

Dreyfus/The Boston Company Small Cap Growth Fund

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Class I SSETX ★★★★★ Class Y SSYGX ★★★★★

Morningstar Rating™ based on risk-adjusted returns as of 9/30/18 for the fund's Class I and Y shares; other classes may have different performance characteristics. Overall rating for the Small Growth category. Fund ratings are out of 5 stars: Overall 4 stars Class I and Y (606 funds rated); 3 Yrs. 4 stars Class I and Y (606 funds rated); 5 Yrs. 4 stars Class I and Y (532 funds rated); 10 Yrs. 3 stars Class I (404 funds rated). Past performance is no guarantee of future results.*

CUSIP
Class I 26203E836
Class Y 26203E661

Assets for the Fund
\$7,793,528

Holdings²
82

Dividend Frequency
Annually

Morningstar Category
Small Growth

Lipper Category
Small-Cap Growth

Investment Professionals



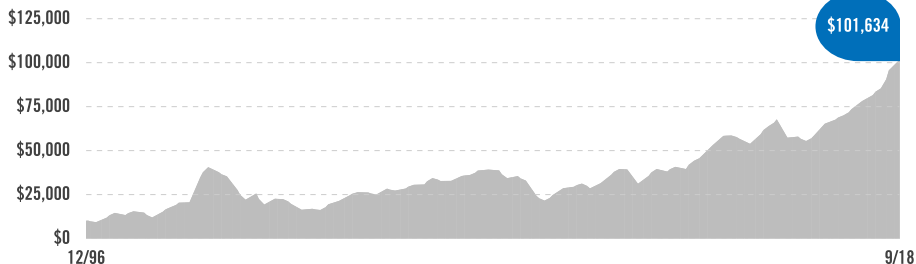
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Investment Adviser
The Dreyfus Corporation

Effective on January 31, 2018, The Boston Company Asset Management LLC (TBCAM) and Standish Mellon Asset Management Company LLC (Standish) merged into Mellon Capital Management Corporation (Mellon Capital), which immediately changed its name to BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation.

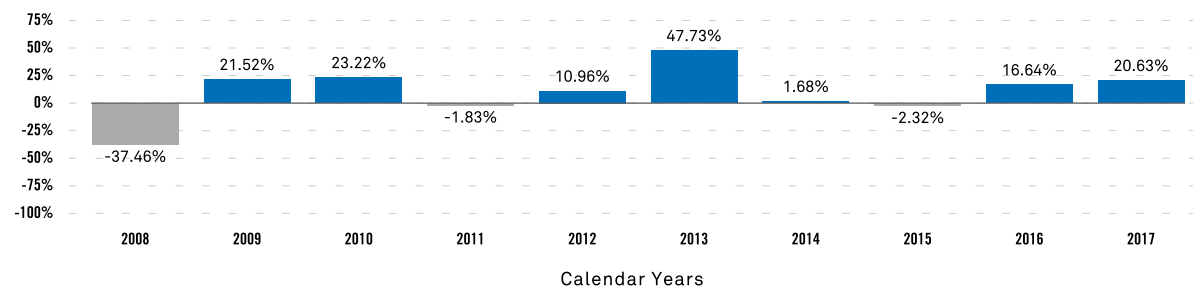
Growth of a \$10,000 Investment

A hypothetical \$10,000 investment in the fund's Class I shares on 12/23/96 would have been worth \$101,634 on 9/30/18.



Assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Performance for the fund's other share classes would vary.

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE (CL.I @ NAV)³



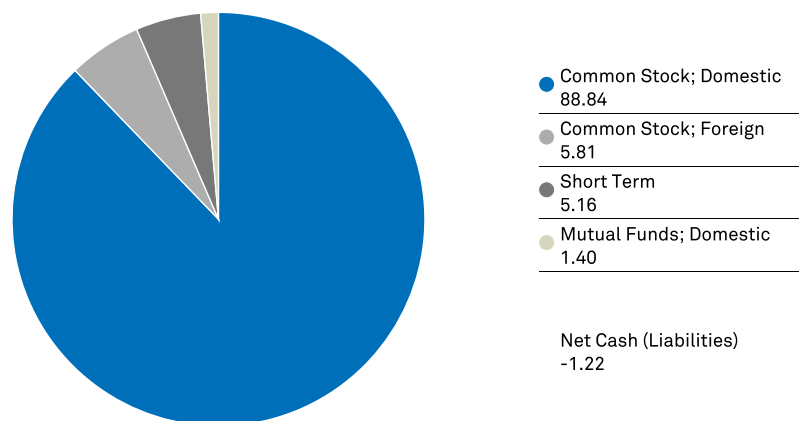
AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (9/30/18)¹

Share Class/Inception Date	YTD	3M	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR
Class I (NAV) 12/23/96	24.63%	6.26%	30.01%	21.02%	13.88%	11.93%
Class Y (NAV) 07/01/13	24.53%	6.28%	30.00%	21.04%	13.91%	11.94%
Russell 2000® Growth Index ⁴	15.76%	5.52%	21.06%	17.98%	12.14%	12.65%

The performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Share price and investment return fluctuate and an investor's shares may be worth more or less than original cost upon redemption. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. For funds with less than 1 year's history, year-to-date and 3-month performance are not annualized. Go to dreyfus.com for the fund's most recent month-end returns. The net expense ratio(s) reflect a contractual expense reduction agreement through 02/01/2019. Total Expense Ratios: Class I 3.08%, Class Y 3.18%. Net Expense Ratios: Class I 1.00%, Class Y 1.00%.

¹The total return performance figures presented for Class Y shares of the fund represent the performance of the fund's Class I shares for periods prior to 7/1/13, the inception date for Class Y shares, and the performance of Class Y from that inception date. Performance reflects the applicable class' distribution/servicing fees since the inception date. Investors should consider, when deciding whether to purchase a particular class of shares, the investment amount, class restrictions, anticipated holding period and other relevant factors. ²Portfolio composition is as of 9/30/18 and is subject to change at any time. ³Performance figures may reflect reimbursements or fee waivers, without which the performance would have been lower. ⁴Source: FactSet. The Russell 2000 Growth Index measures the performance of the small-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe. It includes those Russell 2000 companies with higher growth earning potential as defined by Russell's leading style methodology. 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. Investors cannot invest directly in any index.

ASSET ALLOCATION (%)¹



GOAL/APPROACH

The fund seeks long-term growth of capital. The fund invests, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities of small-cap U.S. companies. The fund focuses on companies with market capitalizations that are equal to or less than the total market capitalization of the largest company included in the Russell 2000 Growth Index. The portfolio managers focus on what they view as high-quality companies, especially those with products or services that are believed to be leaders in their market niches.

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

The fund's investment adviser is The Dreyfus Corporation (Dreyfus). The fund is managed by a team of portfolio managers employed by Dreyfus and BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation, an affiliate of Dreyfus. The team consists of members of BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation equity investment team. The team consists of John Porter, the lead portfolio manager, Todd Wakefield, CFA and Robert Zeuthen, CFA. Mr. Porter has been a primary portfolio manager since March 2017 and Messrs. Wakefield and Zeuthen have each been a primary portfolio manager since April 2013. Mr. Porter is the head of the BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation U.S. small, small/mid and mid-cap growth equity investment team. Mr. Wakefield is a senior managing director, senior portfolio manager and a member of the BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation A U.S. small, small/mid and mid-cap growth investment team. Mr. Zeuthen is a senior managing director, senior portfolio manager, senior equity research analyst and a member of the BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation U.S. small, small/mid and mid-cap growth equity investment team. Messrs. Porter, Wakefield and Zeuthen are also employees of Dreyfus. BNY Mellon Asset Management North America Corporation investment professionals manage Dreyfus-managed funds pursuant to a dual-employee arrangement, under Dreyfus' supervision, and apply their firm's proprietary investment process in managing the funds.

TOP TEN HOLDINGS¹

Twilio	4.90%
Planet Fitness	3.34%
HubSpot	3.24%
Bandwidth	3.01%
Freshpet	2.55%
Teladoc Health	2.23%
Shopify	2.20%
Mercury Systems	2.12%
Rapid7	2.10%
2U	1.97%

The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to buy or sell a security. Large concentrations can increase share price volatility.

TOP SECTORS AND INDUSTRIES¹

Information Technology	31.84%
Health Care	26.45%
Industrials	11.63%
Consumer Discretionary	8.51%
Consumer Staples	6.34%
Energy	4.40%
Financials	3.41%
Materials	3.18%
Communication Services	3.01%
Real Estate	1.24%

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*Source: Morningstar. The Morningstar Rating™ for funds, or "star rating," is calculated for managed products with at least a 3-year history. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance (not including the effects of sales charges, loads and redemption fees if applicable), placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. Managed products, including open-end mutual funds, closed-end funds and exchange-traded funds, are considered a single population for comparative purposes. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a managed product is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3-, 5-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. ©2018 Morningstar, Inc. All rights reserved. The information contained herein: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar and/or its content providers; (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) is not warranted to be accurate, complete, or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The fund represents a single portfolio with multiple share classes that have different expense structures. Other share classes may have achieved different results.

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Risks

Equities are subject to market, market sector, market liquidity, issuer, and investment style risks, to varying degrees. **Small and midsized company stocks** tend to be more volatile and less liquid than larger company stocks as these companies are less established and have more volatile earnings histories.

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