

529 Individual Portfolio Investor fact sheet

Small-Cap Stock Portfolio

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Summary

Objective

Long-term capital growth

Use for

Adding a targeted option to a 529 education savings portfolio

Morningstar category

Static Small-Cap Equity

Strategy

Small company focus

Investing in small-cap companies, which typically offer greater return potential than larger, established businesses

Blend investment style

Combining growth- and value-focused investment strategies, the fund aims for less volatility than a growth-only approach

Backed by fundamental research

Leveraging the research expertise and the collective insight of a broad team of equity analysts

Managed by



Long-tenured manager offering expertise across asset classes and a risk-aware style of investing built on fundamental, in-house research on a global scale

On the fund since 2003.
Investing since 2001

Subadvised by



Average annual total returns^{1,2}

| | Qtd | 1 yr | 3 yr | 5 yr | 10 yr | Life of fund | Life of fund date | % |
|------------------------------|------|-------|------|------|-------|--------------|-------------------|---|
| Class A without sales charge | 5.02 | 10.34 | 9.04 | 7.16 | 9.65 | 10.32 | 4/30/03 | |
| Class A with sales charge | 0.82 | 5.93 | 7.56 | 6.07 | 9.06 | 10.02 | 4/30/03 | |

EXPENSE RATIOS

| | TOTAL |
|---------|-------|
| Class A | 1.29% |

The performance data shown represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. With sales charge figures reflect the maximum sales charge, which is 4.0%. Returns for periods shorter than one year are cumulative, and results for other share classes will vary. Investment returns in John Hancock Freedom 529's portfolios and the value of an investor's units will fluctuate and may be worth more or less than the original cost when redeemed. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance cited. Performance current to the most recent month end is available at jhinvestments.com/529. Diversification cannot assure a profit or protect against loss in a declining market.

Note: performance for periods prior to 11/14/2019 reflects the prior maximum sales charge and expenses of the portfolios. Please see the Plan Disclosure Document for more details.

Growth of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment³

Class A without sales charge – 5/1/03 – 6/30/23

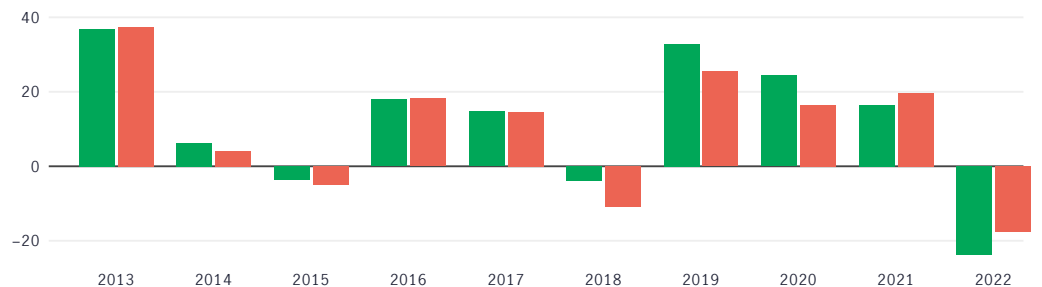


1 Year-to-date returns are cumulative. All other performance is an average annual total return except for portfolios that are less than one year old, in which case the inception-to-date returns are cumulative **2** Class A units of each portfolio will also be charged an annual program management fee of 0.25%, an annual trust fee of 0.05%, and an annual distribution and service fee. Please see the Plan Disclosure Document for more details. **3** Performance data shown excludes fees and expenses. The performance data would be lower if such fees and expenses were included. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

Calendar year returns³

%

Class A without sales charge



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■ Static small-cap equity category

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|---|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| ■ | 36.80 | 6.26 | -3.71 | 17.92 | 14.66 | -3.78 | 32.91 | 24.36 | 16.52 | -23.85 |
| ■ | 37.43 | 4.17 | -4.85 | 18.22 | 14.53 | -10.79 | 25.46 | 16.47 | 19.65 | -17.68 |
| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |

Key facts

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Total net assets | \$40.60 m |
| Portfolio composition ⁴ (%) | |
| Equity | 100.00 |

What you should know before investing

Investing involves risks, including the potential loss of principal. There is no guarantee that a portfolio's investment strategy will be successful or that education expenses will be met. Even if you contribute the maximum amount, there is no assurance that the money in your account will be sufficient to cover all the education expenses your beneficiary may incur or that the rate of return on your investment will match or exceed the rate at which education expenses may rise. The impact of inflation on education expenses is uncertain and could exceed the return on investments in your account. Please see the Plan Disclosure Document for additional risks.

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