

Franklin U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund

Class I: LMSIX Class A: LMBAX Class C: LMBCX Class FI: LGSCX Class IS: LMBMX

Small Cap | Factsheet as of March 31, 2025

Investment Overview

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in small capitalization U.S. companies. Managers utilize a systematic and diversified approach to stock selection grounded in underlying stock fundamentals and with positive investor sentiment. Stock selection customized by sectors and continually tested as drivers of return vary across sectors and can change over time.

Average Annual Total Returns (%)

	Without Sales Charges					With Sales Charges					Inception Date
	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception	
Class I	-6.03	2.42	17.51	5.93	6.71	-6.03	2.42	17.51	5.93	6.71	3/13/2000
Class A	-6.25	2.14	17.20	5.65	11.07	-11.38	0.14	15.82	5.03	10.66	2/5/2009
Class C	-6.99	1.36	16.28	4.84	10.23	-7.88	1.36	16.28	4.84	10.23	2/5/2009
Class FI	-6.27	2.12	17.15	5.60	7.96	-6.27	2.12	17.15	5.60	7.96	1/9/2003
Class IS	-5.86	2.60	17.69	6.08	8.73	-5.86	2.60	17.69	6.08	8.73	3/23/2012
Benchmark	-4.01	0.52	13.27	6.30	—	-4.01	0.52	13.27	6.30	—	—

Cumulative Total Returns (% Without Sales Charge)

	3-Mo	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Class I	-8.46	-8.46	9.96	18.81	-15.10	30.22	11.26	20.74	-15.41	8.77	19.88	-4.51
Class A	-8.50	-8.50	9.62	18.54	-15.42	30.03	10.99	20.43	-15.58	8.46	19.46	-4.89
Class C	-8.72	-8.72	8.83	17.68	-16.08	28.92	10.16	19.52	-16.18	7.66	18.61	-5.59
Class FI	-8.56	-8.56	9.66	18.47	-15.37	29.85	10.94	20.42	-15.73	8.49	19.51	-4.91
Class IS	-8.43	-8.43	10.17	18.95	-14.92	30.38	11.47	20.92	-15.33	9.02	20.04	-4.47
Benchmark	-9.48	-9.48	11.54	16.93	-20.44	14.82	19.96	25.52	-11.01	14.65	21.31	-4.41

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Principal value and investment returns will fluctuate, and investors' shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Performance would have been lower if fees had not been waived in various periods. Total returns assume the reinvestment of all distributions and the deduction of all fund expenses. Returns with sales charge reflect a deduction of the stated maximum sales charge. An investor cannot invest directly in an index, and unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized. All classes of shares may not be available to all investors or through all distribution channels. For current month-end performance, please visit franklintempleton.com.

Effective August 2, 2021, except as noted below, Class C [including Class C, Class C-1 & Class C-2] shares will automatically convert to Class A shares after the shares have been held for 8 years from their original purchase date. The initial conversion took place on August 16, 2021. Refer to the fund's prospectus or contact your Service Agent for more information.

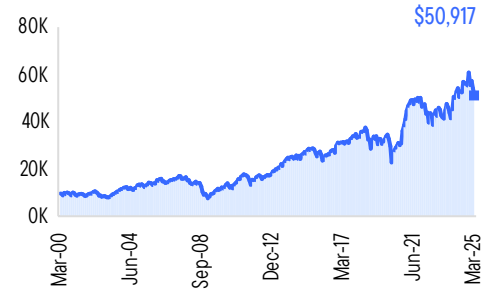
Share Class Details

	CUSIP	Ticker	Sales Charges (%)		Expenses (%)	
			Max	CDSC	Gross	Net
Class I	524686359	LMSIX	0.00	—	1.18	1.03
Class A	524686433	LMBAX	5.50	—	1.47	1.33
Class C	524686425	LMBCX	0.00	1.00	2.15	2.08
Class FI	524686342	LGSCX	0.00	—	1.70	1.33
Class IS	524686391	LMBMX	0.00	—	0.97	0.78

Gross expenses are the fund's total annual operating expenses as of the fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns. Net expenses reflect contractual fee waivers, expense caps and/or reimbursements, which cannot be terminated prior to 12/31/2025 without Board consent. Additional amounts may be voluntarily waived and/or reimbursed and may be modified or discontinued at any time without notice. There is a 1% CDSC on any Class C shares you sell within 12 months of purchase. Maximum sales charges have been updated as of August 15, 2022, please refer the Fund's prospectus for more information.

Growth of \$10,000

Class I Shares—Inception through March 31, 2025
Excluding Effects of Sales Charges



Fund Overview

Dividend Frequency, if any	Annually
Morningstar Category	Small Blend
Lipper Classification	Small-Cap Core Funds
Turnover (fiscal yr)	34%

Benchmark(s)

Russell 2000 Index

Fund Characteristics

	Fund	Benchmark
Total Net Assets	\$94.49 Million	
Number of Holdings	301	1,953
Average Market Cap (Millions USD)	\$3,251	\$3,405
Price to Book	2.93x	2.65x
Price to Earnings (12-Month Trailing)	14.01x	16.43x

Risk Statistics (3-Year—Class I)

	Fund	Benchmark
Beta	0.94	—
R-Squared	0.98	—
Sharpe Ratio	0.02	-0.05
Standard Deviation (%)	22.31	23.54
Alpha (%)	1.55	—
Information Ratio	0.57	—
Tracking Error (%)	3.36	—

Top Equity Issuers (% of Total)

	Fund
Sprouts Farmers Market Inc	1.35
Corcept Therapeutics Inc	1.23
Brinker International Inc	1.03
Commvault Systems Inc	1.00
Ensign Group Inc/The	0.94
Jackson Financial Inc	0.94
Radian Group Inc	0.91
DNOW Inc	0.89
Mr Cooper Group Inc	0.86
Carpenter Technology Corp	0.83

Sector Allocation (Equity as a % of Total)

	Fund	Benchmark
Industrials	19.01	17.65
Financials	18.93	19.79
Health Care	17.10	16.74
Information Technology	12.47	12.32
Consumer Discretionary	9.06	9.12
Real Estate	5.41	6.45
Materials	5.05	3.88
Energy	4.06	5.11
Consumer Staples	3.33	3.18
Other	4.87	5.78

Portfolio Management

	Years with Firm	Years of Experience
Chris Floyd, CFA	24	25
Sundaram Chettiappan, CFA	6	19

What should I know before investing?

All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Equity securities are subject to price fluctuation and possible loss of principal. **Small- and mid-cap stocks** involve greater risks and volatility than large-cap stocks. **Derivative instruments** can be illiquid, may disproportionately increase losses, and have a potentially large impact on performance. **Active and frequent trading** may increase a shareholder's tax liability and transaction costs. To the extent the portfolio invests in a **concentration of certain securities, regions or industries**, it is subject to increased volatility. These and other risks are discussed in the fund's prospectus.

Glossary

Beta: A measure of the fund's volatility relative to the market, as represented by the stated Index. A beta greater than 1.00 indicates volatility greater than the market. **R-squared** measures the strength of the linear relationship between the fund and its benchmark. R-squared at 1 implies perfect linear relationship and zero implies no relationship exists. **Sharpe Ratio** refers to a risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess returns to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the ratio, the greater the risk-adjusted performance. **Standard Deviation:** Measure of the degree to which a fund's return varies from the average of its previous returns. The larger the standard deviation, the greater the likelihood (and risk) that a fund's performance will fluctuate from the average return. **Alpha** is the annualized percentage difference between a portfolio's actual returns and its expected performance given its level of market risk, as measured by beta. **Information Ratio:** In investing terminology, the ratio of expected return to risk. Usually, this statistical technique is used to measure a manager's performance against a benchmark. This measure explicitly relates the degree by which an investment has beaten the benchmark to the consistency by which the investment has beaten the benchmark. **Tracking Error** measure of the deviation of the return of a fund compared to the return of a benchmark over a fixed period of time. Expressed as a percentage. The more passively the investment fund is managed, the smaller the tracking error. **Turnover** is a measure of the fund's trading activity which represents the portion of the fund's holdings that has changed over a twelve-month period through the fiscal year end. There is no assurance that the fund will maintain its current level of turnover. **Weighted Average Market Capitalization:** A determination of a company's value, calculated by multiplying the total number of company stock shares outstanding by the price per share. For a portfolio, the value represents a weighted average based on the stocks held. **Price to Book:** The price per share of a stock divided by its book value (i.e., net worth) per share. For a portfolio, the value represents a weighted average of the stocks it holds. **Price to Earnings (12-Month Trailing)** is the share price of a stock, divided by its per-share earnings over the past year. For a portfolio, the value represents a weighted average of the stocks it holds.

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