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**Investment Management** 

## Update – Dec. 31, 2024

- Firm Update
- Key Mandate Review
  - Small Cap Canadian Equities
  - Global All Cap Equities
- Economic Update

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## Small Cap Canadian Equities Global All Cap Equities

# **Firm Update**

### **FIRM PROFILE**

- 100% employee-owned investment managers since 1995
- 17 employees, firm ownership expanded to 7 employeeshareholders
- AUM: \$1.5 Bn (private wealth, institutional, sub-advisory)
- Fundamental quality value style

### **STRATEGIES OFFERED**

- Balanced Mandates active asset mix mgmt.
- Fixed Income Credit barbell + active duration mgmt.
- Equity Strategies Focus Portfolios (20 40 stocks in a strategy):
  - Small Cap quality/yield focus
  - Mid Cap S&P TSX Completion Index
  - All Cap Cdn Equities
  - Income yield focus
  - Global Equities Global leaders + Special situations

### FIRM UPDATE

### **PROMOTIONS:**

 Sean Wetmore from Portfolio Manager to Vice President & Portfolio Manager– Small Cap Canadian Equities

#### **Diversification Strategies:**

- Small Cap new prospectus fund launched in Q2/19
  - 'F' Class 1.0% Mgmt Fee, 16 yr composite track-record
  - 'A' Class 2.0% Mgmt Fee launched in Q2/2021

#### **ESG Integration Update:**

 Completed UN PRI signatory process (2019) & formalized BIM Responsible Investing Policy

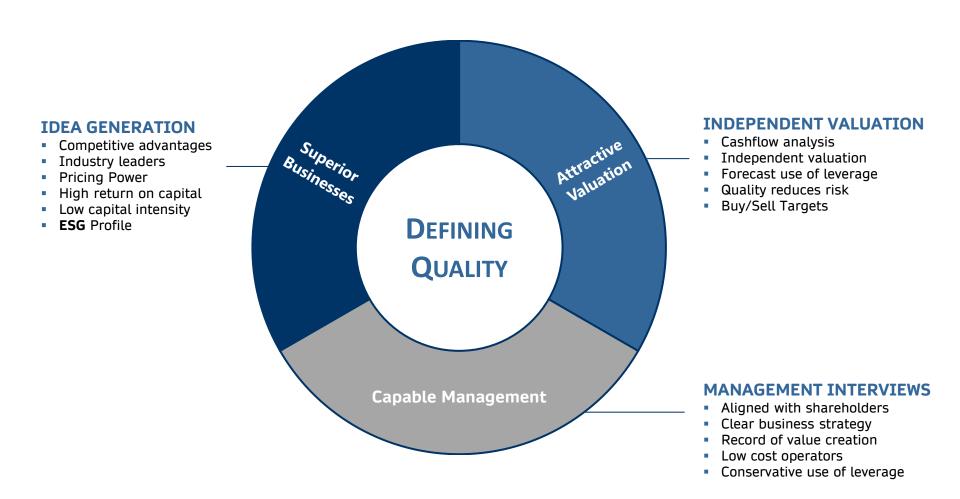
#### Evestment

• Boutique Firms – Canada – Top 3 Brand awareness



## **Investment Philosophy**

## **Defining Quality Value**







## **MANDATE REVIEW**

**Small Cap Canadian Equities** 



## Performance at December 31, 2024

For Periods Ending Dec. 31, 2024	Q4/24	1 Yr	2 Yrs	3 Yrs	4 Yrs	5 Yrs	6 Yrs	7 Yrs	8 Yrs	9 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs
BIM Canadian Small Cap	0.5%	<b>11.5%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	0.8%	5.0%	<b>8.1%</b>	9.8%	<b>6.9%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>	8.2%	6.7%	12.0%
S&P/TSX Small Cap Index	0.7%	18.8%	11.6%	4.2%	8.0%	8.9%	10.0%	5.5%	5.1%	8.4%	6.0%	5.0%

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
BIM Canadian Small Cap S&P/TSX Small Cap	-2.7%	-5.7%	18.8% <sup>1</sup>	21.3%	19.0%	-8.9%	5.9%	19.8% <sup>1</sup>	-5.3%	17.3%	30.9%	18.5%	15.6%	35.0%	<b>43.8%</b> <sup>1</sup>	-22.9%
Index	4.8%	-9.3%	20.3%	<b>12.9%</b>	15.8%	-18.2%	2.7%	38.5%	-13.4%	-2.4%	7.6%	-2.2%	16.4%	35.1%	62.3%	-45.5%

<sup>1</sup> Periods where index performance was driven by commodity rallies (Mining & Oil Exploration & Production) Green indicates periods that Barrantagh Small Cap outperformed

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## Perspective on Recent Performance: Commodity Volatility

### **Stock Selection Positive in Non-Commodity Sectors**

TOTAL PERIOD 2024
11.5% <u>18.8%</u> -7.3%
-730
-650 <u>-310</u> -960
+230

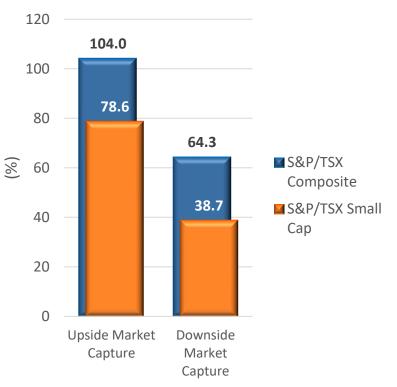
<sup>1</sup> All Other Industries = GICS Industries Ex - Energy & Materials



**Conservative Exposure to Commodities Delivers Much Lower Portfolio Risk vs. Market** 

Dec. 31, 2024	Barrantagh Small Cap Cdn. Equites <sup>1</sup>	TSX Small Cap	Median
Annualized Return	11.2%	3.7%	7.5%
Standard Deviation	13.5%	20.3%	15.9%
Sharpe Ratio	0.7	0.1	0.35

### **Barrantagh Small Cap Canadian Equity**



<sup>1</sup> Since Inception Jan. 1, 2008

<sup>2</sup> vs. Evestment Small Cap Universe



## **Small Cap Investing**

### 2024: Narrow Market - Cyclical Rally Defines Recent Market

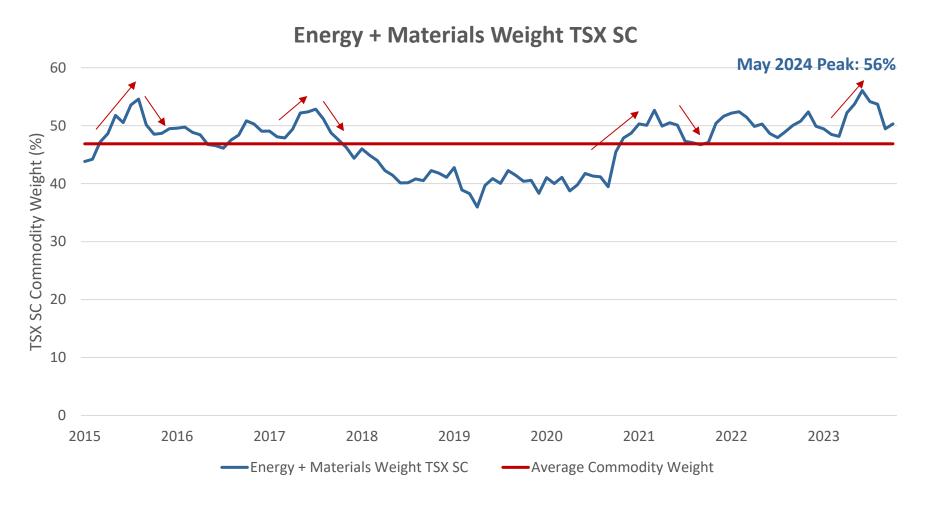


### YTD Dec. 31 2024 Small Cap Index Returns by

Source: Bloomberg, Barrantagh Research



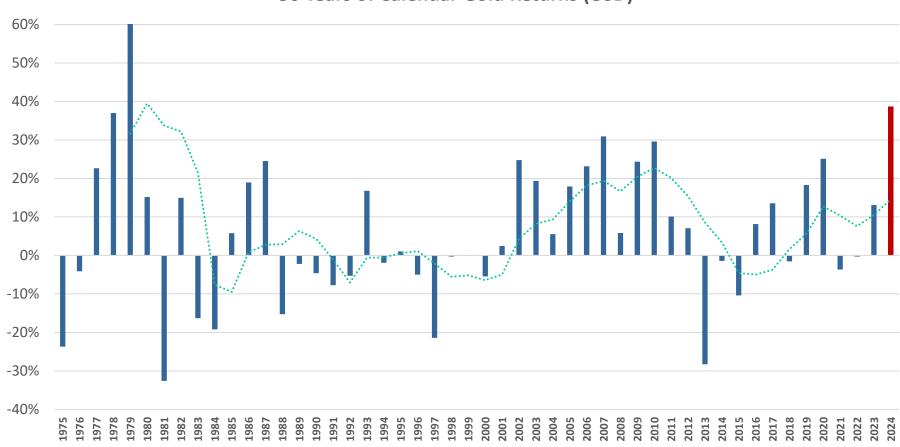
2024 Commodity Rally Pushes TSX SC Sector Weight to Multi-Year High





# **Calendar Year Gold Prices**

### **Gold Prices are Cyclical & Unpredictable**

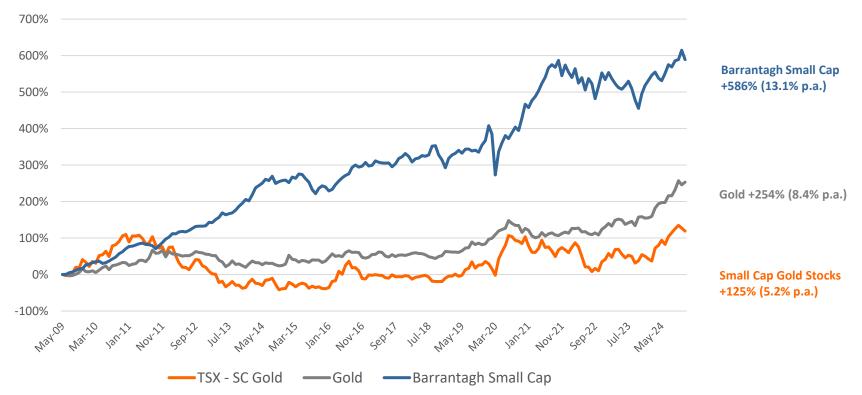


### 50 Years of Calendar Gold Returns (USD)



## **Small Cap Canadian Equity Mandate**

Junior Gold Miners: Underperforming/Volatile & Poor Commodity Tracking

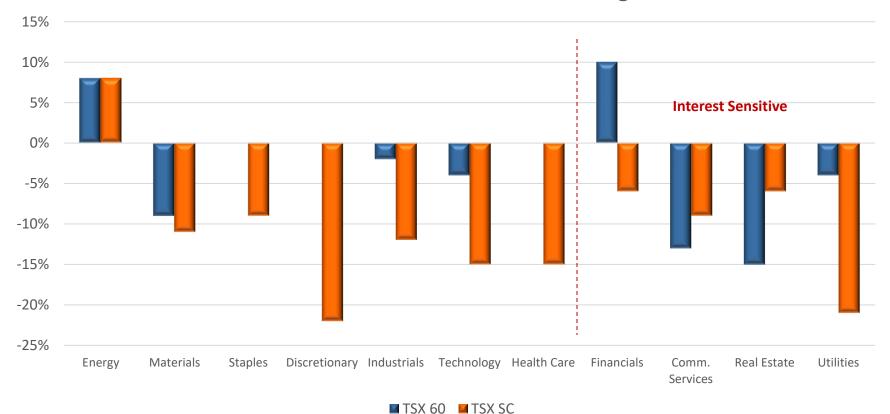


### Cumulative Returns ~ 16 Years to Dec. 31, 2024



# **Canadian Market Review**

Small Cap Markets: Broad Valuation Advantage vs Large Caps (at Dec. 31<sup>th</sup>, 2024)

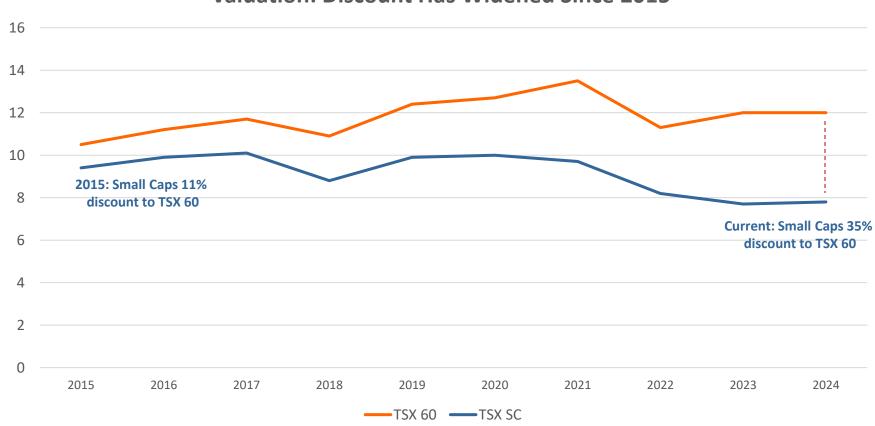


### Valuation: Discount to 5 Year Average



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Small Cap Markets: Broad Valuation Advantage vs Large Caps (Annual Since 2015)

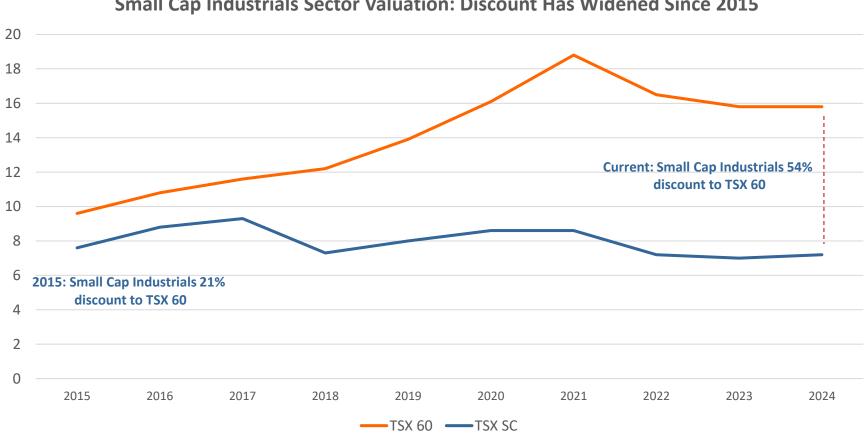


### Valuation: Discount Has Widened Since 2015



# **Canadian Market Review**

**Small Cap Industrials: Key Portfolio Sector** 

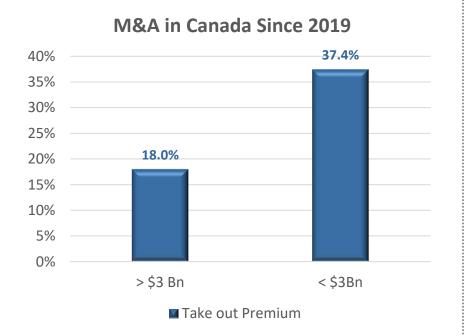


Small Cap Industrials Sector Valuation: Discount Has Widened Since 2015



## **Small Cap Investing**

Lower Rates: Support Increases M&A Activity Potential and Premium



- 11 Deals completed > \$3Bn Total Value
- 67 Deals completed < \$3 Bn Total Value

Source: Bloomberg, Barrantagh Research

**Barrantagh Positions Targeted** 

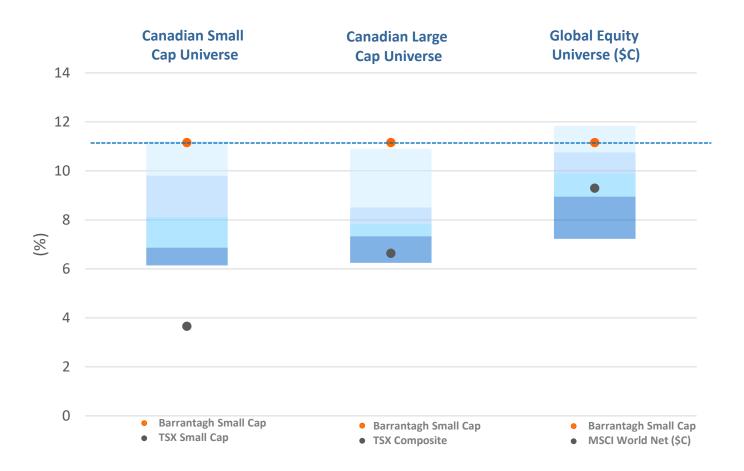
	Announce Date	Premium <sup>1</sup>
Softchoice	12/2024	14%
Sleep Country	7/2024	28%
Neighbourly Pharma	10/2023	55%
Summit Industrial	04/2022	31%
Lifeworks	Q2/2022	88%
Intertape Polymer	Q1/2022	67%
People Corp.	Q4/2020	75%
Enercare	Q3/2018	64%
Spartan Energy	Q2/2018	5%
Pure Industrial	Q1/2018	21%

<sup>1</sup>Premium to 1 Month Average Price



## **RETURNS:** Small Cap Canadian Equities

Strong Performance vs. Large Cap Cdn & Global Equities (for Periods Ending Dec. 31, 2024)

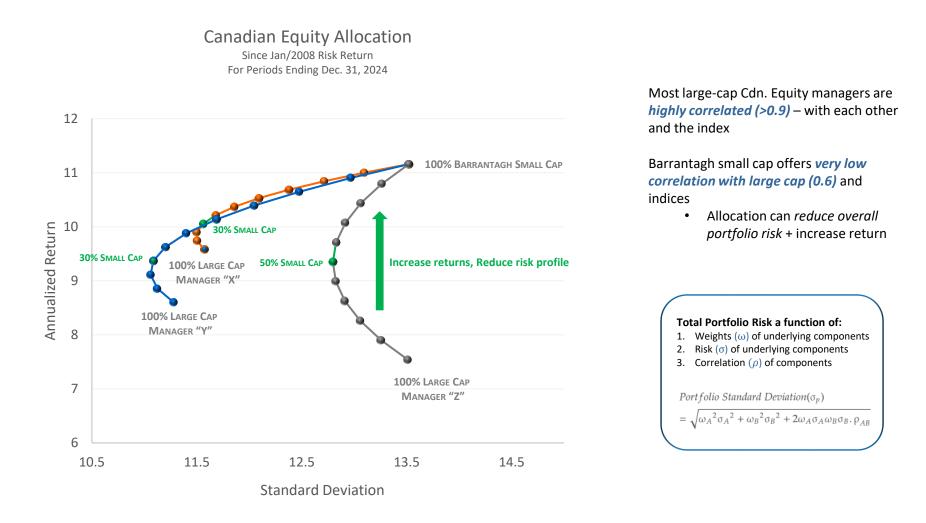




Strategy Inception Date: Jan. 1, 2008

## **DIVERSIFICATION:** Small Cap Canadian Equities

### Improve Returns & Lower Risk by Combining with Large Cap Managers



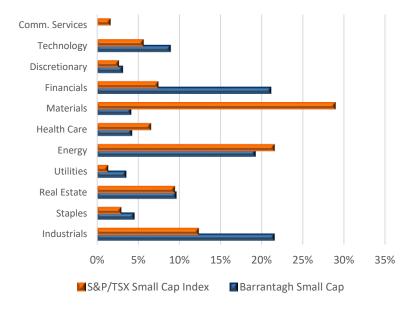
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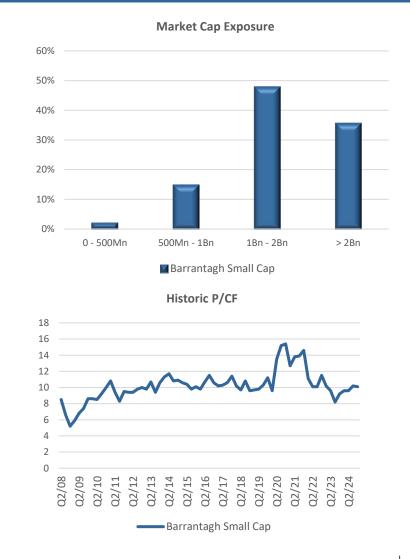
## **Profile: Small Cap Canadian Equities**

### Portfolio at December 31, 2024

CHARACTERISTICS	
Number of Holdings	25
Avg. Market Cap	\$2.3 Bn
# Industry Sectors	10
Dividend Yield	2.1%







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# **Canadian Small Cap Equity Portfolio**

## Portfolio at December 31, 2024 | Q4 Transactions

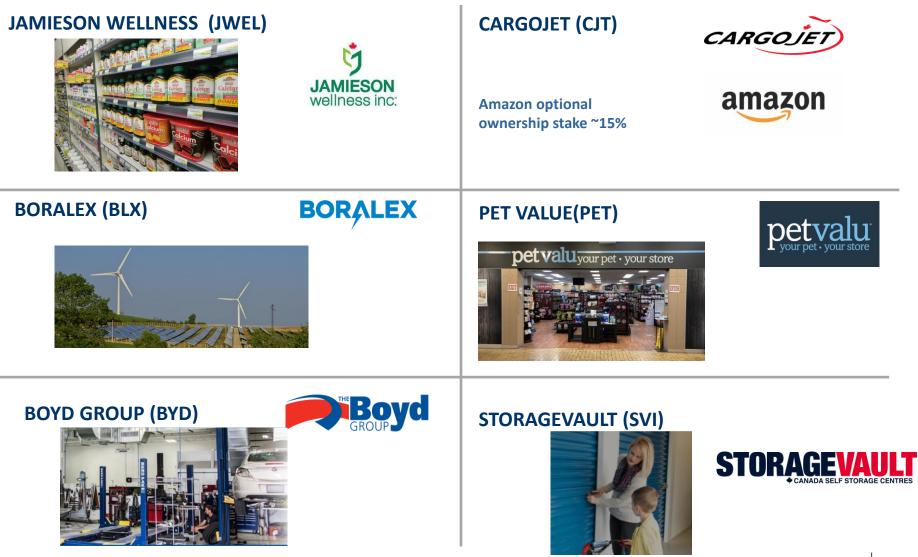
	Portfolio Weight		Portfolio Weight		Portfolio Weight
Consumer Discretionary		Industrials		Utilities	
Pet Value (NEW)	2.9%	AG Growth	2.7%	Boralex	3.4%
	2.9%	Boyd Group	4.0%		3.4%
Consumer Staples		Brookfield Business	3.9%	Materials	
Jamieson Wellness	4.3%	Cargojet	3.1%	Chemtrade Logistics	3.9%
	4.3%	Calian Group	2.9%		3.9%
Energy		Savaria	3.8%		
Headwater Exploration (+)	4.1%		20.3%	Cash & Equivalent	5.0%
Gibson Energy	3.6%	Real Estate		Total	100.0%
Logan Energy	1.9%	First Capital REIT (+)	4.0%		
Nuvista Energy <b>(+)</b>	4.2%	Mainstreet Equity (+)	2.5%	<u>Sold</u>	
Trican Well Service (+)	4.4%	Storagevault Canada	2.6%	Premium Brands	
	18.2%		9.1%	Tamarack Valley	
Financials		Health Care		Minto Apartment REIT	
Definity Financial	6.2%	Andlauer Healthcare (+)	4.1%		
EQB Group	4.3%		4.1%		
Propel Holdings	5.0%	Information Technology			
Trisura Group	4.5%	Dye & Durham	3.6%		
	20.0%	Softchoice	4.9%		
			8.4%	TRIM = (-)	



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# **Canadian Small Cap Equity Portfolio**

**Select Holdings – Brand Recognition** 







# MANDATE REVIEW ALL CAP GLOBAL EQUITIES



**Repeatable Advantages** 

- Low-risk alpha generator
- Low tracking error (achieved through diversification)
- High active share (20 40 stocks best ideas)
- All cap approach (exposure to broad market cap spectrum)
- Low turnover (tax advantages and long-term horizon)
- Seasoned team with longevity (consistency in approach)

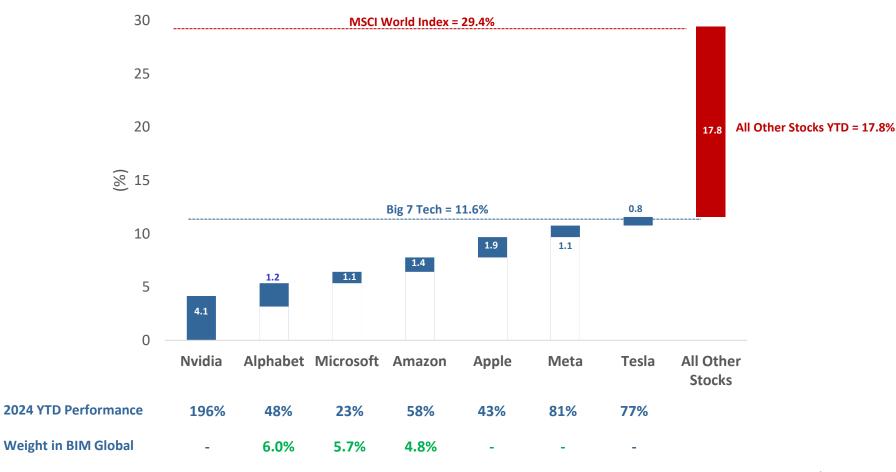


## **Global Market Performance**

Narrow Market: 7 Mega Cap Tech Stocks Dominate

## **MSCI World Return Attribution**

YTD as of Dec. 31, 2024





## **Global Equity Mandate**

## Performance at December 31, 2024

For Periods Ending Dec. 31, 2024	Q4/24	1 Yr	2 Yrs	3 Yrs	4 Yrs	5 Yrs	6 Yrs	7 Yrs	8 Yrs	9 Yrs	10 Yrs
BIM Global Equities MSCI World (Net)	<b>6.2%</b> 6.3%	<b>25.7%</b> 29.4%	<b>22.0%</b> 24.9%	<b>11.8%</b> 11.0%	<b>12.7%</b> 13.4%	<b>11.9%</b> 13.5%	<b>15.8%</b> 14.7%	<b>13.4%</b> 12.4%	<b>13.4%</b> 12.7%	<b>12.7%</b> 11.6%	<b>12.8%</b> 12.4%
MSCI World Equal Weight (Net)	1.5%	17.4%	15.5%	6.0%	7.9%	7.9%	9.4%	7.3%	8.3%	7.9%	8.9%

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
BIM Global Equities MSCI World (Net)		-6.2% -12.2%										

#### Green indicates periods that Barrantagh outperformed

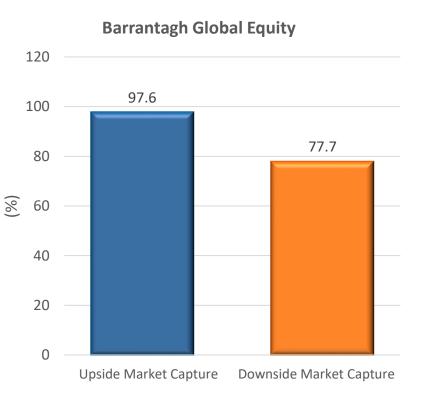
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# **Global Equities**

Risk Statistics vs. Global Equity (for Periods Ending December 31, 2024) (CAD)

	Barrantagh Global Equites <sup>1</sup>	Percentile Rank <sup>2</sup>
Annualized Return	15.0%	5
Sharpe Ratio	1.2	8
Information Ratio	0.18	4
Treynor Ratio	14.8	13



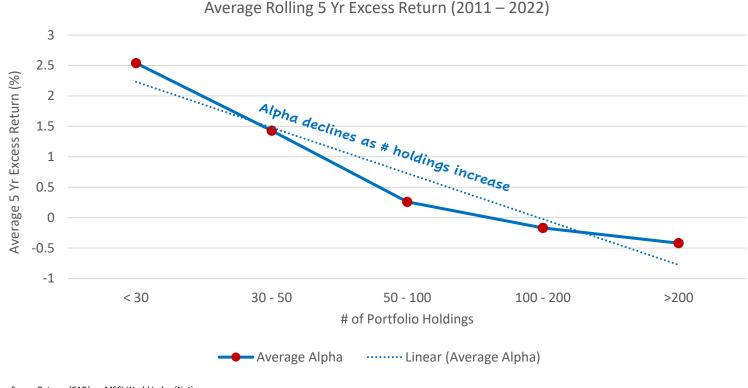
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## **Concentrated Global Equity Advantages**

## **# Holdings & Alpha Generation**







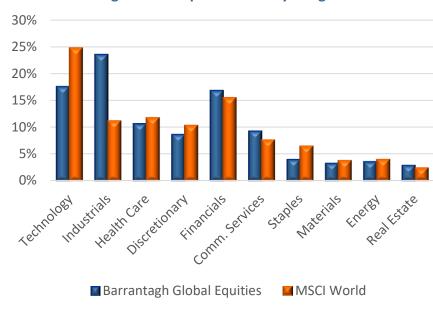
Excess Returns (CAD) vs. MSCI World Index (Net)

## **Global Equities**

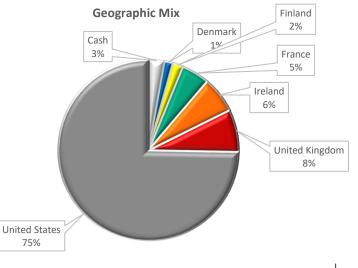
### at December 31, 2024

CHARACTERISTICS	
Number of Holdings	34
# Industry Sectors	10
Average Market Cap	\$831Bn
P/CF	17.7X
Dividend Yield	1.1%

**Barrantagh Global Equities Industry Weight vs Index** 









## **Global Equities**

## Portfolio at December 31, 2024 | Q4 Transactions

	Portfolio Weight		Portfolio Weight		Portfolio Weight
Consumer Discretionary		Industrials		Financials	
Amazon	4.9%	Leidos Holdings <mark>(-)</mark>	1.7%	Bank of America	3.3%
Compass Group	3.5%	Intertek Group (NEW)	1.5%	Wells Fargo	3.2%
	8.4%	Metso Outotec	1.9%	JP Morgan Chase	3.1%
Consumer Staples		Vinci S.A.	2.2%	Mastercard	3.5%
Constellation Brands	2.6%	Quanta Services	2.8%	Willis Towers Watson	3.4%
Sysco	1.3%	Regal Rexnord	2.5%		16.5%
	3.9%	DSV A/.S	1.5%	Information Technology	
Materials		Schneider Electric (-)	2.9%	Advanced Micro Devices	1.2%
CRH	3.1%	Union Pacific	2.5%	Marvell Technology (NEW)	2.2%
	3.1%	Wabtec	3.3%	Dynatrace	2.8%
Real Estate			22.8%	Itron	3.2%
American Tower	2.8%	Health Care		Microchip Technology	1.8%
	2.8%	Astrazeneca	2.5%	Microsoft	5.8%
Energy		Boston Scientific	3.6%		17.0%
EOG Resources	3.5%	Thermo Fisher Scientific	2.9%	<b>Communication Services</b>	
	3.5%	United Health Group	1.3%	T-Mobile	3.0%
			10.3%	Alphabet	6.0%
					9.0%

Cash & Equivalents	3.0%
Total	100.0%



<u>Sold</u>

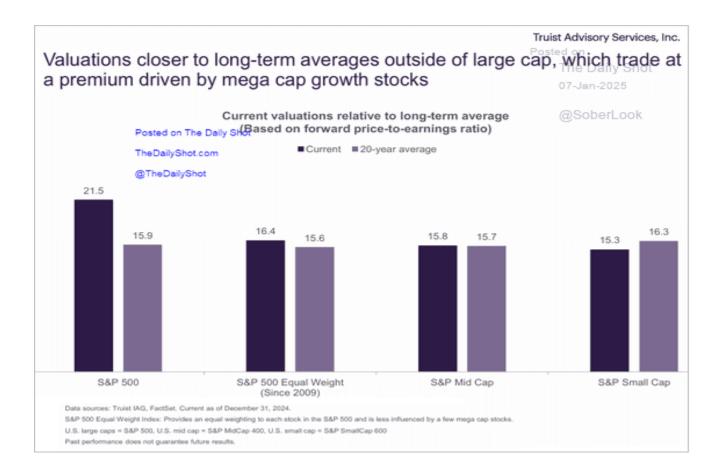
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## **ECONOMIC OUTLOOK**



## **Market Valuations**

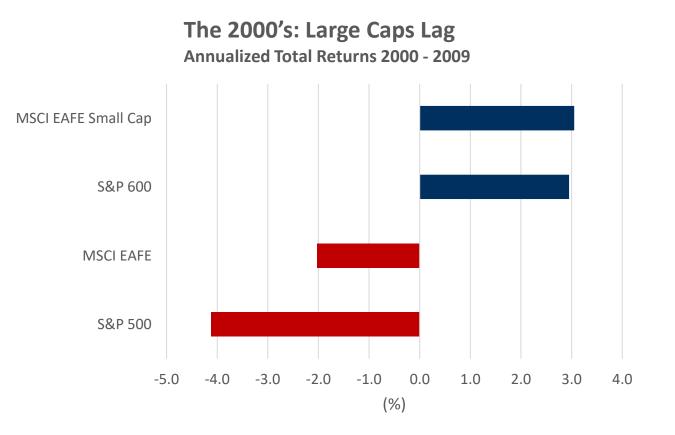


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## **Canadian Small Caps**

## Past Period of Narrow Large Cap Leadership

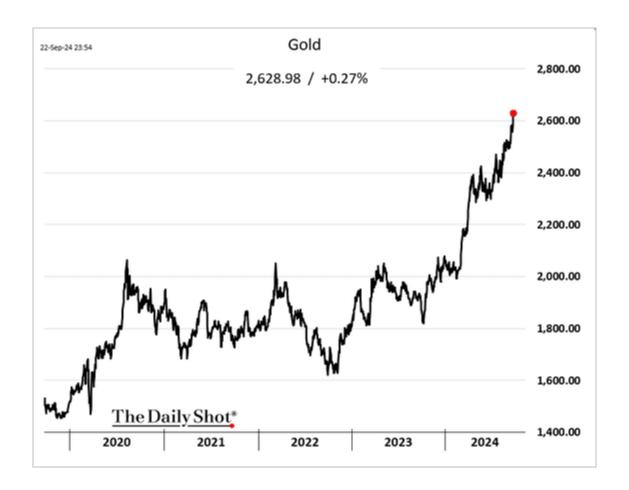




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## **Canadian Small Caps**

**Volatile Gold Prices Spiked in 2024** 



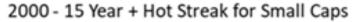


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# Small Cap – Leadership

## **Post Concentrated Large Cap Markets**







## **Working with You**

- Why Small Cap Canadian Equities
  - 1. Adds low-risk alpha & yield to client portfolios
  - 2. Diversification *reduce* overall client portfolio *risk* (low correlation)
- Barrantagh Small Cap Canadian Equity Fund
  - F Class Fund Code: BMI105, 1% Mgmt Fee, Minimum: \$1,000
  - A Class Fund Code: BMI110, 2% Mgmt Fee, Minimum: \$1,000
- SMA Minimum Account: \$100K(Small Cap), \$150K (Global All Cap Equities)
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