



NORTH GROWTH
MANAGEMENT



JULY 2022 MONTHLY REPORT

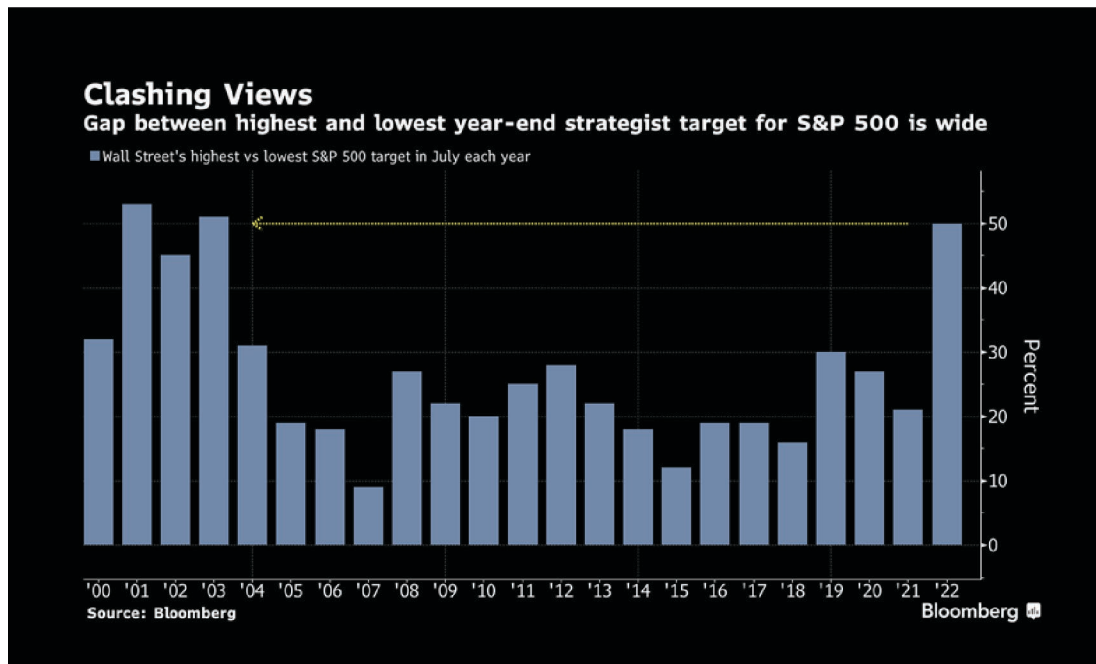
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Market and Fund Performance Update

After a tough first half of the year, equities rebounded strongly in July. Better-than-expected earnings reports combined with weaker economic data leading to expectations of a slower pace of interest rate rises helped the U.S. stock indices deliver their best month of performance since 2020.

THE FUTILITY OF MARKET TIMING

Elevated market volatility has become the norm. Given that financial markets face a multitude of major variables and that uncertainty reigns in the post-pandemic world, it is not surprising a coherent investment narrative is absent. According to Bloomberg, the range of outcomes or predictions by S&P 500 strategists is among the widest on record. Wall Street's highest S&P 500 target tops the lowest by 50%, highlighting how little can be known with confidence in the market and economy.



Of course, the future has never been predictable. And we have made it clear that we do not engage in timing the market cycles or make decisions based on top-down economic forecasts. Confusing as all the projections are currently, we believe the market volatility offers an abundance of long-term investment opportunities.

With share dispersion widening, the quality of fundamental analysis matters more than ever and there is greater value in stock selection. Opportunities abound during this period of supposed lack of clarity. As always, we remain singularly focused on actively managing the equity funds, picking individual stocks that adhere to our “Growth at a Reasonable Price” investment philosophy.

U.S. EQUITY FUND

In July, the North Growth U.S. Equity Fund appreciated 13.3%. The Fund outperformed all the indices we normally follow: the S&P 500 which gained 9.2%, the S&P 400 MidCap and S&P 600 SmallCap which advanced 10.9% and 10.0% respectively, as well as the NASDAQ Composite which was up 12.4%. A slightly stronger Canadian currency against its U.S. counterpart lowered the Fund’s monthly return to 12.8% in Canadian dollars versus the S&P 500’s 8.7% Canadian-dollar July return.

CANADIAN EQUITY FUND, SERIES N

The S&P/TSX Composite, powered by Industrials, Financials and Energy, posted a return of 4.7% to record its strongest month since June 2021, overcoming its worst six-month period since March 2020. The North Growth Canadian Equity Fund, Series N, recorded its strongest month since November 2020, outperforming the index with a return of 10.4% coming off its worst six-month period since September 2015.

While the Bank of Canada announced its single highest interest rate hike since 1998, and the market remains overwhelmed by fears of a recession, we maintain our belief that great companies always find a way. We look forward to August when a majority of our companies will release their financial reports for the period ending June 30, 2022. We believe companies usually provide a clear view on what is happening in the economy in real-time.

The month began with a continuation of what has been a theme for the Fund this year—external validation of the attractive valuations of the firms within the portfolio. IBI Group, an engineering services firm and a core holding in the portfolio, announced on July 18th an agreement to be acquired by Arcadis NV for \$19.50 per share. Initiated in March 2021, the position will generate a return in excess of 80% for the Fund when the deal closes later this year.

As mentioned during the last monthly report, the team is working diligently to allocate the excess cash that is currently held in the portfolio. We continue to seek out opportunities that fit our “Growth at a Reasonable Price” investment philosophy.

Finally, as outlined in the June monthly report, the Fund expects to generate an income (eligible dividend) distribution of approximately \$1.50 per unit after benefitting from a one-time special dividend paid by Dorel Industries in February.

North Growth U.S. Equity Fund

SHORT TERM RATES OF RETURN (%) FOR PERIODS ENDED JULY 31, 2022

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD
North Growth U.S. Equity Fund \$CDN	12.77	0.70	-11.54	-17.83
S&P 500 in \$CDN	8.69	0.64	-7.05	-11.57
North Growth U.S. Equity Fund \$U.S.	13.31	0.45	-12.26	-18.77
S&P 500 \$U.S.	9.22	0.39	-7.81	-12.58
S&P 400 MidCap \$U.S.	10.85	0.94	-3.88	-10.81
S&P 600 SmallCap \$U.S.	10.01	2.49	-3.84	-10.83
NASDAQ Composite \$U.S.	12.39	0.69	-12.62	-20.45

ANNUALIZED RATES OF RETURN (%) FOR PERIODS ENDED JULY 31, 2022

	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs	20 Yrs	Since Inception
North Growth U.S. Equity Fund \$CDN	-15.16	8.74	11.24	15.07	9.94	10.11	12.34
S&P 500 \$CDN	-1.87	12.42	13.44	16.63	10.76	8.85	10.32
North Growth U.S. Equity Fund \$U.S.	-17.55	9.65	10.65	12.28	8.60	11.27	12.23
S&P 500 \$U.S.	-4.64	13.36	12.83	13.80	9.41	10.01	10.21
S&P 400 MidCap \$U.S.	-5.70	10.17	9.06	12.05	9.11	10.67	11.73
S&P 600 SmallCap \$U.S.	-6.24	10.35	9.06	12.42	9.09	10.94	11.22
NASDAQ Composite \$U.S.	-14.92	15.88	15.43	16.83	12.36	13.00	*10.84

Source: Bloomberg "Total Return Analysis" as of July 31, 2022

* This return is a simple price appreciation because total return data is not available on Bloomberg.

The inception of the Fund: October 13, 1992.

	July 31, 2022
Unit Price	\$ 47.19 CDN / \$ 36.80 US
Total Assets in Fund	\$ 573.6 Million CDN

North Growth Canadian Equity Fund, Series N

SHORT TERM RATES OF RETURN (%) FOR PERIODS ENDED JULY 31, 2022

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD
North Growth Canadian Equity Fund, Series N	10.37	2.07	-7.08	-9.49
Benchmark	4.66	-4.40	-5.29	-5.68

ANNUALIZED RATES OF RETURN (%) FOR PERIODS ENDED JULY 31, 2022

	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	*Since Prospectus
North Growth Canadian Equity Fund, Series N*	-7.28	12.81	10.49	12.32	12.32
Benchmark	-0.20	9.50	8.62	8.59	8.65

* The Canadian Equity Fund became a reporting issuer on June 15, 2012. It is not permitted to publish performance data prior to this date it became a reporting issuer. North Growth Canadian Equity Fund Benchmark: S&P/TSX Composite Index.

	July 31, 2022
Unit Price	\$ 24.93 CDN
Total Assets in Fund	\$ 67.6 Million CDN

North Growth Canadian Money Market Fund

ANNUALIZED RATES OF RETURN (%) FOR PERIODS ENDED JULY 31, 2022

	*Current Yield	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs
North Growth Canadian Money Market Fund	2.03	0.40	0.57	0.90	0.80	0.99
30 Day Treasury Bill	N/A	0.43	0.59	0.87	0.80	0.96

** The Current Yield for the Money Market Fund is the average of the annualized daily yield for the most recent seven day period. This measure is no longer available for the 30-day T-Bill Index.*

We take a very simple approach to managing the North Growth Canadian Money Market Fund. We invest in a portfolio of high-quality short-term bonds. The average maturity of the portfolio is often around 30 days. Historically, the Fund has generated very competitive yields with this simple approach because of our 0.25% management fee.

We manage the portfolio to ensure high liquidity and have no intention to extend maturities or reduce the quality of the holdings. We believe the Fund has superior liquidity characteristics due to its very low average maturity. The North Growth Canadian Money Market Fund's yield will quickly rise in response to any future increase in the Bank of Canada's overnight rate.

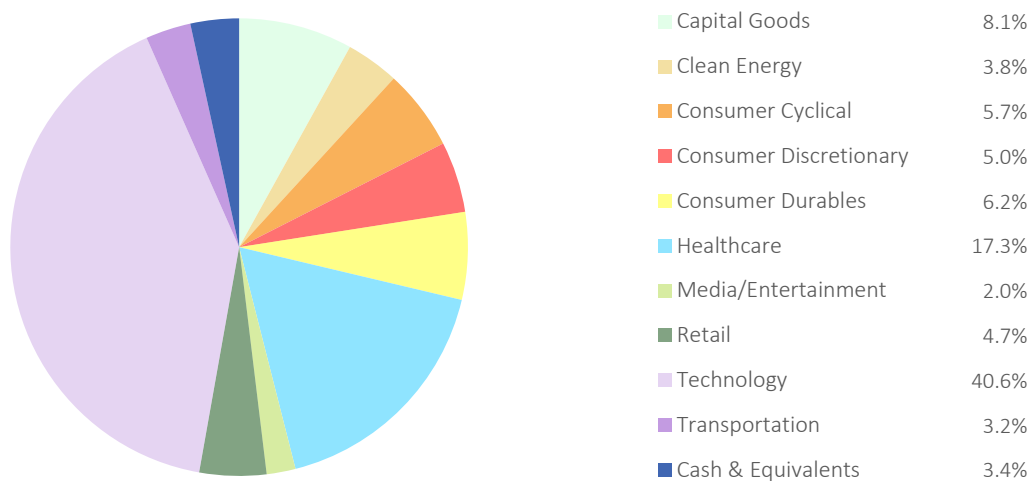
The current yield quoted above is net of the management fee.

Equity Fund Holdings and Composition

U.S. EQUITY FUND — TOP 10 HOLDINGS AS AT JULY 31, 2022

Ranking	Security	% of Net Assets
1	Ciena Corp.	5.05
2	Jabil Inc.	4.54
3	Qualcomm Inc.	3.96
4	SolarEdge Technologies Inc.	3.76
5	Bristol-Myers Squibb Company	3.72
6	Lumentum Holdings Inc.	3.68
7	HP Inc.	3.31
8	II-VI Inc.	3.20
9	Applied Materials Inc.	3.17
10	Elevance Health, Inc.	3.02
Top 10		37.41
Total Equities		96.57
Cash		3.43
Total Assets		100.00

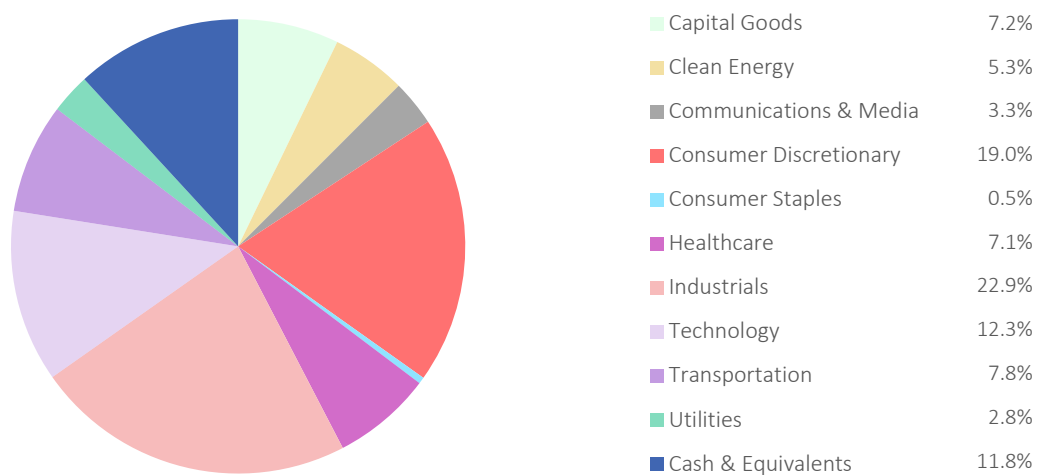
U.S. EQUITY FUND — SECTOR MIX AS AT JULY 31, 2022



CANADIAN EQUITY FUND — TOP 10 HOLDINGS AS AT JULY 31, 2022

Ranking	Security	% of Net Assets
1	Aritzia Inc.	7.42
2	ATS Automation Tooling Systems Inc.	7.19
3	TFI International Inc.	7.06
4	Calian Group Ltd.	6.13
5	IBI Group Inc.	5.77
6	CAE Inc.	4.92
7	Leon's Furniture Ltd.	4.27
8	Innergex Renewable Energy Inc.	3.66
9	Heroux-Devtek Inc.	3.61
10	Knight Therapeutics Inc.	3.30
Top 10		53.33
Total Equities		88.16
Cash		11.84
Total Assets		100.00

CANADIAN EQUITY FUND — SECTOR MIX AS AT JULY 31, 2022



Investing with Us

INVESTING WITH NORTH GROWTH MANAGEMENT:

North Growth Management is a focused firm. Our objective is to achieve consistent, superior, long-term returns on our equity funds based on our “Growth at a Reasonable Price” investment philosophy.

CONDUCTING TRANSACTIONS

The cut-off time for same-day transactions is one hour before the applicable markets close, normally 3 p.m. Eastern Time or 12 p.m. (noon) Pacific Time. Please note that U.S. markets close early on the day before Independence Day and on the Friday after U.S. Thanksgiving and both U.S. and Canadian markets close early on Christmas Eve. The cut-off time on those days is 12 p.m. (noon) Eastern Time or 9 a.m. Pacific Time. Orders received after the cut-off time will be processed on the next business day.

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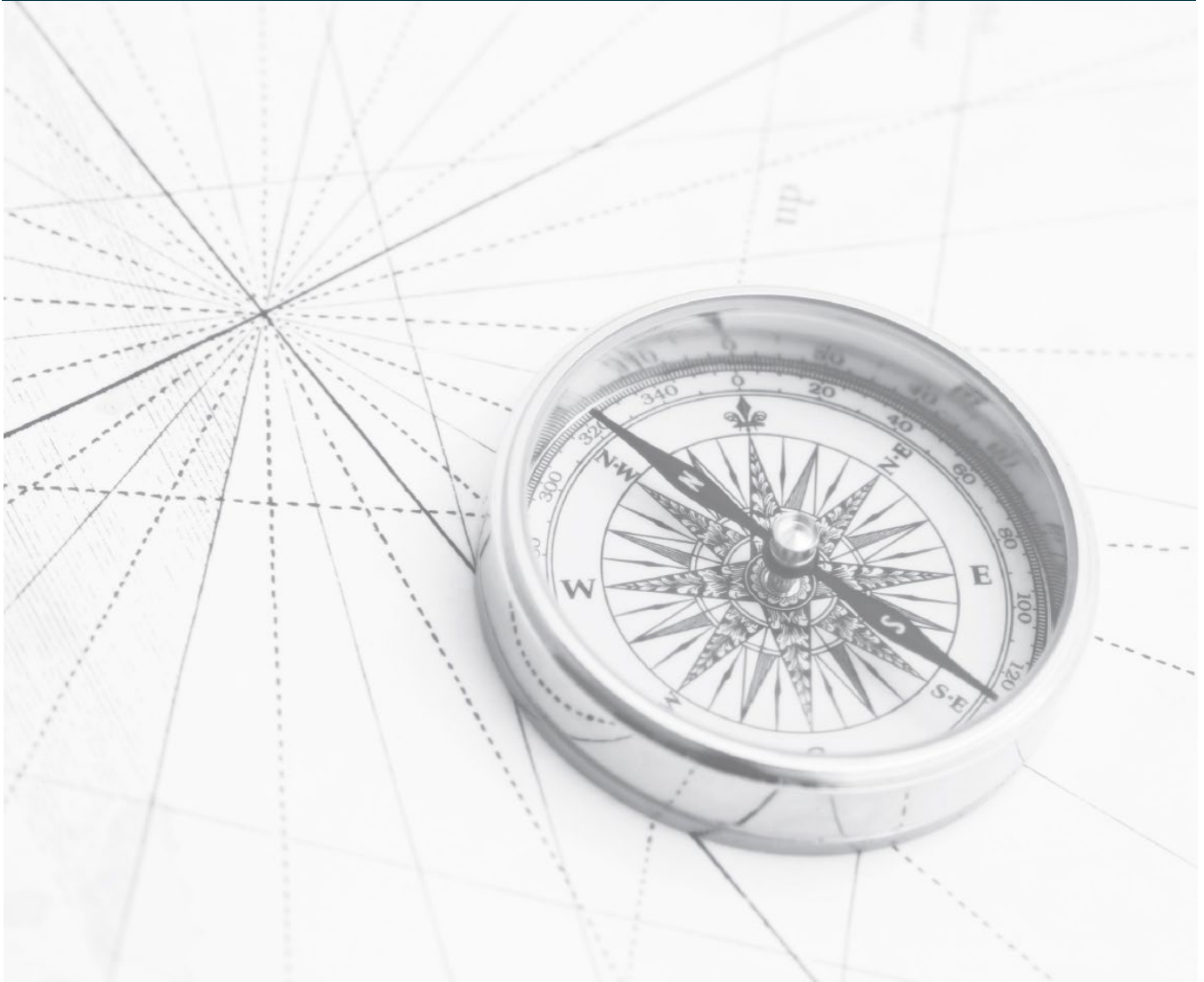


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