

# Large-Cap Growth

## STRATEGY FACT SHEET

First Quarter 2024

### WHY INVEST IN BROWN ADVISORY LARGE-CAP GROWTH?

**A focus on companies that can potentially sustain high rates of growth.** Manager Ken Stuzin focuses on finding companies with strong business models and capable management teams that have the potential to maintain attractive growth throughout a market cycle. The process is based on deep fundamental research and investments are concentrated in companies that offer compelling valuations based on potential upside and downside risk.

**Disciplined portfolio decisions driven by competition for capital.** The manager maintains a concentrated portfolio and a strict “one in, one out” discipline to ensure that existing holdings are constantly competing against new ideas to hold their place in the portfolio. This concept of “Darwinian capitalism” helps the manager to ensure that the high-active-share portfolio is constantly optimized around investments that offer the most attractive risk-return potential.

Portfolio Manager: Ken Stuzin, CFA

Benchmark: Russell 1000® Growth Index

### PERFORMANCE (% AS OF 03/31/2024)

	3 MOS.	1 YR.	3 YR.	5 YR.	10 YR.	ITD
Large-Cap Growth Composite (Gross of Fees)	8.93	31.79	5.82	13.11	13.32	10.60
Large-Cap Growth Composite (Net of Fees)	8.74	30.89	5.08	12.33	12.54	9.83
Russell 1000® Growth Index	11.41	39.00	12.50	18.52	15.98	10.08

### TOP 10 PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (%)

NVIDIA Corp.	4.8
Amazon.com, Inc.	4.8
Microsoft Corp.	4.5
Costco Wholesale Corp.	4.5
Intuitive Surgical, Inc.	4.2
Alphabet, Inc. Cl C	4.2
ServiceNow, Inc.	4.1
Intuit, Inc.	4.0
Mastercard, Inc.	4.0
Uber Technologies, Inc.	3.8

### SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)

	REP. ACCT	INDEX
Communication Services	6.0	12.1
Consumer Discretionary	9.7	15.0
Consumer Staples	4.6	4.1
Energy	--	0.5
Financials	11.2	6.4
Health Care	17.4	10.6
Industrials	13.3	5.8
Information Technology	32.2	44.0
Materials	--	0.7
Real Estate	5.7	0.8
Utilities	--	0.1

### STRATEGY PROFILE AS OF 03/31/2024

#### BENCHMARK

Russell 1000® Growth Index

#### STRATEGY ASSETS

\$9.3billion

#### VEHICLES AVAILABLE

Separately Managed Account (SMA)

Model Only

Mutual Fund

UCITS

### CHARACTERISTICS AS OF 03/31/2024

	LARGE-CAP GROWTH REP. ACCT.	RUSSELL 1000 GROWTH INDEX
Weighted Avg. Market Cap.	\$527.2B	\$1215.4B
Weighted Median Market Cap.	\$137.0B	\$613.7B
Earnings Growth (3-5 Yr. Est.)	18.6%	17.2%
P/E Ratio (FY2 Est.)	29.4x	25.1x
PEG Ratio	1.6x	1.5x
Portfolio Turnover (3-Yr. Avg.)	21.7%	--

### PORTFOLIO MANAGER PROFILE

#### KENNETH M. STUZIN, CFA

Kenneth Stuzin is the portfolio manager of the Large-Cap Growth strategy. Prior to joining the firm, he was a vice president and a large-cap portfolio manager at J.P. Morgan Investment Management in Los Angeles. Previously, Ken worked as a quantitative portfolio strategist in New York, where he advised clients on capital markets issues and strategic asset allocation decisions. Ken earned his MBA from Columbia University in 1993.

Source: FactSet®. The portfolio information provided is based on a representative Brown Advisory Large-Cap Growth account as of 03/31/2024 and is provided as Supplemental Information. Sector breakdown and portfolio characteristics exclude cash and cash equivalents; top 10 portfolio holdings include cash and cash equivalents which was 2.6% as of 03/31/2024 and is provided as Supplemental Information. Sectors are based on the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS®) classification system. The composite performance shown above reflects the Large-Cap Growth Institutional Strategy, managed by Brown Advisory Institutional. Brown Advisory Institutional is a GIPS compliant firm and is a division of Brown Advisory LLC. Returns greater than one year are annualized. The information provided in this material is not intended to be and should not be considered to be a recommendation or suggestion to engage in or refrain from a particular course of action or to make or hold a particular investment or pursue a particular investment strategy, including whether or not to buy, sell or hold any of the securities mentioned. It should not be assumed that investments in such securities have been or will be profitable. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Numbers may not total due to rounding. Please see the Brown Advisory Large-Cap Growth Institutional Composite GIPS Report on the reverse side for additional information and a complete list of terms and definitions.

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## Brown Advisory Large-Cap Growth Institutional Composite

Year	Composite Total Gross Returns (%)	Composite Total Net Returns (%)	Benchmark Returns (%)	Composite 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Portfolios in Composite at End of Year	Composite Dispersion (%)	Composite Assets (\$USD Millions)*	GIPS Firm Assets (\$USD Millions)*
2023	34.5	33.6	42.7	22.3	20.5	50	0.2	9,444	81,325
2022	-33.4	-33.9	-29.1	23.4	23.5	63	0.3	8,725	58,575
2021	20	19.5	27.6	17.8	18.2	88	0.3	16,148	79,715
2020	33.8	32.9	38.5	18.6	19.6	95	0.5	16,467	59,683
2019	41.9	40.9	36.4	13.4	13.1	92	0.3	13,175	42,426
2018	5.9	5.2	-1.5	13	12.1	88	0.3	9,285	30,529
2017	31.7	30.8	30.2	11.5	10.5	119	0.3	10,005	33,155
2016	-2.3	-3	7.1	11.2	11.2	148	0.1	9,786	30,417
2015	7.8	7.1	5.7	10.2	10.7	168	0.3	12,583	43,746
2014	7.1	6.4	13.1	11	9.6	181	0.2	14,674	44,772

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- The Large-Cap Growth Institutional Composite (the Composite) includes all discretionary institutional portfolios invested in U.S. equities with strong earnings growth characteristics and large market capitalizations. The minimum account market value required for Composite inclusion is \$1.5 million.
- The Composite was created in 1997. The Composite inception date is June 1, 1996.
- The benchmark is the Russell 1000® Growth Index. The Russell 1000® Growth Index measures the performance of the large-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe. It includes those Russell 1000® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The Russell 1000® Growth Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive and unbiased barometer for the large-cap growth segment. The Index is completely reconstituted annually to ensure new and growing equities are included and that the represented companies continue to reflect growth characteristics. The Russell 1000® Growth Index and Russell® are trademarks/service marks of the London Stock Exchange Group companies. An investor cannot invest directly into an index. Benchmark returns are not covered by the report of the independent verifiers.
- The composite dispersion presented is an equal-weighted standard deviation of portfolio gross returns calculated for the accounts in the Composite for the entire calendar year period.
- Gross-of-fees performance returns are presented before management fees but after all trading commissions, and gross of foreign withholding taxes (if applicable). Net-of-fees performance returns are calculated by adjusting the gross-of-fees performance return by the highest fee for the institutional strategy as outlined in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV, applied on a monthly basis. Certain accounts in the Composite may pay asset-based custody fees that include commissions. For these accounts, gross returns are also net of custody fees. Other expenses can reduce returns to investors. The standard management fee schedule is as follows: For accounts below \$150 million, 0.70% on the first \$25 million; 0.50% on the next \$25 million; and 0.40% on the next \$100 million. For accounts over \$150 million, 0.465% on the first \$150 million; 0.30% on the next \$100 million; 0.25% on the next \$250 million; and 0.20% on the balance over \$500 million. Further information regarding investment advisory fees is described in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV. Actual fees paid by accounts in the Composite may differ from the current fee schedule.
- Effective July 1, 2023, the firm transitioned from using actual account fees in the calculation of net performance returns to applying the highest fee for the institutional strategy as outlined in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV. The net performance track record was revised back to Composite inception.
- The investment management fee for the Investor Shares of the Brown Advisory Growth Equity Fund (the Fund), which is included in the Composite, is 0.57%, and represents the highest fee charged excluding Advisor Shares. The total expense ratio for the Investor Shares of the Fund as of the most recent fiscal year end (June 30, 2023) was 0.84%. Further information regarding investment management fees and expenses is described in the fund prospectus and annual report.
- The investment management fee for the Dollar Class B Acc Shares of the Brown Advisory US Equity Growth Fund (the UCITS), which is included in the composite, is 0.75%. The total expense ratio for the Dollar Class B Acc Shares of the UCITS as of the most recent fiscal year end (October 31, 2023) was 0.85%. Further information regarding investment management fees and expenses is described in the fund prospectus and annual report.
- The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the Composite (using gross returns) and the benchmark for the 36-month period ended on December 31.
- Valuations and performance returns are computed and stated in U.S. Dollars. All returns reflect the reinvestment of income and other earnings.
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