



**Next Century Growth Investors, LLC**  
**Small Capitalization Equity Composite**  
**January 1, 1999 through December 31, 2021**

Year	Gross of Fees Return (%)	Net of Fees Return (%)	Russell 2000 Growth Index (%)	Standard Deviation	Number of Portfolios	Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	Percentage of Firm Assets	Firm Assets (\$Millions)	Annualized 3-year Standard Deviation	
									Composite	Index
1999	103.86	101.83	43.09	-	3	70	90.74	77	**	**
2000	2.34	0.56	(22.42)	0.68	16	315	59.38	531	**	**
2001	(19.41)	(20.81)	(9.22)	0.41	24	501	62.50	802	45.6%	33.6%
2002	(33.50)	(34.65)	(30.26)	0.39	41	683	73.76	925	44.0%	33.3%
2003	56.73	54.01	48.54	0.58	43	1,066	68.70	1,551	30.8%	27.0%
2004	7.40	6.11	14.30	0.25	42	1,045	60.24	1,734	23.4%	21.4%
2005	26.36	25.16	4.15	0.10	55	1,163	68.18	1,705	18.2%	16.5%
2006	13.12	12.11	13.34	0.24	55	1,500	68.07	2,203	18.4%	15.6%
2007	35.31	34.12	7.04	0.21	52	1,951	66.40	2,937	17.0%	14.2%
2008	(48.78)	(49.32)	(38.53)	0.24	51	982	64.55	1,521	25.5%	21.3%
2009	36.22	35.05	34.46	0.33	54	1,553	63.48	2,446	26.5%	24.8%
2010	30.76	29.63	29.08	0.19	61	1,946	62.76	3,100	28.9%	27.7%
2011	(3.53)	(4.41)	(2.90)	0.31	60	1,447	55.55	2,604	24.9%	24.3%
2012	2.70	1.77	14.58	0.19	57	1,357	50.44	2,690	23.8%	20.7%
2013	51.31	50.10	43.30	0.39	52	1,828	47.36	3,860	20.4%	17.3%
2014	(5.80)	(6.58)	5.60	0.12	46	1,686	53.32	3,163	18.3%	13.8%
2015	(1.06)	(1.88)	(1.38)	0.08	23	1,278	50.02	2,555	18.5%	14.9%
2016	(2.93)	(3.79)	11.31	0.06	16	789	45.44	1,736	19.4%	16.7%
2017	36.87	35.63	22.16	0.04	10	533	63.87	834	15.7%	14.6%
2018	(0.38)	(1.40)	(9.30)	0.02	9	391	56.02	699	17.8%	16.5%
2019	38.03	36.73	28.48	0.06	7	324	41.29	784	18.2%	16.4%
2020	75.04	73.49	34.63	0.09	7	524	42.12	1,243	25.1%	25.1%
2021	22.97	21.93	2.83	0.17	7	458	39.52	1,160	22.7%	23.1%

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**List of Composites:** The firm's list of composite descriptions is available upon request.

**Composite Creation:** The creation and inception of this composite is January 1, 1999.

**Formal Description of the Small Cap Growth Composite:** The Next Century Growth Investors Small Capitalization Equity Composite contains all fee-paying portfolios investing primarily in the equity securities of smaller U.S. companies that the portfolio manager believes have substantial potential for high long-term growth. The portfolio manager seeks to identify the fastest growing and highest quality companies for investment. Investment results are measured versus the Russell 2000 Growth Index. Beginning January 1, 1999, there was no minimum account size for the composite. Beginning October 1, 2010, the minimum account size for the composite is \$10,000

**Currency:** Valuations are computed, and performance reported in United States dollar (\$).

**Benchmark:** The benchmark for the Small Capitalization Equity Composite is the Russell 2000® Growth Index. The Russell 2000® Growth Index measures the performance of the small-cap growth segment of the US equity universe. It includes those Russell 2000® companies with higher price-to-value ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The Russell 2000® Growth Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive and unbiased barometer for the small-cap growth segment. The index is completely reconstituted annually to ensure larger stocks do not distort the performance and characteristics of the true small-cap opportunity set and that the represented companies continue to reflect growth characteristics. The Russell 2000 Growth Index is not an actual investment and does not reflect the deduction of transaction charges and other expenses that your account must bear.

**Fee Schedule:** Next Century Growth Investors standard investment advisory fee is 1.00% first \$50M, .95% \$50-100M, .75% thereafter. The net returns reflect the deduction of actual advisory fees, including performance fees, if applicable. From January 1, 2000, through March 31, 2004, monthly net returns reflect the deduction of a model advisory fee of 1.75%. From inception through December 31, 1999, monthly net returns reflect the deduction of a model advisory fee of 1.00%. This fee is the maximum annual advisory fee based upon the accompanying fee schedule in effect during each respective performance period for each portfolio in the composite, for net composite returns. The annual advisory fee is divided by 12 to determine the monthly advisory fee.

**Measure of Dispersion:** The composites dispersion is measured using an asset weighted standard deviation of returns gross of fees for portfolios that were in the composite for the entire year. The composite 3-year standard deviation is calculated using gross returns.

**Significant Cash Flows:** Beginning Jan 1, 2018, composite policy requires the temporary removal of any portfolio incurring a client initiated significant cash inflow or outflow of at least 35% of portfolio assets. The temporary removal of such an account occurs at the beginning of the month in which the significant cash flow occurs, and the account re-enters the composite at the beginning of the month after the cash flow.

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