Argonaut Natural Resources Fund



Monthly Performance Report - August 2025

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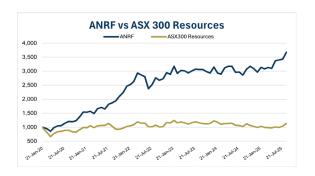
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FUND PERFORMANCE

	1 Month	3 Months	FYTD	12 Months	Inception	Annualized
ANRF	7.3%	9.1%	8.3%	28.6%	268.1%	26.1%
S&P ASX 300 Resources	9.8%	12.5%	14.6%	10.8%	13.4%	2.3%
Outperformance	-2.5%	-3.4%	-6.3%	17.8%	254.7%	23.8%

- The resources market continued its resurgence, driving the Argonaut Natural Resources Fund higher by 7.3% in August, versus the 9.8% lift in the benchmark, the ASX 300 Resources Index
- For the 12 months to 31 August, ANRF has delivered a return of 28.6% compared to a 10.8% gain in the benchmark over the same time period. Since inception (Jan 2020), the Fund is up 268.1% and has delivered an annualized return of 26.1%, versus the 2.3% annualized return of its benchmark.
- The Fund's unit price as at 31 August 2025 was \$2.324.



*Illustrates the relative performance of a \$1,000 investment in ANRF and the ASX Resource 300 Index since the inception date of ANRF. Assumes all distributions are reinvested back into the Fund.

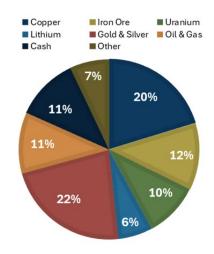
PORTFOLIO UPDATE

- Our largest position, BHP, performed strongly in August (+10%), with copper, gold and uranium stocks also performing well. Among the copper producers, Ivanhoe Mines rose 11.2%, Anglo American gained 6.5%, and small local producer AIC Mines added 8% all contributing positively to portfolio returns. Other positive contributors included gold producer Catalyst which jumped 42%, Met Coal producer Warrior which lifted 17%, and lithium producer Liontown which rose 20.5%. Uranium developer IsoEnergy also had a standout month, rising 24.8%. Weaker performers were Amplitude, which fell a modest 2%, and Patriot Battery Metals, which dipped 1%.
- At month end, the portfolio was 41% invested in Energy Transition, 33% in Geopolitical, 15% in Other Opportunities and 11% in Cash. The top 5 holdings were BHP, Amplitude Energy, Greatland Gold, Teck B and AIC Mines. These companies represented 40% of the portfolio.
- The Fund's portfolio composition was 59% Producers, 26% Developers, and 4% Explorers with 83% of the underlying projects domiciled in either Australia or Canada / USA.

MARKET OVERVIEW

- The US market continued to push higher in August, with growing investor confidence in a potential rate cut in September following signs of weakening economic data. The Dow Jones rose 3.2% and the S&P 500 gained 1.9%. The Australian market followed suite, with both the ASX 300 and All Ordinaries up by 2.7%.
- The resources market was the standout sector in August. The ASX 300 Resources Index posting a hefty 9.8% gain, driven largely by a strong 10% lift in resource heavyweight BHP, and aided further by the 20.1% rally in the gold index. This outpaced a more modest 5.5% lift in the US gold price. Falling interest rates, a weakening US dollar, and ongoing geopolitical tensions continue to support gold. Notably, gold equities strongly outperformed the physical metal in August a sign that the often-fickle ETF buying has kicked in.
- Commodities generally posted solid gains with copper up 2.1%, nickel up 2.6%, iron ore lifting 2.7% and uranium up 7%. On the downside, oil fell 6.1% on the back of weaker economic data.

ANRF PORTFOLIO EXPOSURE (BY COMMODITY)



ANRF TOP HOLDINGS (BY COMPANY)

Company	Commodity	%		
ВНР	Iron Ore	12.0%		
Amplitude Energy	Oil&Gas	8.8%		
Greatland Gold	Gold&Silver	8.5%		
Teck B	Copper	5.1%		
AIC Mines	Copper	5.0%		

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MONTHLY FUND PERFORMANCE SINCE

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
FY20							-1.3%	-3.9%	-10.0%	15.2%	6.6%	0.6%
FY21	8.5%	5.1%	-0.5%	2.8%	11.1%	12.6%	-0.1%	1.9%	-5.3%	12.1%	2.5%	-3.4%
FY22	10.4%	2.7%	3.9%	8.6%	5.9%	10.3%	2.7%	4.0%	11.6%	-2.3%	-2.3%	-15.1%
FY23	6.2%	9.6%	-3.3%	1.8%	8.0%	-1.8%	9.9%	-8.0%	3.6%	-0.5%	-2.4%	2.3%
FY24	2.0%	-0.2%	-0.1%	-2.4%	-1.7%	7.3%	-6.9%	-1.3%	7.7%	1.9%	0.0%	-6.7%
FY25	0.1%	-3.4%	7.2%	3.4%	-2.7%	-3.9%	5.7%	-1.7%	1.7%	-1.1%	8.9%	0.7%
FY26	1.0%	7.3%										

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