

ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

For the period ended December 31, 2020

Global Equity Fund

NBI U.S. Equity Fund

Notes on forward-looking statements

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The foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive. Before making any investment decision, investors and others relying on our forward-looking statements should carefully consider the foregoing factors and other factors. We caution readers not to rely unduly on these forward-looking statements. We assume no obligation to update forward-looking statements in the light of new information, future events or other circumstances unless applicable legislation so provides.

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Investment Objective and Strategies

The NBI U.S. Equity Fund's investment objective is to ensure long-term capital growth. The Fund invests directly, or through investments in securities of other mutual funds, in a portfolio comprised mainly of equity securities of U.S. companies.

The portfolio manager analyzes stocks from U.S. companies and in companies conducting business in the U.S. The Fund invests primarily in common shares, but may also invest in preferred shares, bonds and Treasury bills. The portfolio manager uses a mix of strategies in selecting investments for the Fund.

Risks

The Fund's risk level was modified from "low to medium" to "medium" during the year. This change aims to more accurately reflect the Fund's actual risk level.

Results of Operations

For the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2020, the NBI U.S. Equity Fund's Investor Series units returned 17.57% compared to 16.32% for the Fund's benchmark, the S&P 500 Index (CAD). Unlike the benchmark, the Fund's performance is calculated after fees and expenses. Please see the *Past Performance* section for the returns of all of the Fund's series, which may vary mainly because of fees and expenses.

Certain series of the Fund, as applicable, may make distributions at a rate determined by the manager. This rate may change from time to time. If the aggregate amount of distributions in such series exceeds the portion of net income and net realized capital gains allocated to such series, the excess will constitute a return of capital. The manager does not believe that the return of capital distributions made by such series of the Fund have a meaningful impact on the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy or to fulfill its investment objective.

The Fund's net asset value rose by 59.40% over the period, from \$383.27 million as at December 31, 2019 to \$610.94 million as at December 31, 2020.

The increase stemmed mainly from unit purchases by investors in the Fund and market fluctuations.

It goes without saying that 2020 has been a whirlwind year for global equity markets.

The year started with positive momentum with many markets reaching record highs up until mid-February when the coronavirus outbreak quickly turned things upside down, triggering panic and uncertainty about the outlook of the economy and global growth prospects. The rapid spread of the virus along with the rising number of cases and worldwide shutdowns caused high volatility in the markets, pushing investors away from equity markets and towards bond markets, where they sought refuge. As a result, global equity markets and bond yields fell sharply, in the worst meltdown since the global financial crisis.

The very timely and assertive policy response both from central banks and from governments, however, helped reinvigorate risk appetite and has been instrumental in guiding the economy back to health. The breakthroughs on the vaccine front have also been instrumental in allowing investors to look through to the end of the pandemic in 2021 and this has seen equity markets extend their gains as we head into the new year. Overall, the increasing risk appetite and the rebound in economic activity were favourable for small cap stocks, outperforming large cap stocks since the market lows observed in March.

U.S. elections were a much closer race than the polls had predicted, but investors welcomed the prospect for divided Congress and the favourable implications for stocks. The S&P 500 Index gained 18.4% throughout the year, thanks to the Information Technology and Consumer Discretionary sectors that gained 43.9% and 33.2% respectively, whereas the Energy sector suffered and lost 33.7% during the period.

In this context, the Fund outperformed its benchmark in 2020. The Fund's relative outperformance was mainly driven by the investment team's stock selection in the Financials and Industrials sectors. The Fund's lack of exposure to the underperforming Energy sector further contributed to the relative outperformance. Partially offsetting these positives was the underweight and weaker selection in the overperforming Information Technology sector as well as the Fund's lack of exposure to the overperforming tech-giant Apple, and online retailer Amazon.

The top contributors to the performance were MSCI and Carrier. On the other hand, Becton Dickinson and US Bancorp negatively impacted the Fund's performance.

Recent Developments

Going into the first quarter of 2021, the Fund remains underweight to Information Technology, Communication Services and Utilities sectors as the investment team continues to find more attractive investment opportunities in other sectors, including Financials, Materials and Industrials.

During the year, the portfolio manager exited positions in Raytheon Technologies and Varian Medical Systems.

The Fund's investment horizon is best measured in years or decades, not months or quarters. The investment team's focus continues to be on identifying what is believed to be high-quality companies with sustainable competitive advantages, operating in industries with high barriers to entry, contributing to durable pricing power.

The portfolio manager remains confident that the team's bottom-up, original, fundamental research, with a focus on very high-quality companies, will continue to provide steady returns over the long term regardless of the macroeconomic environment. By protecting on the downside and participating in enough of the upside, the strategy has historically been able to generate superior long-term performance.

On April 30, 2020, the Fund's independent review committee (the "IRC") was reduced to three members when Jacques Valotaire and Jean-François Bernier resigned as IRC members. On July 1, 2020, the Fund's IRC was increased to four members when Marie Desroches was appointed as IRC member.

Related Party Transactions

National Bank of Canada ("the Bank") and its affiliated companies' roles and responsibilities related to the Fund are as follows:

Trustee, Custodian, and Registrar

Natcan Trust Company ("NTC"), a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, is the Fund's trustee. In this capacity, it is the legal owner of the Fund's investments.

NTC acts as registrar for the Fund's securities and the names of securityholders. NTC also acts as the Fund's custodian. The fees for NTC's custodial services are based on the standard rates in effect at NTC.

Agent for securities lending transactions

NTC acts as the agent for securities lending transactions acts on behalf of the Fund in administering securities lending transactions entered into by the Fund. NTC is an affiliate of the Manager.

Fund Manager

The Fund is managed by National Bank Investments Inc. ("NBII"), which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank. Therefore, NBII provides or ensures the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund's current operations, including investment consulting, the arrangement of brokerage contracts for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio, bookkeeping and other administrative services required by the Fund.

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund other than its "Fund costs" (defined below) (the "variable operating expenses"), in exchange for the Fund's payment to the Manager of annual fixed-rate administration fees with respect to each series of the Fund.

The administration fees are equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of each series of the Fund, calculated and paid in the same manner as the Fund's management fees. The variable operating expenses payable by the Manager include, but are not limited to: transfer agency and recordkeeping costs; custodial costs; accounting and valuation fees; audit fees and legal fees; costs of preparing and distributing financial reports, simplified prospectuses, annual information forms, Fund Facts, continuous disclosure material and other securityholder communications; and costs of trustee services relating to registered tax plans, as applicable.

In addition to administration fees, the Fund shall also pay certain Fund costs, namely: taxes (including, but not limited to, GST/HST and income taxes); costs of compliance with any changes to existing governmental or regulatory requirements introduced after August 1, 2013; costs of compliance with any new governmental or regulatory requirements, including any new fees introduced after August 1, 2013; interest and borrowing costs; costs related to external services that were not commonly charged in the Canadian mutual fund industry as at August 1, 2013; Independent Review Committee costs, including compensation paid to IRC members, travel expenses, insurance premiums and costs associated with their continuing education; and variable operating expenses incurred outside of the normal course of business of the Fund.

The Manager may, from time to time and at its sole discretion, decide to absorb a portion of a series' management fees, administration fees or Fund costs

As described under the heading *Management Fees*, the Fund pays annual management fees to NBII as consideration for its services.

Distribution and Dealer Compensation

NBII acts as principal distributor for the Fund. In this capacity, NBII buys, sells and swaps securities through Bank branches and the National Bank Investments Advisory Service in Canadian provinces and territories, and through external registered representatives. Fund securities are also offered by National Bank Financial Inc. (including its division National Bank Direct Brokerage), CABN Investments (a division of NBII) and other affiliated entities. Brokers may receive, depending on the distributed series, a monthly commission representing a percentage of the average daily value of the securities held by their clients.

Brokerage Fees

The Fund may pay broker's commissions at market rates to a corporation affiliated with NBII. The brokerage fees paid by the Fund for the period are as follows:

	Period ended December 31, 2020
Total brokerage fees	48,798.38
Brokerage fees paid to National Bank Financial	-

Holdings

As at December 31, 2020, National Bank Investments Inc. held 100.59 Fund securities for a value of \$3,207.95, which represented close to 0.0006% of the net asset value of the Fund at that date. Transactions between National Bank Investments Inc. and the Fund were carried out in the normal course of business and at the Fund's net asset value as at the transaction date.

As at December 31, 2020, National Bank Trust Inc. held 1.01 Fund securities for a value of \$32.08, which represented close to 0.0000% of the net asset value of the Fund at that date. Transactions between National Bank Trust Inc. and the Fund were carried out in the normal course of business and at the Fund's net asset value as at the transaction date.

Registered Plan Trust Services

NTC receives a fixed amount per registered account for services provided as trustee for registered plans.

Administrative and Operating Services

The provision of certain services was delegated by the Fund Manager, NBII, to National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of the Bank. These include accounting, reporting and portfolio valuation services. The fees incurred for these services are paid to NBT by the Fund manager.

Management Fees

The Fund pays annual management fees to the Fund manager for its management services. The fees are calculated based on a percentage of the Fund's daily net asset value before applicable taxes and are paid on a monthly basis. A portion of the management fees paid by the Fund covers maximum annual trailer fees and sales commissions paid to brokers. The remainder of the management fees primarily covers investment management and general administration services. The breakdown of major services provided in consideration of the management fees, expressed as an approximate percentage of the management fees is as follows:

Series	Management Fees	Distribution	Others [†]
Investor Series	1.75%	57.14%	42.89%
Advisor Series and Series T5*			
Front-end load***	1.75%	28.57%	71.43%
Back-end load - 1 to 6 years	1.75%	28.57%	71.43%
Back-end load - 7 years and more	1.75%	57.14%	42.89%
Low load - 1 to 3 years	1.75%	28.57%	71.43%
Low load - 4 years and more	1.75%	57.14%	42.89%
Series F and Series F5	0.65%	_	100.00%
Series 0	N/A**	_	100.00%

 $^{^{(9)}}$ Includes all costs related to management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit.

Past Performance

The performance of each series of the Fund is presented below and calculated as at December 31 of each year. It assumes that all distributions made in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities and does not take into account sales, redemption charges, distributions, or optional charges that would have reduced returns. Past performance of a series of a Fund does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

^(*) Excluding sales commissions paid on the Advisor Series and Series T5 with low sales charges option and deferred sales charge option, which are not paid for out of the management fees.

^(**) There are no management fees paid by the Fund with respect to the Series O. Instead, Series O securityholders pay a negociated administration fee directly to National Bank Investments

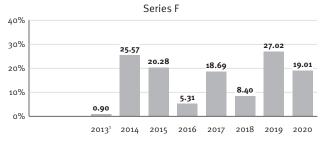
^(***) Also available under the USD purchase option.

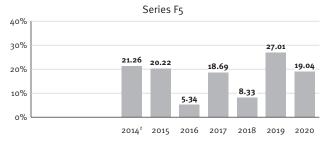
Annual Returns

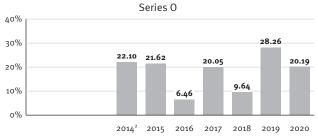
The bar charts indicate the performance for each the Fund's series in existence greater than one year during the years shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from year to year. They show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on January 1 (or made commencing from the start of the series) would have grown or decreased by December 31 of that year, or by June 30, as applicable.

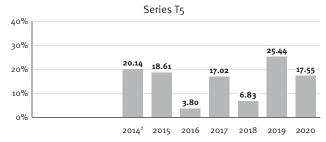












⁽e) Returns for the period from December 24, 2013 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2013.

Annual Compounded Performance

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound returns for each series in existence greater than one year and for each of the periods ended on December 31, 2020, compared with the following benchmark:

• S&P 500 Index (CAD)

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	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Investor Series¹	17.57%	16.42%	13.92%	16.03%	-
Benchmark	16.32%	14.81%	13.24%	16.75%	
Advisor Series²	17.57%	16.42%	13.92%	16.03%	-
Benchmark	16.32%	14.81%	13.24%	16.75%	-
Series F³	19.01%	17.89%	15.42%	-	17.59%
Benchmark	16.32%	14.81%	13.24%		16.02%
Series F5 ⁴	19.04%	17.88%	15.41%	-	17.97%
Benchmark	16.32%	14.81%	13.24%		17.62%
Series O ⁴	20.19%	19.12%	16.65%	-	19.26%
Benchmark	16.32%	14.81%	13.24%		17.62%
Series T5 ⁴	17.55%	16.35%	13.86%	-	16.36%
Benchmark	16.32%	14.81%	13.24%		17.62%

¹Commencement of operations: May 18, 1993

Index Description

The **S&P** 500 Index is a float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index composed of 500 companies that measures the performance of the large-cap segment of the U.S. market. It measures the performance of the largest U.S. companies.

⁽²⁾ Returns for the period from May 21, 2014 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2014.

²Commencement of operations: June 12, 2009

³Commencement of operations: December 24, 2013 ⁴Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014

A discussion of the Fund's relative performance in comparison to the index (or indices) can be found in the *Results of Operations* Section of this report.

Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the accounting periods shown.

Investor / Advisor* Series

(*) The Advisor Series was created on June 12, 2009. Please note that the data presented below is in CAD although the Advisor Series is also available under the USD front-end load purchase option.

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Net Assets per Unit ⁽¹⁾			Comm	encement of oper	rations: May 18, 1993
Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	39.31	31.33	29.31	25.03	24.08
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.86	0.45	0.44	0.48	0.35
Total expenses	(0.93)	(0.81)	(0.78)	(0.68)	(0.60)
Realized gains (losses)	0.03	0.82	0.43	1.88	1.29
Unrealized gains (losses)	6.93	7.42	1.93	2.58	(0.18)
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	6.89	7.88	2.02	4.26	0.86
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	_	_	_	_	_
From dividends	_	_	_	_	_
From capital gains	_	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	_	_	_	_	_
Total Annual Distributions (\$) (3)	_	_	_	_	_
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	46.21	39.31	31.33	29.31	25.03

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) (5)	162,337	118,997	90,150	85,157	83,484
Number of units outstanding (5)	3,511,745	3,026,317	2,877,451	2,906,855	3,336,975
Management expense ratio (%) (6)	2.22	2.22	2.48	2.50	2.50
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	2.22	2.22	2.48	2.50	2.50
Trading expense ratio (%) (7)	0.01	0.02	_	0.01	0.01
Portfolio turnover rate (%) (8)	8.46	8.61	9.70	11.24	11.65
Net asset value per unit (\$)	46.23	39.32	31.33	29.30	25.02

Series F*

(°) Please note that the data presented below is in CAD although this Series is also available under the USD purchase option.

Net Assets per Unit ⁽¹⁾			Commencement of operations: December 24, 2		
Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	26.22	20.65	19.06	16.05	15.24
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.58	0.31	0.29	0.31	0.22
Total expenses	(0.28)	(0.25)	(0.22)	(0.19)	(0.17)
Realized gains (losses)	0.02	0.65	0.27	1.22	0.84
Unrealized gains (losses)	4.68	4.32	1.04	1.65	(0.04)
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	5.00	5.03	1.38	2.99	0.85
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	_	_	_	_	_
From dividends	0.16	_	_	_	_
From capital gains	_	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	_	_	_	_	_
Total Annual Distributions (\$) (3)	0.16	_	_	_	_
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	31.04	26.22	20.65	19.06	16.05

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) (5)	409,124	253,981	50,079	35,628	29,061
Number of units outstanding (5)	13,176,055	9,682,232	2,425,278	1,870,431	1,811,193
Management expense ratio (%) (6)	1.01	1.01	1.12	1.13	1.13
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	1.03	1.03	1.16	1.17	1.17
Trading expense ratio (%) (7)	0.01	0.02	_	0.01	0.01
Portfolio turnover rate (%) (8)	8.46	8.61	9.70	11.24	11.65
Net asset value per unit (\$)	31.05	26.23	20.65	19.05	16.05

Series F₅

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾ Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014

Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	19.29	15.87	15.36	13.56	13.55
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.41	0.23	0.24	0.25	0.22
Total expenses	(0.20)	(0.18)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.15)
Realized gains (losses)	0.01	0.56	0.21	1.02	1.10
Unrealized gains (losses)	4.67	3.18	0.39	1.30	0.91
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	4.89	3.79	0.67	2.41	2.08
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	_	_	_	_	_
From dividends	0.15	_	_	0.06	_
From capital gains	_	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	0.82	0.79	0.77	0.62	0.68
Total Annual Distributions (\$) (3)	0.97	0.79	0.77	0.68	0.68
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	21.86	19.29	15.87	15.36	13.56

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
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Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) (5)	8,877	2,821	926	511	389
Number of units outstanding (5)	405,975	146,205	58,318	33,293	28,670
Management expense ratio (%) (6)	1.01	1.03	1.13	1.14	1.14
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	1.07	1.08	1.20	1.21	1.22
Trading expense ratio (%) (7)	0.01	0.02	_	0.01	0.01
Portfolio turnover rate (%) (8)	8.46	8.61	9.70	11.24	11.65
Net asset value per unit (\$)	21.87	19.29	15.87	15.36	13.56

Series 0

Please note that the data presented below is in CAD although this Series is also available under the USD purchase option.

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014

Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	26.68	20.81	18.99	15.82	14.85
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.44	0.30	0.29	0.31	0.22
Total expenses	(0.01)	(0.01)	_	_	_
Realized gains (losses)	0.35	0.63	0.28	1.21	0.81
Unrealized gains (losses)	5.94	2.93	1.25	1.65	(0.06)
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	6.72	3.85	1.82	3.17	0.97
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	_	_	_	_	_
From dividends	0.19	_	_	_	_
From capital gains	_	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	_	_	_	_	_
Total Annual Distributions (\$) (3)	0.19	_	_	_	_
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	31.88	26.68	20.81	18.99	15.82

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) (5)	29,036	6,787	2	2	2
Number of units outstanding (5)	910,439	254,247	101	100	100
Management expense ratio (%) (6)	0.02	0.02	_	_	_
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.02	0.02	0.52	0.79	1.14
Trading expense ratio (%) (7)	0.01	0.02	_	0.01	0.01
Portfolio turnover rate (%) (8)	8.46	8.61	9.70	11.24	11.65
Net asset value per unit (\$)	31.89	26.69	20.81	18.98	15.81

Series T₅

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾ Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014

Accounting Period Ended	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	2017 December 31	2016 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	17.81	14.84	14.58	13.05	13.24
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.38	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.19
Total expenses	(0.42)	(0.39)	(0.39)	(0.36)	(0.33)
Realized gains (losses)	0.03	0.49	0.19	1.33	0.70
Unrealized gains (losses)	2.94	3.34	0.05	2.35	(0.07)
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	2.93	3.65	0.07	3.54	0.49
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	_	_	_	_	_
From dividends	0.09	_	_	0.01	_
From capital gains	_	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	0.81	0.74	0.73	0.64	0.66
Total Annual Distributions (\$) (3)	0.90	0.74	0.73	0.65	0.66
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	19.92	17.81	14.84	14.58	13.05

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
	December 31				
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) (5)	1,567	683	291	98	1
Number of units outstanding (5)	78,645	38,356	19,608	6,733	113
Management expense ratio (%) (6)	2.26	2.30	2.54	2.57	2.56
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	2.27	2.30	2.55	2.60	3.77
Trading expense ratio (%) (7)	0.01	0.02	_	0.01	0.01
Portfolio turnover rate (%) (8)	8.46	8.61	9.70	11.24	11.65
Net asset value per unit (\$)	19.93	17.81	14.84	14.57	13.05

- (e) This information is derived from the Fund's Annual Audited Financial Statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements might differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. The differences are explained in the notes to the financial statements.
- (2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase or decrease from operations is based on the average number of units outstanding over the accounting period.
- ⁽³⁾ Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- (4) The net assets are calculated in accordance with IFRS.
- ⁽⁵⁾ This information is provided as at the last day of the accounting period shown.
- (6) Management expense ratio is based on total expenses including sales taxes for the accounting period indicated (excluding commission, other portfolio transaction costs and withholding taxes) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net value during the accounting period.
- (9) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the accounting period. The trading expense ratio includes, if necessary, the trading expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.
- (8) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund portfolio's manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the accounting period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in an accounting period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the accounting period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the accounting period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund.

Summary of Investment Portfolio

As of December 31, 2020

Portfolio Top Holdings

% of Net
Asset Value
Microsoft Corp. 8.1
Moody's Corp. 6.7
Alphabet Inc., Class A5.8
MasterCard Inc., Class A 5.4
UnitedHealth Group Inc. 4.7
Johnson & Johnson
MSCI Inc. 4.4
Sherwin-Williams Co./The 4.3
PepsiCo Inc. 4.1
Becton Dickinson and Co
AutoZone Inc. 3.6
Nike Inc., Class B
Lowe's Companies Inc. 3.4
Linde PLC 3.3
Analog Devices Inc. 3.1
TJX Companies Inc. 3.1
Graco Inc. 3.0
Oracle Corp. 3.0
Carrier Global Corp. 2.8
CME Group Inc., Class A
Mettler-Toledo International Inc. 2.7
Middleby Corp. 2.5
Colgate-Palmolive Co. 2.4
Otis Worldwide Corp. 2.4
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets
94.4

Net asset value	\$610.041.42

Regional Allocation

	% of Net
	Asset Value
United States	95.5
Ireland	3.3
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	1.2
Sector Allocation	
	% of Net
	Asset Value
Information Technology	24.3
Financials	15.9
Consumer Discretionary	
Health Care	12.7
Industrials	
Materials	9.3
Consumer Staples	
Communication Services	5.8
Cash Money Market and Other Net Assets	1.2

The above table shows the top 25 positions held by the Fund. In the case of a Fund with fewer than 25 positions, all positions are indicated.

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