

Barrantagh Small Cap Canadian Equity Fund

EQUITY MANAGEMENT

- Value bias
- Quality focus (strong Balance Sheet / full cycle profitability)
- Disciplined bottom up research process
- Management interviews
- Low turnover
- High conviction portfolios
- Minimum 7 industry sectors
- F Series 1.0% MER

SMALL CAP CANADIAN EQUITIES

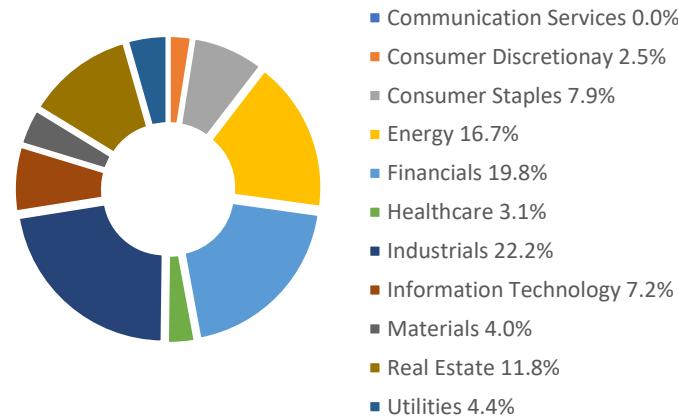
- 20 - 40 small cap Canadian stocks
- Average market cap at time of purchase <\$2bn, dividend yield >1%

Fund Code:	Min Investment: \$1,000 initial,	Fund Size:	CUSIP:
BMI105	\$200 subsequent	\$94.9M	993565548

Barrantagh Investment Management Inc. is a bottom-up, value driven investment manager with over 20 years history of offering investment services to both high net worth and institutional clients. Our investment philosophy is based on three key values. When we look for investment ideas we start with superior businesses with clear competitive advantages and the ability to sustain their profitability throughout the full cycle. Once identified, we look to interview management and ensure they are quality people with goals and targets that align with shareholders. This includes a proven track record of conservative and clear business strategy. The final tenet is our buy and sell discipline around attractive prices, based our independent valuation. We use our own cash flow analysis to establish both buy and sell targets in order to build our high conviction and focused portfolios.

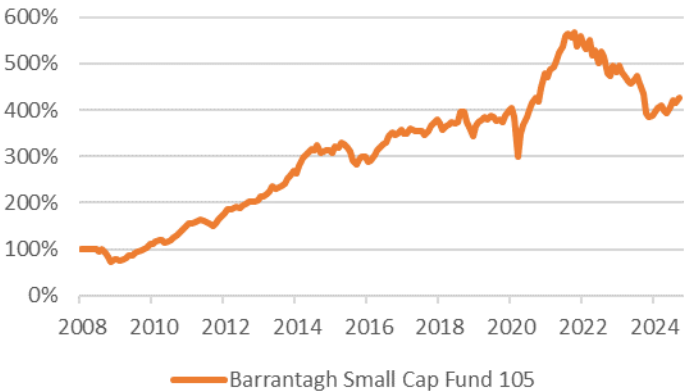
Current Portfolio – Equity Sectors

Portfolio Date : Sept 30, 2024



Investment Growth (CDN\$) *

Time Period: Jan 1 2008 to Sept 30, 2024

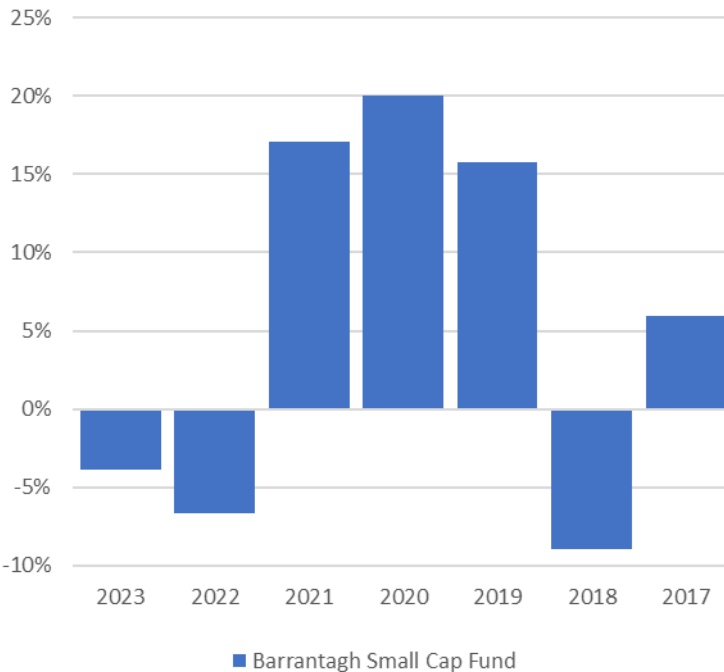


Trailing Returns *

As of Sept 30, 2024

	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Barrantagh Small Cap Fund	9.7%	16.9%	-0.4%	7.8%	6.0%

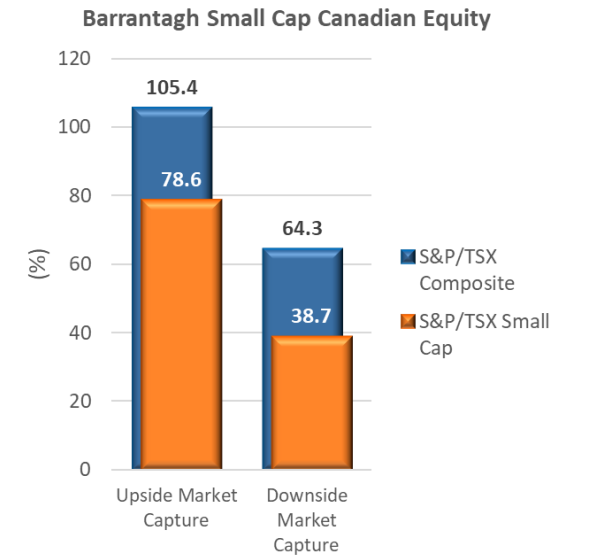
Investment Annual Performance Chart *



* Barrantagh Small Cap Canadian Equity Composite performance is used to reflect periods prior to Fund Inception. Investment returns shown are provided for informational purposes only and are calculated net of management fees, trading and operating expenses. Returns are annualized for periods greater than 1 year and calculated on a total return basis which includes changes in net asset value, income and capital gains (losses). Returns do not include the impact of any sales, redemption, optional charges, or any income taxes payable by the unitholder. Past performance is no guarantee of future performance and future performance will fluctuate with future market outcomes.

Top 10 Holdings

As at Sept 30, 2024	Portfolio Weighting %
Definity Financial Corp.	6.0
Trisura Group Ltd.	5.2
EQB Inc.	4.7
Boralex Inc.	4.4
Savaria Corp.	4.4
Jamieson Wellness Inc	4.3
Cargojet Inc.	4.1
Chemtrade Logistics	4.1
Brookfield Business Cl A	4.0
Propel Holdings	4.0



Third Quarter Commentary

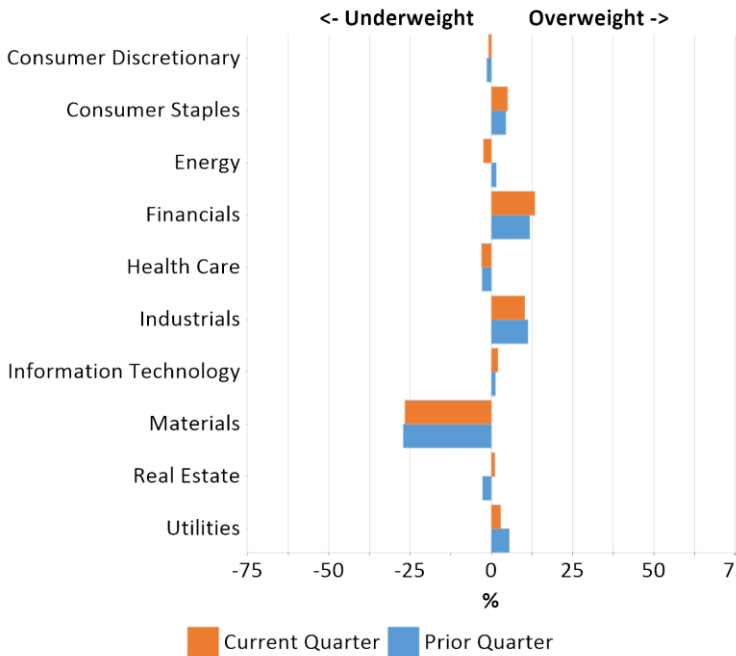
The third quarter was a positive one for Canadian equities across the market cap spectrum with most sectors seeing positive returns. Despite broadening sector participation, the big driver for the small cap benchmark continues to be the materials sector, specifically the mining sub-sector. It is so large (~30% of the benchmark) that sustained rallies (or sell-offs) can substantially drive market returns. Given the recent run up in gold prices (as the market gained confidence on the US Fed easing interest rates) and speculative short term copper price increases (driven by expected demand from the longer-term electrification theme and China stimulus in September) junior Canadian mining stocks have led the market up 17%, 36% and 54% for the quarter, year-to-date, and trailing 12 months (accounting for ~55% of the benchmark returns across all periods).

Not surprisingly, materials has been a headwind to relative performance for the Portfolio given our “resource-light” approach and aversion to the junior mining space, which we have highlighted before. This can cause pain in the short run but will come back to benefit us over time as the cycle retreats and higher quality, less cyclical exposure compounds over time. The detraction from materials in the period accounted for more than the total relative underperformance, offsetting positive areas of outperformance in financials, technology and both consumer sectors.

We highlighted valuation last quarter as a key lever that has us excited about small cap equity returns ahead. A related lever that has returned in 2024 is public company M&A. Part of the headwinds for smaller company valuations last year in a rising rate environment was uncertainty around cost of capital, which significantly decreased large buyers (private equity, pension plans, larger competitors) from acquiring discounted small cap companies. With rates plateauing and declining this year, deal activity has picked up. Based on the data we track there has been ~\$26 bln in market cap value subject to completed or pending take overs though the first nine months of the year. This is up over 4x the ~\$6 bln in all of 2023. One holding in the Portfolio subject to this trend was Sleep Country Canada (ZZZ).

Often our thesis can take longer to play out but this take-private allowed a more immediate realization of return to intrinsic value. In a broader sense, the return of M&A to the Canadian equity space is a strong positive for small cap equities and valuation upside going forward.

Industry Distribution vs. Benchmark (Sept 30, 2024)



Risk Measures – Barrantagh Small Cap Composite
Jan 1, 2008 to Sept 30, 2024

	Barrantagh Small Cap Cdn	TSX Small Cap	Median
Annualized Return	11.3%	3.7%	7.6%
Standard Deviation	13.6%	20.4%	15.9%
Sharpe Ratio	0.7	0.1	0.35