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# Atlanta Capital Focused Growth Fund (A)

A focused approach to quality growth stock investing.

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**EAALX****\$19.96** **\$-0.02**

Symbol

NAV as of Apr 16, 2024

Share Class



**Fact Sheet**  
Mar 31, 2024



**Commentary**  
Dec 31, 2023



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## The Fund

The Fund emphasizes quality, large-cap stocks with sustainable earnings growth potential. A conviction-weighted portfolio is created where stock selection will drive performance.

## The Approach

The Fund uses rigorous, bottom-up fundamental analysis to seek out companies that we believe may generate above average sustainable earnings growth. These companies have historically been leaders in their industries, possessed high margins, generated high returns and maintained strong balance sheets.

## The Features

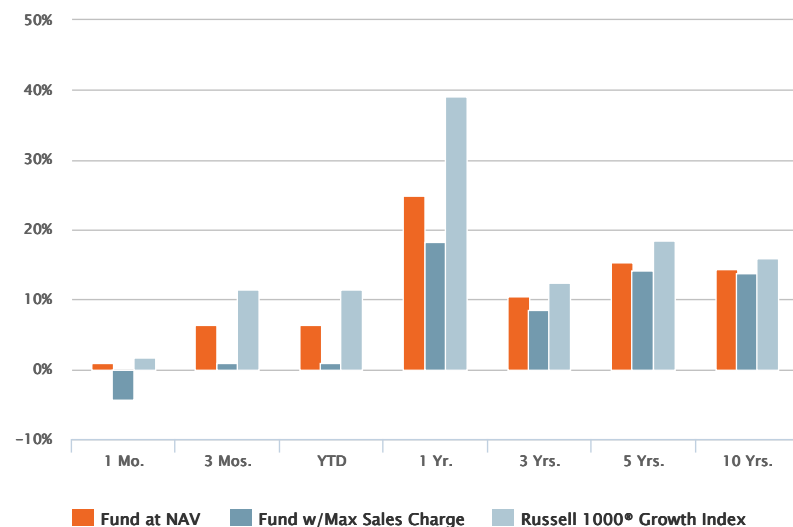
Management believes a portfolio of only 20-35 stocks is best positioned to capture the long-term economic value of compounding earners and secular growth business models. Stocks are added to the Fund based on factors including the relative attractiveness of the risk/reward profile; earnings consistency; and expected sustainability and rate of earnings growth.

## Overview

## Historical Returns (%)

as of Mar 31, 2024

03/31/2024



Fund at NAV	0.97	6.39	6.39	24.89	10.50	15.32	14.39
Fund w/Max Sales Charge	-4.32	0.82	0.82	18.31	8.53	14.10	13.78
Russell 1000® Growth Index <sup>1</sup>	1.76	11.41	11.41	39.00	12.49	18.50	15.97

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## Fund Facts

as of Mar 31, 2024

Class A Inception	11/28/2003
Performance Inception	04/30/2002
Investment Objective	Long-term capital growth
Total Net Assets	\$1.3B
Minimum Investment	\$1000
Expense Ratio <sup>2</sup>	1.03%
CUSIP	277902664

## Top 10 Holdings (%)<sup>3,4</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024

Alphabet Inc - CL C	8.11
Visa Inc	7.46
Microsoft Corp	6.98
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	6.07
Danaher Corp	5.89
Mastercard Inc	5.29
Intuit Inc	4.77
Amphenol Corp	4.48
TJX Cos Inc	4.23
Zoetis Inc	4.05
Total	57.31

## Morningstar Rating™

as of Mar 31, 2024

Time Period	Rating	Funds in Large Growth Category
Overall	★★★★★	1111
3 Years	★★★★★	1111
5 Years	★★★★★	1037
10 Years	★★★★★	807

The Morningstar Rating™ for funds, or "star rating", is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds and exchange-traded funds) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open-ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star.

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## Portfolio Management

[Joseph B. Hudepohl, CFA](#)

[Managed Fund since 2015](#)

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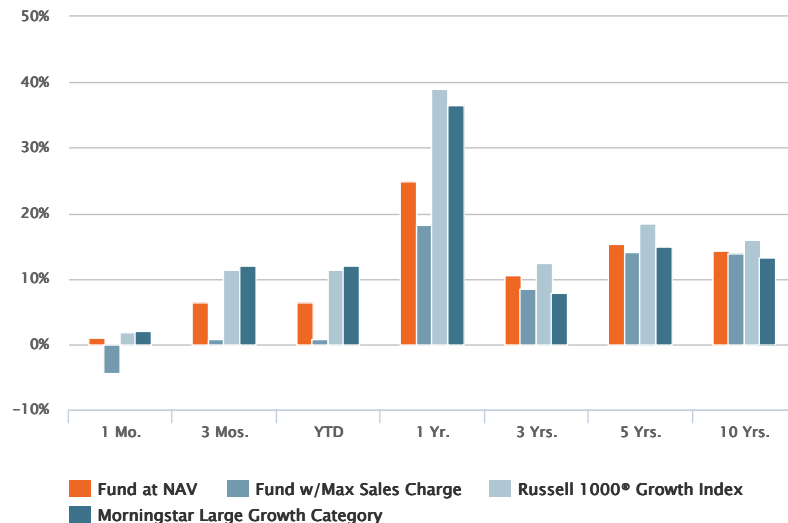
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2. Source: Fund prospectus.
3. Top 10 Holdings excludes cash and equivalents.
4. Percent of total net assets.

## Performance

### Historical Returns (%)

as of Mar 31, 2024

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Morningstar Large Growth Category <sup>5</sup>	2.11	11.92	11.92	36.45	7.95	14.89	13.24

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Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund at NAV	8.40	2.55	3.15	27.09	8.55	38.09	26.95	30.09	-20.43	25.25
Russell 1000® Growth Index <sup>1</sup>	13.05	5.67	7.08	30.21	-1.51	36.39	38.49	27.60	-29.14	42.68

Fund Facts

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Expense Ratio <sup>2</sup>	1.03%
Distribution Frequency	Annually

Risk Measures (3 Year)<sup>6</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024	
Alpha (%)	0.24
Beta	0.82
R-Squared (%)	87.49
Standard Deviation (%)	18.38
Sharpe Ratio	0.43

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NAV History

Date	NAV	NAV Change
Apr 16, 2024	\$19.96	-\$0.02
Apr 15, 2024	\$19.98	-\$0.23

Date	NAV	NAV Change
Apr 12, 2024	\$20.21	-\$0.28
Apr 11, 2024	\$20.49	\$0.05
Apr 10, 2024	\$20.44	-\$0.29
Apr 09, 2024	\$20.73	\$0.07
Apr 08, 2024	\$20.66	\$0.01
Apr 05, 2024	\$20.65	\$0.23
Apr 04, 2024	\$20.42	-\$0.21
Apr 03, 2024	\$20.63	\$0.00

## Distribution History<sup>7</sup>

Ex-Date	Distribution	Reinvest NAV
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No records in this table indicates that there has not been a distribution greater than .0001 within the past 3 years.

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## Capital Gain History<sup>7</sup>

Ex-Date	Short-Term	Long-Term	Reinvest NAV
Dec 12, 2023	\$0.01760	\$0.03840	
Dec 13, 2022		\$0.03860	
Dec 01, 2021	\$0.00120	\$0.37310	\$18.60

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5. The Morningstar Large Growth Category includes funds that invest primarily in U.S. large-cap companies with growth characteristics such as high earnings growth and high valuations (high price ratios and low dividend yields).

6. Alpha measures risk-adjusted performance, showing excess return delivered at the same risk level as the benchmark. Beta measures the volatility of a fund relative to the overall market. R-Squared represents the percentage of the portfolio's movement that can be explained by the general movement of the market. Standard deviation measures the historic volatility of a fund. Sharpe Ratio uses standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit

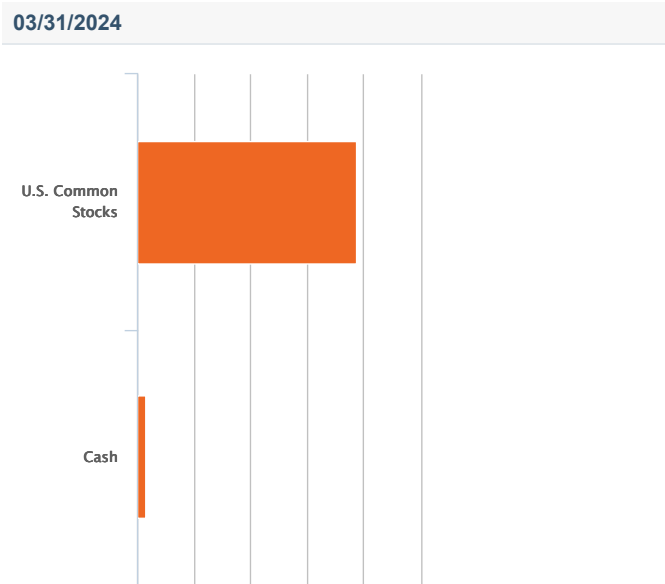
of risk.

7. A portion of the Fund's returns may be comprised of return of capital or short term capital gains. The Fund will determine the tax characteristics of all Fund distributions after the end of the calendar year and will provide shareholders such information at that time. Please consult your tax advisor for further information.

Portfolio

Asset Mix (%)<sup>4,8</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024



U.S. Common Stocks	96.49
Cash	3.51
Total	100.00

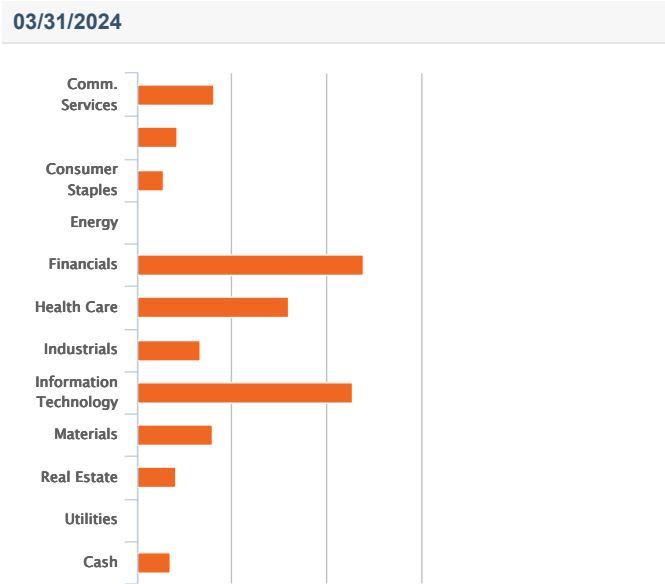
Portfolio Statistics

as of Mar 31, 2024

Average Market Cap	\$536.7B
Price/Earnings Ratio	28.62
Number of Holdings	24
Price/Book Ratio	7.41
Active Share <sup>9</sup>	82.24%

GICS Sector Breakdown (%)<sup>4</sup>

as of Mar 31, 2024



Comm. Services	8.11	12.05
Consumer Discretionary	4.23	14.95

Consumer Staples	2.79	4.06
Energy	—	0.48
Financials	23.96	6.41
Health Care	16.00	10.64
Industrials	6.65	5.84
Information Technology	22.84	43.96
Materials	7.90	0.72
Real Estate	4.03	0.84
Utilities	—	0.06
Cash	3.51	—

## Fund Holdings (%)<sup>4,10</sup>

as of Feb 29, 2024

Holding	% of Net Assets
Visa Inc	7.65%
Alphabet Inc - CL C	7.54%
Microsoft Corp	6.95%
Danaher Corp	6.04%
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	6.02%
Intuit Inc	5.33%
Mastercard Inc	5.28%
Amphenol Corp	4.64%
Linde PLC	4.18%
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4. Percent of total net assets.

8. A delay in transaction settlement may result in a negative cash position.

9. Active Share is a measure of the differentiation of the holdings of a portfolio from the holdings of its appropriate benchmark index. It is calculated as one

half of the sum of the absolute value of the differences found between the portfolio weights and the benchmark weights.

10. The following list reflects unaudited securities holdings (excluding derivatives positions). Holdings information may differ if presented as of trade date. Due to rounding, holdings of less than 0.005% may show as 0.00%. Portfolio information subject to change due to active management.

## Management

### Joseph B. Hudepohl, CFA

Managing Director  
Atlanta Capital Management  
Joined Atlanta Capital 2015

### Biography

Joseph Hudepohl is a managing director of Atlanta Capital Management. He serves as a portfolio manager on the firm's growth equity team. He joined Atlanta Capital in 2015.

Joe began his career in the investment management industry in 1997. Prior to joining Atlanta Capital, he was affiliated with Logan Circle Partners LP, a division of Fortress Investment Group LLC, as a portfolio manager and with Goldman Sachs Asset Management in Tampa, Florida.

Joe earned a B.A. in economics from Stanford University. He is a former member of the U.S. National Swim Team and a three-time Olympic medalist. Joe is a CFA charterholder.

### Education

- B.A. Stanford University

### Experience

- Managed Fund since 2015

### Robert R. Walton, Jr., CFA

Executive Director  
Atlanta Capital Management  
Joined Atlanta Capital 1999

### Biography

Rob is an executive director of Atlanta Capital Management. He is a portfolio manager on the growth equity team. He joined Atlanta Capital in 1999.

Rob began his career in the investment management industry in 1994. Prior to joining Atlanta Capital, he was an equity research analyst at The Robinson-Humphrey Company, where he was responsible for the insurance and industrial growth industries.

Rob earned a B.A. with a dual concentration in economics and political science from Colgate University and an MBA from Emory University. He is a CFA charterholder. Rob holds the Fundamentals of Sustainability Accounting (FSA) Credential.

### Education

- B.A. Colgate University
- M.B.A. Emory University

### Experience

- Managed Fund since 2015



**Jeffrey A. Miller, CFA**  
Managing Director  
Atlanta Capital Management  
Joined Atlanta Capital 2014

### Biography

Jeff is a managing director of Atlanta Capital Management. He is a portfolio manager on the growth equity team. He joined Atlanta Capital in 2014.

Jeff began his career in the investment management industry in 1996. Prior to joining Atlanta Capital, he was a research analyst at Crawford Investment Counsel, where he was responsible for equity research and served on the equity investment team. Previously, he was a senior vice president, member of the investment policy committee and global technology analyst for Institutional Capital (ICAP).

Jeff earned a B.B.A. in finance from Southern Methodist University and an MBA from Loyola University Chicago. He is a CFA charterholder, holds the Fundamentals of Sustainability Accounting (FSA) Credential and has achieved the CFA Certificate in ESG Investing.

### Education

- B.B.A. Southern Methodist University
- M.B.A. Loyola University Chicago

### Experience

- Managed Fund since 2015

**Lance Garrison, CFA, CSRIC**  
Managing Director  
Atlanta Capital Management  
Joined Atlanta Capital 2007

### Biography

Lance is a managing director of Atlanta Capital Management. He is a portfolio manager on the growth equity team. He joined Atlanta Capital in 2007.

Lance began his career in the investment management industry in 2000. Prior to joining Atlanta Capital, he worked at Standard & Poor's Corporate Value Consulting and Wellington Management Company.

Lance earned a B.S. from the University of Florida and an MBA from Northwestern University. He is a CFA charterholder and has achieved the CFA Certificate in ESG Investing. He holds the Chartered SRI Counselor (CSRIC) designation and the Fundamentals of Sustainability Accounting (FSA) Credential and is a subject matter expert with the International Sustainability Standards Board ("ISSB"). Additionally, he serves on the ISSB Technical Reference Group advising on matters of implementation and emerging issues that should be considered in the standards development process.

### Education

- B.S. University of Florida
- M.B.A. Northwestern University

### Experience

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## Literature

## Literature



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