

#### U.S. equity fund Investor fact sheet

# John Hancock Equity Income Fund

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## Summary

| Objective |  |
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Long-term capital growth, along with dividend income

#### Use for

Core large-cap value holding

#### Morningstar category

Large Value

#### Strategy

#### **Undervalued opportunities**

Seeking mispriced opportunities in which large U.S. companies are temporarily trading below their long-term intrinsic values

#### **Dividend income**

Targeting companies with strong fundamentals and sustainable dividends to enhance return potential while reducing volatility

#### **Built on research**

Leveraging the fundamental analysis of over 130 equity analysts and industry specialists to identify opportunities and mitigate risk

#### 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



John D. Linehan, CFA On the fund since 2015. Investing since 1987

# Average annual total returns 1,2

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|   | Qtd   | Ytd   | 1 yr | 3 yr           | 5 yr  | 10 yr              | Since inception | Inception<br>date |  |
|---|-------|-------|------|----------------|-------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Class A without sales charge<br>Class A with sales charge | 3.85  | 3.85  | 6.29 | 5.72           | 16.39 | 8.35               | 7.79            | 10/17/05          |  |
| (Maximum initial sales charge 5.00%)                      | -1.34 | -1.34 | 0.98 | 3.94           | 15.20 | 7.80               | 7.50            | 10/17/05          |  |
| Russell 1000 Value Index                                  | 2.14  | 2.14  | 7.18 | 6.64           | 16.15 | 8.79               | 8.17            | _                 |  |
| Large value category                                      | 1.50  | 1.50  | 6.42 | 6.85           | 16.57 | 8.65<br><b>Net</b> | _               | Contractual       |  |
| Expense ratios 3  |       | Gross |      | (what you pay) |       | through            |                 |                   |  |
| Class A   |       | 1.14% |      |                |       | 1.13%              | 7/31/2026       |                   |  |

The performance data shown represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Returns for periods shorter than one year are cumulative, and results for other share classes will vary. Shares will fluctuate in value and, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance cited. Performance figures assume that all distributions are reinvested. For the most recent month-end performance, visit jhinvestments.com.

### Growth of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment

Class A without sales charge - 11/1/05 - 3/31/25

\$41,169



This chart illustrates the growth of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment based on net asset value beginning on the date noted with all distributions reinvested. 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. Returns for periods shorter than one year are cumulative.

#### Calendar year returns

| Class A without sales charge |       |       |       |       |       |      |       |       |       |       |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                              | 2015  | 2016  | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020 | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  | 2024  |
| Equity Income Fund           | -6.97 | 18.48 | 15.83 | -9.97 | 25.98 | 0.69 | 24.97 | -3.81 | 9.03  | 11.22 |
| Russell 1000 Value Index     | -3.83 | 17.34 | 13.66 | -8.27 | 26.54 | 2.80 | 25.16 | -7.54 | 11.46 | 14.37 |
| Large value category         | -4.08 | 14.59 | 16.07 | -8.61 | 24.99 | 2.68 | 26.08 | -6.02 | 11.78 | 14.16 |

<sup>1 10/15/05</sup> is the inception date for the oldest class of shares, Class NAV shares. Class A shares were first offered on 3/27/15; returns prior to this date are those of Class NAV shares.

2 It is not possible to invest in an index. Index definitions can be found within the "What you should know before Investing" section on the last page of this fact sheet. 3 "Net (what you pay)" represents the effect of a contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement and is subject to change.

#### 10 largest holdings<sup>4</sup> 1. TotalEnergies SE 2.86 2. MetLife, Inc. 2.19 3. Wells Fargo & Company 2.13 4. The Southern Company 2.02 5. Elevance Health, Inc. 2.00 6. Chubb, Ltd. 1.92 7. Sanofi SA 1.90 Kimberly-Clark Corp. 1.84 9. OUALCOMM. Inc. 1.81 10. Charles Schwab Corp. 1.80



## **Key facts**

| Total net assets                    | \$742.57 m                    |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Portfolio turnover <sup>5</sup> (%) | 22                            |
| Number of holdings                  | 125                           |
| Benchmark                           | Russell 1000 Value Index      |
| Average market cap <sup>6</sup>     |                               |
| Fund                                | \$153.66 b                    |
| Benchmark                           | \$190.38 b                    |
| Beta <sup>7</sup>                   | 0.98                          |
| R-squared <sup>8</sup> (%)          | 95.54                         |
| Sharpe ratio <sup>9</sup>           | 1.00                          |
| Standard deviation $^{ m 10}$ (%    | b)                            |
| Fund                                | 16.39                         |
| Benchmark                           | 16.28                         |
| Upside capture ratio $^{11}$ (      | <b>%)</b> 97.68               |
| Downside capture ratio <sup>1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> <b>(%)</b> 93.97 |
| 30-Day SEC yield (%)                |                               |
| Subsidized                          | 1.34%                         |
| Unsubsidized                        | 1.31%                         |
|                                     |                               |

Based on Class A shares for the five-year period.

#### What you should know before investing

Large company stocks could fall out of favor, and value stocks may decline in price. Foreign investing, especially in emerging markets, has additional risks, such as currency and market volatility and political and social instability. Please see the fund's prospectus for additional risks.

The Russell 1000 Value Index tracks the performance of publicly traded large-cap companies in the United States with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values. The S&P 500 Index tracks the performance of 500 of the largest publicly traded companies in the United States. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. The benchmark shown demonstrates how the fund's performance compares against the returns of similar investments, which may differ from the broad-based securities index shown in the fund's prospectus.

Request a prospectus or summary prospectus from your financial professional, by visiting jhinvestments.com, or by calling us at 800-225-5291. The prospectus includes investment objectives, risks, fees, expenses, and other information that you should read and consider carefully before investing.

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4 Listed holdings reflect the largest portions of the fund's total and may change at any time. They are not recommendations to buy or sell any security. Data is expressed as a percentage of net assets and excludes cash and cash equivalents. 5 The portfolio turnover is as of the fund's fiscal year end and is subject to change. The fund's annual report includes further details regarding the portfolio turnover ratio. 6 Weighted average market cap - Source: FactSet. The weighted average market cap measures the average market capitalization of a group of companies, with each company's market cap weighted by its size. 7 Beta measures the sensitivity of a security or portfolio to its benchmark. The beta of the market (as represented by the benchmark) is 1.00. Accordingly, a security or portfolio with a 1.10 beta is expected to have 10% more volatility than the market. 8 R-squared is a measurement that indicates how closely a security or portfolio's performance correlates with the performance of its benchmark index. R-squared can range from 0.00 to 1.00, with 1.00 indicating perfect correlation to the index. 9 Sharpe ratio is a measure of excess return per unit of risk, as defined by standard deviation. A higher Sharpe ratio suggests better risk-adjusted performance. 10 Standard deviation is a statistical measure of the historic volatility of a portfolio. It measures the fluctuation of a security or portfolio's periodic returns from the mean or average. The larger the deviation, the larger the standard deviation and the higher the risk. 11 Upside capture ratio measures a manager's performance in up markets relative to the market itself. Downside capture ratio measures a manager's performance in down markets relative to the market itself. 12 Holdings, sector weightings, market capitalization and portfolio characteristics are subject to change at any time. There is no guarantee the fund will maintain the portfolio characteristics, or the future profitability of the securities identified and set forth herein.



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