# Baird SmallCap Value Fund

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### As of September 30, 2021

**FUND CHARACTERISTICS** 

	Baird SmallCap Value Fund	Russell 2000 Value Index
Average Weighted Market Cap (\$ Billions)	4.2	2.9
P/E Ratio (Forward 12 mo)	12.5	12.9
Earnings Growth (5 year)	14.8	12.7
Price to Book	2.0	1.5

■ Russell 2000 Value Index

#### **SECTOR ALLOCATION**

■Baird SmallCap Value Fund Communication Services Consumer Discretionary 6.1 Consumer Staples 52 Energy Financials 25.7 Health Care 10.7 Industrials 14.6 Information Technology Materials Real Estate Utilities Cash

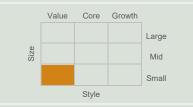
#### **TOP TEN HOLDINGS**

Security	% of Fund
J2 Global, Inc. (JCOM)	4.45
Atlantica Sustainable Infrastructure (AY)	3.72
Merchants Bancorp (MBIN)	3.22
Axos Financial, Inc. (AX)	3.08
Silicon Motion Technology Corp. (SIMO)	2.72
Preferred Bank (PFBC)	2.69
Meta Financial Group, Inc. (CASH)	2.48
Diamondback Energy, Inc. (FANG)	2.35
Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. (AQN)	2.28
nVent Electric plc (NVT)	2.26

Source: FactSet

### **CATEGORY**

Small Cap Value



#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

Long-term capital appreciation

INVESTMENT TEAM	Industry Years	Team Since
<b>Michelle Stevens, CFA</b> Senior Portfolio Manager	28	2000
<b>Richard Roesch, CFA</b> Analyst	28	2004
<b>Jonathan DeMoss, CFA</b> Analyst	25	2005
<b>Rob Zwiebel</b> Marketing Director	29	2004

#### **INCEPTION DATE**

04/30/12

EXPENSE RATIO*	Net	Gross
Institutional Shares	0.95%	1.64%
Investor Shares	1.20%	1.89%

#### **MINIMUM INITIAL INVESTMENT**

Institutional Shares: \$10,000

Investor Shares: \$2,500 (IRA: \$1,000)

### **TURNOVER (TRAILING 12 MONTH)**

62.8%

#### **NUMBER OF EQUITY ISSUES**

50

<sup>\*</sup>The Gross Expense Ratio is as of 12/31/2020. The Net Expense Ratio is the Gross Expense Ratio minus any reimbursement from the Advisor. The Advisor has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or reimburse expenses at least through April 30, 2022 to the extent necessary to ensure that the total operating expenses do not exceed 0.95% of the Institutional Class' average daily net assets and 1.20% of the Investor Class' average daily net assets. Investor class expense ratios include 0.25% 12b-1 fee.

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#### PERFORMANCE INFORMATION (as of September 30, 2021)

	Cumulative Returns (%)		Average Annual Total Returns (%)			
	QTR	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	Since Inception (4/30/12)
Institutional Class (net)	-1.37	10.80	41.40	3.13	7.20	8.27
Investor Class (net)	-1.44	10.57	40.99	2.87	6.91	7.99
Russell 2000 Value Index	-2.98	22.92	63.92	8.58	11.03	11.18

	Annual Returns (%)					
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Institutional Class (net)	2.85	18.40	-16.45	18.05	15.11	-5.11
Investor Class (net)	2.54	18.19	-16.71	17.78	14.84	-5.37
Russell 2000 Value Index	4.63	22.39	-12.86	7.84	31.74	-7.47

Performance data represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of the investment will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the data quoted. Performance figures assume reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains. For performance data as of the most recent month-end, please visit bairdfunds.com.

#### **INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY**

The SmallCap Value Fund invests in small cap companies, typically defined as those with a market cap range of \$100 million to \$8 billion at time of purchase. The Fund seeks to own securities that Baird Equity Asset Management expects to exceed Wall Street expectations and that trade at a discount to the team's proprietary calculations of fair value. The Fund typically owns companies exhibiting high-quality characteristics including, but not limited to, strong balance sheets, high returns on equity, competitive advantages, high barriers to entry and above average profit margins. To help control risks, the Fund is generally diversified among companies in a broad range of industries and economic sectors. Typically, no single holding in the Fund will exceed 5% of the Fund at cost or 8% of the Fund measured at market value.

#### **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

The Fund normally invests at least 80% of its net assets in common stocks of value companies with small market capitalizations. The Fund seeks to identify industries and business models that it believes are priced at a discount to their true value because they are currently out of favor with the market or have earnings or profit potential that may be underestimated by Wall Street analysts. The Fund seeks to purchase small-cap securities believed to have favorable valuation characteristics and opportunities for increased growth. The Fund may invest up to 15% of its total assets in equity securities (consisting of common stocks, ordinary shares and ADRs) of foreign companies that are traded on U.S. exchanges. Small capitalization stocks often are more volatile and face greater risks than larger, more established companies.

Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the fund carefully before investing. This and other information can be found in the prospectus or summary prospectus. A prospectus or summary prospectus may be obtained by visiting bairdfunds.com. Please read the prospectus or summary prospectus carefully before investing.

The performance of Baird SmallCap Value Fund is measured against the Russell 2000 Value Index. It includes those Russell 2000 Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values. The Russell Indices are a trademark of the Frank Russell Company. Russell is a trademark of the Frank Russell Company. Indices are unmanaged and direct investment is not possible.

The fund focuses on small-cap value style stocks and therefore the performance of the Fund may be more volatile than the performance of funds that focus on types of stocks that have a broader investment style. The fund may invest up to 15% of its total assets in U.S. dollar denominated foreign securities and ADRs. Foreign investments involve additional risks such as currency rate fluctuations and the potential for political and economic instability, and different and sometimes less strict financial reporting standards and regulation.

The Morningstar Style Box is a proprietary nine-square grid that provides a graphical representation of the "investment style" of stock funds. It classifies securities according to market capitalization (the vertical axis) and growth and value factors (the horizontal axis). By providing an easy-to-understand visual representation of fund characteristics, the Morningstar Style Box allows for informed comparisons and portfolio construction based on actual holdings, as opposed to assumptions based on a fund's name or how it is marketed. The Style Box also forms the basis for Morningstar's style-based fund categories and market indexes.

**Forward price to earning** is a valuation metric comparing the price of a security to its Street consensus next 12 months forward earnings or funds from operations. **Earnings growth** is calculated as the mean of all 3-5 year EPS growth rate estimates provided to FactSet by individual brokers using their own individual methodologies. **Price to book** is a ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. The holdings, characteristics and statistical measures used in this fact sheet are not a forecast of the fund's future performance and subject to change. Specific securities identified do not represent all the securities purchased, sold or held and a reader should not assume these securities were or will be profitable.

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