

# The case for mid-cap stocks

Mid-cap companies are typically large enough to have well-established management teams, broad distribution channels, and ready access to capital markets, and they may grow more quickly than their large-cap counterparts. Over time, this combination of stability and superior earnings growth potential has helped mid caps outperform.

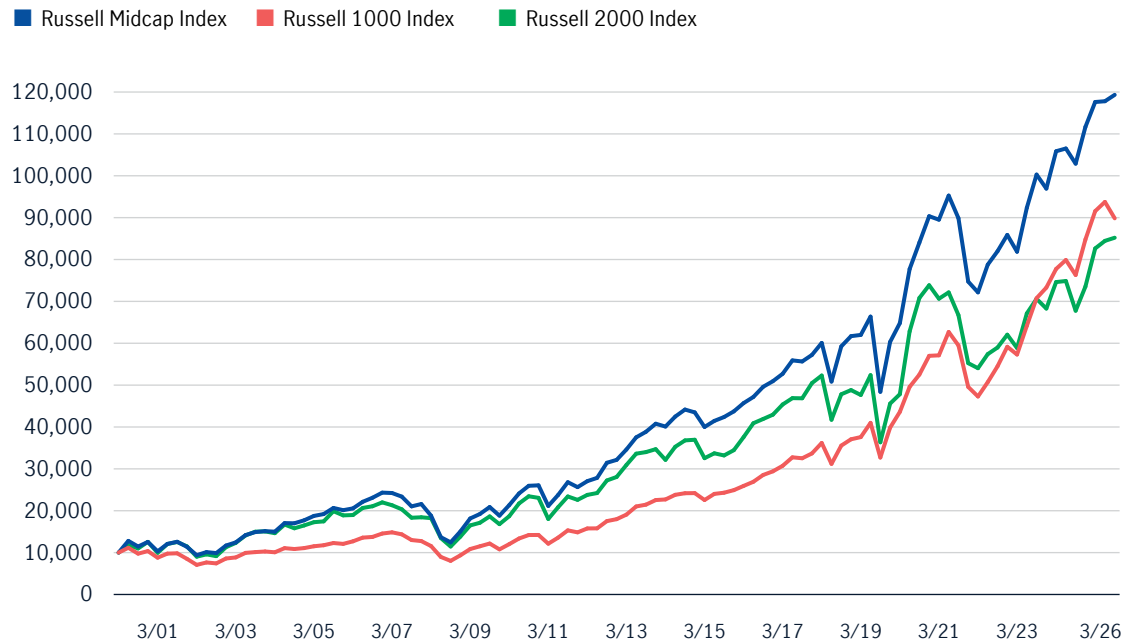
## Mid-cap stocks across styles have a history of outperformance

Percentage of rolling 3-year periods in which excess return vs. the Russell 1000 Index was positive, 12/31/98–3/31/26

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|-------|-------|--------|---------|
|       |       |        |         |
|       |       |        | ↑ Large |
| 32.65 | —     | 63.27  |         |
| 54.08 | 51.02 | 56.12  | Mid     |
| 36.73 | 41.84 | 43.88  | ↓ Small |
| Value | Core  | Growth |         |

## Mid-cap stocks have surpassed small- and large-cap stocks

Growth of \$10,000

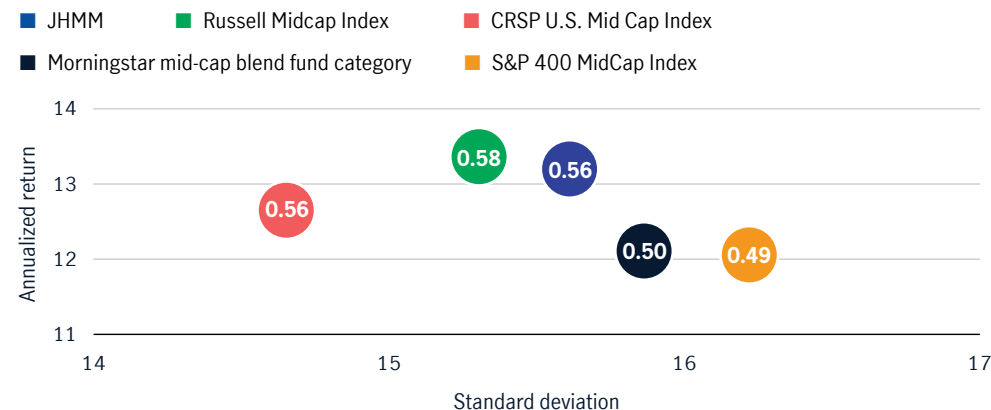


Source: Morningstar Direct, as of 3/31/26. The Russell Midcap Index tracks the performance of approximately 800 mid-cap companies in the United States. The Russell 2000 Index tracks the performance of approximately 2,000 small-cap companies in the United States. The Russell 1000 Index tracks the performance of approximately 1,000 large-cap companies in the United States. JHMM vs. index chart: Standard deviation is a statistical measure of the historic volatility of a portfolio. It measures the fluctuation of a fund's periodic returns from the mean or average. The larger the deviation, the larger the standard deviation and the higher the risk. Sharpe ratio is a measure of excess return per unit of risk, as defined by standard deviation. A higher Sharpe ratio suggests better risk-adjusted performance. For index descriptions and methodology for John Hancock Multifactor ETFs, please visit [us.dimensions.com/john-hancock-indexes](https://us.dimensions.com/john-hancock-indexes). It is not possible to invest directly in an index. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

# John Hancock Multifactor Mid Cap ETF (JHMM) has demonstrated strong risk-adjusted performance

## JHMM vs. index comparison

Risk, return, and Sharpe ratio, 12/1/20–3/31/26 (%)



The benchmark shown demonstrates how the fund's performance compares against the returns of similar investments, which may differ from the broad-based securities index shown in the fund's prospectus.

Source: Morningstar Direct, as of 3/31/26.

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**1** The net expense ratio for JHMM is 0.42%, which represents the effect of a fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement and is subject to change. The gross expense ratio is 0.42%. The fund's Morningstar category average is a group of funds with similar investment objectives and strategies and is the equal-weighted return of all funds per category. Please see index definitions on page 1. You cannot invest directly in an index. The index shown demonstrates how the fund's performance compares against the returns of similar investments, which may differ from the broad-based securities index shown in the fund's prospectus.

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## Average annual total returns as of 3/31/26<sup>1</sup> (%)

|  | QTD  | YTD  | 1 year | 3 year | 5 year | Since inception |
|--|------|------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------|
| <b>John Hancock Multifactor Mid Cap ETF (JHMM)</b><br>Managed by Dimensional Fund Advisors |      |      |        |        |        | 9/28/15         |
| Multifactor Mid Cap ETF (NAV)  | 2.47 | 2.47 | 18.34  | 13.15  | 7.56   | 11.03           |
| Multifactor Mid Cap ETF (Market price)   | 2.50 | 2.50 | 18.32  | 13.14  | 7.55   | 11.03           |
| John Hancock Dimensional Mid Cap Index   | 2.58 | 2.58 | 18.84  | 13.62  | 8.00   | 11.49           |
| Russell Midcap Index   | 1.29 | 1.29 | 15.98  | 13.33  | 7.26   | 10.83           |
| Morningstar mid-cap blend category   | 1.02 | 1.02 | 11.23  | 10.78  | 6.11   | —               |