



Loftus Peak Global Change Portfolio

MONTHLY UPDATE

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Loftus Peak is a global equities fund manager focused on disruptive businesses. Founded in 2014, Loftus Peak invests in global companies driving industry change, such as Nvidia, first bought in 2016. As well as Microsoft and Broadcom, the diverse portfolio also includes many less well-understood companies which are expected to be household names in the future, such as Advanced Micro Devices and CATL. This global approach aims to reduce concentration risk often associated with home-biased Australian portfolios.

	1m	3m	6m	1y	3y p.a.	5y p.a.	7y p.a.	10y p.a.	Inception p.a.
Portfolio (net-of-fees)	+11.99%	+6.69%	-5.44%	+22.71%	+28.24%	+14.35%	+16.87%	+19.24%	+18.05%
Benchmark	+5.62%	+0.55%	-1.91%	+16.64%	+16.60%	+12.26%	+12.34%	+12.90%	+12.57%
Outperformance (net-of-fees)	+6.38%	+6.15%	-3.53%	+6.06%	+11.64%	+2.09%	+4.52%	+6.34%	+5.48%

Source: Loftus Peak, Bloomberg. Manager estimated returns. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Returns greater than one-year are annualised. Total returns include realised and unrealised gains. Valuations are computed and performance reported in Australian dollars. Net-of-fees performance returns are presented after management and performance fees. Returns are based on the theoretical performance of a portfolio which implemented the Model Portfolio based on simplifying assumptions and stock weightings. Actual individual returns of each client's portfolio will differ depending on factors such as date of initial investment, timing of transactions, contributions and withdrawals, fees and any customisation. Each client should also take into account their own taxation situations.

Review and Performance

The value of the Portfolio increased +12.0% (net-of-fees) in April, while the benchmark MSCI All Countries World Index (net) (as expressed in AUD from Bloomberg) was up +5.6%, generating Portfolio outperformance of +6.4% (net-of-fees).

Despite festering conflict in the Middle East markets saw a sharp recovery during April. Semiconductor stocks led the charge along with tech more broadly as investors piled back into secular growth stories with valuation support amidst an uncertain macro outlook.

The earnings season commenced with generally robust results. Similar to recent periods, the market's response has been polarized: while any ambiguity is met with penalties, clear and decisive beats are rewarded. Both responses tend to occur without regard for valuations. However, in broad strokes, the roll out of Artificial Intelligence (AI) infrastructure looks to be on track and heading towards an even larger magnitude than previously expected as hyperscaler CapEx guidance continues to rise and cloud revenues infect.

Key Facts	
Inception Date	30 June 2014
Strategy FUM (AUD)	\$1,344 million
Product Type	Managed Discretionary Account - Suitable for Sophisticated Investors
Product Sponsor	Mason Stevens Limited
Benchmark	MSCI All Countries World Index (net) (as expressed in AUD from Bloomberg)
No. of Investments	15-35
Minimum Cash	2%
Maximum Cash	20%
Maximum weighting per investment	20% at time of purchase
Suggested time frame	3-5 years
Minimum Investment	\$150,000

Contributors and Detractors to Return

The rise of agentic functionality within AI is allowing large language models (LLMs) to interact with external applications, significantly enhancing their utility. Whenever one of these tools is engaged, the resulting workload must be processed by a CPU. This shift suggests a looming boost in CPU demand, benefiting designers such as **AMD** (+2.4%). Despite being known for its GPUs, **Nvidia** (+0.9%) is the third largest CPU vendor for datacentres. The GPU business of both AMD and Nvidia benefit from the virtuous circle of more LLMs using more tools generating the need for more LLMs.

Alphabet (+1.0%) had an impressive earnings result, growing cloud revenues at +63% YoY while search revenues accelerated to +19%. Alphabet's formidable position in AI combines strong research, frontier models and leading infrastructure featuring custom AI accelerators designed by **Broadcom** (+1.1%) and custom CPUs designed by **Marvell** (+1.5%). Marvell also designs the custom accelerators for **Amazon** (+0.9%) and another potential hyperscaler customer. All these chips are manufactured by **TSMC** (+0.9%). Despite the sudden upward movements in many of these chips stocks, the sheer demand for AI chips is still increasing. Alphabet guided for CapEx to significantly increase in 2027. There is still valuation support within the AI hardware companies.

The largest detractor for the month was **Spotify** (-0.4%). The company posted a strong print but mixed guidance with operating costs growing ahead of expectations. We believe the company is investing ahead of new AI product launches and future monetisation. Concerns regarding AI-driven disruption have weighed on the company, but we think Spotify is well positioned given its existing business model (subscription + ads) and ability to leverage AI across its platform (e.g. scale, unique data, personalisation etc.). With the stock down significantly from its highs, we believe valuations today are compelling.

Contemporary Ampere Technology Limited (-0.4%) was the second largest detractor. The share price climbed in March following robust results and a pivot toward electrification amid global fossil fuel disruptions. However, as Middle East tensions eased, capital previously hedged for a worst-case scenario appears to have rotated out of the company. The company also raised fresh capital (US\$5bn), putting further downward pressure on the stock price. These factors do not impact CATL's status as the top global battery manufacturer as showcased in its 2026 Technology Day. The company revealed faster-charging, longer-range batteries, coming mass production of sodium ion batteries and a rollout of a nationwide fast charging and battery swap network in China.

Samsara (-0.3%) was the third largest detractor. The company continues to be lumped together with the broader software sector. AI could disrupt software both by limiting overall seat growth for knowledge workers and by eliminating the barriers to entry for new software. However, we believe Samsara is not at risk, as the company sells fleet management software into asset heavy businesses. While the stock has de-rated along with the broader software sector, we remain positive as the company continues to deliver strong fundamental growth.

The Australian dollar appreciated +3.8% against the US dollar over the month, decreasing the value of the Portfolio's US-dollar denominated positions. At month-end, the Portfolio carried a foreign currency exposure of 100.0%.

Fees	
Management Cost	1.00% p.a. (inc. GST) calculated daily and charged monthly in arrears.
Administration and Custody Fee	0.275% p.a. calculated daily and charged monthly in arrears. A lower fee applies for investments above \$1 million.
Performance Fee	15% of excess returns over the benchmark return.
Transaction Cost	0.55% of the value of the transaction.

The Team	
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Cumulative Performance



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.
Benchmark is MSCI All Countries World Index (net) (as expressed in AUD from Bloomberg).

Portfolio Exposure



- AI and Data Infrastructure (29.4%)
- Cloud and Software (17.2%)
- Digital Media (16.2%)
- Platforms and Ecommerce (10.8%)
- New Energy (9.2%)
- Internet of Things and Robotics (8.9%)
- Health and Life Sciences (6.2%)
- Cash (2.1%)

Portfolio Construction

At month end, the Portfolio was 97.9% invested with the balance in cash exposure. The Portfolio has a high exposure to large capitalisation names which are highly cash generative with strong balance sheets. Focusing on high quality companies helps the Portfolio to withstand difficult periods in the market and drive strong, long-term outcomes for investors.

Portfolio Statistics	
Number of Holdings	30
Sharpe Ratio ³ (risk-free rate = BBSW3M)	0.88
Information Ratio ³	0.47
Volatility ³	18.0%

Capitalisation (USD)		
Mega Cap	> \$100b	81.8%
Large Cap	\$50-100b	6.0%
Mid Cap	\$2-50b	10.1%
Small Cap	< \$2b	0.0%

³ Since inception.

Top 10 Holdings (in alphabetical order)

	<p>Advanced Micro Devices – a high performance and adaptive computing leader, powering the products and services that help solve the world’s most important challenges. Its technologies advance the future of the data center, embedded, gaming and PC markets. AMD was founded in 1969 by Jerry Sanders, a former executive at Fairchild Semiconductor Corporation, and seven other technology professionals.</p>
	<p>Alphabet – key products include Google, Android, Maps, Chrome, YouTube and Google Play which all have over 1 billion active users. The core product is Search where the company is the clear market leader with an estimated desktop search market share of 80% – more than 10x its closest peer. The company is owner-managed and controlled through its founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin and currently operates in more than 40 countries worldwide.</p>
	<p>Amazon – is the global leader in internet retail and cloud-based computing. From its listing in 1997 as primarily an online book retailer, Amazon has now expanded its offering to most areas of consumer merchandise, whilst also developing market leading cloud computing services. It has a relentless focus on low-cost operations, constant reinvestment and customer service.</p>
	<p>Broadcom – is a leader in wireless, datacentre networking, AI chips, storage, and infrastructure silicon/hardware/software with broad-based exposure to positive trends in these end markets. Broadcom is a technology infrastructure powerhouse with semiconductor leadership positions in AI (#2 global AI semiconductor supplier), custom chip ASIC supplier, cloud datacentre/telco networking, wireless and enterprise storage.</p>
	<p>CATL – founded in 2011 and headquartered in Ningde, China, is the world’s largest producer of lithium-ion batteries for electric vehicles and energy storage systems. The company supplies batteries to leading global automakers including Tesla, BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Hyundai, and Toyota . CATL’s core products include lithium iron phosphate (LFP) and nickel manganese cobalt (NMC) battery chemistries, and it is at the forefront of innovations in solid-state batteries and cell-to-pack architecture. With operations spanning China, Europe, and other key EV markets, CATL plays a central role in the global energy transition and electrification of transport.</p>
	<p>Eli Lilly – founded in 1876 and headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, is a global pharmaceutical company known for its innovations in drug development. The company focuses on therapeutic areas such as diabetes, oncology, neuroscience, and immunology, with blockbuster drugs including Trulicity and Mounjaro for diabetes and Zepbound for weight loss. Eli Lilly is also a leader in Alzheimer’s research, developing treatments like donanemab to address cognitive decline. Leveraging biotechnology and advanced research, the company continues to drive medical breakthroughs in both small molecules and biologics. With a strong pipeline and growing presence in obesity and metabolic health, Eli Lilly is shaping the future of healthcare innovation.</p>
	<p>Meta – is one of the world’s premier advertiser platforms with a user base of over 3bn Daily Active Users and over 10m advertisers. META has invested significantly into AI infrastructure, and this enables the company to drive user engagement and provides advertisers with a range of ad automation and targeting tools. META’s two major goals are to: (1) to build the most popular and advanced AI Products and services; and (2) invest into building the next generation of augmented, virtual and mixed reality computing platforms.</p>
	<p>NVIDIA – founded in 1993 and headquartered in Santa Clara, California, is a leading technology company specializing in graphics processing units (GPUs) and artificial intelligence (AI). Originally known for its dominance in gaming GPUs, Nvidia has expanded into AI, data centers, autonomous vehicles, and professional visualization. Nvidia’s AI and deep learning technologies power industries ranging from healthcare to robotics, enabling breakthroughs in generative AI and high-performance computing. With its continuous innovation in AI chips and software ecosystems like CUDA, Nvidia remains at the forefront of the AI and semiconductor industries.</p>
	<p>Taiwan Semiconductor – is the largest dedicated global foundry for the manufacture of semiconductor chips. TSMC produces chips for a wide range of uses including data centres, networking equipment, smartphones, tablets, PCs and gaming consoles. TSMC has a broad customer base of major hardware and fabless semiconductor companies including Apple, Qualcomm, Nvidia, AMD, MediaTek and HiSilicon (Huawei). The company is leveraged to chip demand from emerging themes such as 5G, IoT and artificial intelligence. TSMC was founded in 1987 and is based in Hsinchu, Taiwan.</p>
	<p>Uber – founded in 2009 and headquartered in San Francisco, California, is a global technology company that revolutionized ride-hailing and expanded into mobility, delivery, and freight services. Its core platform connects riders with drivers through its app, offering services such as UberX, Uber Comfort, and Uber Black. Uber also operates Uber Eats, a food delivery service, and Uber Freight, a digital platform that connects shippers and carriers for logistics solutions. The company leverages AI, real-time data analytics, and dynamic pricing to optimize driver-rider matching, route efficiency, and demand forecasting. Uber continues to expand its offerings, including autonomous vehicles and electric micromobility solutions.</p>

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