Russell Investments

Russell Investments US Equity Fund



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The team manages a wide range of U.S., non-U.S developed, emerging market, frontier market, and global equity mandates.

Fund facts

Share class; Dealing ccy

Class A Acc; USD

Dealing frequency; Cut off

Daily; 2.00pm GMT

Domicile; Category

Ireland; UCITS

Fund size

USD 215.82m

ISIN; Bloomberg

IE0002190993; FRUUSAI ID

Fund launch date

02 January 1998

Share class launch date

02 January 1998

Management fee

0.80%

Share class NAV

USD 50.83

Fund objective

The Fund aims to achieve long term growth by investing at least 70% of its assets in the equities and investments similar to equities of U.S. companies. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the Russell 1000 Index (USD) Net Returns of Withholding Tax 30% (the "Index") which it seeks to outperform by 1.25% over the medium to long term. Russell Investments/ Money Managers have full discretion to select investments for the Fund.

Fund update

Russell Investments, as the Investment Manager, adopts and executes the ideas of the selected third-party specialist investment managers through our in-house implementation team. The Fund is dynamically managed in alignment with our cycle, valuation, sentiment framework to take advantage of tactical opportunities within each manager's excess return cycle. The Fund is tilted towards companies that are high quality, small-mid capitalisation in size and domestically oriented.

Performance review (%)

| Performance to period end Returns shown in EUR | 1 month | 3 months | Year to date | | _ | 3 years | - | - | Since inception* |
|--|------------|-------------|-----------------|------|------|------------|------|------|---------------------|
| Return net of management fee Class A Acc | 5.4 | 12.8 | 8.7 | 26.0 | 9.1 | 12.3 | 14.5 | 13.6 | 6.3 |
| Russell 1000 Index (USD) Net Returns of Withholding Tax 30% | 5.8 | 13.0 | 9.0 | 26.6 | 10.7 | 14.5 | 16.0 | 15.0 | 8.0 |

*Inception: 02 January 1998

All returns greater than 1 year are annualised

Discrete rolling 12 month performance (%)

| Returns shown in EUR | 31/12/23 31/12/22 | 31/12/22 31/12/21 | 31/12/21 31/12/20 | 31/12/20 31/12/19 | 31/12/19 31/12/18 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Return net of management fee Class A Acc | 22.2 | -16.3 | 31.9 | 9.6 | 32.4 |
| Russell 1000 Index (USD) Net Returns of Withholding Tax 30% | 21.7 | -14.2 | 35.5 | 10.4 | 33.1 |

| Returns shown in EUR | 31/12/18 31/12/17 | 31/12/17 31/12/16 | 31/12/16 31/12/15 | 31/12/15 31/12/14 | 31/12/14 31/12/13 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Return net of management fee Class A Acc | -7.7 | 5.9 | 14.0 | 10.0 | 26.2 |
| Russell 1000 Index (USD) Net Returns of Withholding Tax 30% | -0.5 | 6.3 | 14.7 | 11.8 | 28.2 |

Past performance does not predict future returns.

The current benchmark is the Russell 1000 Index (USD) Net Returns of Withholding Tax 30% converted to the currency displayed in the performance table above where applicable.

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Portfolio statistics

| | Fund Benchmark | |
|---------------------------|----------------|------|
| Number of equity holdings | 369 | 1007 |
| Price/earnings | 29.9 | 29.9 |
| Dividend yield | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Price to book | 6.2 | 7.3 |
| EPS growth (1 year) | 12.7 | 10.8 |

Data as at 31 January 2024 Source: Factset

| 3 years | Fund | Benchmark |
|----------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Volatility | 14.9 | 15.5 |
| Tracking error | 2.0% | - |
| Sharpe ratio | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| Information ratio | -1.0 | - |
| 3 year return (net) | 12.3% | 14.5% |
| 3 year excess return (net) | -2.2% | - |

Ten largest holdings by weight

| Security | Fund Be | Fund Benchmark | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| Microsoft Corp. | 7.6% | 6.7% | | |
| Apple Inc. | 5.4% | 6.1% | | |
| Amazon.com, Inc. | 3.6% | 3.1% | | |
| NVIDIA Corp. | 3.5% | 3.3% | | |
| Alphabet Inc. Class A | 3.2% | 1.9% | | |
| MasterCard Inc. | 2.1% | 0.8% | | |
| UnitedHealth Group, Inc. | 1.7% | 1.1% | | |
| Accenture Plc | 1.3% | 0.5% | | |
| Meta Platforms, Inc. Class A | 1.2% | 1.9% | | |
| Intuit, Inc. | 0.9% | 0.4% | | |
| | Data as at 31 Jar | Data as at 31 January 2024 | | |

Sector weights

| | Fund | Benchmark |
|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Information Technology | 29.4% | 28.5% |
| Financials | 13.8% | 13.6% |
| Health Care | 13.1% | 12.6% |
| Consumer Discretionary | 11.1% | 10.4% |
| Industrials | 8.9% | 9.4% |
| Communication Services | 8.2% | 8.6% |
| Consumer Staples | 4.8% | 5.8% |
| Energy | 3.5% | 3.8% |
| Materials | 3.0% | 2.5% |
| Utilities | 2.4% | 2.2% |
| Real Estate | 1.7% | 2.7% |
| Other | 0.2% | - |
| | Data as at 2 | 1 January 2024 |

Data as at 31 January 2024

ESG data

| | Fund | Benchmark |
|------------------|------|-----------|
| ESG Score | 20.9 | 21.4 |
| Carbon footprint | 78.0 | 98.1 |

Data as at 31 January 2024

Source: The portfolio-level ESG Risk Rating is the weighted average of the Sustainalytics' Risk Rating for securities in the portfolio. The Sustainalytics Risk Rating details are available at https://www.sustainalytics.com/esg-data. Carbon footprint is the weighted average carbon intensity of the Scope 1 and 2 carbon emission intensity of companies in the portfolio. It is measured in tonnes of CO2e divided by revenue (USD \$M).

Fund structure

| Manager/Strategy | Role in fund | Target | Actual |
|---|--|--------|--------|
| Jacobs Levy | Security selection based on disentangled multi factor exposure | 22.0% | 19.6% |
| Russell Investments | Provides exposure to value, growth, momentum, quality, low vol with a small cap bias | 20.0% | 16.2% |
| Brandywine | Deep value, contrarian | 17.0% | 16.5% |
| JPMorgan Asset Management | US Large Cap Core | 19.0% | 21.1% |
| William Blair Investment Management, LLC | US Large Cap Growth | 22.0% | 23.3% |
| Russell Investments (cash & other) |) | | - 3.2% |

Russell Investments (cash & other)

Russell Investments may trade a portion of the Fund's assets based on a model portfolio provided by the investment advisor. By employing this emulated portfolio approach, the Fund leverages off the implementation capabilities of Russell Investments in order to manage the funds in an efficient manner.

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