The Bond Report MySuper

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Key Points

APRA has released new data on superannuation assets and contributions in its *Quarterly Superannuation Performance* publication for September. The data now includes a breakdown of assets held in MySuper products, including "generic" and "large employer". The new data is a substantial improvement and provides a good basis for analyzing industry trends and the impact of policy changes.

- Total superannuation funds under management are \$1.87 trillion, a 9.6 per cent increase over the past twelve months.
- 20 per cent of all superannuation funds are in MySuper products, 30 per cent are in SMSF and 41 per cent are in Choice products. Excluding SMSFs, MySuper accounts for 33 per cent of total APRA regulated funds.
- Total assets in MySuper are \$378.1 billion, of which \$375.3 billion are in "generic" MySuper products and \$2.8 billion are in "large employer" MySuper products.
- \$114.0 billion of the total MySuper assets are invested in lifecycle strategies.
- There are 103 entities offering MySuper products 40 per cent of all entities. There are 116 MySuper products, of which 28 have lifecycle strategies.
- Funds remaining to be transferred from existing default funds to MySuper have fallen from \$220 billion to \$71 billion between September 2013 and September 2014.

Data on industry wide asset allocation and MySuper asset allocation has also been published. The main differences between industry wide asset allocation and MySuper asset allocation are:

- MySuper funds have a larger allocation to international equities (25 per cent) than the industry in total (22 per cent) although not provided in this publication, by way of comparison, SMSFs invest less than 5 per cent in international equities;
- The industry wide allocation to cash (13 per cent) is higher than the MySuper allocation (9 per cent); and
- The MySuper allocation to infrastructure (7 per cent) is higher than the industry wide allocation (4 per cent). Another Bond Report on superannuation fund contributions will be released separately.

Chart 1: MySuper, Choice and SMSF share of total assets

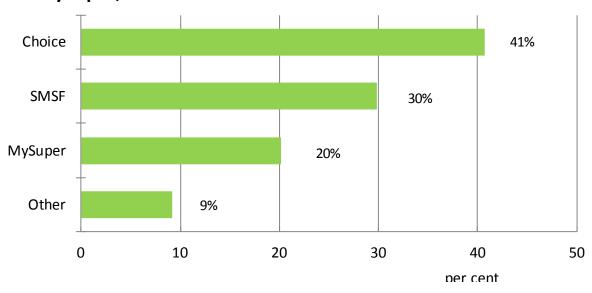
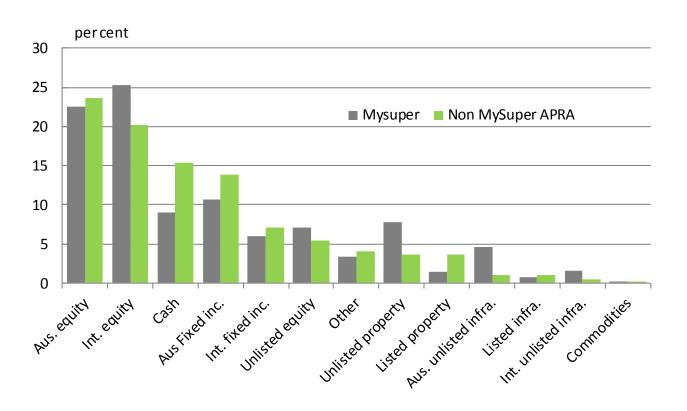


Table 1 MySuper

	Assets (\$ billion)	
	Jun 2014	Sep 2014
Total assets in MySuper products	364.7	378.1
of which: MySuper products with a lifecycle strategy	108.1	114.0
Generic MySuper products	361.4	375.3
MySuper products - large employer provision	3.3	2.8
Proportion of assets in a MySuper product	33%	33%

Chart 2 Industry-wide Asset Allocation and MySuper Asset Allocation



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