John Hancock
Value Equity Fund

Annual report 10/31/18

A message to shareholders

Dear shareholder,

Financial markets around the world have experienced a meaningful rise in volatility this year, particularly when compared with the unusual calm of 2017. Announcements of new rounds of tariffs and heightened fears of a full-blown trade war with China overshadowed a period of strong economic growth. Despite the uncertainty raised by tariffs and rising inflation and interest rates, the U.S. economy has remained on track.

Short-term uncertainty notwithstanding, the good news is that asset prices of stocks are ultimately driven by company fundamentals—such as balance sheet strength and earnings growth—and those continue to appear extremely supportive. Unemployment sits close to historic lows, consumer confidence is up and trending higher, and the housing market has continued to strengthen, buoyed in part by rising demand. The question for investors as 2018 draws to a close is whether equities will regain their footing in terms of these positives, or will they continue to experience volatility.

Your best resource in unpredictable and volatile markets is your financial advisor, who can help position your portfolio so that it's sufficiently diversified to meet your long-term objectives and to withstand the inevitable turbulence along the way.

On behalf of everyone at John Hancock Investments, I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome new shareholders and to thank existing shareholders for the continued trust you've placed in us.

Sincerely,

Andrew Arnott

Andrew G. Arnott
President and CEO,
John Hancock Investments
Head of Wealth and Asset Management,
United States and Europe

This commentary reflects the CEO's views, which are subject to change at any time. Investing involves risks, including the potential loss of principal. Diversification does not guarantee a profit or eliminate the risk of a loss. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. For more up-to-date information, please visit our website at jhinvestments.com.

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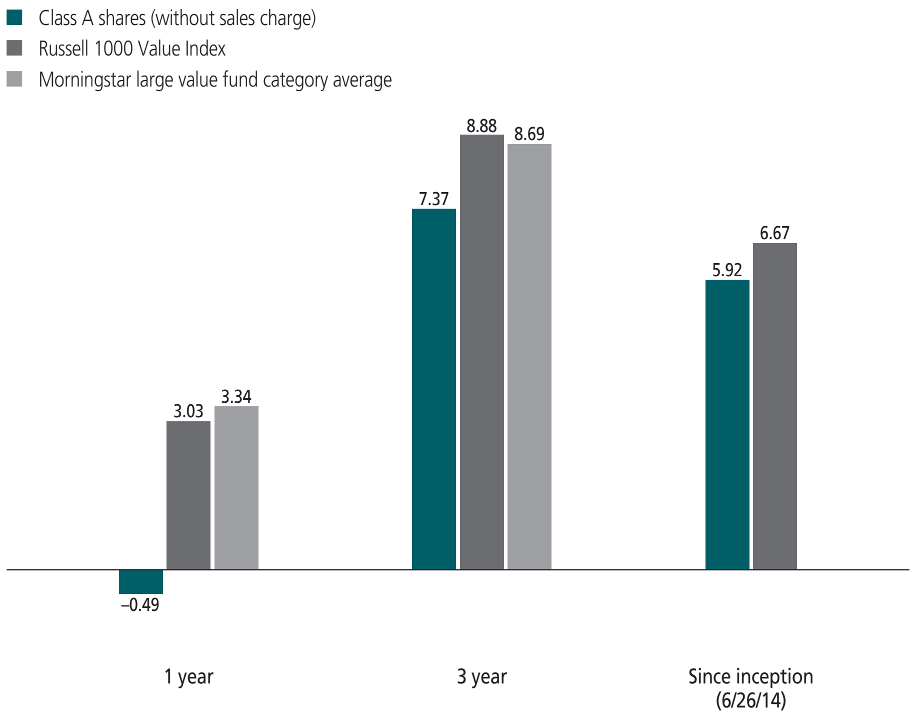
Your fund at a glance

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The fund seeks capital appreciation over the long term.

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS AS OF 10/31/18 (%)



The Russell 1000 Value Index is an unmanaged index containing those securities in the Russell 1000 Index with a lower price-to-book ratio and less-than-average growth orientation.

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Figures from Morningstar, Inc. include reinvested distributions and do not take into account sales charges. Actual load-adjusted performance is lower. Since inception returns for the Morningstar fund category average are not available.

The past performance shown here reflects reinvested distributions and the beneficial effect of any expense reductions, and does not guarantee future results. Performance of the other share classes will vary based on the difference in the fees and expenses of those classes. Shares will fluctuate in value and, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current month-end performance may be lower or higher than the performance cited, and can be found at jhinvestments.com or by calling 800-225-5291. For further information on the fund's objectives, risks, and strategy, see the fund's prospectus.

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS OVER THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS

U.S. stocks rallied, market volatility increased

An improving U.S. economy and robust corporate profit growth contributed to a solid gain for the U.S. stock market, but trade tensions and rising interest rates led to elevated levels of market volatility.

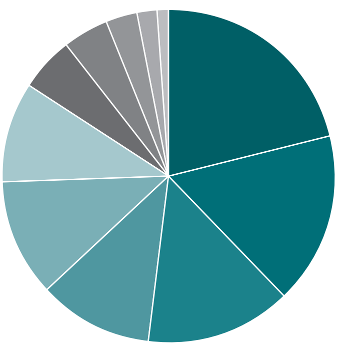
Value stocks underperformed

Value stocks, as measured by the fund's benchmark, the Russell 1000 Value Index,, lagged the broader stock market as a narrow group of stocks in growth-oriented sectors drove the market's overall advance, benefiting the Russell 1000 Growth Index.

Stock selection detracted from relative results

Security selection, most notably in the information technology and industrials sectors, was the primary factor behind the fund's underperformance of its benchmark.

SECTOR COMPOSITION AS OF 10/31/18 (%)



Financials	21.3
Health care	16.6
Energy	14.1
Consumer discretionary	11.3
Industrials	11.2
Information technology	9.7
Materials	5.5
Consumer staples	4.2
Utilities	3.2
Communication services	1.9
Real estate	1.0

As a percentage of net assets.

A note about risks

The fund is subject to various risks as described in the fund's prospectus. For more information, please refer to the "Principal risks" section of the prospectus.

Discussion of fund performance

An interview with Portfolio Manager Mark Giambrone, Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC

Mark Giambrone

Portfolio Manager

Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss

Can you describe the U.S. equity market environment during the 12 months ended October 31, 2018?

The broad U.S. stock market advanced for the period as the S&P 500 Index returned 7.35%. Signs of robust U.S. economic growth and stronger-than-expected corporate earnings fueled the equity market's advance. Slowing economic activity in other regions of the world also made U.S. stocks more attractive to investors.

The equity market rally occurred despite some headwinds that contributed to heightened market volatility. The improving domestic economy led the U.S. Federal Reserve to raise interest rates four times during the period, driving short-term rates to their highest level in over a decade. Escalating trade tensions between the United States and China, as well as geopolitical developments in Iran and Turkey, were also factors behind the elevated market volatility.

How did value stocks perform in this environment?

The fund's benchmark, the Russell 1000 Value Index, returned 3.03%. The underperformance of value stocks resulted primarily from an increasingly narrow group of growth-oriented stocks that drove the overall market's advance. Only three sectors outperformed the broader market during the period—the growth-dominated information technology and consumer discretionary sectors, and the healthcare sector. Meanwhile, value-oriented sectors, such as financials and energy, lagged the broader equity market.

How would you characterize the fund's performance for the reporting period?

The fund underperformed its benchmark as our fundamental, defensive investment approach—with an emphasis on undervalued stocks with meaningful dividend support—was not rewarded over the period. Although sector allocation was a modest drag on performance versus the index, individual stock selection was the primary factor behind the fund's underperformance of its benchmark.

What individual holdings detracted the most from fund performance versus the index?

Stock selection in the information technology and industrials sectors had the biggest adverse effect on relative performance. The most significant detractors in the information technology sector included British software maker Micro Focus International PLC and semiconductor manufacturer Microchip Technology, Inc. Early in the reporting period, Micro Focus struggled to integrate an acquisition, which led to declining revenues and weaker-than-anticipated earnings. The unexpected departure of the company's CEO also weighed on shares. This combination of factors led us to eliminate the stock from the portfolio.

In contrast, the fund continues to hold Microchip Technology, which makes microcontrollers for a variety of end users in industrial, consumer, and technology markets. Some mixed earnings results and an uncertain outlook related to trade tariffs put downward pressure on the stock, as did delays in the integration of a key acquisition. However, we believe the acquisition will be a good long-term strategic fit that will drive market share gains and improving earnings for the company down the road.

In the industrials sector, roofing and insulation maker Owens Corning and tool manufacturer Stanley Black & Decker, Inc. detracted the most. Owens Corning faced a series of headwinds, from rising interest rates to higher raw materials costs to sentiment around a weaker housing market. Nonetheless, we believe the company is well positioned to weather the current market challenges, and the stock remains attractively valued. Trade tariff concerns weighed on Stanley Black & Decker, along with a stronger U.S. dollar and rising input costs. We see these as temporary issues, and the company has made some beneficial acquisitions, including the Craftsman brand, that should help drive improved performance over the long term.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS AS OF 10/31/18 (%)

Anthem, Inc.	2.4
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	2.1
ConocoPhillips	2.1
Dollar General Corp.	2.1
Lowe's Companies, Inc.	1.9
Comcast Corp., Class A	1.9
American Express Company	1.8
Hess Corp.	1.8
Pfizer, Inc.	1.8
SLM Corp.	1.8
TOTAL	**19.7**

As a percentage of net assets.
Cash and cash equivalents are not included.

Shifting gears, what holdings contributed positively to performance?

Stock selection in the healthcare and consumer discretionary sectors added the most value for the period. Managed care providers Anthem, Inc. and UnitedHealth Group, Inc. contributed the most in the healthcare sector. Both companies benefited from improving price and cost trends. Corporate tax reform and regulatory relief also provided a tailwind for performance in both cases. We believe both stocks continue to have compelling valuations along with solid management teams and potential for continued growth.

In the consumer discretionary sector, the leading contributor was discount retailer Dollar General Corp. In 2017, the company was pressured by cuts to supplemental nutrition assistance benefits in key states, food price deflation, and lower prices in selected stores. However, business has rebounded strongly in 2018 as Dollar General delivered solid same-store sales growth. Despite a business that benefits from important competitive advantages, has substantial room for store expansion, and offers downside protection in a slower economic climate, Dollar General still trades at a discount to the broader market.

Another meaningful contributor was media and entertainment company Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc., which rallied sharply after a bidding war resulted in an agreement for the company to be acquired by The Walt Disney Company (not held by the fund). In the wake of the takeover agreement, we eliminated the stock from the fund.

What other changes did you make to the portfolio during the reporting period?

The market's rally led us to sell a number of fund holdings that reached our estimate of fair value. Examples included consumer electronics maker Apple, Inc., theme park operator SeaWorld Entertainment, Inc., chemicals company Celanese Corp., and financial services provider Bank of America Corp. We also eliminated a few stocks where our investment thesis was no longer valid, such as home products maker Newell Brands, Inc., and industrial minerals producer Covia Holdings Corp. (formerly Fairmount Santrol Holdings, Inc.).

We initiated positions in electric utilities Dominion Energy, Inc. and Exelon Corp. and real estate

COUNTRY COMPOSITION AS OF 10/31/18 (%)

United States	88.7
United Kingdom	6.8
Ireland	1.6
Canada	1.3
France	1.0
Other countries	0.6
TOTAL	**100.0**

As a percentage of net assets.

investment trust MGM Growth Properties LLC. We have generally avoided stocks in the utilities and real estate sectors over the past several years given their lofty valuations and lower earnings growth. However, the underperformance of these sectors following their peak in mid-2016 has created attractive valuations among selected stocks. Other notable new positions included auto parts retailers O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. and Advance Auto Parts, Inc., semiconductor manufacturer Broadcom Ltd., and industrial gas producer Praxair, Inc. (now Linde PLC after a recent merger).

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On the fund since inception
Investing since 1992

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Investing since 2005

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How was the fund positioned at the end of the reporting period?

The fund's sector weightings are a function of our value-oriented individual stock selection process, so they can vary significantly from those of the benchmark index. As of the end of the reporting period, the fund's largest overweight positions compared with the index included the consumer discretionary, energy, and industrials sectors, while its largest underweight positions were in the communication services and real estate sectors.

The U.S. economy is nearing the longest expansionary period in its history, which helped boost investor confidence and drove the major stock indexes to record highs. Along the way, the narrow subset of growth stocks that drove the extended bull market reached extreme valuation levels relative to the rest of the market.

Growth investing often benefits from slow economic growth and low interest rates—prominent features of the investment landscape over the past nine years. Conversely, value stocks typically benefit from a stronger economy, which has been accelerating recently. Additionally, value stocks tend to outperform growth in rising interest-rate environments. Given the marked underperformance of growth stocks during a sharp market decline late in the reporting period, we may be nearing the end of the current growth cycle.

The views expressed in this report are exclusively those of Mark Giambrone, Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC, and are subject to change. They are not meant as investment advice. Please note that the holdings discussed in this report may not have been held by the fund for the entire period. Portfolio composition is subject to review in accordance with the fund's investment strategy and may vary in the future. Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk.

A look at performance

TOTAL RETURNS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2018

	Average annual total returns (%) with maximum sales charge		Cumulative total returns (%) with maximum sales charge
	1-year	Since inception[1]	Since inception[1]
Class A	–5.48	4.67	21.99
Class C	–2.11	5.19	24.63
Class I[2]	–0.19	6.24	30.11
Class R6[2]	–0.10	6.42	31.09
Class NAV[2]	–0.09	6.42	31.08
Index†	3.03	6.67	32.43

Performance figures assume all distributions have been reinvested. Figures reflect maximum sales charges on Class A shares of 5.00% and the applicable contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) on Class C shares. Class C shares sold within one year of purchase are subject to a 1% CDSC. Sales charges are not applicable to Class I, Class R6, and Class NAV shares.

The expense ratios of the fund, both net (including any fee waivers and/or expense limitations) and gross (excluding any fee waivers and/or expense limitations), are set forth according to the most recent publicly available prospectuses for the fund and may differ from those disclosed in the Financial highlights tables in this report. Net expenses reflect contractual expense limitations in effect until February 28, 2019 and are subject to change. Had the contractual fee waivers and expense limitations not been in place, gross expenses would apply. The expense ratios are as follows:

	Class A	Class C	Class I	Class R6	Class NAV
Gross (%)	1.26	1.96	0.95	0.86	0.85
Net (%)	1.11	1.81	0.80	0.71	0.70

Please refer to the most recent prospectus and annual or semiannual report for more information on expenses and any expense limitation arrangements for each class.

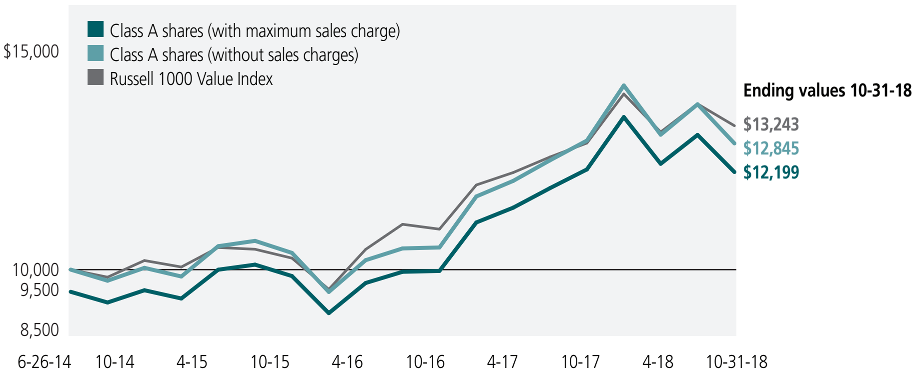
The returns reflect past results and should not be considered indicative of future performance. The return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Due to market volatility and other factors, the fund's current performance may be higher or lower than the performance shown. For current to the most recent month-end performance data, please call 800–225–5291 or visit the fund's website at jhinvestments.com.

The performance table above and the chart on the next page do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the redemption of fund shares. The fund's performance results reflect any applicable fee waivers or expense reductions, without which the expenses would increase and results would have been less favorable.

† *Index is the Russell 1000 Value Index.*

See the following page for footnotes.

This chart and table show what happened to a hypothetical $10,000 investment in John Hancock Value Equity Fund for the share classes and periods indicated, assuming all distributions were reinvested. For comparison, we've shown the same investment in the Russell 1000 Value Index.



	Start date	With maximum sales charge ($)	Without sales charge ($)	Index ($)
Class C[3]	6-26-14	12,463	12,463	13,243
Class I[2]	6-26-14	13,011	13,011	13,243
Class R6[2]	6-26-14	13,109	13,109	13,243
Class NAV[2]	6-26-14	13,108	13,108	13,243

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Footnotes related to performance pages

1 *From 6-26-14.*

2 *For certain types of investors, as described in the fund's prospectuses.*

3 *The contingent deferred sales charge is not applicable.*

Your expenses

These examples are intended to help you understand your ongoing operating expenses of investing in the fund so you can compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds.

Understanding fund expenses

As a shareholder of the fund, you incur two types of costs:

- **Transaction costs,** which include sales charges (loads) on purchases or redemptions (varies by share class), minimum account fee charge, etc.
- **Ongoing operating expenses,** including management fees, distribution and service fees (if applicable), and other fund expenses.

We are presenting only your ongoing operating expenses here.

Actual expenses/actual returns

The first line of each share class in the table on the following page is intended to provide information about the fund's actual ongoing operating expenses, and is based on the fund's actual return. It assumes an account value of $1,000.00 on May 1, 2018, with the same investment held until October 31, 2018.

Together with the value of your account, you may use this information to estimate the operating expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value at October 31, 2018, by $1,000.00, then multiply it by the "expenses paid" for your share class from the table. For example, for an account value of $8,600.00, the operating expenses should be calculated as follows:

Example

[My account value $8,600.00 / $1,000.00 = 8.6] x $["expenses paid" from table] = My actual expenses

Hypothetical example for comparison purposes

The second line of each share class in the table on the following page allows you to compare the fund's ongoing operating expenses with those of any other fund. It provides an example of the fund's hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on each class's actual expense ratio and an assumed 5% annualized return before expenses (which is not the class's actual return). It assumes an account value of $1,000.00 on May 1, 2018, with the same investment held until October 31, 2018. Look in any other fund shareholder report to find its hypothetical example and you will be able to compare these expenses. Please remember that these hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period.

Remember, these examples do not include any transaction costs, therefore, these examples will not help you to determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. If transaction costs were included, your expenses would have been higher. See the prospectuses for details regarding transaction costs.

SHAREHOLDER EXPENSE EXAMPLE CHART

		Account value on 5-1-2018	Ending value on 10-31-2018	Expenses paid during period ended 10-31-2018[1]	Annualized expense ratio
Class A	Actual expenses/actual returns	$1,000.00	$ 985.00	$5.55	1.11%
	Hypothetical example	1,000.00	1,019.60	5.65	1.11%
Class C	Actual expenses/actual returns	1,000.00	982.40	9.04	1.81%
	Hypothetical example	1,000.00	1,016.10	9.20	1.81%
Class I	Actual expenses/actual returns	1,000.00	986.70	4.16	0.83%
	Hypothetical example	1,000.00	1,021.00	4.23	0.83%
Class R6	Actual expenses/actual returns	1,000.00	987.50	3.56	0.71%
	Hypothetical example	1,000.00	1,021.60	3.62	0.71%
Class NAV	Actual expenses/actual returns	1,000.00	987.50	3.51	0.70%
	Hypothetical example	1,000.00	1,021.70	3.57	0.70%

[1] Expenses are equal to the annualized expense ratio, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

Fund's investments

AS OF 10-31-18

	Shares	Value
Common stocks 100.0%		**$550,471,486**
(Cost $491,976,933)		
Communication services 1.9%		**10,325,604**
Media 1.9%		
Comcast Corp., Class A	270,729	10,325,604
Consumer discretionary 11.3%		**62,059,300**
Hotels, restaurants and leisure 2.9%		
Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings, Ltd. (A)	168,218	7,413,367
Royal Caribbean Cruises, Ltd.	80,219	8,401,336
Household durables 0.9%		
Lennar Corp., A Shares	112,363	4,829,362
Multiline retail 2.1%		
Dollar General Corp.	103,086	11,481,719
Specialty retail 4.6%		
Advance Auto Parts, Inc.	51,138	8,169,807
Lowe's Companies, Inc.	110,436	10,515,716
O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. (A)	21,606	6,930,125
Textiles, apparel and luxury goods 0.8%		
Hanesbrands, Inc. (B)	251,624	4,317,868
Consumer staples 4.2%		**23,273,384**
Beverages 1.9%		
Coca-Cola European Partners PLC	233,347	10,614,955
Tobacco 2.3%		
Altria Group, Inc.	92,967	6,046,574
Philip Morris International, Inc.	75,075	6,611,855
Energy 14.1%		**77,553,780**
Oil, gas and consumable fuels 14.1%		
BP PLC, ADR	211,300	9,164,081
Chevron Corp.	72,431	8,086,921
ConocoPhillips	166,911	11,667,079
Hess Corp.	174,358	10,008,149
Kosmos Energy, Ltd. (A)	773,484	5,019,911
Occidental Petroleum Corp.	101,365	6,798,551
Parsley Energy, Inc., Class A (A)	241,054	5,645,485
Phillips 66	83,552	8,590,817
Valero Energy Corp.	61,174	5,572,340
Vermilion Energy, Inc. (B)	263,571	7,000,446
Financials 21.3%		**117,149,581**
Banks 5.6%		
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	108,055	11,780,156

Financials (continued)	Shares	Value
Banks (continued)		
KeyCorp	280,346	$5,091,083
U.S. Bancorp	108,958	5,695,235
Wells Fargo & Company	155,404	8,272,155
Capital markets 4.2%		
E*TRADE Financial Corp.	146,389	7,234,544
State Street Corp.	106,384	7,313,900
The Bank of New York Mellon Corp.	174,797	8,273,142
Consumer finance 4.5%		
American Express Company	98,735	10,143,047
Navient Corp.	400,452	4,637,234
SLM Corp. (A)	976,616	9,902,886
Diversified financial services 2.9%		
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., Class B (A)	45,451	9,330,181
Jefferies Financial Group, Inc.	311,897	6,696,429
Insurance 3.2%		
American International Group, Inc.	104,370	4,309,437
Fidelity National Financial, Inc.	143,509	4,800,376
Willis Towers Watson PLC	59,344	8,495,685
Thrifts and mortgage finance 0.9%		
New York Community Bancorp, Inc.	540,093	5,174,091
Health care 16.6%		**91,654,744**
Health care equipment and supplies 1.6%		
Medtronic PLC	98,687	8,864,066
Health care providers and services 10.6%		
Anthem, Inc.	48,739	13,431,006
Cardinal Health, Inc.	93,126	4,712,176
Cigna Corp.	42,588	9,105,740
CVS Health Corp.	134,775	9,756,362
Express Scripts Holding Company (A)	90,418	8,767,833
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	48,401	12,649,601
Pharmaceuticals 4.4%		
Merck & Company, Inc.	71,287	5,247,436
Pfizer, Inc.	232,090	9,993,795
Sanofi, ADR	126,257	5,646,213
Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., ADR	174,200	3,480,516
Industrials 11.2%		**61,409,631**
Aerospace and defense 3.3%		
Spirit AeroSystems Holdings, Inc., Class A	112,718	9,469,439
United Technologies Corp.	69,637	8,649,612
Building products 2.1%		
Johnson Controls International PLC	187,347	5,989,484

Industrials (continued)		Shares	Value
Building products (continued)			
Owens Corning		111,595	$5,275,096
Industrial conglomerates 1.2%			
General Electric Company		622,549	6,287,745
Machinery 2.5%			
Stanley Black & Decker, Inc.		65,899	7,678,551
Wabtec Corp.		75,339	6,179,305
Professional services 1.0%			
Nielsen Holdings PLC		220,322	5,723,966
Road and rail 1.1%			
AMERCO		18,857	6,156,433
Information technology 9.7%			**53,427,826**
Semiconductors and semiconductor equipment 5.7%			
Broadcom, Inc.		35,386	7,908,417
Microchip Technology, Inc. (B)		88,669	5,832,647
QUALCOMM, Inc.		115,645	7,272,914
Texas Instruments, Inc.		78,814	7,316,304
Versum Materials, Inc.		101,830	3,213,755
Software 3.2%			
Microsoft Corp.		83,190	8,885,524
Oracle Corp.		174,937	8,543,923
Technology hardware, storage and peripherals 0.8%			
Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company		292,088	4,454,342
Materials 5.5%			**30,173,947**
Chemicals 5.5%			
Air Products & Chemicals, Inc.		56,379	8,702,099
DowDuPont, Inc.		131,457	7,088,161
Linde PLC		55,832	9,238,521
LyondellBasell Industries NV, Class A		57,636	5,145,166
Real estate 1.0%			**5,657,519**
Equity real estate investment trusts 1.0%			
MGM Growth Properties LLC, Class A		199,983	5,657,519
Utilities 3.2%			**17,786,170**
Electric utilities 1.5%			
Exelon Corp.		192,153	8,418,223
Multi-utilities 1.7%			
Dominion Energy, Inc.		131,167	9,367,947
	Yield (%)	**Shares**	**Value**
Securities lending collateral 1.9%			**$10,321,606**
(Cost $10,321,609)			
John Hancock Collateral Trust (C)	2.2770(D)	1,031,820	10,321,606

	Yield (%)	Shares	Value
Short-term investments 1.5%			**$8,516,484**
(Cost $8,516,484)			
Money market funds 1.5%			**8,516,484**
State Street Institutional Treasury Money Market Fund, Premier Class	2.0896(D)	8,516,484	8,516,484
Total investments (Cost $510,815,026) 103.4%			**$569,309,576**
Other assets and liabilities, net (3.4%)			**(18,949,547)**
Total net assets 100.0%			**$550,360,029**

The percentage shown for each investment category is the total value of the category as a percentage of the net assets of the fund.

Security Abbreviations and Legend

ADR American Depositary Receipt

(A) Non-income producing security.

(B) All or a portion of this security is on loan as of 10-31-18.

(C) Investment is an affiliate of the fund, the advisor and/or subadvisor. This security represents the investment of cash collateral received for securities lending.

(D) The rate shown is the annualized seven-day yield as of 10-31-18.

At 10-31-18, the aggregate cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was $511,090,664. Net unrealized appreciation aggregated to $58,218,912, of which $95,935,785 related to gross unrealized appreciation and $37,716,873 related to gross unrealized depreciation.

Financial statements

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES 10-31-18

Assets	
Unaffiliated investments, at value (Cost $500,493,417) including $10,117,247 of securities loaned	$558,987,970
Affiliated investments, at value (Cost $10,321,609)	10,321,606
Total investments, at value (Cost $510,815,026)	**569,309,576**
Dividends and interest receivable	482,627
Receivable for investments sold	3,761,378
Receivable for securities lending income	1,518
Receivable from affiliates	2,245
Other assets	52,794
Total assets	**573,610,138**
Liabilities	
Due to custodian	1,245,521
Payable for investments purchased	10,416,280
Payable for fund shares repurchased	1,097,208
Payable upon return of securities loaned	10,328,979
Payable to affiliates	
Accounting and legal services fees	62,717
Transfer agent fees	754
Trustees' fees	398
Other liabilities and accrued expenses	98,252
Total liabilities	**23,250,109**
Net assets	**$550,360,029**
Net assets consist of	
Paid-in capital	$452,523,893
Accumulated distributable earnings (accumulated loss)	97,836,136
Net assets	**$550,360,029**

Net asset value per share	
Based on net asset value and shares outstanding - the fund has an unlimited number of shares authorized with no par value	
Class A ($5,269,982 ÷ 446,487 shares)[1]	$11.80
Class C ($486,692 ÷ 41,525 shares)[1]	$11.72
Class I ($1,831,114 ÷ 154,803 shares)	$11.83
Class R6 ($477,064 ÷ 40,256 shares)	$11.85
Class NAV ($542,295,177 ÷ 45,750,377 shares)	$11.85
Maximum offering price per share	
Class A (net asset value per share ÷ 95%)[2]	$12.42

1 Redemption price per share is equal to net asset value less any applicable contingent deferred sales charge.
2 On single retail sales of less than $50,000. On sales of $50,000 or more and on group sales the offering price is reduced.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the year ended 10-31-18

Investment income	
Dividends	$12,708,452
Interest	163,448
Securities lending	97,206
Less foreign taxes withheld	(106,809)
Total investment income	**12,862,297**
Expenses	
Investment management fees	4,810,707
Distribution and service fees	19,015
Accounting and legal services fees	129,625
Transfer agent fees	7,568
Trustees' fees	10,106
Custodian fees	82,676
State registration fees	63,390
Printing and postage	27,507
Professional fees	56,854
Other	36,339
Total expenses	**5,243,787**
Less expense reductions	(912,963)
Net expenses	**4,330,824**
Net investment income	**8,531,473**
Realized and unrealized gain (loss)	
Net realized gain (loss) on	
Unaffiliated investments and foreign currency transactions	33,183,278
Affiliated investments	(5,192)
	33,178,086
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of	
Unaffiliated investments and translation of assets and liabilities in foreign currencies	(36,936,972)
Affiliated investments	145
	(36,936,827)
Net realized and unrealized loss	**(3,758,741)**
Increase in net assets from operations	**$4,772,732**

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year ended 10-31-18	Year ended 10-31-17
Increase (decrease) in net assets		
From operations		
Net investment income	$8,531,473	$8,989,500
Net realized gain	33,178,086	31,910,153
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	(36,936,827)	80,334,433
Increase in net assets resulting from operations	**4,772,732**	**121,234,086**
Distributions to shareholders		
From net investment income and net realized gain		
Class A	(197,051)	—
Class C	(28,457)	—
Class I	(87,377)	—
Class R6	(21,400)	—
Class NAV	(34,298,379)	—
From net investment income		
Class A	—	(15,206)
Class C	—	(1,003)
Class I	—	(14,729)
Class R6	—	(1,560)
Class NAV	—	(8,636,767)
Total distributions	**(34,632,664)**	**(8,669,265)**
From fund share transactions	**(43,546,007)**	**108,468,709**
Total increase (decrease)	**(73,405,939)**	**221,033,530**
Net assets		
Beginning of year	623,765,968	402,732,438
End of year[1]	**$550,360,029**	**$623,765,968**

[1] Net assets - End of year includes undistributed net investment income of $6,898,872 in 2017. The SEC eliminated the requirement to disclose undistributed net investment income in 2018.

Financial highlights

CLASS A SHARES Period ended	10-31-18	10-31-17	10-31-16	10-31-15	10-31-14[1]
Per share operating performance					
Net asset value, beginning of period	**$12.50**	**$10.27**	**$10.33**	**$10.04**	**$10.00**
Net investment income[2]	0.12	0.12	0.16	0.08	0.02
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(0.15)	2.22	(0.05)	0.26	0.02
Total from investment operations	**(0.03)**	**2.34**	**0.11**	**0.34**	**0.04**
Less distributions					
From net investment income	(0.14)	(0.11)	(0.10)	(0.05)	—
From net realized gain	(0.53)	—	(0.07)	—	—
Total distributions	**(0.67)**	**(0.11)**	**(0.17)**	**(0.05)**	**—**
Net asset value, end of period	**$11.80**	**$12.50**	**$10.27**	**$10.33**	**$10.04**
Total return (%)[3,4]	**(0.49)**	**22.95**	**1.17**	**3.36**	**0.40**[5]
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	$5	$4	$1	$1	$—[6]
Ratios (as a percentage of average net assets):					
Expenses before reductions	1.26	1.26	1.30	2.86	12.48[7]
Expenses including reductions	1.11	1.12	1.17	1.42	1.45[7]
Net investment income	0.98	0.99	1.64	0.78	0.54[7]
Portfolio turnover (%)	32	30	27	19	10

1 Period from 6-26-14 (commencement of operations) to 10-31-14.
2 Based on average daily shares outstanding.
3 Total returns would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced during the applicable periods.
4 Does not reflect the effect of sales charges, if any.
5 Not annualized.
6 Less than $500,000.
7 Annualized.

CLASS C SHARES Period ended	10-31-18	10-31-17	10-31-16	10-31-15	10-31-14[1]
Per share operating performance					
Net asset value, beginning of period	**$12.42**	**$10.21**	**$10.27**	**$10.01**	**$10.00**
Net investment income[2]	0.03	0.04	0.09	0.01	—[3]
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(0.15)	2.21	(0.05)	0.26	0.01
Total from investment operations	**(0.12)**	**2.25**	**0.04**	**0.27**	**0.01**
Less distributions					
From net investment income	(0.05)	(0.04)	(0.03)	(0.01)	—
From net realized gain	(0.53)	—	(0.07)	—	—
Total distributions	**(0.58)**	**(0.04)**	**(0.10)**	**(0.01)**	**—**
Net asset value, end of period	**$11.72**	**$12.42**	**$10.21**	**$10.27**	**$10.01**
Total return (%)[4,5]	**(1.17)**	**22.12**	**0.45**	**2.70**	**0.10[6]**
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	$—[7]	$1	$—[7]	$—[7]	$—[7]
Ratios (as a percentage of average net assets):					
Expenses before reductions	1.96	1.96	2.00	5.43	18.19[8]
Expenses including reductions	1.81	1.82	1.88	2.12	2.15[8]
Net investment income (loss)	0.27	0.31	0.92	0.09	(0.03)[8]
Portfolio turnover (%)	32	30	27	19	10

1 Period from 6-26-14 (commencement of operations) to 10-31-14.
2 Based on average daily shares outstanding.
3 Less than $0.005 per share.
4 Total returns would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced during the applicable periods.
5 Does not reflect the effect of sales charges, if any.
6 Not annualized.
7 Less than $500,000.
8 Annualized.

CLASS I SHARES Period ended	10-31-18	10-31-17	10-31-16	10-31-15	10-31-14[1]
Per share operating performance					
Net asset value, beginning of period	**$12.53**	**$10.29**	**$10.36**	**$10.04**	**$10.00**
Net investment income[2]	0.16	0.16	0.22	0.11	0.03
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(0.16)	2.23	(0.09)	0.27	0.01
Total from investment operations	**—**	**2.39**	**0.13**	**0.38**	**0.04**
Less distributions					
From net investment income	(0.17)	(0.15)	(0.13)	(0.06)	—
From net realized gain	(0.53)	—	(0.07)	—	—
Total distributions	**(0.70)**	**(0.15)**	**(0.20)**	**(0.06)**	**—**
Net asset value, end of period	**$11.83**	**$12.53**	**$10.29**	**$10.36**	**$10.04**
Total return (%)[3]	**(0.19)**	**23.36**	**1.38**	**3.82**	**0.40[4]**
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	$2	$1	$1	$—[5]	$—[5]
Ratios (as a percentage of average net assets):					
Expenses before reductions	0.97	0.95	0.99	6.77	18.75[6]
Expenses including reductions	0.82	0.81	0.84	1.13	1.15[6]
Net investment income	1.27	1.37	2.18	1.08	0.98[6]
Portfolio turnover (%)	32	30	27	19	10

1 Period from 6-26-14 (commencement of operations) to 10-31-14.
2 Based on average daily shares outstanding.
3 Total returns would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced during the applicable periods.
4 Not annualized.
5 Less than $500,000.
6 Annualized.

CLASS R6 SHARES Period ended	10-31-18	10-31-17	10-31-16	10-31-15	10-31-14[1]
Per share operating performance					
Net asset value, beginning of period	**$12.55**	**$10.31**	**$10.38**	**$10.05**	**$10.00**
Net investment income[2]	0.17	0.16	0.20	0.14	0.04
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(0.16)	2.24	(0.04)	0.27	0.01
Total from investment operations	**0.01**	**2.40**	**0.16**	**0.41**	**0.05**
Less distributions					
From net investment income	(0.18)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.08)	—
From net realized gain	(0.53)	—	(0.07)	—	—
Total distributions	**(0.71)**	**(0.16)**	**(0.23)**	**(0.08)**	**—**
Net asset value, end of period	**$11.85**	**$12.55**	**$10.31**	**$10.38**	**$10.05**
Total return (%)[3]	**(0.10)**	**23.43**	**1.64**	**4.08**	**0.50**[4]
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	$—[5]	$—[5]	$—[5]	$—[5]	$—[5]
Ratios (as a percentage of average net assets):					
Expenses before reductions	0.86	0.86	0.90	7.69	18.64[6]
Expenses including reductions	0.71	0.71	0.75	0.84	0.85[6]
Net investment income	1.37	1.34	2.05	1.39	1.27[6]
Portfolio turnover (%)	32	30	27	19	10

1 Period from 6-26-14 (commencement of operations) to 10-31-14.
2 Based on average daily shares outstanding.
3 Total returns would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced during the applicable periods.
4 Not annualized.
5 Less than $500,000.
6 Annualized.

CLASS NAV SHARES Period ended	10-31-18	10-31-17	10-31-16	10-31-15	10-31-14[1]
Per share operating performance					
Net asset value, beginning of period	**$12.55**	**$10.31**	**$10.38**	**$10.05**	**$10.00**
Net investment income[2]	0.17	0.17	0.20	0.14	0.04
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(0.16)	2.23	(0.04)	0.26	0.01
Total from investment operations	**0.01**	**2.40**	**0.16**	**0.40**	**0.05**
Less distributions					
From net investment income	(0.18)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.07)	—
From net realized gain	(0.53)	—	(0.07)	—	—
Total distributions	**(0.71)**	**(0.16)**	**(0.23)**	**(0.07)**	**—**
Net asset value, end of period	**$11.85**	**$12.55**	**$10.31**	**$10.38**	**$10.05**
Total return (%)[3]	**(0.09)**	**23.43**	**1.64**	**4.06**	**0.50**[4]
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	$542	$618	$401	$403	$439
Ratios (as a percentage of average net assets):					
Expenses before reductions	0.85	0.85	0.88	0.88	0.86[5]
Expenses including reductions	0.70	0.70	0.75	0.84	0.86[5]
Net investment income	1.39	1.46	2.05	1.39	1.28[5]
Portfolio turnover (%)	32	30	27	19	10

1 Period from 6-26-14 (commencement of operations) to 10-31-14.
2 Based on average daily shares outstanding.
3 Total returns would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced during the applicable periods.
4 Not annualized.
5 Annualized.

Notes to financial statements

Note 1 — Organization

John Hancock Value Equity Fund (the fund) is a series of John Hancock Investment Trust (the Trust), an open-end management investment company organized as a Massachusetts business trust and registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act). The investment objective of the fund is to seek capital appreciation over the long term.

The fund may offer multiple classes of shares. The shares currently offered by the fund are detailed in the Statement of assets and liabilities. Class A and Class C shares are offered to all investors. Class I shares are offered to institutions and certain investors. Class R6 shares are only available to certain retirement plans, institutions and other investors. Class NAV shares are offered to John Hancock affiliated funds of funds, retirement plans for employees of John Hancock and/or Manulife Financial Corporation (MFC), and certain 529 plans. Class C shares convert to Class A shares ten years after purchase (certain exclusions may apply). Shareholders of each class have exclusive voting rights to matters that affect that class. The distribution and service fees, if any, and transfer agent fees for each class may differ.

Note 2 — Significant accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP), which require management to make certain estimates and assumptions as of the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates and those differences could be significant. The fund qualifies as an investment company under Topic 946 of Accounting Standards Codification of US GAAP.

Events or transactions occurring after the end of the fiscal period through the date that the financial statements were issued have been evaluated in the preparation of the financial statements. The following summarizes the significant accounting policies of the fund:

Security valuation. Investments are stated at value as of the scheduled close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), normally at 4:00 P.M., Eastern Time. In case of emergency or other disruption resulting in the NYSE not opening for trading or the NYSE closing at a time other than the regularly scheduled close, the net asset value (NAV) may be determined as of the regularly scheduled close of the NYSE pursuant to the fund's Valuation Policies and Procedures.

In order to value the securities, the fund uses the following valuation techniques: Equity securities held by the fund are typically valued at the last sale price or official closing price on the exchange or principal market where the security trades. In the event there were no sales during the day or closing prices are not available, the securities are valued using the last available bid price. Investments by the fund in open-end mutual funds, including John Hancock Collateral Trust (JHCT), are valued at their respective NAVs each business day. Foreign securities and currencies, are valued in U.S. dollars based on foreign currency exchange rates supplied by an independent pricing vendor.

In certain instances, the Pricing Committee may determine to value equity securities using prices obtained from another exchange or market if trading on the exchange or market on which prices are typically obtained did not open for trading as scheduled, or if trading closed earlier than scheduled, and trading occurred as normal on another exchange or market.

Other portfolio securities and assets, for which reliable market quotations are not readily available, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the fund's Pricing Committee following procedures established by the Board of Trustees. The frequency with which these fair valuation procedures are used cannot be predicted and fair value of securities may differ significantly from the value that would have been used had a ready market for such securities existed. Trading in foreign securities may be completed before the scheduled daily close of trading on the NYSE. Significant events at the issuer or market level may affect the values of securities between the time when the valuation of the securities is generally determined and the close of the NYSE. If a significant event occurs, these securities may be fair valued, as determined in good faith by the fund's Pricing Committee, following procedures established by the Board of Trustees. The fund uses fair value adjustment factors provided by an independent pricing vendor to value certain foreign securities in order to adjust for events that may occur between the close of foreign exchanges or markets and the close of the NYSE.

The fund uses a three-tier hierarchy to prioritize the pricing assumptions, referred to as inputs, used in valuation techniques to measure fair value. Level 1 includes securities valued using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities. Level 2 includes securities valued using other significant observable inputs. Observable inputs may include quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds and credit risk. Prices for securities valued using these inputs are received from independent pricing vendors and brokers and are based on an evaluation of the inputs described. Level 3 includes securities valued using significant unobservable inputs when market prices are not readily available or reliable, including the fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments. Factors used in determining value may include market or issuer specific events or trends, changes in interest rates and credit quality. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. Changes in valuation techniques and related inputs may result in transfers into or out of an assigned level within the disclosure hierarchy.

As of October 31, 2018, all investments are categorized as Level 1 under the hierarchy described above.

Security transactions and related investment income. Investment security transactions are accounted for on a trade date plus one basis for daily NAV calculations. However, for financial reporting purposes, investment transactions are reported on trade date. Interest income is accrued as earned. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-date, except for dividends of foreign securities where the dividend may not be known until after the ex-date. In those cases, dividend income, net of withholding taxes, is recorded when the fund becomes aware of the dividends. Non-cash dividends, if any, are recorded at the fair market value of the securities received. Gains and losses on securities sold are determined on the basis of identified cost and may include proceeds from litigation.

Securities lending. The fund may lend its securities to earn additional income. The fund receives cash collateral from the borrower in an amount not less than the market value of the loaned securities. The fund will invest its collateral in JHCT, an affiliate of the fund, which has a floating NAV and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as an investment company. JHCT invests in short-term money market investments. The fund will receive the benefit of any gains and bear any losses generated by JHCT with respect to the cash collateral.

The fund has the right to recall loaned securities on demand. If a borrower fails to return loaned securities when due, then the lending agent is responsible and indemnifies the fund for the lent securities. The lending agent uses the collateral received from the borrower to purchase replacement securities of the same issue, type, class and series of the loaned securities. If the value of the collateral is less than the purchase cost of replacement securities, the lending agent is responsible for satisfying the shortfall but only to the extent that the shortfall is not due to any decrease in the value of JHCT.

Although the risk of the loss of the securities lent is mitigated by receiving collateral from the borrower and through lending agent indemnification, the fund could experience a delay in recovering securities or could experience a lower than expected return if the borrower fails to return the securities on a timely basis. The fund receives compensation for lending its securities by retaining a portion of the return on the investment of the collateral and compensation from fees earned from borrowers of the securities. Securities lending income received by the fund is net of fees retained by the securities lending agent. Net income received from JHCT is a component of securities lending income as recorded on the Statement of operations.

Obligations to repay collateral received by the fund are shown on the Statement of assets and liabilities as Payable upon return of securities loaned and are secured by the loaned securities. As of October 31, 2018, the fund loaned common stocks valued at $10,117,247 and received $10,328,979 of cash collateral.

Foreign taxes. The fund may be subject to withholding tax on income, capital gains or repatriation taxes imposed by certain countries, a portion of which may be recoverable. Foreign taxes are accrued based upon the fund's understanding of the tax rules and rates that exist in the foreign markets in which it invests. Taxes are accrued based on gains realized by the fund as a result of certain foreign security sales. In certain circumstances, estimated taxes are accrued based on unrealized appreciation of such securities. Investment income is recorded net of foreign withholding taxes.

Line of credit. The fund may have the ability to borrow from banks for temporary or emergency purposes, including meeting redemption requests that otherwise might require the untimely sale of securities. Pursuant to the fund's custodian agreement, the custodian may loan money to the fund to make properly authorized payments. The fund is obligated to repay the custodian for any overdraft, including any related costs or expenses. The custodian may have a lien, security interest or security entitlement in any fund property that is not otherwise segregated or pledged, to the extent of any overdraft, and to the maximum extent permitted by law.

The fund and other affiliated funds have entered into a syndicated line of credit agreement with Citibank, N.A. as the administrative agent that enables them to participate in a $750 million unsecured committed line of credit. Excluding commitments designated for a certain fund and subject to the needs of all other affiliated funds, the fund can borrow up to an aggregate commitment amount of $500 million, subject to asset coverage and other limitations as specified in the agreement. A commitment fee payable at the end of each calendar quarter, based on the average daily unused portion of the line of credit, is charged to each participating fund based on a combination of fixed and asset based allocations and is reflected in Other expenses on the Statement of operations. For the year ended October 31, 2018, the fund had no borrowings under the line of credit. Commitment fees for the year ended October 31, 2018 were $2,902.

Expenses. Within the John Hancock group of funds complex, expenses that are directly attributable to an individual fund are allocated to such fund. Expenses that are not readily attributable to a specific fund are allocated among all funds in an equitable manner, taking into consideration, among other things, the nature and type of expense and the fund's relative net assets. Expense estimates are accrued in the period to which they relate and adjustments are made when actual amounts are known.

Class allocations. Income, common expenses and realized and unrealized gains (losses) are determined at the fund level and allocated daily to each class of shares based on the net assets of the class. Class-specific expenses, such as distribution and service fees, if any, and transfer agent fees, for all classes, are charged daily at the class level based on the net assets of each class and the specific expense rates applicable to each class.

Federal income taxes. The fund intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company by complying with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and will not be subject to federal income tax on taxable income that is distributed to shareholders. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

As of October 31, 2018, the fund had no uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement recognition, derecognition or disclosure. The fund's federal tax returns are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service for a period of three years.

Distribution of income and gains. Distributions to shareholders from net investment income and net realized gains, if any, are recorded on the ex-date. The fund generally declares and pays dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, annually.

The tax character of distributions for the years ended October 31, 2018 and 2017 was as follows:

	October 31, 2018	October 31, 2017
Ordinary income	$12,043,209	$8,669,265
Long-term capital gains	$22,589,455	—
Total	**$34,632,664**	**$8,669,265**

Distributions paid by the fund with respect to each class of shares are calculated in the same manner, at the same time and in the same amount, except for the effect of class level expenses that may be applied differently to each class. As of October 31, 2018, the components of distributable earnings on a tax basis consisted of $6,409,094 of undistributed ordinary income and $33,208,222 of undistributed long-term capital gains.

Such distributions and distributable earnings, on a tax basis, are determined in conformity with income tax regulations, which may differ from US GAAP. Distributions in excess of tax basis earnings and profits, if any, are reported in the fund's financial statements as a return of capital.

Capital accounts within the financial statements are adjusted for permanent book-tax differences. These adjustments have no impact on net assets or the results of operations. Temporary book-tax differences, if any, will reverse in a subsequent period. Book-tax differences are primarily attributable to wash sale loss deferrals.

Note 3 — Guarantees and indemnifications

Under the Trust's organizational documents, its Officers and Trustees are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Trust, including the fund. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. The fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the fund that have not yet occurred. The risk of material loss from such claims is considered remote.

Note 4 — Fees and transactions with affiliates

John Hancock Advisers, LLC (the Advisor) serves as investment advisor for the fund. John Hancock Funds, LLC (the Distributor), an affiliate of the Advisor, serves as principal underwriter of the fund. The Advisor and the Distributor are indirect, wholly owned subsidiaries of MFC.

Management fee. The fund has an investment management agreement with the Advisor under which the fund pays a daily management fee to the Advisor equivalent on an annual basis to the sum of: (a) 0.850% of the first $200 million of the fund's average daily net assets; (b) 0.750% of the next $800 million of the fund's average daily net assets; and (c) 0.650% of the fund's average daily net assets in excess of $1 billion. The Advisor has a subadvisory agreement with Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC. The fund is not responsible for payment of the subadvisory fees.

The Advisor has contractually agreed to limit the maximum annual management fee to 0.66% of the fund's average daily net assets. The Advisor has also contractually agreed to reduce its management fee for the fund, or if necessary make payment to the fund, in an amount equal to the amount by which other expenses of the fund exceed 0.04%. For purposes of this agreement, "other expenses of the fund" means all fund expenses, excluding taxes, brokerage commissions, interest expense, litigation and indemnification expenses and other extraordinary expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the fund's business, management fees, class-specific expenses, borrowing costs, prime brokerage fees, acquired fund fees and expenses paid indirectly, and short dividend expense. Each of the agreements expires on February 28, 2019, 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.

The Advisor has contractually agreed to waive a portion of its management fee and/or reimburse expenses for certain funds of the John Hancock group of funds complex, including the fund (the participating portfolios). This waiver is based upon aggregate net assets of all the participating portfolios. The amount of the reimbursement is calculated daily and allocated among all the participating portfolios in proportion to the daily net assets of each fund. During the year ended October 31, 2018, this waiver amounted to 0.01% of the fund's average net assets. This agreement expires on June 30, 2020, 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.

For the year ended October 31, 2018, these expense reductions described above amounted to the following:

Class	Expense reduction	Class	Expense reduction
Class A	$6,685	Class R6	$729
Class C	840	Class NAV	902,084
Class I	2,625	**Total**	**$912,963**

Expenses waived or reimbursed in the current fiscal period are not subject to recapture in future fiscal periods.

The investment management fees incurred for the year ended October 31, 2018 were equivalent to a net annual effective rate of 0.63% of the fund's average daily net assets.

Accounting and legal services. Pursuant to a service agreement, the fund reimburses the Advisor for all expenses associated with providing the administrative, financial, legal, compliance, accounting and recordkeeping services to the fund, including the preparation of all tax returns, periodic reports to shareholders and regulatory reports, among other services. These expenses are allocated to each share class based on its relative net assets at the time the expense was incurred. These accounting and legal services fees incurred for the year ended October 31, 2018 amounted to an annual rate of 0.02% of the fund's average daily net assets.

Distribution and service plans. The fund has a distribution agreement with the Distributor. The fund has adopted distribution and service plans with respect to Class A and Class C shares pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act, to pay the Distributor for services provided as the distributor of shares of the fund. The fund may pay up to the following contractual rates of distribution and service fees under these arrangements, expressed as an annual percentage of average daily net assets for each class of the fund's shares.

Class	Rule 12b-1 fee
Class A	0.30%
Class C	1.00%

Sales charges. Class A shares are assessed up-front sales charges, which resulted in payments to the Distributor amounting to $3,980 for the year ended October 31, 2018. Of this amount, $558 was retained and used for printing prospectuses, advertising, sales literature and other purposes, $3,277 was paid as sales commissions to broker-dealers and $145 was paid as sales commissions to sales personnel of Signator Investors, Inc., a broker-dealer affiliate of the Advisor.

Class A and Class C shares may be subject to contingent deferred sales charges (CDSCs). Certain Class A shares that are acquired through purchases of $1 million or more and are redeemed within one year of purchase are subject to a 1.00% sales charge. Class C shares that are redeemed within one year of purchase are subject to a 1.00% CDSC. CDSCs are applied to the lesser of the current market value at the time of redemption or the original purchase cost of the shares being redeemed. Proceeds from CDSCs are used to compensate the Distributor for providing distribution-related services in connection with the sale of these shares. During the year ended October 31, 2018, CDSCs received by the Distributor amounted to $106 for Class C shares.

Transfer agent fees. The John Hancock group of funds has a complex-wide transfer agent agreement with John Hancock Signature Services, Inc. (Signature Services), an affiliate of the Advisor. The transfer agent fees paid to Signature Services are determined based on the cost to Signature Services (Signature Services Cost) of providing recordkeeping services. It also includes out-of-pocket expenses, including payments made to third-parties for recordkeeping services provided to their clients who invest in one or more John Hancock funds. In addition, Signature Services Cost may be reduced by certain fees that Signature Services receives in connection with retirement and small accounts. Signature Services Cost is calculated monthly and allocated, as applicable, to five categories of share classes: Retail Share and Institutional Share Classes of Non-Municipal Bond Funds, Class R6 Shares, Retirement Share Classes and Municipal Bond Share Classes. Within each of these categories, the applicable costs are allocated to the affected John Hancock affiliated funds and/or classes, based on the relative average daily net assets.

Class level expenses. Class level expenses for the year ended October 31, 2018 were:

Class	Distribution and service fees	Transfer agent fees
Class A	$13,367	$4,813
Class C	5,648	609
Class I	—	2,086
Class R6	—	60
Total	**$19,015**	**$7,568**

Trustee expenses. The fund compensates each Trustee who is not an employee of the Advisor or its affiliates. The costs of paying Trustee compensation and expenses are allocated to the fund based on its net assets relative to other funds within the John Hancock group of funds complex.

Interfund lending program. Pursuant to an Exemptive Order issued by the SEC, the fund(s), along with certain other funds advised by the Advisor or its affiliates, may participate in an interfund lending program. This program provides an alternative credit facility allowing the funds to borrow from, or lend money to, other participating affiliated funds. At period end, no interfund loans were outstanding. The fund's activity in this program during the period for which loans were outstanding was as follows:

Borrower or lender	Weighted average loan balance	Days outstanding	Weighted average interest rate	Interest income
Lender	$4,054,210	4	1.480%	$667

Note 5 — Fund share transactions

Transactions in fund shares for the years ended October 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year ended 10-31-18		Year ended 10-31-17	
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount
Class A shares				
Sold	221,876	$2,772,955	272,255	$3,165,191
Distributions reinvested	16,086	197,052	1,361	15,206
Repurchased	(88,079)	(1,098,032)	(62,154)	(723,892)
Net increase	**149,883**	**$1,871,975**	**211,462**	**$2,456,505**
Class C shares				
Sold	23,479	$293,722	29,052	$333,859
Distributions reinvested	2,326	28,467	90	1,003
Repurchased	(29,778)	(365,025)	(7,154)	(81,777)
Net increase (decrease)	**(3,973)**	**$(42,836)**	**21,988**	**$253,085**
Class I shares				
Sold	40,021	$497,163	83,820	$974,855
Distributions reinvested	7,139	87,376	1,189	13,269
Repurchased	(9,592)	(120,472)	(58,832)	(715,810)
Net increase	**37,568**	**$464,067**	**26,177**	**$272,314**
Class R6 shares				
Sold	19,909	$248,061	27,037	$338,584
Distributions reinvested	1,522	18,650	—	—
Repurchased	(16,753)	(212,083)	(1,459)	(18,316)
Net increase	**4,678**	**$54,628**	**25,578**	**$320,268**
Class NAV shares				
Sold	2,141,018	$25,955,021	18,040,855	$196,399,896
Distributions reinvested	2,797,584	34,298,379	773,211	8,636,767
Repurchased	(8,398,621)	(106,147,241)	(8,462,577)	(99,870,126)
Net increase (decrease)	**(3,460,019)**	**$(45,893,841)**	**10,351,489**	**$105,166,537**
Total net increase (decrease)	**(3,271,863)**	**$(43,546,007)**	**10,636,694**	**$108,468,709**

Affiliates of the fund owned 3% and 100% of shares of Class R6 and Class NAV, respectively, on October 31, 2018. Such concentration of shareholders' capital could have a material effect on the fund if such shareholders redeem from the fund.

Note 6 — Purchase and sale of securities

Purchases and sales of securities, other than short-term investments, amounted to $190,623,238 and $258,247,018, respectively, for the year ended October 31, 2018.

Note 7 — Industry or sector risk

The fund generally invests a large percentage of its assets in one or more particular industries or sectors of the economy. If a large percentage of the fund's assets are economically tied to a single or small number of industries or sectors of the economy, the fund will be less diversified than a more broadly diversified fund, and it may cause the fund to underperform if that industry or sector underperforms. In addition, focusing on a particular industry or sector may make the fund's NAV more volatile. Further, a fund that invests in particular industries or sectors is particularly susceptible to the impact of market, economic, regulatory and other factors affecting those industries or sectors. Financial services companies can be hurt by economic declines, changes in interest rates regulatory and market impacts.

Note 8 — Investment by affiliated funds

Certain investors in the fund are affiliated funds that are managed by the Advisor and its affiliates. The affiliated funds do not invest in the fund for the purpose of exercising management or control; however, this investment may represent a significant portion of the fund's net assets. At October 31, 2018, funds within the John Hancock group of funds complex held 98.5% of the fund's net assets. The following funds had an affiliate ownership of 5% or more of the fund's net assets:

Fund	Affiliated concentration
John Hancock Funds II Multimanager Lifestyle Growth Portfolio	38.1%
John Hancock Funds II Multimanager Lifestyle Balanced Portfolio	27.4%
John Hancock Funds II Multimanager Lifestyle Aggressive Portfolio	15.6%

Note 9 — Investment in affiliated underlying funds

The fund may invest in affiliated underlying funds that are managed by the Advisor and its affiliates. Information regarding the fund's purchases and sales of the affiliated underlying funds as well as income and capital gains earned, if any, during the period is as follows:

					Dividends and distributions				
Fund	Beginning share amount	Shares purchased	Shares sold	Ending share amount	Income distributions received	Capital gain distributions received	Realized gain (loss)	Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	Ending value
John Hancock Collateral Trust*	1,317,724	16,121,105	(16,407,009)	1,031,820	—	—	($5,192)	$145	$10,321,606

*Refer to the Securities lending note within Note 2 for details regarding this investment.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Trustees of John Hancock Investment Trust and Shareholders of John Hancock Value Equity Fund

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the fund's investments, of John Hancock Value Equity Fund (one of the funds constituting John Hancock Investment Trust, referred to hereafter as the "Fund") as of October 31, 2018, the related statement of operations for the year ended October 31, 2018, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period ended October 31, 2018, including the related notes, and the financial highlights for each of the periods indicated therein (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of October 31, 2018, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period ended October 31, 2018 and the financial highlights for each of the periods indicated therein in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of October 31, 2018 by correspondence with the custodian, transfer agents and brokers; when replies were not received from brokers or transfer agents, we performed other auditing procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Boston, Massachusetts

December 18, 2018

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies in the John Hancock group of funds since 1988.

TAX INFORMATION

Unaudited

For federal income tax purposes, the following information is furnished with respect to the distributions of the fund, if any, paid during its taxable year ended October 31, 2018.

The fund reports the maximum amount allowable of its net taxable income as eligible for the corporate dividends-received deduction.

The fund reports the maximum amount allowable of its net taxable income as qualified dividend income as provided in the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.

The fund paid $22,589,455 in capital gain dividends.

Eligible shareholders will be mailed a 2018 Form 1099-DIV in early 2019. This will reflect the tax character of all distributions paid in calendar year 2018.

Please consult a tax advisor regarding the tax consequences of your investment in the fund.

CONTINUATION OF INVESTMENT ADVISORY AND SUBADVISORY AGREEMENTS

Evaluation of Advisory and Subadvisory Agreements by the Board of Trustees

This section describes the evaluation by the Board of Trustees (the Board) of John Hancock Investment Trust (the Trust) of the Advisory Agreement (the Advisory Agreement) with John Hancock Advisers, LLC (the Advisor) and the Subadvisory Agreement (the Subadvisory Agreement) with Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC (the Subadvisor), for John Hancock Value Equity Fund (the fund). The Advisory Agreement and Subadvisory Agreement are collectively referred to as the Agreements. Prior to the June 18-21, 2018 in-person meeting at which the Agreements were approved, the Board also discussed and considered information regarding the proposed continuation of the Agreements at an in-person meeting held on May 29-31, 2018.

Approval of Advisory and Subadvisory Agreements

At in-person meetings held on June 18-21, 2018, the Board, including the Trustees who are not parties to any Agreement or considered to be interested persons of the Trust under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act) (the Independent Trustees), reapproved for an annual period the continuation of the Advisory Agreement between the Trust and the Advisor and the Subadvisory Agreement between the Advisor and the Subadvisor with respect to the fund.

In considering the Advisory Agreement and the Subadvisory Agreement, the Board received in advance of the meetings a variety of materials relating to the fund, the Advisor and the Subadvisor, including comparative performance, fee and expense information for a peer group of similar funds prepared by an independent third-party provider of fund data, performance information for an applicable benchmark index; and, with respect to the Subadvisor, comparative performance information for comparably managed accounts, as applicable, and other information provided by the Advisor and the Subadvisor regarding the nature, extent and quality of services provided by the Advisor and the Subadvisor under their respective Agreements, as well as information regarding the Advisor's revenues and costs of providing services to the fund and any compensation paid to affiliates of the Advisor. At the meetings at which the renewal of the Advisory Agreement and Subadvisory Agreement are considered, particular focus is given to information concerning fund performance, comparability of fees and total expenses, and profitability. However, the Board noted that the evaluation process with respect to the Advisor and the Subadvisor is an ongoing one. In this regard, the Board also took into account discussions with management and information provided to the Board (including its various committees) at prior meetings with respect to the services provided by the Advisor and the Subadvisor to the fund, including quarterly performance reports prepared by management containing reviews of investment results and prior presentations from the Subadvisor with respect to the fund. The information received and considered by the Board in connection with the May and June meetings and throughout the year was both written and oral. The Board also considered the nature, quality, and extent of non-advisory services, if any, to be provided to the fund by the Advisor's affiliates, including distribution services. The Board considered the Advisory Agreement and the Subadvisory Agreement separately in the course of its review. In doing so, the Board noted the respective roles of the Advisor and Subadvisor in providing services to the fund.

Throughout the process, the Board asked questions of and requested additional information from management. The Board is assisted by counsel for the Trust and the Independent Trustees are also separately assisted by independent legal counsel throughout the process. The Independent Trustees also received a memorandum from their independent legal counsel discussing the legal standards for their consideration of the proposed continuation of the Agreements and discussed the proposed continuation of the Agreements in private sessions with their independent legal counsel at which no representatives of management were present.

Approval of Advisory Agreement

In approving the Advisory Agreement with respect to the fund, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, considered a variety of factors, including those discussed below. The Board also considered other factors (including conditions and trends prevailing generally in the economy, the securities markets, and the industry) and did not treat any single factor as determinative, and each Trustee may have attributed different weights to different factors. The Board's conclusions may be based in part on its consideration of the advisory and subadvisory arrangements in prior years and on the Board's ongoing regular review of fund performance and operations throughout the year.

Nature, extent, and quality of services. Among the information received by the Board from the Advisor relating to the nature, extent, and quality of services provided to the fund, the Board reviewed information provided by the Advisor relating to its operations and personnel, descriptions of its organizational and management structure, and information regarding the Advisor's compliance and regulatory history, including its Form ADV. The Board also noted that on a regular basis it receives and reviews information from the Trust's Chief Compliance Officer (CCO) regarding the fund's compliance policies and procedures established pursuant to Rule 38a-1 under the 1940 Act. The Board observed that the scope of services provided by the Advisor, and of the undertakings required of the Advisor in connection with those services, including maintaining and monitoring its own and the fund's compliance programs, risk management programs, liquidity management programs and cybersecurity programs, had expanded over time as a result of regulatory, market and other developments. The Board considered that the Advisor is responsible for the management of the day-to-day operations of the fund, including, but not limited to, general supervision of and coordination of the services provided by the Subadvisor, and is also responsible for monitoring and reviewing the activities of the Subadvisor and other third-party service providers. The Board also considered the significant risks assumed by the Advisor in connection with the services provided to the fund including entrepreneurial risk in sponsoring new funds and ongoing risks including investment, operational, enterprise, litigation, regulatory and compliance risks with respect to all funds.

In considering the nature, extent, and quality of the services provided by the Advisor, the Trustees also took into account their knowledge of the Advisor's management and the quality of the performance of the Advisor's duties, through Board meetings, discussions and reports during the preceding year and through each Trustee's experience as a Trustee of the Trust and of the other trusts in the John Hancock group of funds complex (the John Hancock Fund Complex).

In the course of their deliberations regarding the Advisory Agreement, the Board considered, among other things:

(a) the skills and competency with which the Advisor has in the past managed the Trust's affairs and its subadvisory relationship, the Advisor's oversight and monitoring of the Subadvisor's investment performance and compliance programs, such as the Subadvisor's compliance with fund policies and objectives, review of brokerage matters, including with respect to trade allocation and best execution and the Advisor's timeliness in responding to performance issues;

(b) the background, qualifications and skills of the Advisor's personnel;

(c) the Advisor's compliance policies and procedures and its responsiveness to regulatory changes and fund industry developments;

(d) the Advisor's administrative capabilities, including its ability to supervise the other service providers for the fund, as well as the Advisor's oversight of any securities lending activity, its monitoring of class action litigation and collection of class action settlements on behalf of the fund, and bringing loss recovery actions on behalf of the fund;

(e) the financial condition of the Advisor and whether it has the financial wherewithal to provide a high level and quality of services to the fund;

(f) the Advisor's initiatives intended to improve various aspects of the Trust's operations and investor experience with the fund; and

(g) the Advisor's reputation and experience in serving as an investment advisor to the Trust and the benefit to shareholders of investing in funds that are part of a family of funds offering a variety of investments.

The Board concluded that the Advisor may reasonably be expected to continue to provide a high quality of services under the Advisory Agreement with respect to the fund.

Investment performance. In considering the fund's performance, the Board noted that it reviews at its regularly scheduled meetings information about the fund's performance results. In connection with the consideration of the Advisory Agreement, the Board:

(a) reviewed information prepared by management regarding the fund's performance;

(b) considered the comparative performance of an applicable benchmark index;

(c) considered the performance of comparable funds, if any, as included in the report prepared by an independent third-party provider of fund data; and

(d) took into account the Advisor's analysis of the fund's performance and its plans and recommendations regarding the Trust's subadvisory arrangements generally.

The Board noted that while it found the data provided by the independent third-party generally useful it recognized its limitations, including in particular that the data may vary depending on the end date selected and the results of the performance comparisons may vary depending on the selection of the peer group. The Board noted that the fund outperformed its benchmark index and its peer group average for the one- and three-year periods ended December 31, 2017. The Board took into account management's discussion of the fund's performance, including the favorable performance relative to the benchmark index and peer group for the one- and three-year periods. The Board concluded that the fund's performance has generally been in line with or outperformed the historical performance of comparable funds and the fund's benchmark index.

Fees and expenses. The Board reviewed comparative information prepared by an independent third-party provider of fund data, including, among other data, the fund's contractual and net management fees (and subadvisory fees, to the extent available) and total expenses as compared to similarly situated investment companies deemed to be comparable to the fund in light of the nature, extent and quality of the management and advisory and subadvisory services provided by the Advisor and the Subadvisor. The Board considered the fund's ranking within a smaller group of peer funds chosen by the independent third-party provider, as well as the fund's ranking within a broader group of funds. In comparing the fund's contractual and net management fees to those of comparable funds, the Board noted that such fees include both advisory and administrative costs. The Board noted that net management fees are equal to the peer group median and net total expenses for the fund are lower than the peer group median.

The Board took into account management's discussion with respect to the overall management fee and the fees of the Subadvisor, including the amount of the advisory fee retained by the Advisor after payment of the subadvisory fee, in each case in light of the services rendered for those amounts and the risks undertaken by the Advisor. The Board also noted that the Advisor pays the subadvisory fee, and that such fees are negotiated at arm's length with respect to the Subadvisor. In addition, the Board took into account that management had agreed to implement an overall fee waiver across the complex, including the fund, which is discussed further below. The Board also noted actions taken over the past several years to reduce the fund's operating expenses. The Board also noted that, in addition, the Advisor is currently waiving fees and/or reimbursing expenses with respect to the fund and that the fund has breakpoints in its contractual management fee schedule that reduces management fees as assets increase. The Board reviewed information provided by the Advisor concerning the investment advisory fee charged by the Advisor or one of its advisory affiliates to other clients (including other funds in the John Hancock Fund Complex) having similar investment mandates, if any. The Board considered any differences between the Advisor's and Subadvisor's services to the fund and the services they provide to other comparable clients or funds. The Board concluded that the advisory fee paid with respect to the fund is reasonable in light of the nature, extent and quality of the services provided to the fund under the Advisory Agreement.

Profitability/Fall out benefits. In considering the costs of the services to be provided and the profits to be realized by the Advisor and its affiliates from the Advisor's relationship with the Trust, the Board:

(a) reviewed financial information of the Advisor;

(b) reviewed and considered information presented by the Advisor regarding the net profitability to the Advisor and its affiliates with respect to the fund;

(c) received and reviewed profitability information with respect to the John Hancock Fund Complex as a whole and with respect to the fund;

(d) received information with respect to the Advisor's allocation methodologies used in preparing the profitability data and considered that the Advisor hired an independent third-party consultant to provide an analysis of the Advisor's allocation methodologies;

(e) considered that the John Hancock insurance companies that are affiliates of the Advisor, as shareholders of the Trust directly or through their separate accounts, receive certain tax credits or deductions relating to foreign taxes paid and dividends received by certain funds of the Trust and noted that these tax benefits, which are not available to participants in qualified retirement plans under applicable income tax law, are reflected in the profitability information reviewed by the Board;

(f) considered that the Advisor also provides administrative services to the fund on a cost basis pursuant to an administrative services agreement;

(g) noted that affiliates of the Advisor provide transfer agency services and distribution services to the fund, and that the fund's distributor also receives Rule 12b-1 payments to support distribution of the fund;

(h) noted that the Advisor also derives reputational and other indirect benefits from providing advisory services to the fund;

(i) noted that the subadvisory fee for the fund is paid by the Advisor and is negotiated at arm's length;

(j) considered the Advisor's ongoing costs and expenditures necessary to improve services, meet new regulatory and compliance requirements, and adapt to other challenges impacting the fund industry; and

(k) considered that the Advisor should be entitled to earn a reasonable level of profits in exchange for the level of services it provides to the fund and the risks that it assumes as Advisor, including entrepreneurial, operational, reputational, litigation and regulatory risk.

Based upon its review, the Board concluded that the level of profitability, if any, of the Advisor and its affiliates from their relationship with the fund was reasonable and not excessive.

Economies of scale. In considering the extent to which economies of scale would be realized as the fund grows and whether fee levels reflect these economies of scale for the benefit of fund shareholders, the Board:

(a) considered that the Advisor has contractually agreed to waive a portion of its management fee for certain funds of the John Hancock Fund Complex, including the fund (the participating portfolios) or otherwise reimburse the expenses of the participating portfolios (the reimbursement). This waiver is based upon aggregate net assets of all the participating portfolios. The amount of the reimbursement is calculated daily and allocated among all the participating portfolios in proportion to the daily net assets of each fund;

(b) reviewed the fund's advisory fee structure and concluded that: (i) the fund's fee structure contains breakpoints at the subadvisory fee level and that such breakpoints are reflected as breakpoints in the advisory fees for the fund; and (ii) although economies of scale cannot be measured with precision, these arrangements permit shareholders of the fund to benefit from economies of scale if the fund grows. The Board also took into account management's discussion of the fund's advisory fee structure; and

(c) the Board also considered the effect of the fund's growth in size on its performance and fees. The Board also noted that if the fund's assets increase over time, the fund may realize other economies of scale.

Approval of Subadvisory Agreement

In making its determination with respect to approval of the Subadvisory Agreement, the Board reviewed:

(1) information relating to the Subadvisor's business, including current subadvisory services to the Trust (and other funds in the John Hancock Fund Complex);

(2) the historical and current performance of the fund and comparative performance information relating to an applicable benchmark index and comparable funds;

(3) the subadvisory fee for the fund, including any breakpoints, and to the extent available, comparable fee information prepared by an independent third party provider of fund data; and

(4) information relating to the nature and scope of any material relationships and their significance to the Trust's Advisor and Subadvisor.

Nature, extent, and quality of services. With respect to the services provided by the Subadvisor, the Board received information provided to the Board by the Subadvisor, including the Subadvisor's Form ADV, as well as took into account information presented throughout the past year. The Board considered the Subadvisor's current level of staffing and its overall resources, as well as received information relating to the Subadvisor's compensation program. The Board reviewed the Subadvisor's history and investment experience, as well as information regarding the qualifications, background, and responsibilities of the Subadvisor's investment and compliance personnel who provide services to the fund. The Board also considered, among other things, the Subadvisor's compliance program and any disciplinary history. The Board also considered the Subadvisor's risk assessment and monitoring process. The Board reviewed the Subadvisor's regulatory history, including whether it was involved in any regulatory actions or investigations as well as material litigation, and any settlements and amelioratory actions undertaken, as appropriate. The Board noted that the Advisor conducts regular, periodic reviews of the Subadvisor and its operations, including regarding investment processes and organizational and staffing matters. The Board also noted that the Trust's CCO and his staff conduct regular, periodic compliance reviews with the Subadvisor and present reports to the Independent Trustees regarding the same, which includes evaluating the regulatory compliance systems of the Subadvisor and procedures reasonably designed to assure compliance with the federal securities laws. The Board also took into account the financial condition of the Subadvisor.

The Board considered the Subadvisor's investment process and philosophy. The Board took into account that the Subadvisor's responsibilities include the development and maintenance of an investment program for the fund that is consistent with the fund's investment objective, the selection of investment securities and the placement of orders for the purchase and sale of such securities, as well as the implementation of compliance controls related to performance of these services. The Board also received information with respect to the Subadvisor's brokerage policies and practices, including with respect to best execution and soft dollars.

Subadvisor compensation. In considering the cost of services to be provided by the Subadvisor and the profitability to the Subadvisor of its relationship with the fund, the Board noted that the fees under the Subadvisory Agreement are paid by the Advisor and not the fund.

The Board also relied on the ability of the Advisor to negotiate the Subadvisory Agreement with the Subadvisor, which is not affiliated with the Advisor, and the fees thereunder at arm's length. As a result, the costs of the services to be provided and the profits to be realized by the Subadvisor from its relationship with the Trust were not a material factor in the Board's consideration of the Subadvisory Agreement.

The Board also received information regarding the nature and scope (including their significance to the Advisor and its affiliates and to the Subadvisor) of any material relationships with respect to the Subadvisor, which include arrangements in which the Subadvisor or its affiliates provide advisory, distribution, or management services in connection with financial products sponsored by the Advisor or its affiliates, and may include other registered investment companies, a 529 education savings plan, managed separate accounts and exempt group annuity contracts sold to qualified plans. The Board also received information and took into account any other potential conflicts of interest the Advisor might have in connection with the Subadvisory Agreement.

In addition, the Board considered other potential indirect benefits that the Subadvisor and its affiliates may receive from the Subadvisor's relationship with the fund, such as the opportunity to provide advisory services to additional funds in the John Hancock Fund Complex and reputational benefits.

Subadvisory fees. The Board considered that the fund pays an advisory fee to the Advisor and that, in turn, the Advisor pays a subadvisory fee to the Subadvisor. As noted above, the Board also considered the fund's subadvisory fees as compared to similarly situated investment companies deemed to be comparable to the fund as included in the report prepared by the independent third party provider of fund data, to the extent available. The Board noted that the limited size of the Lipper peer group was not sufficient for comparative purposes. The Board also took into account the subadvisory fees paid by the Advisor to the Subadvisor with respect to the fund and compared them to fees charged by the Subadvisor to manage other subadvised portfolios and portfolios not subject to regulation under the 1940 Act, as applicable.

Subadvisor performance. As noted above, the Board considered the fund's performance as compared to the fund's peer group and the benchmark index and noted that the Board reviews information about the fund's performance results at its regularly scheduled meetings. The Board noted the Advisor's expertise and resources in monitoring the performance, investment style and risk-adjusted performance of the Subadvisor. The Board was mindful of the Advisor's focus on the Subadvisor's performance. The Board also noted the Subadvisor's long-term performance record for similar accounts, as applicable.

The Board's decision to approve the Subadvisory Agreement was based on a number of determinations, including the following:

(1) the Subadvisor has extensive experience and demonstrated skills as a manager;

(2) the performance of the fund has generally outperformed the historical performance of the fund's benchmark index and comparable funds;

(3) the subadvisory fee is reasonable in relation to the level and quality of services being provided under the Subadvisory Agreement; and

(4) noted that the subadvisory fees are paid by the Advisor not the fund and that the subadvisory fee breakpoints are reflected as breakpoints in the advisory fees for the fund in order to permit shareholders to benefit from economies of scale if the fund grows.

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Based on the Board's evaluation of all factors that the Board deemed to be material, including those factors described above, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, concluded that renewal of the Advisory Agreement and the Subadvisory Agreement would be in the best interest of the fund and its shareholders. Accordingly, the Board, and the Independent Trustees voting separately, approved the Advisory Agreement and Subadvisory Agreement for an additional one-year period.

Trustees and Officers

This chart provides information about the Trustees and Officers who oversee your John Hancock fund. Officers elected by the Trustees manage the day-to-day operations of the fund and execute policies formulated by the Trustees.

Independent Trustees

Name, year of birth *Position(s) held with Trust* Principal occupation(s) and other directorships during past 5 years	Trustee of the Trust since[1]	Number of John Hancock funds overseen by Trustee
Hassell H. McClellan, Born: 1945	2012	215
Trustee and Chairperson of the Board Director/Trustee, Virtus Funds (since 2008); Director, The Barnes Group (since 2010); Associate Professor, The Wallace E. Carroll School of Management, Boston College (retired 2013). Trustee (since 2014) and Chairperson of the Board (since 2017), John Hancock Collateral Trust; Trustee (since 2015) and Chairperson of the Board (since 2017), John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust; Trustee (since 2012) and Chairperson of the Board (since 2017), John Hancock retail funds[3]; Trustee (2005-2006 and since 2012) and Chairperson of the Board (since 2017), John Hancock Funds III; Trustee (since 2005) and Chairperson of the Board (since 2017), John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II.		
Charles L. Bardelis,[2] Born: 1941	2012	215
Trustee Director, Island Commuter Corp. (marine transport). Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014), Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015); Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Funds III (2005–2006 and since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust (since 1988); Trustee, John Hancock Funds II (since 2005).		
James R. Boyle, Born: 1959	2015	215
Trustee Chief Executive Officer, Foresters Financial (since 2018); Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Zillion Group, Inc. (formerly HealthFleet, Inc.) (healthcare) (2014-2018); Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer, U.S. Life Insurance Division of Genworth Financial, Inc. (insurance) (January 2014–July 2014); Senior Executive Vice President, Manulife Financial, President and Chief Executive Officer, John Hancock (1999–2012); Chairman and Director, John Hancock Advisers, LLC, John Hancock Funds, LLC, and John Hancock Investment Management Services, LLC (2005–2010). Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust and John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015); Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (2005–2010; 2012–2014 and since 2015); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (2005–2014 and since 2015).		
Peter S. Burgess,[2] Born: 1942	2012	215
Trustee Consultant (financial, accounting, and auditing matters) (since 1999); Certified Public Accountant; Partner, Arthur Andersen (independent public accounting firm) (prior to 1999); Director, Lincoln Educational Services Corporation (since 2004); Director, Symetra Financial Corporation (2010–2016); Director, PMA Capital Corporation (2004–2010). Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015); Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Funds III (2005–2006 and since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (since 2005).		
William H. Cunningham, Born: 1944	1994	215
Trustee Professor, University of Texas, Austin, Texas (since 1971); former Chancellor, University of Texas System and former President of the University of Texas, Austin, Texas; Chairman (since 2009) and Director (since 2006), Lincoln National Corporation (insurance); Director, Southwest Airlines (since 2000); former Director, LIN Television (2009–2014). Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 1986); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Funds II (2005–2006 and since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015).		

Independent Trustees (continued)

Name, year of birth ***Position(s) held with Trust*** **Principal occupation(s) and other directorships during past 5 years**	**Trustee of the Trust since[1]**	**Number of John Hancock funds overseen by Trustee**
Grace K. Fey, Born: 1946	2012	215
Trustee Chief Executive Officer, Grace Fey Advisors (since 2007); Director and Executive Vice President, Frontier Capital Management Company (1988–2007); Director, Fiduciary Trust (since 2009). Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015); Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (since 2008).		
Theron S. Hoffman,[2] Born: 1947	2012	215
Trustee Chief Executive Officer, T. Hoffman Associates, LLC (consulting firm) (since 2003); Director, The Todd Organization (consulting firm) (2003–2010); President, Westport Resources Management (investment management consulting firm) (2006–2008); Board Member, Senior Managing Director, Partner, and Operating Head, Putnam Investments (2000–2003); Executive Vice President, The Thomson Corp. (financial and legal information publishing) (1997–2000). Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015); Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (since 2008).		
Deborah C. Jackson, Born: 1952	2008	215
Trustee President, Cambridge College, Cambridge, Massachusetts (since 2011); Board of Directors, National Association of Corporate Directors/New England (since 2015); Board of Directors, Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Massachusetts (since 2014); Chief Executive Officer, American Red Cross of Massachusetts Bay (2002–2011); Board of Directors of Eastern Bank Corporation (since 2001); Board of Directors of Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation (since 2001); Board of Directors of American Student Assistance Corporation (1996–2009); Board of Directors of Boston Stock Exchange (2002–2008); Board of Directors of Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare (health benefits company) (2007–2011). Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 2008); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); and Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015).		
James M. Oates, Born: 1946	2012	215
Trustee Managing Director, Wydown Group (financial consulting firm) (since 1994); Chairman and Director, Emerson Investment Management, Inc. (2000-2015); Independent Chairman, Hudson Castle Group, Inc. (formerly IBEX Capital Markets, Inc.) (financial services company) (1997–2011); Director, Stifel Financial (since 1996); Director, Investor Financial Services Corporation (1995-2007); Director, Connecticut River Bancorp (1998-2014); Director/Trustee, Virtus Funds (since 1988). Trustee (since 2014) and Chairperson of the Board (2014-2016), John Hancock Collateral Trust; Trustee (since 2015) and Chairperson of the Board (2015-2016), John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust; Trustee (since 2012) and Chairperson of the Board (2012-2016), John Hancock retail funds[3]; Trustee (2005-2006 and since 2012) and Chairperson of the Board (2012-2016), John Hancock Funds III; Trustee (since 2004) and Chairperson of the Board (2005-2016), John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust; Trustee (since 2005) and Chairperson of the Board, John Hancock Funds II (2005-2016).		
Steven R. Pruchansky, Born: 1944	1994	215
Trustee and Vice Chairperson of the Board Managing Director, Pru Realty (since 2017); Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Greenscapes of Southwest Florida, Inc. (since 2000); Director and President, Greenscapes of Southwest Florida, Inc. (until 2000); Member, Board of Advisors, First American Bank (until 2010); Managing Director, Jon James, LLC (real estate) (since 2000); Partner, Right Funding, LLC (2014-2017); Director, First Signature Bank & Trust Company (until 1991); Director, Mast Realty Trust (until 1994); President, Maxwell Building Corp. (until 1991). Trustee (since 1992) and Chairperson of the Board (2011–2012), John Hancock retail funds[3]; Trustee and Vice Chairperson of the Board, John Hancock retail funds[3] John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust, and John Hancock Funds II (since 2012); Trustee and Vice Chairperson of the Board, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); Trustee and Vice Chairperson of the Board, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015).		

Independent Trustees (continued)

Name, year of birth *Position(s) held with Trust* Principal occupation(s) and other directorships during past 5 years	Trustee of the Trust since[1]	Number of John Hancock funds overseen by Trustee
Gregory A. Russo, Born: 1949	2009	215

Trustee

Director and Audit Committee Chairman (since 2012), and Member, Audit Committee and Finance Committee (since 2011), NCH Healthcare System, Inc. (holding company for multi-entity healthcare system); Director and Member (since 2012) and Finance Committee Chairman (since 2014), The Moorings, Inc. (nonprofit continuing care community); Vice Chairman, Risk & Regulatory Matters, KPMG LLP (KPMG) (2002–2006); Vice Chairman, Industrial Markets, KPMG (1998–2002); Chairman and Treasurer, Westchester County, New York, Chamber of Commerce (1986–1992); Director, Treasurer, and Chairman of Audit and Finance Committees, Putnam Hospital Center (1989–1995); Director and Chairman of Fundraising Campaign, United Way of Westchester and Putnam Counties, New York (1990–1995). Trustee, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 2008); Trustee, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015).

Non-Independent Trustees[4]

Name, year of birth *Position(s) held with Trust* Principal occupation(s) and other directorships during past 5 years	Trustee of the Trust since[1]	Number of John Hancock funds overseen by Trustee
Andrew G. Arnott, Born: 1971	2017	215

President and Non-Independent Trustee

Head of Wealth and Asset Management, United States and Europe, for John Hancock and Manulife (since 2018); Executive Vice President, John Hancock Financial Services (since 2009, including prior positions); Director and Executive Vice President, John Hancock Advisers, LLC (since 2005, including prior positions); Director and Executive Vice President, John Hancock Investment Management Services, LLC (since 2006, including prior positions); President, John Hancock Funds, LLC (since 2004, including prior positions); President, John Hancock retail funds,[3] John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust, and John Hancock Funds II (since 2007, including prior positions); President, John Hancock Collateral Trust and John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2014). Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust, John Hancock retail funds,[3] John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust, and John Hancock Funds II (since 2017).

Marianne Harrison, Born: 1963	2018	215

Non-Independent Trustee

President and CEO, John Hancock (since 2017); President and CEO, Manulife Canadian Division (2013–2017); Member, Board of Directors, American Council of Life Insurers (ACLI) (since 2018); Member, Board of Directors, Communitech, an industry-led innovation center that fosters technology companies in Canada (since 2017); Member, Board of Directors, Manulife Assurance Canada (since 2015); Board Member, St. Mary's General Hospital Foundation (since 2014); Member, Board of Directors, Manulife Bank of Canada (since 2013); Member, Standing Committee of the Canadian Life & Health Assurance Association (since 2013); Member, Board of Directors, John Hancock USA, John Hancock Life & Health, John Hancock New York (2012–2013). Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust, John Hancock retail funds[3], John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust, and John Hancock Funds II (since 2018).

Warren A. Thomson, Born: 1955	2012	215

Non-Independent Trustee

Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer, Manulife Financial and The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company (since 2009); Chairman, Manulife Asset Management (since 2001, including prior positions); Director and Chairman, Manulife Asset Management Limited (since 2006); Director and Chairman, Hancock Natural Resources Group, Inc. (since 2013). Trustee, John Hancock retail funds,[3] John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust, and John Hancock Funds II (since 2012); Trustee, John Hancock Collateral Trust (since 2014); Trustee, John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2015).

Principal officers who are not Trustees

Name, year of birth *Position(s) held with Trust* Principal occupation(s) during past 5 years	Officer of the Trust since
Francis V. Knox, Jr., Born: 1947	2005
Chief Compliance Officer Vice President, John Hancock Financial Services (since 2005); Chief Compliance Officer, John Hancock retail funds,[3] John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust, John Hancock Funds II, John Hancock Advisers, LLC, and John Hancock Investment Management Services, LLC (since 2005); Chief Compliance Officer, John Hancock Collateral Trust and John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2014).	
Charles A. Rizzo, Born: 1957	2007
Chief Financial Officer Vice President, John Hancock Financial Services (since 2008); Senior Vice President, John Hancock Advisers, LLC and John Hancock Investment Management Services, LLC (since 2008); Chief Financial Officer, John Hancock retail funds,[3] John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (since 2007); Chief Financial Officer, John Hancock Collateral Trust and John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2014).	
Salvatore Schiavone, Born: 1965	2010
Treasurer Assistant Vice President, John Hancock Financial Services (since 2007); Vice President, John Hancock Advisers, LLC and John Hancock Investment Management Services, LLC (since 2007); Treasurer, John Hancock retail funds[3] (since 2007, including prior positions); Treasurer, John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust and John Hancock Funds II (2007–2009 and since 2010, including prior positions); Treasurer, John Hancock Collateral Trust and John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2014).	
Christopher (Kit) Sechler, Born: 1973	2018
Chief Legal Officer and Secretary Vice President and Deputy Chief Counsel, John Hancock Investments (since 2015); Assistant Vice President and Senior Counsel (2009–2015), John Hancock Investments; Chief Legal Officer and Secretary, John Hancock retail funds(2), John Hancock Variable Insurance Trust, John Hancock Collateral Trust and John Hancock Exchange-Traded Fund Trust (since 2018); Assistant Secretary of John Hancock Advisers, LLC and John Hancock Investment Management Services, LLC (since 2009).	

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1 Each Trustee holds office until his or her successor is elected and qualified, or until the Trustee's death, retirement, resignation, or removal. Mr. Boyle has served as Trustee at various times prior to the date listed in the table.

2 Member of the Audit Committee.

3 "John Hancock retail funds" comprises John Hancock Funds III and 40 other John Hancock funds consisting of 30 series of other John Hancock trusts and 10 closed-end funds.

4 The Trustee is a Non-Independent Trustee due to current or former positions with the Advisor and certain affiliates.

More information

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Blue Chip Growth
Classic Value
Disciplined Value
Disciplined Value Mid Cap
Equity Income
Financial Industries
Fundamental All Cap Core
Fundamental Large Cap Core
Fundamental Large Cap Value
New Opportunities
Regional Bank
Small Cap Core
Small Cap Growth
Small Cap Value
U.S. Global Leaders Growth
U.S. Growth
U.S. Quality Growth
Value Equity

GLOBAL AND INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS

Disciplined Value International
Emerging Markets
Emerging Markets Equity
Fundamental Global Franchise
Global Equity
Global Shareholder Yield
Global Thematic Opportunities
Greater China Opportunities
International Growth
International Small Company

INCOME FUNDS

Bond
California Tax-Free Income
Emerging Markets Debt
Floating Rate Income
Government Income
High Yield
High Yield Municipal Bond
Income
Investment Grade Bond
Money Market
Short Duration Credit Opportunities
Spectrum Income
Strategic Income Opportunities
Tax-Free Bond

ALTERNATIVE AND SPECIALTY FUNDS

Absolute Return Currency
Alternative Asset Allocation
Enduring Assets
Global Absolute Return Strategies
Global Conservative Absolute Return
Global Focused Strategies
Redwood
Seaport Long/Short
Technical Opportunities

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ASSET ALLOCATION

Balanced

Income Allocation

Multi-Index Lifetime Portfolios

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Multimanager Lifestyle Portfolios

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Retirement Income 2040

EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS

John Hancock Multifactor Consumer Discretionary ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Consumer Staples ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Developed International ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Emerging Markets ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Energy ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Financials ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Healthcare ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Industrials ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Large Cap ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Materials ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Mid Cap ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Small Cap ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Technology ETF

John Hancock Multifactor Utilities ETF

ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE FUNDS

ESG All Cap Core

ESG Core Bond

ESG International Equity

ESG Large Cap Core

CLOSED-END FUNDS

Financial Opportunities

Hedged Equity & Income

Income Securities Trust

Investors Trust

Preferred Income

Preferred Income II

Preferred Income III

Premium Dividend

Tax-Advantaged Dividend Income

Tax-Advantaged Global Shareholder Yield

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