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| AS129QON | Mulino | Estimate how much extra, in dollar terms, would the average income earner have in their retirement balance, based on your MySuper product account performance versus the median? | Analysis as follows: ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | Returns | Return \% pa | 42 Year Working Life ${ }^{2}$ |
|  |  |  | AustralianSuper ${ }^{3}$ | 8.50 \% | \$316,000 |
|  |  |  | Median Fund ${ }^{4}$ | 7.07 \% |  |
|  |  |  | Investment Return Differential | 1.43\% |  |
|  |  |  | For the average earner, the difference in performance between AustralianSuper and the median fund is an additional $\$ 316,000$ (results in today's dollars) in their retirement savings as a result of the Fund's outperformance. |  |  |
|  |  | What's the impact of fees having come | Analysis as follows: |  |  |
|  |  | down on the | Fees Differential |  | \$105,000 |
|  |  | retirement balance of an average | AustralianSuper (2009 fees) | 8.03\% ${ }^{5}$ |  |
|  |  |  | For the average earner, the reduction in fees has resulted in projected member retirement account balances being $\$ 105,000$ higher (in today's dollars). |  |  |

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ General assumptions:

    - Member commences at age 25 with a zero-account balance
    - Salaries increase at 3.5\%pa
    - AustralianSuper admin fees (\$2.25 per week and 4bps of assets PYS Fee)
    - SG contributions increasing from $9.5 \%$ to $12 \%$ of salary in line with future legislated increases
    - Retirement at age 67
    - No career breaks (full time participation), and member remains in one fund throughout
    - Results expressed in today's dollars by discounting at the assumed salary increase rate of 3.5\%pa
    ${ }^{2}$ Based on the scenario of a member over a full working lifetime with no career breaks from age 25 to 67 , being a 42-year working life 3 We have used 10-year returns (net of investment fees and tax) as recently disclosed in SuperRatings' October 2020 report, being \#1-Over 10 years to 31 October 2020 ( $8.50 \%$ p.a., 143bp above the median).
    4 The Median fund returned 7.07\% pa (net of investment fees and taxes) to 31 October 2020, being 143bps below the AustralianSuper return $5 \ln$ 2009, MER = 84 basis points; Administration fee of $\$ 1.50$ per week. In 2020, MER = 37 basis points; Administration fee of $\$ 2.25$ per week. The basis point difference is $84-37=47 \mathrm{bps}$. To model the impact of this reduction, we assume that if the fee had not reduced AustralianSuper's long term return would be 47 bps lower $=8.50 \%$ less $0.47 \%=8.03 \%$ pa. We also model on an admin fee of $\$ 1.50$ per week (as this applied in 2009), and no 4 bps PYS Fee (as this did not apply in 2009).

