

# Common Stock Fund

Inst: SCNSX | Admin: SCSDX | A: SCSAX | C: STSAX | R6: SCSRX

## Asset Class: U.S. Equity

### THE FUND

The Allspring Common Stock Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by principally investing in equity securities of small- and medium-capitalization companies that management believes are underpriced yet have attractive growth prospects.

### FUND STRATEGY

- Public equity markets are often driven by emotion, requiring successful investors to have conviction in individual securities and diversification across sectors.
- Our team's conviction comes from an in-depth private market valuation (PMV, the price an acquirer would pay to purchase the entire company) process of analyzing the business model, competitive positioning, key trends, management, and other proprietary metrics.
- We believe that the PMV of a company is much more stable than its associated public market stock price.
- Our proprietary PMV investment process provides us with a consistent and accurate discipline to exploit market emotion by buying company stock at a discount to their PMV and selling them as they get fully valued.

### FUND MANAGERS

Name	Yrs experience
Christopher Miller, CFA	20
Garth Newport, CFA	17

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Expense ratios (%)	Gross	Net
Institutional Shares	0.92	0.85
Administrator Shares	1.17	1.10
Class A Shares	1.25	1.25
Class C Shares	2.00	2.00
Class R6 Shares	0.82	0.82

## Competitive advantages

- Private market valuation (PMV) approach: By constantly measuring a company's "private market value," the team is better able to assess a company's worth and act decisively when "market emotion" drives the price of a solid business down to discount levels. Additionally, the PMV investment process helps to discern differences between mispriced stocks and those with cheap valuations, improving the team's likelihood to generate alpha.
- Opportunistic core approach: The PMV investment approach is designed to be growth- and value-neutral, with the flexibility to opportunistically invest in the best ideas at either end of the growth and value spectrum.

## Sector allocation (%)<sup>1</sup>

	Fund	Russell 2500™ Index <sup>2</sup>
Industrials	24	18
Information technology	18	14
Consumer discretionary	13	11
Health care	13	13
Financials	11	16
Real estate	9	8
Materials	8	6
Consumer staples	3	3
Communication services	1	3

Sector allocation is subject to change and may have changed since the date specified. Percent total may not add to 100% due to rounding.

## Annual Returns

	Annualized					
Total returns (%)	3 Month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
Institutional Shares	10.81	-17.21	-17.21	5.39	6.20	9.50
Administrator Shares	10.69	-17.33	-17.33	5.76	6.32	9.43
Class A Shares	10.66	-17.55	-17.55	4.96	5.78	9.07
<i>Including sales charge</i>	4.26	-22.31	-22.31	2.91	4.54	8.42
Class C Shares	10.46	-18.06	-18.06	4.35	5.09	8.44
<i>Including sales charge</i>	9.46	-19.06	-19.06	4.35	5.09	8.44
Class R6 Shares <sup>3</sup>	10.81	-17.17	-17.17	5.40	6.22	9.53
Russell 2500™ Index <sup>2</sup>	7.43	-18.37	-18.37	5.00	5.89	10.03
Lipper Mid-Cap Core Funds <sup>4</sup>	10.10	-12.57	-12.57	5.92	6.04	9.68

**Figures quoted represent past performance, which is no guarantee of future results, and do not reflect taxes that a shareholder may pay on an investment in a fund.** Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Current month-end performance is available at the funds' website, [allspringglobal.com](http://allspringglobal.com). Administrator, Institutional and R6 Class shares are sold without a front-end sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge. For Class A, the maximum front-end sales charge is 5.75%. For Class C, the maximum contingent deferred sales charge is 1.00%. Performance shown without sales charges would be lower if sales charges were reflected. Performance including sales charge assumes the sales charge for the corresponding time period.

The manager has contractually committed, through 1-31-2023, to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to cap the fund's total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers at 1.26%(A), 2.01%(C), 1.10%(Admin), 0.85%(I) and 0.83%(R6). Brokerage commissions, stamp duty fees, interest, taxes, acquired fund fees and expenses (if any), and extraordinary expenses are excluded from the expense cap. Prior to or after the commitment expiration date, the cap may be increased or the commitment to maintain the cap may be terminated only with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Without this cap, the fund's returns would have been lower. The expense ratio paid by an investor is the net expense ratio (the total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers) as stated in the prospectus.



# Common Stock Fund

Performance and volatility measures <sup>†</sup>	Fund (INST class shares)
Alpha	0.61
Beta	0.99
Sharpe Ratio	0.18
Standard Deviation	0.26
R-Squared	0.95
Information Ratio	0.07

Top holdings (%)	Percent
Atkore Inc	2.75
Carlisle Companies Incorporated	2.39
MTU Aero Engines AG	2.36
Burlington Stores, Inc.	2.30
Sun Communities, Inc.	2.12
Masonite International Corp.	2.09
Ashland Inc.	1.97
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	1.90
United Rentals, Inc.	1.85
PagerDuty, Inc.	1.78

Portfolio holdings are subject to change and may have changed since the date specified. The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to purchase or sell a particular security.

Fund characteristics	Fund	Russell 2500™ Index <sup>2</sup>
P/E (Trailing 12 month)	23.38x	20.76x
P/B	2.53x	2.28x
Median market cap (\$B)	5.35	1.35
5 Year earnings growth (historic)	14.63%	13.11%
Portfolio turnover	33.87%	—
Number of holdings	81	2,448

## Fund information

**Advisor:** Allspring Funds Management, LLC

**Sub-Advisor:** Allspring Global Investments, LLC

**Fund inception date:** 12/29/1989

**Distribution frequency:** Annually

**Fiscal year-end:** September 30

**Fund assets (\$M):** 821.87

**Morningstar category:** Mid-Cap Blend

Share class information	Class inception date	NAV	YTD high-low NAV	Class assets (\$M)
Institutional Shares	7/30/2010	\$17.09	\$23.99/\$16.77	\$72.30
Administrator Shares	7/30/2010	\$16.45	\$23.25/\$16.15	\$1.78
Class A Shares	11/30/2000	\$15.36	\$21.98/\$15.08	\$715.51
Class C Shares	11/30/2000	\$7.31	\$12.25/\$7.18	\$1.28
Class R6 Shares	6/28/2013	\$17.19	\$24.11/\$16.87	\$31.01

Investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal. Stock values fluctuate in response to the activities of individual companies and general market and economic conditions. Smaller company stocks tend to be more volatile and less liquid than those of larger companies. Consult the fund's prospectus for additional information on these and other risks.

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<sup>†</sup>**Alpha** measures the excess return of an investment vehicle, such as a mutual fund, relative to the return of its benchmark, given its level of risk (as measured by beta). **Beta** measures fund volatility relative to general market movements. It is a standardized measure of systematic risk in comparison to a specified index. The benchmark beta is 1.00 by definition. **Sharpe ratio** measures the potential reward offered by a mutual fund relative to its risk level. The ratio uses a fund's standard deviation and its excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the better the fund's historical risk-adjusted performance. **Standard deviation** of return measures the average deviations of a return series from its mean and is often used as a measure of risk. **R-squared** is a measurement of how similar a fund's historical performance has been to that of the benchmark. The measure ranges from 0.00, which means that the fund's performance bears no relationship to the performance of the index, to 1.00, which means that the fund's performance was perfectly synchronized with the performance of the benchmark. **Information ratio** measures how much the fund outperformed the benchmark per unit of additional risk taken. This value is determined by taking the annualized excess return over a benchmark and dividing it by the standard deviation of excess return. \* Calculated based on a three-year period. Relative measures are compared with the Russell 2500™ Index<sup>2</sup> Index. **1.** Sector allocation is a breakdown of the Fund's investments based on the S&P Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS), a breakdown of market sectors used by Standard & Poor's. **2.** The Russell 2500™ Index measures the performance of the 2,500 smallest companies in the Russell 3000® Index, which represents approximately 16% of the total market capitalization of the Russell 3000 Index. You cannot invest directly in an index. **3.** Performance for the fund or the class shown reflects a predecessor fund's or class' performance and may be adjusted to reflect the fund's or class' expenses as applicable. **4.** The Lipper averages are compiled by Lipper, Inc., an independent mutual fund research and rating service. Each Lipper average represents a universe of funds that are similar in investment objective. You cannot invest directly in a Lipper average.

Class A and Class C require a minimum initial investment of \$1000 and minimum subsequent purchase of \$100 for regular accounts.

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