

# U.S. Smaller Companies Fund

#### January 2020: Fund Factsheet

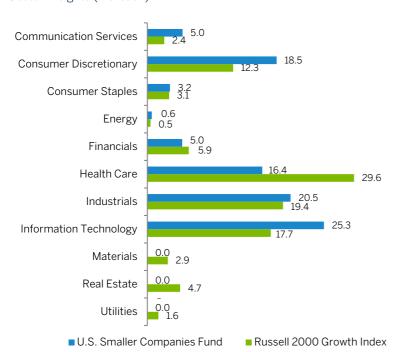
#### Performance (% net of fees)

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ANNUALISED RETURNS	1 MO	3 MO	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	ITD
U.S. Smaller Companies B USD	2.4	9.6	23.6	14.9	13.7	9.4
Russell 2000 Growth Net USD	-1.1	7.1	13.7	11.2	9.4	8.5

	ROLLING 12 MONTH RETURNS:	01.18	01.17	01.16	01.15	01.14
1		01.19	01.18	01.17	01.16	01.15
ı	U.S. Smaller Companies B USD	23.6	1.5	20.9	24.1	0.9
	Russell 2000 Growth Net USD	13.7	-2.8	24.6	26.6	-10.2

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman and Morningstar. Performance over 1 year is annualised.

## Sector Weights (inc. cash)



Characteristics Source: Factset

	U.S. SMALLER COMPANIES	Russell 2000 GROWTH
FY2 P/E Ratio	26.9x	20.1x
P/E-Growth Ratio	1.7x	1.2x
Gross Yield*	0.38%	0.70%
Cash	5.4%	-
Market Cap		
Weighted Average	\$6.4bn	\$2.7bn
<\$1 Billion	3.1%	13.8%
\$1-2 Billion	7.3%	21.3%
\$2-5 Billion	37.0%	56.6%
>\$5 Billion	47.2%	8.2%

<sup>\*</sup> Dividend yield for each share class is lower. Dividend rates are available upon request.

#### **Fund Facts**

As of 31 January 2020

The Fund aims to achieve capital appreciation by investing in a concentrated portfolio of small-cap U.S. equities of above average growth, sound management and favourable competitive positioning. Through our disciplined, bottom-up investment process, we strive to exploit market inefficiencies in the small-cap universe.

Portfolio Manager Associate Portfolio Manager	Christopher Berrier George Sakellaris, CFA
Benchmark*	Russell 2000® Growth Index
Structure	UCITS (Ireland)
Base Currency	USD
Launch Date	9 November 2007
Fund Size	USD 542 million
Holdings	73
Dealing	Daily

<sup>\*</sup>The Fund uses the Russell 2000 Growth Index as a Comparator Benchmark to compare performance. The Fund is actively managed and is not constrained by any benchmark.

#### Top 10 Equity Holdings

SECURITY	%
Waste Connections, Inc.	4.4
Genpact Limited	4.1
Bright Horizons Family Solutions, Inc.	3.8
Charles River Laboratories Intl, Inc.	3.1
GCI Liberty, Inc. Class A	2.8
Mimecast Limited	2.7
SiteOne Landscape Supply, Inc.	2.4
Choice Hotels International, Inc.	2.4
EVO Payments, Inc. Class A	2.3
National Vision Holdings, Inc.	2.2
Total	30.2

#### Performance Contributors

TOP 5 CONTRIBUTORS	%
Mimecast Limited	+17.6
Bright Horizons Family Solutions, Inc.	+8.9
Acceleron Pharma Inc	+71.2
BlackLine, Inc.	+18.6
Waste Connections, Inc.	+6.1
BOTTOM 5 CONTRIBUTORS	
Webster Financial Corporation	-15.9
Hudson Ltd. Class A	-28.5
Hain Celestial Group, Inc.	-6.7
Global Blood Therapeutics Inc	-17.9
Blueprint Medicines Corp.	-20.8

Total return (%) of equity security is the sum of the return from pric movement and the return due to dividend payments or other source of income



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#### Additional Performance (% net of fees)

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman. Performance over 1 year is annualised.

SHARE CLASSES (INCEPTION DATE)	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	ITD	NAV
U.S. Smaller Companies A USD (14-Dec-2007)	22.8	14.0	12.8	9.0	28.38
U.S. Smaller Companies B USD (09-Nov-2007)	23.6	14.9	13.7	9.4	29.97
U.S. Smaller Companies C USD (27-Mar-2013)	24.0	15.2	14.0	13.5	23.80
U.S. Smaller Companies B GBP (19-Jun-2015)	23.4	13.1	-	16.2	19.97
Russell 2000 Growth Net USD (09-Nov-2007)	13.7	11.2	9.4	8.5	-
Russell 2000 Net USD (09-Nov-2007)	8.8	6.9	7.8	7.3	-

#### **Fund Facts**

Administrator	Brown Brothers Harriman (Ireland)
Administrator contact	Tel: +353 1603 6490
Settlement	T+2
Minimum Investment (in relevant currency)	A:5,000 B:10,000,000 C:5,000,000
Registered for sale <sup>1</sup>	AUT, CHE, DEU, DNK, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, IRL, ITA, NOR, PRT, SGP <sup>2</sup> , SWE
Eligibility (UK)	ISA and SIPP

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- Independent since 1998, employee-owned
- Fundamentally driven, investment management firm
- Over USD 82 billion in client assets<sup>3</sup>

#### Share Classes

	ISIN	TICKER	OCF*	AMC
Dollar A Class	IE00B0PVDG43	BAUSSCG	1.62%	1.50%
Dollar B Class	IE00B0PVDJ73	BAUSSCB	0.87%	0.75%
Dollar C Class	IE00B5510F71	BRUSPUS	0.62%	seed
Sterling B Class	IE00B0PVDH59	BRUSBGB	0.87%	0.75%
Sterling B Class Hedged	IE00BYQFS912	BRUSBAH	0.91%	0.75%
Euro A Class Hedged	IE00B2NN6902	B2NN690	1.66%	1.50%

Dollar C Share Class is closed to new investors. Additional share classes may be available

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<sup>\*</sup> OCFs are the actual OCFs as of 31 January, 2020. The maximum OCF of A share classes is 1.75%, B share classes is 1.00%, and C share classes is 0.75%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Fund will be available for subscription only in jurisdictions where they have been registered for distribution or may otherwise be distributed lawfully. Only certain share classes may be registered in some jurisdictions, please contact us for more information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Singapore - restricted scheme, please contact us for more information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As of 31 January 2020, Brown Advisory had more than USD 82 billion in client assets.