

QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REVIEW

U.S. Small Cap Value Fund

Performance returns (USD)

ANNUALIZED RETURNS (QUARTER-END)	Quarter-End	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since
U.S. Small Cap Value Fund (net)	5.19	5.19	24.09	6.73	-	-	11.48
U.S. Small Cap Value Fund (gross)	5.32	5.32	24.68	7.23	-	-	11.98
S&P SmallCap 600 Value	0.14	0.14	11.64	2.58	-	-	9.11
Value Add	+5.06	+5.06	+12.45	+4.16	-	-	+2.37

Major Performance Drivers

Global markets carried the positive performance seen at the end 2023 into 2024, despite heightened geopolitical tensions in the Middle East, rising oil prices, and sticky inflation. The U.S. posted the strongest returns globally, with U.S. large caps outperforming U.S. small caps over the period.

Within small cap, the S&P Small Cap 600 Value index underperformed the S&P Small Cap 600 index in the first quarter. In this environment, all model groups did well in the U.S. small cap universe, with the strongest performance from bottom-up value models, driving strong portfolio outperformance.

Stock selection was the primary driver of outperformance, with notable contributions from Financials, Industrials, Information Technology, Energy, and Health Care. Sector allocation added value on the margin, including modest value added from an overweight toward Industrials and an underweight toward Utilities.

Areas of challenging performance were relatively modest, including stock selection in Communication Services, Consumer Staples, and Real Estate.

Inception Date: 2-Jul-19

Performance for the year of inception is less than a full calendar year. Returns shown for periods less than one year are not annualized.

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PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Fund seeks to generate total return in excess of its benchmark, the S&P Small Cap 600 Value Index, by investing primarily in equities of U.S. companies that are included in the S&P 600 Index or whose market capitalization at the time of investment is less than that of the 1000 largest publicly held companies.

The Fund's investment approach is grounded in the Systematic Equity team's belief that, in the short term, equity markets exhibit exploitable inefficiencies as a result of irrational investor actions, the imperfect flow of information, and the participation of non-economic actors, while in the long-term returns are ultimately driven by economic reality. The Fund aims to take advantage of this inefficiency by utilizing a multi-factor valuation model in conjunction with other methods, such as cross-asset signals and corporate alerts, to identify mispriced equity securities.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Benchmark(s): The S&P SmallCap 600 Value Index is an independently maintained and widely published index comprised of value stocks within the S&P SmallCap 600 index. The S&P SmallCap 600 seeks to measure the small-cap segment of the U.S. equity market. Value stocks are measured using three factors: the ratios of book value, earnings, and sales to price. S&P does not guarantee the accuracy, adequacy, completeness or availability of any data or information and is not responsible for any errors or omissions from the use of such data or information. Reproduction of the data or information in any form is prohibited except with the prior written permission of S&P or its third-party licensors.

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