

# Learn more: The Russell 2000 Index is the investable small cap market

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# Indexes driven by the market. Not picked by a committee.

The Russell US equity indexes define the market and year after year the Russell 2000 Index sets the standard for small cap measurement. The Index provides a pure and objective exposure to small cap stocks. Its transparent methodology, annual reconstitution and the quarterly additions of IPOs ensure that small cap stays small and perhaps more importantly, doesn't miss out on small cap opportunities.

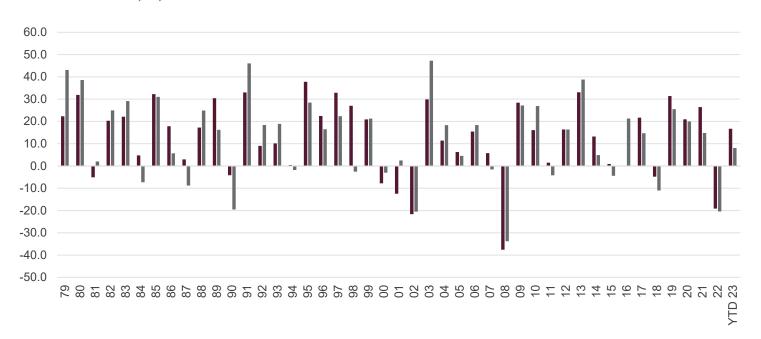
# Market performance

#### **SMALL CAPS TELL US MORE**

The Russell 2000 Index provides live index tracking data, with historical performance dating back to January 1984. Academic and practitioner research confirms that large-cap stocks behave differently to small-cap stocks and performance is variable. There are sub-periods during which the Russell 1000 outperforms the Russell 2000 and vice versa. Quarterly performance assessments provide valuable datapoints for understanding market sentiment and US economic activity.

## Market cap performance

Annual return (%)

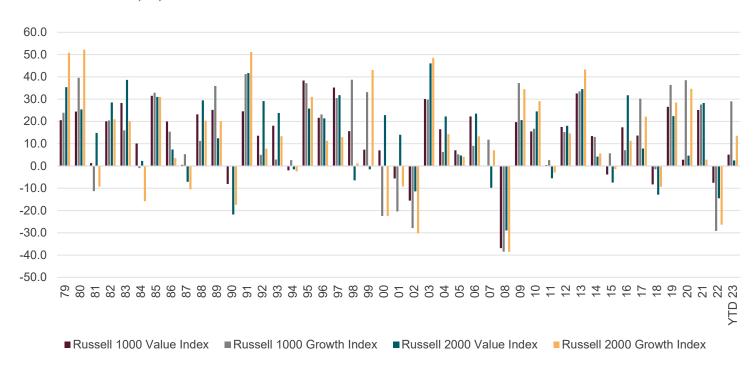


■Russell 1000 Index ■Russell 2000 Index

#### **Exhibit 1b**

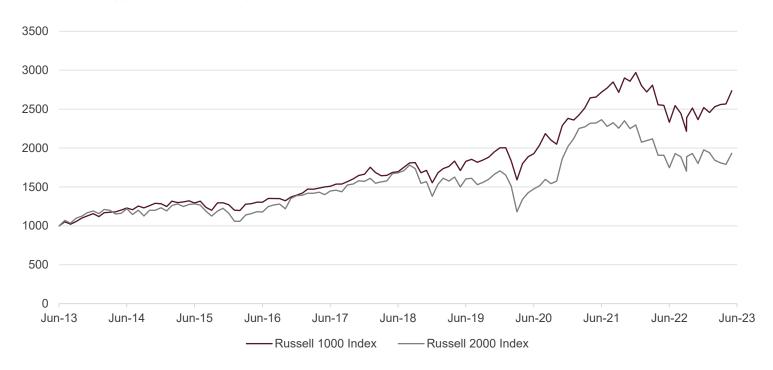
# Market cap performance

Annual return (%)



#### Performance: Growth of a unit

Total return (growth of 1,000) 10 years



# Market cap performance

Total return (%)

	Q2 2023	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q3 2022	12 months
Russell 3000 Index	8.4	7.2	7.2	-4.5	19.0
Russell Top 200 Index	9.9	8.7	6.6	-5.0	20.9
Russell 1000 Index	8.6	7.5	7.2	-4.6	19.4
Russell Midcap Index	4.8	4.1	9.2	-3.4	14.9
Russell 2000 Index	5.2	2.7	6.2	-2.2	12.3
Russell Microcap Index	5.3	-2.8	4.7	-0.5	6.6

# **Style performance**

Total return (%)

	Q2 2023	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q3 2022	12 months
Russell 1000 Growth Index	12.8	14.4	2.2	-3.6	27.1
Russell 2000 Growth Index	7.1	6.1	4.1	0.2	18.5
Russell 1000 Value Index	4.1	1.0	12.4	-5.6	11.5
Russell 2000 Value Index	3.2	-0.7	8.4	-4.6	6.0
Russell 1000 Defensive Index	7.3	5.2	9.7	-7.1	15.1
Russell 2000 Defensive Index	3.4	2.2	9.5	-4.6	10.3
Russell 1000 Dynamic Index	9.9	9.8	4.8	-2.0	23.9
Russell 2000 Dynamic Index	7.1	3.3	3.0	0.3	14.3

# **Style box performance**

Total return (%)

	Value	Core	Growth
YTD 2023			
Large	5.12	16.68	29.02
Mid	5.23	9.01	15.94
Small	2.50	8.09	13.55
2022			
Large	-7.54	-19.13	-29.14
Mid	-12.03	-17.32	-26.72
Small	-14.48	-20.44	-26.36

	Value	Core	Growth
2021			
Large	25.16	26.46	27.60
Mid	28.34	22.58	12.73
Small	28.27	14.82	2.84
2020			
Large	2.80	20.96	38.49
Mid	4.97	17.10	35.59
Small	4.63	19.96	34.63

# Sectors

#### SMALL CAPS REVEAL A SHIFTING ECONOMY

The US has experienced a massive shift in the nature of its economy over the last half century. The US was traditionally a manufacturing-focused economy, supplying a variety of raw materials and consumer and industrial products domestically and abroad. Today, data shows the US economy is most heavily represented by service-oriented sectors such as Technology, Health Care and Financials and less so by the industrial sectors such as Energy, Basic Materials and Industrials. However, the leading sectors are always in a state of change indicative of economic, consumer, and industry trends.

# **Second quarter IPOs**

#### Quarter end

#### Russell 2000 Index IPOs by sector

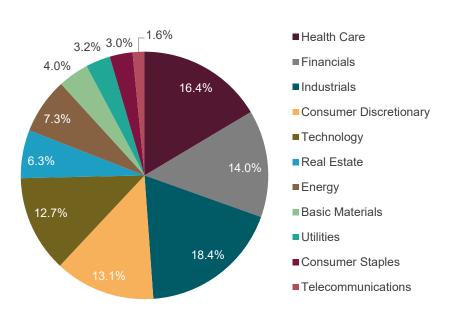
Sector	Number of IPOs	Total market cap (\$B)
Energy	1	0.3
Industrials	2	0.2
Total	3	0.5

#### Russell 2000 Index IPO company detail

Sector	Company name	Ticker	Total market cap (\$B)
Energy	ATLAS ENERGY SOLUTIONS I	AESI	0.3
Industrials	ISPIRE TECHNOLOGY INC	ISPR	0.2
	HIMALAYA SHIPPING LTD	HSHP	0.02

## **Quarterly sector weightings**

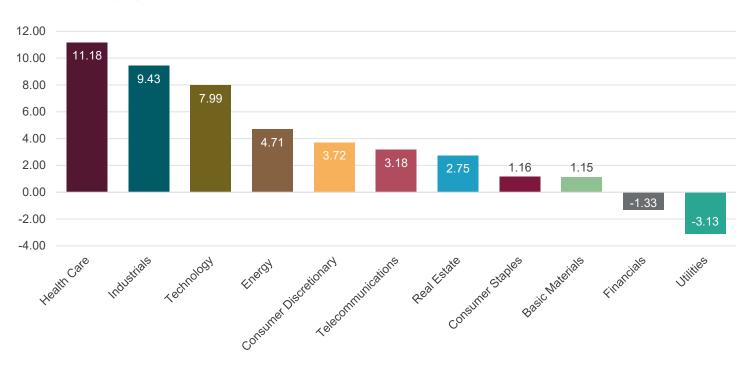
Quarter end (%)



	Q2 2023	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q3 2022
Health Care	16.4	15.6	16.5	18.3
Financials	14.0	15.1	17.0	17.1
Industrials	18.4	17.5	16.9	16.0
Consumer Discretionary	13.1	13.7	12.4	12.2
Technology	12.7	11.6	10.5	10.8
Real Estate	6.3	6.5	6.6	6.5
Energy	7.3	6.8	7.1	6.6
Basic Materials	4.0	4.3	4.1	3.9
Utilities	3.2	3.8	3.9	3.8
Consumer Staples	3.0	3.4	3.3	3.2
Telecom	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7

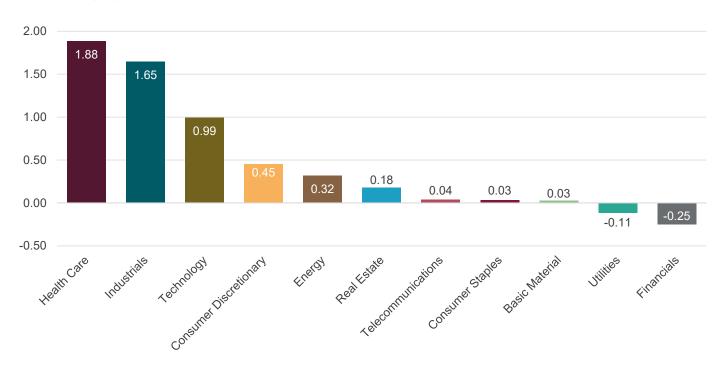
## **Quarterly sector performance review**

Total return (%)



#### Sector contribution to return

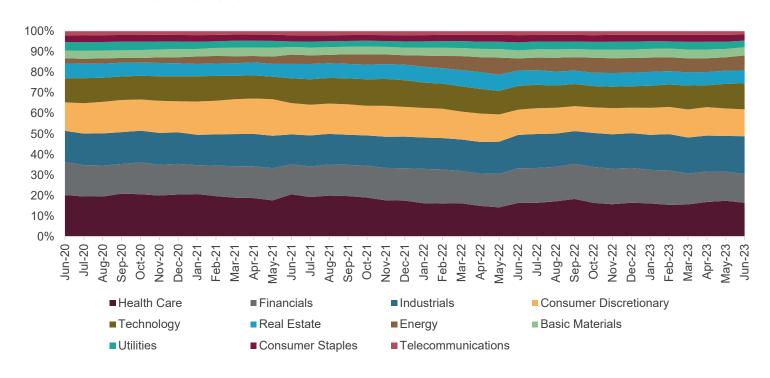
Year to date (%)



#### Exhibit 10a

## **Sector history**

ICB monthly weightings (%)

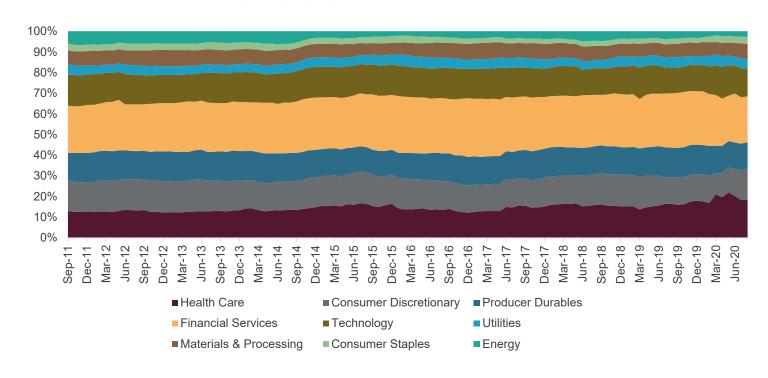


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#### Exhibit 10b

### **Sector history**

RGS historical monthly weightings (%)



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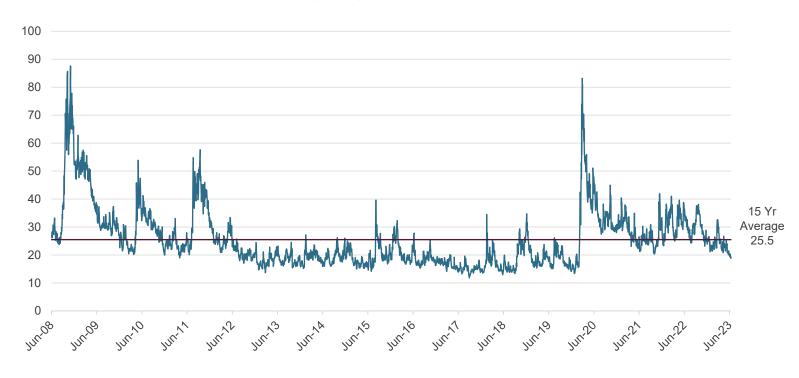
# Risk / characteristics

#### SMALL CAPS REFLECT THE MARKET

Russell 2000 companies tend to be more specialized than those of the more diversified Russell 1000 constituents, this suggests that Russell 2000 companies are less resilient to economic or industry specific shocks. That riskiness has likely contributed to the historically higher volatility of Russell 2000 returns. However, it is important to note that more recently, large and small cap markets seem to be converging as illustrated by similarities in metrics.

# Implied volatility

CBOE Russell 2000 Volatility Index (RVX) 6/1/2008 – 06/30/2023



#### Exhibit 12a

#### Fundamental characteristics: Q2 2023

Quarterly market snapshot

	Grov	vth .		Quality		
Index	Sales per Share Growth (5 Yr)	Long Term Forecasted Growth (I/B/E/S Median)	EPS Variability (10 Yr)	<b>ROA</b> (5 Yr Avg)	Debt/Equity	Dividend Yield
Russell 2000 Index	7.17	13.25	151.52	3.64	0.72	1.54
Russell 1000 Index	11.91	9.69	91.10	11.95	0.88	1.50

	Valuation			Risk—Standard Deviation (%)		
Index	<b>P/E</b> (I/B/E/S 1 Yr) Forecasted	Price/Book	Price/Cash Flow	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr
Russell 2000 Index	13.53	2.02	11.08	23.40	21.57	23.84
Russell 1000 Index	19.15	4.13	13.92	19.75	18.17	19.05

#### Exhibit 12b

#### Fundamental characteristics: Q1 2023

Quarterly market snapshot

	Grov	vth .	Quality			
Index	Sales per Share Growth (5 Yr)	Long Term Forecasted Growth (I/B/E/S Median)	EPS Variability (10 Yr)	<b>ROA</b> (5 Yr Avg)	Debt/Equity	Dividend Yield
Russell 2000 Index	7.26	11.80	154.24	3.70	0.73	1.58
Russell 1000 Index	11.32	9.47	92.45	11.61	0.91	1.67

	Valuation			Risk—Sta	ndard Deviation (%)	
Index	P/E (I/B/E/S 1 Yr) Forecasted	Price/Book	Price/Cash Flow	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr
Russell 2000 Index	12.93	2.00	10.74	25.56	22.52	23.70
Russell 1000 Index	17.60	3.91	13.06	22.84	19.28	18.89

#### Exhibit 12c

#### **Fundamental characteristics: Q4 2022**

Quarterly market snapshot

	Grov	vth		Quality	/	
Index	Sales per Share Growth (5 Yr)	Long Term Forecasted Growth (I/B/E/S Median)	EPS Variability (10 Yr)	<b>ROA</b> (5 Yr Avg)	Debt/Equity	Dividend Yield
Russell 2000 Index	6.29	11.94	145.45	3.28	0.71	1.54
Russell 1000 Index	10.68	10.56	91.59	11.06	0.94	1.72

	Valuation			Risk—Standard Deviation (%)		
Index	<b>P/E</b> (I/B/E/S 1 Yr) Forecasted	Price/Book	Price/Cash Flow	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr
Russell 2000 Index	12.52	2.02	10.58	24.55	26.01	23.30
Russell 1000 Index	16.72	3.72	12.07	22.04	21.48	19.08

### Exhibit 12d

#### Fundamental characteristics: Q3 2022

Quarterly market snapshot

	Growth		Quality			
Index	Sales per Share Growth (5 Yr)	Long Term Forecasted Growth (I/B/E/S Median)	EPS Variability (10 Yr)	<b>ROA</b> (5 Yr Avg)	Debt/Equity	Dividend Yield
Russell 2000 Index	6.01	13.06	143.62	3.26	0.69	1.51
Russell 1000 Index	11.26	12.14	93.84	11.08	0.90	1.81

	Valuation			Risk—Standard Deviation (%)		
Index	<b>P/E</b> (I/B/E/S 1 Yr) Forecasted	Price/Book	Price/Cash Flow	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr
Russell 2000 Index	11.28	1.93	10.76	21.40	25.10	22.62
Russell 1000 Index	15.28	3.50	11.77	20.76	20.51	18.32

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#### **Growth gets Al fever**

Growth trounced Value in Q2, benefiting in large part from its bigger exposure to the recent surge into potential beneficiaries of the AI revolution.

# Large-caps win favor as economic outlook dims

Preference for larger players within Tech, Discretionary and Financials drove Russell 1000 outperformance vs the Russell 2000 in Q2.

#### **EPS** growth outlook brightens

Forward EPS growth forecasts continued to improve in Q2, with the Russell 1000 and its Growth offshoot enjoying the biggest gains from the prior quarter.

#### Dividend yields in recovery

Amid a broad rebound, dividend yields have returned to pre-pandemic levels for the Value indexes, which are more tilted to high dividend-paying firms.

#### Valuation re-ratings continue

Forward P/Es continued to rise in Q2, particularly those of large-cap Growth, which are now well above 10-year norms in absolute terms and vs its Value peer.

#### Russell IPO activity still in the doldrums

IPO activity remained sluggish in Q2, with only the Russell 2000 adding newcomers.



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