

**John Hancock Investment Trust
John Hancock ESG All Cap Core Fund**

Supplement dated March 1, 2021 to the current Summary Prospectus (the “Summary Prospectus”)

At its meeting held on December 8 – 10, 2020, the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of John Hancock Investment Trust (the “Trust”), of which John Hancock ESG All Cap Core Fund (“ESG All Cap Core Fund”) is a series, voted to recommend that the shareholders of ESG All Cap Core Fund approve a reorganization, that is expected to be tax-free, of ESG All Cap Core Fund into John Hancock ESG Large Cap Core Fund (“ESG Large Cap Core Fund” and, together with ESG All Cap Core Fund, the “Funds”), also a series of the Trust, as described below (the “Reorganization”). Shareholders of record as of February 4, 2021, are entitled to vote on the Reorganization.

Under the terms of the Reorganization, subject to shareholder approval at a shareholder meeting scheduled to be held telephonically on April 9, 2021, ESG All Cap Core Fund would transfer all of its assets to ESG Large Cap Core Fund in exchange for corresponding shares of ESG Large Cap Core Fund. ESG Large Cap Core Fund would also assume substantially all of ESG All Cap Core Fund’s liabilities. The corresponding shares of ESG Large Cap Core Fund would then be distributed to ESG All Cap Core Fund’s shareholders, and ESG All Cap Core Fund would be terminated. If approved by ESG All Cap Core Fund’s shareholders, the Reorganization is expected to occur as of the close of business on or about April 16, 2021 (the “Closing Date”). Further information regarding the proposed Reorganization will be contained in a proxy statement and prospectus, which is expected to be delivered to shareholders on or about March 5, 2021.

ESG All Cap Core Fund will remain open to purchases and redemptions from existing shareholders until the Closing Date. ESG All Cap Core Fund is no longer accepting orders from new investors to purchase shares of ESG All Cap Core Fund, effective as of the close of business on February 3, 2021. However, discretionary fee-based advisory programs that included ESG All Cap Core Fund as an investment option as of the close of business on February 3, 2021, may continue to make ESG All Cap Core Fund shares available to new and existing accounts.

Prior to the Reorganization, any dividends paid will be paid in accordance with the current dividend option of an account; accounts in which the dividend reinvestment option has been chosen will receive any dividends in the form of additional shares of ESG All Cap Core Fund.

To satisfy an Internal Revenue Service requirement, ESG All Cap Core Fund hereby designates the maximum amount of the net long term gains earned as a capital gain dividend, if any, with respect to ESG All Cap Core Fund’s final taxable year. Please refer to Form 1099-DIV for tax reporting purposes.

The foregoing is not an offer to sell, nor a solicitation of an offer to buy, any shares in connection with the Reorganization, nor is it a solicitation of any proxy. For important information regarding ESG All Cap Core Fund or ESG Large Cap Core Fund, or to receive a free copy of the proxy statement/prospectus relating to the proposed merger, please call the Funds’ toll-free telephone number: 800-225-5291 (Class A and Class C) and 888-972-8696 (Class I and Class R6). The proxy statement/prospectus contains important information about fund objectives, strategies, fees, expenses, risks, and the Board’s considerations in approving the Reorganization. The proxy statement/prospectus also is available for free on the SEC’s website (www.sec.gov). Please read the proxy statement/prospectus carefully before making any decision to invest in any shares in connection with the Reorganization or when considering whether to vote for the Reorganization.

You should read this Supplement in conjunction with the Summary Prospectus and retain it for your future reference.

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ESG

Before you invest, you may want to review the fund's prospectus, which contains more information about the fund and its risks. You can find the fund's prospectus and other information about the fund, including the Statement of Additional Information and most recent reports, online at www.jhinvestments.com/prospectuses. You can also get this information at no cost by calling 800-225-5291 (Class A and Class C) or 888-972-8696 (Class I and Class R6) or by sending an email request to info@jhinvestments.com. The fund's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, both dated 3/1/21, as may be supplemented, and most recent financial highlights information included in the shareholder report, dated 10/31/20, are incorporated by reference into this summary prospectus.

TICKERS

A: JHKAX C: JHKCX I: JHKIX R6: JHKRX

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

To seek long-term capital appreciation.

FEES AND EXPENSES

This table describes the fees and expenses you may pay if you buy, hold, and sell shares of the fund. You may qualify for sales charge discounts on Class A shares if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in the John Hancock family of funds. Intermediaries may have different policies and procedures regarding the availability of front-end sales charge waivers or contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) waivers (See Appendix 1 - Intermediary sales charge waivers, which includes information about specific sales charge waivers applicable to the intermediaries identified therein). Although the fund does not impose any sales charges on Class I shares, you may pay commissions to your broker on your purchases and sales of Class I shares, which are not reflected in the table and example below. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial professional and on pages 17 to 19 of the prospectus under "Sales charge reductions and waivers" or pages 133 to 136 of the fund's Statement of Additional Information under "Sales Charges on Class A and Class C Shares."

Shareholder fees (%) (fees paid directly from your investment)	A	C	I	R6
Maximum front-end sales charge (load) on purchases, as a % of purchase price	5.00	None	None	None
Maximum deferred sales charge (load) as a % of purchase or sale price, whichever is less (on certain purchases, including those of \$1 million or more)	1.00	1.00	None	None
Small account fee (for fund account balances under \$1,000) (\$)	20	20	None	None
Annual fund operating expenses (%) (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)	A	C	I	R6
Management fee	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75
Distribution and service (Rule 12b-1) fees	0.25	1.00	0.00	0.00
Other expenses	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.69
Total annual fund operating expenses	1.80	2.55	1.55	1.44
Contractual expense reimbursement ¹	-0.62	-0.62	-0.62	-0.62
Total annual fund operating expenses after expense reimbursements	1.18	1.93	0.93	0.82

¹ The advisor contractually agrees to reduce its management fee or, if necessary, make payment to the fund in an amount equal to the amount by which expenses of the fund exceed 0.81% of average daily net assets of the fund. For purposes of this agreement, "expenses of the fund" means all fund expenses, excluding (a) taxes, (b) brokerage commissions, (c) interest expense, (d) litigation and indemnification expenses and other extraordinary expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the fund's business, (e) class-specific expenses, (f) borrowing costs, (g) prime brokerage fees, (h) acquired fund fees and expenses paid indirectly, and (i) short dividend expense. This agreement expires on February 28, 2022, unless renewed by mutual agreement of the advisor and the fund based upon a determination that this is appropriate under the circumstances at that time. The advisor also contractually agrees to waive a portion of its management fee and/or reimburse expenses for the fund and certain other John Hancock funds according to an asset level breakpoint schedule that is based on the aggregate net assets of all the funds participating in the waiver or reimbursement. This waiver is allocated proportionally among the participating funds. During its most recent fiscal year, the fund's reimbursement amounted to 0.01% of the fund's average daily net assets. This agreement expires on July 31, 2022, unless renewed by mutual agreement of the fund and the advisor based upon a determination that this is appropriate under the circumstances at that time.

EXPENSE EXAMPLE

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. Please see below a hypothetical example showing the expenses of a \$10,000 investment for the time periods indicated and then, except as shown below, assuming you sell all of your shares at the end of those periods. The example assumes a 5% average annual return and that fund expenses will not change over the periods. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions, your costs would be:

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Expenses (\$)	A	C	I	R6	
Shares		Sold	Not Sold		
1 year	614	296	196	95	84
3 years	981	735	735	429	395
5 years	1,371	1,300	1,300	786	728
10 years	2,462	2,655	2,655	1,793	1,671

PORTFOLIO TURNOVER

The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the fund’s performance. During its most recent fiscal year, the fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 23% of the average value of its portfolio.

PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

Under normal market conditions, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in equity securities of any market capitalization or sector that meet the manager’s sustainability criteria. Equity securities include common and preferred stocks and their equivalents. The manager seeks companies meeting its sustainability criteria with high quality characteristics including strong environmental, social, and governance (ESG) records.

The manager employs a bottom-up financial analysis that includes a review of ESG issues and how they may impact stock valuation or performance. ESG factors reflect a variety of key sustainability issues that can influence company risks and opportunities and span a range of metrics including board diversity, climate change policies, and supply chain and human rights policies. Companies that meet the manager’s ESG requirements or sustainability criteria typically have strong sustainability data and policy reporting, for example publishing a comprehensive corporate sustainability report. The fund may also invest up to 20% of its total assets in the equity securities of foreign issuers, including American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) and Global Depositary Receipts (GDRs). The fund may focus its investments in a particular sector or sectors of the economy. The manager may sell stocks for several reasons, including when the stock no longer meets the manager’s ESG or sustainability criteria, or when the stock declines in value and no longer reflects the manager’s investment thesis. The fund will not invest in any companies with material exposure to agricultural biotechnology, coal mining, hard rock mining, nuclear power, tar sands, tobacco, or weapons/firearms. The fund also will not invest in any companies with major recent or ongoing controversies involving animal welfare, environmental, governance, human rights, product safety, or workplace matters.

The manager employs active shareowner engagement to raise environmental, social, and governance issues with the management of select portfolio companies, and may file shareholder proposals on behalf of the fund. Through this effort, the manager seeks to encourage company managements toward greater transparency, accountability, disclosure, and commitment to ESG issues.

PRINCIPAL RISKS

An investment in the fund is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Many factors affect performance, and fund shares will fluctuate in price, meaning you could lose money. The fund’s investment strategy may not produce the intended results.

During periods of heightened market volatility or reduced liquidity, governments, their agencies, or other regulatory bodies, both within the United States and abroad, may take steps to intervene. These actions, which could include legislative, regulatory, or economic initiatives, might have unforeseeable consequences and could adversely affect the fund’s performance or otherwise constrain the fund’s ability to achieve its investment objective.

The fund’s main risks are listed below in alphabetical order, not in order of importance. *Before investing, be sure to read the additional descriptions of these risks beginning on page 6 of the prospectus.*

Cybersecurity and operational risk. Cybersecurity breaches may allow an unauthorized party to gain access to fund assets, customer data, or proprietary information, or cause a fund or its service providers to suffer data corruption or lose operational functionality. Similar incidents affecting issuers of a fund’s securities may negatively impact performance. Operational risk may arise from human error, error by third parties, communication errors, or technology failures, among other causes.

Economic and market events risk. Events in the U.S. and global financial markets, including actions taken by the U.S. Federal Reserve or foreign central banks to stimulate or stabilize economic growth, may at times result in unusually high market volatility, which could negatively impact performance. Reduced liquidity in credit and fixed-income markets could adversely affect issuers worldwide. Banks and financial services companies could suffer losses if interest rates rise or economic conditions deteriorate.

Equity securities risk. The price of equity securities may decline due to changes in a company’s financial condition or overall market conditions.

Foreign securities risk. Less information may be publicly available regarding foreign issuers. Foreign securities may be subject to foreign taxes and may be more volatile than U.S. securities. Currency fluctuations and political and economic developments may adversely impact the value of foreign securities. Any

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depository receipts are subject to most of the risks associated with investing in foreign securities directly because the value of a depository receipt is dependent upon the market price of the underlying foreign equity security. Depository receipts are also subject to liquidity risk.

Large company risk. Larger companies may grow more slowly than smaller companies or be slower to respond to business developments. Large-capitalization securities may underperform the market as a whole.

Liquidity risk. The extent (if at all) to which a security may be sold without negatively impacting its market value may be impaired by reduced market activity or participation, legal restrictions, or other economic and market impediments.

Preferred and convertible securities risk. Preferred stock dividends are payable only if declared by the issuer's board. Preferred stock may be subject to redemption provisions. The market values of convertible securities tend to fall as interest rates rise and rise as interest rates fall. Convertible preferred stock's value can depend heavily upon the underlying common stock's value.

Responsible investing risk. Investing primarily in responsible investments carries the risk that the fund may underperform funds that do not utilize a responsible investment strategy.

Sector risk. When a fund focuses its investments in certain sectors of the economy, its performance may be driven largely by sector performance and could fluctuate more widely than if the fund were invested more evenly across sectors.

Small and mid-sized company risk. Small and mid-sized companies are generally less established and may be more volatile than larger companies. Small and/or mid-capitalization securities may underperform the market as a whole.

Sustainability (ESG) policy risk. The fund's ESG policy could cause it to perform differently compared to similar funds that do not have such a policy.

PAST PERFORMANCE

The following information illustrates the variability of the fund's returns and provides some indication of the risks of investing in the fund by showing changes in the fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the fund's average annual returns compared with a broad-based market index. Past performance (before and after taxes) does not indicate future results. All figures assume dividend reinvestment. Performance information is updated daily, monthly, and quarterly and may be obtained at our website, jhinvestments.com, or by calling 800-225-5291 (Class A and Class C), Monday to Thursday, 8:00 A.M.—7:00 P.M., and Friday, 8:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M., Eastern time, or 888-972-8696 (Class I and Class R6) between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Eastern time, on most business days.

Please note that after-tax returns (shown for Class A shares only) reflect the highest individual federal marginal income-tax rate in effect as of the date provided and do not reflect any state or local taxes. Your actual after-tax returns may be different. After-tax returns are not relevant to shares held in an IRA, 401(k), or other tax-advantaged investment plan. After-tax returns for other share classes would vary.

Calendar year total returns (%)—Class A (sales charges are not reflected in the bar chart and returns would have been lower if they were)



Best quarter: Q2 2020, 22.20%

Worst quarter: Q1 2020, -21.81%

Average annual total returns (%)—as of 12/31/20	1 year	Since inception (06/06/16)
Class A (before tax)	12.87	13.12
after tax on distributions	12.84	12.63
after tax on distributions, with sale	7.64	10.32
Class C	17.00	13.55
Class I	19.19	14.69
Class R6	19.29	14.81
S&P Composite 1500 Index (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses, or taxes)	17.92	15.46

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INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

Investment advisor John Hancock Investment Management LLC

Subadvisor Trillium Asset Management, LLC

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Elizabeth R. Levy, CFA

Lead Portfolio Manager

Managed the fund since 2016

Laura L. McGonagle, CFA

Portfolio Manager

Managing the fund effective March 31, 2021

Cheryl I. Smith, Ph.D., CFA

Portfolio Manager

Managed the fund since 2016

PURCHASE AND SALE OF FUND SHARES

The minimum initial investment requirement for Class A and Class C shares is \$1,000 (\$250 for group investments), except that there is no minimum for certain group retirement plans, certain fee-based or wrap accounts, or certain other eligible investment product platforms. The minimum initial investment requirement for Class I shares is \$250,000, except that the fund may waive the minimum for any category of investors at the fund's sole discretion. The minimum initial investment requirement for Class R6 shares is \$1 million, except that there is no minimum for: qualified and nonqualified plan investors; certain eligible qualifying investment product platforms; Trustees, employees of the advisor or its affiliates, employees of the subadvisor, members of the fund's portfolio management team and the spouses and children (under age 21) of the aforementioned. There are no subsequent minimum investment requirements for any of these share classes.

Class A, Class C, Class I, and Class R6 shares may be redeemed on any business day by mail: John Hancock Signature Services, Inc., P.O. Box 219909, Kansas City, MO 64121-9909; or for most account types through our website: jhinvestments.com; or by telephone: 800-225-5291 (Class A and Class C); 888-972-8696 (Class I and Class R6).

TAXES

The fund's distributions are taxable, and will be taxed as ordinary income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-deferred arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Withdrawals from such tax-deferred arrangements may be subject to tax at a later date.

PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

If you purchase the fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank, registered investment advisor, financial planner, or retirement plan administrator), the fund and its related companies may pay the broker-dealer or other intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the fund over another investment. These payments are not applicable to Class R6 shares. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

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