

# Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund

### Portfolio Manager

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Class	CUSIP	Ticker
Class S	78249R354	RTDSX
Class M	78249R271	RTDTX
Class R6	78250F802	RTDRX
Class Y	78249R347	RTDYX

Total net assets (all classes)<sup>§</sup>: \$544.65M

Market value (fund level)<sup>§</sup>: \$562.15M

Net asset value (Class S)<sup>§</sup>: \$14.71

Fund inception date: 07/31/2014

### **Investment strategy**

The Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund seeks to provide long term capital growth. Russell Investments seeks to achieve the Fund's investment objective by managing the Fund's overall portfolio characteristics to obtain desired exposures.

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3 year Sharpe ratio <sup>§, **</sup> : 0.97
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3 year Standard deviation <sup>§, **</sup> : 20.19
3 year Alpha <sup>§, **</sup> : 0.79
3 year Beta <sup>§, **</sup> : 0.98
3 year R-squared <sup>§, **</sup> : 98.83

<sup>§</sup> Data as of 03/31/2023

Performance review as of March 31, 2023			Annualized				
	Quarterly	Year to date	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund – Class S <sup>†,(b)</sup>	7.06%	7.06%	-6.89%	18.81%	9.26%	-	10.07%
Annual Total Operating Expenses: 0.62%			Annual Net Operating Expenses: 0.55%				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Fund first issued Class S Shares on January 2, 2015. The returns shown for Class S Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares.

### **Annual returns**

2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
-	-	0.69%	13.14%	21.32%	-7.11%	29.93%	13.60%	27.14%	-16.63%

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Top ten holdings<sup>1, 2</sup> Subject to change

Holding	Weight
Apple Inc.	5.8%
Microsoft Corp.	4.9%
Amazon.com, Inc.	2.1%
Alphabet, Inc.	2.1%
Exxon Mobil Corp.	1.4%
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.	1.3%
NVIDIA Corp.	1.2%
UnitedHealth Group Inc.	1.2%
Tesla Motors, Inc.	1.1%
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	1.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data as of 02/28/2023

### Sector weightings<sup>1, 2</sup>

Sector	Weight
Technology	27.6%
Financial Services	14.4%
Health Care	13.9%
Consumer Discretionary	13.0%
Producer Durables	10.4%
Energy	5.8%
Materials and Processing	5.7%
Consumer Staples	5.6%
Utilities	3.7%
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data as of 02/28/2023

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<sup>\*\*</sup> See key terms on page two. Calculations are based upon the Fund's benchmark as stated in the prospectus.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The top ten holdings list excludes shares of the investment vehicles in which the Fund invests its cash.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Due to rounding, totals may not equal to 100%.

## Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund (continued)



### About the fund

The investment process emphasizes dynamic management of multiple equity factors to seek to provide long term capital growth. While Russell is best known for its manager research capability and the outsourcing of security selection to sub-advisors, we possess 40+ years of experience understanding market behavior and the equity factors that drive market returns.

Value, quality, momentum and volatility play important roles in producing performance within equity markets, but will fall in and out of favor over longer market cycles.

### **Advisor**

All investment advisory and portfolio management services for the Fund, including developing the investment program for the Fund, will be provided by the Fund investment advisor.

	Role	Target allocation	Year assigned
Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM)*	N/A	100.0%	2014

The Fund may invest in derivatives, including futures and options. Investments in derivatives may cause the Fund's losses to be greater than if it invests only in conventional securities and can cause the Fund to be more volatile. Derivatives involve risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with other investments.

Investments in small cap, micro cap, and companies with capitalization smaller than the Russell 2000® Index, are subject to the risks of common stocks, may experience considerable price fluctuations and are more volatile than large company stocks. Generally, the smaller the company size, the greater the risks

The Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative assessments in its management. If these are not predictive or are incorrect, the Fund may underperform. This Fund also utilizes index replication and/or optimization strategies, which may cause its returns to be lower than if it employed a fundamental investment approach to security selection.

<sup>†</sup> The Net Annual Operating Expense Ratio may be less than the Total Operating Expense Ratio and represents the actual expenses expected to be borne by shareholders after application of: (b) a contractual cap and reimbursement on expenses through February 29, 2024; These contractual agreements may not be terminated during the relevant periods except at the Board of Trustee's discretion. Details of these agreements are in the current prospectus. Absent these reductions, the fund's return would have been lower.

\*RIM manages Fund assets not allocated to money manager strategies and utilizes quantitative and/or rules-based processes and qualitative analysis to assess Fund characteristics and invest in securities and instruments which provide the desired exposures. This includes the Fund's positioning strategy, which is used to seek excess return and manage portfolio risks by targeting specific exposures, and the active tax management strategy that is implemented across the entire fund. These strategies are used in conjunction with allocations to third-party managers to fully reflect Russell Investments' strategic and dynamic views with integrated liquidity and risk management.

#### **KEY TERMS:**

Alpha - shows how a Fund did relative to what would have been expected given the Fund's Beta and the performance of the Fund's benchmark. For example, an alpha of 1.4 means that the Fund outperformed its estimated return by 1.4%.

**Beta** - a measure of the Fund's sensitivity to market changes using the Fund's benchmark as an approximation of the market; beta greater than 1 is more volatile than the market; beta less than 1 is less volatile than the market.

**Standard deviation** - defines how widely returns varied from a daily average over a given period of time. A higher standard deviation means a more volatile Fund. For example, a Fund with a standard deviation of 6 and an average annual return of 10% saw annualized monthly returns fall within 6 percentage points of that average (or between 4% and 16%) two-thirds of the time.

**Sharpe ratio** - a calculation that reflects the reward per each unit of risk in a portfolio. The higher the ratio, the better the Fund's risk-adjusted return. **R-squared** - a statistic that indicates how much a Fund's fluctuations were attributable to movements in the Fund's benchmark.

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