



Argonaut Global Gold Fund

Monthly Performance Report – April 2024

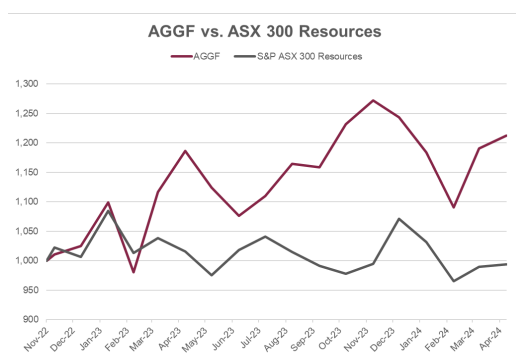
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Fund Performance

	1 Month	3 Months	FYTD	CYTD	Inception
Argonaut Global Gold Fund	1.8%	2.4%	12.6%	-2.5%	21.2%
S&P ASX 300 Resources	0.4%	-3.7%	-2.4%	-7.2%	-0.6%
Outperformance to ASX 300 Resources	1.4%	6.1%	15.0%	4.7%	21.9%

*All AGGF performance figures are net of fees.

- The Argonaut Global Gold Fund ("AGGF") gained 1.8%, net of fees, for the month of April, outperforming the ASX 300 Resources index which gained 0.4%. AGGF has delivered a return of 21%, net of fees, since inception (21st November 2022). The Fund's unit price as at 30 April was \$1.196.



Illustrates the relative performance of a \$1,000 investment in AGGF, net of fees, and the respective indices since the inception date of AGGF. Assumes all distributions are reinvested back into the Fund.

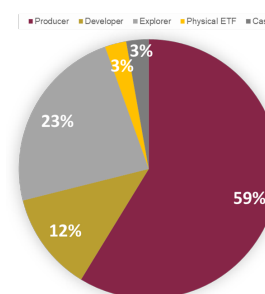
Market Overview

- Major indices were down in April with the Dow Jones and S&P 500 falling by 4.4% and 4%, respectively. Australian markets followed suite with the ASX 300 down 2.9% and the ASX All Ordinaries falling 2.7%. Against this backdrop, the resource sector delivered gains, with the ASX 300 Resources Index rising by 0.4% and the ASX Small Ordinaries Resources rebounding 1.9%. The gold sector was the standout with a 2.3% lift in the gold price to US\$2,291 oz, driving an 8% surge in the Australian gold index. Higher copper (+14%), nickel (+15%) and zinc (+22%) prices drove investor interest in base metal stocks. Uranium prices moved higher and drove continued demand for a carbon free baseload power source. Iron ore staged a recovery, jumping 16% to close at US\$118t.
- Market drivers remained largely unchanged - concerns over a strong economy and higher inflation saw sentiment shift to "higher for longer" interest rates and a resultant increase in the 10 Year US treasury yield, from 4.2% to 4.6% over the month. The \$AUD remained largely unchanged around 65c against the USD. Improving news from China added to the resource sector impetus.
- Finally, large scale M&A activity returned to the resource sector with BHP unveiling the proposed acquisition of Anglo American, attracted by its complementary asset portfolio of copper, iron ore and high-quality coking coal. It won't be any easy deal to complete, but if it's successful, it will see BHP emerge as the largest copper producer in the world at a time when the commodity is the "consensus buy".

Portfolio Update

- Disconnect to gold equities is still apparent and we urge investors to remain patient as this performance gap will take longer than a few months to close. During April, Goldman upgraded its year-end price forecast to \$US2700 an ounce, from \$US2300 an ounce. Gold ETF outflows by investors had continued as at early April but have been negated by central bank buying, led by China. As the AFR noted, 'Citi expects that trend to continue, projecting more than 1000 tonnes of central bank purchases this year, which would be the third-highest volume since the Nixon shock in 1971, the last time foreign governments could exchange their dollars for gold. Citi this week upgraded its forecasts to its "bull case scenario", triggering a 6.8 per cent increase to its 2024 projection to \$US2350 an ounce, and an "admittedly massive" 40 per cent lift in 2025 to \$US2875 an ounce.'
- Silver also moved higher during April and AGGF benefited from performance contributions from silver producers during the month, including MAG Silver (+0.2%) and First Majestic (+1%).
- Exploration exposure of the fund has been increased in recent months including Canadian listed Awale Resources focused on Tenements in Cote D'Ivoire. A new drill program is now underway at the Charger deposit following up on Awale's recent drill intercept of 26 g/t gold over 57m, including 45.7 g/t gold over 32m from 165m downhole, drilling is fully funded by Newmont. A second rig will soon commence drilling at the BBM Prospect to follow up on its 75m @ 2.4 g/t gold equivalent intercept, we anticipate next assays in early June.
- Genesis Minerals (GMD) Leonora site visit was well received and highlighted the ramp up of Admiral open pit feed and the opportunity around the Ulysses underground de-risking the production outlook over the medium term. The intimated 325kozpa production target is looking very achievable and, in our view, will prove to be a low bar particularly given the emerging opportunity at the Tower Hill mine. Notwithstanding some consternation from the market regarding incrementally higher capex (\$130mn FY25-FY29) associated with accelerated stripping and production rate at Tower Hill we believe this will ultimately deliver significantly higher production rates and free cash flow to shareholders and continue to view GMD as a core position. The Admiral mine presents GMD with the opportunity to accelerate the re-start of the Laverton mill which will enhance near term free cash flow and somewhat offset the high capex profile at Tower Hill from a cash flow perspective.

AGGF Portfolio Exposure (by type)



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