

## Nuveen Small Cap Growth Opportunities Fund

As of 30 Sep 2021

### Average annualized total returns (%)

	Inception date	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Class I	01 Aug 95	38.29	17.45	18.83	17.05	14.99
Class A without sales charge	01 Aug 95	37.92	17.16	18.54	16.76	14.70
Class A with max. 5.75% charge	01 Aug 95	30.01	14.88	17.14	16.07	14.44
Class C	24 Sep 01	36.90	16.29	17.67	16.06	10.80
Class R6	30 Jun 16	38.44	17.75	19.07		20.73
Russell 2000 Growth Index		33.27	11.70	15.34	15.74	8.20
Morningstar Small Growth Cat. Avg		39.55	15.66	18.25	16.46	10.00

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate so that shares redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance shown. Total returns for a period of less than one year are cumulative. Returns without sales charges would be lower if the sales charges were included. Returns assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. For performance current to the most recent month-end visit [nuveen.com](http://nuveen.com). Performance shown for benchmark since inception is as of the Fund's oldest share class.

Class I shares have no sales charge and may be purchased by specified classes of investors. Class C shares have a 1% CDSC for redemptions within less than one year, which is not reflected in the one-year total return. Effective Jul 2018, Class C shares automatically convert to Class A shares during the month in which the 10-year anniversary (effective Mar 2021, this will change to 8-year anniversary) of the share purchase occurred. Since Inception returns for Class C shares for periods longer than 10 years reflect the performance of Class A shares after the deemed 10-year conversion to Class A shares within such periods. Class R6 shares have no sales charge and are available to certain qualified retirement plans and other investors as set forth in the statement of additional information.

### Calendar year returns (%)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 YTD
Class I	11.26	40.98	6.97	-3.83	11.97	16.81	-5.21	29.90	47.69	8.37
Class A without sales charge	10.99	40.66	6.67	-4.03	11.66	16.52	-5.46	29.60	47.34	8.16
Russell 2000 Growth Index	14.59	43.30	5.60	-1.38	11.32	22.17	-9.31	28.48	34.63	2.82
Morningstar Small Growth Cat. Avg	13.15	40.91	2.44	-2.41	11.20	21.50	-5.76	27.68	38.62	9.63

### Expense ratios (%)

	Class I	Class A	Class C	Class R6
Gross	1.18	1.43	2.18	0.99
Net	0.98	1.23	1.98	0.79

Expense ratios are based on the Fund's most recent fiscal year end. Fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements have been restated to reflect current fees. The net expense ratio reflects a contractual commitment by the Fund's investment adviser to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses through 31 Jul 2022. Absent the waiver and/or reimbursement, expenses would be higher and total returns would be less. Please see the prospectus for details.

### Top ten positions (%)<sup>1</sup>

	Fund net assets		Fund net assets	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Crocs Inc	1.8	Health Care	26.1	28.9
Silicon Laboratories Inc	1.7	Information Technology	23.8	22.7
John Bean Technologies Corp	1.7	Consumer Discretionary	16.0	14.7
Tetra Tech Inc	1.7	Industrials	13.1	14.1
Lattice Semiconductor Corp	1.7	Financials	4.3	5.1
Blackline Inc	1.7	Materials	3.7	2.9
Saia Inc	1.7	Consumer Staples	3.6	3.6
Papa John'S International Inc	1.6	Communication Services	3.1	2.7
Workiva Inc	1.5	Energy	2.6	2.1
Omniceil Inc	1.5	Real Estate	1.9	2.8

### Sector allocation (%)<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Positions are subject to change.

## Fund description

A diversified, small-cap growth stock portfolio that employs a traditional growth strategy and focuses on companies that are poised to benefit from key secular growth trends.

## Portfolio management

**Jon A. Loth, CFA** | 26 years industry experience

## Morningstar rankings and percentiles

*Morningstar Small Growth Category*

	1 year		3 years		5 years		10 years	
	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%
Class I	245/611	50	193/575	35	220/506	41	156/381	41
Class A	255/611	52	208/575	37	229/506	43	174/381	45
Class C	287/611	57	251/575	44	268/506	53	251/381	64
Class R6	241/611	50	183/575	33	215/506	40	–	–

Morningstar ranking/number of funds in category displays the Fund's actual rank within its Morningstar Category based on average annual total return and number of funds in that Category. The returns assume reinvestment of dividends and do not reflect any applicable sales charge. Absent expense limitation, total return would be less. Morningstar percentile rankings are the Fund's total return rank relative to all the funds in the same Morningstar Category, where 1 is the highest percentile rank and 100 is the lowest percentile rank.

## Portfolio statistics

	Fund	Benchmark
Total net assets – all classes (\$mil.)	\$343.1	–
Number of positions	86	1,226
Weighted average market cap (\$bil.)	\$4.7	\$3.8
P/E ratio (forward 12-months)	24.1	20.7
Standard deviation (3 years)	24.77	25.66
Beta (3 years)	0.94	1.00

This data relates to the portfolio and the underlying securities held in the portfolio. It should not be construed as a measure of performance for the Fund itself. Fund beta and standard deviation are based on Class I monthly returns.

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## Glossary

**Beta** is a measure of the volatility of a portfolio relative to the overall market. A beta less than 1.0 indicates lower risk than the market; a beta greater than 1.0 indicates higher risk than the market. **P/E ratio** of a stock is calculated by dividing the current price of the stock by its forecasted 12 months' earnings per share. The average of the price/earnings ratio of a fund is a weighted harmonic average of all the current P/E ratios (excluding negatives) of the stocks in the Fund's portfolio. This should not be construed as a forecast of the Fund's performance. **Standard deviation** is a statistical measure of the historical volatility of a mutual fund or portfolio; the higher the number the greater the risk. **Weighted average market capitalization** is the portfolio-weighted mean capitalizations of all equity securities.

**Russell 2000 Growth Index** tracks the performance of companies within the Russell 2000 with a greater-than-average growth orientation. **It is not possible to invest directly in an index.**

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## A word on risk

Mutual fund investing involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee that the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Prices of **equity securities** may decline significantly over short or extended periods of time. Investments in **smaller companies** are subject to greater volatility than those of larger companies. These and other risk considerations, such as derivatives, investment focus (growth style), and non-U.S./emerging markets risks, are described in detail in the Fund's prospectus.

**Before investing, carefully consider fund investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. For this and other information that should be read carefully, please request a prospectus or summary prospectus from your financial professional or Nuveen at 800.257.8787 or visit [nuveen.com](http://nuveen.com).**

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