautious based on international passenger growth of +3% to 10.8 million and a -3% decline in domestic passengers to 8.3 million, as traveller appetite remains mixed given local cost-of-living pressures and Air New Zealand still yet to recover from its fleet issues.

Electricity companies **Mercury** (0%), **Contact Energy** (-1%), and **Meridian** (-3%) delivered predictably sound results as foreshadowed by their regular operating disclosures. The pick of the results was Mercury, which delivered on its $370 million target for operating expenses, and intends to keep this figure flat for the next two years as a result of an efficiency and productivity drive. The conclusion of an elevated period of extended investment phase also saw a higher-than-expected dividend, and growing confidence across the business saw it lift the bottom end of its long-term earnings target for its 2030 financial year. Data centres were also a hot topic, with Contact Energy announcing a joint project partnering with Infratil's CDC Data Centres business to potentially develop a 250-megawatt data-centre campus at its Stratford site in Taranaki. This follows Mercury's $53m investment in Datagrid in July, which will help to progress its 360-megawatt Southland data centre project. Should the projects proceed, this would allow the electricity companies to accelerate the build out of their renewable development projects with electricity sold at attractive prices, plus capture additional returns from their ownership in the data-centre projects.

Delegat (+9%) reported its strongest profit in several years of $61.5m, representing 20% growth on the previous year in spite of tariff headwinds. It also provided maiden operating profit after tax guidance of $62-66m for its new financial year that demonstrates confidence in continued growth.

EBOS (-1%) delivered its annual result in line with revised guidance from April, with core operating profit growing 5% despite fuel and foreign exchange headwinds, while underlying profit after tax declined 3% as its major facility reinvestment programme saw higher occupancy costs. The company expects consistent core operating profit growth into the next financial year of around 5%.

Freightways (-5%) was the biggest decliner in the portfolio. The company delivered a solid result for the year to June with earnings per share up 17% but noted "the combination of higher fuel costs and softer customer demand created a drag during the final quarter on a result which was otherwise strong." Looking forward "it will be another year of 'softer for longer' than initially expected" and currently "trading conditions continue to be challenging". We still anticipate growth in the next year, although at a lower rate than recently.

Fisher & Paykel Healthcare (+9%) provided updated guidance at its annual meeting, highlighting continued strength in its hospital business, with demand for its latest hardware platforms and ongoing consumable adoption driving a stronger-than-expected start to the financial year. First-half guidance implies revenue growth of 14% and underlying net profit growth of 24% (excluding tariff refunds), while full-year guidance was also upgraded.

Port of Tauranga (+1%) delivered a strong result for the year to June ahead of expectations, demonstrating the resilience of its business despite softer trade volumes and ongoing capacity constraints. Underlying net profit rose 23% to a record $155m despite soft trade volumes, driven by pricing initiatives, productivity improvements and lower operating costs. Management highlighted significant improvements in operational efficiency, including higher crane productivity driving faster ship turnaround rates, and remains optimistic about future improvements which will see the port remain a favourite with shipping lines. The company recently received conditional approval of its Stella Passage berth extension, which can expand capacity and support long-term volume growth.

[1] Share Price Discount to NAV (using the net asset value per share, after expenses, fees and tax, to four decimal places).

Summerset (+3%) delivered a first half result that was well-received on account of a significant pivot away from maximising development growth to a better balance of continued growth coupled with improved cash generation, a stronger balance sheet, and increasing operating discipline. Management lowered its medium-term build rate to 600 -700 homes per annum from 2027, compared with around 950 homes previously. The company announced its cost review exercise will now result in $30-40 million annual cost savings. It also increased its New Zealand deferred management fee for incoming residents from 25% to 30% (in line with most others in the sector), which is expected to generate an additional $35m of cash flow over the next five years. These changes will assist in cashflow from existing operations of $70-90m in 2027, up from $32m in 2025. These shifts will also reduce net debt to below $1.9 billion by the end of 2027 (versus the lower end of $2.0-2.5b). The company also reset its dividend policy to be based on cash flow from existing operations rather than underlying profit, which further strengthens the balance sheet and provides a better balance for a company that will still be growing strongly.

Vista (+11%) delivered a result for the first half of its financial year that saw revenue grow 12% to $86.3 million and core operating profit increase 24%, as it continued to transition clients to its next generation offerings. The strong start to the year allowed it to lift its guidance for the overall financial year.

Vulcan Steel (+4%) delivered a 16% uplift in core operating profit in its financial year ended June, with the real improvement coming in the last six months (up 34%), in spite of ongoing challenging trading conditions. The improvement came in both New Zealand and Australia and the company is cautiously optimistic that the improvement will continue into the new financial year.

Matt Peek
Senior Portfolio Manager
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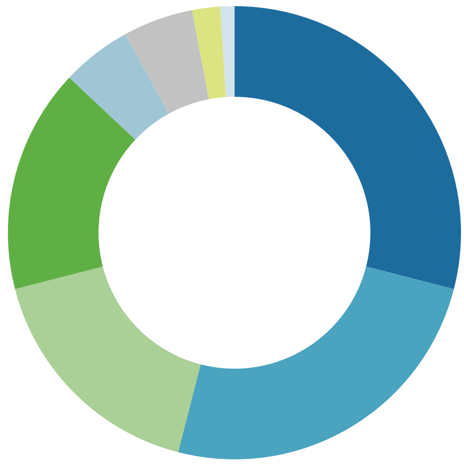
KEY DETAILS

as at 31 August 2026

FUND TYPE	Listed Investment Company
INVESTS IN	Growing New Zealand companies
LISTING DATE	31 March 2004
FINANCIAL YEAR END	31 March
TYPICAL PORTFOLIO SIZE	15-25 stocks
INVESTMENT CRITERIA	Long-term growth
PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE	Long-term growth of capital and dividends
TAX STATUS	Portfolio Investment Entity (PIE)
MANAGER	Fisher Funds Management Limited
MANAGEMENT FEE RATE	1.25% of gross asset value (reduced by 0.10% for every 1% of underperformance relative to the change in the NZ 90 Day Bank Bill Index with a floor of 0.75%)
PERFORMANCE FEE HURDLE	Changes in the NZ 90 Day Bank Bill Index + 7%
PERFORMANCE FEE	10% of returns in excess of benchmark and high-water mark
HIGH WATER MARK	$1.10
PERFORMANCE FEE CAP	1.25%
SHARES ON ISSUE	363m
MARKET CAPITALISATION	$435m
GEARING	None (maximum permitted 20% of gross asset value)

SECTOR SPLIT

as at 31 August 2026



Health Care	31%
Industrials	25%
Financials	17%
Utilities	14%
Consumer Staples	5%
Information Technology	5%
Materials	2%
Cash	1%

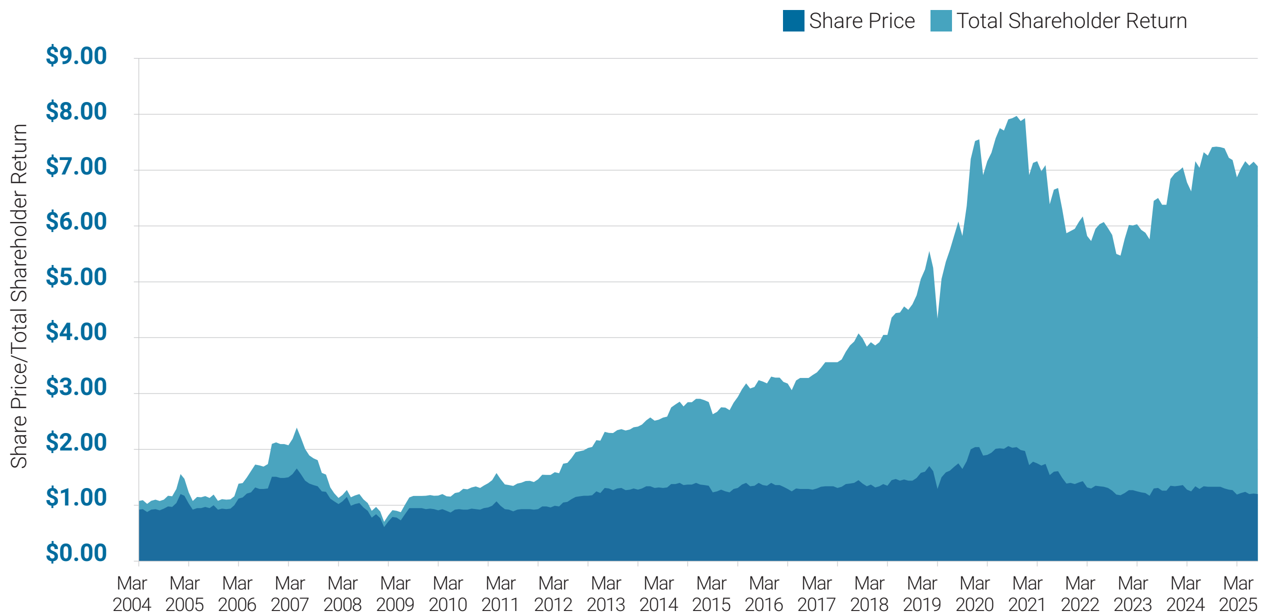
AUGUST'S SIGNIFICANT RETURNS IMPACTING THE PORTFOLIO during the month

VISTA GROUP	FISHER & PAYKEL HEALTHCARE	DELEGAT GROUP	VULCAN STEEL	FREIGHTWAYS
+11%	+9%	+9%	+4%	-5%

5 LARGEST PORTFOLIO POSITIONS as at 31 August 2026

FISHER & PAYKEL HEALTHCARE	INFRATIL	MAINFREIGHT	SUMMERSET	AUCKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
19%	17%	9%	7%	7%

TOTAL SHAREHOLDER RETURN to 31 August 2026



PERFORMANCE as at 31 August 2026

	1 Month	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years (annualised)	5 Years (annualised)
Company Performance					
Total Shareholder Return	(1.1%)	(1.2%)	(2.6%)	+5.9%	(2.2%)
Adjusted NAV Return	+1.2%	+4.2%	+5.7%	+7.2%	+0.9%
Portfolio Performance					
Gross Performance Return	+1.5%	+4.9%	+7.2%	+8.9%	+2.2%
S&P/NZX50G Index	+1.6%	+5.1%	+7.6%	+6.4%	+1.0%

Non-GAAP Financial Information

Kingfish uses non-GAAP measures, including adjusted net asset value, adjusted NAV return, gross performance return and total shareholder return. The rationale for using such non-GAAP measures is as follows:

» adjusted net asset value – the underlying value of the investment portfolio adjusted for dividends (and other capital management initiatives) and after expenses, fees and tax,
» adjusted NAV return – the percentage change in the adjusted NAV,
» gross performance return – the Manager's portfolio performance in terms of stock selection, before expenses, fees and tax, and
» total shareholder return – the return combines the share price performance, the warrant price performance, the net value of converting any warrants into shares, and the dividends paid to shareholders. It assumes all dividends are reinvested in the company's dividend reinvestment plan, and that shareholders exercise their warrants, (if they were in the money), at warrant expiry date.

All references to adjusted net asset value, adjusted NAV return, gross performance return and total shareholder return in this monthly update are to such non-GAAP measures. The calculations applied to non-GAAP measures are described in the Kingfish Non-GAAP Financial Information Policy. A copy of the policy is available at kingfish.co.nz/about-kingfish/kingfish-policies.

ABOUT KINGFISH

Kingfish is an investment company listed on the New Zealand Stock Exchange. The company gives shareholders an opportunity to invest in a diversified portfolio of between 15 and 25 quality growing New Zealand companies through a single, professionally managed investment. The aim of Kingfish is to offer investors competitive returns through capital growth and dividends.

MANAGEMENT

The Manager has authority delegated to it from the Board to invest according to the Management Agreement and other written policies. Kingfish's portfolio is managed by Fisher Funds Management Limited. Matt Peek (Senior Portfolio Manager) and Zoie Regan (Senior Investment Analyst) have prime responsibility for managing the Kingfish portfolio. Together they have significant combined experience and are very capable of researching and investing in the quality New Zealand companies that Kingfish targets. Fisher Funds is based in Takapuna, Auckland.

BOARD

The Board of Kingfish comprises independent directors Fiona Oliver (Chair), David McClatchy, Dan Coman and Simon Flood.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

Regular Dividends

» Quarterly distribution policy introduced in June 2009

» Under this policy, 2% of average NAV is targeted to be paid to shareholders quarterly

» Dividends paid by Kingfish may include dividends received, interest income, investment gains and/or return of capital

» Shareholders who prefer to have increased capital rather than a regular income stream have the opportunity to participate in the company's dividend reinvestment plan (DRP)

» Shares issued to DRP participants are at a 3% discount to market price

» Kingfish became a portfolio investment entity on 1 October 2007. As a result, dividends paid to New Zealand tax resident shareholders have not been subject to further tax

Share Buyback Programme

» Kingfish has a buyback programme in place allowing it (if it elects to do so) to acquire its shares on market

» Shares bought back by the company are held as treasury stock

» Shares held as treasury stock are available to be utilised for the dividend reinvestment plan

Warrants

» Warrants put Kingfish in a better position to grow further, operate efficiently, and pursue other capital structure initiatives as appropriate

» A warrant is the right, not the obligation, to purchase an ordinary share in Kingfish at a fixed price on a fixed date

» There are currently no Kingfish warrants on issue

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