



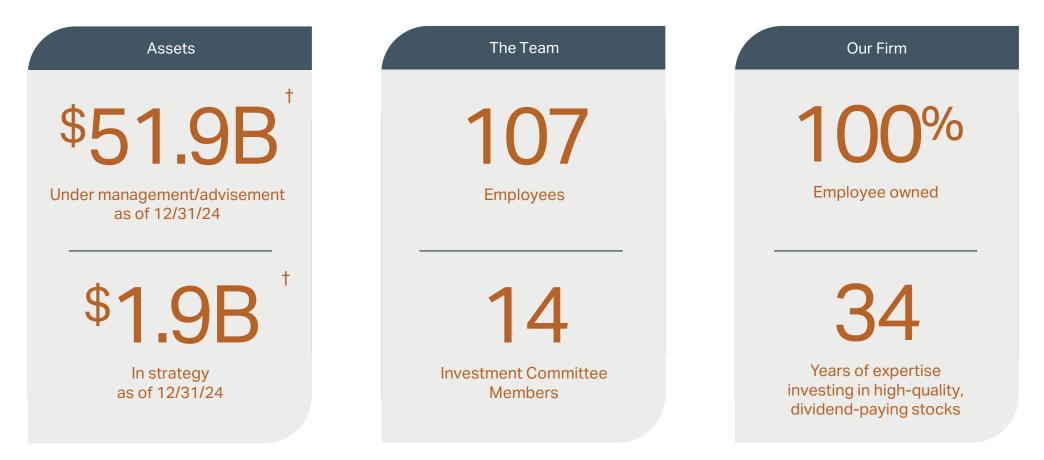
Small/Mid Cap Income Growth AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024

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Bahl&Gaynor Bahl & Gaynor Overview

We are guided by the philosophy that Dividends Pay Dividends[®].

Bahl & Gaynor views its employee-ownership structure as an extremely effective retention tool for promoting team stability and investment process execution.



[†]Bahl & Gaynor regulatory assets under management were \$20.1B and SMA platform assets under advisement were \$31.8B as of 12/31/2024. smig[®]- Small/Mid Cap Income Growth AUM was \$1.3B and AUA was \$634.7M.

Source: Bahl & Gaynor. Bahl & Gaynor identifies assets under management as assets over which the firm has discretion (including high net worth and institutional accounts and certain platform assets). Assets under advisement include model-only platform assets over which the firm does not have discretion.

A GIPS Composite report detailing GIPS compliant performance can be found within the final pages of this presentation.

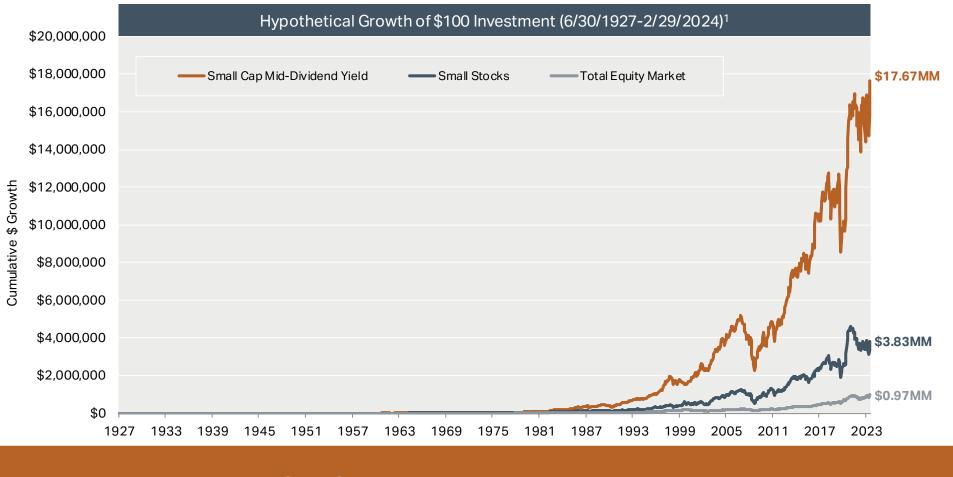
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Communication Services	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Staples	Energy
Keith H. Rennekamp, CFA	Christopher M. Rowane, CFA	J. Eric Strange, CFA	John B. Schmitz, CFA
Hired: May 2018	Hired: May 2014	Hired: April 2019	Hired: December 2005
21 years experience	41 years experience	27 years experience	40 years experience
Finar	cials	Hea	althcare
Edward A. Woods, CFA	W. Jeff Bahl	James E. Russell, Jr., CFA	Kevin T. Gade, CFA
Hired: September 2004	Hired: May 2014	Hired: October 2014	Hired: September 2016
35 years experience	23 years experience	36 years experience	13 years experience
Industrials & Transportation	Information Tech	nology & Materials	
Peter M. Kwiatkowski, CFA	Scott D. Rodes, CFA	Nicholas W. Puncer, CFA	
Hired: January 2019	Hired: June 2001	Hired: July 2010	
25 years experience	38 years experience	17 years experience	
Real E	state	Utilities	
Stephanie S. Thomas, CFA	Robert S. Groenke	Ellis D. Hummel	
Hired: July 2012	Hired: December 2019	Hired: February 2008	
34 years experience	19 years experience	32 years experience	

	Associate Portfolio Mana	Analysts			
lan T. Owens, CFA Hired: August 2017 10 years experience	Eric J. Zins, CFA Hired: August 2018 10 years experience	Kunaal A. Kanagal, CFA Hired: May 2024 12 years experience	Jared A. Bresnen, CFA Hired: September 2019 8 years experience	Katherine H. Kober, CFA Hired: December 2021 7 years experience	
Summary:	 ✓ 14 Investment Committee members 	 ✓ Average 29 years investment experience 	 Average 12 years at Bahl & Gaynor 	 ✓ Investment decision made by consensus 	
Investment Meetings	Focused Topics	Current & Potential Holdings	Sector Update & Review	Strategy Action	



The Small Cap Dividend Advantage: HISTORICAL TOTAL RETURN ADVANTAGE



Small Cap Dividends: Total Return Advantage

¹Source: Ken French's Website - <u>http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/index.html</u>; Total Equity Market Index is representative of US public equity securities listed on the NYSE, AMEX or NASDAQ exchange; Small Stocks is representative of US public equity securities with a market capitalization in the bottom 30% (excluding REITs) of the NYSE and includes all NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ stock that fit the market cap criteria; Small Cap Mid-Dividend Yield is representative of companies with a dividend yield in the middle 40% of dividend payers with a market capitalization in the bottom 50% of the NYSE (excluding REITs) and includes all NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ stocks that meet these criterion, all three indexes are reconstituted annually in June. Monthly returns are calculated on a value-weighted basis. Information sourced from third party. Bahl & Gaynor does not represent the information is accurate or complete and it should not be relied on as such. Bahl & Gaynor assumes no liability for the interpretation or use of this report. For Illustration purposes only. **Past performance does not guarantee future results**. All results are hypothetical, and the results are not based on the performance of an actual portfolio and the interpretation of the results should take into consideration of the limitation inherent in the results of the model. The results exclude any advisory fees, trading cost or other fees or conditions that existed during the period. Future market or economic conditions can adversely affect the performance of the hypothetical analysis. The index and other amounts shown above do not relate to the Bahl & Gaynor does only.



Risk Adjusted Returns & Characteristics Since 1927¹

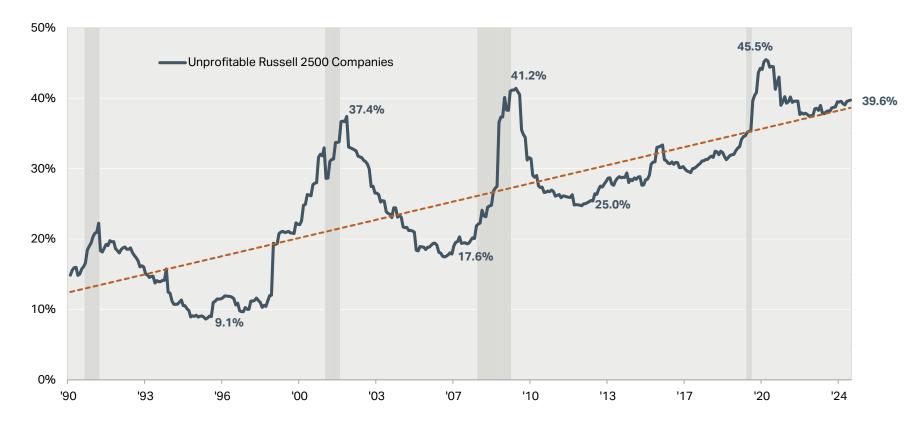
	Small Mid Divs	Small Stocks	Total Equity Market
Annual Return	13.3%	11.6%	10.0%
Volatility	21.3%	28.7%	18.5%
Beta	1.03	1.34	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.54	0.40	0.43
Annual Alpha	3.3%	0.8%	0.0%

- ALPHA Risk Adjusted Return Advantage
- Lower Beta with Volatility Closer to Broader Equities

Diversification Benefits to a Large Cap Equity Portfolio

¹Data from 6/30/1927 -2/29/2024. Source: Ken French's Website - <u>http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/index.html</u>; Total Equity Market Index is representative of US public equity securities listed on the NYSE, AMEX or NASDAQ exchange; Small Stocks is representative of US public equity securities with a market capitalization in the bottom 30% (excluding REITs) of the NYSE and includes all NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ stock that fit the market cap criteria; Small Cap Mid-Dividend Yield is representative of companies with a dividend yield in the middle 40% of dividend payers with a market capitalization in the bottom 50% of the NYSE (excluding REITs) and includes all NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ stocks that meet these criterion, all three indexes are reconstituted annually in June. Monthly returns are calculated on a value-weighted basis. Information sourced from third party. Bahl & Gaynor does not represent the information is accurate or complete and it should not be relied on as such. Bahl & Gaynor assumes no liability for the interpretation or use of this report. For Illustration purposes only. **Past performance does not guarantee future results**. All results are hypothetical, and the results en ot based on the performance of an actual portfolio and the interpretation of the results should take into consideration of the limitation inherent in the results of the model. The results exclude any advisory fees, trading cost or other fees or charges. The reinvestment of dividends, interest, capital gains and withholding taxes are all built into the hypothetical analysis. Hypothetical returns may be dependent on the market or economic conditions can adversely affect the performance of the hypothetical analysis. The index and other amounts shown above do not relate to the Bahl & Gaynor smig[®] strategy and are for illustrative purposes only.

The Rise of Unprofitable Index Constituents: PERCENTAGE OF THE RUSSELL 2500 INDEX THAT HAS NOT EARNED A PROFIT

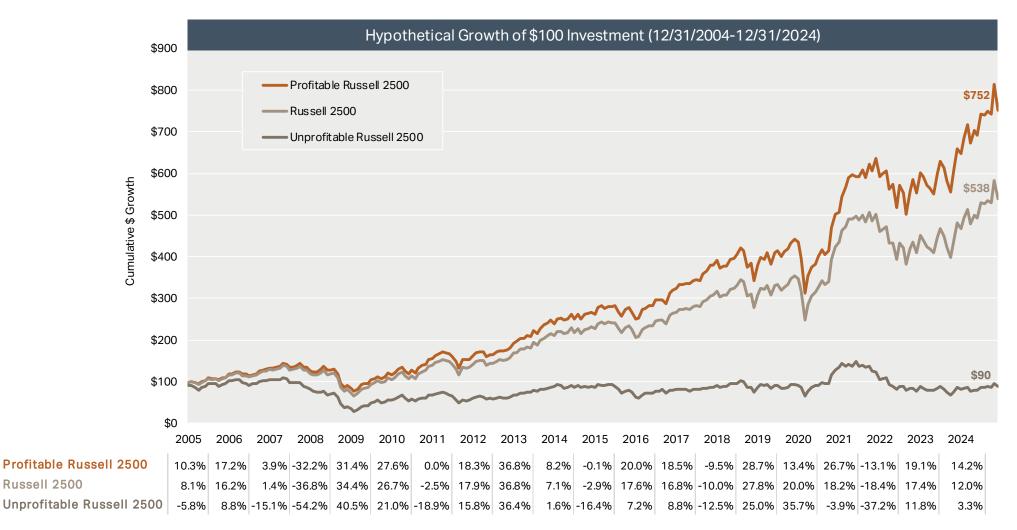


- **39.6%**¹ of companies in the Russell 2500 index are unprofitable versus the long-term average of 25.7%².
- Recessions aside, profitless companies in the Russell 2500 index have been trending higher over the last several decades. Bahl & Gaynor remains invested in <u>high-quality</u>, profitable companies.
- Bahl & Gaynor seeks to invest in companies that generate, grow & govern a disciplined cash flow.

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Source: All data from Strategas Research, Inc.© Copyright 2025 Strategas Research, Inc. Further distribution prohibited without prior permission. All Rights Reserved. All data based upon available company data. ¹As of most recent quarter end. ²Long-term average period defined as 12/31/1989 – most recent quarter end. Unprofitable is defined as not earning a financial gain after accounting for business expenses over the previous four quarters. Expenses include the explicit costs of doing business, such as operating expenses, depreciation, interest and taxes, according to generally accepting accounting principles (GAAP). Information sourced from third party. Bahl & Gaynor does not represent the information is accurate or complete and it should not be relied on as such. Bahl & Gaynor assumes no liability for the interpretation or use of this report. For Illustration purposes only.

Small/Mid Cap Stock Performance: Profitable vs. Unprofitable: AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024



The profitable Russell 2500 consists of only companies with positive earnings over the previous twelve-month period in the Russell 2500. All results are hypothetical, and the results are not based on an actual portfolio and the interpretation of the results should take into consideration of the limitation inherent in the results of the model. The profitable tranche is rebalanced quarterly based on trailing twelve-month (TTM) earnings in the Russell 2500. The profitable Russell 2500 return figures are calculated as a cap-weighted, float-adjusted index. Historical performance results for investment indices and/or categories have been provided for general comparison purposes only, and generally do not reflect the deduction of transaction and/or custodial fees, the deduction of an investment management fee, nor the impact of taxes, the incurrence of which would have the effect of decreasing historical performance results. Hypothetical returns may be dependent on the market and economic conditions that existed during the period. Future market or economic conditions can adversely affect the performance of the hypothetical analysis. It should not be assumed that your account holdings do or will correspond directly to any comparative indices. The index and other amounts shown above do not relate to the Bahl & Gaynor smig[®] strategy and are for illustrative purposes. **Past performance does not guarantee future results**, all results are hypothetical.

Source: FactSet and Bahl & Gaynor, 2025.

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Bahl&Gaynor smig[®] - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Overview



Strategy

- Unique, fundamental small/mid cap equity strategy focused on high current and growing income to generate long-term purchasing power.
- Dividends provide tax-favored income for individuals.
 - 91.4% of dividend income was qualified¹ as of 12/31/2024.
- Current 2.3%² dividend yield could fund 46% of a typical 5% annual spending requirement.
- Trailing-twelve-month turnover of 16.4%³, consistent with long-term investment focus.
- Small/Mid Cap core mandate seeking competitive through-cycle risk-adjusted returns vs. Russell 2500 benchmark.
- Non closet indexing approach.
- No MLPs, preferred stocks, options, ETFs or convertible securities are owned in the strategy.

Inherent Risk Mitigation

A risk-aware philosophy that has historically produced competitive risk-adjusted returns relative to the benchmark.

¹A qualified dividend is taxed at the capital gains tax rate versus the ordinary income tax rate. This does not constitute tax advice. Please consult a tax advisor regarding the taxation of dividends.²Dividend yield includes cash holdings. ³Data as of the most recent quarter end. **Principal risks of investing in this strategy include stock market risk, management risk, recent market events risk, and small and medium capitalization company risk. Investing in small and medium-capitalization companies involves greater risk and the possibility of greater price volatility than investing in larger-capitalization and more established companies. All equity investments inherently have aspects of risk associated with them; past performance is no guarantee of future results. An issuer of a security may be unwilling or unable to pay income on a security. Common stocks do not assure dividend payments and are paid only when declared by an issuer's board of directors. The amount of any dividend may vary over time.**

Bahl&Gaynor smig[®] - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Overview

High & Consistently Growing Income in the Small/Mid Market Cap Range¹

- Dividend yield of 2.3%² from 40+ stocks, all of which pay a dividend.
- Average stock contributed 2.4% to income, while the largest income contribution was 5.8%.
- 95% of holdings increased dividend in last 12 months.³
- 26 of the 41 holdings have increased the dividend for at least 10 consecutive years.³

Downside Protection & Diversification

Over the last year, the strategy has exhibited a strong downside capture ratio of 63.2% versus the Russell 2500.4

 High conviction stocks are held at overweight positions; the top 10 holdings comprise 41.8% of the portfolio with active share of 96.6% relative to the Russell 2500.¹

Long-Term Capital Appreciation through Risk-Adjusted Returns, Since Inception⁵

- Gross/net beta of 0.79 / 0.80 versus the benchmark (4th / 4th percentile rank versus small-mid core peers, "peers").
- Gross/net alpha of 3.38 / 0.27 versus the benchmark (14th / 85th percentile rank versus peers).
- Gross/net standard deviation of 15.51% / 15.71% versus the benchmark at 18.42% (4th / 4th percentile rank versus peers).
- Competitive risk adjusted returns with gross / net Sharpe Ratio of 0.64 / 0.42 versus the Russell 2500 Sharpe Ratio of 0.45 (10th / 85th percentile rank versus peers).

Data as of most recent quarter end. Sources: Bahl & Gaynor, FactSet, and Zephyr, 2025. Bahl & Gaynor assumes no liability for the interpretation or use of this report. For Illustration purposes only. **Past** *performance does not guarantee future results.* ¹Data is drawn from the Small/Mid Cap Income Growth model portfolio that is fully discretionary, unconstrained and subject to change. Individual Bahl & Gaynor clients may or may not hold these positions or have similar characteristics. ²Dividend yield includes cash holdings. ³An issuer of a security may be unwilling or unable to pay income on a security. Common stocks do not assure dividend payments and are paid only when declared by an issuer's board of directors. The amount of any dividend may vary over time. ⁴Historical downside capture is the sum of smig[®] returns on all Russell 2500 down days divided by the sum of Russell 2500 returns on all respective down days. Down days are defined as any trading day the Russell 2500 Index posts a negative total return. The above is intended only to illustrate how the strategy has behaved in relation to the Russell 2500 benchmark on down days and makes no representation about investment performance. smig[®] performance is derived from the internal rate of return (IRR) of a single non-fee paying representative account. It is calculated on a gross of fee basis and does not incorporate the impact of advisory and other fees which will be experienced by investors. ⁵Inception date is 3/31/2013. Percentile ranking courtesy of Informa – PSN's Small-Mid Core Universe. PSN's Small-Mid Core Universe includes products that select Small Cap (\$200 million - \$2 billion) or Mid Cap (\$2billion - \$10 billion) as their primary market capitalization. These products must also have the Small Cap and Mid Cap as either important or very important in their style ranking, and their weighted average market cap must be between \$1,500M and \$5,500M where the smallest market cap is from \$0 to 2,000M and the largest market cap is from \$2,

Bahl&Gaynor Investment Process

The Bahl & Gaynor smig[®] strategy invests in high-quality companies that typically produce steady earnings and dividend growth.

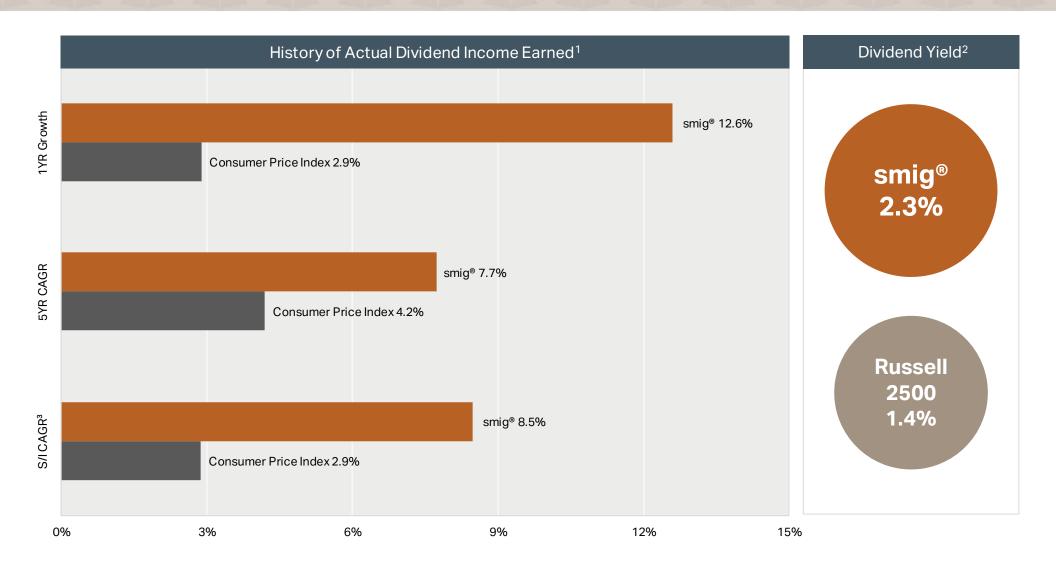


Bahl & Gaynor will consider selling or trimming our smig[®] positions for any one of the following reasons:

Dividend Policy	Fundamental	Cash Flow or Earnings	Management
Dividend payment reductionDeclining growth rateNo increase for some time	 Valuation Oversized capital or income position Deteriorating balance sheet Market cap moves out of mid cap range 	 Declining cash flow return on investment Declining free cash flow Declining earnings quality Accounting issues 	 Unexpected leadership change New ownership, acquisition or rising debt level Unusual insider trading

¹The strategy defines a small- or mid- capitalization company as an issuer whose market capitalization at the time of purchase is between \$200 million and the market capitalization of the largest company in the Russell 2500 Index.

Income Growth Results – 4Q24: SUBSTANTIAL CASH FLOW GROWTH HAS PROTECTED PURCHASING POWER

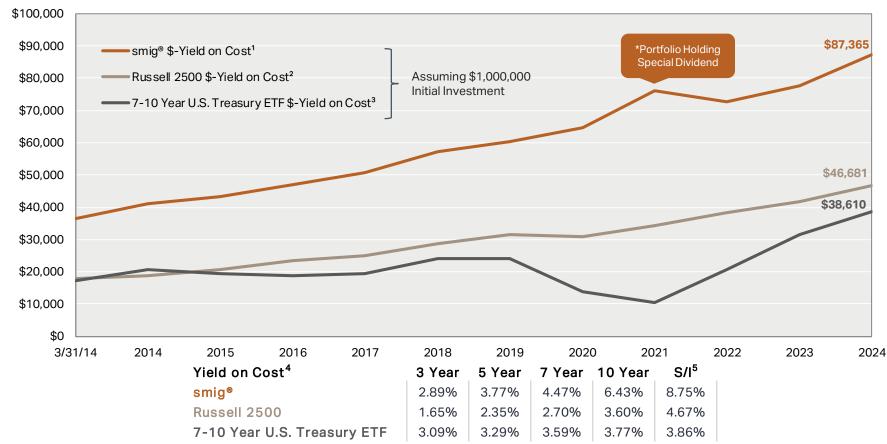


CAGR is the compound annual growth rate. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics as a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services. **Past performance does not guarantee future results.** These figures are for illustrative purposes only. Individual Bahl & Gaynor clients may realize different income growth rates due to variable client investing needs. ¹The income growth rate for the Bahl & Gaynor smig[®] strategy is calculated as of the most recent quarter-end using the trailing twelve months of income earned in a model portfolio, with income reinvestment, compared to the income earned in the twelve-month period one, three, and five years prior. The income growth rate for the Russell 2500 is calculated using the same methodology. ²Dividend yield includes cash holdings. ³Inception date 3/31/2013.

Source: Bahl & Gaynor and Bloomberg, 2025.

Bahl&Gaynor Income History: VIELD ON COST IS AN IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION

- Yield on cost is the annual dividend rate of a security divided by the average cost basis of the investment. It can
 only grow through owning stocks that increase the dividends they pay over time.
- The smig[®] strategy generated \$87,365 in income during the trailing twelve months ended 12/31/2024 based on a \$1MM initial investment at inception, 3/31/2013.



*The year-over-year yield on cost decline in 2022 is due to the occurrence of a large special dividend in 2021. These figures are for illustrative purposes only. Individual Bahl & Gaynor clients may realize different income growth rates due to variable client investing needs. **Past performance does not guarantee future results.** The income growth rate for the Bahl & Gaynor smig[®] strategy is calculated as of the most recent quarter-end using the trailing twelve months of income earned in a model portfolio, with income reinvestment, compared to the income earned in the first twelve months following strategy inception, 3/31/2013. ¹Yield on cost is calculated on a gross of fee basis and does not incorporate the impact of advisory and other fees which will be experienced by investors. The smig[®] yield on cost is calculated as of the most recent quarter-end using a model account by dividing the trailing twelve months of income earned by the initial capital at inception and includes income reinvestment. ²Russell 2500 yield on cost is calculated using the same methodology, including income reinvestment, at strategy inception, 3/31/2013. IEF is used as a proxy for prevailing 10-Year U.S. Government bonds, so income reinvestment follows the same methodology as the equity investments. IEF was chosen versus other U.S. Treasury ETFs given its status as the largest ETF product focused on intermediate term (e.g., 7-10 Year) U.S. Treasury bonds. ⁴Yield on Cost for each time period is calculated following the same methodology but is compared to beginning capital three, five, seven, and ten years prior. ⁵Inception Date 3/31/2013. Source: Bloomberg and Bahl & Gaynor, 2025. Data as of most recent quarter end.

smig[®] - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Dividend Analysis¹: A harmonic balance between yield and growth

Company Name	1-Year Dividend Growth	5 - Year Average Dividend Growth ¹	Dividend Yield	Income Percentage	10+ Years of Dividend Increases
Agree Realty Corp	2.4%	5.3%	4.3%	4.9%	\checkmark
Alliant Energy Corp	6.1%	6.2%	3.2%	2.7%	\checkmark
AmdocsLtd	10.1%	10.9%	2.3%	2.6%	\checkmark
American Financial Group Inc	12.7%	12.2%	2.3%	2.5%	\checkmark
Atmos Energy Corp	8.1%	8.6%	2.5%	2.1%	\checkmark
Avery Dennison Corp	8.6%	8.7%	1.9%	2.3%	\checkmark
Avient Corporation Com	4.9%	5.9%	2.6%	1.5%	\checkmark
AvnetInc	6.5%	9.5%	2.5%	2.1%	\checkmark
Booz Allen Hamilton Holding Corp	8.5%	13.6%	1.6%	2.5%	\checkmark
Broadridge Financial Solutions	10.0%	10.3%	1.6%	3.0%	\checkmark
CBOE Global Mkts Inc	14.5%	11.8%	1.3%	0.8%	\checkmark
CMS Energy Corp	5.6%	6.1%	3.1%	1.6%	\checkmark
Conagra Brands Inc	0.0%	10.5%	5.0%	2.2%	
Dt Midstream Inc Common Stock	6.5%	N/A	3.0%	2.2%	
Equity Lifestyle Properties Inc	6.7%	9.3%	2.9%	1.3%	\checkmark
Evercore Inc Class A	5.3%	6.6%	1.2%	1.8%	\checkmark
First Financial Bancorp OH	4.3%	0.9%	3.6%	1.4%	
Gildan Activewear Inc	10.2%	8.9%	1.7%	1.9%	
Hartford Financial Services Group	10.6%	11.6%	1.9%	3.1%	\checkmark
Home Bancshares Inc	8.3%	8.4%	2.8%	2.1%	\checkmark
Hubbell Inc	8.2%	7.7%	1.3%	2.3%	\checkmark
Insperity Inc	5.3%	14.9%	3.1%	0.9%	√
Interparfums Inc	20.0%	17.8%	2.3%	3.0%	
Lancaster Colony Corp	5.6%	6.3%	2.2%	1.7%	\checkmark
Meritage Homes Corp	177.8%	N/A	0.5%	0.7%	
NetApp Inc	4.0%	1.6%	1.8%	1.4%	
NiSource Inc	6.0%	5.8%	2.9%	4.4%	
Packaging Corp America	0.0%	9.6%	2.2%	3.9%	
Penske Automotive Group Inc	50.6%	23.8%	3.1%	1.2%	
Perrigo Co PLC	1.1%	5.6%	4.3%	5.8%	\checkmark
Plains Group Hlgs LP A	18.7%	-2.5%	6.9%	3.4%	•
Quest Diagnostics Inc	5.6%	7.2%	2.0%	2.7%	\checkmark
RPM Intl Inc	10.9%	7.2%	1.7%	1.3%	ý.
Snap On Inc	15.1%	14.7%	2.5%	4.6%	↓ √
Targa Resources Corp	50.0%	-3.8%	1.7%	3.5%	•
Terreno Realty Corp	8.9%	12.7%	3.3%	2.5%	\checkmark
Texas Roadhouse Inc	10.9%	15.3%	1.4%	1.3%	v
Tractor Supply Co	6.8%	25.7%	1.7%	0.3%	√
US Physical Therapy Inc	2.3%	8.0%	2.0%	1.2%	*
Victory Cap Holdings Inc Cl A	37.5%	54.5%	2.7%	5.8%	
Watsco Inc	10.2%	11.0%	2.3%	3.6%	\checkmark
Average (\$ Weighted)	13.6%	11.2%	2.3%		v
Russell 2500	3.4%	5.1%	1.4%		

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Dividend increases from portfolio companies in 4Q24

15.1%

Average TTM increase of holdings that increased during the quarter

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Portfolio dividend increases in 2024

Dividend Increase in 4Q 2024 Largest Income Percentage

Small/Mid Cap Income Growth model portfolio is fully discretionary, unconstrained and is subject to change.

Actual portfolios may differ for various reasons. The holdings shown should not be considered a recommendation or solicitation to buy or sell any particular security and may not represent all of the securities purchased, sold or recommended for any particular advisory client. You should not assume that an investment in any of the securities was or will be profitable.

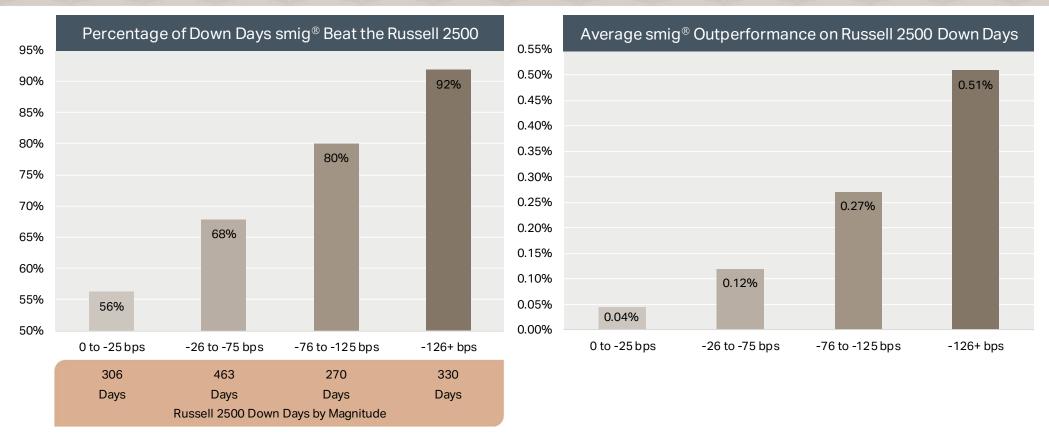
¹Dividend increases are based on declaration date.

Small/Mid Cap Income Growth model portfolio 5-Year Dividend Growth is calculated as the compound annualized growth rate (CAGR) of the current dividend rate as of the most recent declaration date versus the same dividend rate 5 years prior. Figures based on Small/Mid Cap Income Growth strategy holdings as of the most recent quarter end. Russell 2500 5-Year Dividend Growth is calculated as the CAGR of the income earned in the most recent quarter versus the same quarter 5 years prior. This exhibit should not be construed to imply future results.

The 10+ Years of dividend increases represent consecutive years of dividend increases. The 1-year dividend growth, 5-year average dividend growth and 10+ years of dividend increases statistics are included for informational purposes and represent past performances. The portfolio did not necessarily hold all these securities for the 1-, 5- or 10-year periods and therefore, the portfolio has not necessarily experienced all these dividend increases even though these securities had those dividend increases over that period. Dividend yield excludes cash holdings

Source: Bloomberg, FactSet, and company annual reports, 2025.

 $smig^{\mbox{\tiny B}}$ - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Downside Capture vs. Russell 2500[†]: downside protection greater with more negative market returns

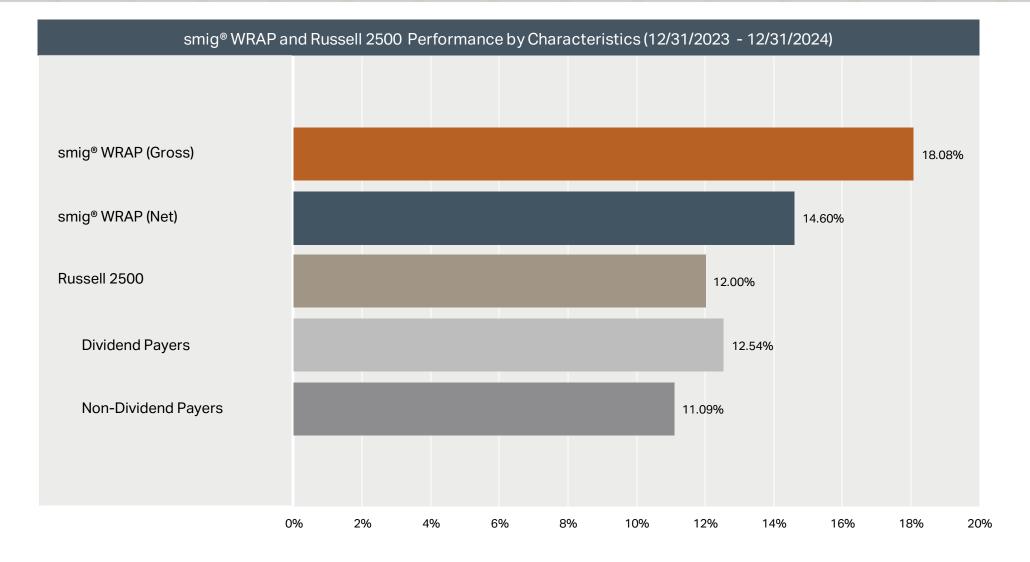


- Smig[®] value-added has historically increased as daily market returns become more negative.
- In total, the smig[®] strategy outperformed the Russell 2500 on 73.4% of down days since inception[†].
- Lower standard deviation of return and beta relative to peers and the broader market can indicate fewer and less severe losses in volatile times.

The above is intended only to illustrate how the smig[®] strategy has behaved in relation the Russell 2500 Index on down days and makes no representation about investment performance. Down days are defined as any trading day the Russell 2500 Index posts a negative total return. Smig[®] downside capture is derived from the internal rate of return (IRR) of a single non-fee paying representative account, is calculated on a gross of fee basis and does not incorporate the impact of advisory and other fees which will be experienced by investors. [†]Data from 3/31/2013 (Inception) to 12/31/2024. Investing involves risk including possible loss of principal. **Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.** No representation, warranty, or undertaking, expressed or implied, is given to the accuracy or completeness of such information by Bahl & Gaynor or any other person. While such sources are believed to be reliable, Bahl & Gaynor does not assume any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of such information. Bahl & Gaynor does not undertake any obligation to update the information contained herein as of any future date. Source: Bahl & Gaynor.



2024 smig[®] WRAP - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Composite Performance: AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024

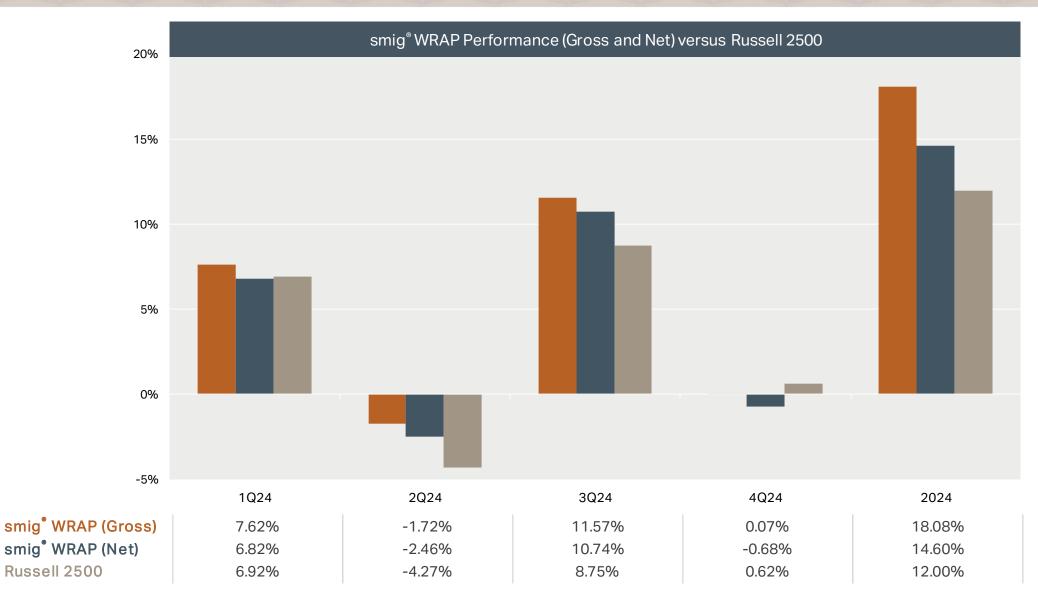


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Source: FactSet, 2025.



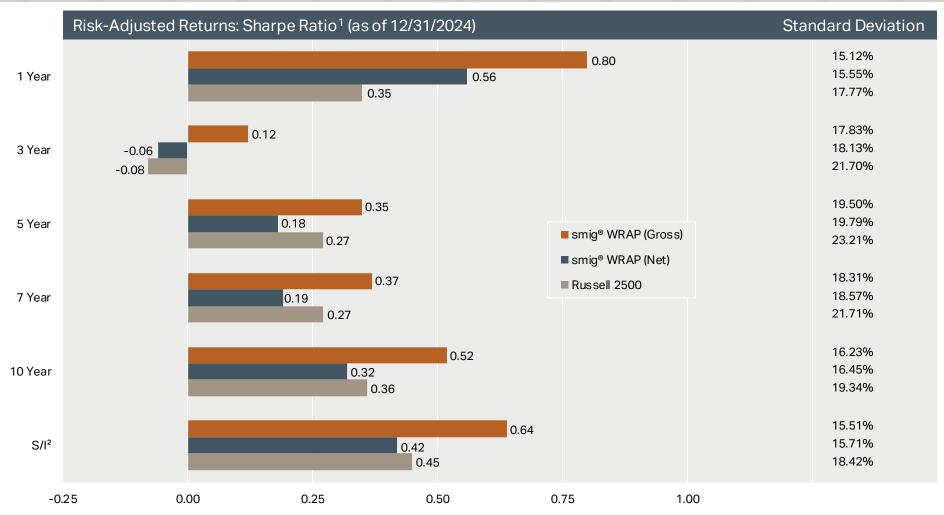
2024 smig[®] WRAP - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Composite Performance: AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024



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Source: Bahl & Gaynor, 2025.

Bahl&Gaynor Dividends® Dividends® Risk-Adjusted Return Results: ACTIVE, DIFFERENTIATED RISK-ADJUSTED RETURN PROFILE VS. INDEX



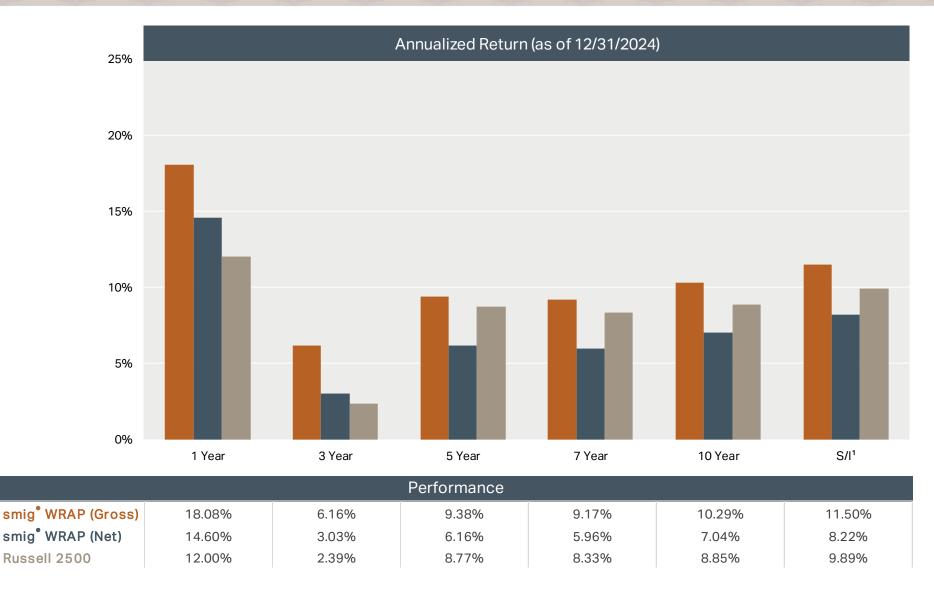
Bahl & Gaynor smig[®] strategy continued to deliver a differentiated strategy risk (standard deviation) profile meaningfully lower than the Russell 2500 over many historical time periods.

'Sharpe Ratio is a measure for calculating risk-adjusted return. It is the return earned in excess of the risk-free rate per unit of volatility or total risk. ²Inception date 3/31/2013. All periods greater than one year are annualized. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Other methods may produce different results and the results for individual accounts and for different periods may vary depending on market conditions and the composition of the account. Care should be used when comparing these results to those published by other investment advisers, other investment vehicles and unmanaged indices due to possible differences in calculation methods. No alteration of the composite as presented here has occurred because of changes in personnel or other reasons at any time. The return figures are calculated as a cap-weighted, float-adjusted index.

Source: Zephvr. 2025.



smig[®] WRAP- Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Composite Performance: LONG-TERM FOCUS HAS PROVIDED COMPETITIVE THROUGH-CYCLE **RETURNS RELATIVE TO BENCHMARK**



¹Inception date 3/31/2013. All periods greater than one year are annualized. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Other methods may produce different results and the results for individual accounts and for different periods may vary depending on market conditions and the composition of the account. Care should be used when comparing these results to those published by other investment advisers, other investment vehicles and unmanaged indices due to possible differences in calculation methods. No alteration of the composite as presented here has occurred because of changes in personnel or other reasons at any time. Source: Zephyr and FactSet, 2025.

smig[®] WRAP - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Risk/Reward Analysis: percentile rankings have indicated a strong risk/reward profile



- Income growth is primary objective.
- Downside protection is secondary and price appreciation is tertiary.

At the time of this update there were 28 peers for consideration in the rankings. **Past performance does not guarantee future results**. ¹Since Inception 3/31/2013. ²Percentile rankings courtesy of Informa – PSN's Small-Mid Core Universe. PSN's Small-Mid Core Universe includes products that select Small Cap (\$500 million – \$2 billion) or Mid Cap (\$2 billion – \$10 billion) as their primary market capitalization. These products must also have the Small Cap and Mid Cap as either important or very important in their style ranking, and their weighted average market cap must be between \$1,500M and \$5,500M where the smallest market cap is from \$0 to \$2,000M and the largest market cap is from \$2,000M to \$25,000M. Products that select Large Cap (over \$10 billion) or Micro Cap (Less than \$500 million) or All Cap as primary market capitalization are not included. REIT and convertible products are excluded.

Source: Zephyr, 2025.

smig[®] WRAP - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth Model Portfolio: AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024

smig [®] Sector Allocation History									Russell 2500			
GICS Sector ¹	4Q'14	4Q'15	4Q'16	4Q'17	4Q'18	4Q'19	4Q'20	4Q'21	4Q'22	4Q'23	4Q'24	4Q'24
Communication Services	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	4.1%	3.2%	1.4%	1.5%	2.2%	2.1%	0.0%	2.6%
Consumer Discretionary	16.1%	12.0%	15.0%	12.9%	10.0%	13.9%	14.0%	15.4%	7.8%	3.8%	7.0%	12.9%
Consumer Staples	5.1%	8.5%	6.6%	6.8%	2.0%	1.9%	5.8%	4.1%	8.6%	7.1%	5.8%	3.3%
Energy	6.4%	2.5%	4.4%	4.7%	2.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	2.5%	7.6%	4.7%
Financials	16.9%	19.7%	23.2%	19.1%	18.7%	20.6%	18.8%	14.3%	17.1%	17.3%	19.5%	18.3%
Health Care	7.0%	7.3%	8.5%	7.5%	8.5%	8.1%	7.5%	8.1%	8.1%	6.9%	7.6%	11.8%
Industrials	9.1%	12.2%	11.6%	16.9%	17.1%	15.2%	6.5%	9.9%	16.8%	27.0%	20.6%	18.7%
Information Technology	13.9%	14.5%	13.2%	14.6%	16.3%	14.4%	18.1%	21.6%	16.3%	8.8%	6.4%	13.6%
Materials	13.5%	12.3%	8.6%	8.7%	9.7%	9.8%	15.0%	12.3%	7.1%	9.3%	10.0%	5.7%
Real Estate	3.8%	3.5%	2.9%	2.8%	4.6%	7.0%	7.7%	6.8%	6.6%	6.0%	5.3%	5.7%
Utilities	4.0%	4.9%	3.1%	2.5%	4.1%	4.0%	4.0%	4.5%	6.2%	7.4%	8.6%	2.6%
Cash	2.3%	2.4%	2.7%	2.0%	2.4%	2.0%	1.6%	1.6%	2.3%	1.7%	1.5%	-

Top 10 Portfolio Holdings								
Holding	% of Portfolio	Dividend Yield						
Victory Capital (VCTR)	5.6%	2.7%						
Targa Resources (TRGP)	4.8%	1.7%						
Broadridge Financial (BR)	4.4%	1.6%						
Hubbell (HUBB)	4.2%	1.3%						
Snap-on (SNA)	4.2%	2.5%						
Packaging Corporation (PKG)	4.1%	2.2%						
Hartford Financial (HIG)	3.7%	1.9%						
Booz Allen Hamilton (BAH)	3.7%	1.6%						
Evercore (EVR)	3.6%	1.2%						
Watsco (WSO)	<u>3.6%</u>	2.3%						
% of Portfolio Value:	41.8%							

Portfolio Characteristics

Characteristic	smig®	Russell 2500
Number of Equity Holdings	41	2,465
P/E Ratio (trailing 12 months ex. neg.)	21.5x	18.3x
P/E Ratio (trailing 12 months inc. neg.)	21.5x	35.8x
Forward P/E (ex. neg. earnings)	17.0x	16.6x
Forward P/E (inc. neg. earnings)	17.0x	21.7x
P/B Ratio	2.9x	2.2x
P/CF Ratio (inc. neg. cash flows)	12.5x	10.1x
Weighted Average Market Cap	\$14.9 B	\$7.8 B
Dividend Yield	2.3%	1.4%

Data is drawn from the Small/Mid Cap Income Growth model portfolio that is fully discretionary, unconstrained and subject to change. Individual Bahl & Gaynor clients may or may not hold these positions or have similar characteristics. Portfolio dividend yield includes cash holdings. ¹Sector weights are as of period end. Source: FactSet, 2025.



smig	[®] WRAP - Small/Mid Cap Inc	ome Growth versus Russell 250	0
Annual & Quarterly Performance	smig [®] WRAP (Gross)	smig [®] WRAP (Net)	Russell 2500
2024	18.08%	14.60%	12.00%
4Q 2024	0.07%	-0.68%	0.62%
3Q 2024	11.57%	10.74%	8.75%
2Q 2024	-1.72%	-2.46%	-4.27%
1Q 2024	7.62%	6.82%	6.92%
2023	13.86%	10.51%	17.42%
2022	-11.01%	-13.63%	-18.37%
2021	23.53%	19.89%	18.18%
2020	5.94%	2.82%	19.99%
2019	24.66%	20.99%	27.77%
2018	-5.31%	-8.10%	-10.00%
2017	15.57%	12.17%	16.81%
2016	26.35%	22.63%	17.59%
2015	-1.33%	-4.23%	-2.90%
2014	12.77%	9.45%	7.07%
2013 ¹	19.66%	17.01%	21.23%

Please review the GIPS Report on the following page.

¹Represents performance from the inception date, 3/31/2013 to most recent quarter end.

smig[®] WRAP - Small/Mid Cap Income Growth WRAP Composite: MARCH 31, 2013 (INCEPTION) – DECEMBER 31, 2023

		"Pure"	Benchmark					Total	Non-fee		
	Net [‡]	Gross	<u>Return (%)</u>	Number	Composite	<u> 3 Year Ex-Post S</u>	tandard Deviation	Composite	Paying	Total Firm	Total
	Return	Return	Russell	of	Dispersion	Composite	Russell 2500	Assets	Assets	Assets	AUA
Year	(%)	(%)	2500	Accounts	(%)	(%)	(%)	(\$MM)	(%)	(\$MM)	(\$MM) ¹
2014	9.45	12.78	7.08	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	21.0	2.8	7,545.8	5,699.9
2015	-4.23	-1.33	-2.90	15	0.36	N/A	N/A	33.5	1.7	7,966.6	6,050.1
2016	22.63	26.34	17.57	22	0.53	11.4	13.7	53.3	2.7	8,792.4	8,425.1
2017	12.17	15.59	16.82	28	0.49	9.9	12.1	75.4	10.6	10,778.1	11,541.5
2018	-8.10	-5.31	-10.00	≤5	N/A	12.0	14.1	57.8	0.0	10,688.5	12,901.4
2019	20.99	24.66	27.77	≤5	N/A	12.7	14.6	136.6	0.0	15,358.8	22,144.9
2020	2.82	5.94	19.99	≤5	N/A	20.4	24.2	142.6	0.0	16,244.6	25,716.4
2021	19.89	23.53	18.18	≤5	N/A	19.4	22.5	202.8	0.0	18,705.1	32,123.7
2022	-13.63	-11.01	-18.37	≤5	N/A	22.0	25.2	214.5	0.0	16,936.7	29,420.5
2023	10.51	13.86	17.42	≤5	N/A	17.5	20.2	230.9	0.0	17,722.1	29,724.3

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