



## Fund Performance

Iron Pot Equities' Global Tech Fund returned -16.5% for the March quarter 2026 with the annualised return since inception sitting at 9.1%.

Just as our peak annualised rate of return from inception (+27% as at January 2025) was unsustainable, so too exists a reasonable probability that the current annualised rate of 9% is below expectations. The former exceeded the risk return profile of the portfolio and was a drag on the Fund's future performance – it brought forward a large proportion of expected 5-year returns, with 5+ years being the intended investment time horizon of each investment. The fund's performance fee kicks in at a net 10% pa based on 3-year returns, which gives a sense of the minimum expected annualised rate.

The Fund's drawdown from its most recent peak (October 2025) is 22.5%. No one likes a retreat, but the Fund has built cash – 9% at month-end, and 18% at the start of April – supported by net inflows. Valuations are now considerably more appealing for the long-term investor, and so we are incrementally building exposure.

While currency has certainly been a drag on the Fund – around 15% of the drawdown – the fall in stock prices, though not unprecedented, has certainly been one of the more extended and extreme for the strategy. Holdings in Software, while totalling 11% exposure, accounted for a third of the quarter's loss. At quarter's end the Fund maintains an 8% exposure (Atlassian, ServiceNow) as we do not foresee uniform annihilation by AI of all software-related enterprises. Some sectors defied the pullback, with semiconductor related positions faring well (Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing, Arm Holdings).

## Investment Approach: Business Offering

There are several ways to view a company's product offering. Critical to the technology sector, is whether the company provides a single product, a suite of products or a platform offering. The further along this spectrum, the more deeply a company becomes embedded in a customer's operations – and consequently the higher the cost for the customer to switch to an alternative offering.

In terms of the Fund's exposure to these three categories, single product offerings account for 6% of the portfolio, suite of products 50%, and platforms 35%.

## Portfolio Movements

Typically, we expect on average to replace one stock holding per quarter. This past quarter we've replaced two holdings owing to the significant shift in business models occurring or expected to occur from AI.

Demonstrating this change in outlook, the positions exited have fallen a further 18% and 20%, while those bought have subsequently gained 11% and 17%. "Volatile times" is an understatement. This highlights the near impossibility of maintaining steady performance. Again, underlying our strong adherence to long-term investing, short-term volatility (upside and downside) while relevant, is only so at the margin for the Fund.

**In:** Arm Holdings ARM designs and manufactures components for semiconductor-related products. Financials are strong with accelerating free cash flow from operations, a net cash position on its balance sheet and consensus forecast (Bloomberg) revenue growth with positive momentum. Valuation is at the high end for the Fund, but with strong and improving fundamentals, the 5-year return objective is achievable.

**In:** Broadcom Inc. (AVGO) AVGO designs and supplies semiconductors globally, notably AI accelerators for Alphabet, Apple, Meta and Microsoft, among others. The balance sheet, while having a net debt position, has 8 years' interest cover. Cash flow from operations is rapidly accelerating and approaching USD 30bn. With positive earnings forecast momentum, the stock holds compelling valuation for the Fund.

**Out:** Palo Alto Networks PANW has been in the portfolio since inception. As an infrastructure software provider specialising in network security solutions, it has enjoyed strong growth to the benefit of the portfolio. However, increasing cost pressures have led to lower forecast earnings. As a result, achieving our return objective would require the stock to trade above its peak earnings multiple.

**Out:** Monday.com MNDY, an application software company, was also added early in the inception of the Fund. It has been under immense pressure with the sector due to the threat of AI. Unlike others where earnings, revenue and margin forecasts are consistently defying share price weakness, MNDY is seeing its outlook being pared back. As a consequence, it was reluctantly sold.

Performance to 31 March 2026 \*

Period	Net return %*
March Quarter 2026	-16.5%
Since Inception – Total (July 2023)	+27.1%
Since Inception – Annualised	+9.1%

\* Past performance is not an indicator of future performance; Net of all fees, expenses and accruals but pre-tax for each investor.

Portfolio Breakdown

Quarter End 31 March 2026

Asset Class	% Allocation
Listed Equities	90.7%
Cash (net of accruals)	9.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Region	% Allocation
North America	61.7%
Australia	8.8%
United Kingdom	6.5%
Sweden	5.2%
Taiwan	5.2%
China	3.3%
Cash (net of Accruals)	9.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Industry Sub-Group	% Allocation
Semiconductor Industry	26.6%
E-Commerce – Products & Services	12.6%
Internet Media & Services	10.0%
Software – Applications	8.1%
Software – Infrastructure	7.7%
Web Portals/Internet Service Providers	6.0%
Commercial Services – Finance	4.2%
Data & Systems Security	4.0%
Cellular Telecoms	3.8%
Auto – Cars/Light Trucks	3.5%
Medical Products	2.3%
Entertainment Software	1.9%
Cash	9.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



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