

# Rational Dynamic Brands Fund

Class A: HSUAX | Class C: HSUCX | Class I: HSUTX

Q1 2024 Fact Sheet

#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The Fund's investment objective is to seek long-term capital appreciation.

#### **REASONS TO INVEST**



Dedicated Allocation: Global Consumer Spending



Risk-Managed Approach for Equity Investors

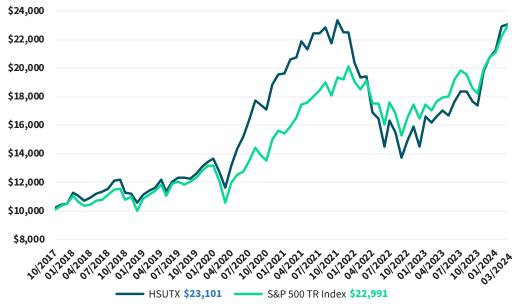
#### **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

- The Fund pursues its investment objective by investing in a focused group (25-50 holdings) of the most attractive brands contained in the Alpha Brands Consumer Spending Index² (the "Index"). Security selection is driven by a combination of fundamental and technical factors.
- Slobal consumer spending accounts for roughly 60% of global GDP making it an important investment allocation.
- The investment team measures brand relevancy which drives consumer behavior.
- The Fund is agnostic to style, market cap and geography.
- The Fund invests globally across lifetime spending categories.
- The Fund's objective is balanced between achieving attractive upside returns and managing downside risks.
- The Fund's investment process begins with the identification of the primary drivers of S&P 500 returns. Examples include companies with growth, value, size, momentum, strong balance sheets, and dividend yield.
- The Fund may invest, directly or indirectly through investments in exchange traded funds (ETFs), in both U.S. and foreign companies included in the Index.
- In times of economic turmoil or unusually high equity valuations where equity risk is deemed high, the Fund may also invest in cash and cash equivalents and in asset classes that have historically been safe havens when equities were experiencing drawdowns. De-risking decisions are driven by: current equity trend, economic growth profile, consumer health, equity valuations & technicals, FED policy, interest rates, credit spreads, and asset class volatility trends.

<sup>1</sup>Prior to 10/17/2017, Rational Dynamic Brands Fund was named the Rational Defensive Growth Fund, which implemented a different investment strategy.

## Growth of \$10,000 Investment: Ending March 31, 2024

Since Strategy Change on October 17, 2017

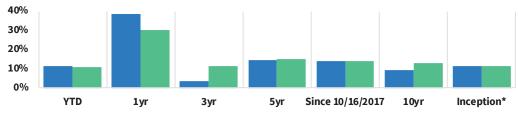


A Core Equity Strategy Investing in the \$44 Trillion Household Consumption Theme



### Performance (%): Ending March 31, 2024<sup>1</sup>

Annualized if greater than a year



**Previous Strategy** 

Share Class/Benchmark	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since 10/16/17 <sup>1</sup>	10 Years	Since Inception*
Class I	11.40	38.72	3.61	14.65	13.85	9.21	11.20
S&P 500 TR Index	10.56	29.88	11.49	15.05	13.77	12.96	11.13
Class A	11.34	38.36	3.32	14.35	13.55	8.92	10.91
Class A w/ Sales Charge	6.05	31.80	1.66	13.24	12.69	8.39	10.66

\*Inception: 09/27/2002

The maximum sales charge for Class "A" Shares is 4.75%. In the case of investments of \$1 million or more (where you do not pay an initial sales charge), a 1.00% contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) may be assessed on shares redeemed within two years of purchase. Performance is historic and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with changing market conditions so that when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. To obtain the most recent month end performance information or the funds prospectus please call 800-253-0412 or visit www.rationalmf.com.

<sup>2</sup>The Alpha Brands Consumer Spending Index: The "Index" tracks the performance of 200 highly recognizable and relevant U.S. and foreign brands with a business to consumer and business to business focus.



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Fund Holdings			
Amazon.com Inc	15.86%	Alphabet, Inc.	3.38%
Live Nation Entertainment Inc	4.96%	Builders FirstSource, Inc.	2.44%
TJX Cos Inc/The	4.92%	Netflix, Inc.	2.27%
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitt	4.74%	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.	1.98%
Salesforce Inc	4.73%	DR Horton, Inc.	1.78%
Blackstone Inc	4.66%	Manchester United plc	1.64%
Apollo Global Management Inc	4.63%	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	1.59%
KKR & Co Inc	4.44%	Home Depot, Inc. (The)	1.49%
Uber Technologies Inc	4.44%	Lennar Corporation	1.46%
Meta Platforms Inc	4.10%	Intuitive Surgical, Inc.	1.33%
Eli Lilly & Company	4.04%	Hermes International	1.24%
Microsoft Corporation	3.99%	CarMax, Inc.	1.23%
DraftKings, Inc.	3.90%	Ferrari N.V.	0.60%
Costco Wholesale Corporation	3.75%	Target Corporation	0.49%
MercadoLibre, Inc.	3.49%	First American Treasury Obligations Fund Class X	

Fund holdings are subject to change and should not be considered investment advice.

Volatility Measures			
Sharpe Ratio 0.57			
Beta	1.02		
Standard Deviation	20.30		
Sortino Ratio	0.99		
Tracking Error	9.40		

Portfolio Metrics			
Market Cap (Weighted Average)	\$675B		
EPS Growth	14.0%		
Sales Growth	29.0%		
PEG Ratio	0.82		
N. America Exposure	86.0%		
Developed Int'l	8.0%		
Emerging Markets	6.5%		

Thematic Diversification		
Retail & E-commerce 26.00		
Private Market Leaders	15.0%	
Homes & Builders	11.0%	
Ad Spend	10.0%	
IT Spend & AI	15.0%	
Experiences	7.0%	
Life Sciences	6.0%	
Luxury Goods & Trophy Assets	8.0%	

#### **FUND MANAGEMENT**

Investment Advisor Rational Advisors, Inc.

Investment Sub-Advisor Accuvest Global Advisors

#### David Garff PORTFOLIO MANAGER

- Founder, President, CIO and CCO, Accuvest Global Advisors
- » BA in Economics and Spanish Translation from Brigham Young University; Master's Degree in Business Administration from the Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkley

#### Eric M. Clark PORTFOLIO MANAGER

» BA in Urban Planning with an emphasis in Real Estate and Economics from the University of Maryland, College Park

# **James Calhoun, CFA**PORTFOLIO MANAGER

» BS in Finance and Economics for the University of Nevada, Reno

#### Glossary:

Sharpe Ratio: compares the return of an investment with its risk. It's an expression of the insight that excess returns over a period of time may signify more volatility and risk, rather than investing skill. Beta: a measure of the volatility - or systematic risk - of a security or portfolio compared to the market as a whole. Standard Deviation: a statistic that measures the dispersion of a dataset relative to its mean. Sortino Ratio: a variation of the Sharpe ratio that differentiates harmful volatility from total overall volatility by using the asset's standard deviation of negative portfolio returns instead of the total standard deviation of portfolio returns. Tracking Error: the divergence between the price behavior of a position or a portfolio and the price behavior of a benchmark.

### Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

Investors should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the Rational Funds. This and other important information about the Fund is contained in the prospectus, which can be obtained by calling (800) 253-0412 or at www.rationalmf.com. The prospectus should be read carefully before investing. The Rational Funds are distributed by Northern Lights Distributors, LLC member FINRA/ SIPC. Rational Advisors, Inc. is not affiliated with Northern Lights Distributors, LLC.

#### **Risk Considerations:**

Investing in the Fund carries certain risks. The value of the Fund may decrease in response to the activities and financial prospects of an individual security in the Fund's portfolio. These factors may affect the value of your investment. Investments in international markets present special risks including currency fluctuation, the potential for diplomatic and political instability, regulatory and liquidity risks, foreign taxations and differences in auditing and other financial standards. Risks of foreign investing are generally intensified for investment in emerging markets. Emerging market securities tend to be more volatile and less liquid than securities traded in developed countries.

#### **INVESTMENT INFORMATION**

Min. Initial Investment
Min. Subsequent Investment

Class A & C \$50 Institutional \$500

\$1,000

Distribution Schedule | All Classes Annually

Class	Inception	Ticker	CUSIP
Α	09/27/02	HSUAX	628255804
С	01/03/14	HSUCX	628255887
	09/27/02	HSUTX	628255879

Net Expense	Gross Expense
1.47%	1.47%
2.18%	2.18%
1.20%	1.20%
	1.47% 2.18%

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