

## STRATEGY PROFILE

# U.S. Value

FOURTH QUARTER 2018


**SEEKS SUPERIOR TOTAL AND RISK-ADJUSTED RETURNS BY INVESTING IN U.S. LARGE-CAP COMPANIES**
**AT A GLANCE**

Our U.S. Value strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in 40-60 large capitalization U.S. companies. As fundamental investors with a long-term orientation, we select companies based on their ability to generate free cash flow and allocate it intelligently for the benefit of shareholders. Our bottom-up security selection process is balanced with diversification and risk control measures that should result in below-average portfolio volatility.

**THE U.S. VALUE OPPORTUNITY**

- Access to a portfolio of large-capitalization companies we believe have superior risk-reward profiles
- Invests in companies with strong free cash flow and intelligent capital allocation policies
- Active management by an experienced investment team
- Risk management integrated with the investment process to minimize unintended risks and reduce volatility
- Record of strong relative and risk-adjusted returns since inception
- Cash-flow-oriented approach and relatively low correlation with benchmark complements other managers within an overall asset allocation plan

**EPOCH'S DISTINCT INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY AND APPROACH**

The bedrock of our philosophy is that the growth and applications of free cash flow represent the best predictor of long-term shareholder return. As a result, our security selection process is focused on free cash-flow metrics and capital allocation as opposed to traditional accounting-based metrics such as price-to-book and price-to-earnings.

We look for a consistent, straightforward ability to generate free cash flow and to allocate it effectively among internal reinvestment

opportunities, acquisitions, dividends, share repurchases and debt pay downs. An essential factor is the evaluation of each company's management team to confirm their commitment to transparency and building shareholder value. The companies uncovered by this process have inherently less volatility due to their ability to generate cash flow.

The U.S. Value strategy incorporates qualitative and quantitative analysis to identify potential investments, taking into consideration factors that can lead to growing cash flow. Stocks are then subject to rigorous fundamental research. We develop an investment thesis as we assess the sources of the company's long-term value creation and management's ability to nurture it. We scrutinize management's track record of allocating capital, looking for those with the discipline to use free cash flow to maximize return on investment, thereby creating shareholder value. Once a stock has been purchased, we regularly revisit our thesis and typically sell the stock if our price target is reached, our thesis changes or we see another investment with a better risk-reward profile.

While the portfolio is constructed from the bottom up, decisions are made with consideration of the macro context. Epoch's Investment Policy Group, composed of senior members of our different strategy groups, provides insight and guidance on the global market environment and macroeconomic and industry trends.

We analyze risk as part of the portfolio construction process to monitor portfolio volatility and better ensure the delivery of the strategy's goals. A senior member of the Quantitative Research and Risk Management team is a co-portfolio manager on every strategy managed by Epoch so that portfolio managers are aware of unintended biases and the effect individual securities may have on the portfolio. The portfolio is diversified across sectors and the sizes of individual positions are limited.

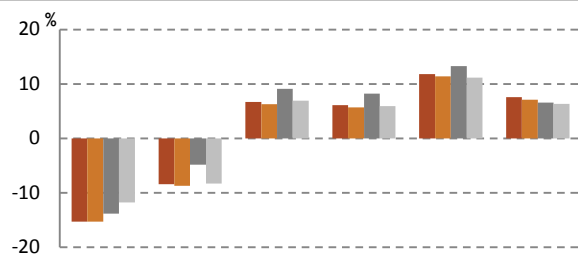
**EXPERIENCED PORTFOLIO MANAGER TEAM**

	Joined Epoch	Industry Experience
<b>David Pearl</b>	2004	34
<b>Mike Welhoelter, CFA</b>	2005	32
<b>Bill Priest, CFA</b>	2004	53
Supported by a team of analysts with an average of over 20 years experience		

**RISK/RETURN PROFILE**

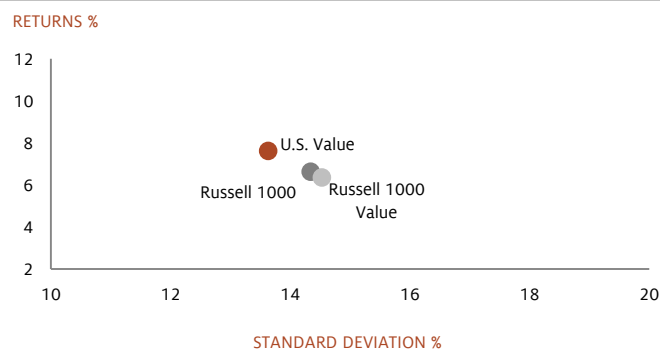
Annualized Excess Return			
vs. Russell 1000			1.0%
vs. Russell 1000 Value			1.3%
Risk Metrics	Portfolio	Russell 1000	Russell 1000 Value
Standard Deviation	13.6	14.3	14.5
Sharpe Ratio	0.46	0.37	0.35

## U.S. VALUE RESULTS



	QTR	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Incp.
Portfolio (Gross)	-15.3	-8.4	6.7	6.1	11.8	7.6
Portfolio (Net)	-15.3	-8.7	6.3	5.7	11.4	7.1
Russell 1000	-13.8	-4.8	9.1	8.2	13.3	6.6
Russell 1000 Value	-11.7	-8.3	7.0	5.9	11.2	6.3

## RISK/RETURN PROFILE



## RISK AND ACTIVE METRICS

Portfolio vs.	Info. Ratio	Alpha	Beta	R <sup>2</sup>	Active Share
Russell 1000	0.23	1.55	0.91	0.91	77.1
Russell 1000 Value	0.24	2.01	0.87	0.86	85.3

## CHARACTERISTICS

	Portfolio	Russell 1000	Russell 1000 Value
Weighted Avg Mkt Cap (\$M)	172,602	182,060	118,015
Weighted Med Mkt Cap (\$M)	48,900	81,403	63,935
Number of Equity Positions	55	983	725
12 Month turnover	33%		

	Portfolio (Gross)	Portfolio (Net)	Russell 1000	Russell 1000 Value
2018	-8.4	-8.7	-4.8	-8.3
2017	20.1	19.7	21.7	13.7
2016	10.2	9.9	12.1	17.3
2015	-3.0	-3.4	0.9	-3.8
2014	14.0	13.7	13.2	13.5
2013	34.5	34.1	33.1	32.5
2012	12.9	12.5	16.4	17.5
2011	1.1	0.8	1.5	0.4
2010	14.0	13.6	16.1	15.5
2009	29.6	29.2	28.4	19.7

## PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

### 10 LARGEST HOLDINGS

	Portfolio %
Microsoft Corporation	5.5
Apple Inc.	5.1
UnitedHealth Group	3.3
Alphabet Inc.	3.1
Bank of America Corp.	2.7
Boeing Company	2.6
Pfizer Inc.	2.4
Dollar General Corporation	2.2
Centene Corporation	2.2
Danaher Corporation	2.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>31.4</b>

### SECTOR WEIGHTS

	Portfolio %	Russell 1000 %	Russell 1000 Value %
Communication Services	3.1	9.6	7.3
Consumer Discretionary	10.1	10.1	5.2
Consumer Staples	3.8	6.9	7.9
Energy	3.6	5.1	9.3
Financials	17.8	13.5	22.5
Health Care	16.8	15.0	15.7
Industrials	11.6	9.6	7.3
Information Technology	22.1	20.2	9.3
Materials	5.8	3.0	4.1
Real Estate	0.0	3.6	4.9
Utilities	1.8	3.3	6.5
[Unassigned]	0.0	0.2	0.1
[Cash]	3.6	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Composite Inception	July 31, 2001
Strategy Assets	\$2,935 million
<b>Availability</b>	<b>Minimum</b>
Separate Account	\$25 million
Mutual Fund	
Epoch U.S. Large Cap Core Equity Fund	
Ticker: TDCEX (1 Share)	\$1 million
Collective Investment Trust	N/A

All data as of 12/31/2018 unless otherwise noted. Source: FactSet Research Systems, Inc.; Frank Russell Company ("Russell"), Totals may not add due to rounding. Excess return is the difference between annualized return since inception for the Epoch U.S. Value Composite Gross and the Russell 1000 and 1000 Value Indexes. Since Inception – July 31, 2001. Performance for the most recent quarter is preliminary and subject to change. The risk statistics are shown for informational purposes only and are not indicative of future results. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Information presented prior to June 21, 2004 pertains to portfolios managed by the Portfolio Management Team while affiliated with prior firms. Valuations are computed and performance is reported in U.S. dollars. Composite returns are presented gross and net of management fees and include the reinvestment of all income. Gross-of-fees returns are presented before management fees but after all trading expenses. Net performance reflects the gross-of-fees return reduced by the investment management fee and performance-based fee (where applicable) incurred. Effective 1/2008, net performance is calculated by deducting the actual investment management fee incurred by each portfolio in the composite. Prior to 1/2008, net-of-fee returns reflect the deduction of the highest annual management fee, calculated on a monthly basis. Returns include the effect of foreign currency exchange rates. The statements expressed herein are informed opinions, are as of the date noted, and are subject to change at any time based on market or other conditions. International investments involve special risks including currency fluctuation, long liquidity and different accounting methods and economical and political systems. Securities of smaller companies tend to be more volatile and less liquid than that of large companies. Information about indices allows for the comparison of an investment strategy's results to that of a widely recognized broad market index. There is no representation that such index is an appropriate benchmark for such comparison. Results for an index do not reflect trading commissions and costs. Index volatility may be materially different from a strategy's volatility and portfolio holdings may differ significantly from the securities comprising an index. This information is intended to highlight issues and not to be comprehensive or to provide advice only. Any reproduction, modification, distribution, transmission or republication of the information, in part or in full, is prohibited.