

# Voya Small Cap Growth Strategy

Strategy-at-a-glance	
Objective <sup>1</sup>	To outperform the Russell 2000 Growth Index over a full market cycle by investing in companies which typically fall within the market cap parameters of the Index.
Inception Date	08/01/04
Strategy Assets <sup>2</sup>	\$1.3 billion
Benchmark	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Available Vehicles	Separate Account Collective Trust Mutual Fund

<sup>1</sup> There is no guarantee that this objective will be achieved.  
<sup>2</sup> AUM as of 09/30/23

## Strategy overview

The Small Cap Growth strategy seeks to outperform its benchmark over a full market cycle via an actively managed approach relying on bottom-up fundamental research to identify companies with superior revenue and earnings potential trading at sustainable valuations.

## Investment philosophy

We believe stock prices follow earnings and cash flow over time. We invest in companies with strong growth prospects and cash flow generation capabilities.

Invests in companies with the following characteristics:

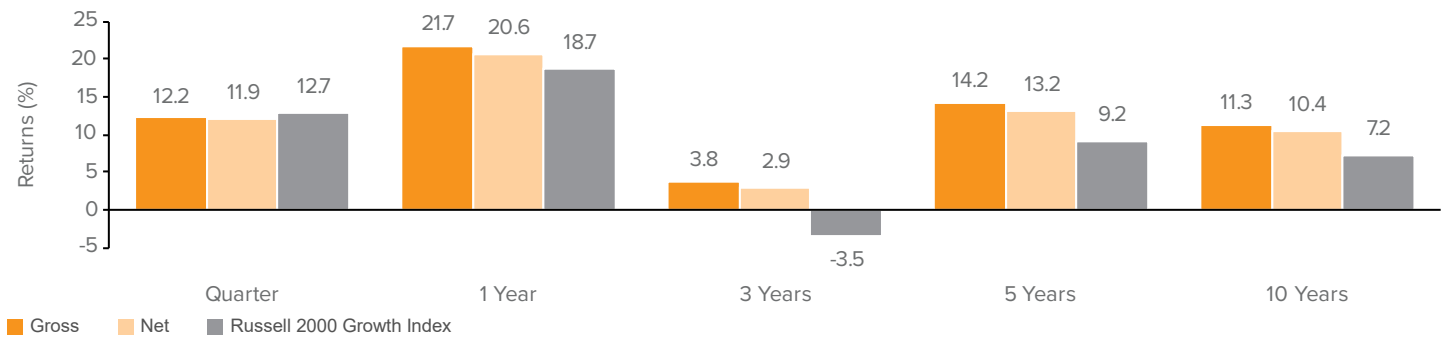
- A minimum of 15% revenue and earnings growth potential
- Sustainable valuations at the time of purchase
- A minimum of 20% upside to price target over the next 12 months

## Investment process

Our disciplined, bottom-up investment process focuses on identifying companies with growth and cash flow characteristics consistent with the team’s investment philosophy. In-depth fundamental and valuation analysis is conducted to develop a list of stocks that are well-positioned for revenue and earnings growth trading at sustainable valuations. The team constructs a well-diversified portfolio with clearly defined risk controls. The portfolio is continuously monitored, in a systematic manner that removes emotion and promptly addresses areas of concern to pave the way for better investment opportunities.

## Performance

Voya Small Cap Growth Composite



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**Past performance does not guarantee future results.** Performance numbers for time periods greater than one year are annualized. The Composite represents the investment results of a group of fully discretionary portfolios managed according to the strategy. Returns include the reinvestment of income. Gross-of-fees returns are presented before management and custodial fees but after all trading expenses. Net-of-fees returns are calculated by deducting a hypothetical management fee from the gross return on a monthly basis and geometrically linking the results to produce returns shown. The hypothetical management fee is equal to or greater than the asset-weighted average of each accounts’ fee schedule in the composite. The model fee used will result in a net return that is equal to or lower than a net return using actual fees. For a description of advisory fees, please see Form ADV, Part II. Gross returns should be used as Supplemental Information only.

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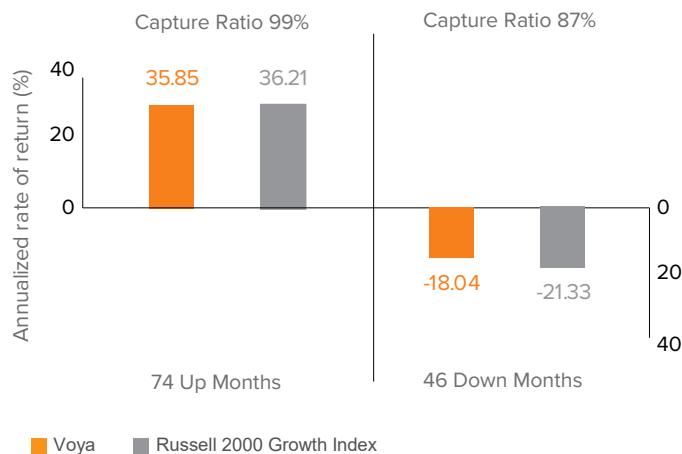
## Portfolio highlights

Sector Weightings <sup>3</sup>				Trailing 1-Year Attribution Analysis		
	Portfolio	Russell 2000 Growth Index	Overweight/ Underweight	Allocation Effect	Selection Effect	Total Effect
Communication Services	0.00	2.17	-2.17	-0.04	-0.20	-0.24
Consumer Discretionary	12.50	11.08	1.42	-0.06	-0.31	-0.38
Consumer Staples	0.00	4.50	-4.50	-0.30	0.89	0.59
Energy	3.93	4.47	-0.54	0.55	0.76	1.31
Financials	6.57	6.35	0.22	0.11	-0.16	-0.05
Health Care	24.02	22.37	1.65	0.73	-1.46	-0.73
Industrials	22.66	20.04	2.62	0.35	-0.27	0.08
Information Technology	26.08	21.67	4.41	0.24	1.70	1.94
Materials	4.24	4.15	0.09	0.13	0.02	0.15
Real Estate	0.00	1.68	-1.68	0.09	0.00	0.09
Utilities	0.00	1.53	-1.53	0.39	0.00	0.39
Cash	NA	NA	NA	-0.38	0.00	-0.38
Total	100.00	100.00	0.00	1.82	0.97	2.79

Returns-Based Characteristics (10 years ending 12/31/23)	Composite	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Standard Deviation (%)	19.44	20.59
Tracking Error (%)	5.24	—
Information Ratio	0.80	—
Alpha (annualized %)	4.70	—
Beta	0.91	1.00
R-Squared	0.94	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.52	0.29

Portfolio Characteristics	Composite	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Weighted Avg. Cap (\$M)	\$5,438	\$3,788
Active Share	83	NA
P/E (next 12 mos.)	24.55	23.27
EPS Growth (3-5 year estimate)	15.42	15.35
Price to Cash Flow	26.07	21.57
ROA (%)	2.04	-0.03
Dividend Yield	0.41	0.58
PEG Ratio (next 12 mos.)	1.73	1.69

### Up / Down Capture Ratio



Top Ten Holdings (%)	Portfolio
Natera, Inc.	2.90
Churchill Downs Incorporated	2.72
HCI Group, Inc.	1.90
Modine Manufacturing Company	1.87
Smartsheet, Inc.	1.85
Skyline Champion Corp.	1.80
ExlService Holdings, Inc.	1.80
MAXIMUS, Inc.	1.78
Universal Display Corporation	1.74
Summit Materials, Inc.	1.70

Top Ten Overweights (%)	Portfolio
Natera, Inc.	2.90
Churchill Downs Incorporated	2.72
HCI Group, Inc.	1.85
Smartsheet, Inc.	1.85
Universal Display Corporation	1.74
Modine Manufacturing Company	1.71
Summit Materials, Inc.	1.70
Skyline Champion Corp.	1.62
Patrick Industries, Inc.	1.61
SPDR S&P BIOTECH ETF	1.53

<sup>3</sup>Ex-cash and other

**Past performance does not guarantee future results.** The returns-based characteristics presented are based on the gross-of-fee composite returns. Characteristics are based on a representative account in the composite that we believe best represents the portfolio management style of the composite. Characteristics may be adjusted to exclude securities for which data is not available or for extreme data outliers via commonly used trimming methodologies. Holdings are subject to change. This attribution analysis is for informational purposes only, and is not intended as investment advice. Performance figures for individual sectors and individual securities are gross of fees. The fees charged by Voya Investment Management are described in Part II of its Form ADV. The information shown is supplemental only. Totals may not equal due to rounding.

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## Portfolio managers

### Michael Coyne, CFA

Head of Small Cap Growth, Portfolio Manager

Years of experience: 27

Years with firm: 2

### Mitchell Brivic, CFA

Portfolio Manager

Years of experience: 29

Years with firm: 2

### Scott Haugan, CFA

Portfolio Manager

Years of experience: 25

Years with firm: 2

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The **Russell 2000 Growth Index** is an unmanaged index that measures the performance of smaller U.S. companies with greater-than-average growth orientation. It is a small-cap stock market index that makes up the smallest 2,000 stocks in the Russell 3000 Index. Index returns do not reflect fees, brokerage commissions, taxes or other expenses of investing. **Investors cannot invest directly in an index.**

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