
Delray Beach

Small Cap Review

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Purpose for this Manager Evaluation Report

The purpose of this search is to evaluate potential alternative options to the MassMutual and Nomura (Delaware) Small Cap Core portfolios.

Investment Options for this Manager Evaluation Report

Firm Name	Strategy Name	Vehicle	Management Fee	Investment Minimum
Nomura	Delaware Small Cap Core (DCZRX)	MF	0.69%	N/A
DFA	DFA Small Cap I (DFSTX)	MF	0.27%	N/A
MassMutual	Small Cap Opps I (SMOOX)	MF	0.65%	N/A
J.P. Morgan	US Small Company R6 (JUSMX)	MF	0.72%	N/A

Current Portfolio Comparison

As of 6/30/2026

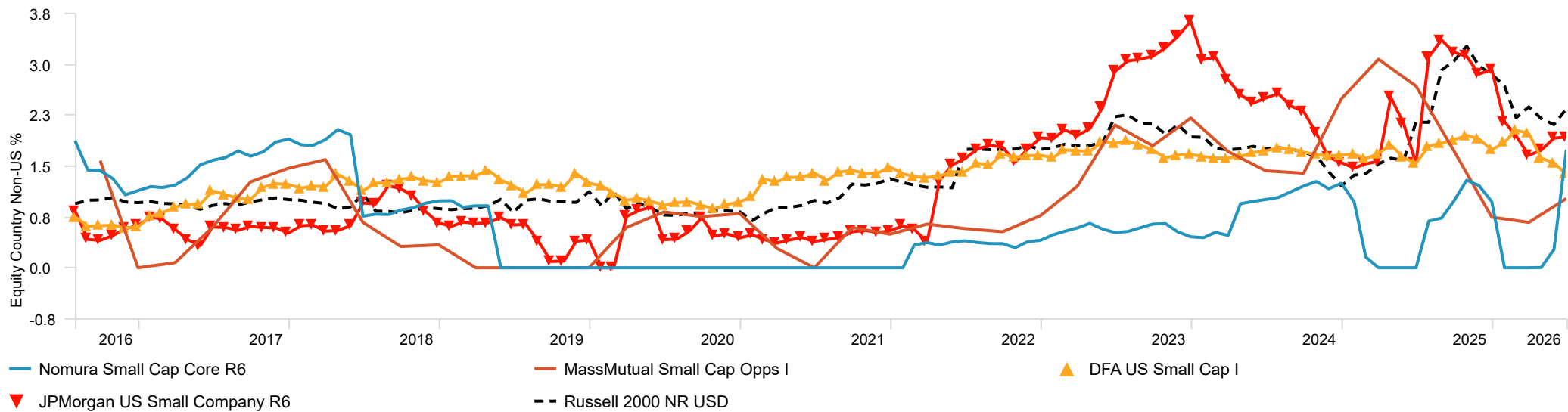
	Nomura Small Cap Core R6	MassMutual Small Cap Opps I	DFA US Small Cap I	JPMorgan US Small Company R6	Russell 2000 NR USD
Composition					
# of Holdings	140	102	2,035	622	1,958
% Asset in Top 10 Holdings	17.36	17.48	3.91	7.24	3.24
Asset Alloc Cash %	1.18	2.94	10.20	3.38	0.00
Asset Alloc Equity %	98.82	97.06	89.80	96.62	99.99
Asset Alloc Bond %	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Asset Alloc Other %	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01
Characteristics					
Average Market Cap (mil)	4,637.64	5,566.22	5,250.91	3,485.69	3,078.97
P/E Ratio (TTM)	21.29	20.37	18.78	18.76	18.07
P/B Ratio (TTM)	2.37	2.67	2.28	2.22	2.15
LT Earn Growth	10.26	11.20	12.00	12.03	11.87
Dividend Yield	1.30	1.23	1.23	1.15	1.33
ROE % (TTM)	6.83	8.94	12.65	4.02	5.06
Annual Report Net Expense Ratio	0.69	0.65	0.27	0.72	
GICS Sectors %					
Energy %	6.45	5.33	5.20	6.01	6.37
Materials %	4.03	3.33	5.06	4.33	4.11
Industrials %	18.08	19.89	20.97	13.24	14.41
Consumer Discretionary %	9.37	13.92	13.58	9.54	9.46
Consumer Staples %	0.98	1.59	3.80	1.95	2.07
Healthcare %	20.35	14.44	11.44	19.43	19.61
Financials %	18.60	18.64	20.54	19.91	19.74
Information Technology %	12.52	13.93	13.65	15.12	13.02
Communication Services %	1.23	0.82	2.49	1.94	2.36
Utilities %	2.39	2.63	2.69	2.65	2.79
Real Estate %	6.00	5.49	0.59	5.88	6.06
Market Capitalization					
Market Cap Giant %	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.00
Market Cap Large %	0.00	0.00	0.48	0.00	0.00
Market Cap Mid %	4.79	2.29	5.23	3.40	1.86
Market Cap Small %	54.48	72.42	56.97	46.55	45.90
Market Cap Micro %	39.54	22.36	26.71	46.32	52.17

Characteristic data is based on best available data.

Current Portfolio Region Allocation

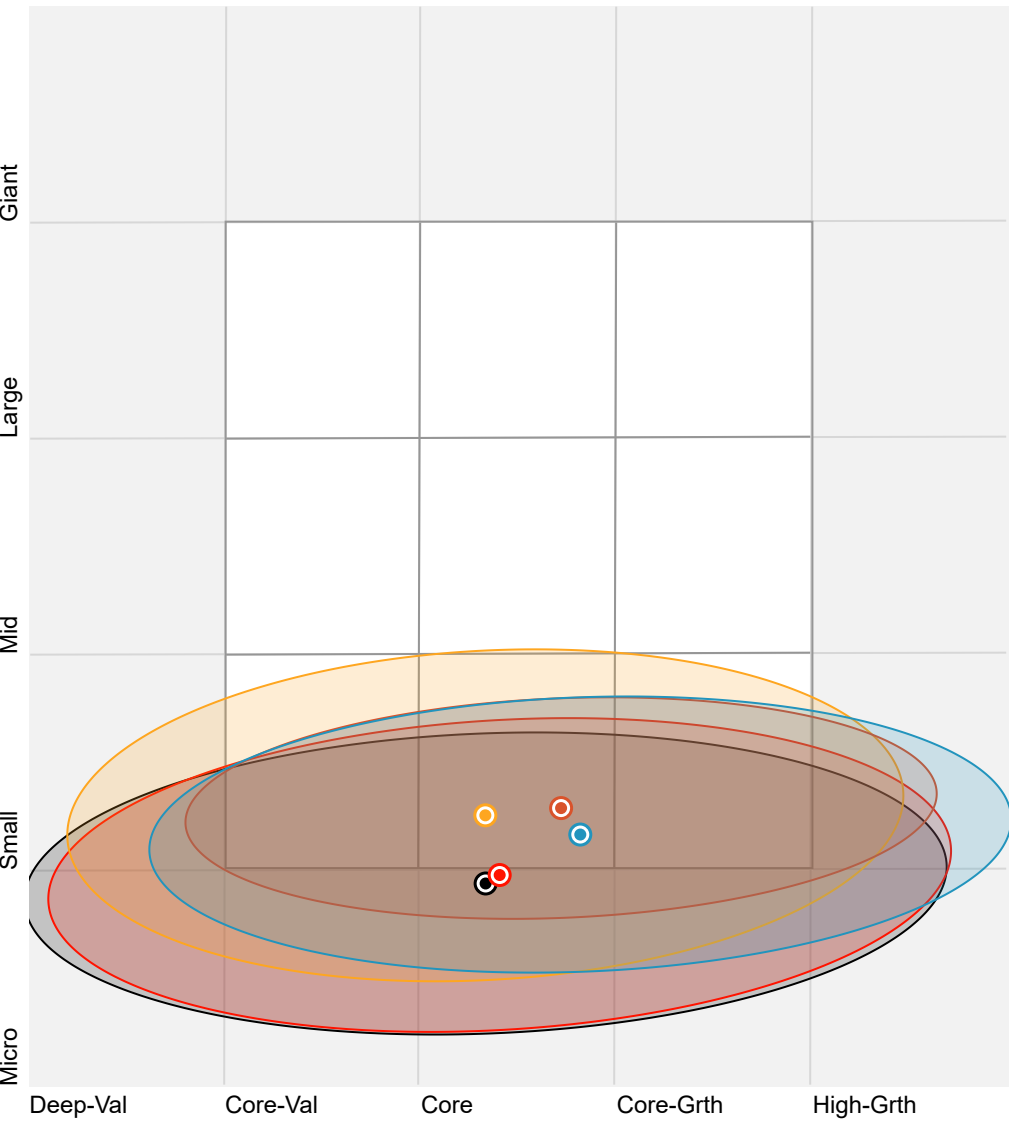
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Portfolio Date	6/30/2026	6/30/2026	6/30/2026	6/30/2026	7/31/2026
United States %	98.24	98.95	98.47	98.00	97.59
North America %	98.25	99.67	98.48	98.22	97.91
Latin America %	0.50	0.00	0.66	0.41	0.99
United Kingdom %	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.14	0.12
Europe dev %	0.59	0.33	0.40	0.70	0.40
Europe emrg %	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Japan %	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Australasia %	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.03
Asia dev %	0.65	0.00	0.20	0.24	0.25
Asia emrg %	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.29	0.13
Africa/Middle East %	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.17
Developed %	99.50	100.00	99.67	99.55	99.05
Emerging %	0.50	0.00	0.33	0.45	0.95

Historical Non-US Portfolio Exposure

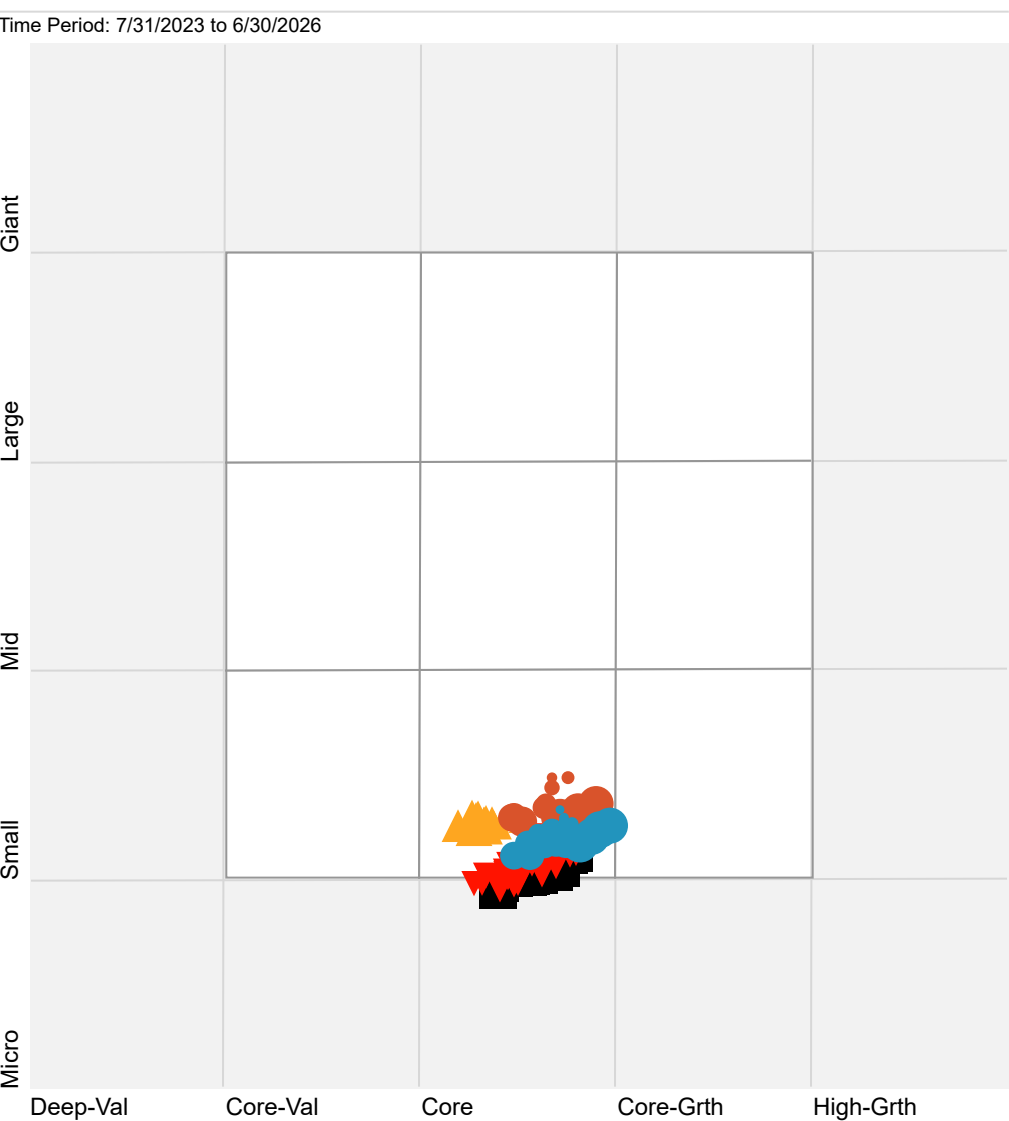


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Current Portfolio Holdings-Style Map



Historical Holdings-Based Style Trail



● Nomura Small Cap Core R6

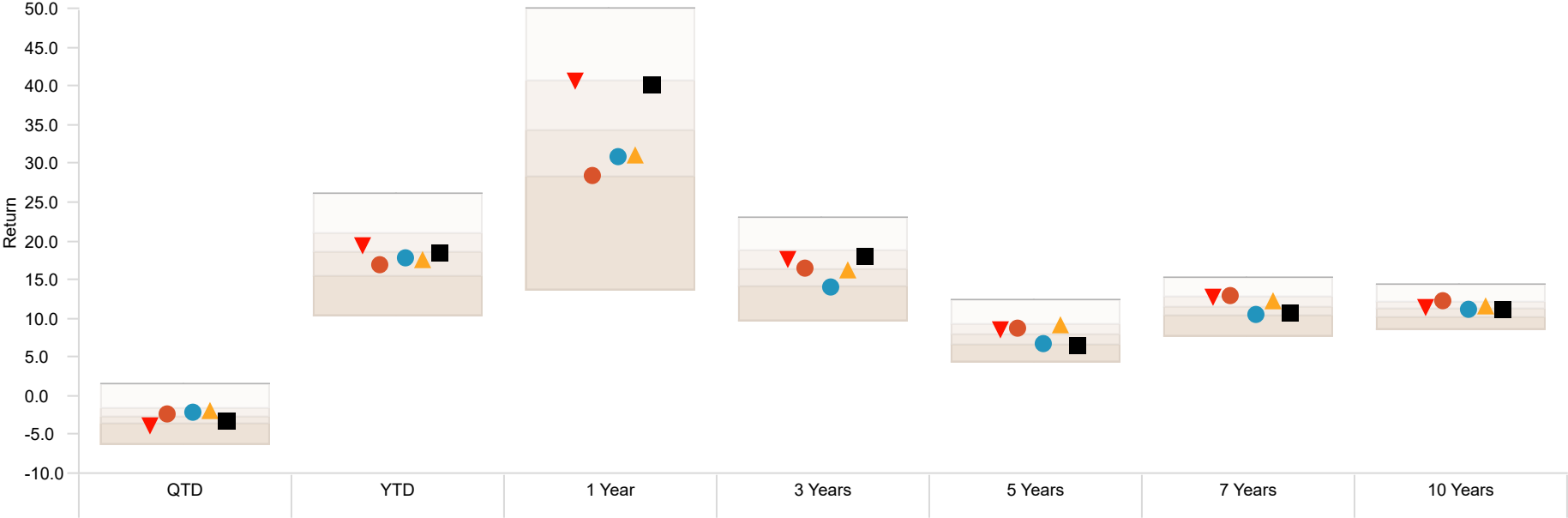
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As of Date: 6/30/2026 Peer Group (5-95%): Funds - U.S. - Small Blend



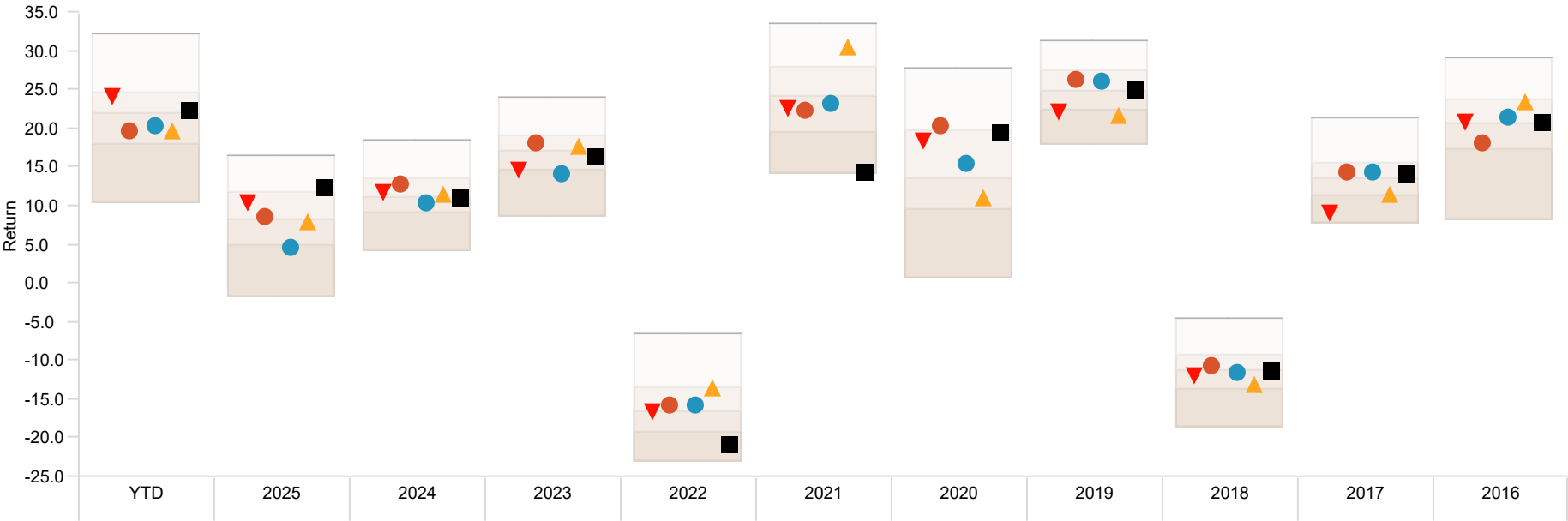
	QTD	Rank	YTD	Rank	1 Year	Rank	3 Years	Rank	5 Years	Rank	7 Years	Rank	10 Years	Rank
Nomura Small Cap Core R6	-2.07	38	18.01	55	31.02	64	14.05	76	6.92	72	10.64	70	11.24	56
MassMutual Small Cap Opps I	-2.24	42	17.03	62	28.51	75	16.65	48	8.78	32	13.00	22	12.33	25
DFA US Small Cap I	-1.70	26	17.73	56	31.10	64	16.42	50	9.22	27	12.39	31	11.61	41
JPMorgan US Small Company R6	-3.72	77	19.45	37	40.70	24	17.65	39	8.60	35	12.77	26	11.53	44
Russell 2000 NR USD	-3.04	63	18.65	48	40.29	28	18.15	34	6.57	78	10.91	66	11.20	57

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Returns are Net of Fees.

Performance data shown prior to fund's inception date represents extended performance of an older share class of the same strategy.

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Correlation of Returns

Time Period: 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2026

	1	2	3	4	5
1 Nomura Small Cap Core R6	1.00				
2 MassMutual Small Cap Opps I	0.98	1.00			
3 DFA US Small Cap I	0.98	0.98	1.00		
4 JPMorgan US Small Company R6	0.98	0.97	0.98	1.00	
5 Russell 2000 NR USD	0.98	0.97	0.98	0.99	1.00

Correlation of Excess Returns

Time Period: 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2026

Calculation Benchmark: Russell 2000 NR USD

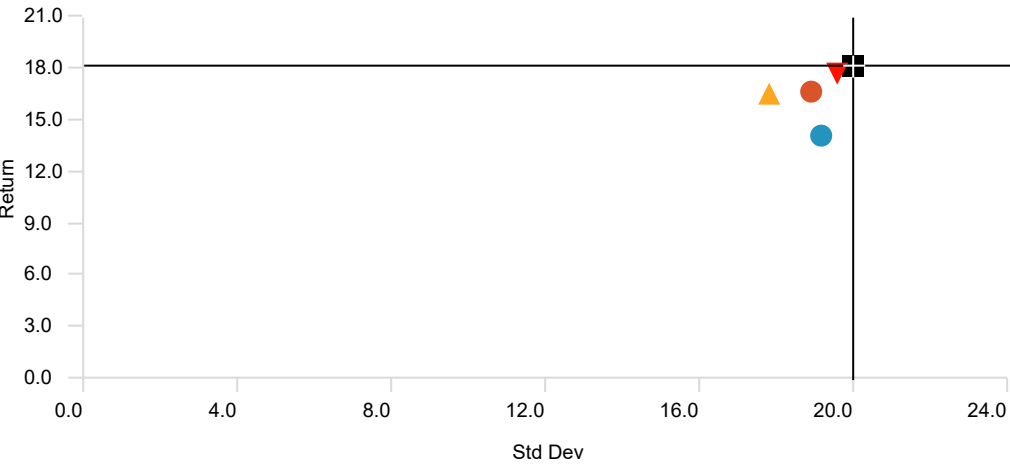
		1	2	3	4
1 Nomura Small Cap Core R6	Russell 2000 NR USD	1.00			
2 MassMutual Small Cap Opps I	Russell 2000 NR USD	0.62	1.00		
3 DFA US Small Cap I	Russell 2000 NR USD	0.67	0.62	1.00	
4 JPMorgan US Small Company R6	Russell 2000 NR USD	0.32	0.35	0.54	1.00

The source of data and figures provided is generally the respective managers. Certain data represents Mariner Institutional's view and could differ from the manager's interpretation. The most current AUM of each strategy may therefore differ from what is currently stated.

Risk-Reward: 3-Year

Time Period: 7/1/2023 to 6/30/2026

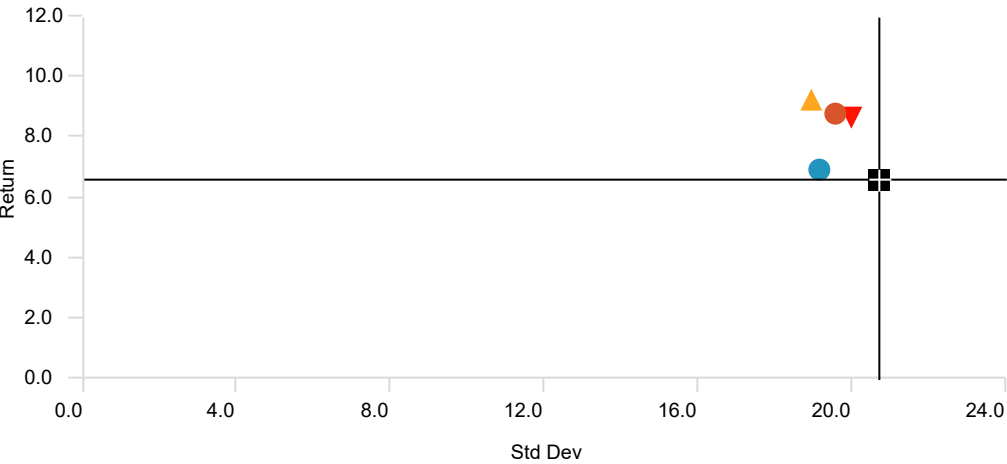
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Risk-Reward: 5-Year

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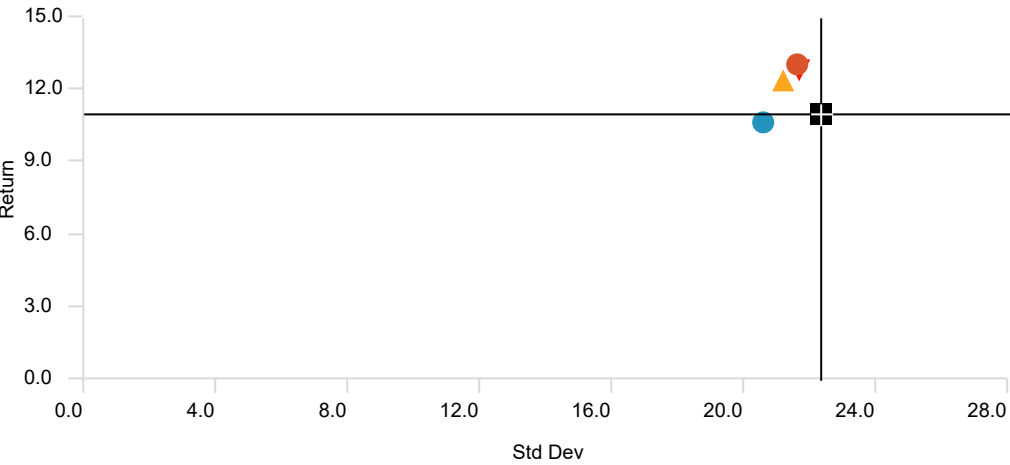
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Risk-Reward: 7-Year

Time Period: 7/1/2019 to 6/30/2026

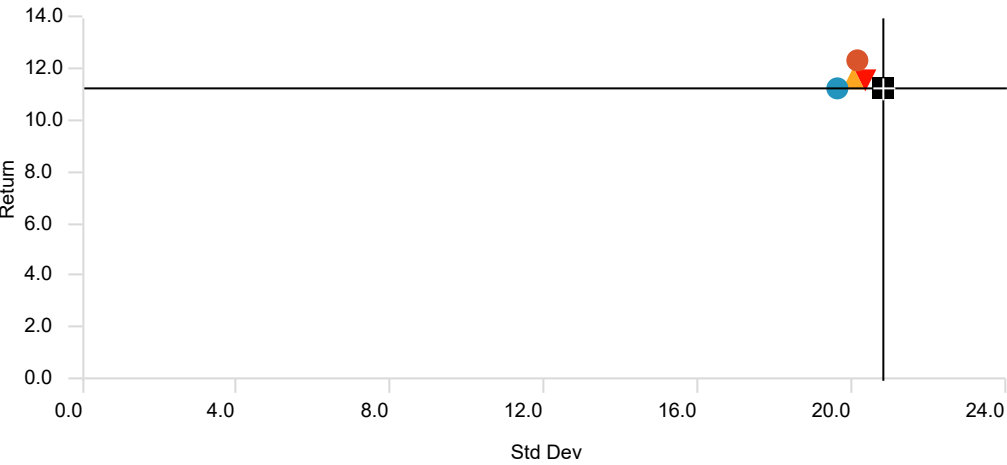
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Risk-Reward: 10-Year

Time Period: 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2026

Calculation Benchmark: Russell 2000 NR USD



Nomura Small Cap Core R6

MassMutual Small Cap Opps I

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MPT Statistics: 3-Year

Time Period: 7/1/2023 to 6/30/2026 Calculation Benchmark: Russell 2000 NR USD

	Nomura Small Cap Core R6	MassMutual Small Cap Opps I	DFA US Small Cap I	JPMorgan US Small Company R6	Russell 2000 NR USD
Return	14.05	16.65	16.42	17.65	18.15
Excess Return	-4.10	-1.50	-1.73	-0.50	0.00
Std Dev	19.17	18.87	17.79	19.55	19.99
Beta	0.93	0.90	0.87	0.97	1.00
Tracking Error	4.94	6.15	4.59	2.80	0.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.48	0.63	0.66	0.66	0.67
Alpha	-2.73	-0.07	-0.06	-0.07	0.00
Information Ratio	-0.83	-0.24	-0.38	-0.18	
Batting Average	41.67	47.22	52.78	36.11	100.00
Up Capture Ratio	88.57	90.41	89.01	98.33	100.00
Down Capture Ratio	96.83	89.50	87.99	99.13	100.00

MPT Statistics: 5-Year

Time Period: 7/1/2021 to 6/30/2026 Calculation Benchmark: Russell 2000 NR USD

Return	6.92	8.78	9.22	8.60	6.57
Excess Return	0.35	2.21	2.65	2.02	0.00
Std Dev	19.17	19.60	18.96	20.02	20.75
Beta	0.90	0.91	0.89	0.96	1.00
Tracking Error	4.95	5.61	4.64	2.99	0.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.16	0.25	0.29	0.24	0.13
Alpha	0.50	2.26	2.63	1.96	0.00
Information Ratio	0.07	0.39	0.57	0.68	
Batting Average	56.67	56.67	60.00	48.33	100.00
Up Capture Ratio	92.88	96.41	96.27	100.57	100.00
Down Capture Ratio	90.33	88.14	86.45	93.70	100.00

MPT Statistics: 7-Year

Time Period: 7/1/2019 to 6/30/2026 Calculation Benchmark: Russell 2000 NR USD

	Nomura Small Cap Core R6	MassMutual Small Cap Opps I	DFA US Small Cap I	JPMorgan US Small Company R6	Russell 2000 NR USD
Return	10.64	13.00	12.39	12.77	10.91
Excess Return	-0.27	2.09	1.47	1.86	0.00
Std Dev	20.61	21.60	21.18	21.69	22.33
Beta	0.90	0.94	0.93	0.96	1.00
Tracking Error	5.17	5.41	4.88	3.04	0.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.38	0.47	0.45	0.46	0.36
Alpha	0.38	2.34	1.83	1.91	0.00
Information Ratio	-0.05	0.39	0.30	0.61	
Batting Average	52.38	53.57	54.76	50.00	100.00
Up Capture Ratio	92.32	97.96	98.31	101.06	100.00
Down Capture Ratio	90.61	90.07	92.64	95.01	100.00

MPT Statistics: 10-Year

Time Period: 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2026 Calculation Benchmark: Russell 2000 NR USD

Return	11.24	12.33	11.61	11.53	11.20
Excess Return	0.04	1.14	0.41	0.34	0.00
Std Dev	19.66	20.17	20.04	20.38	20.83
Beta	0.92	0.94	0.94	0.97	1.00
Tracking Error	4.56	4.93	4.27	2.85	0.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.45	0.49	0.46	0.45	0.42
Alpha	0.60	1.51	0.82	0.53	0.00
Information Ratio	0.01	0.23	0.10	0.12	
Batting Average	53.33	51.67	49.17	47.50	100.00
Up Capture Ratio	94.66	97.31	97.71	99.15	100.00
Down Capture Ratio	92.33	91.85	95.20	97.51	100.00

Alpha: A measure of the difference between a portfolio's actual returns and its expected performance, given its level of risk as measured by beta.

Batting Average: A measure of a manager's ability to consistently beat the market. It is calculated by dividing the number of months in which the manager beat or matched an index by the total number of months in the period.

Best Quarter: This is the highest quarterly (3 month) return of the investment since its inception.

Beta: A measure of the sensitivity of a portfolio to the movements in the market. It is a measure of the portfolio's systematic risk.

Down Period Percent: Number of months below 0 divided by the total number of months.

Downmarket Capture Ratio: The ratio of average portfolio performance over the designated benchmark during periods of negative returns. A lower value indicates better product performance.

Downside Std Dev: This measures only deviations below a specified benchmark.

Excess Return: This is a measure of an investment's return in excess of a benchmark.

Information Ratio: This calculates the value-added contribution of the manager and is derived by dividing the excess rate of return of the portfolio by the tracking error. The higher the Information Ratio, the more the manager has added value to the portfolio.

Longest Down-Streak Return: Return for the longest series of negative monthly returns.

Longest Down-Streak # of Periods: Longest series of negative monthly returns.

Longest Up-Streak Return: Return for the longest series of positive monthly returns.

Longest Up-Streak: Longest series of positive monthly returns.

Kurtosis: Kurtosis indicates the peakedness of a distribution. For normal distribution, Kurtosis is 3.

Max Drawdown: The peak to trough decline during a specific record period of an investment or fund. It is usually quoted as the percentage between the peak to the trough.

Max Drawdown # of Periods: This is the number of months that encompasses the max drawdown for an investment.

R-Squared: The percentage of a portfolio's performance that can be explained by the behavior of the appropriate benchmark. A high R-Squared means the portfolio's performance has historically moved in the same direction as the appropriate benchmark.

Return: Compounded rate of return for the period.

Sharpe Ratio: Represents the excess rate of return over the risk free return divided by the standard deviation of the excess return. The result is an absolute rate of return per unit of risk. A higher value demonstrates better historical risk-adjusted performance.

Skewness - Skewness reflects the degree of asymmetry of a distribution. If the distribution has a longer left tail, the function has negative skewness. Otherwise, it has positive skewness. A normal distribution is symmetric with skewness 0.

Sortino Ratio: The Sortino Ratio is similar to Sharpe Ratio except it uses downside risk (Downside Deviation) in the denominator. It was developed in early 1980's by Frank Sortino. Since upside variability is not necessarily a bad thing, Sortino ratio is sometimes more preferable than Sharpe ratio.

Standard Deviation: A statistical measure of the range of a portfolio's performance. It represents the variability of returns around the average return over a specified time period.

Tracking Error: This is a measure of the standard deviation of a portfolio's excess returns versus its designated market benchmark.

Treynor Ratio: Similar to Sharpe Ratio, Treynor Ratio is a measurement of efficiency utilizing the relationship between annualized risk-adjusted return and risk. Unlike Sharpe Ratio, Treynor Ratio utilizes "market" risk (beta) instead of total risk (standard deviation). Good performance efficiency is measured by a high ratio.

Up period Percent: Number of months above 0 divided by the total number of months.

Upmarket Capture Ratio: The ratio of average portfolio performance over the designated benchmark during periods of positive returns. A higher value indicates better product performance.

Value-Growth Score: Morningstar assigns an Overall Value score and an Overall Growth score to each stock within a fund. Morningstar then calculates a net value-core-growth score for each stock by subtracting the stock's Overall Value score from its Overall Growth score. Once this is done, these raw scores are rescaled to range between -100 to 400 in order to fit within the Morningstar Style Box. Scores below 67 are classified as value, scores above 233 are classified as growth, and scores between 67 and 233 fit within the core boundaries.

Worst Quarter: This is the lowest quarterly (3 month) return of the investment since its inception.

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