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Investment Performance Review for

**Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association** 

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## Verus business update

#### Since our last Investment Landscape webinar:

- Verus hired two new employees:
  - Cholo Villanueva, Performance Analyst Seattle office
  - Demitri Castaneda, Performance Analyst Seattle office
- Two employees passed their Level III CFA exams, earning their charters. Verus now has a total of 33 CFA charterholders.
- Verus retained a new client in Alaska, adding a fourth client to the state.
- We celebrated our 37th anniversary. Wurts Johnson & Company (founding name) was established in January 1986.
- We also enhanced our research content management system to improve how we
  communicate our conviction in managers with our new IQ Ratings system. (details on next page)

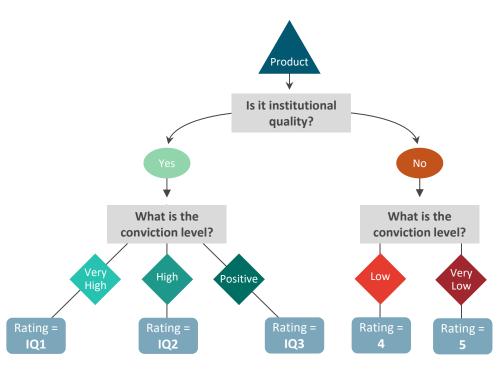
# Manager rating system

### The IQ Rating System communicates our conviction in investment products

There are two components to the rating:

- 1. Institutional quality (IQ) The product meets or exceeds the standards of fiduciary care required by institutional investors and is suitable for use in clients' portfolios.
- 2. Conviction (1 to 5) Represents the conviction of our research teams in the distinguishing qualities of the product relative to its peers, with 1 as the highest rating and 5 the lowest.

#### **PROCESS**



#### **DEFINITIONS & GUIDELINES**

	Institutional	Conviction		
Rating	Quality?	Level	<b>Defining Characteristics</b>	Recommendations
IQ1	Yes	Very High	Earns Verus' highest conviction. Above-average characteristics most likely to achieve the strategy's desired investment results.	Recommended for use in client portfolios. May be used in Verus discretionary portfolios.
IQ2	Yes	High	Maintains Verus' high conviction. Above-average characteristics most likely to achieve strategy's desired investment results.	Recommended for use in client portfolios. May be used in Verus discretionary portfolios.
IQ3	Yes	Positive	Meets institutional quality standards that can achieve desired investment results. Strengths outweigh weaknesses.	While IQ1 or IQ2 rated products are generally preferable, certain client needs may be better addressed by a highly specialized IQ3 product.
4	No	Low	Concerns with the product's ability to meet institutional-quality standards.	Clients should re- evaluate retention or monitor closely.
5	No	Very Low	Significant issues inhibit the product's ability to meet institutional-quality standards.	Verus recommends termination, immediately.

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Rating process simplified for illustrative purposes only

## Recent Verus research

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#### Topics of interest papers

#### A BRIEF GUIDE TO THE SFA PROGRAM

In this paper, we plan to approach the Special Financial Assistance (SFA) program from an investment perspective. First, we describe the interest rate rules. Next, we offer some ways in which investors may think about their legacy assets relative to their new SFA funds. This section concludes by outlining a strategy in which SFA funds are used to cash flow match expected future liability payments. Overall, the health of a Plan will determine how much SFA funding is available, and the total amount of SFA funding awarded will likely determine the degree to which this program should reasonably impact an investor's total portfolio strategy.

#### IS PAINLESS DIVERSIFICATION BACK?

Low interest rates over the last few years have caused investors significant asset allocation problems. The 2022 market reversal has begun to reverse these challenges. The implications of this return to more normal conditions for investors include:

- The renewed role of fixed income in portfolios
- Greater flexibility to meet performance objectives through simple portfolio structures
- The ability of certain investors to meet return objectives while taking less market risk
- The potential for pensions to take advantage of higher interest rates and likely stronger funded status by pursuing more liability-aware investment strategies

#### Annual research

#### **2023 CAPITAL MARKET ASSUMPTIONS**

Some important developments occurred in the last year. Capital Market Assumptions guide our advice and recommendations. They reflect the best judgments of our research and investment teams regarding the expected behavior and associated risks of capital markets in the years ahead. During our 2023 Capital Market Assumptions webinar, we discussed:

- A significant increase in our Capital Market
   Assumptions, and aspects of the environment
   which have driven this change
- The "building blocks" of market returns and our philosophy around forecasting future asset-class performance
- Implications for investors as markets escape the low-return environment of recent years

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# 4<sup>th</sup> quarter summary

#### THE ECONOMIC CLIMATE

- Real GDP increased at a 2.9% rate in the fourth quarter (1.0% year-over-year growth), slightly exceeding expectations. Consumer spending, private inventory investment, government expenditures, and nonresidential investment were supportive of growth.
- Unemployment remained near historic lows during the quarter, at 3.5% in December. While this figure suggests a strong and resilient job market, the workforce remains much smaller than pre-pandemic times as more than two million workers remain out of the labor force.

#### PORTFOLIO IMPACTS

- Inflation fears continue to ease as domestic inflation fell further. Headline inflation was 6.5% year-over-year in December—the lowest since October 2021—while core inflation came in at 5.7%. Prices for most goods and services have moderated with the exception of shelter costs, which increased at a worryingly fast pace of 10.0% annualized in December.
- U.S. real personal spending held steady at 2.0% year-over-year in August. Households focused spending on services over goods, which has removed some stress from supply chains and likely helped to normalize global transportation issues. Relatively strong spending seems to suggest it is possible that inflation moderates without a painful slowdown in the economy.

#### THE INVESTMENT CLIMATE

- China's rapid pivot away from a "Zero Covid" policy towards the end of Q4 added a large tailwind to emerging market equity performance and the global growth outlook. Despite this positive news, an uptick in virus cases poses challenges for China's reopening.
- Credit performed well in the fourth quarter, as resilient U.S. economic growth combined with expectations for the Fed to ease their tightening cycle helped mitigate investor concerns of a near-term cyclical downturn.

#### **ASSET ALLOCATION ISSUES**

- Calendar year 2022 proved to be a year of reversal regarding asset class performance. Top performing investments of the past decade, such as U.S. growth and small cap stocks, suffered some of the largest losses.
   Meanwhile, many of the worst performing investments of the past decade, including commodities and value stocks, significantly outperformed.
- Value stocks outperformed markedly during 2022, outpacing growth stocks by 10.2% in Q4 and 21.6% for the year. Energy, industrials, and materials—sectors heavily tilted toward value—showed strong returns, with energy ending the year up 64.6%.

Markets have partially recovered as inflation fears eased

Recession risks and an earnings slowdown may come into focus in 2023



# What drove the market in Q4?

#### "Has Inflation Peaked?"

#### **HEADLINE CONSUMER PRICE INFLATION (YEAR-OVER-YEAR)**

Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
8.5%	8.3%	8.2%	7.7%	7.1%	6.5%

*Article Source: Financial Times, December 8th, 2022* 

#### "The Labor Market is Still Hot"

#### **CHANGE IN U.S. NONFARM PAYROLLS**

Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
+537k	+292k	+269k	+284k	+263k	+223k

Article Source: Axios, November 1st, 2022

#### "Fed Raises Rate by 0.5 Percentage Point, Signals More Increases Likely"

#### **FOMC MEETING RATE HIKE DECISIONS**

May	Jun	July	Sep	Nov	Dec
+50 bps	+75 bps	+75 bps	+75 bps	+75 bps	+50 bps

Article Source: Wall Street Journal, December 14th, 2022

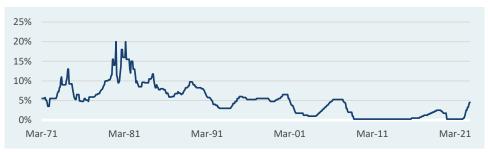
#### "China's Covid Pivot Accelerates as Cities Ease Testing Rules"

#### CHINESE REPORTED NEW CASES (DAILY AVERAGE FOR THE MONTH)

Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
559	1,629	1,158	1,340	18,914	14,748

Article Source: Bloomberg, December 5th, 2022. Dataset from Our World in Data

#### FED FUNDS RATE UPPER BOUND



Source: Federal Reserve, as of 12/31/22

#### U.S. AVAILABLE WORKERS VS. AVAILABLE JOBS (MILLIONS)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, as of 11/30/22

#### U.S. HEADLINE & CORE CPI (MONTH-OVER-MONTH)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, as of 12/31/22



**Investment Landscape** 

1st Quarter 2023

# Economic environment



## U.S. economics summary

- Real GDP increased at a 2.9% rate in Q4 (1.0% year-over-year growth). Consumer spending, private inventory investment, government expenditures, and nonresidential investment supported the economy.
- Inflation fears continue to ease as domestic inflation fell further. December headline inflation came in at 6.5% year-over-year while core inflation (excluding food & energy) came in at 5.7%. Most goods and services price rises have slowed, with the exception of shelter costs, which increased at a worryingly fast pace of 10% annualized in December.
- Unemployment remained very low during the quarter, at 3.5% in December. While this official figure suggests a strong and resilient job market, the workforce remains much smaller than pre-pandemic times as more than two million workers are missing from the labor force.

- Consumer spending kept steady though savings rates dropped to 2.3%—a depressed level not seen since the mid-2000s. A low household savings rate is sometimes seen as an indicator of strong consumer confidence and spending, though we suspect household budgets are currently being hit hard by higher costs.
- Consumer sentiment improved during Q4 but is still very downbeat. In the most recent University of Michigan survey, respondents showed less concern around inflation, reported better business conditions and long-term outlook, but were pessimistic over personal finances.
- U.S. home prices peaked in June 2022 and have been falling since then, according to S&P CoreLogic. Significantly higher mortgage interest rates have led to the worst home affordability on record, according to the National Association of Realtors.

Most Recent	12 Months Prior
1.0%	5.7%
12/31/22	12/31/21
5.7%	5.5%
12/31/22	12/31/21
<b>2.2%</b>	2.3%
12/31/22	12/31/21
4.25% – 4.50%	0.00% – 0.25%
12/31/22	12/31/21
3.87%	1.51%
12/31/22	12/31/21
3.5%	3.9%
12/31/22	12/31/21
6.5%	7.3%
12/31/22	12/31/21
	1.0% 12/31/22  5.7% 12/31/22  2.2% 12/31/22  4.25% - 4.50% 12/31/22  3.87% 12/31/22  3.5% 12/31/22  6.5%



# GDP growth

Real GDP increased at a 2.9% rate in the fourth quarter (1.0% growth year-over-year), slightly exceeding expectations of 2.8%. Consumer spending supported growth, along with gains in private inventory investment, government expenditures, and nonresidential investment. Residential fixed investment saw an extreme drop of -26.7% during the quarter as the housing market weakened. Declining exports also acted as a drag on growth.

Investors appear unsure about how to interpret the recent string of strong U.S. economic data. Although consumer sentiment is very poor by most measures, spending remains positive and the job market remains surprisingly resilient. Were the economy to avoid recession, this would be positive for businesses and for corporate

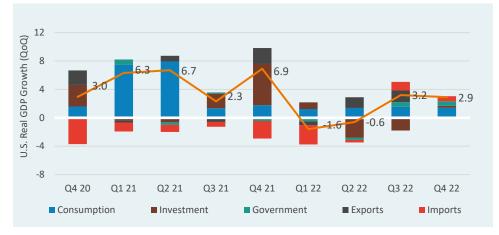
earnings, but might also lead to further aggressive Federal Reserve action and interest rate hikes, which are negative for equity prices.

The inflation environment following the COVID-19 pandemic is unlike many past inflation cycles. Much of the price pressure has been fueled by factors *other than* a strong economy, such as an unprecedented shift in consumer spending behavior towards goods and away from services, port and international transportation issues related to lockdowns, and Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Because many of these variables are outside of the Federal Reserve's control, we believe it is possible that inflation continues to fall despite a relatively strong U.S. economy.

#### U.S. REAL GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT



#### U.S. REAL GDP COMPONENTS (QOQ)



Source: FRED, as of 12/31/22 Source: FRED, as of 12/31/22



## Inflation

The inflation picture continued to improve in the United States, as both headline and core inflation figures declined further. December headline inflation came in at 6.5% year-over-year—the lowest since October 2021—while core inflation came in at 5.7%. Most goods and services prices have moderated with the exception of shelter, which increased at a worryingly fast pace of 10% annualized in December. Food inflation has been a large contributor to high inflation, but food price rises reassuringly slowed in December, increasing at a 3.7% annualized rate.

Strong increases in U.S. hourly wages over recent years have

been a welcome development for workers who are feeling the squeeze of higher prices on household budgets. But wage rises can also act as a key risk to the inflation environment. Accelerating wages might sustain higher spending and therefore persistently elevated rates of inflation. However, government data now indicates that wage growth is slowing, which mitigates the risk of a wage-price spiral.

Overall, we believe inflation is falling and will likely be much less of a perceived market risk in 2023. Certain persistent price pressures suggest that an inflation level of 3-4% is more likely than the 1-2% experienced throughout much of the 2010s.

Price pressures continue to ease, adding to optimism that inflation will fall to more normal levels

#### U.S. CPI (YOY)



#### **AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS**



#### MONTHLY PRICE MOVEMENT

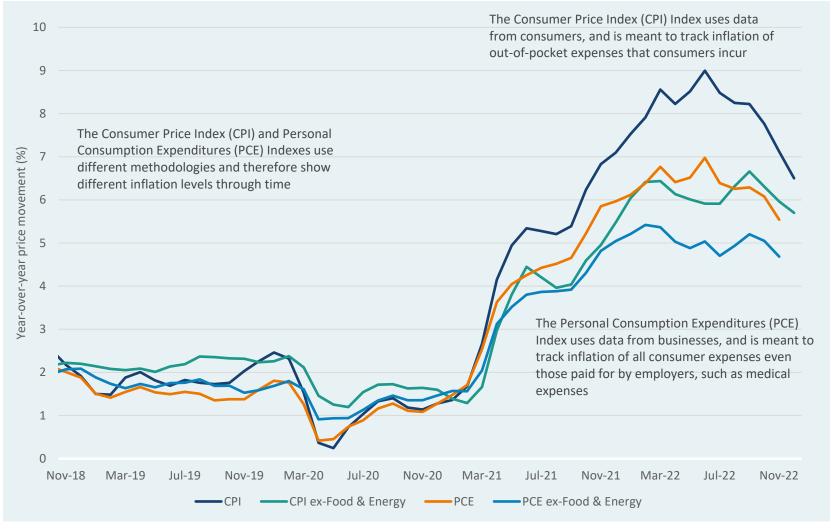


Source: BLS, as of 12/31/22 Source: BLS, as of 12/31/22



Source: BLS, as of 12/31/22

# How are inflation conditions evolving?



Price rises have slowed considerably in recent months, which is bringing down official year-over-year inflation figures

Source: FRED, Verus, PCE data as of 11/30/22, CPI data as of 12/31/22



## Labor market

Unemployment remained very low during the quarter, at 3.5% in December. This official figure suggests a strong and resilient job market for those workers who seek employment, although this data contrasts with media reports of fairly widespread layoff activity.

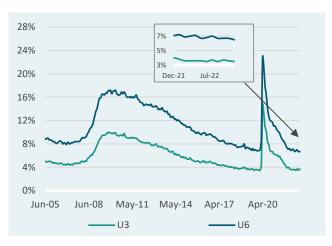
The labor participation rate also remained unchanged during the quarter. Low labor participation paints a different and much weaker picture of the job market, because this figure takes into account the workers who are not seeking employment. More than two million workers remain out of the labor force, relative to the pre-pandemic job market. Survey

and government-reported data suggests that much of this effect is due to "Long Covid" health troubles. Other variables such as early retirements, and parents taking time off to care for children, have also likely had a material impact on the size of the workforce.

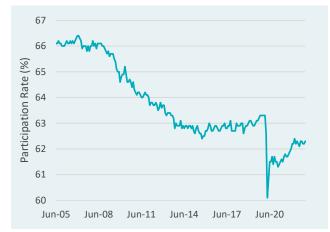
The result of millions of Americans dropping out of the workforce has been a historically large mismatch regarding the number of jobs available and the number of workers available to fill those jobs. This gap remains wide, but has been closing recently as job openings have fallen.

The labor market remains tight, though the size of workforce is much smaller relative to prepandemic times

#### U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT



#### LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE



#### Source: FRED, as of 12/31/22

#### **WORKERS AVAILABLE VS. AVAILABLE JOBS**



Source: BLS, as of 11/30/22



Source: FRED, as of 12/31/22

## The consumer

U.S. real (inflation-adjusted) personal consumption expenditures held steady in August, at 2.0% year-over-year. Households have focused spending on services rather than goods, which removed some stress from supply chains and likely helped to normalize transportation issues. Relatively strong spending seems to suggest it is possible that inflation moderates without a painful slowdown in the economy.

Spending has slowed but savings rates have also dropped to 2.3%—a depressed level not seen since the mid-2000s. A low household savings rate is sometimes seen as an indicator of

strong consumer confidence and spending, though in the current environment we suspect that household budgets are being hit hard by inflation and higher living costs.

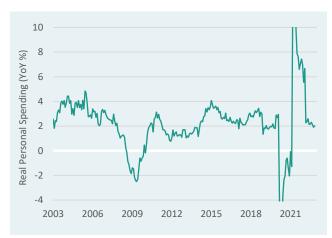
Big ticket items such as automobiles have seen falling sales as higher interest rates make purchases less affordable and household budgets come under strain. The pressure of higher interest rates is reflected in *average debt payments relative to average income*—a metric which has risen towards pre-pandemic levels.

Household spending remains strong, though a very low savings rate may suggest budgets are being squeezed

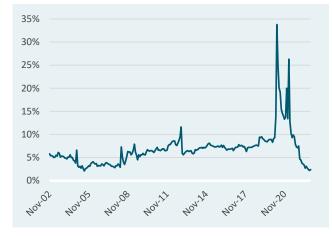
#### **DEBT SERVICE AS % HOUSEHOLD INCOME**



#### **REAL PERSONAL CONSUMPTION**



#### PERSONAL SAVINGS RATE



Source: FRED, as of 11/30/22

Source: FRED, as of 11/30/22



Source: FRED, as of 9/30/22

## Sentiment

Consumer sentiment improved again during the fourth quarter, but remains very downbeat, according to the University of Michigan. In the most recent survey, respondents expressed less concerns over inflation, reported better business conditions and long-term outlook, though pessimism around current and future personal finances remained.

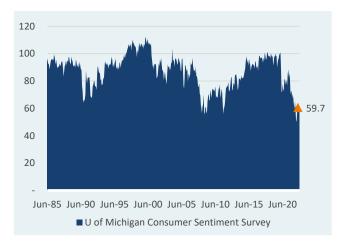
Consumer confidence measured by the Conference Board improved slightly in the fourth quarter—at the highest level since April. According to the Conference Board, views around

current conditions and future conditions improved as households were more upbeat regarding the economy and jobs. Inflation expectations continued to fall (improve), driven by lower gas prices in particular.

The NFIB Small Business Optimism index deteriorated slightly during the quarter, reflecting a very poor business outlook. Thirty-two percent of business owners expressed inflation as their greatest concern for business operations. Other concerns included difficulties in filling open job positions and an inability to raise prices to keep up with inflation.

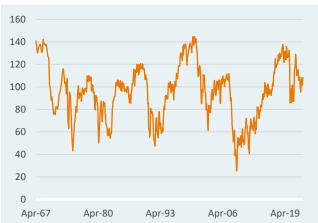
Sentiment, by most measures, remains very poor

#### **CONSUMER SENTIMENT**



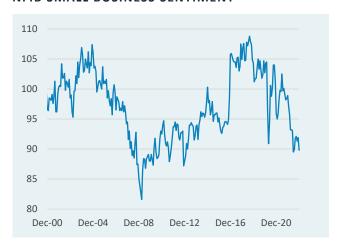
Source: University of Michigan, as of 12/31/22

#### CONFERENCE BOARD CONSUMER CONFIDENCE



Source: Conference Board, as of 12/31/22

#### NFIB SMALL BUSINESS SENTIMENT



Source: NFIB, as of 12/31/22



# Housing

U.S. home prices peaked in June 2022 and have been falling since that time, according to the S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller U.S. National Index. Significantly higher mortgage interest rates have led to the worst home affordability on record, as indicated by the National Association of Realtors.

Higher home prices and interest rates have also resulted in a sharp slowdown in sales activity—a notable change from the frothy environment that had occurred post-pandemic. Existing home sales activity has now fallen to a rate not seen since the real estate market was recovering from the housing

crisis during the early 2010s.

Conditions in housing today appear to be helping to *rebalance* the housing market, as suggested by the monthly supply of homes. Weaker sales volumes and worse affordability has meant that potential buyers have much more inventory to select from. The monthly supply of homes is now at 8.6 months, up from an all-time-low of 3.3 months in August 2020. As homes sit on the market unsold for longer, prices may need to fall further to attract buyers.

#### HOUSING AFFORDABILITY INDEX



#### **HOME SALES: NEW & EXISTING (MILLIONS)**



Source: FRED, as of 10/31/22

#### MONTHLY SUPPLY OF HOMES



Source: FRED, as of 11/30/22

The Monthly Housing Affordability Index measures whether or not a typical family earns enough income to qualify for a mortgage loan on a typical home at the national and regional levels based on the most recent monthly price and income data



# International economics summary

- Economic growth expectations continued to weaken, although the GDP outlook for emerging economies is starting to paint a more optimistic picture. Developed economies, specifically across the Eurozone and United Kingdom, are still facing the negative growth impacts of tighter financial conditions as inflation remains elevated.
- Inflation in both the Eurozone and U.K. has reinforced tighter policies from the ECB and BOE. While U.K. inflation fell to 10.7% from the 11.1% peak in October, interest rates are expected to be raised further (but in smaller increments). Eurozone inflation has shown signs of moving past its peak, although core inflation hit a new high of 5.2%, stoking fears that inflation may be spreading to core goods and services.
- Unemployment rates have remained stable over the quarter.

- India stood out as an exception, where unemployment jumped from 6.4% to 8.3%.
- The war in Ukraine carried on despite temporary "ceasefires" declared by Russia. The fighting has intensified in Eastern Ukraine around Kharkiv, with a supporting effort in Southern Ukraine, as Russian forces attempt to secure frontline positioning in the Kherson Oblast.
- China's rapid pivot away from a "Zero Covid" policy towards the end of the quarter added a large tailwind to the global growth outlook. Despite this positive news, a rapid uptick in COVID-19 cases challenges the timeline of the reopening story. Additionally, many wonder how a large uptick in global demand might impact inflation pressures at a time when advanced economies struggle specifically to reign in spending.

Area	GDP (Real, YoY)	Inflation (CPI, YoY)	Unemployment
United States	1.0%	6.5%	3.5%
	12/31/22	12/31/22	12/31/22
Eurozone	<b>2.3</b> % 9/30/22	9.2% 12/31/22	6.5% 11/30/22
Japan	1.5%	4.0%	2.4%
	9/30/22	12/31/22	11/30/22
BRICS	3.6%	3.5%	5.2%
Nations	9/30/22	12/31/22	12/31/21
Brazil	3.6%	5.8%	8.3%
	9/30/22	12/31/22	10/31/22
Russia	(3.7%)	11.9%	3.7%
	9/30/22	12/31/22	11/30/22
India	6.3%	5.7%	8.3%
	9/30/22	12/31/22	12/31/22
China	3.9%	1.8%	5.7%
	9/30/22	12/31/22	11/30/22

NOTE: India lacks reliable government unemployment data. Unemployment rate shown above is estimated from the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy. The Chinese unemployment rate represents the monthly surveyed urban unemployment rate in China.



## International economics

Growth expectations outside of the U.S. contracted over the quarter, with the largest moves coming from developed economies. The IMF cut its GDP forecast by 0.7% and 0.2% for the Eurozone and U.K. in their October outlook (now expecting 2023 GDP of 0.5% and 0.3%, respectively) as the European Central Bank and Bank of England struggle to rein in record high inflation. Japan saw a smaller downward revision of 0.1%, with 2023 growth expectations now at 1.6%.

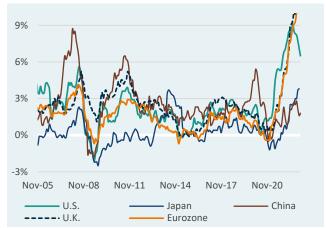
The outlook for emerging markets is much more optimistic. Most countries have avoided the high inflation seen in developed markets. A rapid reopening of the Chinese economy is likely providing a tailwind to growth, although the timing remains unclear due to another wave of COVID-19 infections. The 2023 GDP forecast for emerging economies per Bloomberg ticked down from 4.3% to 3.9% over the quarter, but emerging economy growth is still expected to far exceed that of developed economies (developed economy 2023 GDP expectations sit at 0.4%, according to the IMF).

Despite the slowdown in economic growth, employment remains stable amongst the regions we track. India stood out as an exception, where unemployment jumped from 6.4% to 8.3% during Q4.

#### REAL GDP GROWTH (YOY)

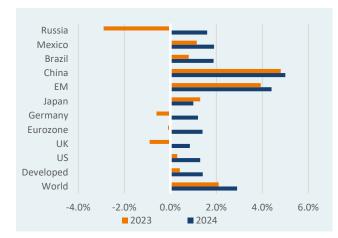


#### **INFLATION (CPI YOY)**



#### Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22 – or most recent release

#### **ECONOMIC GROWTH FORECASTS**



Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22 – or most recent release



Source: Bloomberg, as of 9/30/22

# Fixed income rates & credit



## Fixed income environment

- The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield ended the quarter unchanged at 3.8%. It is possible that long-term interest rates have already reached a cyclical peak, assuming inflation continues to fall and the Federal Reserve becomes less aggressive.
- Credit performance was positive during the fourth quarter, with riskier exposures such as U.S. high yield and emerging market debt (both local and hard currency) leading the pack. Expectations for a slowdown in Federal Reserve rate hikes, and a rosier U.S. economic environment, have provided a tailwind to the credit space.
- Default activity in high yield bonds and bank loans remained subdued during Q4. Throughout the year, 17 companies defaulted totaling \$26.3 billion, with large defaults concentrated in the Healthcare sector which accounted for over 36% of total dollar volume. Default rates for par-weighted U.S. high

- yield and bank loans remained very low at 0.8% and 1.0%, respectively.
- The U.S. yield curve inversion reached historically negative levels, with the 10-year 2-year yield spread seeing its widest inversion since 1981 (short-term interest rates being higher than long-term interest rates). The negative spread bottomed out at ~81 bps on December 5<sup>th</sup> before gradually easing during the latter half of the month.
- Derivative markets are beginning to clash with Federal Reserve projections, as investors are pricing in a shorter tightening cycle relative to that indicated by comments from Federal Reserve officials. Federal Funds futures reflect a target interest rate of approximately 4.6% by the end of 2023, which compares to 5.1% indicated by the Federal Reserve's December Summary of Economic Projections.

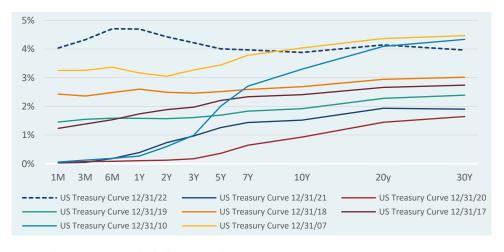
	QTD Total Return	1 Year Total Return
Core Fixed Income (Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate)	1.9%	(13.0%)
Core Plus Fixed Income (Bloomberg U.S. Universal)	2.2%	(13.0%)
U.S. Treasuries (Bloomberg U.S. Treasury)	0.7%	(12.5%)
U.S. High Yield (Bloomberg U.S. Corporate HY)	4.2%	(11.2%)
Bank Loans (S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan)	2.7%	(0.6%)
Emerging Market Debt Local (JPM GBI-EM Global Diversified)	8.5%	(11.7%)
Emerging Market Debt Hard (JPM EMBI Global Diversified)	8.1%	(17.8%)
Mortgage-Backed Securities (Bloomberg MBS)	2.1%	(11.8%)

Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22

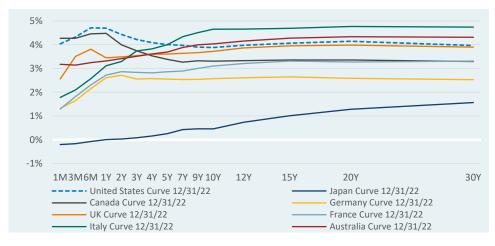


## Yield environment

#### **U.S. YIELD CURVE**



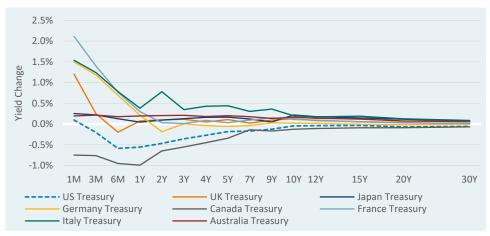
#### **GLOBAL GOVERNMENT YIELD CURVES**



#### YIELD CURVE CHANGES OVER LAST FIVE YEARS



#### **IMPLIED CHANGES OVER NEXT YEAR**



Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22

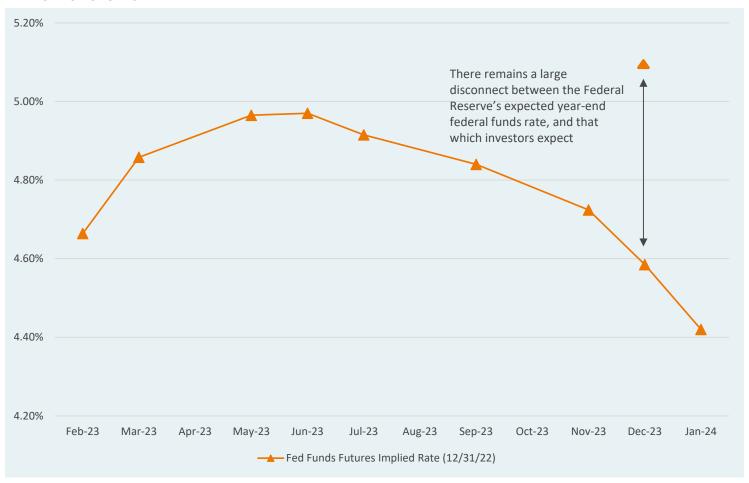


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# Markets more optimistic than the Fed

#### FED FUNDS FUTURES IMPLIED FED RATE



Markets expected the federal funds rate to rise to a peak of near 5.0% in Spring of 2023, followed by rate cuts throughout the remainder of the year

This contrasts sharply with forecasts from the Federal Reserve, which indicates a federal funds rate projection for the end of 2023 of 5.1%

Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22



## Credit environment

During the fourth quarter, markets began pricing in an eventual end to the Federal Reserve rate hiking cycle. This supported the performance of credit assets, as well as stronger-than-expected U.S. economic data which helped alleviate recession fears. High yield credit returns led the way with 4.2%, followed by 3.6% from investment grade credit and 2.3% from bank loans.

Credit spreads broadly tightened, with investment grade spreads falling to 130 bps from their high of 165 bps in Q3. High yield spreads compressed further, moving from 552 bps to 469 bps over the quarter. Despite calendar year returns of investment grade credit being the worst on record at - 15.8%, and two consecutive years of negative returns, spreads have

widened less than anticipated. This suggests spreads could expand from these levels if conditions deteriorate.

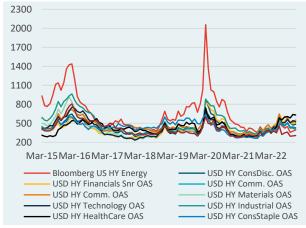
The total yield of high yield credit declined modestly throughout Q4, ending the quarter at 9.0%, which was 71 bps below Q3 yields but still elevated far above yields to start 2022. The Bloomberg US Corporate Investment Grade Index saw similar movement, with yields declining to 5.4% from 5.7% during the quarter, though still significantly higher than 2.4% to start the year. More attractive yield levels have the potential to drive demand for fixed income broadly, though concerns around growth and recession may act as headwinds to the spread-sensitive performance of higher risk credit.

#### **SPREADS**



Source: Barclays, Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22

#### HIGH YIELD SECTOR SPREADS (BPS)



Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22

	Credit Spread (OAS)		
Market	12/31/22	12/31/21	
Long U.S. Corp	1.6%	1.3%	
U.S. Inv Grade Corp	1.3%	0.9%	
U.S. High Yield	4.7%	2.8%	
U.S. Bank Loans*	5.9%	4.3%	

Source: Barclays, Credit Suisse, Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22

\*Discount margin (4-year life)



## Default & issuance

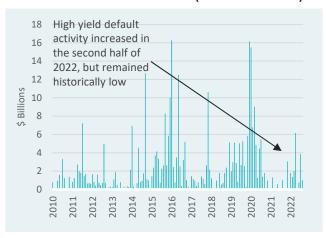
Default activity in high yield bonds and bank loans remained subdued during Q4. Throughout the year, 17 companies defaulted totaling \$26.3 billion, with large defaults concentrated in the Healthcare sector which accounted for over 36% of total dollar volume. Default rates for par-weighted U.S. high yield and bank loans remained very low at 0.8% and 1.0%, respectively. While these levels are well below long-term historical averages, defaults are widely expected to increase amid sustained higher interest rates, tighter financial conditions, and weaker economic growth.

Default recovery rates of high yield and bank loans remained strong for a second consecutive year. High yield recovery rates ended the year at 55% (above the long-term average of 40%) while the recovery rate of bank loans

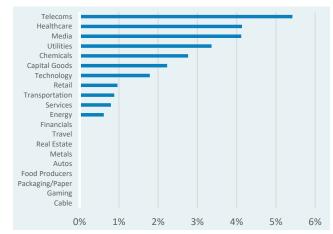
ended the year at 58% (below the long-term average of 64%).

Investment grade credit issuance remained light, with \$195 billion of issuance in Q4 being the lowest quarter of the year. During 2022, \$1.2 trillion of investment grade bond issuance was 12% lower than 2021 but still in line with the past five-year average. Levered credit also saw quarterly lows of issuance, with \$16.5 billion and \$47.6 billion in the high yield and levered loan spaces, respectively. The year-over-year declines in issuance within high yield and bank loans have been dramatic, down around 70% since 2021.

#### U.S. HY MONTHLY DEFAULTS (PAR WEIGHTED)

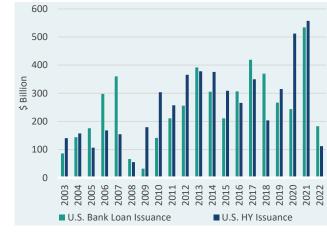


#### U.S. HY SECTOR DEFAULTS (LAST 12 MONTHS)



Source: BofA Merrill Lynch, as of 12/31/22 – par weighted

U.S. ISSUANCE (\$ BILLIONS)



Source: BofA Merrill Lynch, as of 12/31/22



Source: BofA Merrill Lynch, as of 12/31/22

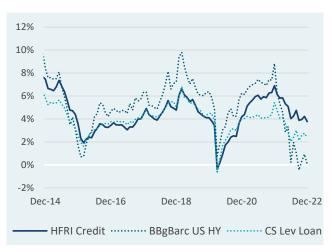
## Alternative credit

Credit hedge fund strategies held up well in 2022 despite continued pressure on high yield and duration-sensitive assets. The HFRI Credit Index, which typically delivers performance between that of high yield and bank loans, only lost -2.6% for the year despite widening credit spreads and exposure to duration (which has been very painful for traditional credit).

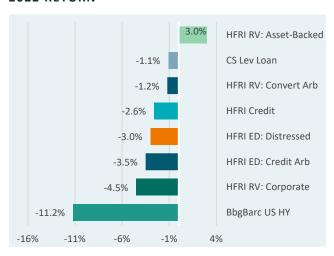
Looking more closely at hedge fund credit, asset-backed strategies were the strongest performers throughout the year. These strategies gained 3% while most other alternative credit funds were modestly negative, in line with bank loans.

We believe asset-backed and distressed strategies remain the most interesting in the space. Asset-backed funds have found attractive yields in off-the-run securitized credit markets, while distressed funds benefited from value investing coming back into favor, and increasing corporate stress which provides new trading opportunities.

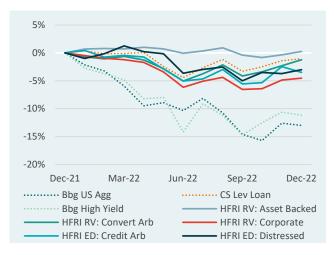
#### **3-YEAR ROLLING RETURN**



#### 2022 RETURN



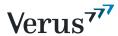
#### **2022 CUMULATIVE RETURN**



Source: MPI, Morningstar, HFR, Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22







# Equity environment

- U.S. equities delivered their only positive quarterly return of 2022 during Q4 (S&P 500 +7.6%), helping to dampen the index's worst calendar year performance since 2008 (-18.1% loss in 2022). Higher interest rates and recession fears contributed to poor returns.
- U.S. corporate earnings in Q3 grew
   2.4% from the year prior, marking the slowest rate of growth since
   Q3 2020. Per FactSet, earnings are projected to decline by -4.1% in
   Q4, which would mark the first decline in U.S. earnings since 2020.
- Many equity markets now trade at valuation levels near historical averages as rising rates and growth concerns have contributed to more attractive pricing. The S&P 500 forward P/E ratio of 18.3 (as of November 30<sup>th</sup>) is under the five-year average of 18.6 and the ten-year average of 20.2.

- Currency movements continued to create portfolio volatility for investors with unhedged exposure to foreign currencies. The U.S. dollar depreciated sharply during Q4 which resulted in a large gain of 7.6% for investors with unhedged foreign currency exposure (+17.3% MSCI EAFE unhedged, +9.7% MSCI EAFE hedged).
- Value stocks outpaced growth stocks by 10.2% in Q4 and by 21.6% for the year. Energy, industrials, and materials—sectors which are heavily tilted toward value—showed strong returns, with energy ending the year up 64.6%.
- Implied volatility fell significantly over the quarter, as the Cboe VIX Index moved from 31.6 to 21.7.
   Equity markets advanced on cooling inflation, potential for less aggressive central bank action, and perhaps optimism around China's reopening.

	QTD TOTAL RETURN (unhedged) (hedged)		1 YEAR TOT	AL RETURN (hedged)
U.S. Large Cap (S&P 500)	7.6%		(18.1%)	
U.S. Small Cap (Russell 2000)	6.2%		(20.4%)	
U.S. Equity (Russell 3000)	7.2%		(19.2%)	
U.S. Large Value (Russell 1000 Value)	12.4%		(7.5%)	
US Large Growth (Russell 1000 Growth)	2.2%		(29.1%)	
Global Equity (MSCI ACWI)	9.8%	7.6%	(18.4%)	(15.5%)
International Large (MSCI EAFE)	17.3%	9.7%	(14.5%)	(4.6%)
Eurozone (EURO STOXX 50)	24.8%	15.7%	(15.1%)	(7.0%)
U.K. (FTSE 100)	17.1%	9.3%	(7.0%)	5.9%
Japan (NIKKEI 225)	11.3%	1.4%	(18.9%)	(5.2%)
Emerging Markets (MSCI Emerging Markets)	9.7%	6.7%	(20.1%)	(16.3%)

Source: Russell Investments, MSCI, STOXX, FTSE, Nikkei, as of 12/31/22



## Domestic equity

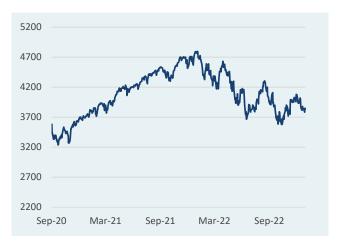
U.S. equities notched their only positive quarterly return for the year during Q4 (S&P 500 +7.6%), helping to dampen the index's worst annual performance since 2008 (-18.1% loss in 2022). Domestic shares were negatively impacted by higher interest rates and growing recession fears due to tightening from the Federal Reserve. While performance over the quarter was positive, U.S. equities trailed emerging market and international developed equities.

Earnings in the third quarter grew 2.4% from the year prior, marking the slowest rate of growth since Q3 2020. Energy dominated the narrative,

as earnings grew an incredible 137% from the previous year. U.S. energy companies experienced margin expansion due to materially higher commodity prices, specifically within oil and natural gas. Per FactSet, earnings are projected to decline by -4.1% in Q4, which would mark the first decline in U.S. earnings since 2020. A potential recession could pose challenges for the earnings outlook.

Energy dominated sector performance in the quarter (+22.8), leading the positive performance seen in most sectors, while telecommunications (-1.4%) and consumer discretionary (-10.2%) saw negative returns.

#### **S&P 500 PRICE INDEX**



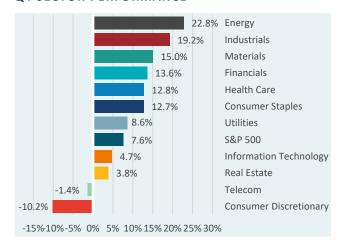
Source: Standard & Poor's, as of 12/31/22

#### S&P 500 EARNINGS GROWTH (YEAR-OVER-YEAR)



Source: FactSet, as of 12/31/22

#### **Q4 SECTOR PERFORMANCE**



Source: Morningstar, as of 12/31/22



## Domestic equity size & style

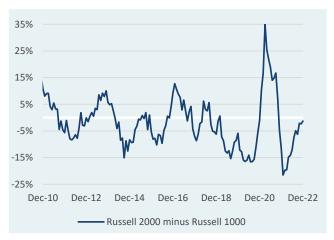
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Markets adjusted to Federal Reserve rate hikes in the fourth quarter and throughout the year. Profitless and high-growth companies suffered the most as investors favored higher yielding fixed income and preferred stocks with strong fundamentals.

Small capitalization stocks underperformed large capitalization stocks (Russell 2000 +6.2%, Russell 1000 +7.2%), and remain relatively rich in valuations despite recent performance pain.

Domestic equities made a modest recovery in Q4 as inflation appears to have peaked and the end of the Fed's hiking cycle is in sight. These dynamics will likely help determine the relative performance of style factors in the near-term.

#### SMALL CAP VS LARGE CAP (YOY)



#### VALUE VS GROWTH (YOY)



#### Source: FTSE, as of 12/31/22

#### **VALUE VS. GROWTH RELATIVE VALUATIONS**



Source: FTSE, Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22



Source: FTSE, as of 12/31/22

## International developed equity

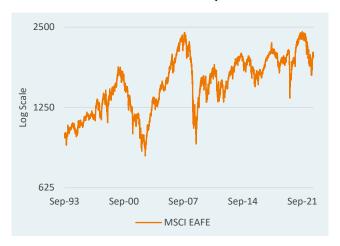
International developed equities rallied significantly in the fourth quarter, driven by strong gains from Eurozone equities and favorable currency movements. The MSCI EAFE Index finished the quarter up 17.3% on an unhedged currency basis, handily outperforming emerging market and U.S. equities.

A bounce back from European shares helped drive the double-digit returns seen from the MSCI EAFE Index. Investors showed preference towards larger names, as the EURO STOXX 50—a gauge of the largest companies in the

Eurozone—rose 24.8%, outpacing the 19.7% gain from the broader EURO STOXX 600 Index. Both indices were trading at 2022 lows at the start of the fourth quarter.

Currency movements played a large role in unhedged Eurozone performance and also boosted the unhedged returns of Japan and the United Kingdom. The U.S. dollar sharply pivoted on market views that the Federal Reserve may follow a shorter tightening cycle. As a result, exchange rates for the Euro, Pound, and Yen appreciated relative to the greenback.

#### INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPED EQUITY



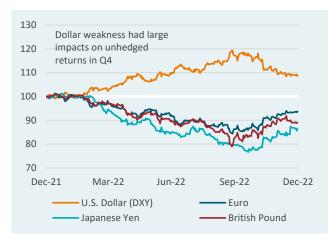
Source: MSCI, as of 12/31/22

#### **Q4 2022 REGIONAL INDEX RETURNS**



Source: MSCI, STOXX, FTSE, Nikkei, as of 12/31/22

#### 2022 CURRENCY MOVEMENTS (BASE OF 100)



Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22



# Emerging market equity

Emerging market equities advanced alongside global equities as the MSCI EM Index finished the quarter up 9.7%. Performance was volatile over the quarter, as losses in October were pared by a 13.2% rally over November and December. Despite the rally to close out the year, the index still ended down -20.1%, underperforming both international developed and U.S. equity benchmarks.

Returns in the fourth quarter were driven by gains in Chinese equities, which jumped following a rapid pivot away from the Chinese Communist Party's "Zero Covid" policy. While

Chinese shares still dominate the index (around 30%), strong performance from countries with smaller weights also played a large role.

Indian shares, which hold the second largest weight in the index, acted as a drag on returns during the quarter but still ended in positive territory. Despite a modest 2.0% quarterly gain, the Indian market was one of the best performers of 2022, finishing the year down -8.0%. This compared to double-digit losses from other regional indices.

#### **EMERGING MARKET EQUITY**



#### Q4 2022 MSCI COUNTRY RETURNS (USD)



Source: Bloomberg, MSCI, as of 12/31/22

#### GROWTH OF \$100K IN 2022 (EM WEIGHTS >10%)



Source: Bloomberg, MSCI, as of 12/31/22 - performance in USD



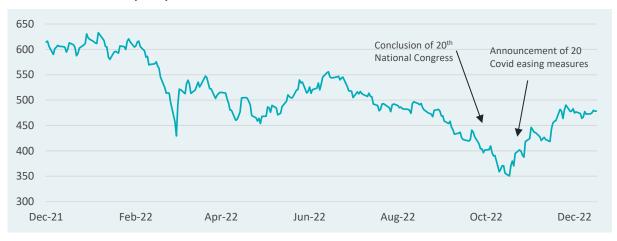
Source: MSCI, as of 12/31/22

## Recent developments in China

China has continued to make global headlines, though two stories seemed to dominate the narrative. First, the 20<sup>th</sup> National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) resulted in greater concentration of power and an unprecedented third-term for CCP General Secretary Xi Jinping. Second, China communicated a sharp reversal of its "Zero Covid" policy, as the government swiftly reopened major cities from stringent lockdowns, which has contributed to a new wave of COVID-19 cases.

Chinese equity markets dropped sharply following the 20<sup>th</sup> National Congress, but quickly reversed course following a string of economic reopening announcements. Markets moved even higher during the latter half of the quarter, fueled by the reopening story and prospects for easier monetary and fiscal policy relative to the rest of the world. While the reopening of the world's largest economy presents a tailwind to economic growth, concerns remain around the timeline of recovery, the net impact of eased supply chains and increased global demand, as well as the new concentration of power within the government.

#### MSCI CHINA INDEX (USD)



Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22

#### CHINESE LEADERSHIP SINCE MAO ZEDONG

Leader	<b>Electing Central Committee</b>
Mao Zedong	6th (1928 - 1945)
	7th
	8th
	9th
	10th (1973 - 1977)
Hua Guofeng	11th (1977 - 1982)
Hu Yaobang	11th (1977 - 1982)
	12th (1982 - 1987)
Zhao Ziyang	12th (1982 - 1987)
	13th (1987 - 1992)
Jiang Zemin	13th (1987 - 1992)*
	14th (1992 - 1997)
	15th (1997 - 2002)
Hu Jintao	16th (2002 - 2007)
	17th (2007 - 2012)
Xi Jinping	18th (2012 - 2017)
	19th (2017 - 2022)
	20th (2022 - 2027)
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<sup>\*</sup>Replaced Zhao Ziyang mid-term in 1989

First third-term election since Mao Zedong



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# Equity valuations

Many markets now trade at valuation levels near their historical average as inflation and rising interest rates have brought prices down. The S&P 500 forward P/E ratio of 17.1 is below the five- and ten-year averages of 18.6 and 20.2, respectively. The Federal Reserve remains in focus for U.S. investors as valuations over the past decade have been lifted by low interest rates. International equity valuations are depressed but may be further challenged by inflation and recession. Emerging market equities appear to be poised for a strong recovery, given a more positive growth outlook, and

as China's reopening could improve fundamentals and bring the asset class back into favor.

International developed equities remain inexpensive relative to U.S. equities, but developed markets face significant long-term headwinds. In Q4, gains in the Euro and Yen and an easing energy crisis boosted international developed equity returns, but high inflation, high debt and low growth in Japan, poor demographics, and a hawkish ECB make for a challenged long-term outlook.

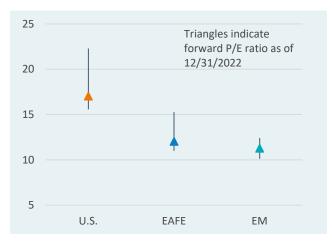
International developed equities remain extremely cheap relative to U.S. markets

#### **FORWARD P/E RATIOS**



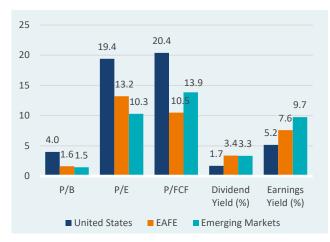
Source: MSCI, 12m forward P/E, as of 12/31/22

#### FORWARD P/E RATIO RANGES (DURING 2022)



Source: MSCI, 12m forward P/E, as of 12/31/22

#### **VALUATION METRICS (3-MONTH AVERAGE)**



Source: Bloomberg, MSCI, as of 12/31/22 - trailing P/E



# Equity volatility

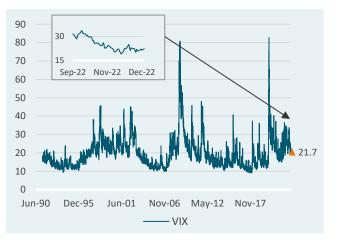
Implied volatility fell significantly over the quarter. The Cboe VIX Index moved from 31.6 to 21.7. Equity markets advanced on cooling inflation, potential for less aggressive central bank action, and perhaps optimism around China's reopening.

In contrast, realized volatility increased from the prior quarter. Volatility rose across S&P 500, MSCI EAFE, and MSCI EM Indices. Realized volatility in the domestic market remained the highest—a trend consistent with last quarter—as markets swung around inflation prints, two Federal

Reserve interest rate decisions, and growing concerns over a potential 2023 recession.

Historically speaking, the S&P 500 delivered exceptionally poor performance in line with some of the worst of the index's history. Looking all the way back to 1929, this year was the seventh worst in the index's history and the worst calendar year performance since 2008.

#### U.S. IMPLIED VOLATILITY (VIX)

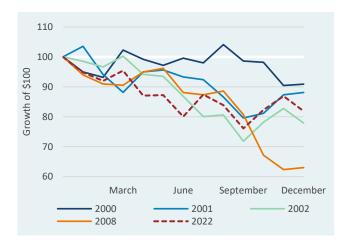


#### REALIZED VOLATILITY



#### Source: S&P, MSCI, as of 12/31/22

#### **S&P 500 FIVE WORST YEARS SINCE 1988**



Source: S&P, Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22 – since 1988



Source: Choe, as of 12/31/22

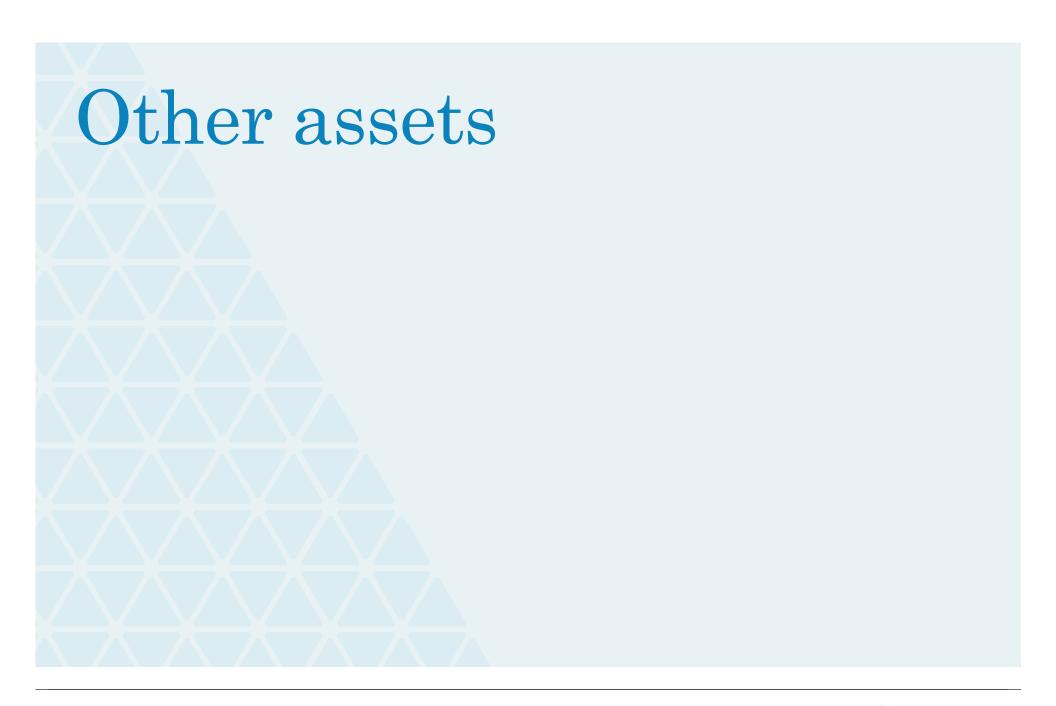
# Long-term equity performance



Source: MPI, as of 12/31/22



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# Currency

Currency volatility has translated to much higher portfolio volatility for investors with unhedged exposure to foreign currencies. The U.S. dollar depreciated relative to major currencies during the fourth quarter which resulted in large gains for investors with unhedged foreign currency exposure. These currency gains amounted to 7.6% for investors with unhedged exposure to the MSCI EAFE Index (+17.3% MSCI EAFE unhedged, +9.7% MSCI EAFE hedged).

U.S. dollar strength of 2022 was reversed in Q4 as markets began pricing in a shorter Federal Reserve tightening cycle. Expectations for lower rates in the U.S., combined with an ongoing struggle to control high inflation (and therefore tighter financial policies from respective central banks)

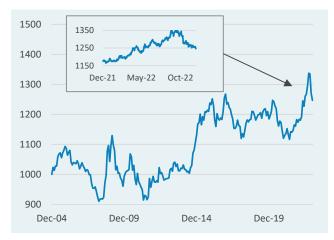
within developed economies, likely played a major role in the U.S. dollar sell-off.

Despite currency gains seen this quarter, we believe that a thoughtful currency program may allow an investor to reduce their total portfolio risk while also increasing long-term expected returns. The MSCI Currency Factor Mix Index—a representation of a passive investment in the currency market—has shown a positive one-year rolling return over most periods with very low volatility. This contrasts to the unhedged currency exposure (what we refer to as "embedded currency") that most investors own, which has shown high volatility and frequent losses.

#### **EFFECT OF CURRENCY (1-YEAR ROLLING)**



#### **BLOOMBERG DOLLAR SPOT INDEX**



#### Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22

#### **EMBEDDED CURRENCY VS CURRENCY FACTORS**



Source: Bloomberg, as of 12/31/22



Source: MSCI, as of 12/31/22

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# Periodic table of returns

Small Cap Value

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	YTD	5-Year	10-Year
Commodities	31.8	14.0	25.9	56.3	26.0	34.5	32.6	39.8	5.2	79.0	29.1	14.3	18.6	43.3	13.5	13.3	31.7	37.3	6.7	36.4	38.5	28.3	16.1	11.0	14.1
Real Estate	22.8	8.4	10.3	48.5	22.2	21.4	26.9	16.2	1.4	37.2	26.9	7.8	18.1	38.8	13.2	5.7	21.3	30.2	1.9	31.4	34.6	27.6	9.4	9.1	12.4
Cash	12.2	7.3	6.7	47.3	20.7	20.1	23.5	15.8	-6.5	34.5	24.5	2.6	17.9	34.5	13.0	0.9	17.3	25.0	0.0	28.5	21.0	27.1	1.5	8.6	10.3
Hedge Funds of Funds	11.6	3.3	1.6	46.0	18.3	14.0	22.2	11.8	-21.4	32.5	19.2	1.5	17.5	33.5	11.8	0.6	12.1	22.2	-1.5	26.5	20.0	26.5	-4.7	6.7	9.5
Large Cap Value	7.0	2.8	1.0	39.2	16.5	7.5	18.4	11.6	-25.9	28.4	16.8	0.4	16.4	33.1	6.0	0.0	11.8	21.7	-3.5	25.5	18.3	25.2	-7.5	6.4	9.2
US Bonds	6.0	2.5	-5.9	30.0	14.5	7.1	16.6	10.9	-28.9	27.2	16.7	0.1	16.3	32.5	5.6	-0.4	11.3	17.1	-4.8	22.4	14.0	17.7	-13.0	4.1	9.0
Small Cap Value	4.1	-2.4	-6.0	29.9	14.3	6.3	15.5	10.3	-33.8	23.3	16.1	-2.1	15.3	23.3	4.9	-0.8	11.2	14.6	-6.0	22.0	10.3	14.8	-14.5	4.1	8.5
International Equity	-3.0	-5.6	-11.4	29.7	12.9	5.3	15.1	7.0	-35.6	20.6	15.5	-2.9	14.6	12.1	4.2	-1.4	8.0	13.7	-8.3	18.6	7.8	11.3	-14.5	3.5	4.8
60/40 Global Portfolio	-7.3	-9.1	-15.5	25.2	11.4	4.7	13.3	7.0	-36.8	19.7	13.1	-4.2	11.5	11.0	3.4	-2.5	7.1	7.8	-9.3	18.4	7.5	8.9	-17.3	3.2	4.7
Large Cap Equity	-7.8	-9.2	-15.7	23.9	9.1	4.6	10.4	5.8	-37.6	18.9	10.2	-5.5	10.5	9.0	2.8	-3.8	5.7	7.7	-11.0	8.7	4.6	6.5	-19.1	2.7	3.6
Emerging Markets Equity	-14.0	-12.4	-20.5	11.6	6.9	4.6	9.1	4.4	-38.4	11.5	8.2	-5.7	4.8	0.1	0.0	-4.4	2.6	7.0	-11.2	7.8	2.8	2.8	-20.1	1.5	1.4
Small Cap Equity	-22.4	-19.5	-21.7	9.0	6.3	4.2	4.8	-0.2	-38.5	5.9	6.5	-11.7	4.2	-2.0	-1.8	-7.5	1.0	3.5	-12.9	7.7	0.5	0.0	-20.4	1.2	1.1
Small Cap Growth	-22.4	-20.4	-27.9	4.1	4.3	3.2	4.3	-1.6	-43.1	0.2	5.7	-13.3	0.1	-2.3	-4.5	-14.9	0.5	1.7	-13.8	6.4	0.5	-1.5	-26.4	0.0	0.7
Large Cap Growth	-30.6	-21.2	-30.3	1.0	1.4	2.4	2.1	-9.8	-53.2	-16.9	0.1	-18.2	-1.1	-9.5	-17.0	-24.7	0.3	0.9	-14.6	2.1	-3.1	-2.5	-29.1	-1.4	-1.3
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	L	arge C	ap Val	lue				International Equity						Re	al Est	ate									
	L	arge C	ap Gro	owth	th Emerging Markets Equity				Hedge Funds of Funds																
	S	Small Cap Equity US Bonds						60% MSCI ACWI/40% Bloomberg Global Bond																	

Source Data: Morningstar, Inc., Hedge Fund Research, Inc. (HFR), National Council of Real Estate Investment Fiduciaries (NCREIF). Indices used: Russell 1000, Russell 1000 Value, Russell 1000 Value, Russell 2000, Russell 2000 Growth, MSCI EAFE, MSCI EM, Bloomberg US Aggregate, T-Bill 90 Day, Bloomberg Commodity, NCREIF Property, HFRI FOF, MSCI ACWI, Bloomberg Global Bond as of 12/31/22. NCREIF Property Index performance data as of 9/30/22.

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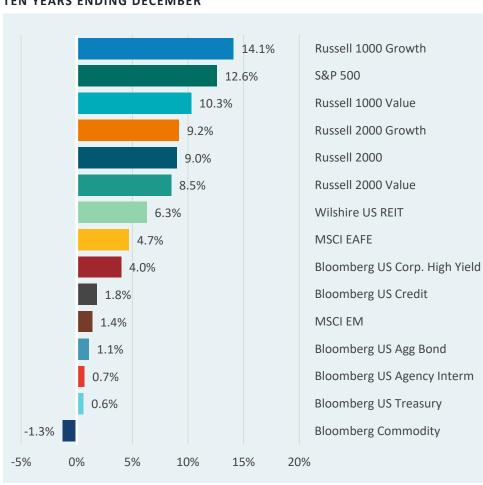


# Major asset class returns

#### ONE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER



#### TEN YEARS ENDING DECEMBER



\*Only publicly traded asset performance is shown here. Performance of private assets is typically released with a 3- to 6-month delay.

Source: Morningstar, as of 12/31/22

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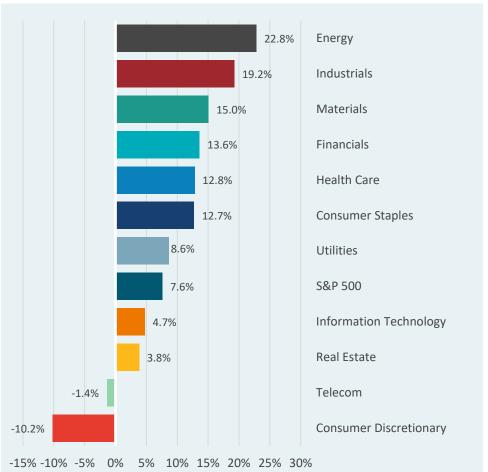


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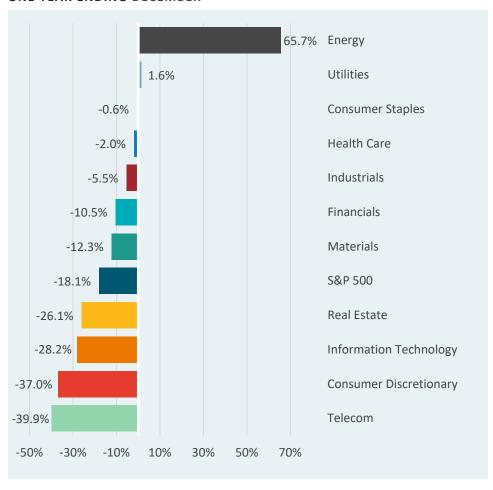
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# S&P 500 sector returns

#### QTD



#### ONE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER



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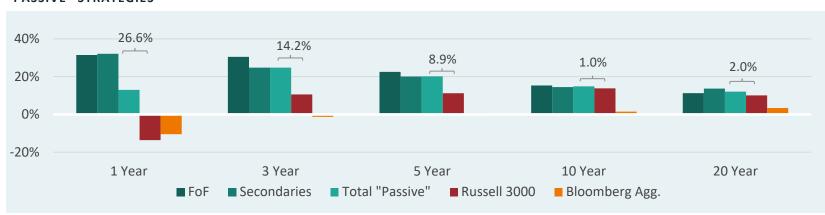
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# Private equity vs. traditional assets performance

#### **DIRECT PRIVATE EQUITY FUND INVESTMENTS**



#### "PASSIVE" STRATEGIES



Direct P.E Fund
Investments
outperformed
over all time
periods, though
elevated shortterm
outperformance
may be
transitory due to
appraisal lags

"Passive" strategies outperformed over all periods

Sources: Refinitiv PME: U.S. Private Equity Funds sub asset classes as of June 30, 2022. Public Market Equivalent returns resulted from "Total Passive" and Total Direct's identical cash flows invested into and distributed from respective traditional asset comparable.



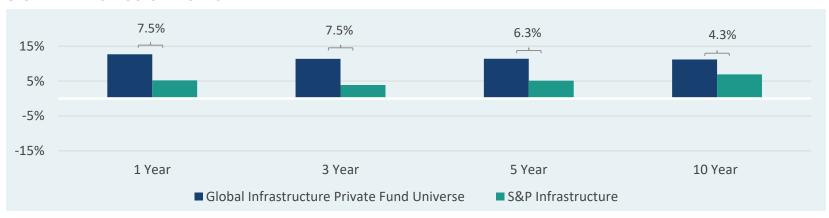
# Private vs. liquid real assets performance

#### **GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES FUNDS**



N.R. funds outperformed the MSCI World Natural Resources benchmark across 1- and 10year periods

#### GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS



Infra. funds outperformed the S&P Infra. across all periods

Sources: Refinitiv PME: Global Natural Resources (vintage 1999 and later, inception of MSCI World Natural Resources benchmark) and Global Infrastructure (vintage 2002 and later, inception of S&P Infrastructure benchmark) universes as of June 30, 2022. Public Market Equivalent returns resulted from identical cash flows invested into and distributed from respective liquid real assets universes.



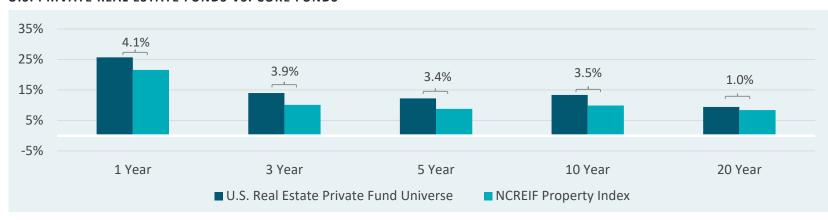
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# Private vs. liquid and core real estate performance

#### U.S. PRIVATE REAL ESTATE FUNDS VS. LIQUID UNIVERSE



#### U.S. PRIVATE REAL ESTATE FUNDS VS. CORE FUNDS



U.S. Private
R.E. funds
outperformed
the Wilshire
U.S. REIT Index
across all time
periods, though
short-term
outperformance
may be
transitory due to
appraisal lags

U.S. Private R.E. Funds outperformed across all periods

Sources: Refinitiv PME: U.S. Real Estate universes as of June 30, 2022. Public Market Equivalent returns resulted from identical cash flows invested into and distributed from respective liquid real estate universes.



# Detailed index returns

DOMESTIC EQUITY	Month	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	FIXED INCOME
Core Index								Broad Index
S&P 500	(5.8)	7.6	(18.1)	(18.1)	7.7	9.4	12.6	Bloomberg US TIPS
S&P 500 Equal Weighted	(4.7)	11.6	(11.4)	(11.4)	9.0	9.1	12.4	Bloomberg US Treasury Bills
DJ Industrial Average	(4.1)	16.0	(6.9)	(6.9)	7.3	8.4	12.3	Bloomberg US Agg Bond
Russell Top 200	(6.0)	6.6	(19.8)	(19.8)	7.9	9.9	12.9	Bloomberg US Universal
Russell 1000	(5.8)	7.2	(19.1)	(19.1)	7.3	9.1	12.4	Duration
Russell 2000	(6.5)	6.2	(20.4)	(20.4)	3.1	4.1	9.0	Bloomberg US Treasury 1-3
Russell 3000	(5.9)	7.2	(19.2)	(19.2)	7.1	8.8	12.1	Bloomberg US Treasury Long
Russell Mid Cap	(5.4)	9.2	(17.3)	(17.3)	5.9	7.1	11.0	Bloomberg US Treasury
Style Index								Issuer
Russell 1000 Growth	(7.7)	2.2	(29.1)	(29.1)	7.8	11.0	14.1	Bloomberg US MBS
Russell 1000 Value	(4.0)	12.4	(7.5)	(7.5)	6.0	6.7	10.3	Bloomberg US Corp. High Yie
Russell 2000 Growth	(6.4)	4.1	(26.4)	(26.4)	0.6	3.5	9.2	Bloomberg US Agency Intern
Russell 2000 Value	(6.6)	8.4	(14.5)	(14.5)	4.7	4.1	8.5	Bloomberg US Credit
								OTUED.
Broad Index								OTHER Index
MSCI ACWI	(3.9)	9.8	(18.4)	(18.4)	4.0	5.2	8.0	Bloomberg Commodity
MSCI ACWI ex US	(0.7)	14.3	(16.0)	(16.4)	0.1	0.9	3.8	Wilshire US REIT
MSCI EAFE	0.1	17.3	(14.5)	(14.5)	0.9	1.5	4.7	CS Leveraged Loans
MSCI EM	(1.4)	9.7	(20.1)	(20.1)	(2.7)	(1.4)	1.4	S&P Global Infrastructure
MSCI EAFE Small Cap	1.1				` '		6.2	Alerian MLP
	1.1	15.8	(21.4)	(21.4)	(0.9)	(0.0)	0.2	
Style Index	(4.4)	45.0	(22.0)	(22.0)	0.5	2.5	F. C.	Regional Index
MSCI EAFE Growth	(1.1)	15.0	(22.9)	(22.9)	0.5	2.5	5.6	JPM EMBI Global Div

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Bloomberg US TIPS	(1.0)	2.0	(11.8)	(11.8)	1.2	2.1	1.1
Bloomberg US Treasury Bills	0.4	0.9	1.3	1.3	0.7	1.2	0.8
Bloomberg US Agg Bond	(0.5)	1.9	(13.0)	(13.0)	(2.7)	0.0	1.1
Bloomberg US Universal	(0.3)	2.2	(13.0)	(13.0)	(2.5)	0.2	1.3
Duration							
Bloomberg US Treasury 1-3 Yr	0.2	0.7	(3.8)	(3.8)	(0.5)	0.7	0.7
Bloomberg US Treasury Long	(1.7)	(0.6)	(29.3)	(29.3)	(7.4)	(2.2)	0.6
Bloomberg US Treasury	(0.5)	0.7	(12.5)	(12.5)	(2.6)	(0.1)	0.6
Issuer							
Bloomberg US MBS	(0.4)	2.1	(11.8)	(11.8)	(3.2)	(0.5)	0.7
Bloomberg US Corp. High Yield	(0.6)	4.2	(11.2)	(11.2)	0.0	2.3	4.0
Bloomberg US Agency Interm	0.0	0.8	(6.5)	(6.5)	(1.3)	0.4	0.7
Bloomberg US Credit	(0.4)	3.4	(15.3)	(15.3)	(2.9)	0.4	1.8
OTHER							
OTHER Index							
	(2.4)	2.2	16.1	16.1	12.7	6.4	(1.3)
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Source: Morningstar, HFRI, as of 12/31/22.

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MSCI EM Latin American

MSCI EAFE Value

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MSCI UK

MSCI Japan

MSCI Euro

MSCI EM Asia

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Bloomberg US Weekly Consumer Comfort Index - tracks the public's economic attitudes each week, providing a high-frequency read on consumer sentiment. The index, based on cell and landline telephone interviews with a random, representative national sample of U.S. adults, tracks Americans' ratings of the national economy, their personal finances and the buying climate on a weekly basis, with views of the economy's direction measured separately each month. (<a href="https://www.langerresearch.com">www.langerresearch.com</a>)

University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index - A survey of consumer attitudes concerning both the present situation as well as expectations regarding economic conditions conducted by the University of Michigan. For the preliminary release approximately three hundred consumers are surveyed while five hundred are interviewed for the final figure. The level of consumer sentiment is related to the strength of consumer spending.

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NAHB Housing Market Index – the housing market index is a weighted average of separate diffusion induces for three key single-family indices: market conditions for the sale of new homes at the present time, market conditions for the sale of new homes in the next six months, and the traffic of prospective buyers of new homes. The first two series are rated on a scale of Good, Fair, and Poor and the last is rated on a scale of High/Very High, Average, and Low/Very Low. A diffusion index is calculated for each series by applying the formula "(Good-Poor + 100)/2" to the present and future sales series and "(High/Very High-Low/Very Low + 100)/2" to the traffic series. Each resulting index is then seasonally adjusted and weighted to produce the HMI. Based on this calculation, the HMI can range between 0 and 100.

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## **Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association**

**Investment Performance Review Period Ending: December 31, 2022** 

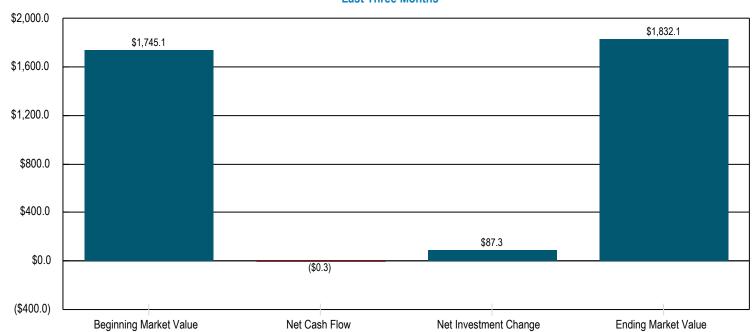


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Portfolio Reconciliation												
	3 Mo	YTD										
Beginning Market Value	1,745,055,188	2,035,610,229										
Net Cash Flow	-339,124	-38,151,160										
Net Investment Change	87,702,943	-165,044,502										
Ending Market Value	1,832,414,558	1,832,414,558										

#### Change in Market Value Last Three Months

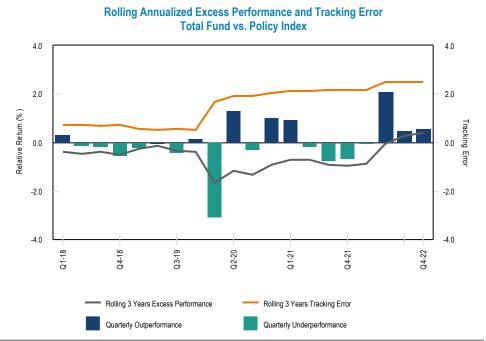


Total Fund Executive Summary (Net of Fees)

Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs
Total Fund	5.0	-8.2	4.3	4.9	6.2	4.5
Policy Index	4.4	-11.3	3.9	4.9	6.2	4.9
All DB Public Plans >1B Rank	57	14	56	57	79	95
Total Domestic Equity	7.8	-18.2	6.8	8.4	12.0	8.6
Russell 3000 Index	7.2	-19.2	7.1	8.8	12.1	8.7
Total International Equity	14.5	-14.2	2.2	2.3	4.7	1.2
MSCI AC World ex USA Index	14.4	-15.6	0.5	1.4	4.3	2.0
Total Global Equity	15.6	-14.6	7.8	5.5		
MSCI AC World Index	9.9	-18.0	4.5	5.8	8.5	5.4
Total Fixed Income	2.9	-13.5	-4.0	-0.8	0.6	2.8
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	2.7
Total Domestic Fixed Income	1.9	-13.7	-2.6	0.1	1.2	
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	2.7

#### Actual vs. Target Allocation (%) 25% 20% 16% - 17% 15% 10% 5% Domestic Equity Small Cap International Equity All Cap Domestic Fixed Income Emerging Makels Fixed Income Cash and Equivalents Private Credit Global Equity Real Estate Private Equity



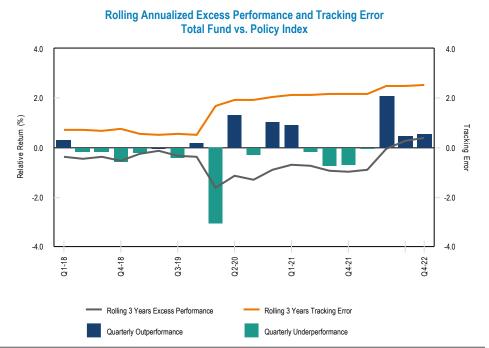


#### Total Fund Executive Summary (Net of Fees)

#### Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs
Total Emerging Markets Fixed Income	9.2	-12.4	-4.6			
50% JPM EMBI Global Div/ 50% JPM GBI EM Global Div	8.3	-14.8	-5.7	-1.9	-0.2	3.0
Total Real Estate	-0.9	11.3	8.5	7.9	9.1	4.8
NCREIF-ODCE	-5.0	7.5	9.9	8.7	10.1	6.2
Total Private Equity	0.2	14.0	22.7	20.4	15.7	11.6
Private Equity Benchmark	0.2	14.0	22.7	20.4	16.2	11.9
Total Private Credit	1.2	1.9	7.1	8.3		
Private Credit Benchmark	1.2	1.9	7.1	8.3	-	-
Total Opportunistic	2.6	2.5	6.6	7.5	9.3	

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Total Fund Executive Summary (Gross of Fees)

Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs
Total Fund	5.1	-8.0	4.5	5.2	6.6	4.8
Policy Index	4.4	-11.3	3.9	4.9	6.2	4.9
Total Domestic Equity	7.8	-18.1	7.1	8.7	12.4	9.0
Russell 3000 Index	7.2	-19.2	7.1	8.8	12.1	8.7
Total International Equity	14.6	-13.9	2.5	2.6	5.0	1.5
MSCI AC World ex USA Index	14.4	-15.6	0.5	1.4	4.3	2.0
Total Global Equity	15.8	-13.9	8.7	6.4		
MSCI AC World Index	9.9	-18.0	4.5	5.8	8.5	5.4
Total Fixed Income	3.0	-13.3	-3.7	-0.5	1.0	3.1
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	2.7
Total Domestic Fixed Income	2.0	-13.5	-2.3	0.4	1.5	
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	2.7

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Actual vs. Target Allocation (%)

#### **Rolling Annualized Excess Performance and Tracking Error** Total Fund vs. Policy Index 4.0 4.0 2.0 2.0 Relative Return (%) -2.0 -2.0 -4.0 Q2-20 Q4-21 Q4-22 Q1-21 Rolling 3 Years Excess Performance Rolling 3 Years Tracking Error Quarterly Outperformance Quarterly Underperformance



#### Total Fund Executive Summary (Gross of Fees)

#### Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

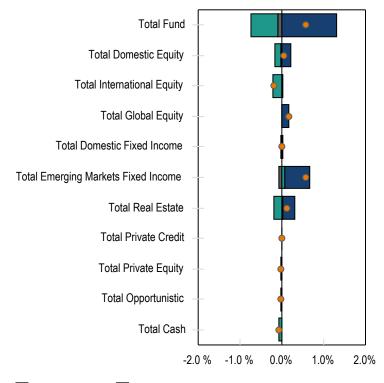
	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs
Total Emerging Markets Fixed Income	9.3	-12.1	-4.2			
50% JPM EMBI Global Div/ 50% JPM GBI EM Global Div	8.3	-14.8	-5.7	-1.9	-0.2	3.0
Total Real Estate	-0.9	11.6	8.6	7.9	9.3	5.0
NCREIF-ODCE	-5.0	7.5	9.9	8.7	10.1	6.2
Total Private Equity	0.2	14.0	22.7	20.4	16.2	11.9
Private Equity Benchmark	0.2	14.0	22.7	20.4	16.2	11.9
Total Private Credit	1.2	1.9	7.1	8.3		
Private Credit Benchmark	1.2	1.9	7.1	8.3	-	-
Total Opportunistic	2.6	3.0	6.8	7.6	9.9	

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#### **Rolling Annualized Excess Performance and Tracking Error** Total Fund vs. Policy Index 4.0 4.0 2.0 2.0 Relative Return (%) -2.0 -2.0 -4.0 Q2-20 Q1-21 Q4-21 Q4-22 Rolling 3 Years Excess Performance Rolling 3 Years Tracking Error Quarterly Outperformance Quarterly Underperformance



## Attribution Effects 3 Months Ending December 31, 2022



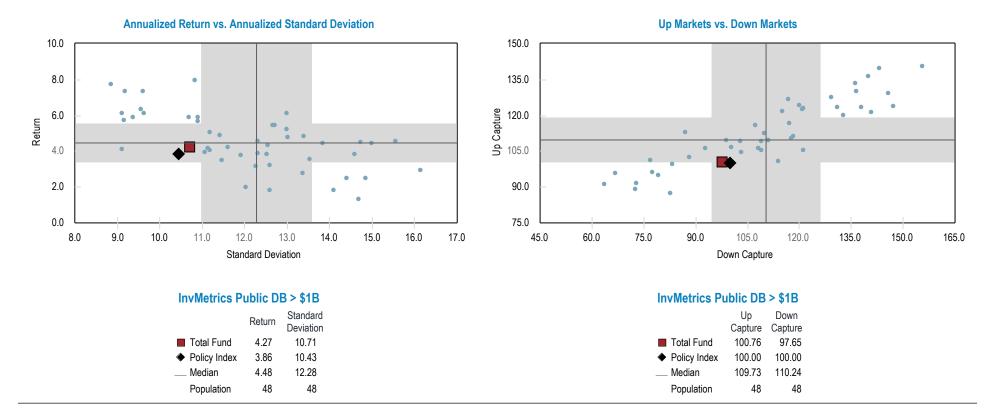
# Performance Attribution 3 Mo Wtd. Actual Return 5.0 Wtd. Index Return 4.4 Excess Return 0.6 Selection Effect 1.3 Allocation Effect -0.6 Interaction Effect -0.1

### Attribution Summary 1 Month Ending December 31, 2022

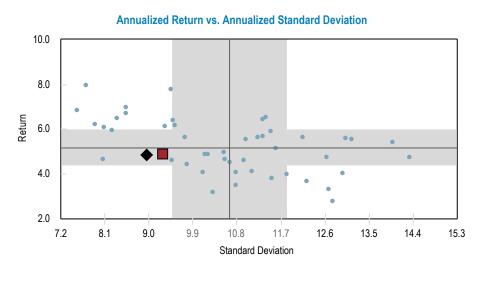
	Wtd. Actual Return	Wtd. Index Return	Excess Return	Selection Effect	Allocation Effect	Interaction Effects	Total Effects
Total Domestic Equity	7.8	7.0	0.7	0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0
Total International Equity	14.5	14.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.2
Total Global Equity	15.6	9.9	5.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2
Total Domestic Fixed Income	1.9	1.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Emerging Markets Fixed Income	9.2	-10.1	19.3	0.5	0.1	-0.1	0.6
Total Real Estate	-0.9	-2.4	1.5	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.1
Total Private Credit	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Private Equity	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Opportunistic	2.6	0.2	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Cash	1.0	0.8	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Total Fund	5.0	4.4	0.6	1.3	-0.6	-0.1	0.6

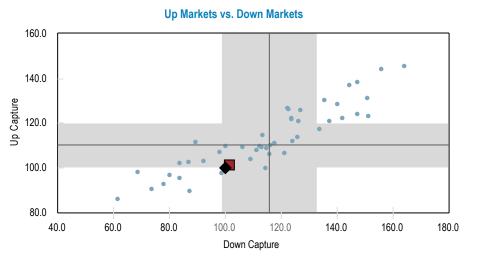


	Anlzd Return	Anlzd Standard Deviation	Anlzd Alpha	Beta	Tracking Error	R-Squared	Sharpe Ratio	Information Ratio	Up Capture	Down Capture
Total Fund	4.27	10.71	0.47	0.99	2.80	0.93	0.37	0.15	100.76	97.65



	Anlzd Return	Anlzd Standard Deviation	Anlzd Alpha	Beta	Tracking Error	R-Squared	Sharpe Ratio	Information Ratio	Up Capture	Down Capture
Total Fund	4.91	9.28	0.06	1.00	2.25	0.94	0.43	0.04	101.38	101.29





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#### InvMetrics Public DB > \$1B InvMetrics Public DB > \$1B Down Standard Deviation Capture Capture ■ Total Fund 4.91 9.28 ■ Total Fund 101.38 101.29 Policy Index 4.86 8.96 Policy Index 100.00 100.00 \_\_\_ Median 5.19 10.65 \_\_\_ Median 110.32 115.71 Population 47 47 Population 47





#### Total Fund Performance Summary (Net of Fees)

	Market Value	% of Portfolio	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total Fund	1,832,414,558	100.0	5.0	-8.2	4.3	4.9	6.2	13.5	8.9	15.4	-2.9	13.9
Policy Index			4.4	-11.3	3.9	4.9	6.2	14.2	10.6	15.9	-2.3	14.0
All DB Public Plans >1B Rank			56	15	57	58	78	73	82	79	38	76
Total Domestic Equity	464,895,355	25.4	7.8	-18.2	6.8	8.4	12.0	26.1	18.2	29.8	-5.4	21.9
Russell 3000 Index			7.2	-19.2	7.1	8.8	12.1	25.7	20.9	31.0	-5.2	21.1
SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	151,771,383	8.3	7.6	-18.1	7.6	9.4	12.6	28.6	18.3	31.5	-4.4	21.8
S&P 500 Index			7.6	-18.1	7.7	9.4	12.6	28.7	18.4	31.5	-4.4	21.8
eV US Large Cap Core Equity Rank			66	65	39	36	22	31	37	31	39	43
PGIM QS US Core Equity	63,607,472	3.5	7.2	-16.3	6.7	7.8	12.1	29.8	12.0	28.6	-6.8	22.1
S&P 500 Index			7.6	-18.1	7.7	9.4	12.6	28.7	18.4	31.5	-4.4	21.8
eV US Large Cap Core Equity Rank			72	50	59	64	37	20	71	57	71	39
William Blair Large Cap Growth	60,642,302	3.3	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russell 1000 Growth Index			2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
eV US Large Cap Growth Equity Rank			43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boston Partners Large Cap Value	71,870,014	3.9	12.6	-4.3	8.5	7.6	11.1	30.4	2.4	23.8	-9.0	19.6
Russell 1000 Value Index			12.4	-7.5	6.0	6.7	10.3	25.2	2.8	26.5	-8.3	13.7
eV US Large Cap Value Equity Rank			54	36	31	50	39	17	60	76	54	24
SSGA US Extended Market Index	59,700,716	3.3	5.2	-26.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dow Jones U.S. Completion Total Stock Market Indx			5.1	-26.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
eV Extended US Equity Rank			81	98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
William Blair SMID Cap Growth	25,605,134	1.4	9.1	-22.7	3.7	7.5	12.4	8.7	32.6	31.1	-1.7	29.3
Russell 2500 Growth Index			4.7	-26.2	2.9	6.0	10.6	5.0	40.5	32.7	-7.5	24.5
eV US Small-Mid Cap Growth Equity Rank			10	18	60	54	24	74	62	49	35	20
Leeward Small Cap Value	31,698,333	1.7	10.5	-7.1	8.3	6.3	9.7	31.6	3.8	26.3	-15.5	7.7
Russell 2000 Value Index			8.4	-14.5	4.7	4.1	8.5	28.3	4.6	22.4	-12.9	7.8
eV US Small Cap Value Equity Rank			55	19	25	26	36	37	56	24	57	71

#### Total Fund Performance Summary (Net of Fees)

	Market Value	% of Portfolio	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total International Equity	268,760,825	14.7	14.5	-14.2	2.2	2.3	4.7	9.6	13.4	22.7	-14.5	26.5
MSCI AC World ex USA Index			14.4	-15.6	0.5	1.4	4.3	8.3	11.1	22.1	-13.8	27.8
SSGA MSCI ACWI Ex US Index Fund	91,969,081	5.0	14.2	-15.8	0.3	1.1	4.0	7.9	10.9	21.8	-14.0	27.5
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)			14.3	-16.0	0.1	0.9	3.8	7.8	10.7	21.5	-14.2	27.2
eV ACWI ex-US All Cap Equity Rank			53	36	62	58	80	63	66	72	40	62
PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund	94,081,720	5.1	17.3	-8.9	1.3	0.5	4.2	12.3	1.7	16.1	-15.1	26.0
MSCI AC World ex USA Value (Net)			15.7	-8.6	0.1	-0.1	2.7	10.5	-0.8	15.7	-14.0	22.7
eV ACWI ex-US All Cap Value Eq Rank			56	37	30	33	30	21	46	67	55	46
SGA International Growth	82,710,024	4.5	11.9	-17.8	4.2	-	-	9.1	26.0	30.5	-	-
MSCI AC World ex USA Growth (Net)			12.9	-23.1	-0.4	-	-	5.1	22.2	27.3	-	-
eV ACWI ex-US Growth Equity Rank			70	13	12	-	-	46	50	40	-	-
Total Global Equity	59,239,334	3.2	15.6	-14.6	7.8	5.5		28.5	14.3	24.2	-15.9	32.6
MSCI AC World Index			9.9	-18.0	4.5	5.8	-	19.0	16.8	27.3	-8.9	24.6
Skellig Water Fund (aka KBI)	59,239,334	3.2	15.6	-14.6	7.8	5.5	-	28.5	14.3	24.2	-15.9	32.6
MSCI AC World Index (Net)			9.8	-18.4	4.0	5.2	-	18.5	16.3	26.6	-9.4	24.0
eV Global All Cap Equity Rank			15	37	14	47	-	2	58	66	88	13
Total Fixed Income	351,485,082	19.2	2.9	-13.5	-4.0	-0.8	0.6	-2.2	4.7	8.1	0.1	3.9
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5
Total Domestic Fixed Income	301,292,287	16.4	1.9	-13.7	-2.6	0.1	1.2	-0.7	7.9	9.0	-0.2	4.1
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5
BlackRock Core Plus Fixed Income	102,105,435	5.6	2.1	-13.8	-2.7	0.1	1.2	-1.4	8.4	8.7	0.1	3.6
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank			34	63	86	87	91	89	56	81	22	89
Doubleline Core Plus	100,274,964	5.5	1.3	-12.7	-2.9	-0.2	-	-0.2	5.2	8.3	-0.3	3.9
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	-	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank			91	25	92	98	-	37	97	88	33	84
MacKay Shields Core Plus	98,911,887	5.4	2.4	-14.6	-2.2	0.3	-	-0.4	9.9	9.6	-1.0	4.5
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	-	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank			24	88	53	65	-	47	21	56	75	52

#### Total Fund Performance Summary (Net of Fees)

	Market Value	% of Portfolio	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total Emerging Markets Fixed Income	50,192,795	2.7	9.2	-12.4	-4.6			-5.3	4.6			
50% JPM EMBI Global Div/50% JPM GBI EM Global Div			8.3	-14.8	-5.7	-	-	-5.3	4.0	-	-	-
PGIM Emerging Markets Debt	50,192,795	2.7	9.2	-12.4	-4.6	-	-	-5.3	4.6	-	-	-
50% JPM EMBI Global Div/50% JPM GBI EM Global Div			8.3	-14.8	-5.7	-	-	-5.3	4.0	-	-	-
eV Emg Mkts Fixed Inc - Blended Currency Rank			23	38	72	-	-	73	69	-	-	-
Total Real Estate	351,954,486	19.2	-0.9	11.3	8.5	7.9	9.1	12.8	1.8	5.2	8.8	4.3
NCREIF-ODCE			-5.0	7.5	9.9	8.7	10.1	22.2	1.2	5.3	8.3	7.6
RREEF America II	181,880,048	9.9	-3.1	18.4	10.8	9.2	10.3	12.8	1.8	5.3	8.6	4.4
NCREIF ODCE net 1Q Lag			0.3	21.0	11.4	9.3	9.9	13.6	0.5	4.6	7.7	6.7
American Realty Strategic Value Fund	90,907,973	5.0	1.5	16.2	9.4	-	-	11.3	1.1	-	-	-
NCREIF ODCE net 1Q Lag			0.3	21.0	11.4	-	-	13.6	0.5	-	-	-
Invesco Commercial Mortgage Income Fund	78,477,186	4.3	0.0	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NCREIF-ODCE			-5.0	7.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SSGA US REIT Index Non-Lending Fund	689,279	0.0	4.7	-26.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dow Jones U.S. REIT Index			4.1	-24.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
eV US REIT Rank			24	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Anlzd Ret	Anlzd Std Dev	Anlzd Alpha	Beta	Tracking Error	R-Squared	Sharpe Ratio	Info Ratio	Up Mkt Cap Ratio	Down Mkt Cap Ratio
SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	9.39	20.08	-0.03	1.00	0.02	1.00	0.49	-1.59	99.90	100.08
PGIM QS US Core Equity	7.82	20.79	-1.63	1.03	2.60	0.99	0.41	-0.51	96.69	104.79
Boston Partners Large Cap Value	7.57	22.03	0.61	1.07	3.41	0.98	0.39	0.37	106.86	101.43
William Blair SMID Cap Growth	7.50	24.38	2.02	0.86	6.23	0.96	0.37	0.10	93.67	85.96
Leeward Small Cap Value	6.26	26.63	2.17	0.92	4.22	0.98	0.32	0.35	98.33	88.67
SSGA MSCI ACWI Ex US Index Fund	1.07	20.14	0.19	1.00	0.12	1.00	0.09	1.52	100.49	99.34
PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund	0.49	22.72	0.72	1.07	2.66	0.99	0.09	0.33	106.40	101.35
Skellig Water Fund (aka KBI)	5.54	22.15	0.24	1.07	5.57	0.94	0.30	0.14	109.33	108.58
BlackRock Core Plus Fixed Income	0.06	5.74	0.05	1.05	1.01	0.97	-0.18	0.06	107.29	106.14
Doubleline Core Plus	-0.21	5.37	-0.20	0.83	3.14	0.69	-0.25	-0.07	82.40	87.31
MacKay Shields Core Plus	0.29	6.24	0.31	1.08	2.30	0.87	-0.12	0.14	116.80	109.63
RREEF America II	9.22	7.00	1.09	0.94	4.44	0.60	1.09	0.13	96.91	32.72

			IRR Analysis as of IRR date									
Vintage Year	Manager Name/Fund Name	Estimated Market Value as of 12/31/2022 <sup>3</sup>	Total Commitment	Capital Called	% Called	Remaining Commitment	Capital Returned	Market Value as of IRR date	Distrib./ Paid-In (DPI) <sup>1</sup>	Tot. Value/ Paid-In (TVPI) <sup>2</sup>	Net IRR Since Inception <sup>6</sup>	IRR Date
Private E	quity											
2005	BlackRock Private Capital II <sup>7</sup>	\$431,570	\$15,000,000	\$15,719,139	105%	-\$719,139	\$24,063,592	\$431,570	153.08%	155.83%	6.7%	06/30/22
2016	Ocean Avenue Fund III	\$20,875,113	\$20,000,000	\$18,600,000	93%	\$1,400,000	\$21,691,950	\$22,902,136	116.62%	228.86%	28.2%	10/31/22
	Ocean Avenue Fund IV	\$23,129,893	\$26,000,000	\$23,400,000	90%	\$2,600,000	\$11,830,000	\$25,989,893	50.56%	149.40%	39.9%	10/31/22
2004	Pantheon USA Fund VI	\$152,104	\$15,000,000	\$14,175,000	95%	\$825,000	\$21,695,924	\$152,104	153.06%	154.13%	6.7%	09/30/22
2016	Pathway Private Equity Fund Investors 8	\$31,753,995	\$20,000,000	\$17,808,713	89%	\$2,191,287	\$9,043,436	\$33,059,860	50.78%	229.09%	25.4%	06/30/22
2017	Pathway Private Equity Fund Investors 9	\$27,784,944	\$20,000,000	\$13,582,257	68%	\$6,417,743	\$1,904,454	\$27,252,527	14.02%	218.59%	29.5%	03/31/22
2020	Pathway Private Equity Fund Investors 10	\$20,736,775	\$30,000,000	\$17,622,558	59%	\$12,377,442	\$684,834	N/A	3.89%	121.56%	N/A	NM
2012	Stepstone Secondary Opportunities Fund II <sup>8</sup>	\$4,725,546	\$27,500,000	\$32,388,011	118%	\$3,894,163	\$39,891,528	\$4,652,915	123.17%	137.76%	10.6%	09/30/22
2022	Audax Private Equity Fund VII-B	\$0	\$22,000,000	\$0	0%	\$22,000,000	\$0				NM	
2022	Altas Partners Holdings III	\$0	\$22,000,000	\$0	0%	\$22,000,000	\$0				NM	
Private C	redit											
2016	Sixth Street Diversified Credit Program	\$83,890,980	\$160,000,000	\$102,619,137	64%	\$57,380,863	\$47,534,217	\$84,097,818	46.3%	128.1%	9.6%	09/30/22
Opportur	nistic											
2020	Sixth Street TAO	\$30,301,657	\$50,000,000	\$27,471,757	55%	\$22,528,243	\$3,038,363	\$27,512,949	11.1%	121.4%	9.9%	09/30/22
2010	KKR Mezzanine Partners	\$2,012,677	\$15,000,000	\$22,181,173	148%	-\$7,181,173	\$21,142,303	\$2,230,188	95.3%	104.4%	8.9%	06/30/22
2011	PIMCO Bravo	\$0	\$15,000,000	\$15,000,000	100%	\$0	\$27,216,524	\$446,175	181.4%	181.4%	22.2%	12/31/18
	Total Private Markets	\$245,795,254	\$457,500,000	\$320,567,745	70%	\$145,714,429	\$229,737,126	\$228,728,135	71.7%	148.3%		
	% of Portfolio (Market Value)	13.4%										

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>(DPI) is equal to (capital returned / capital called)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>(TVPI) is equal to (market value + capital returned) / capital called

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Last known market value + capital calls - distributions

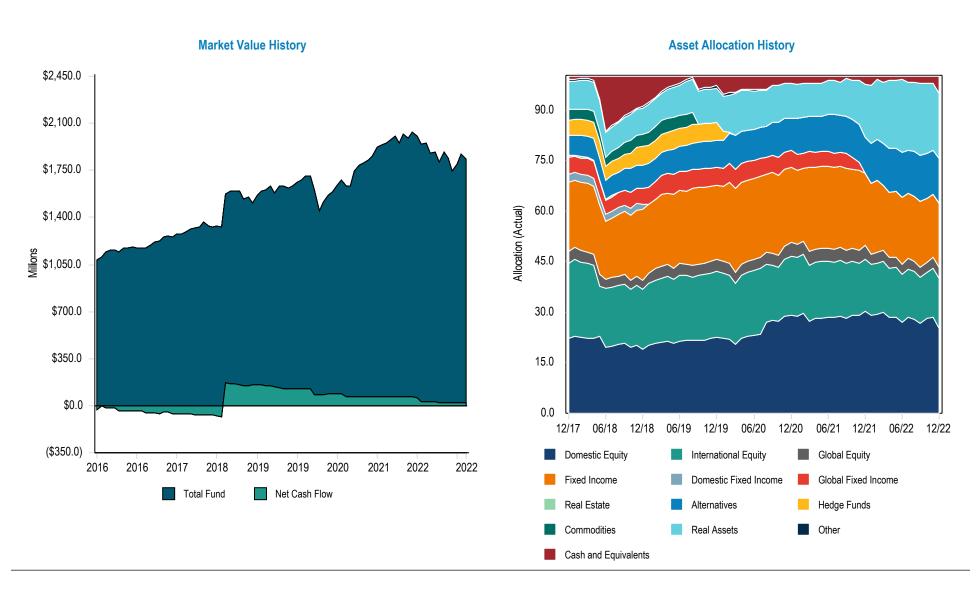
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>IRR currently unavailable for these funds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Investment period ended, no further capital to be called.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Net IRR is calculated on the cash flows of all the limited partners of the fund and is net of all fees. Each IRR figure is provided by its respective manager.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>BlackRock: Total capital called is \$15,719,139 which includes recycled distributions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>StepStone: \$8,782,174 in recallable distributions







	Current Balance (\$)	Current Allocation (%)	Policy Allocation (%)	Excess Allocation (\$)	Policy Range (%)	Within IPS Range?
Domestic Equity	464,895,355	25.4	26.0	-11,532,430	15.0 - 35.0	Yes
International Equity	268,760,825	14.7	16.0	-24,425,504	5.0 - 25.0	Yes
■ Global Equity	59,239,334	3.2	3.0	4,266,897	0.0 - 5.0	Yes
Fixed Income	351,485,082	19.2	20.0	-14,997,830	10.0 - 35.0	Yes
Alternatives	243,782,576	13.3	17.0	-67,727,899	10.0 - 30.0	Yes
Real Assets	353,967,163	19.3	18.0	24,132,542	10.0 - 30.0	Yes
Cash and Equivalents	90,284,223	4.9	0.0	90,284,223	0.0 - 10.0	Yes
Total	1,832,414,558	100.0	100.0			

Total Plan Allocation vs. All DB Public Plans >1B As of December 31, 2022 70.0 60.0 50.0 40.0 Albcation (%) 30.0 20.0 10.0 0.0 -10.0 Global Equity **US** Equity Global ex-US Equity **US Fixed** Global ex-US Fixed Private Equity Cash & Equivalents Alternatives ■ Total Fund 3.2 (86) 25.4 (52) 14.7 (57) 16.4 (65) 5.5 (8) 17.6 (62) 13.3 (48) 4.9 (17) 23.6 5th Percentile 22.4 45.7 65.3 6.5 51.8 31.8 11.4 1st Quartile 12.3 33.6 19.1 24.0 3.7 29.0 18.2 3.0 7.7 Median 25.8 15.7 18.8 2.0 21.9 13.1 1.7 3.6 8.0 3rd Quartile 17.9 11.7 15.0 0.4 13.9 8.3 95th Percentile 0.3 9.5 5.4 7.9 0.0 3.8 0.9 0.1 51 Population 22 107 104 109 91 43 82



Account	Fee Schedule	Market Value As of December 31, 2022	% of Portfolio	Estimated Annual Fee (\$)	Estimated Annual Fee (%)
American Realty Strategic Value Fund	0.90 % of Assets	90,907,973	4.96	818,172	0.90
BlackRock Alternative Advisors	Minimum Fee: \$120,000	431,570	0.02	120,000	27.81
BlackRock Core Plus Fixed Income	0.25 % of First \$100 M 0.25 % of Next \$100 M 0.00 % Thereafter	102,105,435	5.57	255,264	0.25
Boston Partners Large Cap Value	0.45 % of First \$50 M 0.35 % of Next \$50 M 0.30 % Thereafter	71,870,014	3.92	301,545	0.42
Doubleline Core Plus	0.28 % of First \$100 M 0.25 % Thereafter	100,274,964	5.47	280,687	0.28
Invesco Commercial Mortgage Income Fund	1.00 % of First \$50 M 0.90 % Thereafter	78,477,186	4.28	756,295	0.96
KKR Mezzanine Partners I	0.38 % of Assets	2,012,677	0.11	7,548	0.38
Leeward Small Cap Value	0.65 % of Assets	31,698,333	1.73	206,039	0.65
MacKay Shields Core Plus	0.30 % of Assets	98,911,887	5.40	296,736	0.30
Mellon Capital Cash Account		90,284,223	4.93	-	-
Ocean Avenue Fund III	0.85 % of Assets	20,875,113	1.14	177,438	0.85
Ocean Avenue Fund IV	1.25 % of Assets	23,129,893	1.26	289,124	1.25
Pantheon Ventures	0.47 % of Assets	152,104	0.01	721	0.47
Pathway Private Equity Fund Investors 10	0.58 % of Assets	20,736,775	1.13	120,273	0.58
Pathway Private Equity Fund Investors 8	0.61 % of Assets	31,753,995	1.73	193,699	0.61
Pathway Private Equity Fund Investors 9	0.58 % of Assets	27,784,944	1.52	161,153	0.58
PGIM Emerging Markets Debt	0.44 % of Assets	50,192,795	2.74	220,848	0.44
PGIM QS US Core Equity	0.41 % of Assets	63,607,472	3.47	260,791	0.41
PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund	0.78 % of First \$25 M 0.43 % of Next \$75 M 0.38 % Thereafter	94,081,720	5.13	492,051	0.52
RREEF America II	0.95 % of Assets	181,880,048	9.93	1,727,860	0.95
SGA International Growth	0.45 % of Assets	82,710,024	4.51	372,195	0.45
Sixth Street DCP (frmrly TSSP DCP)	1.11 % of Assets	83,890,980	4.58	931,190	1.11
Sixth Street TAO Contingent (frmrly TSSP TAO Contingent)	1.35 % of Assets	30,301,657	1.65	409,072	1.35
Skellig Water Fund (aka KBI)	0.77 % of Assets	59,239,334	3.23	453,181	0.77
SSGA MSCI ACWI Ex US Index Fund	0.08 % of First \$25 M 0.07 % of Next \$25 M 0.06 % Thereafter	91,969,081	5.02	62,681	0.07
SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	0.03 % of Assets	151,771,383	8.28	45,531	0.03

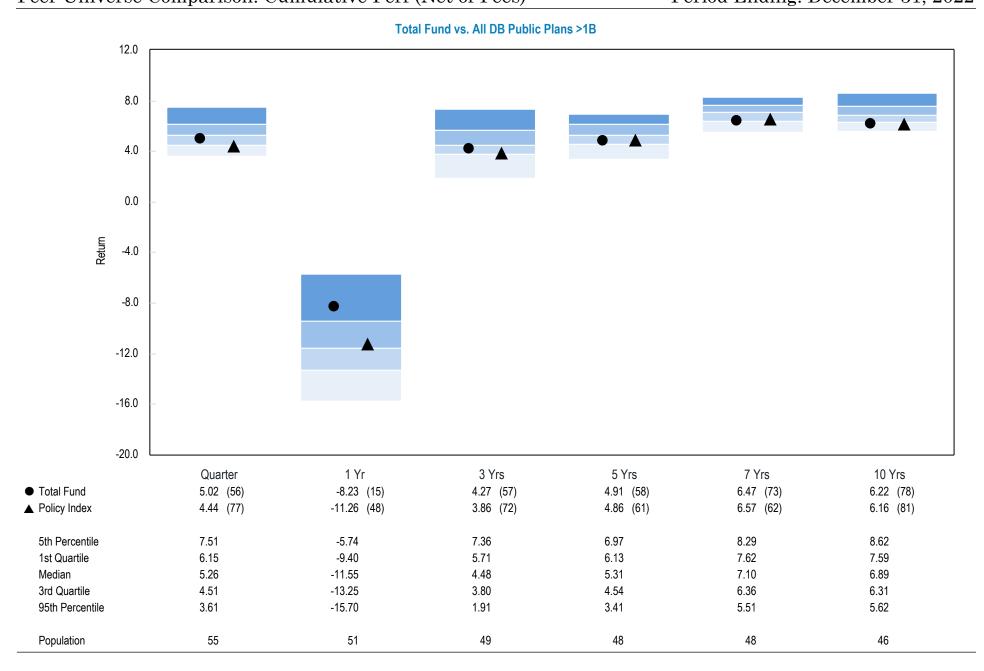


<sup>\*</sup>The negotiated fee schedule for TCERA's investment in the ARA Strategic Value fund is 90 bps so long as assets remain above \$80,000,000. Sixth Street Partners fee schedule is as follows: No management fee at SMA level. Subject to the annual fees of each of the underlying TSSP funds. (1) TAO 65bps on unfunded commitments and 1.35% on remaining capital contributions (long-term investor designation) (2) TSLE 1.5% on commitments, 1.25% on remaining capital contributions post commitment period (3) TICP 30bps on remaining capital contributions. TAO Contingent fee schedule is 65bps on unfunded commitments and 1.35% on remaining capital contributions. Fees shown for Pathway are estimated effective average fees over 15-year fund lifespan.

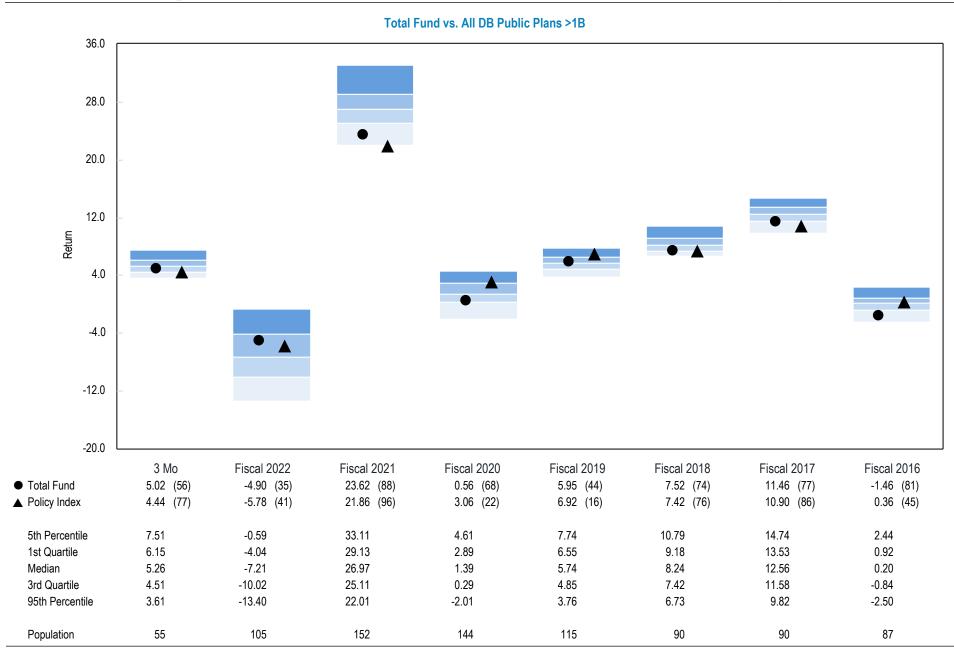
#### Total Fund Investment Fund Fee Analysis

Account	Fee Schedule	Market Value As of December 31, 2022	% of Portfolio	Estimated Annual Fee (\$)	Estimated Annual Fee (%)
SSGA US Extended Market Index	0.03 % of First \$50 M 0.03 % of Next \$50 M 0.02 % Thereafter	59,700,716	3.26	17,522	0.03
SSGA US REIT Index Non-Lending Fund	1.04 % of Assets	689,279	0.04	7,169	1.04
Stepstone Secondary Opportunities Fund II	Minimum Fee: \$343,750	4,725,546	0.26	343,750	7.27
William Blair Large Cap Growth	0.45 % of First \$50 M 0.32 % of Next \$50 M 0.27 % of Next \$150 M 0.27 % Thereafter	60,642,302	3.31	258,523	0.43
William Blair SMID Cap Growth	0.95 % of First \$10 M 0.80 % of Next \$20 M 0.75 % of Next \$20 M 0.70 % of Next \$50 M 0.65 % of Next \$100 M 0.60 % Thereafter	25,605,134	1.40	219,841	0.86
Investment Management Fee		1,832,414,558	100.00	9,806,900	0.54

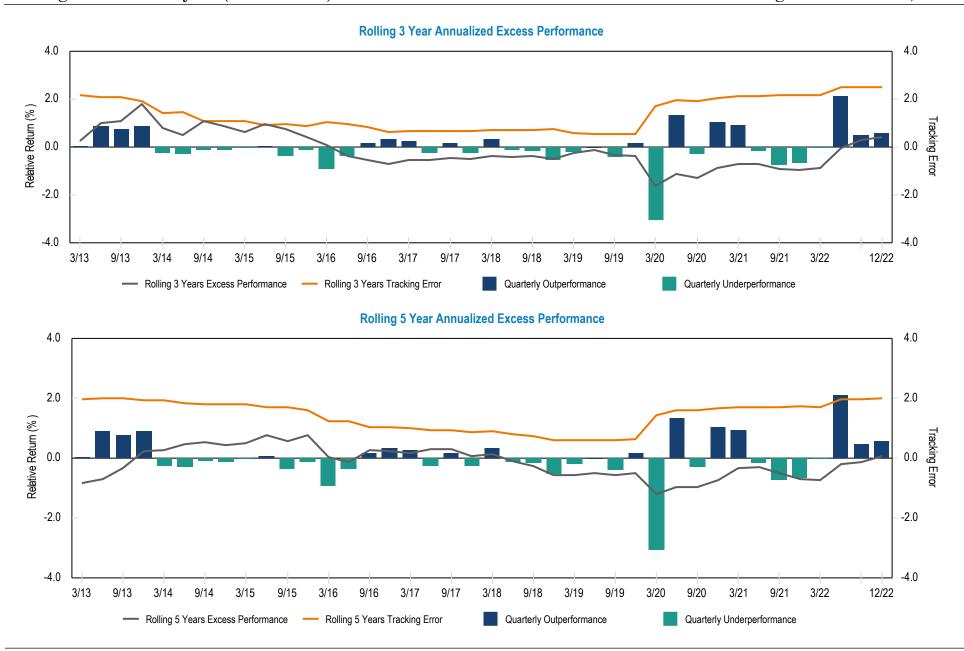
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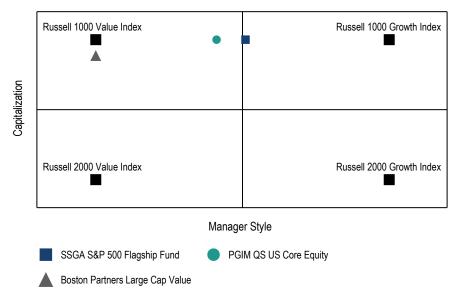


# Total Domestic Equity Asset Class Overview (Net of Fees)

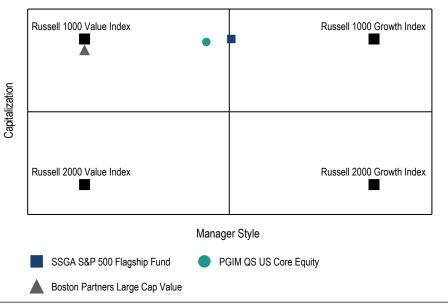
### Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	Market Value	% of Portfolio	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total Domestic Equity	464,895,355	100.0	7.8	-18.2	6.8	8.4	12.0	26.1	18.2	29.8	-5.4	21.9
Russell 3000 Index			7.2	-19.2	7.1	8.8	12.1	25.7	20.9	31.0	-5.2	21.1
SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	151,771,383	32.6	7.6	-18.1	7.6	9.4	12.6	28.6	18.3	31.5	-4.4	21.8
S&P 500 Index			7.6	-18.1	7.7	9.4	12.6	28.7	18.4	31.5	-4.4	21.8
eV US Large Cap Core Equity Rank			66	65	39	36	22	31	37	31	39	43
PGIM QS US Core Equity	63,607,472	13.7	7.2	-16.3	6.7	7.8	12.1	29.8	12.0	28.6	-6.8	22.1
S&P 500 Index			7.6	-18.1	7.7	9.4	12.6	28.7	18.4	31.5	-4.4	21.8
eV US Large Cap Core Equity Rank			72	50	59	64	37	20	71	57	71	39
William Blair Large Cap Growth	60,642,302	13.0	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russell 1000 Growth Index			2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
eV US Large Cap Growth Equity Rank			43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boston Partners Large Cap Value	71,870,014	15.5	12.6	-4.3	8.5	7.6	11.1	30.4	2.4	23.8	-9.0	19.6
Russell 1000 Value Index			12.4	-7.5	6.0	6.7	10.3	25.2	2.8	26.5	-8.3	13.7
eV US Large Cap Value Equity Rank			54	36	31	50	39	17	60	76	54	24

U.S. Effective Style Map 3 Years



U.S. Effective Style Map 5 Years



Managers need 3 years of history to be included in the style map. Macquarie Large Cap Growth liquidated 4/25/2022, proceeds funded William Blair Large Cap Growth.

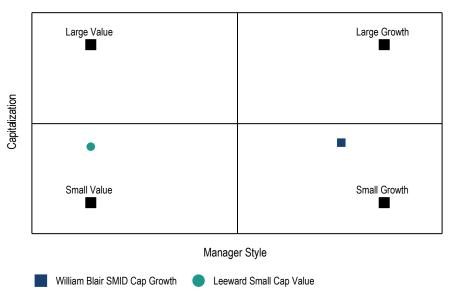


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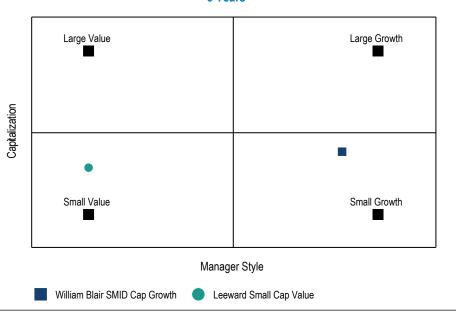
### Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	Market Value	% of Portfolio	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
SSGA US Extended Market Index	59,700,716	12.8	5.2	-26.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dow Jones U.S. Completion Total Stock Market Indx			5.1	-26.5	2.9	4.8	9.5	12.4	32.2	27.9	-9.6	18.1
eV US Small-Mid Cap Equity Rank			83	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
William Blair SMID Cap Growth	25,605,134	5.5	9.1	-22.7	3.7	7.5	12.4	8.7	32.6	31.1	-1.7	29.3
Russell 2500 Growth Index			4.7	-26.2	2.9	6.0	10.6	5.0	40.5	32.7	-7.5	24.5
eV US Small-Mid Cap Growth Equity Rank			10	18	60	54	24	74	62	49	35	20
Leeward Small Cap Value	31,698,333	6.8	10.5	-7.1	8.3	6.3	9.7	31.6	3.8	26.3	-15.5	7.7
Russell 2000 Value Index			8.4	-14.5	4.7	4.1	8.5	28.3	4.6	22.4	-12.9	7.8
eV US Small Cap Value Equity Rank			55	19	25	26	36	37	56	24	57	71

U.S. Effective Style Map 3 Years



U.S. Effective Style Map 5 Years



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### Total Domestic Equity Common Holdings Matrix

### Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	SSGA S8 Flagship	Fund	PGIM QS US Core Equity		Boston Partners Large Cap Value		SSGA US Extended Market Index		William Blair SMID Cap Growth		Lee Munder Small Value	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	0	0	153	92	65	86	0	0	6	9	0	0
PGIM QS US Core Equity	153	66	0	0	38	61	56	5	2	3	3	3
Boston Partners Large Cap Value	65	19	38	21	0	0	6	1	0	0	2	2
SSGA US Extended Market Index	0	0	56	8	6	5	0	0	59	85	85	98
William Blair SMID Cap Growth	6	0	2	0	0	0	59	6	0	0	5	7
Lee Munder Small Value	0	0	3	0	2	1	85	5	5	10	0	0

# Correlation Matrix 1 Year Ending December 31, 2022

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	SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	PGIM QS US Core Equity	Boston Partners Large Cap Value	SSGA US Extended Market Index	William Blair SMID Cap Growth	Lee Munder Small Value	S&P 500 Index
SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	1.00						
PGIM QS US Core Equity	1.00	1.00					
Boston Partners Large Cap Value	0.93	0.95	1.00				
SSGA US Extended Market Index	0.95	0.94	0.86	1.00			
William Blair SMID Cap Growth	0.91	0.89	0.78	0.98	1.00		
Lee Munder Small Value	0.91	0.93	0.95	0.92	0.85	1.00	
S&P 500 Index	1.00	1.00	0.93	0.95	0.91	0.91	1.00

Ch	naracteristics						Sector Allocat	tion (%)				
Number of Stocks Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$B Median Mkt. Cap \$B Price/Earnings ratio	Portfolio 503 409.0 29.6 19.16	503 413.5 29.6 19.16	Energy Materials Industrials Consumer Discretionary Consumer Staples		5.3 5.2 2.7	8.8 8.7 7.2	10.0 9.8					
Price/Book ratio Return on Equity (%)	3.98 11.14	3.86 10.92	Health Care Financials				10.1	16.1 15.8				
Current Yield (%) Beta (5 Years, Monthly)	1.80	1.77	Information Technology  Communication Services  Utilities		3.2	7.4 7.3					26.2 25.7	
R-Squared (5 Years, Monthly)	1.00	1.00	Real Estate	0.0	3.2 12.7 4.0	8.0	12.0	16.0	20.0	24.0	28.0	32.0
						SSGA S	&P 500 Flagship Fun	d S&	P 500 Index			

est Equity Holdings		Гор	Contributors		Bottom Contributors				
Wgt (%)	Return (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)
6.16	-5.83	Exxon Mobil Corp	1.23	27.35	0.34	Tesla Inc	2.38	-53.56	-1.28
5.67	3.26	JPMorgan Chase & Co	1.04	29.49	0.31	Amazon.com Inc	3.38	-25.66	-0.87
2.36	-25.66	Chevron Corp	0.88	25.90	0.23	Apple Inc	7.04	-5.83	-0.41
1.67	-7.76	Merck & Co Inc	0.74	29.67	0.22	Alphabet Inc	1.93	-7.76	-0.15
1.57	5.30	Procter & Gamble Co (The)	1.02	20.91	0.21	Alphabet Inc	1.74	-7.72	-0.13
1.49	-7.72	NVIDIA Corporation	1.02	20.42	0.21	Meta Platforms Inc	1.04	-11.31	-0.12
1.46	8.83	Microsoft Corp	5.86	3.26	0.19	PayPal Holdings Inc	0.34	-17.25	-0.06
1.44	27.35	Mastercard Inc	0.82	22.49	0.18	Walt Disney Co (The)	0.58	-7.90	-0.05
1.25	29.49	AbbVie Inc	0.80	21.60	0.17	SALESFORCE INC	0.48	-7.82	-0.04
1.15	20.42	Visa Inc	0.98	17.22	0.17	Costco Wholesale Corp	0.71	-3.16	-0.02
	Wgt (%) 6.16 5.67 2.36 1.67 1.57 1.49 1.46 1.44	Wgt (%)         Return (%)           6.16         -5.83           5.67         3.26           2.36         -25.66           1.67         -7.76           1.57         5.30           1.49         -7.72           1.46         8.83           1.44         27.35           1.25         29.49	Wgt (%)         Return (%)           6.16         -5.83         Exxon Mobil Corp           5.67         3.26         JPMorgan Chase & Co           2.36         -25.66         Chevron Corp           1.67         -7.76         Merck & Co Inc           1.57         5.30         Procter & Gamble Co (The)           1.49         -7.72         NVIDIA Corporation           1.46         8.83         Microsoft Corp           1.44         27.35         Mastercard Inc           1.25         29.49         AbbVie Inc	Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)           6.16         -5.83         Exxon Mobil Corp         1.23           5.67         3.26         JPMorgan Chase & Co         1.04           2.36         -25.66         Chevron Corp         0.88           1.67         -7.76         Merck & Co Inc         0.74           1.57         5.30         Procter & Gamble Co (The)         1.02           1.49         -7.72         NVIDIA Corporation         1.02           1.46         8.83         Microsoft Corp         5.86           1.44         27.35         Mastercard Inc         0.82           1.25         29.49         AbbVie Inc         0.80	Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)           6.16         -5.83         Exxon Mobil Corp         1.23         27.35           5.67         3.26         JPMorgan Chase & Co         1.04         29.49           2.36         -25.66         Chevron Corp         0.88         25.90           1.67         -7.76         Merck & Co Inc         0.74         29.67           1.57         5.30         Procter & Gamble Co (The)         1.02         20.91           1.49         -7.72         NVIDIA Corporation         1.02         20.42           1.46         8.83         Microsoft Corp         5.86         3.26           1.44         27.35         Mastercard Inc         0.82         22.49           1.25         29.49         AbbVie Inc         0.80         21.60	Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Contr (%)           6.16         -5.83         Exxon Mobil Corp         1.23         27.35         0.34           5.67         3.26         JPMorgan Chase & Co         1.04         29.49         0.31           2.36         -25.66         Chevron Corp         0.88         25.90         0.23           1.67         -7.76         Merck & Co Inc         0.74         29.67         0.22           1.57         5.30         Procter & Gamble Co (The)         1.02         20.91         0.21           1.49         -7.72         NVIDIA Corporation         1.02         20.42         0.21           1.46         8.83         Microsoft Corp         5.86         3.26         0.19           1.44         27.35         Mastercard Inc         0.82         22.49         0.18           1.25         29.49         AbbVie Inc         0.80         21.60         0.17	Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Contr (%)           6.16         -5.83         Exxon Mobil Corp         1.23         27.35         0.34         Tesla Inc           5.67         3.26         JPMorgan Chase & Co         1.04         29.49         0.31         Amazon.com Inc           2.36         -25.66         Chevron Corp         0.88         25.90         0.23         Apple Inc           1.67         -7.76         Merck & Co Inc         0.74         29.67         0.22         Alphabet Inc           1.57         5.30         Procter & Gamble Co (The)         1.02         20.91         0.21         Alphabet Inc           1.49         -7.72         NVIDIA Corporation         1.02         20.42         0.21         Meta Platforms Inc           1.46         8.83         Microsoft Corp         5.86         3.26         0.19         PayPal Holdings Inc           1.44         27.35         Mastercard Inc         0.82         22.49         0.18         Walt Disney Co (The)           1.25         29.49         AbbVie Inc         0.80         21.60         0.17         SALESFORCE INC	Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Contr (%)         Wgt (%)	Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Contr (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Contr (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)         Wgt (%)         Return (%)         Wgt (%)         Peturn (%)         Wgt (%)         Peturn (%)

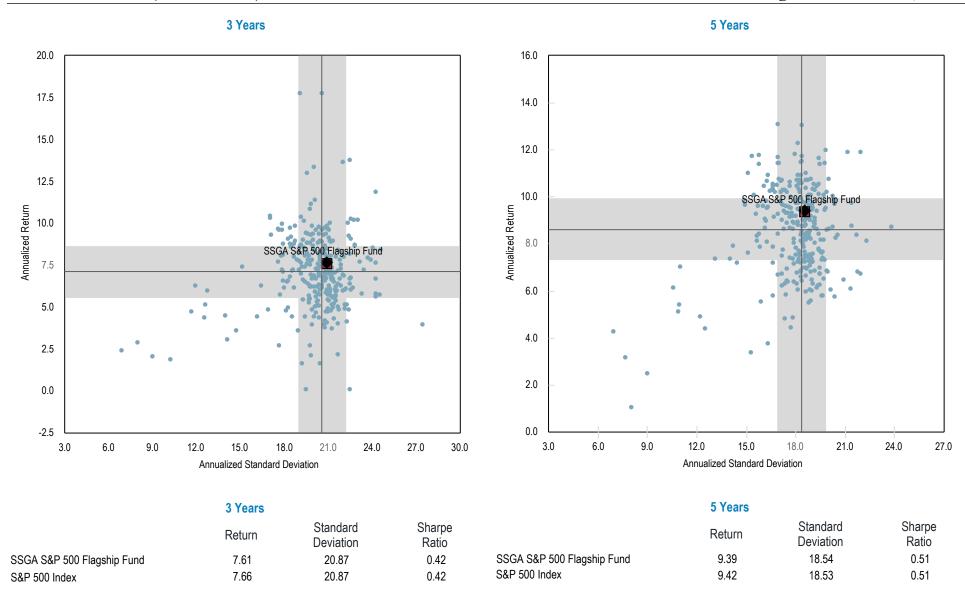


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SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund vs. eV US Large Cap Core Equity 50.0 40.0 30.0 • 🛦 20.0 Return 10.0 0.0 -10.0 -20.0 -30.0 2022 2020 2021 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015 2014 2013 ● SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund -18.13 (65) 28.63 (31) 18.34 (37) 31.46 (31) -4.39 (39) 21.84 (43) 12.00 (29) 1.43 (41) 13.69 (31) 32.44 (49) ▲ S&P 500 Index -18.11 (65) 11.96 (30) 28.71 (30) 18.40 (37) 31.49 (31) -4.38 (39) 21.83 (43) 1.38 (41) 13.69 (31) 32.39 (49) 5th Percentile -4.81 32.54 29.39 35.85 0.47 27.55 16.19 6.17 17.31 38.68 -12.24 29.18 20.77 31.98 -3.04 23.53 12.36 2.54 14.23 34.97 1st Quartile Median -16.42 26.92 15.46 29.38 -5.22 21.37 9.89 0.70 12.18 32.26 3rd Quartile -19.23 23.44 10.95 26.53 -7.37 18.77 7.41 -1.42 10.48 29.71 95th Percentile -23.37 17.76 18.76 -10.88 13.19 -5.83 7.02 22.45 3.74 3.43 Population 315 344 362 372 377 381 380 385 386 378



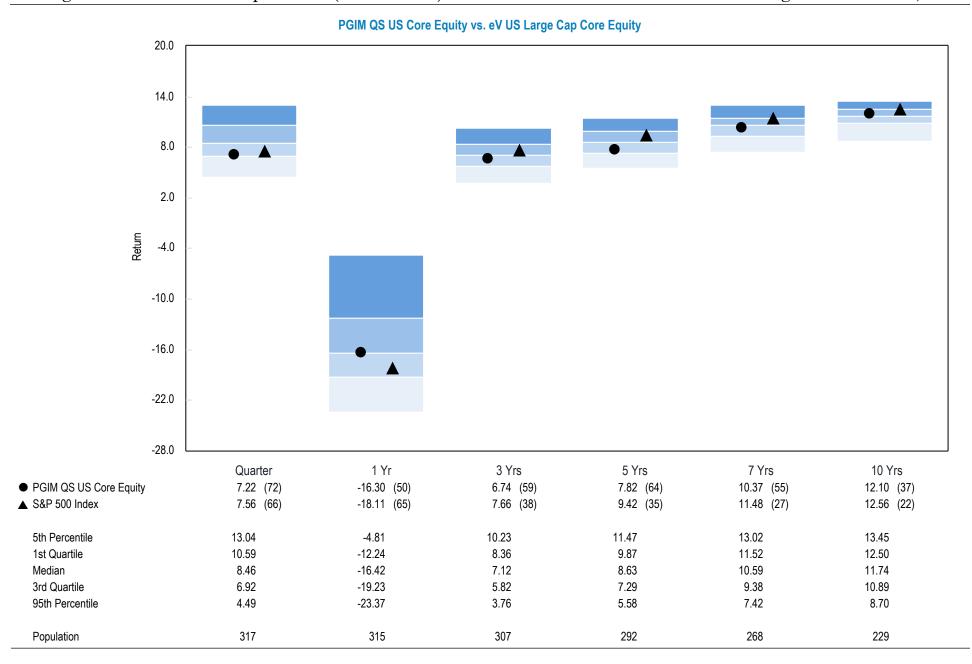




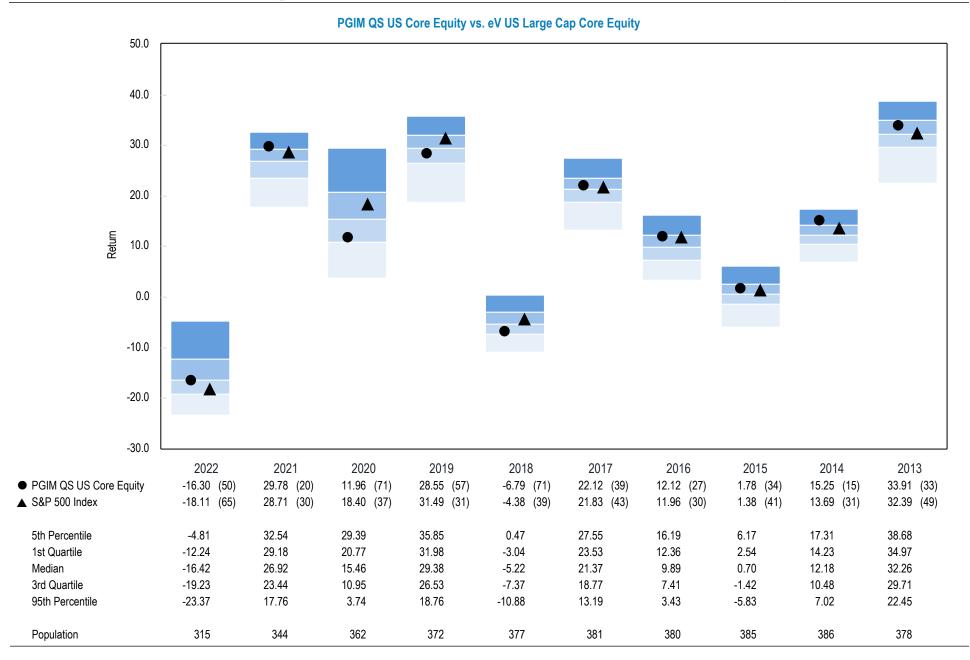
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Noveles of Obselve	Portfolio	Benchmark	Energy		6.1						
Number of Stocks	212	503	Materials	2.2							
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$B	400.9	413.5	Industrials			8.5  8.7					
Median Mkt. Cap \$B	41.9	29.6	Consumer Discretionary			9.0					
Price/Earnings ratio	14.87	19.16	Consumer Staples		7,4	9.0					
Price/Book ratio	3.35	3.86	Health Care		1,2		16.8				
Return on Equity (%)	10.77	10.92	Financials			10.3					
Current Yield (%)	1.98	1.77	Information Technology							27.1	
Beta (5 Years, Monthly)	1.01	1.00	Communication Services		7.3	)					
R-Squared (5 Years, Monthly)	0.99	1.00	Utilities	2.7 3.2							
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	Largest Equity Holdings			Top Contributors				<b>Bottom Contributor</b>	rs	
	Wgt (%)	Return (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)
Microsoft Corp	5.94	3.26	Merck & Co Inc	1.31	29.67	0.39	Tesla Inc	2.67	-53.56	-1.43
Apple Inc	5.73	-5.83	Gilead Sciences Inc	0.77	40.31	0.31	Amazon.com Inc	2.74	-25.66	-0.70
Amazon.com Inc	1.91	-25.66	Broadcom Inc	1.09	26.98	0.29	Apple Inc	6.51	-5.83	-0.38
Unitedhealth Group II	nc 1.84	5.30	Mastercard Inc	1.29	22.49	0.29	Alphabet Inc	2.09	-7.76	-0.16
Alphabet Inc	1.81	-7.76	Exxon Mobil Corp	1.00	27.35	0.27	Alphabet Inc	2.08	-7.72	-0.16
Alphabet Inc	1.80	-7.72	Chevron Corp	1.03	25.90	0.27	Meta Platforms Inc	1.33	-11.31	-0.15
Merck & Co Inc	1.58	29.67	Pfizer Inc	1.35	18.10	0.25	Walt Disney Co (The)	0.85	-7.90	-0.07
Pfizer Inc	1.48	18.10	Visa Inc	1.31	17.22	0.22	CrowdStrike Holdings Inc	0.11	-36.11	-0.04
Mastercard Inc	1.48	22.49	Cisco Systems Inc	1.07	20.18	0.22	Edwards Lifesciences Co	rp 0.37	-9.71	-0.04
Visa Inc	1.43	17.22	Honeywell International In-	c 0.74	28.98	0.22	Paycom Software Inc	0.58	-5.96	-0.03

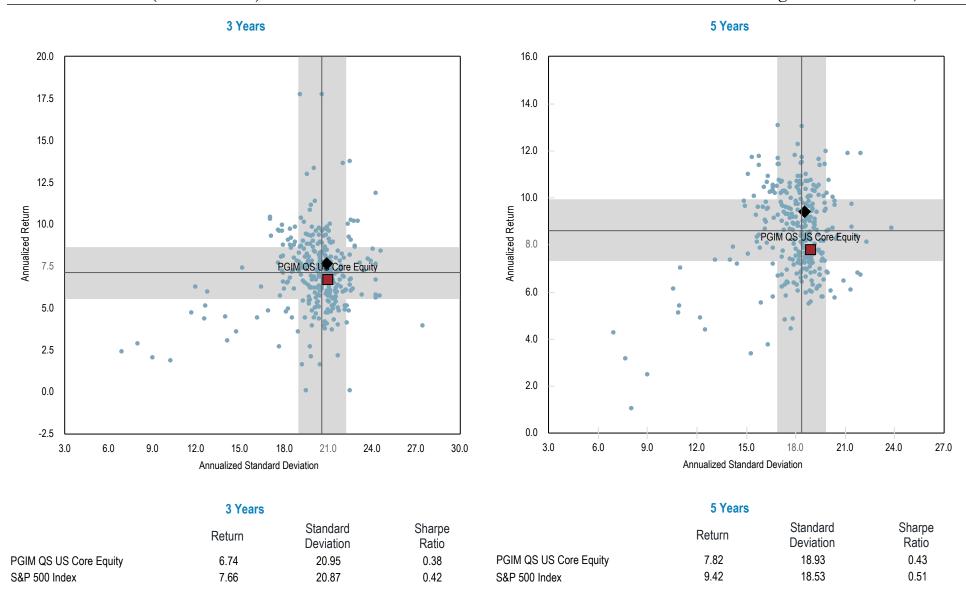










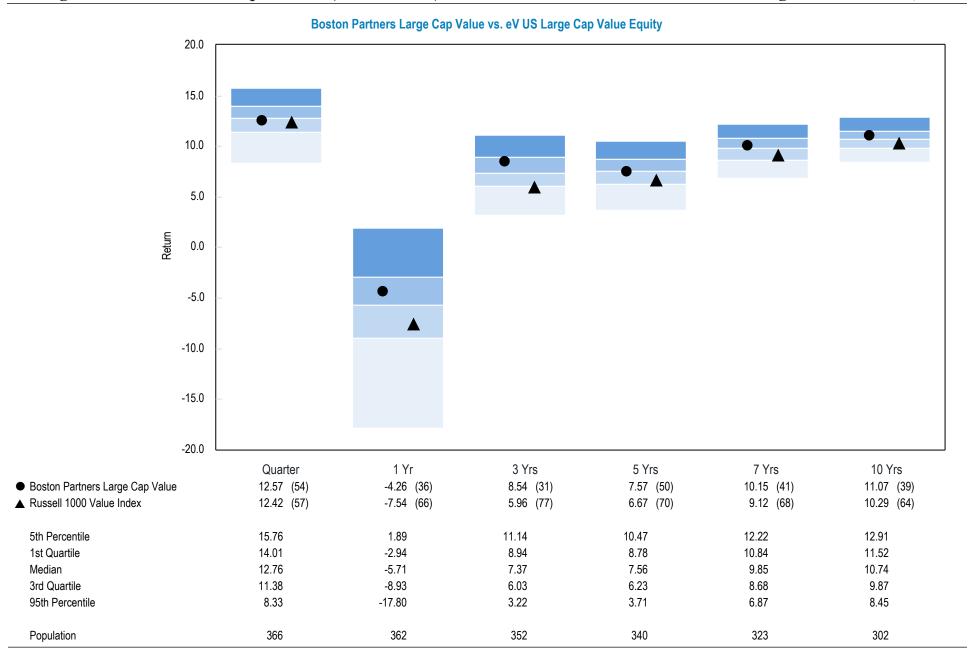




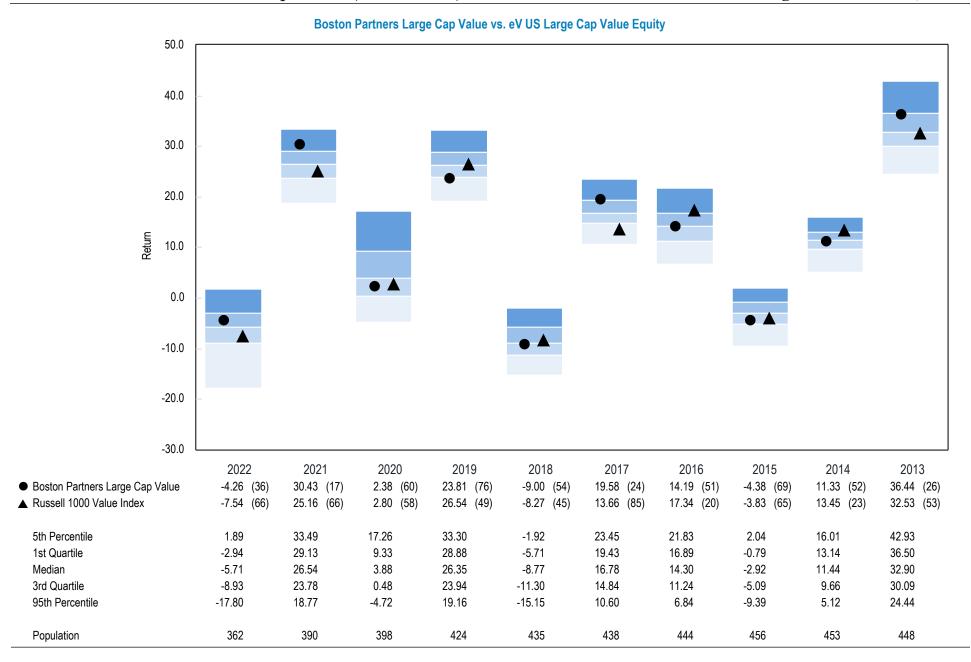
CI	naracteristics					Sect	or Allocatio	on (%)					
Number of Stocks Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$B Median Mkt. Cap \$B Price/Earnings ratio	Portfolio 80 143.6 51.8 15.54	377.3 11.9 18.63	Energy Materials Industrials Consumer Discretionary	2.9	5.2 4.7 5.8	9.4		3.3					
Price/Book ratio Return on Equity (%) Current Yield (%) Beta (5 Years, Monthly)	2.57 2.58 2.07 1.04	3.77 10.67 1.73	Consumer Staples Health Care Financials Information Technology Communication Services		6.8 6.8 4.5		12.0 12.2	15.5	16.3		24.3	5.2	
R-Squared (5 Years, Monthly)	0.98	1.00	Utilities - Real Estate -	2.2 3.0 0.0 3.1 0.0 3.0	6.0	9.0	12.0	15.0	18.0 Russell 1000 Vali	21.0	24.0	27.0	30.0

Largest Eq	uity Holdings			Top Contributors	S		Bottom Contribu	itors		
	Wgt (%)	Return (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)
Johnson & Johnson	4.10	8.83	JPMorgan Chase & Co	3.48	29.49	1.03	Alphabet Inc	2.63	-7.76	-0.20
JPMorgan Chase & Co	3.93	29.49	Schlumberger Ltd	1.32	49.43	0.65	Meta Platforms Inc	1.67	-11.31	-0.19
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co	2.90	1.99	Conocophillips	3.97	16.44	0.65	Fidelity National Information Services Inc	1.30	-9.61	-0.12
Sanofi	2.76	27.38	Sanofi	2.23	27.38	0.61	Dominion Energy Inc	1.00	-10.29	-0.10
Conocophillips	2.64	16.44	DuPont De Nemours Inc	1.55	36.82	0.57	GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC	0.98	-7.84	-0.08
Schwab (Charles) Corp	2.57	16.17	Cigna Corp	2.38	19.82	0.47	CVS Health Corp	2.49	-1.70	-0.04
AutoZone Inc	2.53	15.14	AutoZone Inc	2.77	15.14	0.42	QUALCOMM Inc.	1.74	-2.11	-0.04
Cigna Corp	2.50	19.82	AbbVie Inc	1.90	21.60	0.41	Keurig Dr Pepper Inc	2.10	-0.45	-0.01
CVS Health Corp	2.48	-1.70	Schwab (Charles) Corp	2.53	16.17	0.41	Cognizant Technology	0.99	0.02	0.00
Alphabet Inc	2.33	-7.76	Cisco Systems Inc	1.96	20.18	0.40	Truist Financial Corp	0.97	0.03	0.00
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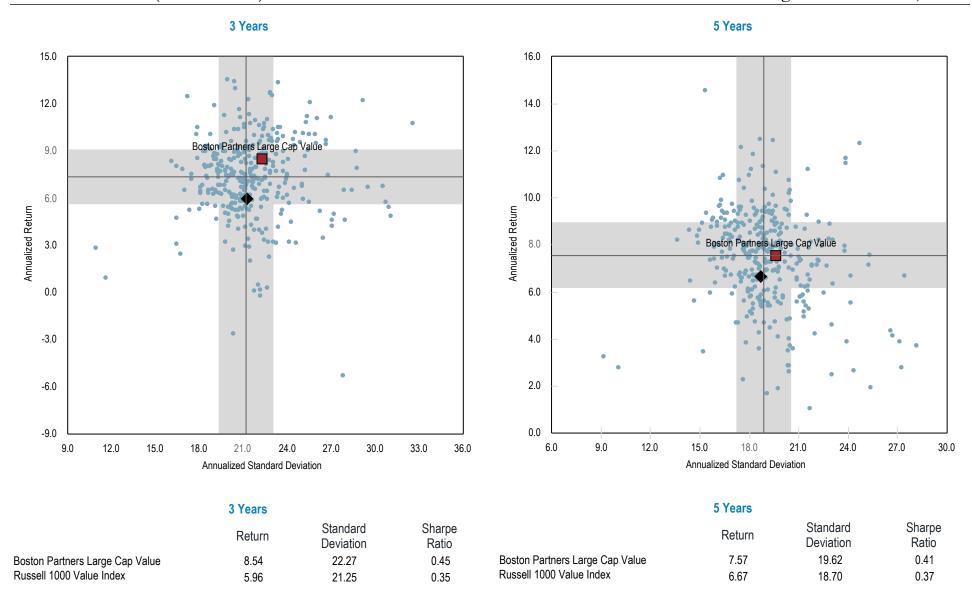




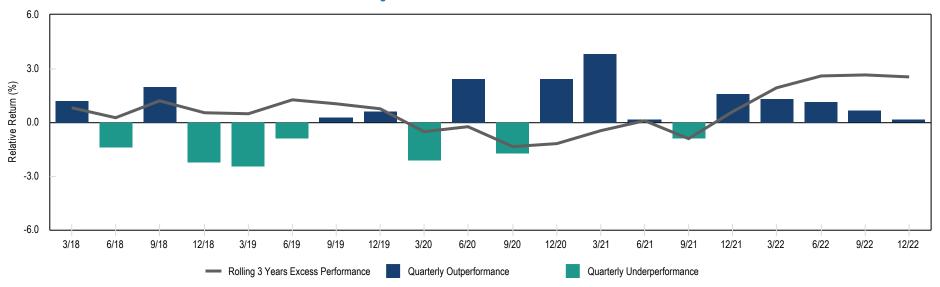




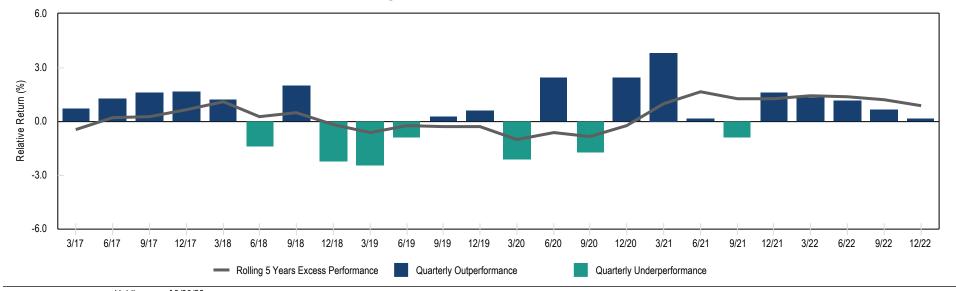








#### **Rolling 5 Years Annualized Excess Performance**



Holdings as of 9/30/22.



	Characteristics					Sector	· Allocation (%	6)			
Number of Stocks	Portfolio 3,635	Benchmark 3,767	Energy - Materials -		4.3	4.9 4.9 3					
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$B	9.5	9.4	Industrials		4.3	3			15.6 15.8		
Median Mkt. Cap \$B	0.5	0.5	Consumer Discretionary					11.3 11.3	15.8		
Price/Earnings ratio	12.82	12.69	Consumer Staples		3.8			11.3			
Price/Book ratio	2.70	2.70	Health Care		0.0				13.8 13.9		
Return on Equity (%)	5.09	5.03	Financials -						16 16	.2	
Current Yield (%)	1.45	1.45	Information Technology							18.2 18.1	
Beta	-	1.00	Communication Services		3.8 3.8						
R-Squared	-	-	Utilities		2.3 2.3	6.6					
			Real Estate			6.5 6.5					
			(	0.0	3.0	6.0	9.0	12.0	15.0	18.0	21.0
					SSGA US Extended	d Market Index		Dow Jones U.S.	Completion Total Stock	Market Indx	

	Largest Equity Holdings		Top Contr	ibutors			<b>Bottom Contributors</b>				
	Wgt (%)	Return (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)	
Blackstone Inc	0.90	-10.51	Horizon Therapeutics Public Ltd Co	0.26	83.87	0.22	CrowdStrike Holdings Inc	0.63	-36.11	-0.23	
Uber Technologies I	nc 0.85	-6.68	Apollo Global Management Inc	0.36	38.06	0.14	Rivian Automotive Inc	0.32	-44.00	-0.14	
Palo Alto Networks	nc 0.72	-14.81	Arch Capital Group Ltd	0.30	37.86	0.12	Airbnb Inc	0.75	-18.60	-0.14	
Snowflake Inc	0.71	-15.55	Burlington Stores Inc	0.13	81.21	0.11	Snowflake Inc	0.86	-15.55	-0.13	
Cheniere Energy Inc	. 0.64	-9.40	Fair Isaac Corporation	0.19	45.28	0.09	Palo Alto Networks Inc	0.88	-14.81	-0.13	
Lululemon Athletica	Inc 0.64	14.60	Steel Dynamics Inc	0.22	38.18	0.08	Trade Desk Inc (The)	0.48	-24.97	-0.12	
Airbnb Inc	0.59	-18.60	Lululemon Athletica Inc	0.58	14.60	0.08	Blackstone Inc	1.05	-10.51	-0.11	
Block Inc	0.59	14.27	Alnylam Pharmaceuticals Inc	0.44	18.73	0.08	Marvell Technology Inc	0.66	-13.57	-0.09	
Workday Inc	0.58	9.93	Insulet Corporation	0.29	28.33	0.08	COINBASE GLOBAL INC	0.18	-45.12	-0.08	
Marvell Technology	Inc 0.55	-13.57	Block Inc	0.52	14.27	0.07	Plug Power Inc	0.20	-41.12	-0.08	

Holdings as of 9/30/22.

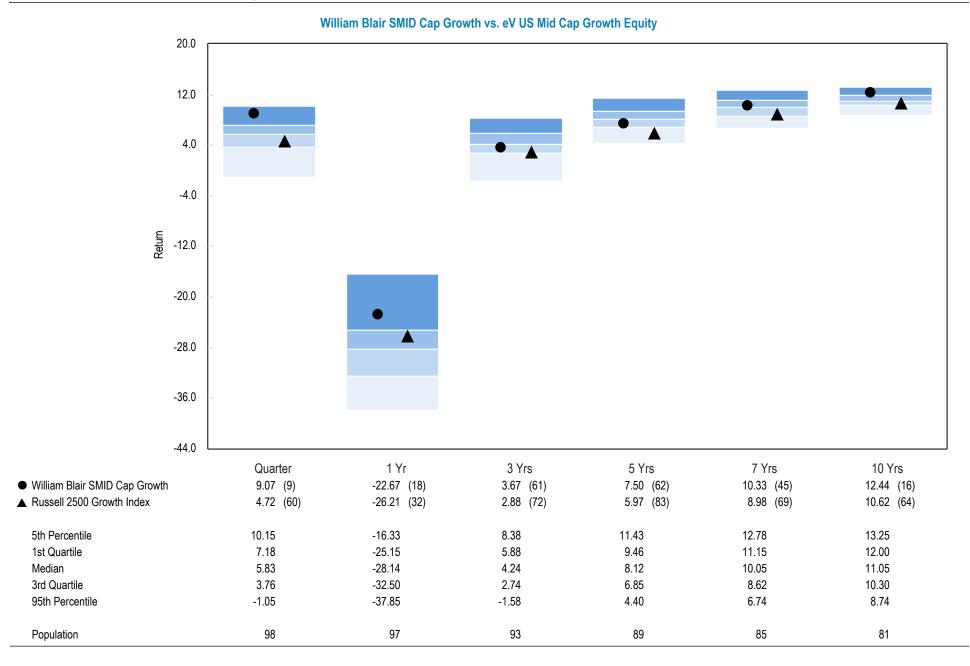


	Characteristics					Sect	tor Allocation	on (%)					
Number of Stocks Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$B Median Mkt. Cap \$B Price/Earnings ratio	Portfolio 72 7.8 6.2 20.85	1,340 5.7 1.5	Energy  Materials  Industrials  Consumer Discretionary	7.7 5.2 5.2 18.6 20.2 12.2 12.2									
Price/Book ratio Return on Equity (%) Current Yield (%)	3.96 2.79 0.64	16.22 4.10 3.39 0.89	Consumer Staples  Health Care  Financials  Information Technology	3.0	.9 4.5 6.	9				19.4 119.5	2.0	25.4	
Beta (5 Years, Monthly) R-Squared (5 Years, Monthly)	0.91 r) 0.96	1.00 1.00	Communication Services  Utilities  Real Estate  0.0	1.0	6.0	9.0	12.0	15.0	18.0	21.0	24.0	27.0	30.0
						William Blair S	MID Cap Growth		Russell 2500 Gro	wth Index			

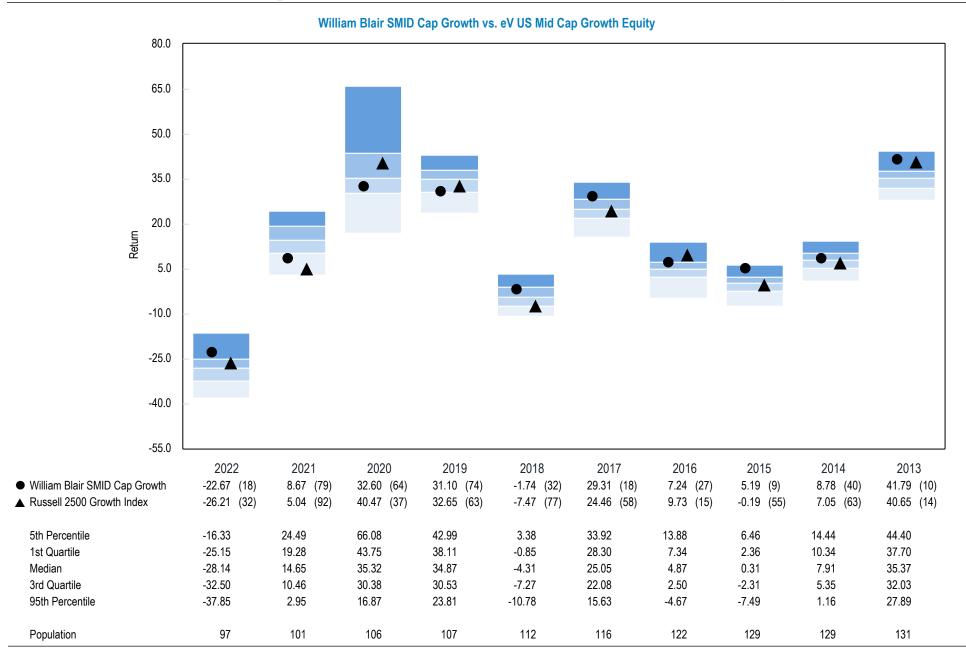
Largest Equity Holdings			Top Contributors	<b>Bottom Contributors</b>						
	Wgt (%)	Return (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)
BWX Technologies Inc	3.07	15.74	Horizon Therapeutics Public Ltd Co	1.17	83.87	0.98	Chart Industries Inc	2.10	-37.49	-0.79
Axon Enterprise Inc	3.01	43.35	Axon Enterprise Inc	2.24	43.35	0.97	Advanced Drainage Systems Inc	1.74	-34.01	-0.59
Builders FirstSource Inc	2.83	10.11	ABIOMED Inc	1.64	55.10	0.90	Wolfspeed Inc	1.07	-33.20	-0.36
National Vision Holdings Inc	2.63	18.71	Halozyme Therapeutics Inc	1.51	43.91	0.66	Alarm.com Holdings Inc	1.42	-23.71	-0.34
Acadia Healthcare Co Inc	2.55	5.30	PERFORMANCE FOOD GROUP COMPANY	1.82	35.95	0.65	Cameco Corp	2.08	-14.16	-0.29
SolarEdge Technologies Inc	2.53	22.38	Burlington Stores Inc	0.71	81.21	0.58	Entegris Inc	1.34	-20.90	-0.28
Chemed Corp	2.43	17.01	TechnipFMC plc	1.27	44.09	0.56	Leslie's Inc	1.52	-17.00	-0.26
Wyndham Hotels & Resorts Inc	2.34	16.75	Encompass Health Corp	1.68	32.57	0.55	Blueprint Medicines Corp	0.65	-33.51	-0.22
PERFORMANCE FOOD GROUP COMPANY	2.32	35.95	SolarEdge Technologies Inc	2.20	22.38	0.49	Twist Bioscience Corp	0.66	-32.43	-0.21
Crown Holdings Inc	2.31	1.77	BWX Technologies Inc	2.83	15.74	0.45	HealthEquity Inc	2.08	-8.23	-0.17



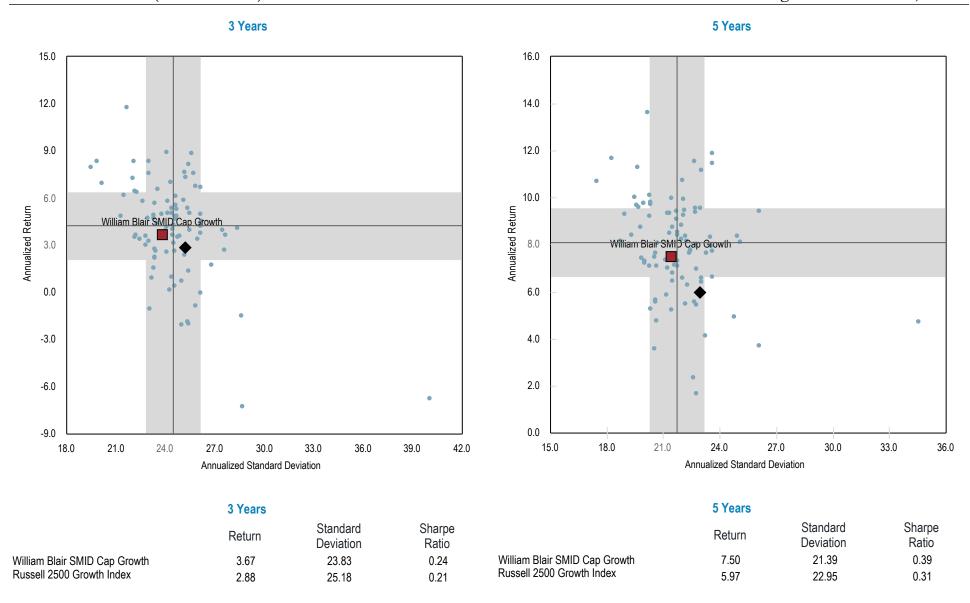
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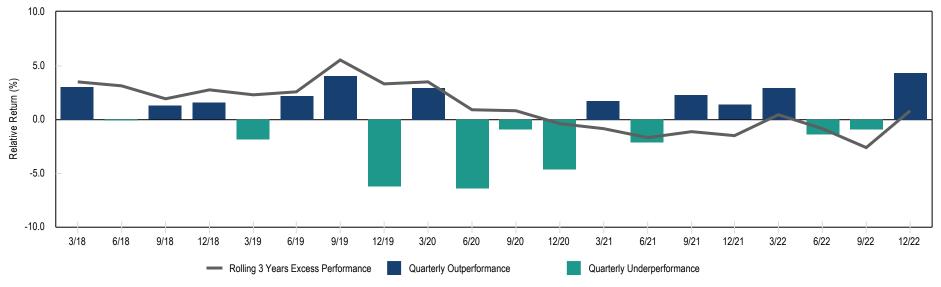




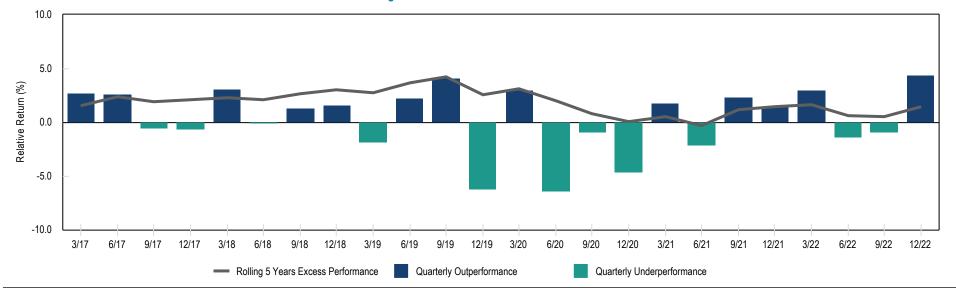








**Rolling 5 Years Annualized Excess Performance** 

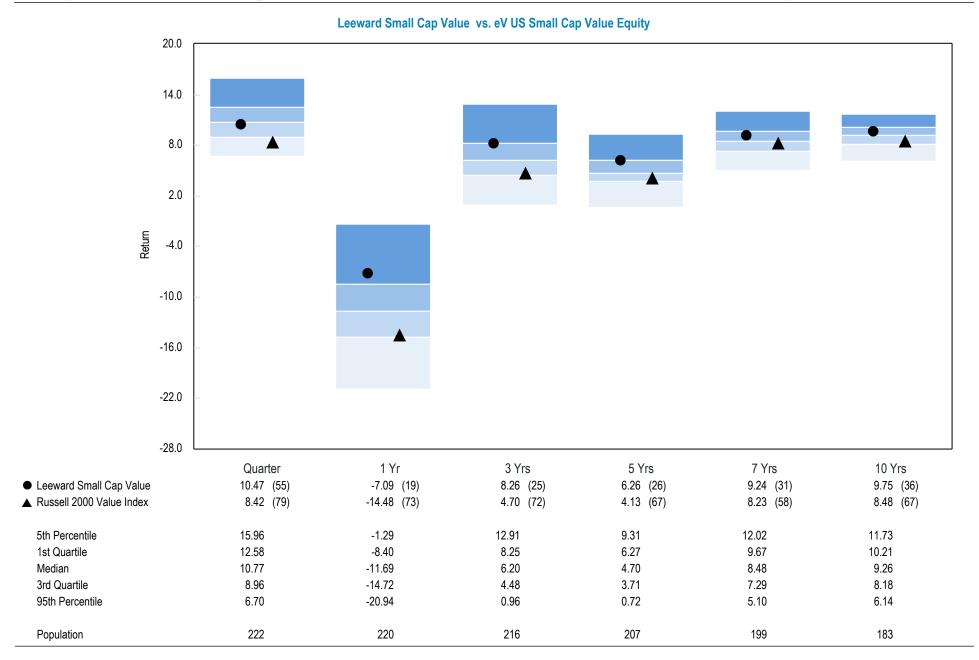




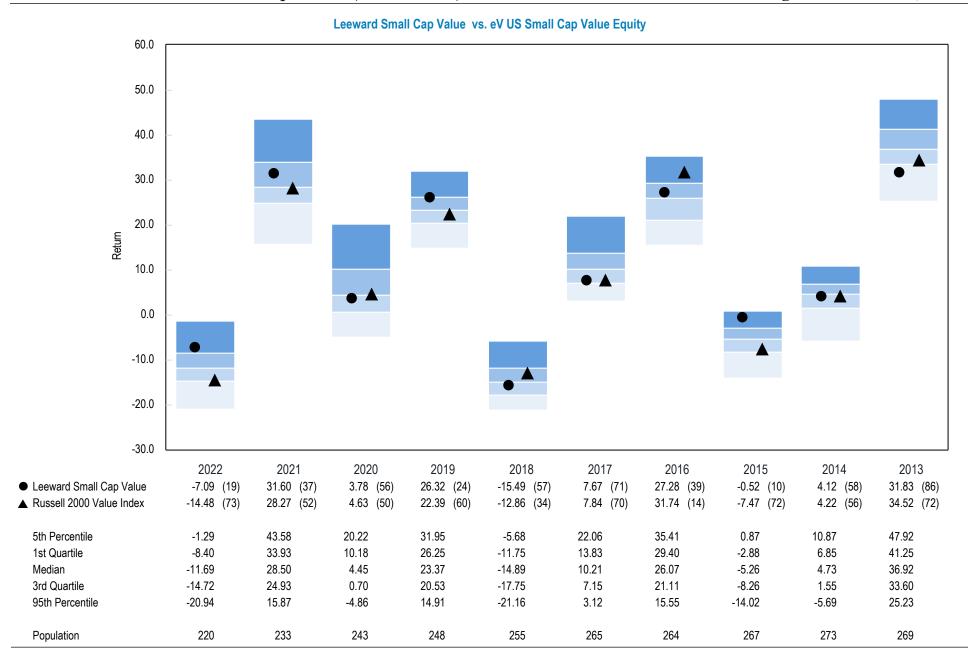
Ch	aracteristics		Sector Allocation (%)									
Number of Stocks	Portfolio 87	Benchmark 1,383	Energy 6.2  Materials 7.9									
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$B	4.2	2.4	Industrials 4.1									
Median Mkt. Cap \$B	3.6	0.8	Consumer Discretionary ————————————————————————————————————									
Price/Earnings ratio	14.46	10.07	Consumer Staples 2.7									
Price/Book ratio	2.13	1.59	Health Care 10.5									
Return on Equity (%)	4.92	0.96	Financials 17.8 28.8									
Current Yield (%)	1.55	2.26	Information Technology Communication Services Communication Services 2.9									
Beta (5 Years, Monthly)	0.92	1.00	Utilities 513									
R-Squared (5 Years, Monthly)	0.96	1.00	Real Estate 10.7									
			Other 0.0 1.0									
			0.0 4.0 8.0 12.0 16.0 20.0 24.0 28.0 32	2.0								
			Leeward Small Cap Value Russell 2000 Value Index									

Largest Equity Holdings			Top Contri	butors		<b>Bottom Contributors</b>				
	Wgt (%)	Return (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)		Wgt (%)	Return (%)	Contr (%)
Huron Consulting Group Inc	2.57	9.59	Altra Industrial Motion Corp	1.27	77.99	0.99	Livent Corp	1.68	-35.17	-0.59
Prestige Consumer Healthcare Inc	2.57	25.63	Prestige Consumer Healthcare Inc	2.25	25.63	0.58	Regal Rexnord Corporation	2.68	-14.27	-0.38
First Interstate BancSystem Inc	2.23	-3.22	Encompass Health Corp	1.57	32.57	0.51	Viavi Solutions Inc	1.56	-19.46	-0.30
Regal Rexnord Corporation	2.08	-14.27	Championx Corp	0.94	48.64	0.46	Lumentum Holdings Inc	1.22	-23.92	-0.29
Altra Industrial Motion Corp	2.05	77.99	Integra LifeSciences Holdings Corp	1.30	32.37	0.42	Western Alliance Bancorporation	1.99	-8.93	-0.18
Wintrust Financial Corp.	2.04	4.02	O I Glass Inc	1.48	27.95	0.41	Pinnacle Financial Partners Inc	1.88	-9.25	-0.17
Portland General Electric Co	2.02	13.79	Ingredion Inc	1.60	23.56	0.38	National Storage Affiliates Trust	1.34	-11.88	-0.16
Clean Harbors Inc	1.93	3.76	EnPro Industries Inc.	1.28	28.21	0.36	Amedisys Inc	1.16	-13.69	-0.16
Encompass Health Corp	1.89	32.57	Valmont Industries Inc	1.52	23.30	0.36	Bank Butterfield & Son Ltd	1.66	-6.90	-0.11
TreeHouse Foods Inc	1.86	16.41	EMCOR Group Inc.	1.21	28.41	0.34	First Interstate BancSystem Inc	2.56	-3.22	-0.08

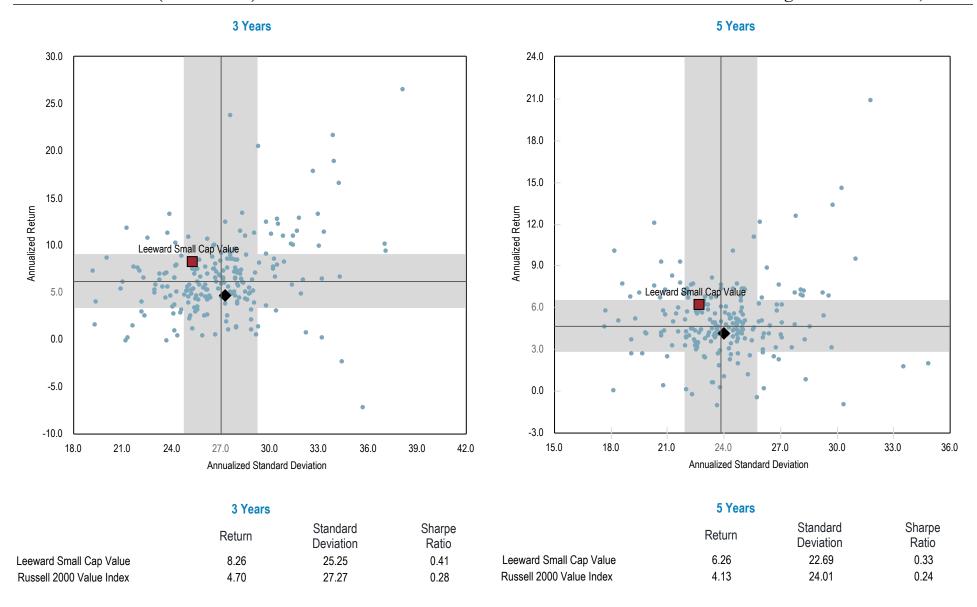




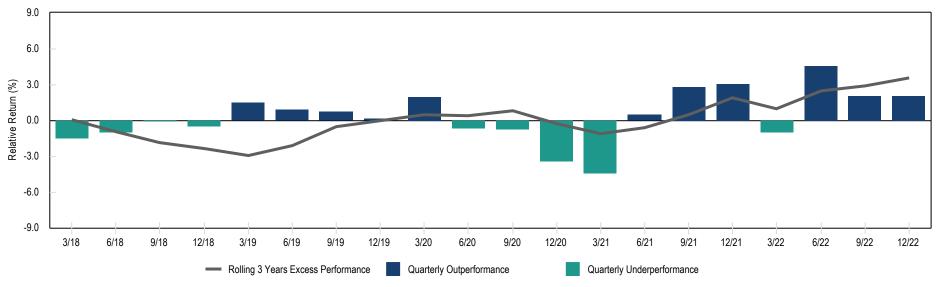




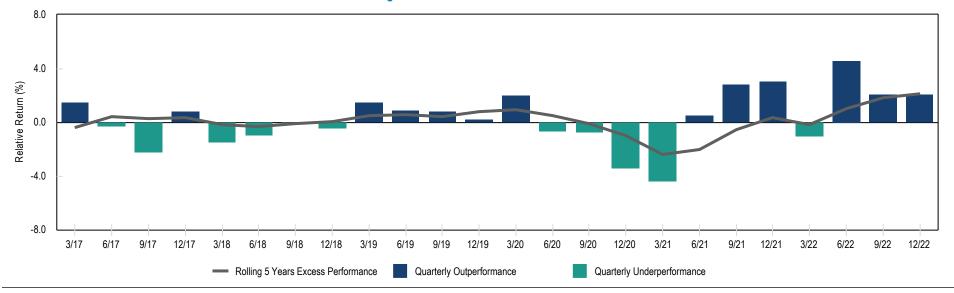








#### **Rolling 5 Years Annualized Excess Performance**



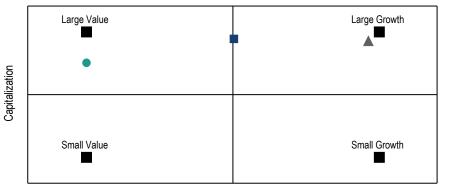


### Total International Equity Asset Class Overview (Net of Fees)

### Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	Market Value	% of Portfolio	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total International Equity	268,760,825	100.0	14.5	-14.2	2.2	2.3	4.7	9.6	13.4	22.7	-14.5
MSCI AC World ex USA Index			14.4	-15.6	0.5	1.4	4.3	8.3	11.1	22.1	-13.8
SSGA MSCI ACWI Ex US Index Fund	91,969,081	34.2	14.2	-15.8	0.3	1.1	4.0	7.9	10.9	21.8	-14.0
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)			14.3	-16.0	0.1	0.9	3.8	7.8	10.7	21.5	-14.2
eV ACWI ex-US All Cap Equity Rank			53	36	62	58	80	63	66	72	40
PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund	94,081,720	35.0	17.3	-8.9	1.3	0.5	4.2	12.3	1.7	16.1	-15.1
MSCI AC World ex USA Value (Net)			15.7	-8.6	0.1	-0.1	2.7	10.5	-0.8	15.7	-14.0
eV ACWI ex-US Value Equity Rank			45	36	44	48	45	41	53	69	41
SGA International Growth	82,710,024	30.8	11.9	-17.8	4.2	-	-	9.1	26.0	30.5	-
MSCI AC World ex USA Growth (Net)			12.9	-23.1	-0.4	1.5	4.7	5.1	22.2	27.3	-14.4
eV ACWI ex-US Growth Equity Rank			70	13	12	-	-	46	50	40	-

## International Equity Effective Style Map 3 Years



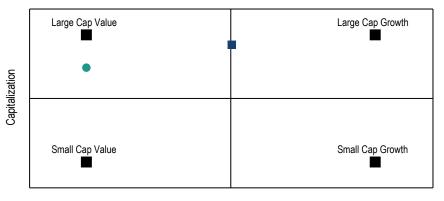
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PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund

SGA International Growth

# International Equity Effective Style Map 5 Years



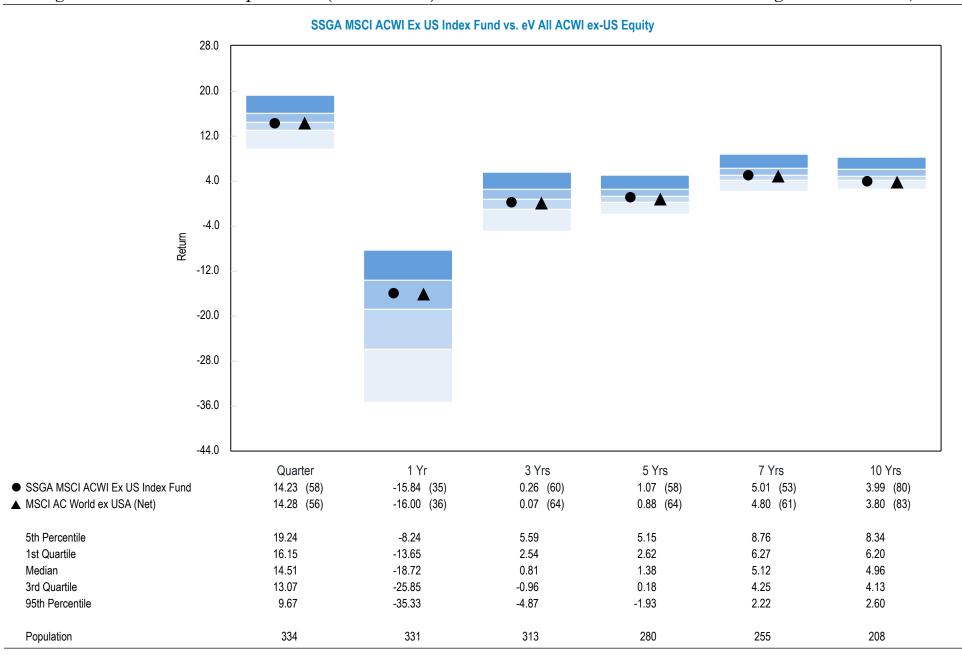
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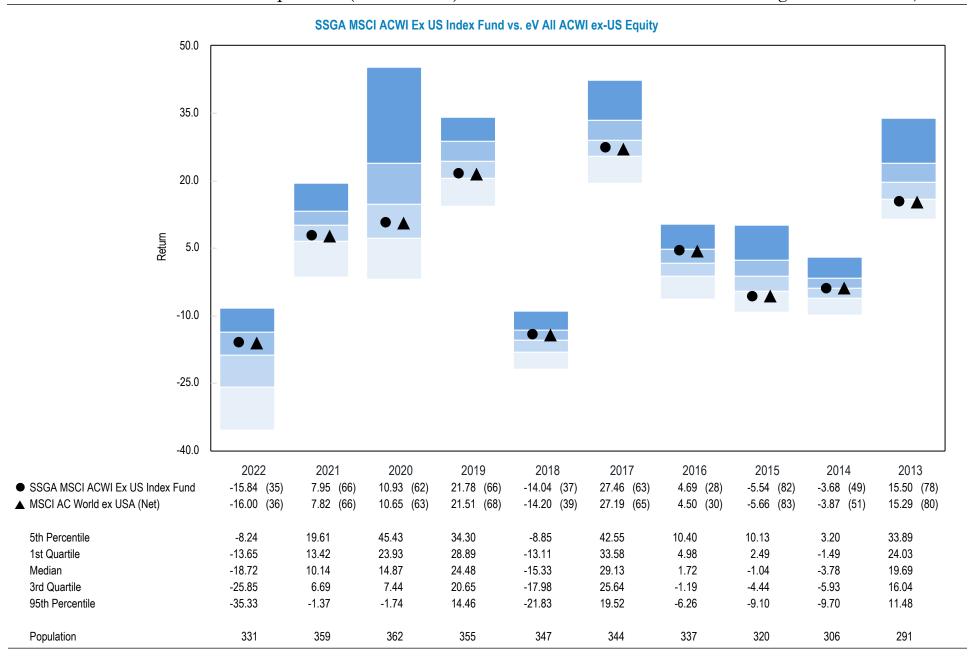
PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund

Research Affiliates converted to PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund on 6/5/15 (performance prior to this date represents previously held Enhanced RAFI Global ex US).

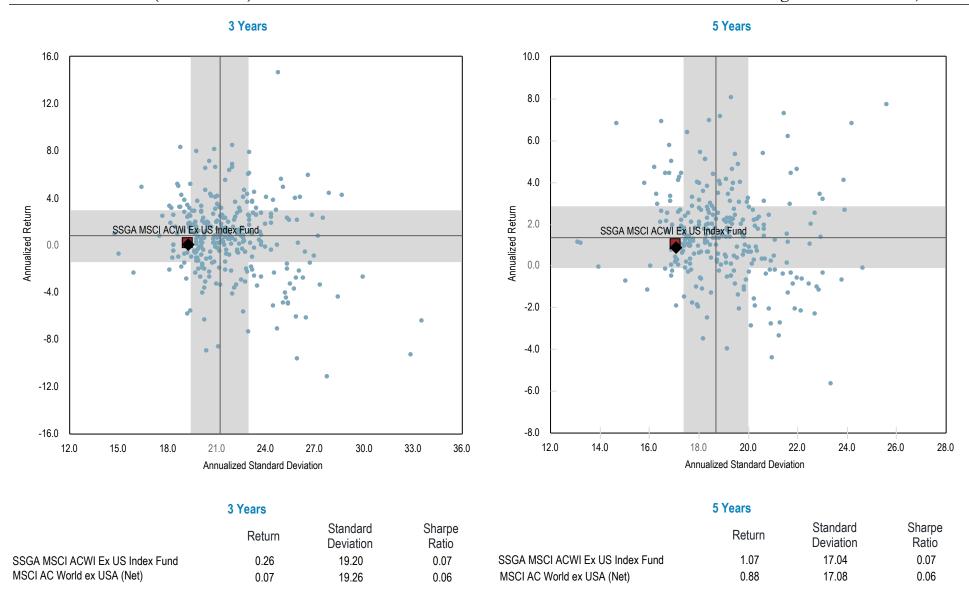


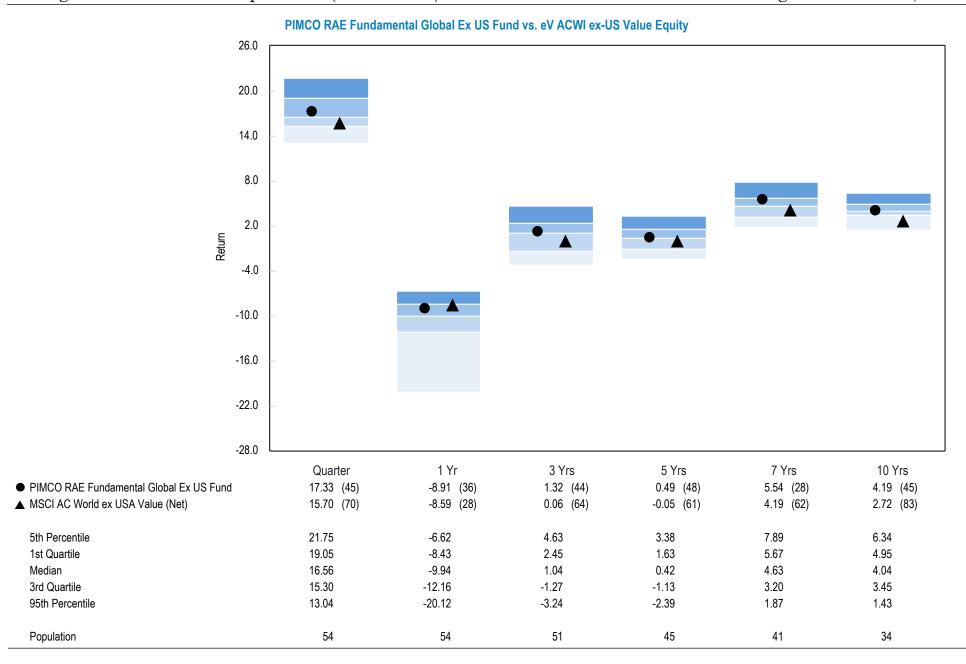








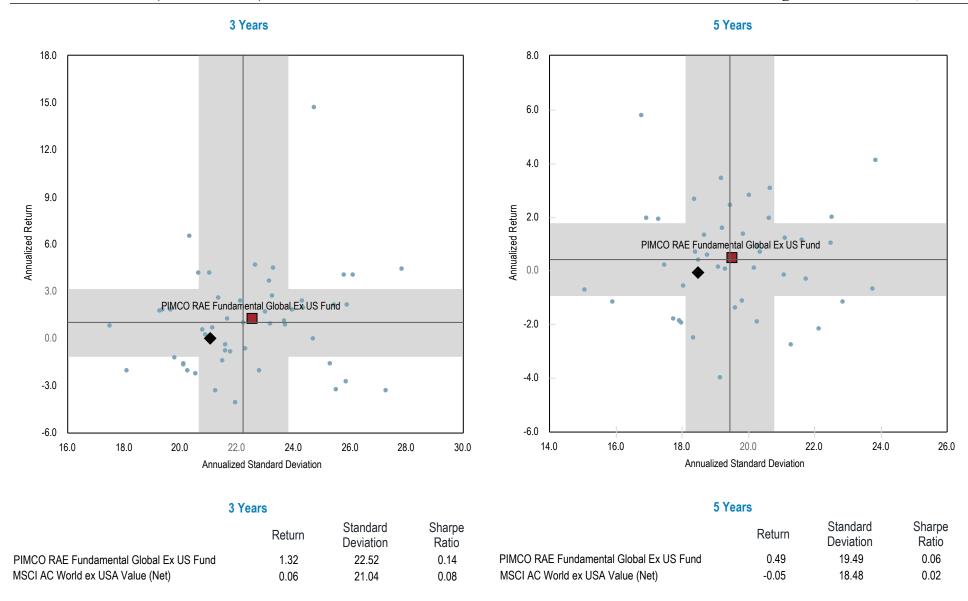




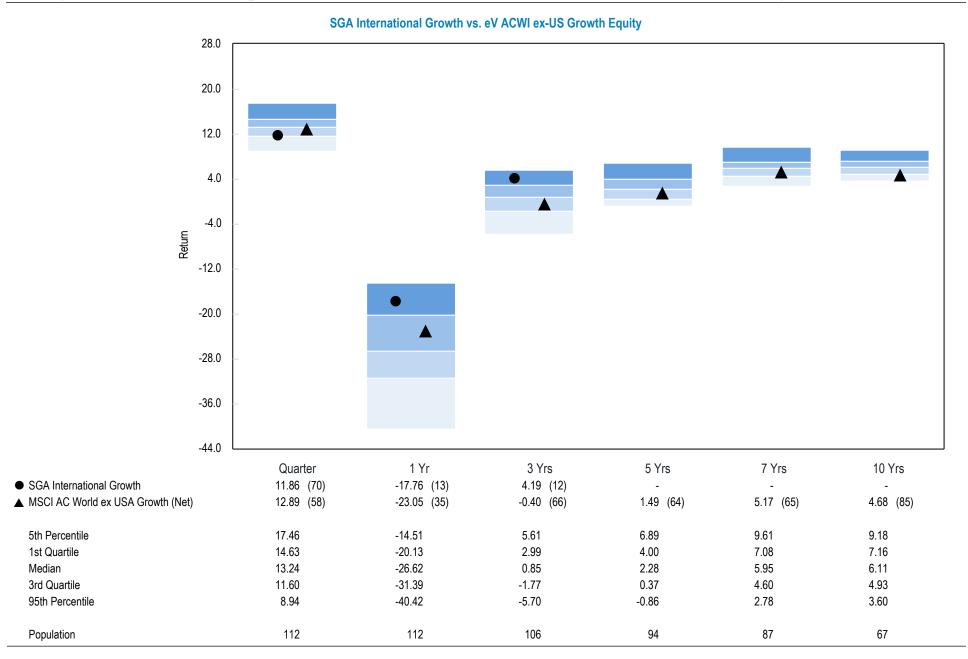


PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund vs. eV ACWI ex-US Value Equity 44.0 36.0 28.0 20.0 12.0 Return 4.0 -4.0 -12.0 -20.0 -28.0 2013 2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015 2014 -8.91 (36) 12.30 (41) 16.05 (69) 25.99 (38) -11.36 (88) 23.92 (30) PIMCO RAE Fundamental Global Ex US Fund 1.69 (53) -15.12 (41) 12.99 (12) -5.90 (55) -8.59 (28) ▲ MSCI AC World ex USA Value (Net) 10.46 (58) -0.77 (74) 15.72 (72) -13.97 (27) 22.66 (70) 8.92 (34) -10.06 (84) -5.10 (53) 15.04 (82) 5th Percentile -6.62 18.52 19.43 29.39 -11.20 33.60 24.23 3.17 3.30 33.25 -8.43 14.09 7.57 22.58 -13.89 26.78 10.05 -1.56 -2.35 25.31 1st Quartile Median -9.94 11.53 2.22 18.71 -15.63 24.10 7.46 -4.41 -4.80 20.11 3rd Quartile -12.16 7.32 -1.69 14.61 -18.67 22.45 2.69 -7.78 -8.01 16.15 -20.12 -4.33 -22.57 14.06 -3.03 95th Percentile 3.30 11.18 -13.01 -11.67 11.51 54 59 60 59 57 57 56 56 54 52 Population

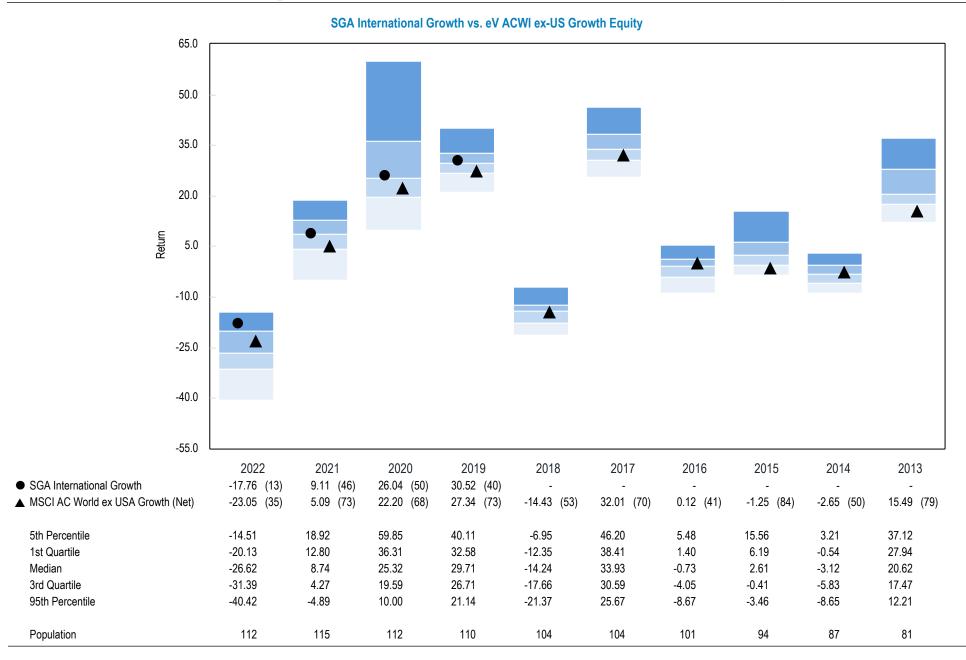




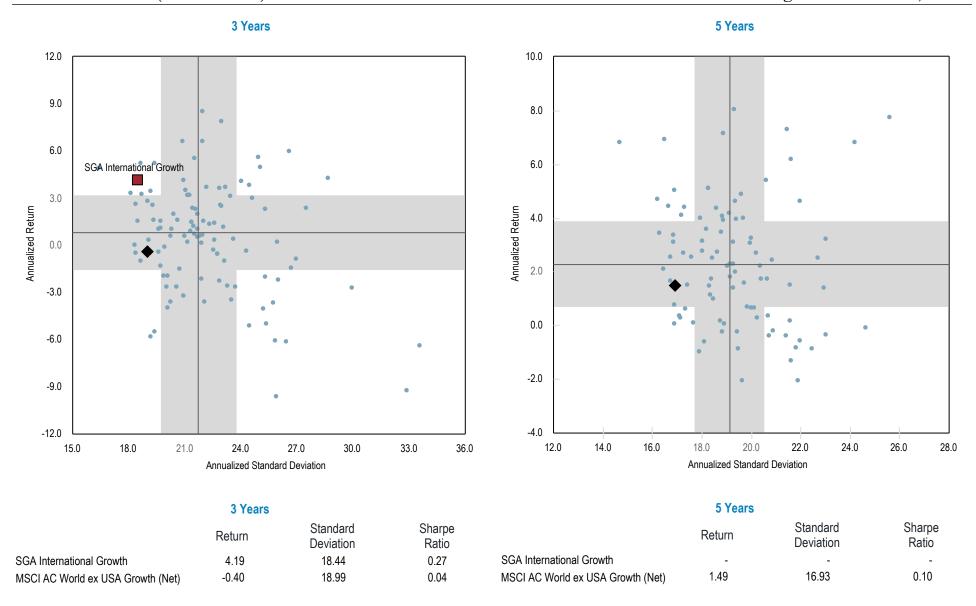












# Total Fixed Income Asset Class Overview (Net of Fees)

# Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

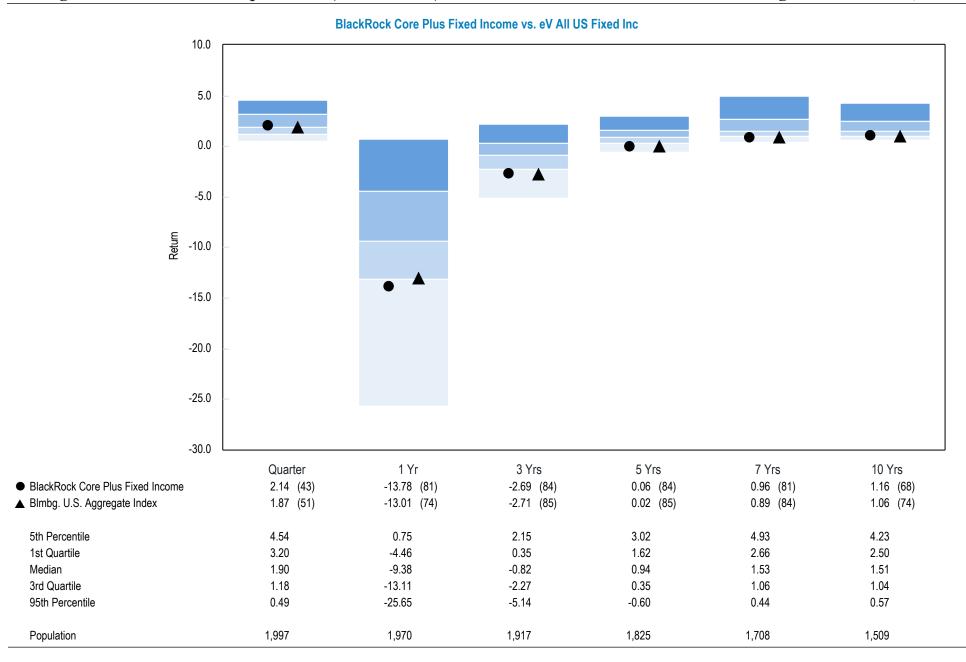
	Market Value	% of Portfolio	Quarter	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	201
Total Fixed Income	351,485,082	100.0	2.9	-13.5	-4.0	-0.8	0.6	-2.2	4.7	8.1	0.
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.
Total Domestic Fixed Income	301,292,287	85.7	1.9	-13.7	-2.6	0.1	1.2	-0.7	7.9	9.0	-0.
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.
BlackRock Core Plus Fixed Income	102,105,435	29.0	2.1	-13.8	-2.7	0.1	1.2	-1.4	8.4	8.7	0.
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank			34	63	86	87	91	89	56	81	2
Doubleline Core Plus	100,274,964	28.5	1.3	-12.7	-2.9	-0.2	-	-0.2	5.2	8.3	-0.
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank			91	25	92	98	-	37	97	88	3
MacKay Shields Core Plus	98,911,887	28.1	2.4	-14.6	-2.2	0.3	-	-0.4	9.9	9.6	-1.
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index			1.9	-13.0	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank			24	88	53	65	-	47	21	56	7
Total Emerging Markets Fixed Income	50,192,795	14.3	9.2	-12.4	-4.6			-5.3	4.6		
50% JPM EMBI Global Div/50% JPM GBI EM Global Div			8.3	-14.8	-5.7	-1.9	-0.2	-5.3	4.0	14.3	-5.
PGIM Emerging Markets Debt	50,192,795	14.3	9.2	-12.4	-4.6	-	-	-5.3	4.6	-	
50% JPM EMBI Global Div/50% JPM GBI EM Global Div			8.3	-14.8	-5.7	-1.9	-0.2	-5.3	4.0	14.3	-5.
eV Emg Mkts Fixed Inc - Blended Currency Rank			23	38	72	-	-	73	69	-	

**Fixed Income Style Map 3 Years** 

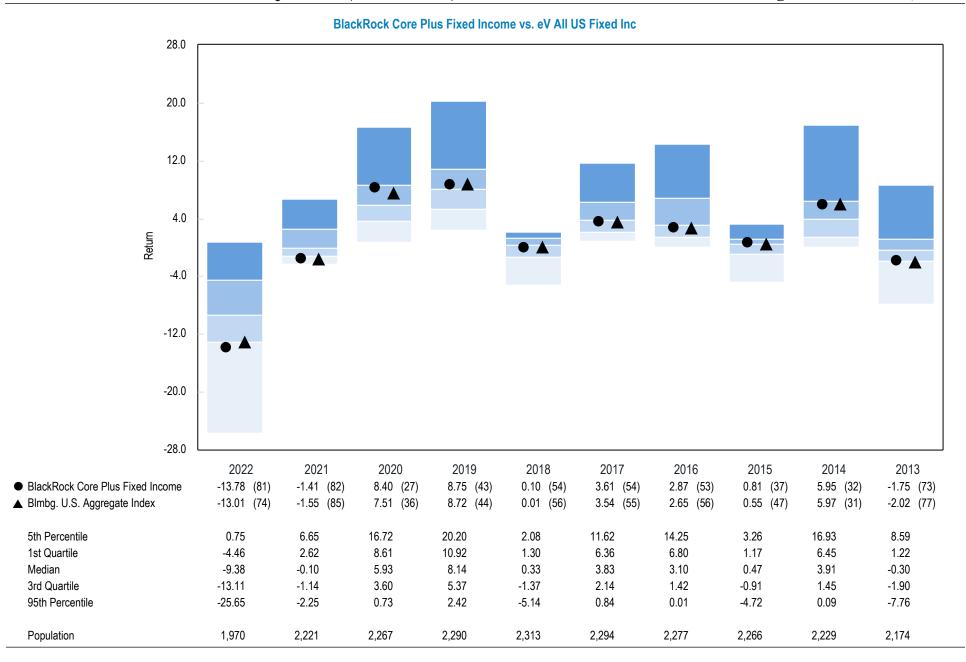


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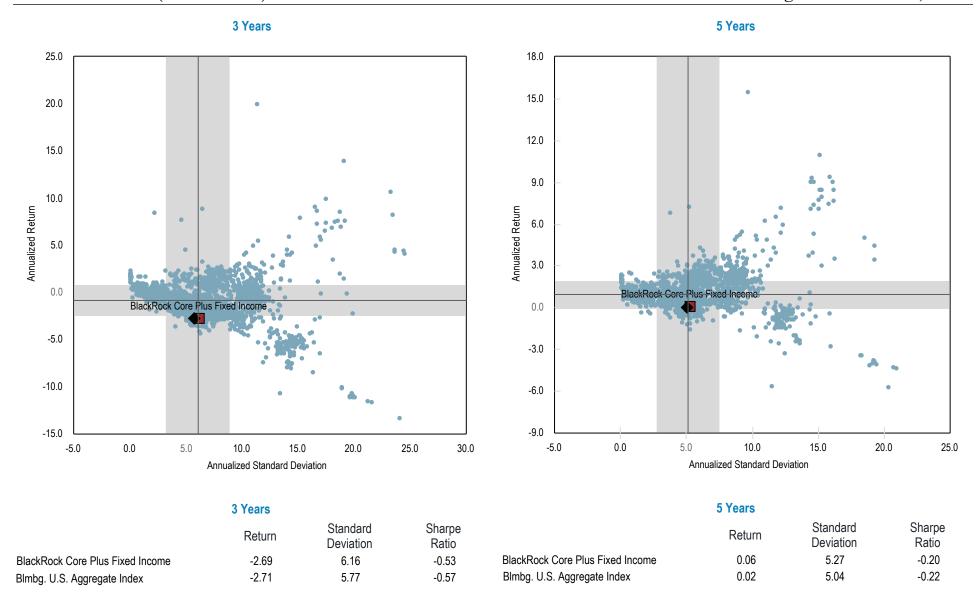






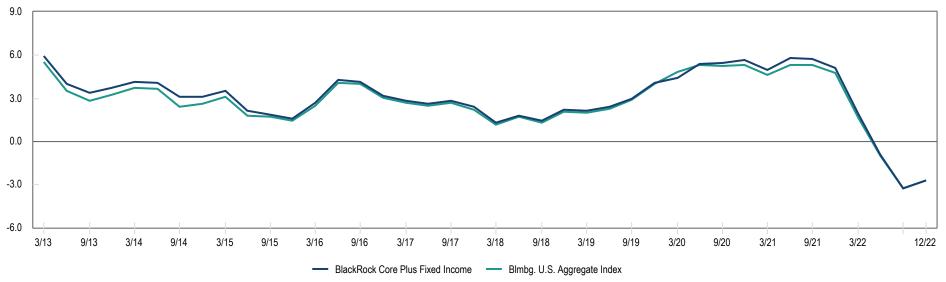




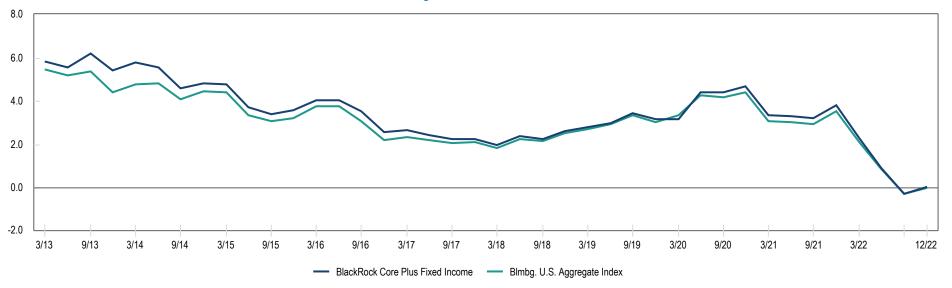


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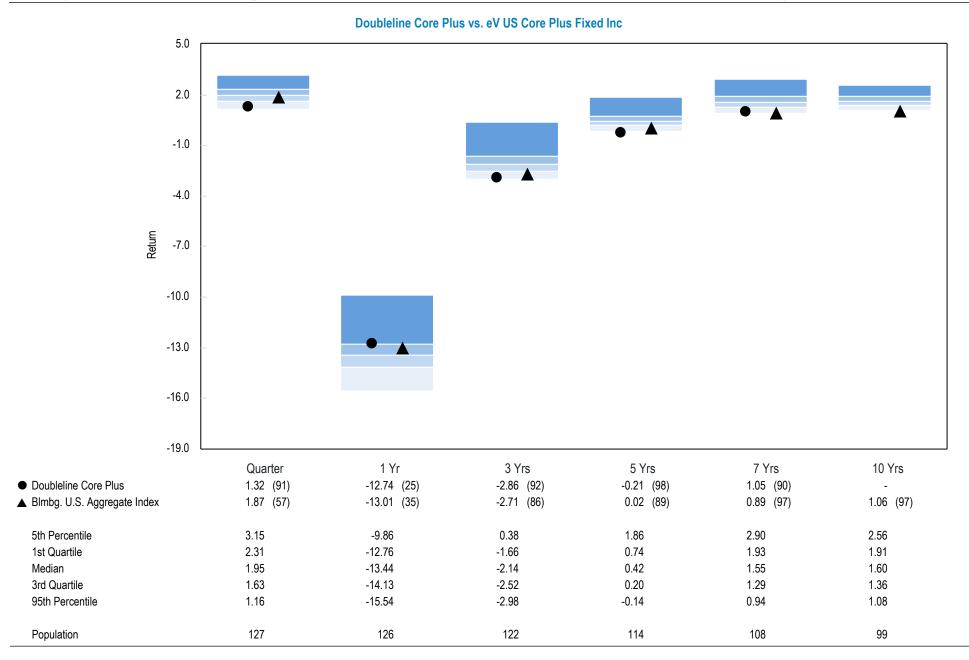




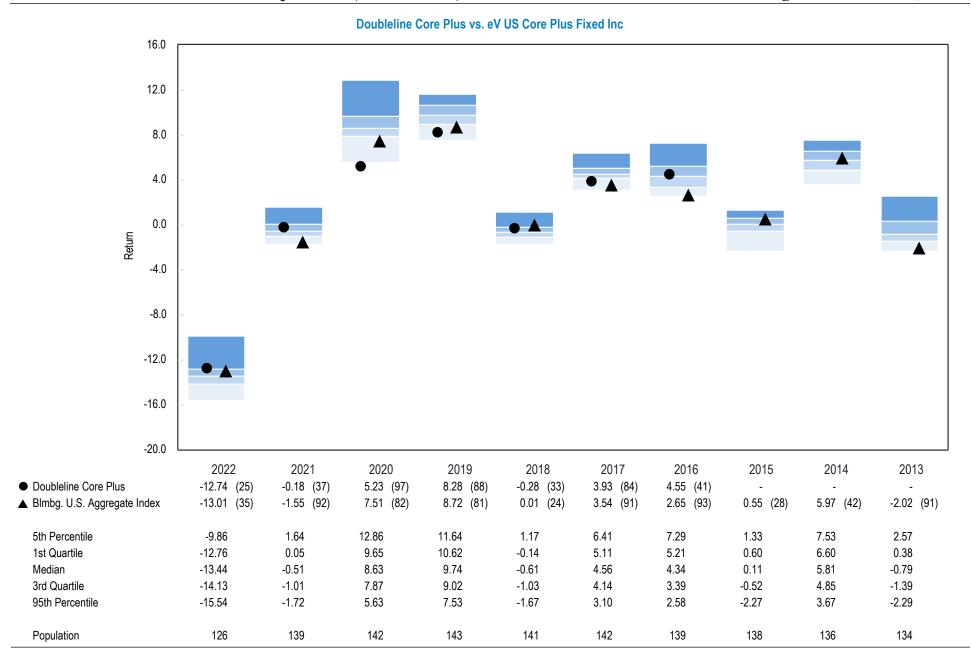
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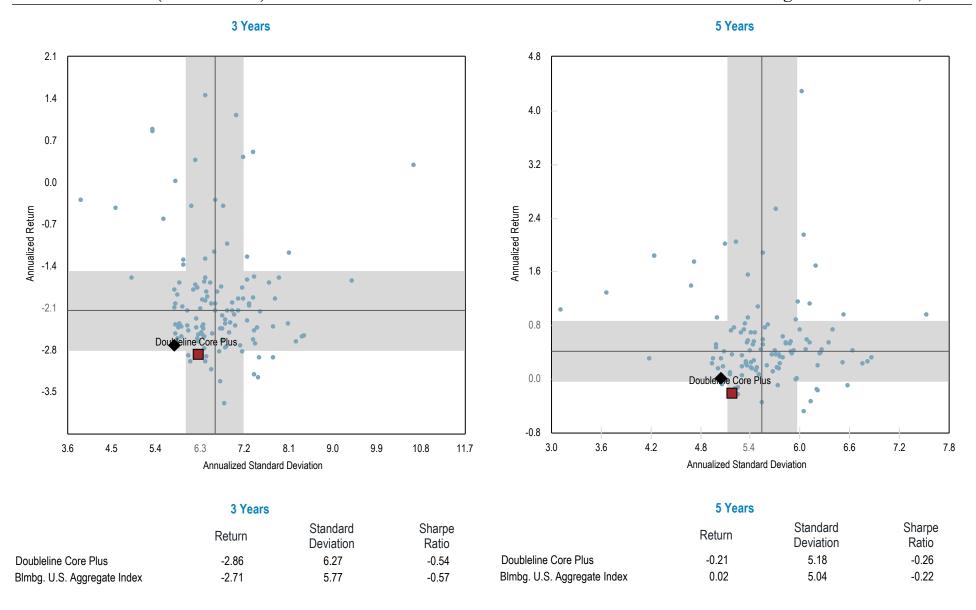






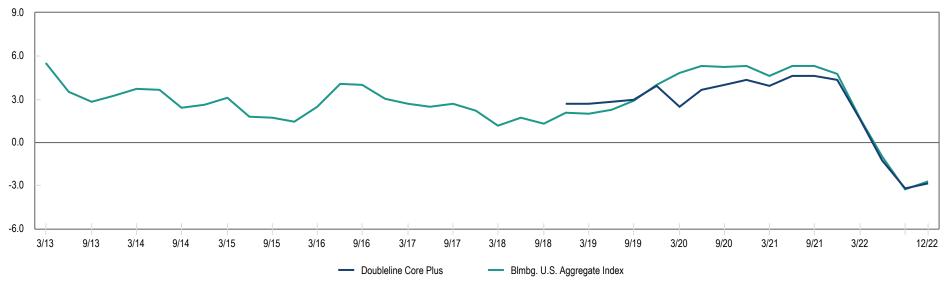




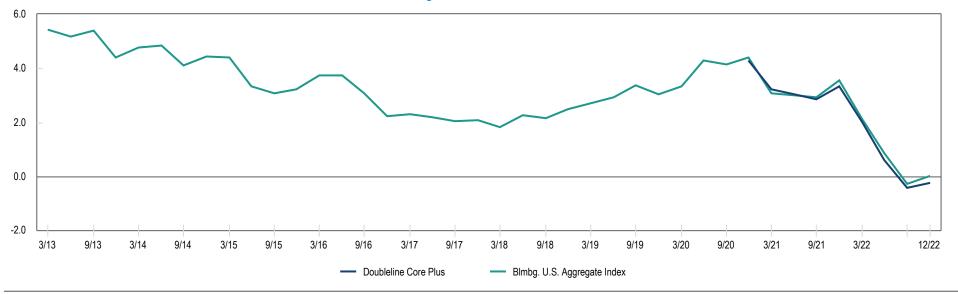


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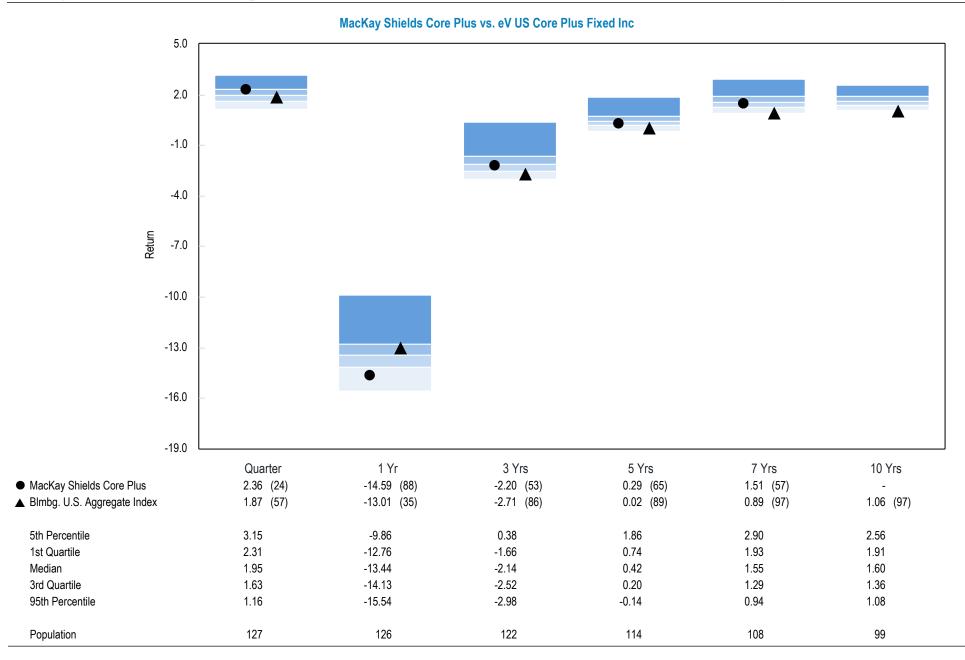
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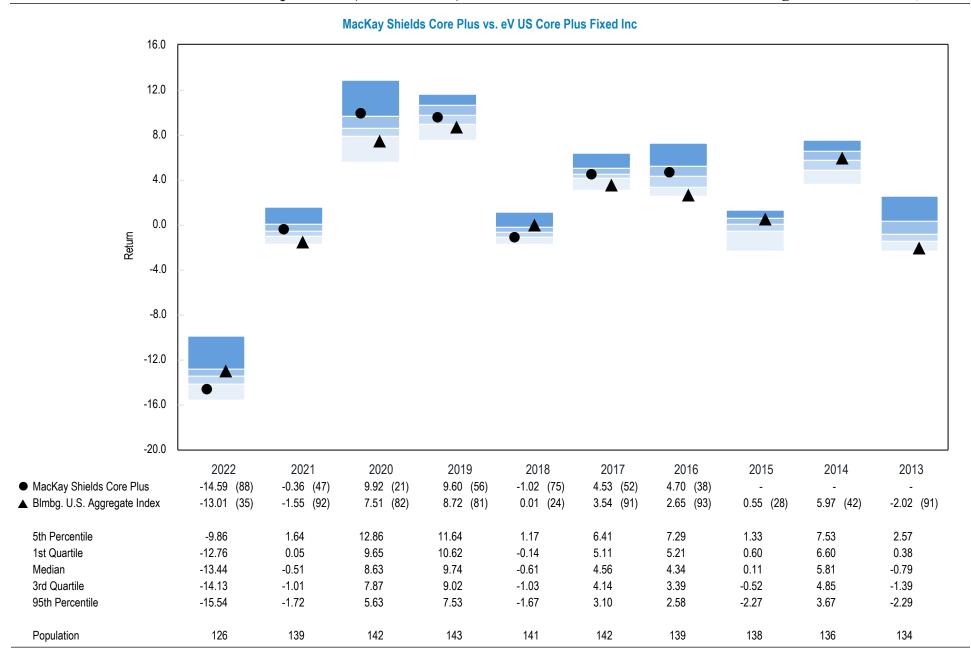
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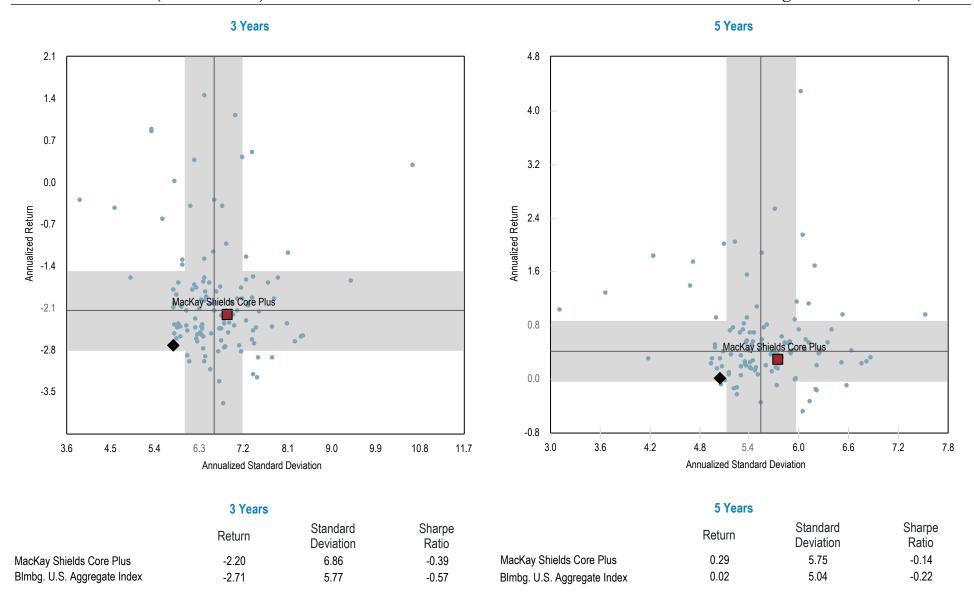










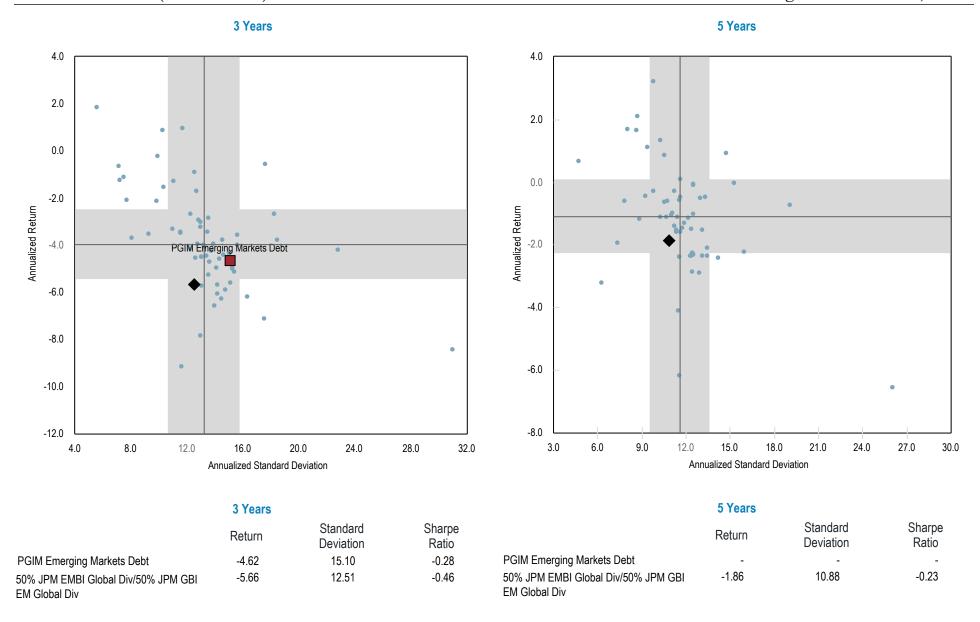


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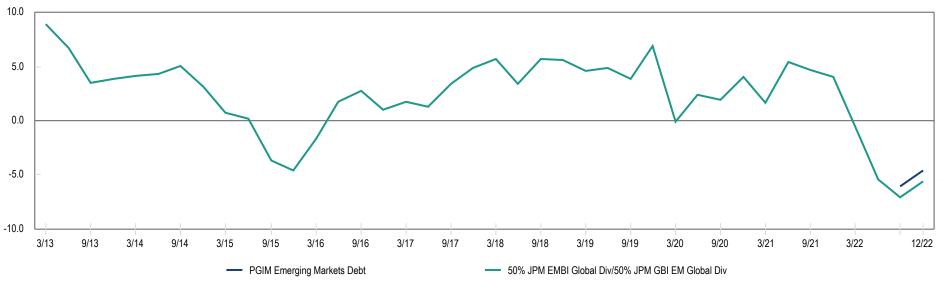




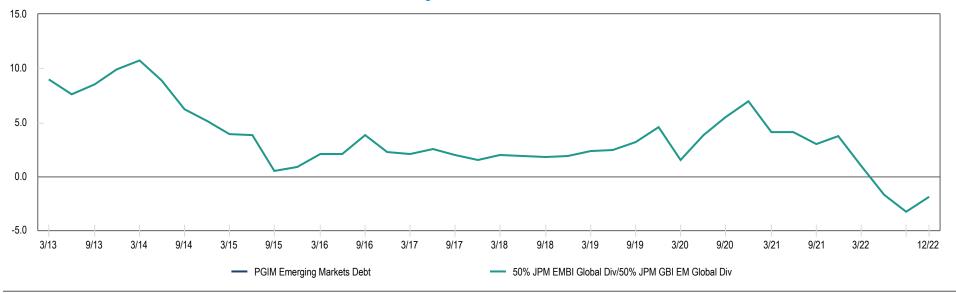


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### **Rolling 5 Years Annualized Return**

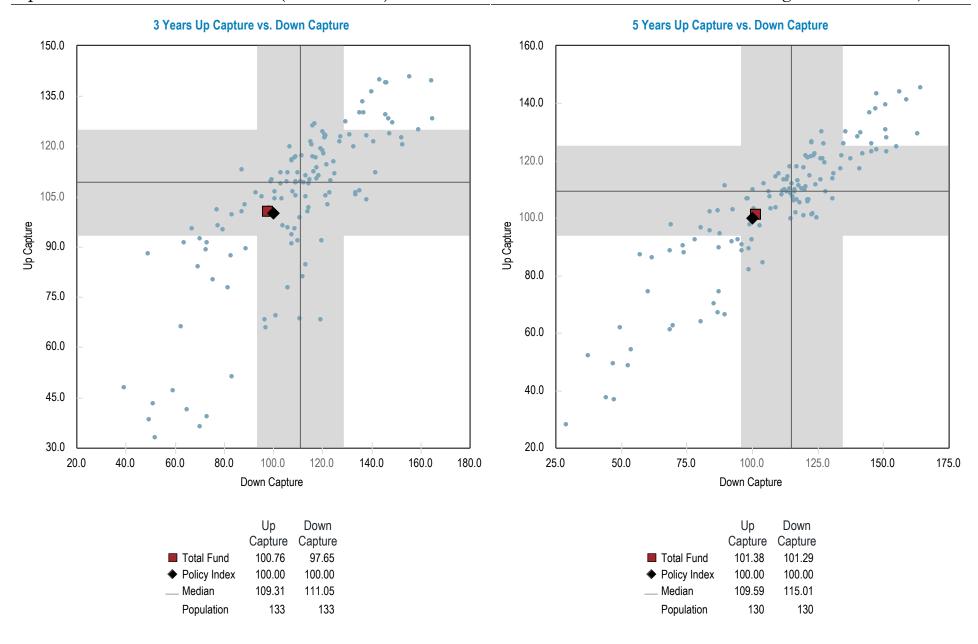


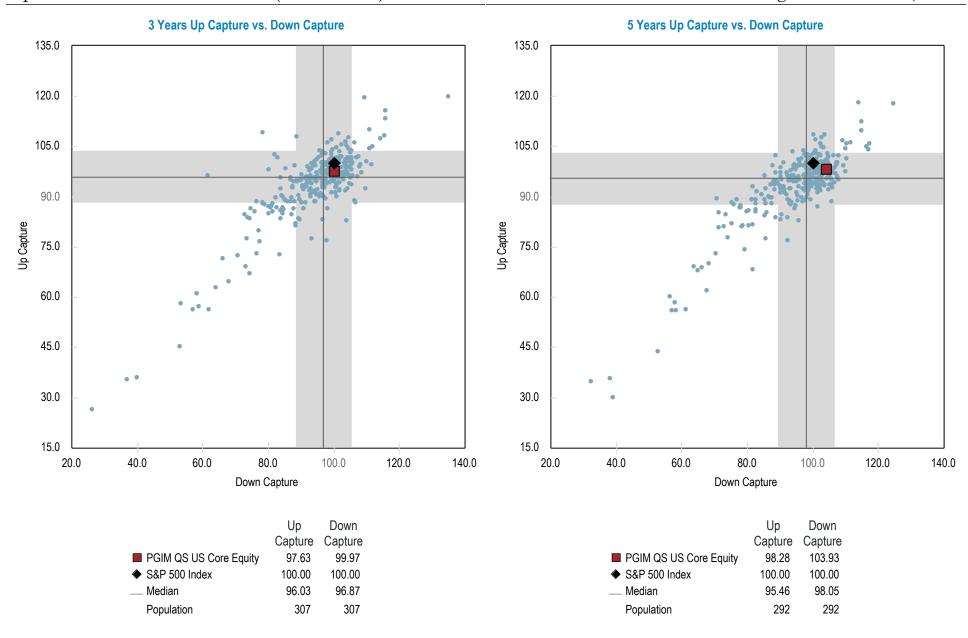


## Total Real Estate Asset Class Overview (Net of Fees)

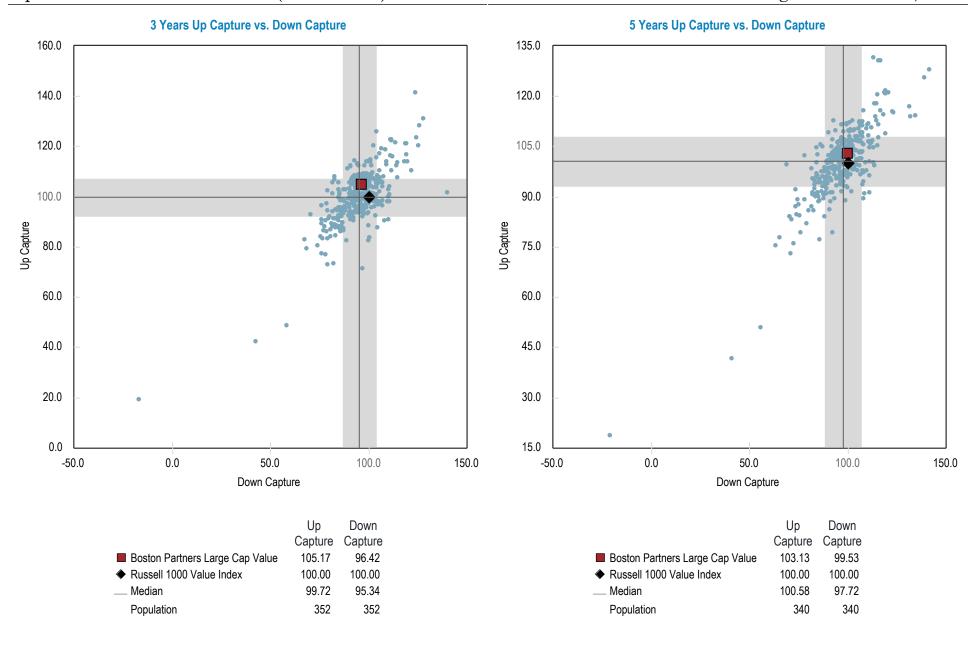
# Tulare County Employees' Retirement Association Period Ending: December 31, 2022

	Market Value	% of Portfolio	Quarter	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total Real Estate	351,954,486	100.0	-0.9	11.3	8.5	7.9	9.1	12.8	1.8	5.2	8.8	4.3
NCREIF-ODCE			-5.0	7.5	9.9	8.7	10.1	22.2	1.2	5.3	8.3	7.6
RREEF America II	181,880,048	51.7	-3.1	18.4	10.8	9.2	10.3	12.8	1.8	5.3	8.6	4.4
NCREIF ODCE net 1Q Lag			0.3	21.0	11.4	9.3	9.9	13.6	0.5	4.6	7.7	6.7
American Realty Strategic Value Fund	90,907,973	25.8	1.5	16.2	9.4	-	-	11.3	1.1	-	-	-
NCREIF ODCE net 1Q Lag			0.3	21.0	11.4	9.3	9.9	13.6	0.5	4.6	7.7	6.7
Invesco Commercial Mortgage Income Fund	78,477,186	22.3	0.0	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NCREIF-ODCE			-5.0	7.5	9.9	8.7	10.1	22.2	1.2	5.3	8.3	7.6
SSGA US REIT Index Non-Lending Fund	689,279	0.2	4.7	-26.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dow Jones U.S. REIT Index			4.1	-24.8	-0.2	4.2	6.8	41.2	-6.3	28.0	-3.5	9.4

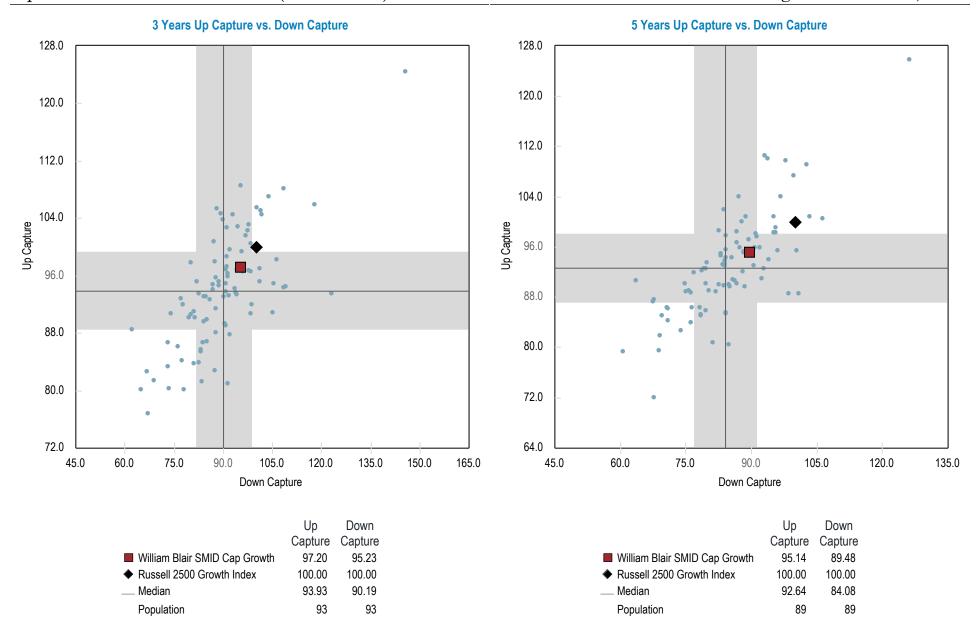




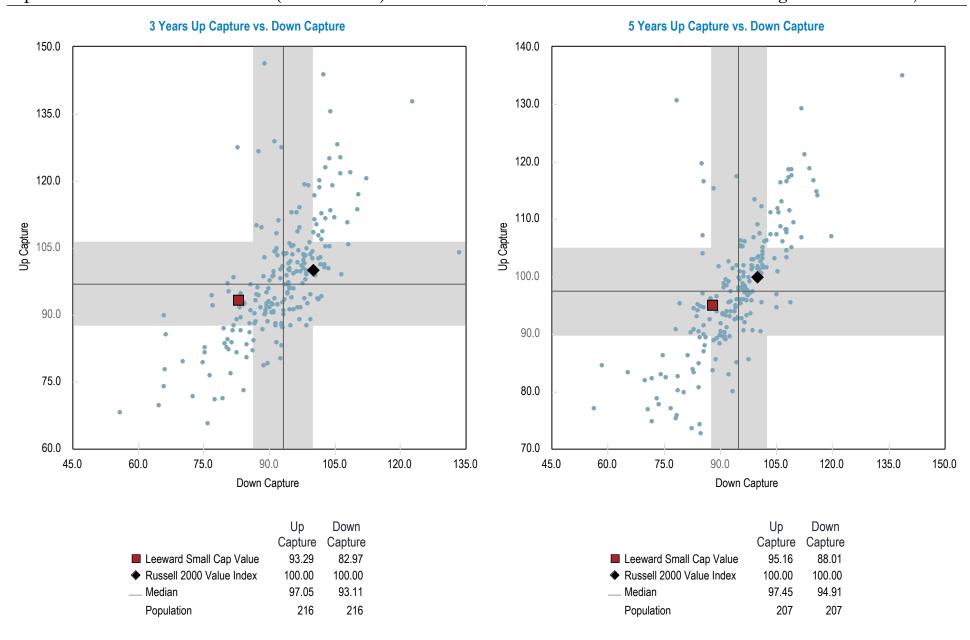




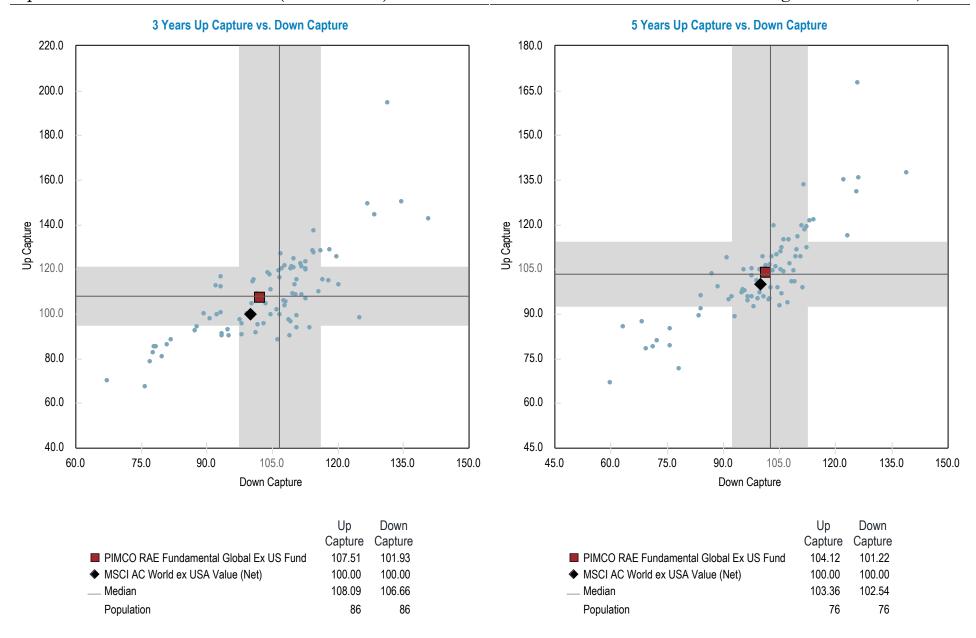




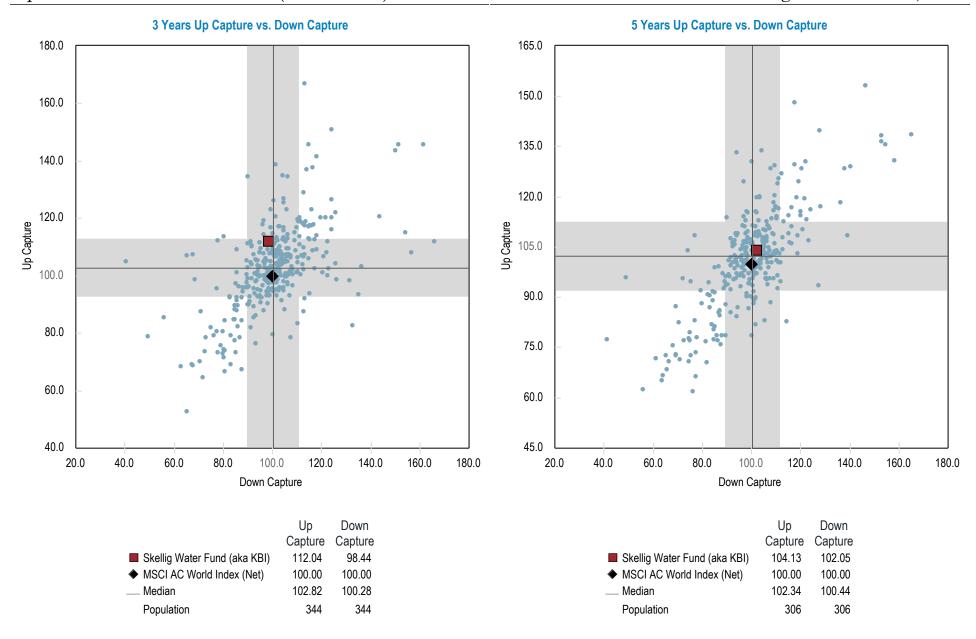




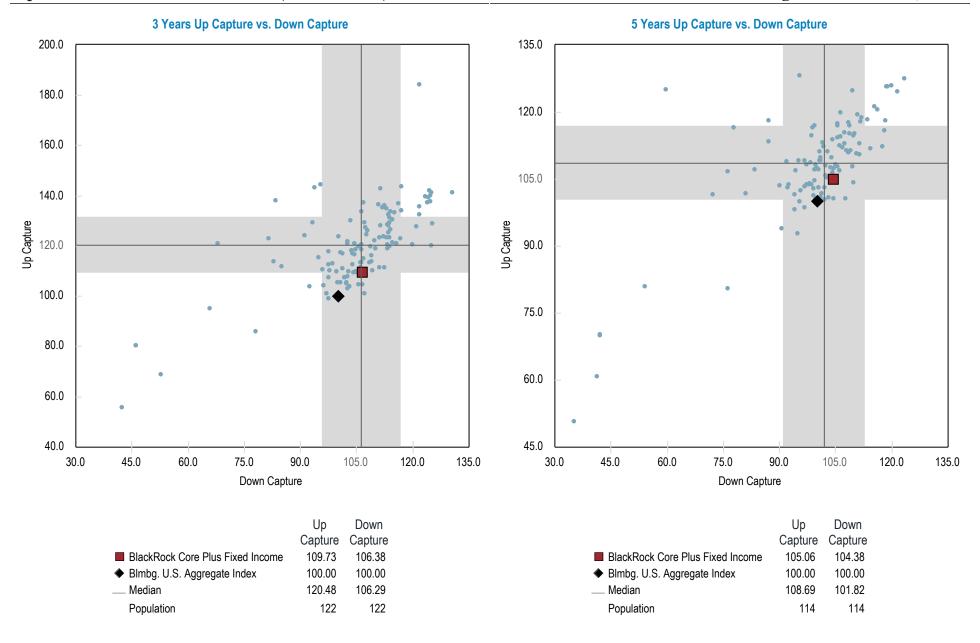


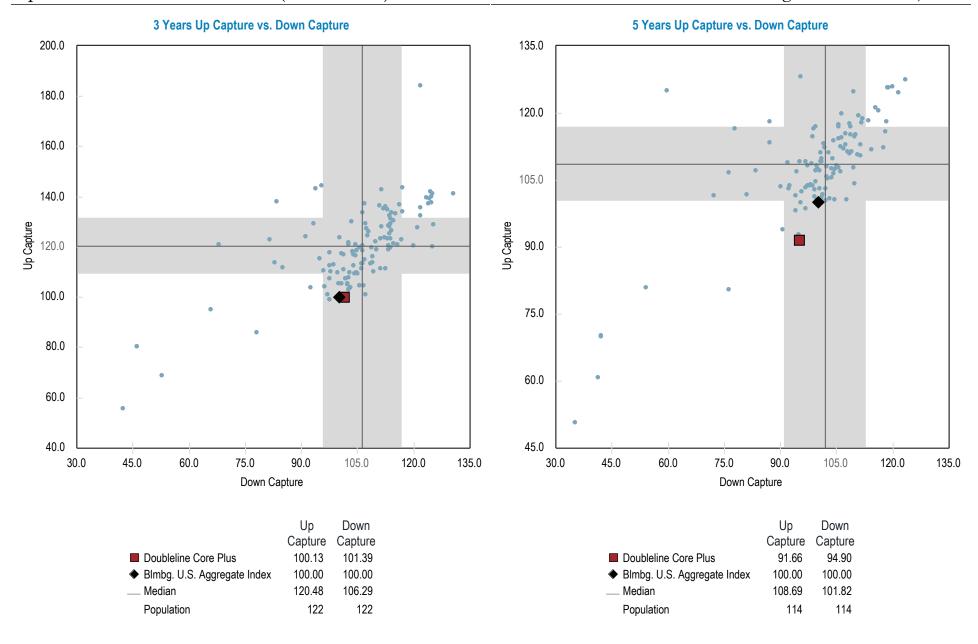




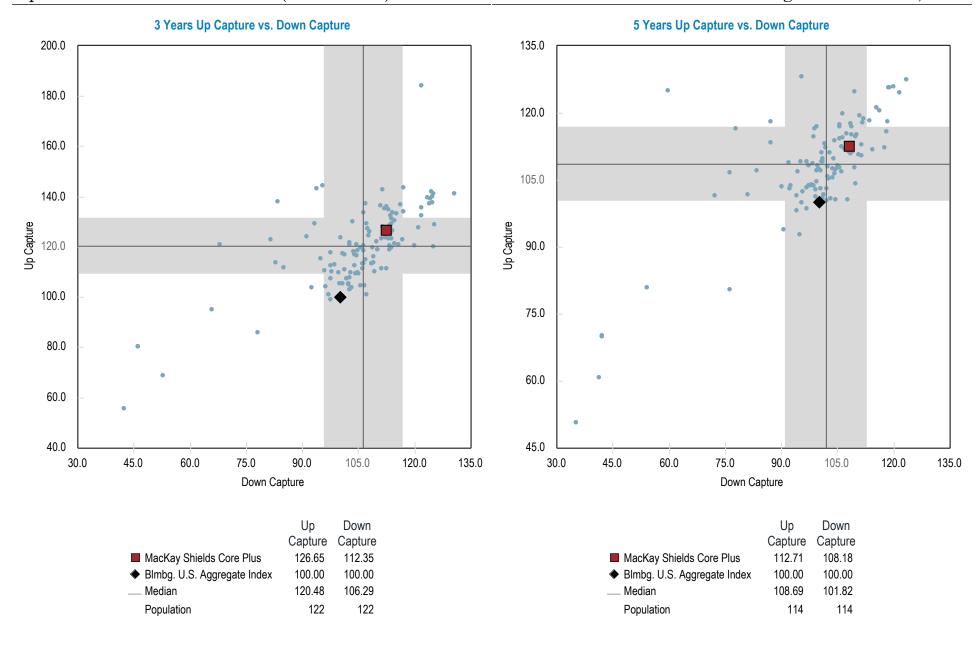














#### Performance Return Calculations

Performance is calculated using Time Weighted Rates of Return (TWRR) methodologies. Monthly returns are linked geometrically and annualized for periods longer than one year.

#### **Data Source**

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Manager Line Up					
<u>Manager</u>	Fund Incepted	Data Source	<u>Manager</u>	Fund Incepted	Data Source
SSGA S&P 500 Flagship Fund	7/27/2011	SSGA	SSGA US REIT Index Non-Lending Fund	12/10/2021	BNY
PGIM QS US Core Equity	12/1/2008	BNY	RREEF America II	3/1/2003	Deutsche
Boston Partners Large Cap Value	2/1/1999	BNY	Pantheon USA Fund VI	7/26/2005	Pantheon
William Blair Large Cap Growth	4/25/2022	BNY	PIMCO BRAVO	1/14/2011	PIMCO
SSGA US Extended Market Index	6/10/2021	SSGA	KKR Mezzanine Partners	7/8/2011	KKR
William Blair SMID Cap Growth	6/30/2006	BNY	Stepstone Secondary Opps II	5/10/2013	Stepstone
Leeward Small Cap Value	8/26/2009	BNY	Ocean Avenue Fund III	5/27/2016	Ocean Ave
SSGA MSCI ACWI ex US	1/1/2010	SSGA	Ocean Avenue Fund IV	9/16/2019	Ocean Ave
PIMCO RAE	8/14/2012	PIMCO	Pathway Fund 8	4/12/2016	Pathway
SGA Global Growth	6/4/2018	SGA	Pathway Fund 9	5/31/2018	Pathway
Skellig DST Water Fund	10/28/2014	KBI	Pathway Fund 10	3/31/2020	Pathway
BlackRock Fixed Income	12/1/1995	BNY	Sixth Street Partners Diversified Credit	11/21/2016	Sixth Street
Doubleline Core Plus	12/1/2015	BNY	Sixth Stree TAO Contingent	4/16/2020	Sixth Street
MacKay Shields Core Plus	12/1/2015	MacKay	American Realty	12/20/2019	American Realty
PGIM Emerging Markets Debt	8/26/2019	BNY	Invesco Commercial Mortgage	9/1/2021	Invesco

Policy & Custom Index Composition	
Policy Index: (10/1/2021 - Current)	26% Russell 3000, 5% Russell 2000, 16% MSCI ACWI ex US, 3% MSCI ACWI, 17% Bloomberg US Aggregate, 3% JPM GBI Global, 13.4% NCREIF-ODCE, 7% Private Equity Returns, 5% Private Credit Returns, and 4.6% MSCI US REIT Index.
Policy Index (9/30/2020 - 10/1/2021)	25% Russell 3000, 15% MSCI ACWI ex US, 3% MSCI ACWI, 17% BBgBarc US Aggregate, 5% JPM GBI Global, 5% (50% JPM EMBI Global Div/50% JPM GBI EM Global Div), 20% NCREIF-ODCE, 5% Private Equity Returns, 5% Private Credit Returns.
Policy Index (10/23/2019 - 7/22/2020)	20% Russell 3000, 20% MSCI ACWI ex US, 3% MSCI ACWI, 17% BBgBarc US Aggregate, 5% JPM GBI Global, 5% (50% JPM EMBI Global Div/50% JPM GBI EM Global Div), 20% NCREIF-ODCE, 5% Private Equity Returns, 5% Private Credit Returns



## Glossary

Allocation Effect: An attribution effect that describes the amount attributable to the managers' asset allocation decisions, relative to the benchmark.

Alpha: The excess return of a portfolio after adjusting for market risk. This excess return is attributable to the selection skill of the portfolio manager. Alpha is calculated as: Portfolio Return - [Risk-free Rate + Portfolio Beta x (Market Return - Risk-free Rate)].

**Benchmark R-squared:** Measures how well the Benchmark return series fits the manager's return series. The higher the Benchmark R-squared, the more appropriate the benchmark is for the manager. **Beta:** A measure of systematic, or market risk; the part of risk in a portfolio or security that is attributable to general market movements. Beta is calculated by dividing the covariance of a security by the variance of the market.

**Book-to-Market:** The ratio of book value per share to market price per share. Growth managers typically have low book-to-market ratios while value managers typically have high book-to-market ratios. Capture Ratio: A statistical measure of an investment manager's overall performance in up or down markets. The capture ratio is used to evaluate how well an investment manager performed relative to an index during periods when that index has risen (up market) or fallen (down market). The capture ratio is calculated by dividing the manager's returns by the returns of the index during the up/down market, and multiplying that factor by 100.

Correlation: A measure of the relative movement of returns of one security or asset class relative to another over time. A correlation of 1 means the returns of two securities move in lock step, a correlation of -1 means the returns of two securities move in the exact opposite direction over time. Correlation is used as a measure to help maximize the benefits of diversification when constructing an investment portfolio.

Excess Return: A measure of the difference in appreciation or depreciation in the price of an investment compared to its benchmark, over a given time period. This is usually expressed as a percentage and may be annualized over a number of years or represent a single period.

Information Ratio: A measure of a manager's ability to earn excess return without incurring additional risk. Information ratio is calculated as: excess return divided by tracking error.

**Interaction Effect:** An attribution effect that describes the portion of active management that is contributable to the cross interaction between the allocation and selection effect. This can also be explained as an effect that cannot be easily traced to a source.

**Portfolio Turnover:** The percentage of a portfolio that is sold and replaced (turned over) during a given time period. Low portfolio turnover is indicative of a buy and hold strategy while high portfolio turnover implies a more active form of management.

**Price-to-Earnings Ratio (P/E):** Also called the earnings multiplier, it is calculated by dividing the price of a company's stock into earnings per share. Growth managers typically hold stocks with high price-to-earnings ratios whereas value managers hold stocks with low price-to-earnings ratios.

**R-Squared:** Also called the coefficient of determination, it measures the amount of variation in one variable explained by variations in another, i.e., the goodness of fit to a benchmark. In the case of investments, the term is used to explain the amount of variation in a security or portfolio explained by movements in the market or the portfolio's benchmark.

Selection Effect: An attribution effect that describes the amount attributable to the managers' stock selection decisions, relative to the benchmark.

**Sharpe Ratio:** A measure of portfolio efficiency. The Sharpe Ratio indicates excess portfolio return for each unit of risk associated with achieving the excess return. The higher the Sharpe Ratio, the more efficient the portfolio. Sharpe ratio is calculated as: Portfolio Excess Return / Portfolio Standard Deviation.

**Sortino Ratio:** Measures the risk-adjusted return of an investment, portfolio, or strategy. It is a modification of the Sharpe Ratio, but penalizes only those returns falling below a specified benchmark. The Sortino Ratio uses downside deviation in the denominator rather than standard deviation, like the Sharpe Ratio.

**Standard Deviation:** A measure of volatility, or risk, inherent in a security or portfolio. The standard deviation of a series is a measure of the extent to which observations in the series differ from the arithmetic mean of the series. For example, if a security has an average annual rate of return of 10% and a standard deviation of 5%, then two-thirds of the time, one would expect to receive an annual rate of return between 5% and 15%.

Style Analysis: A return based analysis designed to identify combinations of passive investments to closely replicate the performance of funds

**Style Map:** A specialized form or scatter plot chart typically used to show where a Manager lies in relation to a set of style indices on a two-dimensional plane. This is simply a way of viewing the asset loadings in a different context. The coordinates are calculated by rescaling the asset loadings to range from -1 to 1 on each axis and are dependent on the Style Indices comprising the Map.



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