

# Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Portfolio

**Philosophy & Process Presentation - (Net of Fees)**

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## Value Investment Boutique

Hillman Capital Management, Inc. was founded in February 1998 and is registered with the SEC as an investment adviser. Mark Hillman, CEO/CIO, launched the HCM value investment philosophy and process in 1995 and has managed the strategy continuously since that time. As of 03/31/26 we manage \$383mm in assets and \$120mm in the Focused Advantage strategy.

## Investment Team

**Mark A. Hillman**, *CEO and Chief Investment Officer*, founded HCM in 1998, bringing into the firm assets of predecessor companies he established in the early 1990s. His first investment advisory company, Custom Asset Management, merged with Menocal Capital Management in 1993 and he became Chief Investment Officer of the combined firms. Prior to founding his first firm, he was a financial consultant with Shearson Lehman Hutton. A graduate of Tufts University, he has done graduate coursework at Harvard University Extension School. An expert sailboat racer, he has competed successfully in National and World Championships over four decades.

As the architect of the firm's proprietary investment process and Chief Investment Officer at HCM, Mark Hillman continues to lead the investment process. Since 1994, his investment results have spoken for themselves and have been recognized by investors and media alike. He has appeared in Fortune Magazine, The New York Times, MSN Money, USA Today, Bloomberg News, Dow Jones Marketwatch, The Baltimore Sun, The San Francisco Chronicle, Bloomberg Television, Kiplinger's and Forbes.com.

**Trevor Lee**, *Director of Qualitative Research*, focuses on assessing the competitive dynamics and valuation of companies. Trevor joined Hillman Capital Management in 2008 and is a member of HCM's Investment Committee. Trevor evaluates companies from the unique perspective of his solid background in marketing and product development for Fortune 500 companies, including Procter and Gamble, Kraft, and Sara Lee. A graduate of Tufts University, Trevor earned his MBA at The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He was the recipient of Distinguished Lecturer in Business Policy from the University of Florida MBA Program.

**Katherine O'Donnell**, *Analyst*, focuses on assessing the competitive dynamics and valuation of companies. Kate joined Hillman Capital Management in 2022. Prior to her role at HCM, Ms. O'Donnell served as the Sailing Director of The Carolina Yacht Club, Inc., where she managed the budgeting, marketing, logistics, hiring, and employee training for the club's sailing programs.

Ms. O'Donnell graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance from The Darla Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina (USC), where she was the captain of the University's Sailing Team. At USC, Ms. O'Donnell was named to the Dean's List and President's List and achieved recognition as a member of the University's Hall of Leaders and the ICSA All-Academic Sailing Team.

## **Investment Philosophy:**

- **Companies with sustainable competitive advantage will outperform the broad market over time.**
- **Market volatility can be exploited to purchase companies at a discount to their fair market value.**
- **Consistent adherence to a discipline based on fundamental valuation techniques will produce results.**

## **Key Features:**

- **High Active Share, Equally Weighted Portfolios**
- **Benchmark and Sector Agnostic**
- **Rules-based process ensures discipline and promotes repeatability**
- **30-year body of research to build the Qualified Investment Universe**

## The Investment Process

### HCM QUALIFIED INVESTMENT UNIVERSE (QIU)

- Equities > \$5 billion in market cap traded on US exchanges.

### QUALITATIVE ASSESSMENT

- HCM evaluates a company by asking nine questions to identify candidates with sustainable competitive advantage.
- Investment committee reviews candidates and companies deemed to have sustainable competitive advantage are included in the HCM-QIU.
- HCM will only consider portfolio candidates from the QIU which represents a 30-year body of bottom-up research.

### QUANTITATIVE VALUATION ASSESSMENT

- Quantitative valuation modeling determines a fair market value for each company within the HCM-QIU. The primary methodology is a discounted cash flow model.
- Fair Market Values are re-assessed on a quarterly basis or more frequently in response to company specific news.
- The QIU is sorted daily by each company's relative discount/premium to fair market value.

### QUALITATIVE CONCERNS

1. Industry leader or dominates niche market?
2. Proven Management?
3. Pricing power with customers?
4. Purchasing power with suppliers?
5. Barriers to entry for new competitors?
6. Strong brand/franchise with brand loyalty?
7. Excellent products or services?
8. Outstanding customer service?
9. Financial flexibility to bolster position?

### QUANTITATIVE VALUATION MEASURES

1. Discounted Cash Flow Model
2. Price to Book Model
3. Price to Sales Model

## The Investment Process

### PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

- There are 20 stocks in the Value Equity Portfolio.
- Each position's target weight is 5% of the total portfolio value.
- 25% per sub-industry maximum at cost.

### BUY DISCIPLINE

- Initiate a new position only when there is a portfolio vacancy.
- Always buy the cheapest stock within the QIU not presently in portfolio.
- Stock must be minimum 20% below fair value to be purchased.
- Cash position will be held if there are no stocks selling 20% below fair value.

### SELL DISCIPLINE

- Sell all shares if a portfolio holding fails the qualitative screen.
- Evaluate for potential sale if the price exceeds fair value by 1% to 19%.
- Sell all shares if the price of a security exceeds fair value by 20%.

### REBALANCING DISCIPLINE

- Rebalance each holding to its target weight of 5%.
- Buy if position < 2.5% of total portfolio value.
- Sell if position > 10% of total portfolio value.

Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity  
as of 3/31/2026

**Benchmark:**  
iShares Russell 1000 Value ETF

**Inception Date:** 1/1/1995  
**Number of Holdings:** 20

**Dividend Yield:** 1.97%  
**Turnover Ratio:** 10.82%

**Active Share:** 97.14%  
**Management Fee:** 1.00%

1: Companies must possess a sustainable competitive advantage to be included in our investment universe.

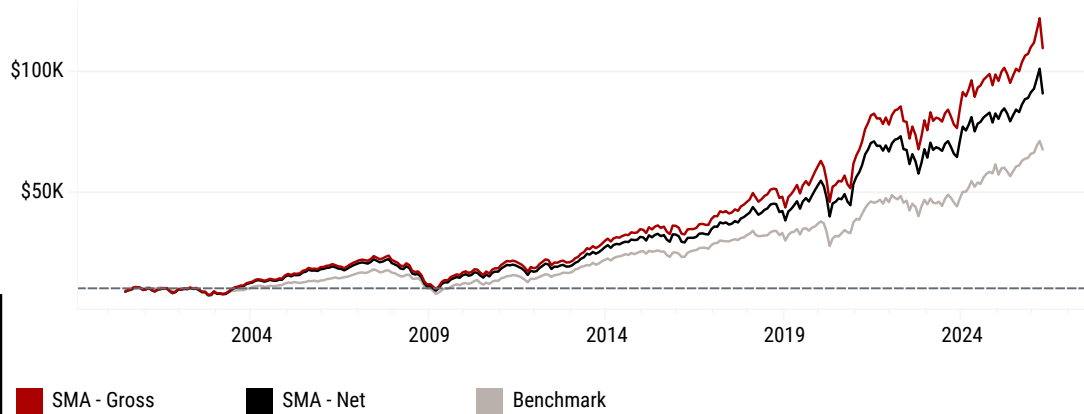
2: Daily Valuation and ranking of the universe based on relative discount to fair market value.

3: Rules-based implementation guards against behavioral bias and promotes repeatability.

**About Hillman Capital Management**

-Founded in 1998  
-Located in Bethesda, MD  
-CEO/CIO Mark Hillman, lead PM since inception  
-\$383 Million in Total Assets  
-\$120 Million in Hillman Focused Advantage Value SMA Assets

**Growth of \$10K Since Common Inception**



**Portfolio Performance: Trailing Returns as of 3/31/2026\***

	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
SMA - Gross	-10.11%	-2.03%	-2.03%	10.81%	10.62%	7.52%	12.13%	15.66%
SMA - Net	-10.11%	-2.11%	-2.11%	10.04%	9.75%	6.66%	11.23%	14.76%
Benchmark	-4.90%	1.97%	1.97%	15.56%	14.10%	9.21%	10.39%	7.68%

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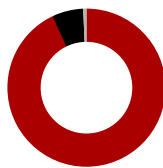
**Portfolio Performance: Calendar Year Returns**

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
SMA - Gross	16.95%	-6.97%	43.90%	3.67%	25.27%	-7.63%	20.79%	5.03%	16.43%	-2.03%
SMA - Net	15.92%	-7.76%	42.64%	2.92%	24.32%	-8.37%	19.82%	4.16%	15.47%	-2.11%
Benchmark	13.45%	-8.42%	26.13%	2.73%	24.95%	-7.74%	11.36%	14.18%	15.68%	1.97%

The calendar year returns presented are limited to the past ten years. For portfolios with a 10+ year track record, please reference the model marketplace on ETFAction.com for all calendar year returns for the portfolio and the benchmark. SMA - Net performance figures are the gross returns less the Management Fees associated with the strategy.

**SMA Asset Class Overview**

US Equity  
International Equity  
Cash & Equivalents



SMA Benchmark

	SMA	Benchmark
US Equity	93.25%	95.93%
International Equity	6.10%	4.05%
Cash & Equivalents	0.65%	0.02%

**Risk as of 3/31/2026**

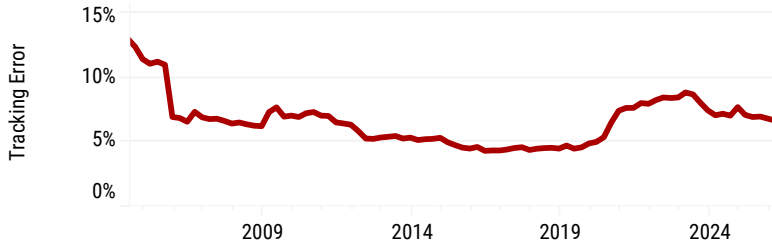
		Return	Std Dev	Alpha	Beta	Sharpe Ratio	Sortino Ratio	R2	Tracking Error	Up Capture	Down Capture
1Y	SMA - Gross	10.81%	14.55%	-9.99%	1.422	0.709	0.639	90.53%	6.19%	108.90%	172.78%
	SMA - Net	10.04%	14.62%	-10.82%	1.431	0.657	0.610	90.69%	6.23%	106.68%	175.19%
	Benchmark	15.56%	9.70%	0.00%	1.000	1.500	3.365	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
5Y	SMA - Gross	7.52%	15.83%	-1.11%	0.971	0.459	0.798	80.95%	6.98%	90.59%	95.14%
	SMA - Net	6.66%	15.82%	-1.88%	0.968	0.409	0.716	80.50%	7.06%	88.45%	96.54%
	Benchmark	9.21%	14.64%	0.00%	1.000	0.604	1.156	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
10Y	SMA - Gross	12.13%	17.25%	1.47%	1.036	0.667	0.985	84.65%	6.81%	105.05%	98.23%
	SMA - Net	11.23%	17.22%	0.69%	1.033	0.621	0.921	84.44%	6.84%	102.78%	99.64%
	Benchmark	10.39%	15.31%	0.00%	1.000	0.648	0.858	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
SI	SMA - Gross	9.70%	18.06%	1.76%	1.068	0.514	0.767	79.66%	8.22%	109.24%	101.95%
	SMA - Net	8.91%	18.05%	1.04%	1.067	0.475	0.709	79.61%	8.22%	107.27%	103.45%
	Benchmark	7.68%	15.08%	0.00%	1.000	0.492	0.648	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%

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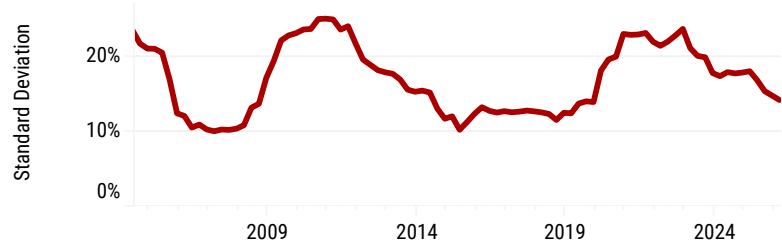
### SMA Risk Overview

Holdings as of 3/31/2026

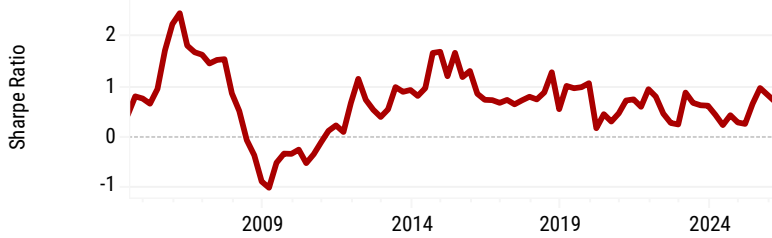
3-Year Tracking Error Over Time



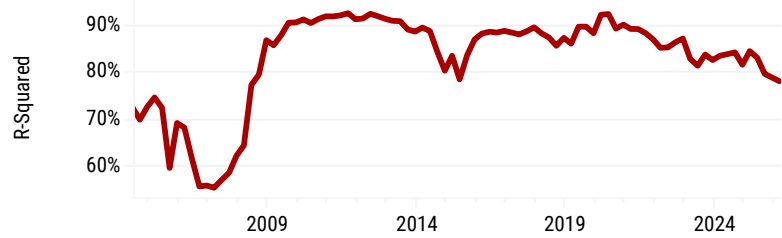
3-Year Standard Deviation Over Time



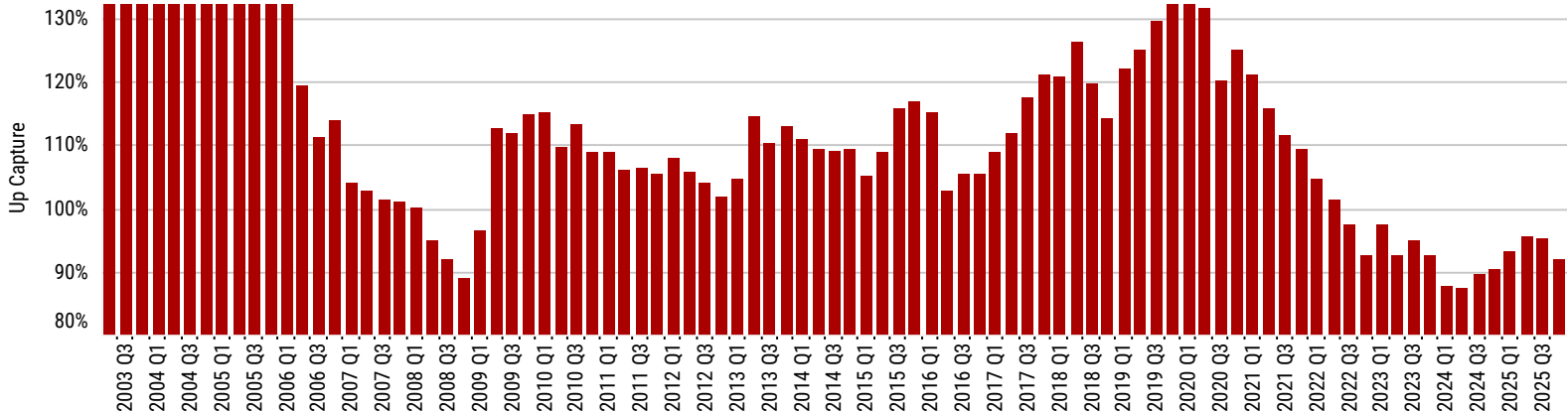
3-Year Sharpe Ratio Over Time



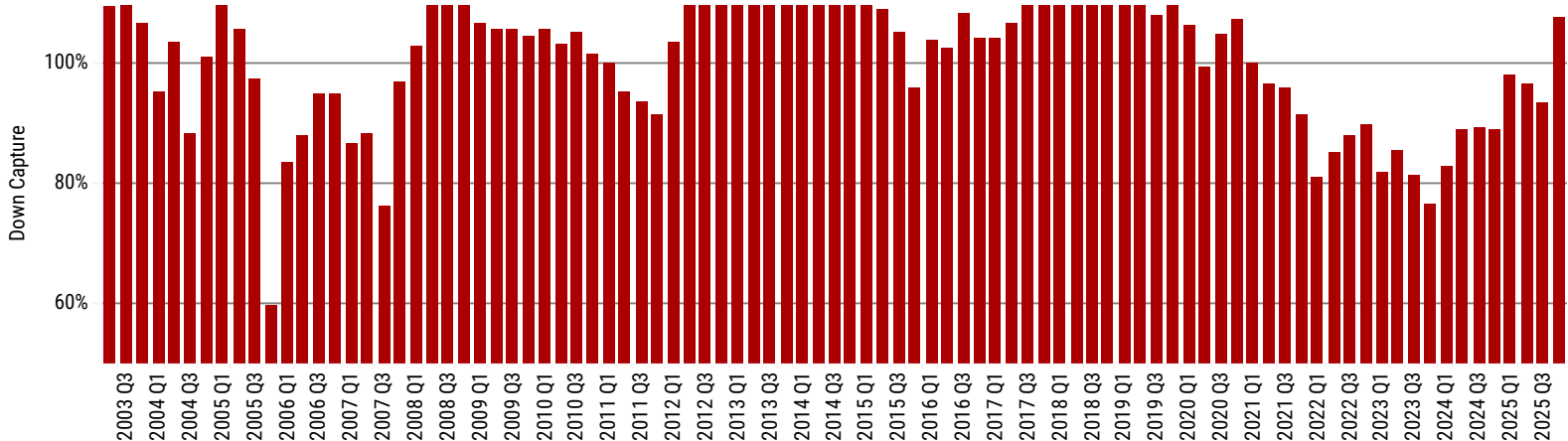
3-Year R-Squared Over Time



3-Year Up Capture Over Time



3-Year Down Capture Over Time

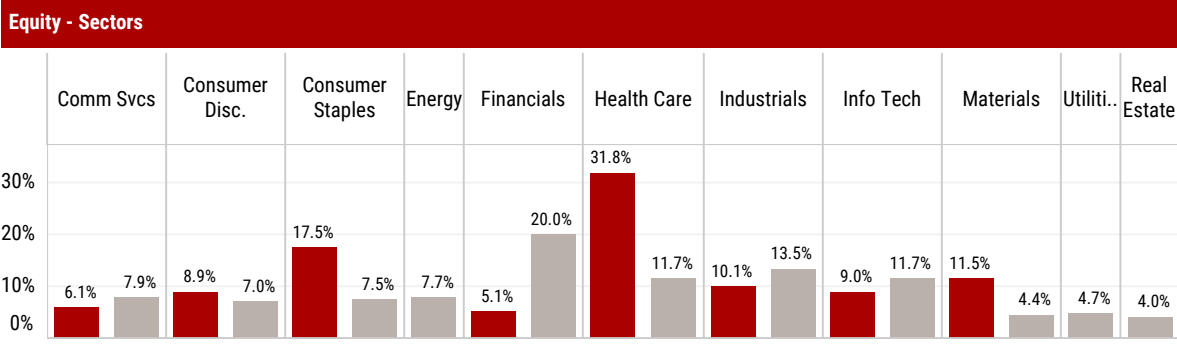
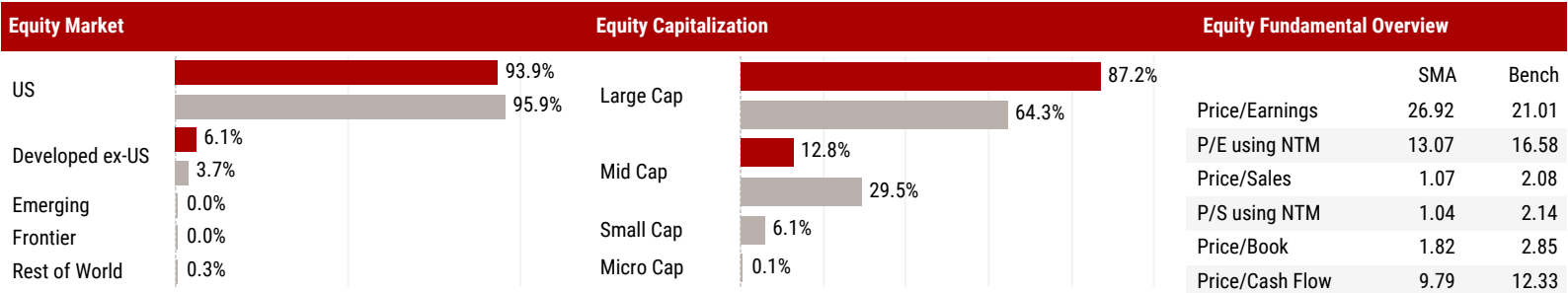


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## SMA Composition & Fundamentals Overview

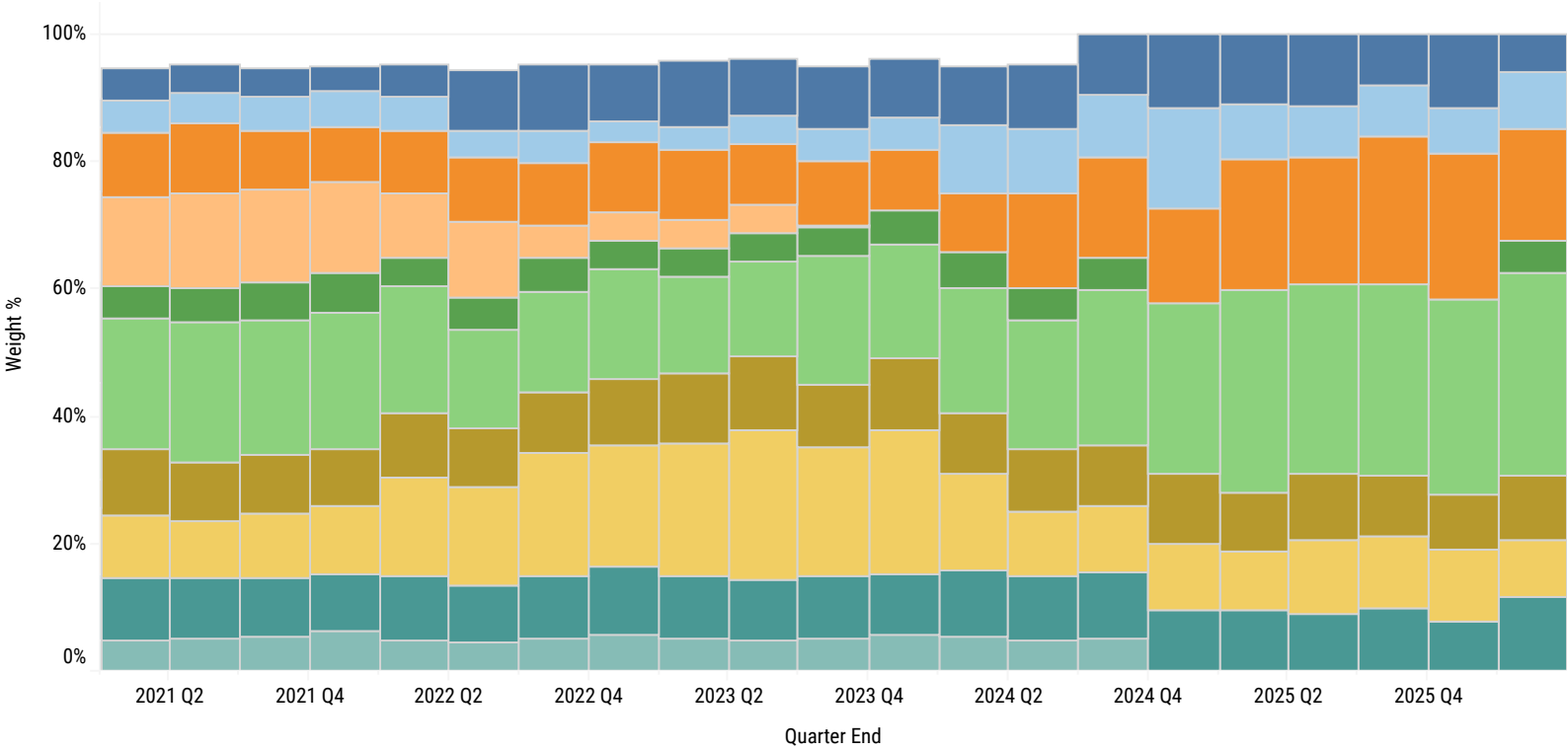
Holdings as of 3/31/2026

■ SMA  
■ Benchmark



	SMA	Bench
Gross Margin	48.29	42.30
Net Margin	7.43	15.03
ROE	25.57	17.44
ROA	4.18	7.36
ROIC	6.52	11.80
Interest Coverage	7.60	19.71
LT D/E	1.17	78.77
Payout Ratio	24.15	41.64

### Sector Allocation Over Time (Previous 3 Years)



- Communication Services
- Energy
- Industrials
- Real Estate
- Consumer Discretionary
- Financials
- Information Technology
- Consumer Staples
- Health Care
- Materials

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## SMA Holdings Overview

Holdings as of 3/31/2026

Holdings Data			Weight	IWD Weight	3-Month Return	1-Year Return	3-Year Return
GSK	GSK plc Sponsored ADR	Health Care	6.10%	0.00%	13.44%	48.12%	20.35%
WBD	Warner Bros. Discovery, Inc. Series A	Communication Services	6.03%	0.21%	-4.72%	155.92%	22.04%
DD	DuPont de Nemours, Inc.	Materials	5.90%	0.06%	14.39%	49.66%	17.42%
IFF	International Flavors & Fragrances Inc.	Materials	5.56%	0.06%	8.30%	-4.25%	-5.14%
BIIB	Biogen Inc.	Health Care	5.41%	0.09%	4.17%	33.97%	-12.95%
ZBH	Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc.	Health Care	5.35%	0.06%	0.82%	-19.28%	-10.41%
CVS	CVS Health Corporation	Health Care	5.26%	0.30%	-8.77%	10.02%	2.75%
BA	Boeing Company	Industrials	5.14%	0.43%	-8.33%	16.70%	-2.15%
PFE	Pfizer Inc.	Health Care	5.09%	0.53%	14.66%	18.89%	-6.19%
FISV	Fiserv, Inc.	Financials	5.08%	0.07%	-16.93%	-74.73%	-20.95%
BF.B	Brown-Forman Corporation Class B	Consumer Staples	5.02%	0.01%	2.40%	-19.49%	-23.91%
EFX	Equifax Inc.	Industrials	4.94%	0.06%	-16.78%	-25.39%	-3.17%
KMX	CarMax, Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	4.62%	0.02%	7.61%	-46.64%	-13.50%
ADBE	Adobe Inc.	Information Technology	4.62%	0.00%	-30.55%	-36.62%	-14.23%
KHC	Kraft Heinz Company	Consumer Staples	4.53%	0.06%	-5.75%	-21.46%	-12.13%
BAX	Baxter International Inc.	Health Care	4.42%	0.03%	-12.04%	-50.26%	-23.71%
MSFT	Microsoft Corporation	Information Technology	4.30%	0.00%	-23.28%	-0.63%	9.53%
NKE	NIKE, Inc. Class B	Consumer Discretionary	4.19%	0.20%	-16.54%	-14.70%	-23.02%
EL	Estee Lauder Companies Inc. Class A	Consumer Staples	4.12%	0.06%	-31.25%	10.49%	-32.46%
CPB	Campbell's Company	Consumer Staples	3.67%	0.01%	-18.92%	-41.41%	-23.10%

This is not a recommendation to buy or sell a particular security. Sector exposure is based on portfolio weighting. Information shown is supplemental only.

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**DEFINITIONS:**

Distribution yield refers to the percentage of income a portfolio has distributed to investors over the last 12 months. At the portfolio level, this is calculated as a weighted average of TTM yield for all portfolio holdings. This is based on fund and/or stock distributions, and is not a look-through calculation.

Pure gross returns are calculated before the deduction of advisory fees, trading expenses and other fees. Net of fees performance reflects the deduction of the advisory fees charged to the client, trading expenses, and other costs associated with investments made by the client. Returns do not include the reinvestment of dividends.

Standard deviation is a measure of the dispersion of a set of data from its mean. The more spread apart the data is, the higher the deviation. Calculated using monthly returns.

Alpha refers to the performance differential between a specific investment and that of the investment's beta multiplied by its benchmark. It isolates the portion of total return not accredited to movement in the broader market. Calculated using monthly returns.

Beta is a measure of the volatility—or systematic risk—of a security or portfolio compared to its relative benchmark. Securities with betas higher than 1.0 can be interpreted as more volatile relative to movements in the market benchmark while securities with a beta less than 1.0 can be interpreted as less volatile relative to movements in the market benchmark. Calculated using monthly returns.

The Sharpe ratio is the average return earned in excess of the risk-free rate per unit of volatility or total risk. Volatility is a measure of the price fluctuations of an asset or portfolio. Calculated using monthly returns.

R-squared (R2) is a statistical measure that represents the proportion of the variance for a dependent variable that's explained by an independent variable or variables in a regression model. Calculated using monthly returns.

Tracking error is the divergence between the price behavior of a position or a portfolio and the price behavior of a benchmark. This is often in the context of a hedge fund, mutual fund, or exchange-traded fund (ETF) that did not work as effectively as intended, creating an unexpected profit or loss. Tracking error is reported as a standard deviation percentage difference, which reports the difference between the return an investor receives and that of the benchmark they were attempting to imitate. Calculated using monthly returns.

The upside capture ratio measures an investment manager's relative performance during bull markets. The ratio is calculated by comparing the manager's returns in up-markets with that of a benchmark. Calculated using monthly returns.

The down-market capture ratio is a statistical measure of an investment manager's overall performance in down-markets. It is used to evaluate how well an investment manager performed relative to an index during periods when that index has dropped. The ratio is calculated by dividing the manager's returns by the returns of the index during the down-market and multiplying that factor by 100. Calculated using monthly returns.

Market capitalization is the sum of the total value of a company's outstanding shares multiplied by the price of one share. With a weighted average market capitalization, components that have a higher market cap have more influence because they constitute a higher percentage in the index; those with smaller caps have less influence.

The Price/Earnings Ratio or P/E Ratio is a valuation metric that assesses how many dollars investors are willing to pay for one dollar of a company's earnings. It's calculated by dividing a stock's price by the company's trailing 12-month earnings per share from continuous operations. Negative P/E ratios are excluded. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

The forward (or leading) P/E uses future earnings guidance rather than trailing figures. Negative P/E ratios are excluded. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

The Price/Sale (P/S) ratio is a stock's current price divided by the company's trailing 12-month sales per share. This represents the weighted average of the price/sales ratios of the stocks in a fund's portfolio. Price/sales represents the amount an investor is willing to pay for a dollar generated from a particular company's operations. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

The forward (or leading) P/S uses future sales estimates rather than trailing figures. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

The price/book (P/B) ratio of a portfolio is the weighted average of the price/book ratios of all the stocks in a portfolio. Book value is the total assets of a company, less total liabilities (sometimes referred to as carrying value). A company's book value is calculated by dividing the market price of its outstanding stock by the company's book value, and then adjusting for the number of shares outstanding (Stocks with negative book values are excluded from this calculation.). Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

The price-to-cash flow (P/CF) ratio is a stock valuation indicator or multiple that measures the value of a stock's price relative to its operating cash flow per share over the trailing twelve months. The ratio uses operating cash flow (OCF), which adds back non-cash expenses such as depreciation and amortization to net income. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

Price to free cash flow is an equity valuation metric used to compare a company's per-share market price to its per-share amount of free cash flow (FCF) over the trailing twelve months. This metric is very similar to the valuation metric of price to cash flow but is considered a more exact measure, owing to the fact that it uses free cash flow, which subtracts capital expenditures (CAPEX) from a company's total operating cash flow, thereby reflecting the actual cash flow available to fund non-asset-related growth. Negative P/E ratios are excluded. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

The price/earnings to growth ratio (PEG ratio) is a stock's price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio divided by the growth rate of its earnings for a specified time period (NTM - next twelve months). The PEG ratio is used to determine a stock's value while also factoring in the company's expected earnings growth, and it is thought to provide a more complete picture than the more standard P/E ratio. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

The dividend yield, expressed as a percentage, is a financial ratio (dividend/price) that shows how much a company pays out in dividends each year relative to its stock price. Unless otherwise stated, dividend yield takes the distributions over the trailing 12 months divided by the price on the as of date. Note that the dividend yield is a look through of all funds and securities to underlying holdings, and may not reflect what the portfolio actually distributes. Calculated using weighted harmonic average.

Gross margin is a ratio that equates to net sales minus the cost of goods sold divided by net sales. The gross margin shows the ratio of profit made before deducting selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) costs. Calculated using weighted average.

The net margin is a measure of profitability. It is equal to annual net income divided by revenues over the trailing 12 months. The resulting figure is then multiplied by 100. Calculated using weighted average.

Return on equity (ROE) is the percentage a company earns on its total equity in a given year. ROE shows how much profit a company generates on the money shareholders have invested in the firm. Calculated using weighted average.

Return on assets (ROA) is the percentage a company earns on its assets in a given year (Year 1, 2, etc.). The calculation is net income divided by end-of-year total assets. The resulting figure is then multiplied by 100.

Return on invested capital (ROIC) is the percentage of money a company earns that is above the average cost it pays for its debt and equity capital. Calculated using weighted average.

The interest coverage ratio is a debt and profitability ratio used to determine how easily a company can pay interest on its outstanding debt. The interest coverage ratio is calculated by dividing a company's earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) by its interest expense during a given period. Calculated using weighted average.

The debt-to-equity (D/E) ratio is used to evaluate a company's financial leverage and is calculated by dividing a company's total liabilities by its shareholder equity. Calculated using weighted average.

The payout ratio, also known as the dividend payout ratio, shows the percentage of a company's earnings paid out as dividends to shareholders over the trailing twelve months. Calculated using weighted average.

Per share growth metrics calculate the growth metrics over the trailing twelve months (TTM) or estimated growth metrics over the next twelve months (NTM) for Earnings, Sales, Cash Flow, Free Cash Flow, Book Value, and Dividends. Calculated using weighted median.

Long-Term earnings (LT Earnings) calculates the growth in earnings per share over longer time horizons (5 years). Calculated using weighted median.

Average effective maturity is a weighted average of all the maturities of the bonds in a portfolio, computed by weighting each bond's effective maturity by the market value of the security. Average effective maturity takes into consideration all mortgage prepayments, puts, and adjustable coupons. Longer-maturity funds are generally considered more interest-rate sensitive than their shorter counterparts. We list Average Effective Maturity for Taxable Fixed-Income and Hybrid funds and Average Nominal Maturity for Municipal Bond Funds. Since this is collected by survey, it is important to bear in mind that different fund companies may use different interest-rate assumptions in determining call likelihood and timing. Generally speaking, the longer the maturity, the greater the interest rate risk. When duration is unavailable, this is used in the calculation of the fixed income style box. Calculated using weighted average.

Yield to Maturity: is the holding weighted average yield of all applicable holdings within a portfolio. Yield is a measure of the expected rate of return. Calculation of yield to maturity of a security ignores the impact of options such as a call or put feature. Calculated using weighted average.

Yield to worst is calculated on all possible call dates. It is assumed that prepayment occurs if the bond has call or put provisions and the issuer can offer a lower coupon rate based on current market rates. If market rates are higher than the current yield of a bond, the yield to worst calculation will assume no prepayments are made, and yield to worst will equal the yield to maturity.

The assumption is made that prevailing rates are static when making the calculation. The yield to worst will be the lowest of yield to maturity or yield to call (if the bond has prepayment provisions); yield to worst may be the same as yield to maturity but never higher. Calculated using weighted average.

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Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Composite			
Annualized Performance as of 12/31/2025			
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Composite Gross	16.43%	11.32%	12.14%
Composite Net	15.47%	10.42%	11.23%
Russell 1000 Value	15.91%	11.32%	10.52%

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Year	Total Firm			Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Composite		Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Wrap Composite	Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Composite & Wrap Composite	Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Models	Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Total Strategy Assets
	Assets Under Management	Advisory Only Assets [1]	Assets Under Management & Advisory Only Assets [1]	Number of	Composite Assets	Composite Assets [2]	Composite & Wrap Composite Assets [2]	Advisory Only Assets [1]	Composite, Wrap Composite, & Advisory Only Assets [1,2]
End	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	Accounts	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
2025	195,890	218,571	414,461	6	30,193	6,037	36,230	34,406	72,636
2024	308,016	303,707	611,723	Five or fewer	27,627	8,981	36,608	56,027	92,635
2023	329,384	294,631	624,105	Five or fewer	25,648	15,932	41,581	64,007	105,588
2022	278,106	186,120	464,226	Five or fewer	21,336	20,046	41,382	40,307	81,689
2021	325,449	174,926	500,375	Five or fewer	23,228	10,611	33,839	21,201	55,040
2020	210,934	41,187	252,121	Five or fewer	17,308	21,966	39,274	3,259	42,533
2019	156,703	22,837	179,540	Five or fewer	16,670	18,811	35,481	3,792	39,273
2018	85,758	4,710	90,468	Five or fewer	11,643	11,511	23,154	2,870	26,024
2017	87,678	7,758	95,436	Five or fewer	12,587	10,383	22,970	3,722	26,692
2016	76,431	6,764	83,195	Five or fewer	12,111	11,646	23,757	3,133	26,890
2015	76,852	7,400	84,252	Five or fewer	10,751	11,255	22,006	3,089	25,095
2014	77,240	8,075	85,315	Five or fewer	10,329	7,072	17,401	3,108	20,509
2013	77,477	7,910	85,387	Five or fewer	9,282	12,503	21,785	2,545	24,330
2012	63,536	28,600	92,136	Five or fewer	14,330	9,305	23,635	18,000	41,635

Annual Performance Results						
Year	Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Composite	Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Composite	Russell 1000 Value Index	Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Composite	Hillman Focused Advantage Value Equity Composite	Russell 1000 Value
End	Gross	Net		Dispersion	3-yr St Dev	3-yr St Dev
2025	16.43%	15.47%	15.91%	NM	13.50%	12.41%
2024	5.04%	4.17%	14.37%	NM	17.60%	16.66%
2023	20.79%	19.82%	11.45%	NM	17.54%	16.50%
2022	-7.63%	-8.37%	-7.55%	NM	23.32%	21.25%
2021	25.27%	24.32%	25.14%	NM	21.63%	19.06%
2020	3.67%	2.92%	2.79%	NM	22.66%	19.62%
2019	43.90%	42.64%	26.54%	NM	13.74%	11.85%
2018	-6.97%	-7.76%	-8.27%	NM	12.33%	10.82%
2017	16.95%	15.92%	13.66%	NM	12.53%	10.20%
2016	13.37%	12.43%	17.34%	NM	12.55%	10.77%
2015	2.50%	1.58%	-3.83%	NM	12.20%	10.68%
2014	11.75%	11.21%	13.45%	NM	11.55%	9.20%
2013	42.14%	41.23%	32.53%	NM	15.09%	12.70%
2012	14.06%	13.72%	17.51%	NM	17.63%	15.51%

NM - Information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year. All values reported in USD.

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