

Series MF Fundamental - US Equity As of March 31, 2025

# **Key Reasons to Invest**

- · Proud history as the first mutual fund in Canada to invest solely in U.S. equities.
- Actively managed high-conviction portfolio focused on identifying innovative U.S. companies with exceptional corporate leadership and strong growth prospects across market cycles.
- · Use as a core portfolio holding to participate in the growth potential of U.S. equities.

## **Investment Objective**

The Fund's objective is to provide long-term capital growth. It invests primarily in equity securities of established U.S. companies.

# **Investment Strategy**

The portfolio manager follows a bottom-up growth investment style. It uses fundamental analysis to evaluate a company's growth potential, financial condition and management. As part of this evaluation, the portfolio manager looks for companies that have above-average earnings and/or revenue growth, display key growth characteristics relative to their own history, industry or overall market, and can sustain their competitive position.

Benchmark S&P 500 Net Index

### **Fund Codes**

Series	CAD	USD
MF	201	531
Т	2100	
V	3009	
F	854	754
FV	2504	
Q	1225	
W	1423	

# Distributions (Series MF)

	2024	2023	2022
\$Amount/ Unit	1.45	2.47	N/A

As Declared<sup>3</sup>

Please refer to AGF.com for distribution information.

# **Management Fee Tiers**

	\$100K- \$250K	\$250K- \$500K	\$500K- \$1M	\$1M- \$3M	>\$3M
Series Q	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.775	0.75
Series W	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.775	0.75

The Overall Morningstar Ratings<sup>™</sup> and Morningstar Quartile Rankings are series specific as inception date, performance and fee characteristics vary by series. The Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>™</sup> measures risk-adjusted returns and is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3-, 5- and 10-year (if applicable) rating metrics.

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Overall Morningstar
RatingTM1

Morningstar Category

Performance Start Date
(PSD)

Overall Fund Net Assets

\$3,639.9 million

MER2

2.64%

Trading Expense Ratio

0.01%

Risk Profile

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Compared with 1,023 funds in the US Equity category as of March 31, 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> MER as of September 30, 2024. AGFI may, in its discretion, temporarily waive some or all of the expenses of the Fund, which will result in a reduction in the MER. AGFI may cease to offer any such waiver at any time without notice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The distribution is not guaranteed, may be adjusted from time to time at the discretion of the fund manager and may vary from payment to payment.



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# Net Compound Returns (CAD) (%)

	1 MO.	3 MO.	6 MO.	YTD	1 YR.	2 YR.	3 YR.	5 YR.	10 YR.	PSD†
Fund	-9.0	-7.6	2.4	-7.6	12.1	19.1	12.2	19.1	13.2	9.3
Morningstar Quartile Ranking	4	4	3	4	2	2	2	1	1	-
Number of Funds in the Category	1,211	1,202	1,198	1,202	1,168	1,093	1,023	902	556	-

<sup>\*</sup> Performance start date as of June 28, 1957. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Rates of return for greater than one year have been annualized.

## Net Annual Returns (CAD) (%)

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	40.1	15.0	-9.7	20.7	42.6	11.8	3.2	16.4	1.6	23.1
Morningstar Quartile Ranking	1	3	2	4	1	4	2	2	3	1
Number of Funds in the Category	1,156	1,359	1,400	1,427	1,636	1,565	1,432	1,300	1,124	1,019

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Morningstar Quartile Rankings are calculated as of March 31, 2025 and subject to change monthly. They are calculated based on the Fund's total return percentile rank compared to other funds in the Morningstar US Equity category. Percentile ranks are then mapped into quartiles with (1) representing 1-25, (2) representing 26-50, (3) representing 51-75 and (4) representing 76-100 percentile ranks.

# Top 10 Holdings (% of Total Net Assets)

Total Holdings: **33** 

Company Name	Country	Sector	Weight
Amazon.com Inc.	United States	Consumer Discretionary	6.82%
NVIDIA Corp.	United States	Information Technology	6.74%
Boston Scientific Corp.	United States	Health Care	5.34%
Chesapeake Energy Corp.	United States	Energy	4.73%
Intuitive Surgical Inc.	United States	Health Care	4.37%
Howmet Aerospace Inc.	United States	Industrials	4.29%
Meta Platforms Inc.	United States	Communication Services	4.07%
Eli Lilly and Co.	United States	Health Care	4.06%
Alphabet Inc.	United States	Communication Services	4.06%
Primerica Inc.	United States	Financials	3.41%
Total			47.9%



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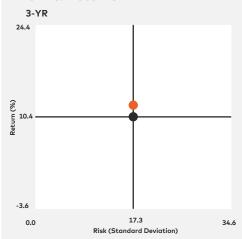
## **Portfolio Characteristics**

	Portfolio
Active Share	79.4%
Price to Earnings	30.3
Forward Sales Growth	9.1%
Forward Earnings Growth	33.0%
Forward Price to Earnings	24.2
Return on Equity	19.3%
Turnover	53.1%
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$ billions)	761.8

## **Asset Mix**

	Portfolio
Equity	95.3%
United States Equity	92.4%
International Equity	2.8%
Cash & Cash Equivalents	4.7%

## Risk vs. Returns



- AGF American Growth Class
- Funds in the Morningstar US Equity category<sup>^</sup>

## **Sector Allocation**

	Portfolio
Information Technology	19.7%
Financials	16.7%
Consumer Discretionary	14.9%
Health Care	13.8%
Industrials	11.3%
Communication Services	8.1%
Energy	7.8%
Materials	2.8%
Cash & Cash Equivalents	4.7%

# **Risk Characteristics**

(3 & 5 Year Annualized)

Portfolio	3-Year	5-Year
Standard Deviation	17.3%	16.1%
Sharpe Ratio	0.47	1.04
Beta	1.18	1.09
Tracking Error	7.1%	7.0%
Upside Capture	98.7%	100.5%
Downside Capture	106.6%	97.7%

Morningstar US Equity Category^	3-Year	5-Year
Standard Deviation	15.1%	14.8%
Sharpe Ratio	0.50	0.93
Beta	0.96	0.97

<sup>^</sup> Morningstar category performance is calculated as the average return of a portfolio constructed of all series of all funds in the category as of the end of each month.

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## **Investment Management Team**

The investment team seeks out leading and emerging growth companies. The team takes an objective look at all stocks each day - they must be willing to buy each holding every day, otherwise the stock is sold.

### **Portfolio Managers**



Mike Archibald, CFA®, CMT, CAIA Portfolio Manager

- Industry Exp: since 2007
- Firm Exp: since 2015

AGF Investments Inc.



#### Auritro Kundu, MBA

Portfolio Manager AGF Investments Inc.

- Industry Exp: since 2012
- Firm Exp: since 2015

### **Investment Team/Resources**



Izabela Siwoski Uliana, LLB (hons), CIM Multi-Asset Portfolio Specialist AGF Investments Inc.

- Industry Exp: since 2006
- Firm Exp: since 2022

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### **Term Definitions**

#### **Active Share**

Active Share tracks the disparity between a portfolio manager's holdings and that of its benchmark index. A low Active Share score indicates that a portfolio manager is closely replicating the target index, while a high Active Share score indicates that a fund's holdings diverge significantly from the target index.

### Beta

A measure of a fund's sensitivity to market movements (as represented by a benchmark index). The benchmark index has a Beta of 1.0. A Beta of more (less) than 1.0 indicates that a fund's historical returns have fluctuated more (less) than the benchmark index. For example, a Beta of 1.10 shows that the fund performed 10% better than its benchmark index in up markets and 10% worse in down markets, assuming all other factors remain constant.

### **Downside Capture (Ratio)**

The Downside Capture Ratio is calculated by taking the portfolio's return and dividing it by the benchmark's return in periods when the benchmark return was negative. A Downside Capture Ratio of less than 100% is considered desirable.

### **Forward Earnings Growth**

Forward Earnings are an estimate of a company's earnings for an upcoming period; their growth rate is calculated based on forecasted earnings.

### Forward Price/Earnings (Forward P/E)

A Forward P/E is calculated based on forecasted earnings per share; a stock's current price divided by next year's expected earnings.

#### **Forward Sales Growth**

Forward Sales are an estimate of a company's revenues for an upcoming period; their growth rate is calculated based on forecasted revenue.

#### Information Ratio

The Information Ratio is the ratio of the portfolio returns above the returns of the blended benchmark to the volatility of those returns. It's designed to measure the ability to generate excess returns relative to a benchmark on a risk-adjusted basis.

### Management Expense Ratio (MER)

The Management Expense Ratio, commonly referred to as MER, is a measure of the total expenses (fees and other costs) borne by the mutual fund or ETF, expressed as a percentage of the fund's net asset value. The ratio is calculated by dividing the total annual expenses by the average net asset value of the fund for the given year.

#### **Price/Earnings**

(P/E ratio or P/E) The ratio of share price to earnings per share.

### **Return on Equity**

A profitability ratio calculated as net income divided by average shareholders' equity.

#### **Risk Profile**

The Risk Profile is based on the historical volatility of a fund, as measured by the 10-year annualized standard deviation of the 10-year average returns of the fund. The investment risk level is required to be determined in accordance with the Canadian Securities Administrators' standardized risk classification methodology.

### **Sharpe Ratio**

Sharpe Ratio characterizes how well the return of a fund compensates the investor for each unit of absolute risk they assume, as measured by the Standard Deviation of the fund. The greater a fund's Sharpe Ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been.



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## **Term Definitions**

#### **Standard Deviation**

A statistical measure of the range/dispersion of a fund's performance. The more variable the returns, the larger the Standard Deviation. When a fund has a high Standard Deviation, it means that its range of performance was wide for the given period, i.e. greater historical volatility. Standard Deviation does not predict the future volatility of a fund.

### **Tracking Error**

The Tracking Error represents a fund manager's added value variability. It reports the difference between the return received and that of the benchmark being compared to. It is reported as a Standard Deviation percentage difference.

### Trading Expense Ratio (TER)

The total gross expenses divided by the fund's average net assets.

#### Turnover (Ratio)

The portfolio Turnover Ratio is the rate at which assets in a fund are bought and sold by the portfolio managers. It is calculated as the minimum of securities bought or sold divided by the average assets over the period.

# **Upside Capture (Ratio)**

The Upside Capture Ratio is calculated by taking the portfolio's return and dividing it by the benchmark's return in periods when the benchmark return was positive. An Upside Capture Ratio of greater than 100% is considered desirable.

### Weighted Average Market Cap

Market cap is the market value of all the outstanding shares in a company. In a portfolio the Weighted Average Market Cap is the sum of the products of a company's market cap and its percentage allocation in the portfolio.