

Fat Prophets Global Contrarian Fund (FPC) announces a Disclosure pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 4.12

Dear Shareholders,

The estimated net tangible asset backing increased in February 2024 with pre-tax and post-tax NTA lifting by +0.38% **to \$1.0591 and \$1.111 respectively**. At 29 February 2024, cash held was - 8.99% of the portfolio with gearing lifting net exposure to 109%.

	31 January 2024	29 February 2024	Change
Pre-Tax NTA	\$1.0551	\$1.0591	+ 0.38%
Post-Tax NTA	\$1.1066	\$1.1110	+0.40%

MARKET OUTLOOK AND PORTFOLIO CHANGES

During February, the Fund had a modest gain driven primarily by **Japanese financials**. With wage growth acceleration occurring in Japan, the BOJ is moving ever closer to removing NIRP and tightening monetary policy. While higher interest rates could drive the yen higher which would impact exporters, the banks and insurance companies would stand to benefit from expanding net interest margins.

Japan's stock market has been one of the best performing this year, and we see this continuing over the medium to longer term, with corporates much more focused on lifting ROE and boosting shareholder returns. Despite the rally in the financials, bank valuations are still well below other major markets.

Precious metal equities did better during the month driven by a weaker dollar and expectations that the Fed will soon cut rates. Central banks have remained heavy buyers, and particularly in China where the PBOC continues to buy on the open market to lift reserves. Despite the move in spot prices to record levels, gold and silver miners continue to screen cheap in our view. We expect a catchup rally to ensue this year given last year pronounced underperformance.

Since our last update, we have added selective China/Hong Kong exposure to the portfolio via high growth and relatively cheap technology names. We selected **Boss Zhipin** which is emerging as a disruptive leader in China's online recruitment market, underpinned by an innovative matching model with scale advantages and a strong network.

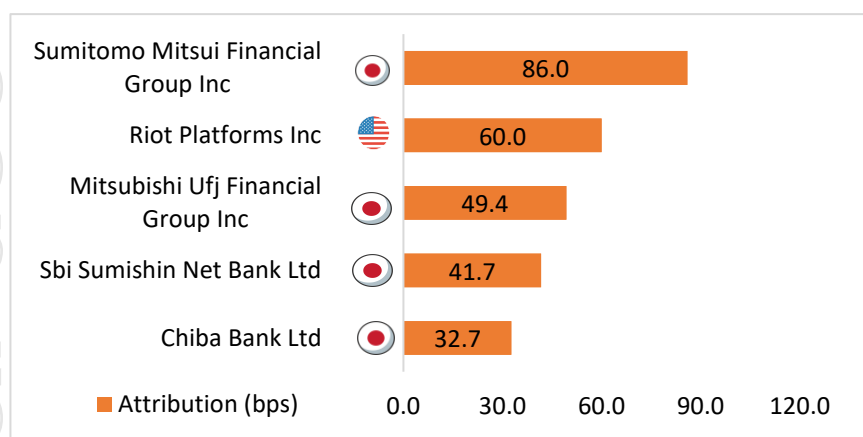
Whilst recruitment demand in China is challenging in the current macro environment, Boss Zhipin continues to win market share, and importantly, achieve rapid growth in revenues and EBITDA. When China's economy eventually turns, Boss Zhipin will be well positioned. The stock was down nearly 70% from the IPO highs in 2021. We also added to existing holdings **Yum China** following strong results and streamer **Tencent Music**.

Base metals have been under pressure over the past year because of the uncertainty around China. On this front we selectively added copper exposure to the portfolio. Copper spot prices have moved higher this month on news that China copper smelters will cut back capacity. This will effectively tighten the market in copper, and potentially further boost prices. We added to Australian producer **29 Metals** as adding the **Global X Copper Mines ETF**, which comprises a basket of the world's leading producers. We believe Evolution Mining (which we hold) will particularly benefit from record Australian gold prices and the Northparkes acquisition.

KEY METRICS

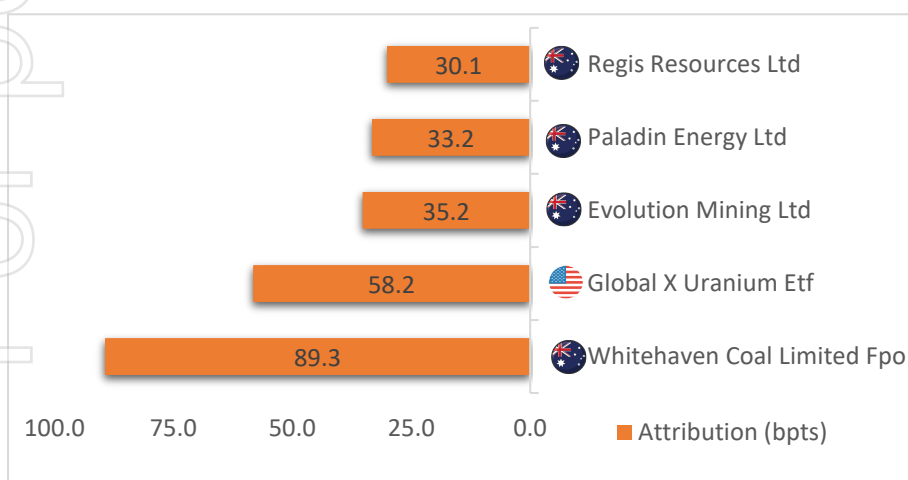
EOM Gross Assets	EOM Cash	Current Net Exposure (11/01/2024 estimate)
\$31.45M	-8.99%	109.00%

POSITIVE ATTRIBUTIONS



Japan banks Sumitomo Mitsui FG, Mitsubishi UFJ, SBI Sumishin and Chiba all benefited from ongoing expectations around NIRP removal and potential rate hikes. Japanese bank earnings continue to perform strongly yet still command relatively cheap valuations. Crypto miner Riot Platforms rallied on BTC hitting record highs.

NEGATIVE ATTRIBUTIONS



Precious metals, uranium and coal stocks underperformed as gold spot prices corrected lower. This impacted Evolution Mining, Global X Uranium ETF, Paladin, Regis Resources and Whitehaven Coal.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS

Top 10 Holdings	Country	31 January 2024
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	Japan	11.34%
Paladin Energy	Australia	7.55%
Global X Uranium ETF	United States	5.63%
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group	Japan	5.25%
Northern Star Resources	Australia	4.61%
Mizuho Financial Group	Japan	4.59%
Evolution Mining Ltd	Australia	4.52%
Whitehaven Coal Limited	Australia	4.42%
Genius Sports Limited	United States	4.24%
Zillow Group Inc - C	United States	3.58%


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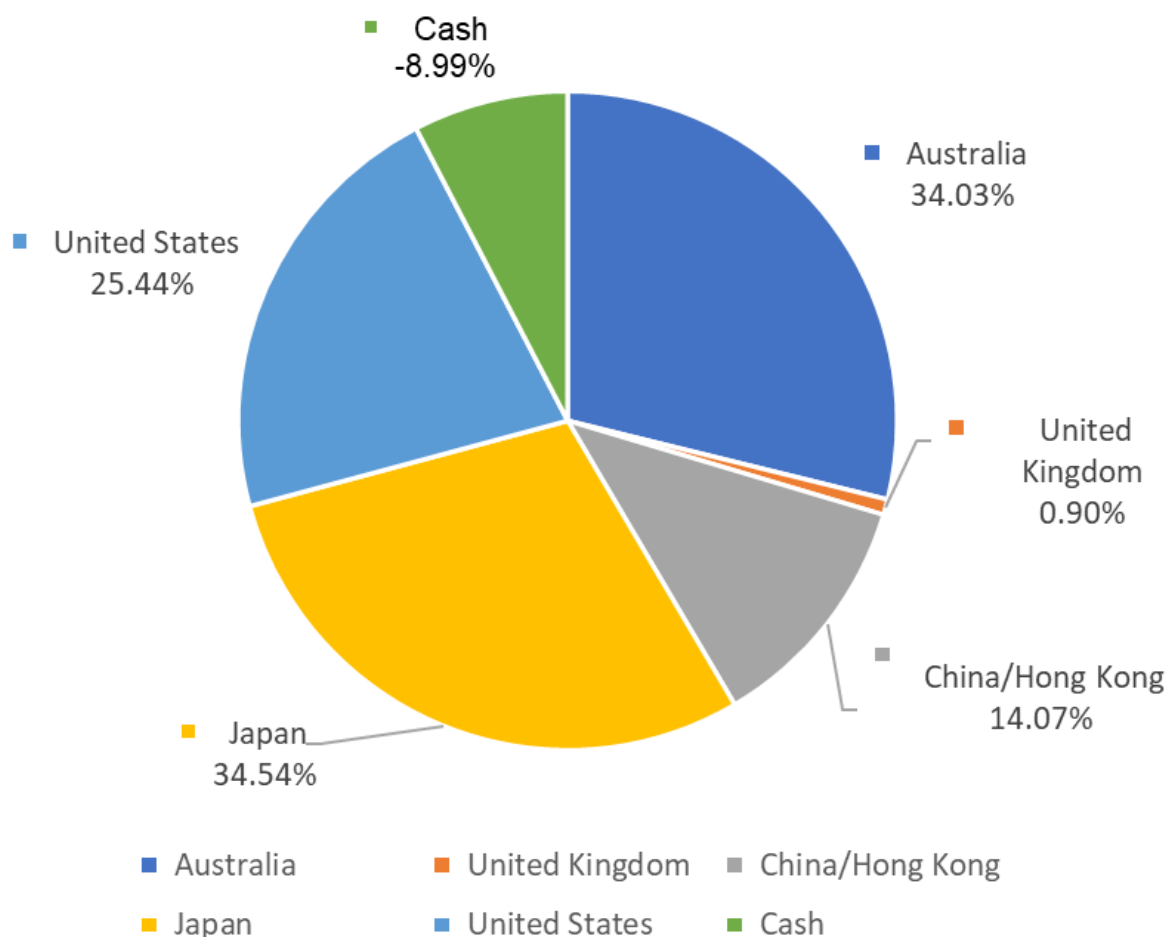
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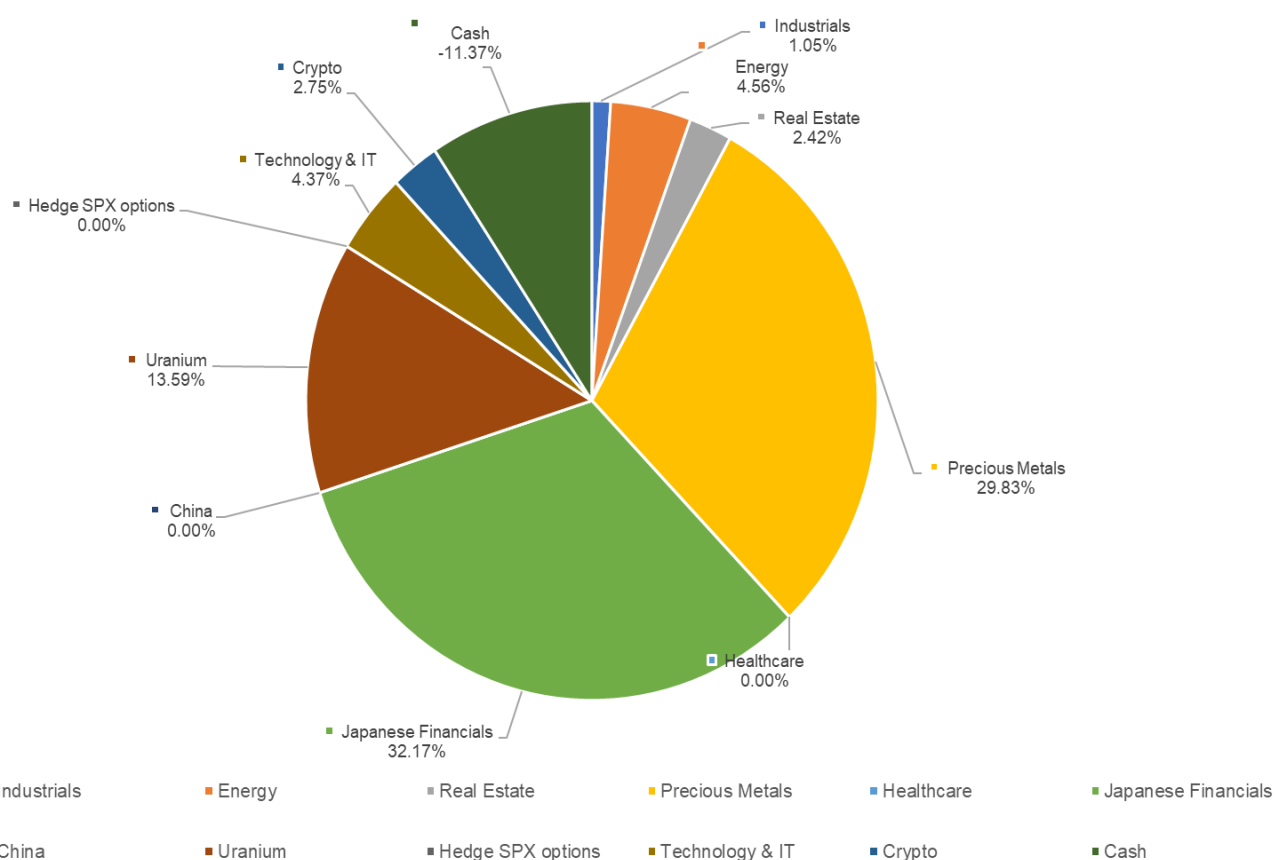
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Geographic Exposure as at 29th February 2024



Sector Dispersion as at 29 February 2024



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