



# Seeking Higher Expected Returns

*Giving Investors A **Great** Chance to Succeed*

*CORE Capital Overview - 2022*

## 20 Years: Dimensional vs. the Industry

Percentage of US-domiciled equity and fixed income funds that outperformed benchmarks as of December 31, 2021



Industry<sup>1</sup>  
4,397 funds at beginning



Dimensional<sup>2</sup>  
29 funds at beginning

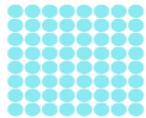


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Performance data shown represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. The sample includes funds at the beginning of the 20-year period ending December 31, 2021. The number of beginners is indicated above each graphic. Survivors are funds that had returns for every month in the sample period. Outperformers (winner funds) are funds that survived and whose cumulative net return over the period exceeded that of their respective benchmark. Each fund is evaluated relative to its respective primary prospectus benchmark. Where the full series of primary prospectus benchmark returns is unavailable, funds are instead evaluated relative to their Morningstar category index. See Data Appendix for more information.

1. US-domiciled, non-Dimensional open-end mutual fund data is provided by Morningstar.
2. Dimensional fund data provided by the fund accountant. Dimensional funds or sub-advised funds whose access is or previously was limited to certain investors are excluded.

## A Different View of Markets

Track  
the Market



### TRADITIONAL INDEXERS

Focus on matching the returns of an index, restricting which securities to hold and when to trade.

Outguess  
the Market



### STOCK PICKERS AND QUANTITATIVE MANAGERS

Rely on predictions and/or backtested simulations to find mispricing or time markets.

—  
"You don't have to outguess  
the market to beat it."

David Booth

Start with  
the Market



### DIMENSIONAL

Draws insights from rigorous research to emphasize areas of the market with higher expected returns.

Adds value through implementation that has been tested, repeated, and refined for more than three decades.



## Dimensional at a Glance

As of March 31, 2022



Assets in US dollars.

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# INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY - EQUITY

Looking for “Sources” of Higher Expected Returns

## A Heritage of Leading Research

The bar for research at Dimensional has been set by the best in the field

			
NOBEL LAUREATE, 2013		NOBEL LAUREATE, 1997	
<b>Eugene Fama</b> University of Chicago	<b>Kenneth French</b> Dartmouth College	<b>Robert Merton</b> MIT	<b>Robert Novy-Marx</b> University of Rochester
Director and Consultant, Dimensional <sup>1</sup>	Director and Consultant, Dimensional <sup>1</sup>	Resident Scientist, Dimensional Holdings Inc.	Consultant, Dimensional <sup>1</sup>

- Dimensional has forged lasting relationships with some of the best academics in finance, gaining inspiration from their work.
- Dimensional devotes its efforts to determining what research can be useful to investors and how to apply those insights in real portfolios.

### Academics who serve as Independent Directors on Dimensional's US Mutual Fund Board<sup>2</sup>

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University of Chicago

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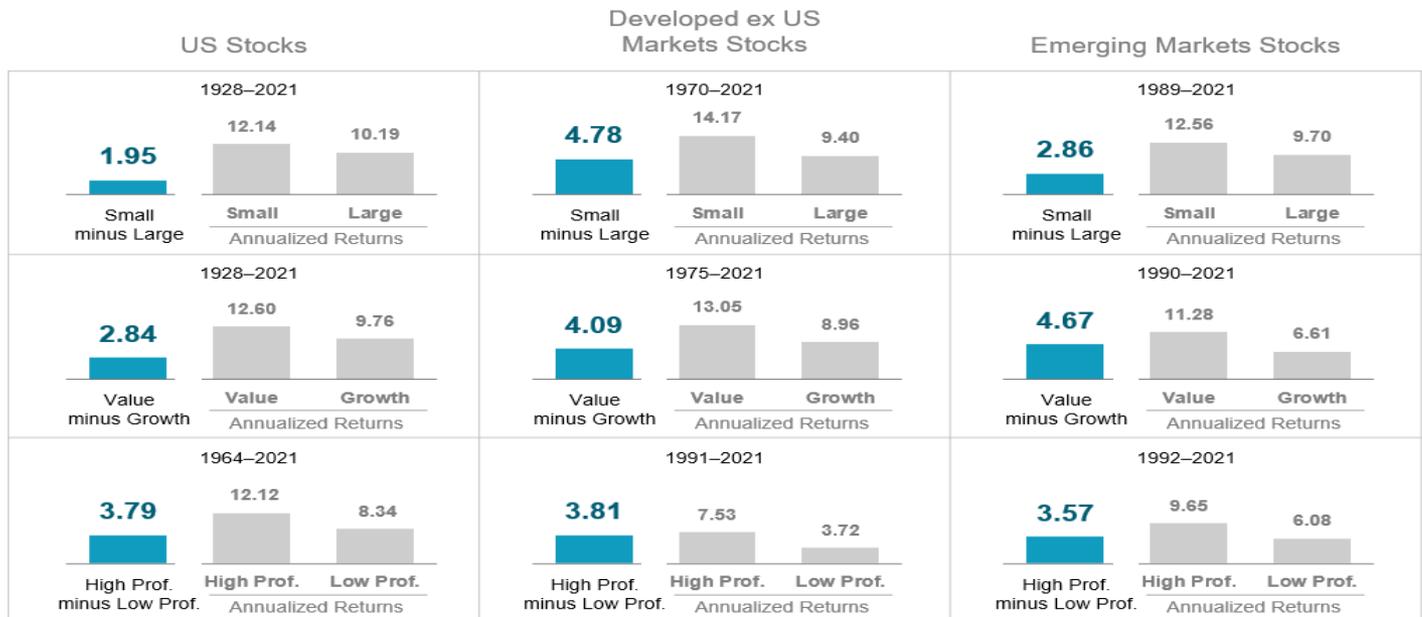
<sup>2</sup> "Dimensional's US Mutual Fund Board" refers to The DFA Investment Trust Company, DFA Investment Dimensions Group Inc., Dimensional Investment Group Inc., and Dimensional Emerging Markets Value Fund Inc.

## Dimensions of Expected Returns

Historical premiums and returns (annualized): US, Developed ex US, and Emerging Markets

### Company Size

Relative performance of small cap stocks vs. large cap stocks (%)



Information provided by Dimensional Fund Advisors LP.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Actual returns may be lower.

In USD. Indices are not available for direct investment. Index returns are not representative of actual portfolios and do not reflect costs and fees associated with an actual investment. MSCI indices are gross div. For US stocks, indices are used as follows. Small Cap minus Large Cap: Dimensional US Small Cap Index minus the S&P 500 Index. Value minus Growth: Fama/French US Value Research Index minus the Fama/French US Growth Research Index. High Prof minus Low Prof: Fama/French US High Profitability Index minus the Fama/French US Low Profitability Index. For developed ex US stocks, indices are used as follows. Small Cap minus Large Cap: Dimensional International Small Cap Index minus the MSCI World ex USA Index. Value minus Growth: Fama/French International Value Index minus the Fama/French International Growth Index. High Prof minus Low Prof: Fama/French International High Profitability Index minus the Fama/French International Low Profitability Index. For Emerging Markets stocks, indices are used as follows. Small Cap minus Large Cap: Dimensional Emerging Markets Small Cap Index minus MSCI Emerging Markets Index. Value minus Growth: Fama/French Emerging Markets Value Index minus Fama/French Emerging Markets Growth Index. High Prof minus Low Prof: Fama/French Emerging Markets High Profitability Index minus the Fama/French Emerging Markets Low Profitability Index. S&P and S&P/TSX data © 2022 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a division of S&P Global. All rights reserved. MSCI data © MSCI 2022, all rights reserved. See "Index Descriptions" in the appendix for descriptions of Dimensional and Fama/French index data.

## Applying Expertise to Add Value Over Benchmarks

Through time and across markets

Annualized net returns (%)  
from composite inception

	Small Cap Investing	Value Investing	Total Market Solutions
US	01/2002–03/2022 Return <b>US Small Cap</b> 9.82 <i>Strategy Inception: Jun 1986</i>	01/2002–03/2022 Return <b>US Large Cap Value</b> 8.82 <i>Strategy Inception: Apr 1992</i>	06/2002–03/2022 Return <b>US All Cap Core</b> 9.99 <i>Strategy Inception: Jun 2002</i>
	Russell 2000 8.82	Russell 1000 Value 8.19	Russell 3000 9.82
Developed ex US	01/2002–03/2022 Return <b>World ex US Small Cap</b> 10.00 <i>Strategy Inception: Oct 1996</i>	01/2002–03/2022 Return <b>World ex US Large Cap Value</b> 6.97 <i>Strategy Inception: Jul 1993</i>	10/2005–03/2022 Return <b>World ex US All Cap Core</b> 5.38 <i>Strategy Inception: Oct 2005</i>
	MSCI World ex USA Small Cap (net dividends) <sup>1</sup> 9.15	MSCI World ex USA Value (net dividends) <sup>1</sup> 5.59	MSCI World ex USA (net dividends) 4.74
Emerging Markets	01/2002–03/2022 Return <b>Emerging Markets Small Cap</b> 12.18 <i>Strategy Inception: Jan 1997</i>	01/2002–03/2022 Return <b>Emerging Markets All Cap Value</b> 10.95 <i>Strategy Inception: Apr 1994</i>	05/2005–03/2022 Return <b>Emerging Markets All Cap Core</b> 7.91 <i>Strategy Inception: May 2005</i>
	MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap (net dividends) 10.65	MSCI Emerging Markets Value (net dividends) 9.12	MSCI Emerging Markets (net dividends) 7.11

Strategy inception represents the initial account of the strategy. **Representative sample of product offerings considered to be early examples and flagship strategies. Strategies shown may not beat their benchmark. Performance data shown represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Composite performance is presented net of fees. Net of fee returns are calculated by subtracting the annual model management fee of the composite, geometrically averaged over 12 months, from the monthly gross of fee composite return. The model management fee is equal to or higher than the highest standard fee currently offered to US investors. Net composite returns include the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings, and include the deduction of all transaction costs. Performance is presented in USD, unless otherwise noted. There is no guarantee strategies will be successful.**

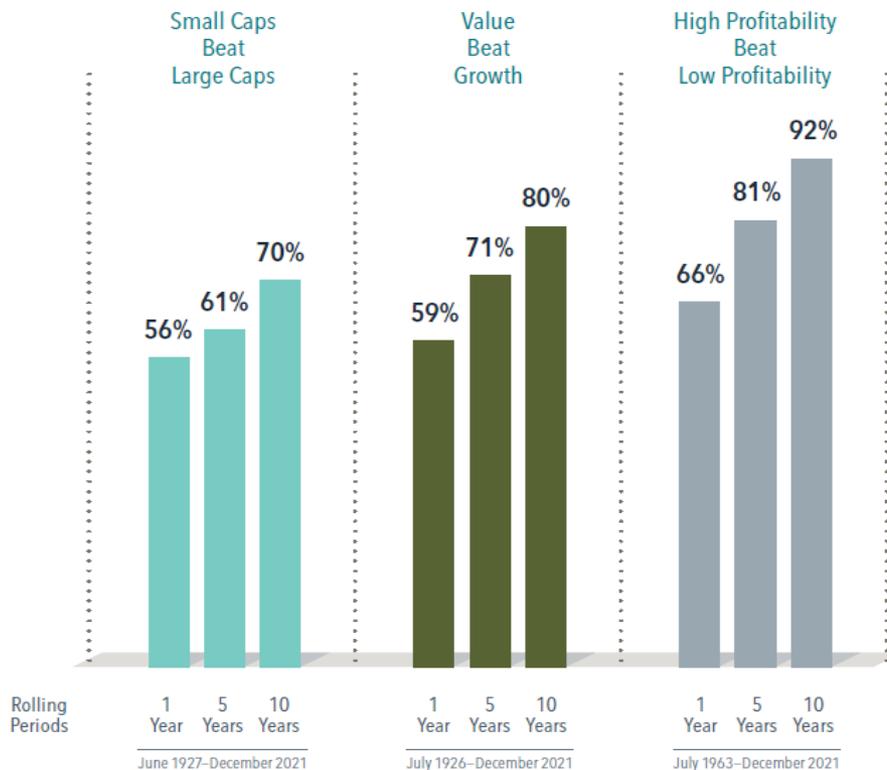
<sup>1</sup> Prior to April 1, 2008, the benchmark for the World ex US Small Cap Equity Composite was the MSCI EAFE Small Cap Index (net dividends). The Composite changed benchmarks to more closely align with the Composite strategy which includes Canada as of April 1, 2008. Prior to April 1, 2008, the benchmark for the World ex US Large Cap Value Equity Composite was the MSCI EAFE Value Index (net dividends). The Composite changed benchmarks to more closely align with the Composite strategy which includes Canada as of April 1, 2008.

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## How Often Do Small Cap, Value, and High Profitability Outperform?

### FREQUENCY OF PREMIUM OUTPERFORMANCE<sup>1</sup>



Looking at average annualized returns going back decades, small cap stocks have beaten large cap stocks, value has outperformed growth, and high profitability stocks have outgained low profitability stocks. How should investors think about the performance of these premiums<sup>2</sup> over shorter time periods?

- We can evaluate the reliability of the premiums by examining performance during rolling, overlapping periods formed each month (e.g., January to December, February to January, etc.). Here, we assess rolling periods of one, five, and 10 years.
- The premiums were positive over most one- and five-year periods, and they increased over longer stretches. Value, for instance, beat growth in 80% of 1,027 measurable 10-year periods.<sup>3</sup>

*When investors target the size, value, and profitability premiums, a long-term focus increases the odds of achieving positive outcomes.*



# INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY – FIXED INCOME

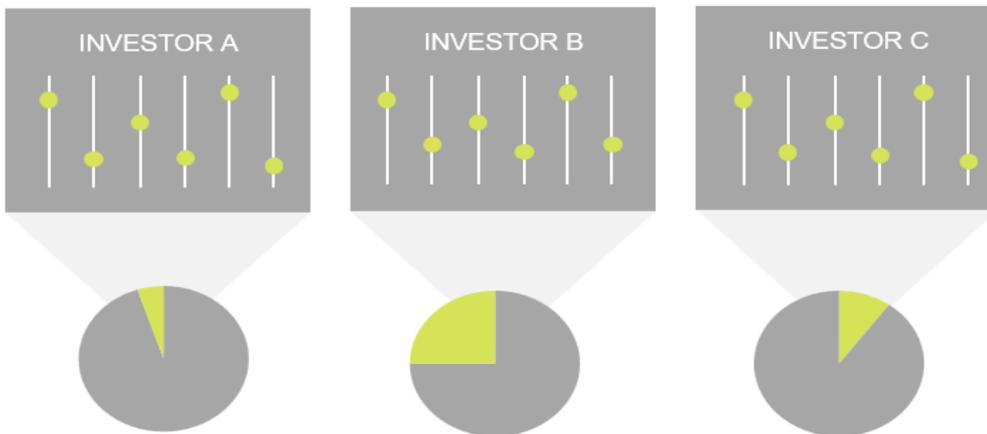
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## Fixed Income's Role in Portfolios

### FIXED INCOME PLAYS MANY ROLES



### DIFFERENT INVESTORS HAVE DIFFERENT NEEDS



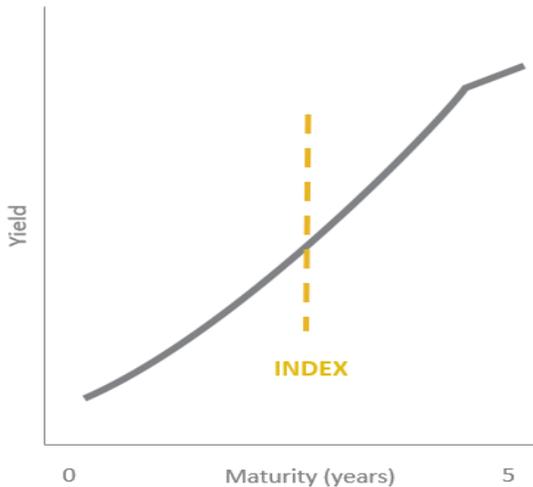
- Fixed income can play many different roles in a portfolio.
- Fixed income portfolios can be customized to meet the needs of investors.
- A financial planner can help determine what type of and how much fixed income is right for your investment goals.

Fixed income portfolios are subject to increased loss of principal during periods of rising interest rates. Fixed income investments are subject to various other risks, including changes in credit quality, liquidity, prepayments, call risk, and other factors. Inflation-protected securities may react differently from other fixed income securities to changes in interest rates.

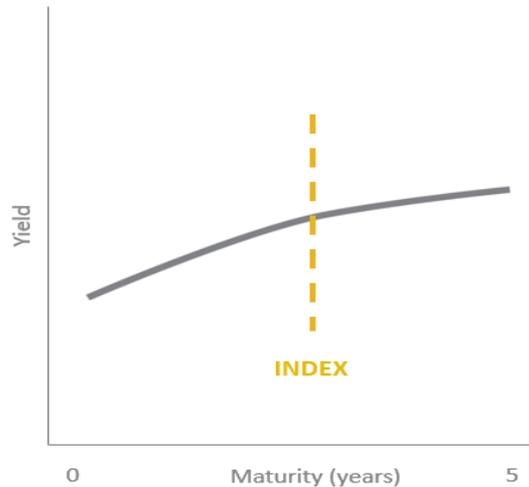
Municipal securities are subject to the risks of adverse economic and regulatory changes in their issuing states. There is no assurance that any investment objective will be met. Investing involves risks, including possible loss of principal.

## An Index Approach Lacks Flexibility

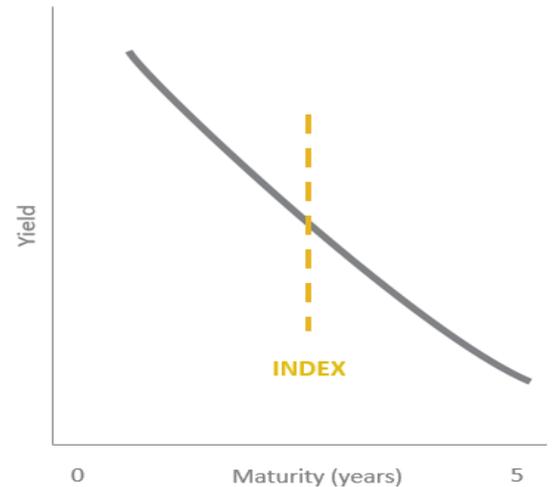
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TIME PERIOD 2



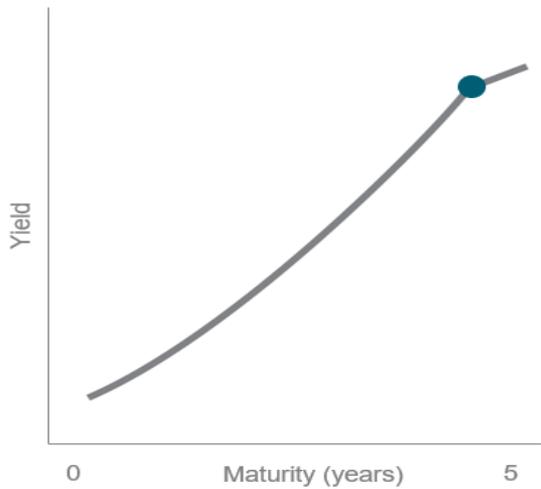
TIME PERIOD 3



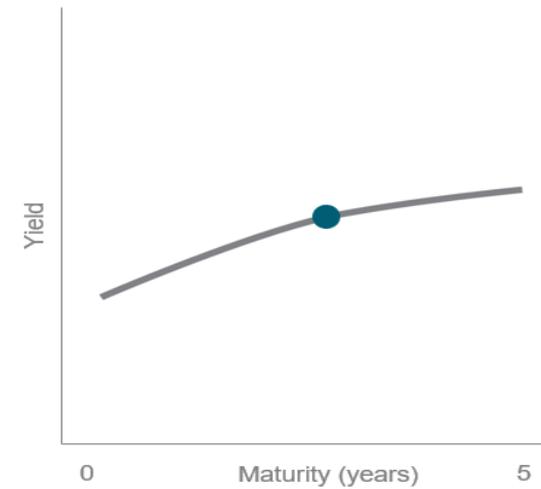
- Index managers will attempt to match the maturity of the benchmark regardless of the yield curve's current shape.
- This approach prioritizes tracking the index over targeting higher expected returns.

## Vary Portfolio Duration to Pursue Higher Expected Returns

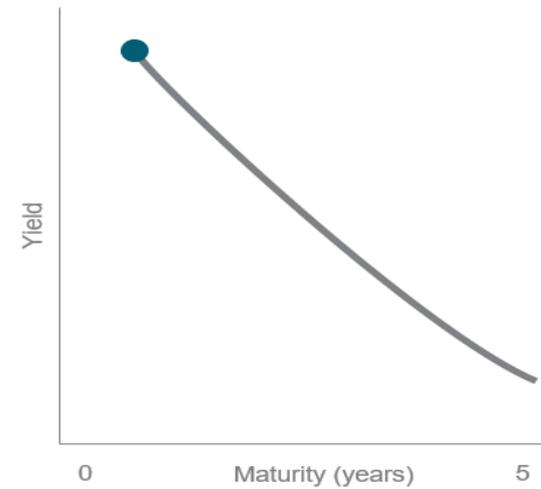
TIME PERIOD 1



TIME PERIOD 2



TIME PERIOD 3



- The level and shape of yield curves tell us about the expected returns of different bonds.
- Because yield curves change through time, the bonds that offer the highest expected returns through time also change.
- A flexible, market-based approach can invest in these bonds to improve the expected return of a bond portfolio over a fixed or index-based approach.

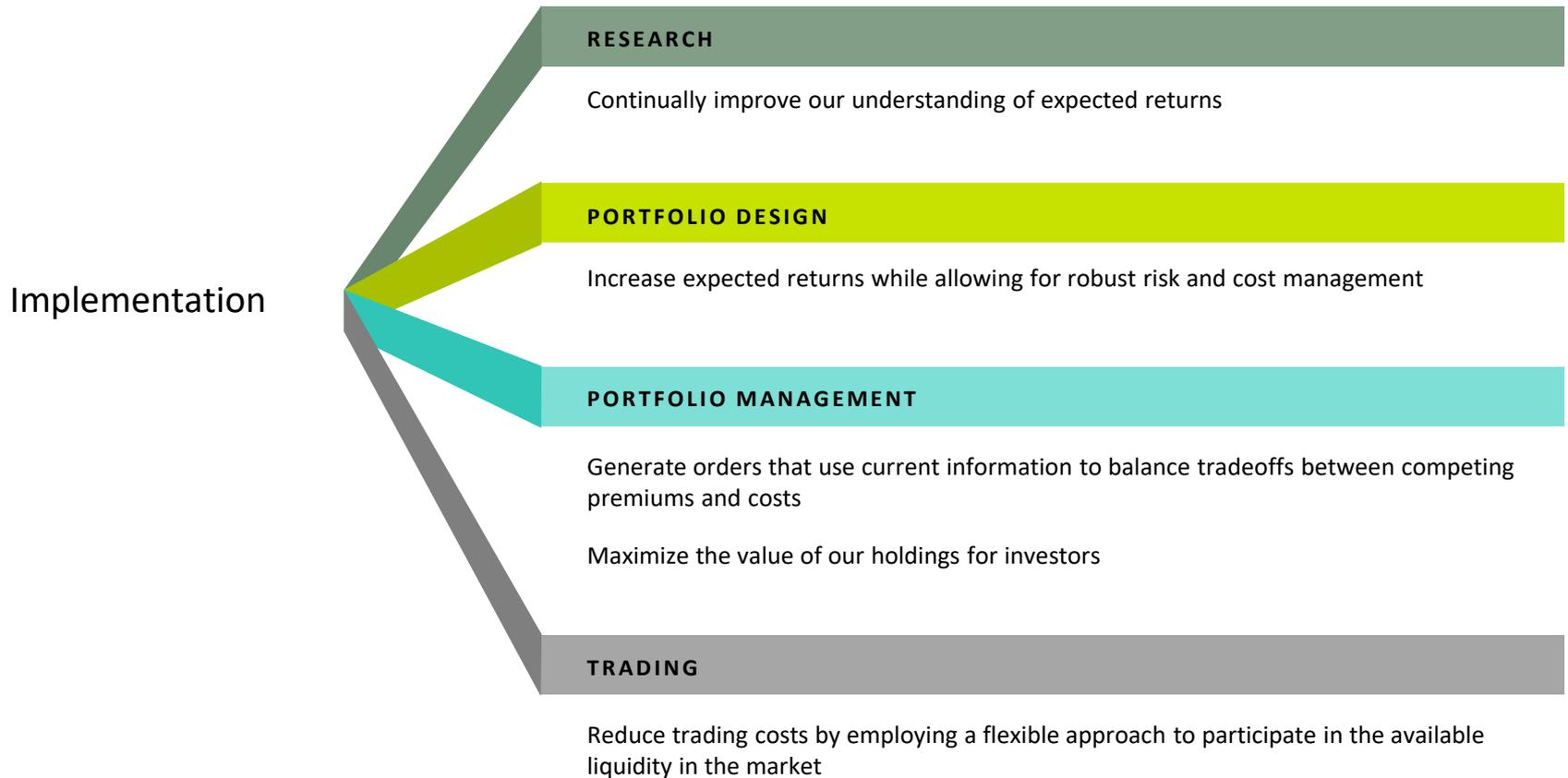
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# OUR IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS

Does it add **Value**

## Adding Value Through Implementation



## Increasing Expected Returns and Managing Risk Every Day

Use current information to balance premiums with diversification and costs over multiple time scales

### Long-term

Company Size

Relative Price

Profitability

### Short-term

Momentum

Securities Lending

### Intra-day

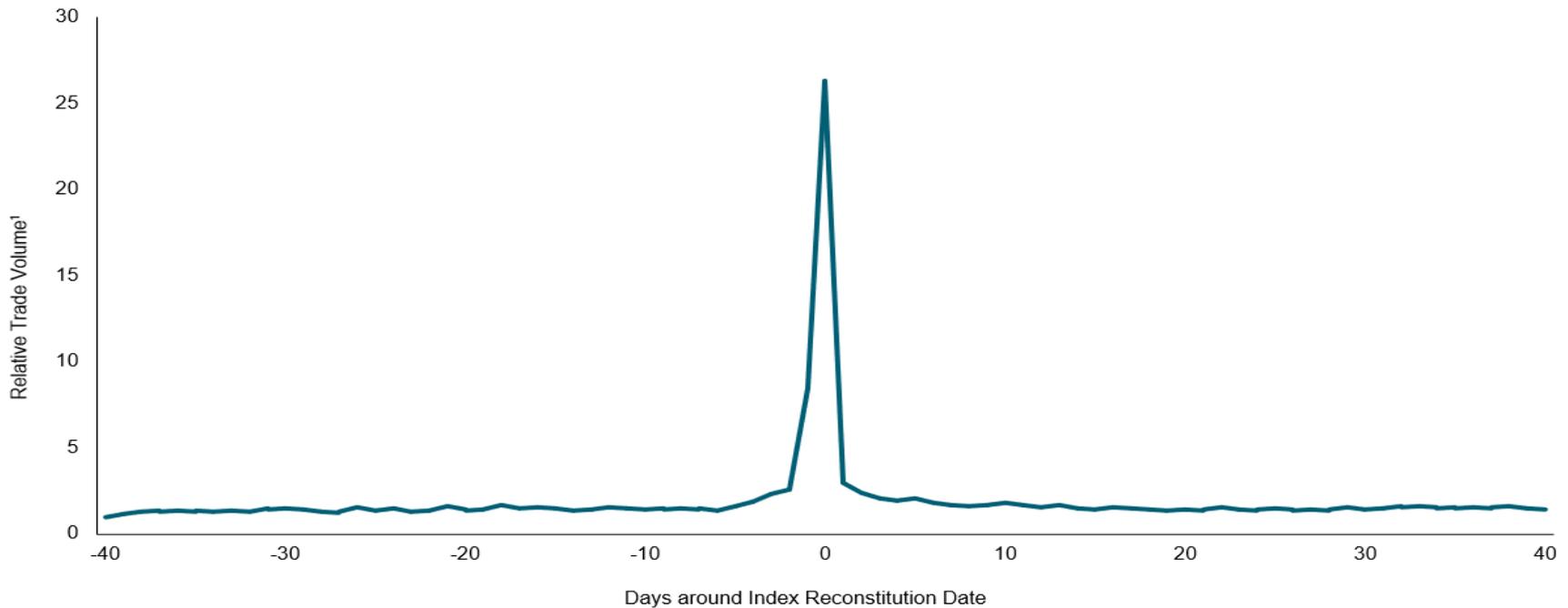
Trading Costs

Diversification does not eliminate the risk of market loss.

## Forced Trading Can Raise Costs

Higher than normal trading activity around the reconstitution date can drive up costs

### AVERAGE RELATIVE TRADE VOLUME OF SECURITIES ADDED TO OR DELETED FROM THE S&P 500 INDEX: 2016–2020



1. Relative Trade Volume = Trade volume on day X / Trade volume 40 days prior to the day the security was added to or deleted from the index.

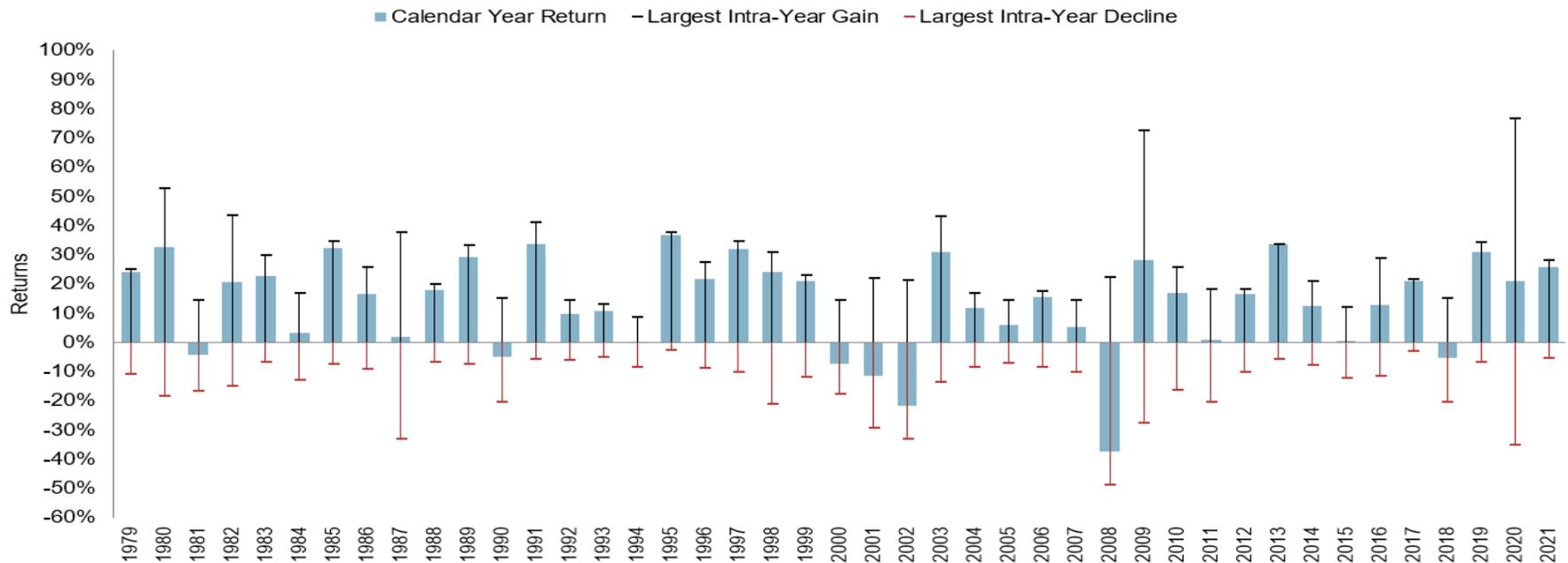
For all securities added to or deleted from the S&P 500 Index between 2016 and 2020, Dimensional calculated the relative trade volume of each security 40 days prior to, through 40 days after, the day such security was added to or deleted from the index. '0' is the date on which the security was added to or deleted from the index, or the index reconstitution date. Relative trade volume is calculated by dividing the trade volume for the day by the trade volume 40 days prior to the index reconstitution date. The chart shows the average of the relative trade volumes of all securities added to or deleted from the index and illustrates the spike in relative trade volume around the day that securities were added to or deleted from the index. Indices are not available for direct investment.

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Source of trade volume: Bloomberg L.P.

## US Market Intra-year Gains and Declines vs. Calendar Year Returns

1979–2021



In US dollars. Data is calculated off rounded daily returns. US Market is the Russell 3000 Index. Largest Intra-Year Gain refers to the largest market increase from trough to peak during the year. Largest Intra-Year Decline refers to the largest market decrease from peak to trough during the year. Frank Russell Company is the source and owner of the trademarks, service marks, and copyrights related to the Russell Indexes. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated. There is always the risk that an investor may lose money. Indices are not available for direct investment. Their performance does not reflect the expenses associated with the management of an actual portfolio. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated. There is always the risk that an investor may lose money. Even a long-term investment approach cannot guarantee a profit.



# WHAT IS OUR VALUE ADD?

CORE Capital is **ready** to help

## CORE's Model Line Up

### CORE Models

CORE Mid Duration 0/100  
 CORE 10/90  
 CORE 25/75  
 CORE 40/60  
 CORE 50/50  
 CORE 60/40  
 CORE 75/5  
 CORE 85/15  
 CORE 97/3

### Tax Managed, Sustainability and Socially Responsible Models

CORE Muni 0/100	
CORE Tax Adv 30/70	
CORE Tax Adv 50/50	
CORE Tax Adv 70/30	
CORE Tax Adv 97/3	
CORE Sustain 25/75	CORE SRI 25/75
CORE Sustain 40/60	CORE SRI 40/60
CORE Sustain 60/40	CORE SRI 60/40
CORE Sustain 75/25	CORE SRI 75/25
CORE Sustain 97/3	CORE SRI 97/3

### Global Market Cap, Deep Premium and ex-US Models

CORE Glb Mkt Cap 40/60  
 CORE Glb Mkt Cap 60/40  
 CORE Glb Mkt Cap 97/3  
  
 CORE Deep Prem 60/40  
 CORE Deep Prem 75/25  
 CORE Deep Prem 97/3  
  
 CORE World ex-US 97/3

There is no guarantee strategies will be successful

*12 years of CORE Capital and 27 years managing DFA*

A Foundation Built on Great Ideas

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## CORE Capital and DFA

CORE Capital takes a different approach to investing, one based on the **science of capital markets** rather than conventional speculation.

We are **passionate** and **more focused** than other managers. We engage with our advisors and their challenges, helping them **build their**

**CORE 75/25**  
as of 03/31/2022, in USD



ASSET ALLOCATION<sup>(i)</sup>

US Equity	51.27%
International Equity	18.63%
Emerging Equity	5.10%
Other Equity	<0.01%
Fixed Income	22.00%
Cash	3.00%

WEIGHTED AVERAGE FEES AND EXPENSES<sup>(ii)</sup>

Management Fee	0.19%
Management Fee After Fee Waiver	0.17%
Total Operating Expense Ratio	0.22%
Net Expense Ratio (to investor)	0.20%

1. Overall equity and fixed income allocations are determined by the model's fund level allocation. Regional breakdowns within equity are determined by the underlying securities' country assignments made by Dimensional and Dimensional's country to region assignments. Cash allocations do not include cash held directly by the funds.

2. Weighted average fees are calculated by taking the model weights and underlying fund fees as published in the most recent prospectus to calculate the model weighted average fee. If a model has a cash component, the fee for that portion of the model is assumed to be 0%. Advisory fees that may be applicable in the management of an overall portfolio are not reflected.

Fees shown are as of the most recent prospectus. Certain Portfolios have entered into fee waiver and/or expense assumption arrangements with the Advisor. In these cases, the Advisor has contractually agreed, under certain circumstances, to waive certain fees and/or assume certain expenses of the Portfolio. Unless otherwise stated in the prospectus, the Advisor may amend or discontinue these arrangements at any time, one year from the date of the prospectus. The net expense ratio reflects the total annual fund operating expenses of the Portfolio after taking into account any such fee waiver and/or expense assumption arrangements. Please read the Portfolio's prospectus for details and more information.

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Prior to listing date, the following ETFs operated as mutual funds: US Core Equity 2 ETF (listing date: June 14, 2021) US Targeted Value ETF (listing date: June 14, 2021) US Small Cap ETF (listing date: June 14, 2021) World ex US Core Equity 2 ETF (listing date: Sept 13, 2021) The NAVs of the predecessor mutual fund are used for both NAV and market price performance from inception to listing. For ETFs, the market price return is calculated from closing prices as determined by the fund's listing exchange. If you trade your shares at another time, your return may differ. ETFs trade like stocks, fluctuate in market value and may trade either at a premium or discount to their net asset value. ETF shares trade at market price and are not individually redeemable with the issuing fund, other than in large share amounts called creation units. ETFs are subject to risk similar to those of stocks, including those regarding short-selling and margin account maintenance. Brokerage commissions and expenses will reduce returns.

MODEL COMPOSITION

	Weight	Inception Date	Total Operating Expense Ratio	Net Expense Ratio (to investor)
DFEQX US Core Equity 1 Portfolio (f)	25.00%	09/15/2005	0.14%	0.14%
DUSLX US Large Cap Growth Portfolio	6.00%	12/20/2012	0.18%	0.18%
DFVLX US Large Cap Value Portfolio (f)	9.00%	02/19/1993	0.32%	0.22%
DFVFX US Targeted Value Portfolio (f)	8.00%	02/23/2000	0.29%	0.29%
DFIEX International Core Equity Portfolio (f)	10.00%	09/15/2005	0.24%	0.24%
DFISX International Small Company Portfolio (f)	3.00%	09/30/1996	0.39%	0.39%
DFVIX International Value Portfolio (f)	4.00%	02/15/1994	0.49%	0.29%
DFCEX Emerging Markets Core Equity Portfolio (f)	5.00%	04/05/2005	0.39%	0.39%
DIPSX Inflation-Protected Securities Portfolio (f)	11.00%	09/18/2006	0.11%	0.11%
DFSD Short Duration Fixed Income ETF	11.00%	11/15/2021	0.19%	0.18%



# Q1

Quarterly Market Review  
First Quarter 2022

## Quarterly Market Summary

Index returns

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
Q1 2022	STOCKS				BONDS	
	-5.28%	-4.81%	-6.97%	-3.81%	-5.93%	-4.05%
						
Since Jan. 2001						
Average Quarterly Return	2.4%	1.6%	2.8%	2.6%	1.0%	1.0%
Best Quarter	22.0%	25.9%	34.7%	32.3%	4.6%	4.6%
	2020 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q3	2001 Q3	2008 Q4
Worst Quarter	-22.8%	-23.3%	-27.6%	-36.1%	-5.9%	-4.1%
	2008 Q4	2020 Q1	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2022 Q1	2022 Q1

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The image shows the cover of Barron's magazine, dated January 6, 2014. The title "BARRON'S" is prominently displayed at the top in a large, white, serif font against a blue background. Below the title, the subtitle "THE DOW JONES BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL WEEKLY" and the website "www.barrons.com" are visible. The main headline "MARKET BEATERS" is written in a large, bold, blue sans-serif font. To the left of the main image, there is a text block: "Who says the markets are efficient? Using an investment strategy built around the pioneering work of Nobel Prize-winning economist Eugene Fama, Dimensional Fund Advisors has delivered astounding results." The central image features two men, Eugene Fama and David Booth, standing side-by-side. Eugene Fama is on the left, wearing a blue blazer over a light blue shirt and dark trousers. David Booth is on the right, wearing a dark blue suit jacket over a white shirt and dark trousers. They are both smiling. The background behind them is a plain, light-colored wall with a subtle circular graphic element.

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Eugene Fama, left, with DFA Co-CEO David Booth

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## DFA's Disciplined Approach Earns It a Top Mark

The firm puts theory into practice with a focus on investors.

Fund Spy | 06-09-15 | by Alex Bryan

*Morningstar recently issued a new Stewardship Grade for DFA. The firm's overall grade—which considers corporate culture, fund board quality, fund manager incentives, fees, and regulatory history—is an A. What follows is Morningstar's analysis of the firm's corporate culture, for which DFA receives an A. This text, as well as analytical text on the other four Stewardship Grade criteria, is available to subscribers of Morningstar's software for advisors and institutions: Morningstar Advisor Workstation(SM), Morningstar Office(SM), and Morningstar Direct(SM).*

Dimensional Fund Advisors has forged a strong and distinctive culture that has served investors well. The firm's low-cost structure and disciplined approach to investing, launching new strategies, and qualifying the financial advisors who use its funds help set it apart. It reflects a consistent, industry-leading focus on fundholders, and thus, we are raising its Corporate Culture grade to an A from a B.

Dimensional's investment philosophy is based on the idea that market prices reflect all publicly available information—commonly known as market efficiency. Therefore, it is not in the business of forecasting and individual security selection. But that does not consign it to a broad market-cap-weighted approach. The firm offers strategies that attempt to beat the market by targeting exposures to what it views as the types of risks that the market compensates. These are characteristics that historically have been associated with higher expected returns, such as credit, duration, value, small market capitalization, and profitability.

Each strategy the firm adopts must be economically sound and backed by substantial empirical evidence that it has consistently delivered attractive returns across different markets and time periods. DFA draws heavily on academic research to develop its strategies. For example, it maintains consulting relationships with several finance professors, including two Nobel laureates, to stay on the cutting edge of financial research. To bridge the gap between theory and implementation, DFA maintains an in-house research team, which focuses on vetting and applying academic research, testing new ideas, and improving the implementation of its existing strategies.

Academic research has guided the evolution of DFA's funds throughout its history. DFA started out specializing in small-cap and micro-cap funds, based on research suggesting that small-cap stocks outperform their larger-cap counterparts. The firm launched its first value strategies in 1993, a year after professors Eugene Fama and Kenneth French published their seminal three-factor asset-pricing model, which indicated that value stocks offer an additional return premium. Most recently, the firm has incorporated a profitability tilt into its equity funds, based on new research suggesting that profitability can help predict long-term returns. These changes refined the strategies but did not fundamentally alter them. This research paved the way for DFA to launch its first growth funds, which target stocks with strong profitability.

Transaction-cost management is an essential tenet of DFA's value proposition. It avoids high-turnover strategies and incorporates transaction costs into its portfolio construction framework. Because its funds do not track an index, DFA's managers are not forced to trade when doing so would not be cost-effective. For example, if a security is near the cusp of a fund's targeted style zone but trading it would significantly move prices against the fund, the fund may defer or avoid trading it. The firm's traders are rarely required to trade any specific stock. They can substitute one stock for another that would be cheaper to trade as long as it has the desired characteristics for the strategy.

DFA often leverages this flexibility to provide liquidity—responding to sell orders with purchase orders or selling stocks to satisfy investor demand. This flexibility distinguishes the firm and should help reduce transaction costs. To further reduce costs and retain full control of its orders, DFA has adopted an automated direct-market-access trading model, which it now uses to place nearly all of its stock trades. As of March 2015, DFA employed 23 traders with an average of 14 years of experience.

An investment committee meets twice a month to provide oversight for the strategies and approve implementation changes. The committee includes the firm's senior executives and portfolio managers. DFA also has a separate investment policy committee that meets to recommend



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- Stay disciplined through market dips and rebalance when models require
- Host Conference Calls with Advisors and DFA

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**International and emerging markets** investing involves special risks such as currency fluctuation and political instability. Investing in emerging markets may accentuate these risks.

**Sector-specific investments** focus on a specific segment of the market, which can increase investment risks.

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**Real estate investment** risks include changes in real estate values and property taxes, interest rates, cash flow of underlying real estate assets, supply and demand, and the management skill and creditworthiness of the issuer.

**Sustainability funds** use environmental and social screens that may limit investment opportunities for the fund.

**Commodities** include increased risks, such as political, economic, and currency instability, and may not be suitable for all investors. The Portfolio may be more volatile than a diversified fund because the Portfolio invests in a smaller number of issuers and commodity sectors.

**The fund prospectuses contain more information about investment risks.**

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<b>US Equity Mutual Funds</b>										
Enhanced US Large Company Portfolio	DFELX	27.48	18.15	16.48	10.12	7/2/1996	0.15	0.19	0.12	0.12
US Core Equity 1 Portfolio	DFEOX	27.54	16.59	15.72	10.58	9/15/2005	0.15	0.15	0.12	0.12
US Core Equity 2 Portfolio	DFQTX	28.51	15.64	15.31	10.20	9/15/2005	0.19	0.19	0.16	0.16
US High Relative Profitability Portfolio	DURPX	23.95	—	—	18.56	5/16/2017	0.25	0.25	0.20	0.20
US Large Cap Equity Portfolio	DUSQX	26.40	17.74	—	15.19	6/25/2013	0.13	0.13	0.10	0.10
US Large Cap Growth Portfolio	DUSLX	26.82	20.23	—	17.24	12/20/2012	0.19	0.19	0.15	0.15
US Large Cap Value Portfolio	DFLVX	28.07	10.91	13.76	10.34	2/19/1993	0.22	0.32	0.29	0.19
US Large Company Portfolio	DFUSX	28.60	18.41	16.47	8.08	9/23/1999	0.08	0.09	0.06	0.06
US Micro Cap Portfolio	DFSCX	33.50	11.03	13.69	12.01	12/23/1981	0.44	0.44	0.41	0.41
US Small Cap Growth Portfolio	DSCGX	25.93	14.07	—	14.26	12/20/2012	0.38	0.38	0.33	0.33
US Small Cap Portfolio	DFSTX	30.61	11.36	13.66	10.86	3/19/1992	0.33	0.33	0.30	0.30
US Small Cap Value Portfolio	DFSVX	39.84	8.97	12.54	11.58	3/2/1993	0.39	0.39	0.36	0.36
US Targeted Value Portfolio	DFVX	38.80	10.06	12.98	11.54	2/23/2000	0.33	0.33	0.30	0.30
US Vector Equity Portfolio	DFVEX	29.55	11.80	13.56	9.08	12/30/2005	0.28	0.28	0.25	0.25

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<b>Non-US Equity Mutual Funds</b>											
Asia Pacific Small Company Portfolio	DFRSX	12.52	9.03	6.58	8.03	1/5/1993	0.47	0.57	0.50	0.40	
Continental Small Company Portfolio	DFCSX	17.89	13.14	13.11	9.86	4/15/1988	0.46	0.56	0.50	0.40	
Emerging Markets Core Equity Portfolio	DFCEX	5.83	10.11	6.05	7.84	4/5/2005	0.39	0.39	0.33	0.33	
Emerging Markets ex China Core Equity Portfolio <sup>3</sup>	DAADX	—	—	—	0.20	11/15/2021	0.43	0.46	0.33	0.33	
Emerging Markets Portfolio	DFEMX	2.53	9.83	5.52	6.94	4/25/1994	0.35	0.45	0.39	0.29	
Emerging Markets Small Cap Portfolio	DEMSX	14.58	10.81	7.90	10.99	3/5/1998	0.60	0.80	0.72	0.52	
Emerging Markets Targeted Value Portfolio	DEMGX	14.58	—	—	11.00	11/14/2018	0.73	0.73	0.52	0.52	
Emerging Markets Value Portfolio	DFEVX	12.41	8.33	4.77	9.41	4/1/1998	0.46	0.56	0.51	0.41	
International Core Equity Portfolio	DFIEX	13.87	9.56	8.62	5.85	9/15/2005	0.25	0.25	0.20	0.20	
International High Relative Profitability Portfolio	DIHRX	13.54	—	—	9.45	5/16/2017	0.31	0.31	0.25	0.25	
International Large Cap Growth Portfolio	DILRX	14.47	12.81	—	8.81	12/20/2012	0.29	0.29	0.23	0.23	
International Small Cap Growth Portfolio	DISMX	14.11	13.04	—	10.78	12/20/2012	0.56	0.58	0.48	0.48	
International Small Cap Value Portfolio	DISVX	15.89	6.77	9.13	7.31	12/29/1994	0.49	0.49	0.45	0.45	
International Small Company Portfolio	DFISX	14.24	10.23	9.97	7.39	9/30/1996	0.44	0.44	0.30	0.30	
International Value Portfolio	DFIVX	18.69	6.93	6.60	6.16	2/15/1994	0.34	0.54	0.50	0.30	
International Vector Equity Portfolio	DFVQX	15.06	9.03	8.60	5.92	8/14/2008	0.40	0.40	0.35	0.35	
Japanese Small Company Portfolio	DFJSX	-0.47	5.93	7.79	5.31	1/31/1986	0.46	0.56	0.50	0.40	
Large Cap International Portfolio	DFALX	12.81	9.88	8.02	6.04	7/17/1991	0.18	0.18	0.14	0.14	
UK Small Company Portfolio	DFUKX	17.46	9.79	10.65	9.14	3/4/1986	0.49	0.77	0.50	0.40	
World ex US Core Equity Portfolio	DFWIX	12.51	9.78	—	6.44	4/9/2013	0.31	0.31	0.25	0.25	
World ex US Value Portfolio	DFWVX	16.32	7.21	6.38	5.21	8/23/2010	0.43	0.62	0.37	0.37	

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<b>Fixed Income Mutual Funds</b>									
California Intermediate-Term Municipal Bond Portfolio	DCIBX	-0.53	1.99	1.98	2.12	11/29/2011	0.23	0.23	0.18
California Municipal Real Return Portfolio	DCARX	6.21	—	—	3.08	11/1/2017	0.29	0.29	0.20
California Short-Term Municipal Bond Portfolio	DFCMX	-0.13	0.88	0.79	1.44	4/2/2007	0.22	0.22	0.18
Diversified Fixed Income Portfolio	DFXIX	-0.60	2.69	—	2.02	8/10/2016	0.15	0.25	0.12
Five-Year Global Fixed Income Portfolio	DFGBX	-1.03	1.62	1.85	4.76	11/6/1990	0.26	0.26	0.22
Global Core Plus Fixed Income Portfolio	DGCFX	-2.04	—	—	4.36	1/11/2018	0.29	0.29	0.24
Global Core Plus Real Return Portfolio <sup>3</sup>	DFAAX	—	—	—	6.24	4/26/2021	0.30	0.31	0.24
Inflation-Protected Securities Portfolio	DIPSX	5.55	5.44	3.10	4.71	9/18/2006	0.11	0.11	0.09
Intermediate Government Fixed Income Portfolio	DFIGX	-3.15	3.17	2.39	5.75	10/19/1990	0.12	0.12	0.09
Intermediate-Term Extended Quality Portfolio	DFTEX	-2.06	4.82	4.14	4.39	7/20/2010	0.23	0.23	0.19
Intermediate-Term Municipal Bond Portfolio	DFTIM	-0.50	2.23	—	1.83	3/1/2012	0.22	0.22	0.18
Investment Grade Portfolio	DFAPX	-2.11	3.92	3.22	3.73	3/7/2011	0.22	0.22	0.19
LTIP Portfolio	DRXIX	9.13	10.66	—	5.28	3/7/2012	0.15	0.15	0.10
Minnesota Municipal Bond Portfolio	DMNBX	-0.31	—	—	1.10	7/25/2017	0.32	0.37	0.25
Municipal Bond Portfolio	DFMPX	-0.55	1.95	—	1.79	3/10/2015	0.23	0.23	0.18
Municipal Real Return Portfolio	DMREX	6.75	3.73	—	2.62	11/4/2014	0.25	0.25	0.20
New York Municipal Bond Portfolio	DNYMX	-0.10	1.27	—	1.39	6/16/2015	0.25	0.28	0.20
One-Year Fixed Income Portfolio	DFIHX	-0.19	1.13	0.83	4.26	7/25/1983	0.17	0.17	0.14
Oregon Municipal Bond Portfolio	DOGMX	-0.44	—	—	1.28	9/10/2019	0.32	0.87	0.25
Selective State Municipal Bond Portfolio	DSSMX	0.10	—	—	0.86	9/30/2020	0.23	0.30	0.20
Selectively Hedged Global Fixed Income Portfolio	DFSHX	-0.82	2.14	1.21	1.29	1/9/2008	0.17	0.17	0.14
Short-Duration Real Return Portfolio	DFAIX	5.40	3.10	—	2.18	11/5/2013	0.22	0.22	0.18
Short-Term Extended Quality Portfolio	DFEOX	-0.60	1.88	1.83	2.65	3/4/2009	0.22	0.23	0.19
Short-Term Government Portfolio	DFFGX	-1.27	0.65	0.76	4.45	6/1/1987	0.20	0.20	0.16
Short-Term Municipal Bond Portfolio	DFSMX	-0.11	0.94	0.77	1.54	8/20/2002	0.21	0.21	0.18
Targeted Credit Portfolio	DTCPX	-0.22	2.46	—	2.22	5/20/2015	0.20	0.23	0.18
Two-Year Fixed Income Portfolio	DFCFX	-0.38	1.10	0.81	2.66	6/6/1996	0.21	0.25	0.14
Two-Year Global Fixed Income Portfolio	DFGFX	-0.37	1.24	0.93	2.81	2/9/1996	0.17	0.17	0.14
Two-Year Government Portfolio	DFYGX	-0.51	0.75	0.55	2.61	6/6/1996	0.20	0.22	0.14
World ex US Government Fixed Income Portfolio	DWFIX	-4.63	3.24	3.88	3.95	12/6/2011	0.20	0.21	0.17
Commodity Strategy Portfolio	DCMSX	28.46	4.44	-1.65	-2.22	11/9/2010	0.32	0.32	0.28

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<b>US Equity ETFs</b>										
US Equity ETF <sup>3</sup> (NAV)	DFUS	26.85	18.15	16.34	10.14	9/25/2001	6/14/2021	0.11	0.11	0.08
US Equity ETF <sup>3</sup> (Market Price)		26.94	18.16	16.35	10.14					
After Taxes on Distributions		26.24	17.65	15.87	9.79					
After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares		15.86	14.58	13.74	8.71					
US Core Equity Market ETF (NAV)	DFAU	26.86	—	—	29.78	11/17/2020	11/18/2020	0.12	0.12	0.12
US Core Equity Market ETF (Market Price)		26.89	—	—	29.87					
US Core Equity 2 Equity ETF <sup>3</sup> (NAV)	DFAC	27.57	15.54	15.29	9.86	10/4/2007	6/14/2021	0.19	0.19	0.16
US Core Equity 2 Equity ETF <sup>3</sup> (Market Price)		27.53	15.54	15.29	9.86					
After Taxes on Distributions		26.95	14.92	14.71	9.40					
After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares		16.29	12.33	12.75	8.16					
US Targeted Value ETF <sup>3</sup> (NAV)	DFAT	35.40	9.49	13.06	10.36	12/11/1998	6/14/2021	0.34	0.34	0.30
US Targeted Value ETF <sup>3</sup> (Market Price)		35.49	9.50	13.07	10.36					
After Taxes on Distributions		34.60	8.60	12.10	9.68					
After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares		20.94	7.24	10.64	8.92					
US Small Cap ETF <sup>3</sup> (NAV)	DFAS	29.70	11.14	13.62	10.10	12/15/1998	6/14/2021	0.34	0.34	0.30
US Small Cap ETF <sup>3</sup> (Market Price)		29.57	11.12	13.61	10.09					
After Taxes on Distributions		28.53	10.36	12.88	9.67					
After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares		18.01	8.66	11.23	8.78					

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<b>Non-US Equity ETFs</b>											
Emerging Core Equity Market ETF <sup>4</sup> (NAV)	DFAE	3.48	—	—	8.50	12/1/2020	12/2/2020	0.35	0.35	0.35	
Emerging Core Equity Market ETF <sup>4</sup> (Market Price)		3.52	—	—	8.71						
International Core Equity Market ETF <sup>4</sup> (NAV)	DFAI	13.75	—	—	18.17	11/17/2020	11/18/2020	0.18	0.18	0.18	
International Core Equity Market ETF <sup>4</sup> (Market Price)		13.85	—	—	18.16						
International Value ETF <sup>3</sup> (NAV)	DFIV	17.29	6.85	6.41	5.67	4/16/1999	9/13/2021	0.35	0.35	0.30	
International Value ETF <sup>3</sup> (Market Price)		17.29	6.85	6.41	5.67						
After Taxes on Distributions		15.43	6.11	5.76	5.08						
After Taxes on Distributions & Sale of Fund Shares		10.21	5.33	5.17	4.80						
World ex US Core Equity 2 ETF <sup>3</sup> (NAV)	DFAX	11.73	9.65	7.94	4.50	3/6/2008	9/13/2021	0.31	0.31	0.25	
World ex US Core Equity 2 ETF <sup>3</sup> (Market Price)		11.78	9.66	7.94	4.50						
After Taxes on Distributions		10.59	9.05	7.41	4.04						
After Taxes on Distributions & Sale of Fund Shares		6.94	7.58	6.43	3.60						
<b>Fixed Income ETFs</b>											
Core Fixed Income ETF <sup>5</sup> (NAV)	DFCF	—	—	—	0.20	11/15/2021	11/16/2021	0.19	0.20	0.17	
Core Fixed Income ETF <sup>5</sup> (market price)		—	—	—	0.34						
Inflation Protected Securities <sup>5</sup> ETF (NAV)	DFIP	—	—	—	-0.33	11/15/2021	11/16/2021	0.11	0.12	0.09	
Inflation Protected Securities <sup>5</sup> ETF (market price)		—	—	—	-0.14						
National Municipal Bond ETF <sup>5</sup> (NAV)	DFNM	—	—	—	0.45	11/15/2021	11/16/2021	0.18	0.19	0.16	
National Municipal Bond ETF <sup>5</sup> (market price)		—	—	—	0.61						
Short-Duration Fixed Income ETF <sup>5</sup> (NAV)	DFSD	—	—	—	-0.13	11/15/2021	11/16/2021	0.18	0.19	0.16	
Short-Duration Fixed Income ETF <sup>5</sup> (market price)		—	—	—	0.06						

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**Fama/French Total US Market Research Index:** July 1926–present: Fama/French Total US Market Research Factor + One-Month US Treasury Bills. Source: Ken French Website.

**Fama/French US Small Cap Research Index:** July 1926–present: Fama/French US Small Cap Research Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from CRSP and Compustat securities data. Includes NYSE securities (plus AMEX equivalents since July 1962 and NASDAQ equivalents since 1973) in the lower 50% market equity range of NYSE firms; rebalanced annually in June.

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**Fama/French US Value Research Index:** Provided by Fama/French from CRSP securities data. Includes the lower 30% in price-to-book of NYSE securities (plus NYSE Amex equivalents since July 1962 and Nasdaq equivalents since 1973).

**Fama/French US Growth Research Index:** Provided by Fama/French from CRSP securities data. Includes the higher 30% in price-to-book of NYSE securities (plus NYSE Amex equivalents since July 1962 and Nasdaq equivalents since 1973).

**Fama/French US Small Value Research Index:** Provided by Fama/French from CRSP securities data. Includes the lower 30% in price-to-book of NYSE securities (plus NYSE Amex equivalents since July 1962 and Nasdaq equivalents since 1973) that have smaller market capitalization than the median NYSE company.

**Fama/French US Small Growth Research Index:** Provided by Fama/French from CRSP securities data. Includes the higher 30% in price-to-book of NYSE securities (plus NYSE Amex equivalents since July 1962 and Nasdaq equivalents since 1973) that have smaller market capitalization than the median NYSE company.

**Fama/French US Large Value Research Index:** Provided by Fama/French from CRSP securities data. Includes the lower 30% in price-to-book of NYSE securities (plus NYSE Amex equivalents since July 1962 and Nasdaq equivalents since 1973) that have larger market capitalization than the median NYSE company.

**Fama/French US Large Growth Research Index:** Provided by Fama/French from CRSP securities data. Includes the higher 30% in price-to-book of NYSE securities (plus NYSE Amex equivalents since July 1962 and Nasdaq equivalents since 1973) that have larger market capitalization than the median NYSE company.

**Fama/French US High Profitability Index:** July 1963–present: Fama/French US High Profitability Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from CRSP and Compustat securities data. Includes all stocks in the upper 30% operating profitability range of NYSE eligible firms; rebalanced annually in June. OP for June of year  $t$  is annual revenues minus cost of goods sold, interest expense, and selling, general, and administrative expenses divided by book equity for the last fiscal year end in  $t-1$ . Fama/French and multifactor data provided by Fama/French.

**Fama/French US Low Profitability Index:** July 1963–present: Fama/French US Low Profitability Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from CRSP and Compustat securities data. Includes all stocks in the lower 30% operating profitability range of NYSE eligible firms; rebalanced annually in June. OP for June of year  $t$  is annual revenues minus cost of goods sold, interest expense, and selling, general, and administrative expenses divided by book equity for the last fiscal year end in  $t-1$ . Fama/French and multifactor data provided by Fama/French.

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## Index Descriptions

**Fama/French International Market Index:** January 1975–present: Fama/French International Market Index. Source: Ken French website. Simulated from MSCI and Bloomberg data.

**Fama/French International Value Index:** January 1975–present: Fama/French International Value Index. Simulated strategy of international developed countries with securities in the lower 30% price-to-book range. Source: Ken French website. Simulated from MSCI and Bloomberg data.

**Fama/French International Growth Index:** January 1975–present: Fama/French International Growth Index. Simulated strategy of international developed countries with securities in the higher 30% price-to-book range. Source: Ken French website. Simulated from MSCI and Bloomberg data.

**Fama/French International High Profitability Index:** July 1990–present: Fama/French International High Profitability Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from Bloomberg securities data. Includes stocks in the upper 30% operating profitability range in each region; companies weighted by float-adjusted market cap; rebalanced annually in June. OP for June of year  $t$  is annual revenues minus cost of goods sold, interest expense, and selling, general, and administrative expenses divided by book equity for the last fiscal year end in  $t-1$ . Fama/French and multifactor data provided by Fama/French.

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**Fama/French Emerging Markets Index:** July 1989–present: Fama/French Emerging Markets Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from Bloomberg and IFC securities data. Companies weighted by float-adjusted market cap; rebalanced annually in June. Fama/French and multifactor data provided by Fama/French.

**Fama/French Emerging Markets Value Index:** July 1989–present: Fama/French Emerging Markets Value Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from Bloomberg and IFC securities data. Includes stocks in the upper 30% book-to-market range in each country; companies weighted by float-adjusted market cap; rebalanced annually in June. Fama/French and multifactor data provided by Fama/French.

**Fama/French Emerging Markets Growth Index:** July 1989–present: Fama/French Emerging Markets Growth Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from Bloomberg and IFC securities data. Includes stocks in the bottom 30% book-to-market range in each country; companies weighted by float-adjusted market cap; rebalanced annually in June. Fama/French and multifactor data provided by Fama/French.

**Fama/French Emerging Markets High Profitability Index:** July 1991–present: Fama/French Emerging Markets High Profitability Index. Courtesy of Fama/French from Bloomberg and IFC securities data. Includes stocks in the upper 30% operating profitability range in each country; companies weighted by float-adjusted market cap; rebalanced annually in June. OP for June of year  $t$  is annual revenues minus cost of goods sold, interest expense, and selling, general, and administrative expenses divided by book equity for the last fiscal year end in  $t-1$ . Fama/French and multifactor data provided by Fama/French.

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## Data Appendix



### Data Sample

US-domiciled, non-Dimensional open-end mutual fund data provided by Morningstar. Dimensional fund data is provided by the fund accountant. Beginning sample includes funds as of the start of the sample period. Dimensional funds or subadvised funds whose access is or previously was limited to certain investors are also excluded. Index funds, load-waived funds and funds of funds are excluded from the industry sample.

### Methodology

Surviving funds are those with return observations for every month of the sample period. Each fund is evaluated relative to its primary prospectus benchmark. Where the full series of primary prospectus benchmark returns is unavailable, non-Dimensional funds are instead evaluated relative to their Morningstar category index.

Outperformers are funds that survived the sample period and whose cumulative net return over the period exceeded that of their respective benchmark. We aggregate funds with multiple share classes to the strategy level.

### Morningstar Categories (Equity)

Equity fund sample includes the following Morningstar historical categories: Diversified Emerging Markets, Europe Stock, Foreign Large Blend, Foreign Large Growth, Foreign Large Value, Foreign Small/Mid Blend, Foreign Small/Mid Growth, Foreign Small/Mid Value, Global Real Estate, Japan Stock, Large Blend, Large Growth, Large Value, Mid-Cap Blend, Mid-Cap Growth, Mid-Cap Value, Miscellaneous Region, Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stock, Real Estate, Small Blend, Small Growth, Small Value, World Large Stock, and World Small/Mid Stock.

### Morningstar Categories (Fixed Income)

Fixed income fund sample includes the following Morningstar historical categories: Corporate Bond, High Yield Bond, Inflation-Protected Bond, Intermediate Core Bond, Intermediate Core-Plus Bond, Intermediate Government, Long Government, Muni California Intermediate, Muni California Long, Muni Massachusetts, Muni Minnesota, Muni National Intermediate, Muni National Long, Muni National Short, Muni New Jersey, Muni New York Intermediate, Muni New York Long, Muni Ohio, Muni Pennsylvania, Muni Single State Intermediate, Muni Single State Long, Muni Single State Short, Muni Target Maturity, Short Government, Short-Term Bond, Target Maturity, Ultrashort Bond, World Bond, and World Bond-USD Hedged.

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