Global Small Companies Equity



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Composite Performance

Total Return (%) — Periods Ended June 30, 20231

	3 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Years ²	Inception ^{2,3}
HL Global Small Companies Equity (Gross of Fees)	3.09	8.11	15.40	7.38	11.28
HL Global Small Companies Equity (Net of Fees)	2.88	7.65	14.42	6.44	10.30
MSCI All Country World Small Cap Index ^{4,5}	3.79	8.32	13.60	11.32	9.58

¹The composite performance returns shown are preliminary. ²Annualized returns. ³Inception Date: December 31, 2018. ⁴The benchmark index. ⁵Gross of withholding taxes.

Past Performance does not guarantee future results. Invested capital is at risk of loss. Please read the above performance in conjunction with the footnotes on the last page of this report. All performance and data shown are in US dollar terms, unless otherwise noted.

Portfolio Positioning (% Weight)

Sector	HL	Index	U	nder / Over		
Cons Staples	11.3	4.9				
Comm Services	8.2	3.1			I	
Industrials	23.1	19.6				
Info Technology	15.9	12.4				
Health Care	13.9	10.5				
Cash	2.9	_				
Utilities	1.0	2.9				
Energy	1.9	4.4				
Financials	10.3	13.2				
Cons Discretionary	9.5	12.8				
Materials	2.0	8.2				
Real Estate	0.0	8.0				
		-16	-8	0	8	16

Geography	HL	Index	L	Inder / Over		
Europe ex EMU	22.7	9.3				
Japan	14.1	10.0				
Europe EMU	9.9	6.6				
Cash	2.9	_				
Frontier Markets ⁶	2.1	_				
Middle East	1.7	0.8		•		
Canada	0.5	3.5				
Pacific ex Japan	0.8	4.6				
Emerging Markets	9.4	13.3				
United States	35.9	51.9				
		-16	-8	0	8	16

⁶Includes countries with less-developed markets outside the index.

"HL": Global Small Companies model portfolio. "Index": MSCI All Country World Small Cap Index. Sector and geographic allocations are supplemental information only and complement the fully compliant Global Small Companies Equity Composite GIPS Presentation. Source: Harding Loevner Global Small Companies Equity model, FactSet, MSCI Inc. MSCI Inc. and S&P do not make any express or implied warranties or representations and shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to any GICS data contained herein.

What Happened

Global equity markets gained during the quarter, buoyed by declining inflation and a surge in enthusiasm for the prospects of artificial intelligence (AI). Most regions and sectors rose. Global small caps gained, although not as much as their large-cap counterparts.

While concerns lingered over US regional banks, generative AI took center stage after the release of an updated version of ChatGPT, OpenAI's large language model. The AI fervor kicked into overdrive after US chipmaker NVIDIA announced better-than-expected results and increased guidance based on strong demand for its graphics processing units (GPUs) used to accelerate the training of AI models. As a result, global returns were concentrated among large US tech-affiliated stocks.

Declining inflation in the US also bolstered investor sentiment, as the Consumer Price Index increased 4% year over year in May, its smallest rise in two years. The US Federal Reserve paused its rate-hiking campaign while suggesting that two more increases of 25 basis points (bps) later in the year may still be necessary. Monetary conditions in other parts of the world continued to tighten, however, with the European Central Bank opting for a

MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index Performance (USD %)

Sector	2Q 2023	Trailing 12 Months
Communication Services	-1.6	0.2
Consumer Discretionary	3.7	19.7
Consumer Staples	0.1	8.8
Energy	2.5	15.3
Financials	3.4	5.5
Health Care	6.1	6.2
Industrials	6.7	25.7
Information Technology	7.3	26.6
Materials	0.1	16.6
Real Estate	0.0	-5.5
Utilities	0.9	1.7
Geography	2Q 2023	Trailing 12 Months
Canada	-0.3	9.4
Emerging Markets	6.5	13.9
Europe EMU	1.4	16.6
Europe ex EMU	0.0	9.0
Japan	1.3	13.0
Middle East	3.4	-12.0
Pacific ex Japan	0.0	6.4
United States	5.3	15.4
MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index	3.8	13.6

Source: FactSet, MSCI Inc. Data as of June 30, 2023.

marginal increase in its main interest rate to address persistent regional inflation. Meanwhile, China's central bank, facing a stalled economic rebound, chose to loosen its key lending rates, and the Bank of Japan maintained its ultra-accommodative policy despite signs of nascent inflation.

A unique feature of the global small-cap benchmark—the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index, which has 6,246 constituents—is that the largest weight for any single company is 0.18%, and among the 10 largest constituents five are tech stocks. While the Information Technology (IT) sector did have a strong showing among global small caps, returns for the Industrials and Health Care sectors were not far behind.

Communication Services was the weakest global small-cap sector, a contrast to the strong performance of its larger peers as investors became concerned that generative AI tools may harm media companies. Higher interest rates also weighed on Real Estate stocks.

While the IT sector did have a strong showing among global small caps, returns for the Industrials and Health Care sectors were not far behind.

By region, Emerging Markets (EMs) delivered the strongest performance, supported by good economic growth and improving sentiment related to economic reforms. They were led by larger markets such as Brazil and India, as well as smaller ones, including Poland and Saudi Arabia.

In terms of style effects, shares of the most expensive stocks and fastest-growing companies performed best.

How We Did

The Global Small Companies composite rose 3.1% gross of fees in the second quarter, compared with a 3.8 % gain in the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index. Weak stock selection, largely in the US, was responsible for the underperformance.

By region, the portfolio's US holdings failed to keep pace with the large gains made by their benchmark peers. Financials holdings MarketAxess and Commerce Bank declined sharply, the latter a result of heightened concern over the health of the US banking system. Diminished volatility in fixed-income prices hurt sentiment for trading platform MarketAxess. These two holdings offset the

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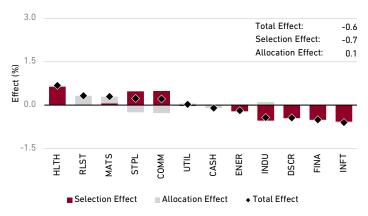
strong relative gains from Industrials battery provider **EnerSys**, which reported an increase in customer orders and issued a robust long-term outlook at its investor day.

By region, we outperformed in Europe outside the eurozone as three companies drew takeover interest. Shares of UK Health Care holding **Abcam**, a supplier of antibodies and other essential tools for life scientists, rallied more than 80%. The company is reportedly attracting potential suitors while an activist investor—who is also the company's retired founder—puts pressure on the board to improve performance. Veterinary drugmaker Dechra, another UK holding, received an all-cash offer from Swedish private-equity firm EQT, which has made other acquisitions in animal health. German stock exchange operator Deutsche Boerse agreed to buy Danish financial-software company SimCorp to bolster its analytics offerings.

Second Quarter 2023 Performance Attribution

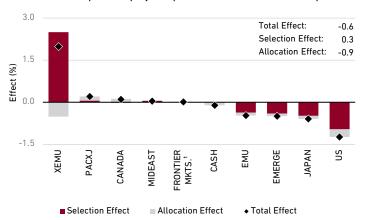
Sector

Global Small Companies Equity Composite vs. MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index



Geography

Global Small Companies Equity Composite vs. MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index



Includes countries with less-developed markets outside the index. Source: Harding Loevner Global Small Companies Equity composite, FactSet, MSCI Inc. The total effect shown here may differ from the variance of the composite performance and benchmark performance shown on the first page of this report due to the way in which FactSet calculates performance attribution. This information is supplemental to the Composite GIPS Presentation.

Japanese holdings detracted from our performance. The portfolio is overweight the region, which lagged in US dollar terms due to a weaker yen. MISUMI Group, an industrial components distributor specializing in parts used for maintenance, repair, and operations (MRO), highlighted increasing competition in its largest overseas market, China, where local rivals have emerged amid US-China trade tensions. Concerns about the strength of the Chinese economy also weighed on its stock price. Hair-products company Milbon posted weak results in China. Demand ebbed following the lifting of the country's COVID-19 restrictions while larger marketing events with hairstylists resumed, pressuring margins.

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By sector, we lagged in IT. **Keywords Studios**, an Irish provider of technical services for the video-game industry, fell on the concerns of some investors that generative AI will be negative for certain lines of business. The market remained skeptical even as management attempted to highlight how AI can help improve margins. UK IT services company **Endava** lowered guidance due to shrinking demand from financial services and VC-backed customers. Germany-based **Bechtle** said its margins shrank due to continued wage inflation. The declines in these three holdings more than offset the strong performance by US-based real estate software provider **Appfolio**, which reported sustained robust demand for its property-management solutions.

Materials holding **Hoa Phat Group**, Vietnam's largest producer of steel used in construction, benefited from improving gross margins amid reduced prices of coking coal as well as expectations of a pickup in sales volumes as the country's infrastructure spending increases.

What's On Our Minds

The portfolio experienced more stocks being affected by acquisition offers than usual. Three holdings, Dechra, SimCorp, and Abiomed have received takeover offers in just the past eight months, while Abcam also seems to be in play. This flurry of potential M&A comes on the heels of United Healthcare's attempt to acquire EMIS Group in June 2022. This is a significant amount of dealmaking: on average, only one or two portfolio holdings have been acquired each year since 2018.

What makes this M&A spurt all the more intriguing is that our companies are drawing interest at a time when broader dealmaking has pulled back significantly in the face of higher borrowing rates and recession fears. The volume of acquisitions for global small caps fell 11% in the first half of 2023 compared with the same period of 2022, amid an almost 40% slowdown in all dealmaking, Bloomberg data show.

In our fourth-quarter review in January, we noted the compressed valuations for small caps, whose underlying businesses delivered significant earnings growth in 2021 and 2022 (a reversal from the first year of the pandemic when earnings fell and valuations swelled). The price-to-earnings ratio for our portfolio was 19 at year-end, down from a high of 31 in 2021. Prices for small caps were also looking particularly attractive relative to large caps.

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It's difficult to extrapolate meaning from a small number of transactions and say why our holdings are getting scooped up when, despite enticing valuations, lots of M&A is on ice. But we think it has at least something to do with the type of companies we invest in. While high interest rates and a slowdown in economic growth can have a chilling effect on dealmaking, these conditions can also highlight the attractiveness of fast-growing, cash-generating businesses led by skillful managers who are committed to protecting their company's competitive edge and financial health.

Many of our holdings possess strong competitive advantages in niche areas that would be time-consuming and costly for other companies to enter. In some cases, the specialized expertise and intellectual property involved can present barriers to entry so high that the only option to enter the market is to acquire one's way in. Behind those barriers may be a business that strongly complements the acquirer's own existing products or services.

For example, SimCorp's software for asset managers and allocators is one of only four services like it globally, and it took decades to develop, suggesting any new entrants would need to make significant investments to catch up. Deutsche Boerse, the German stock-exchange operator, offered in April to buy SimCorp for €3.9 billion (US\$4.35 billion), calling the business "highly complementary" to its own data and analytics offerings, Qontigo and Institutional Shareholder Services. The deal, should it close, will give Deutsche Boerse an almost immediate opportunity to cross-sell the three products or combine them into a single platform, potentially boosting its subscription revenues from the investment-management industry.

The strong financial health of our holdings makes them ripe for private-equity deals as well, particularly when valuations look cheap. Our companies typically have low levels of debt and have strong long-term cash-flow visibility, ideal attributes for any target of a leveraged buyout. For small companies, which have more-limited resources and financial flexibility than larger ones, a strong balance sheet can also become a source of competitive advantage in periods when interest rates increase the cost of debt. A buyer thus gains a management team that not only has deep expertise in a growing niche but also is adept at managing a tight budget.

Dechra, which specializes in niche therapeutic drugs for animals, became a target of private equity this year. In June, the company agreed to sell itself for £4.5 billion (US\$5.9 billion) to EQT, which is building a portfolio of pet-related businesses, a growing and resilient segment that's benefiting from higher rates of pet ownership. We suspect a large part of the attraction was Dechra's durable cash flows given the high switching costs for medicines and its focus on solutions for companion animals, where there are fewer rivals and substitutes. The company's recent update on its pipeline showed improving visibility for products such as a promising cat antibiotic and Laverdia, which is used to treat lymphoma in dogs. Both therapies are expected to be approved next year.

In the deals recently struck for our holdings, the takeover price was, on average, 48% higher than our analysts' estimate of fair value for each company. They also commanded an average trailing 12-month Ebitda multiple of 27, a premium valuation for acquisitions in the space. The median takeover multiple for global small-cap companies over the past five years was only 11.8. It's always nice to see acquirers endorse our investment view and have it pay off for our clients.

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Abiomed's US\$16.6 billion sale to Johnson & Johnson closed in December. Meanwhile, we have exited Dechra and SimCorp. In the case of Dechra, management recently reduced its near-term outlook, and any further downgrades in expectations could impact the price its buyer is willing to pay. Given that Deutshce Boerse and SimCorp operate in related markets, their transaction may face some regulatory risks as well. As we learned from our past sale of EMIS Group, after it received the bid from United Healthcare last year, exiting at an attractive price before a deal closes has its advantages. Regulators have since decided to further scrutinize the combination, increasing the odds that the deal may be scuttled and causing EMIS's share price to collapse. Furthermore, the deals for SimCorp and Dechra both carry some form of financing risk. They are expected to close later this year and early next year, respectively.

Global Small Companies Holdings (as of June 30, 2023)

Communication Services	Market	End Wt. (%)
Airtel Africa (Telecom services)	UK	0.5
Bengo4.com (Lawyer and accountant listings services)	Japan	0.1
Cable One (Cable operator)	US	0.4
Cheil Worldwide (Marketing and advertising services)	South Ko	rea 0.6
Domain (Online property listings operator)	Australia	0.8
Kakaku.com (E-commerce retailer)	Japan	1.0
Megacable (Cable operator)	Mexico	0.7
Paradox Interactive (Video game publisher)	Sweden	0.6
Rightmove (Online property listings operator)	UK	0.6
Sarana Menara Nusantara (Telecom tower operator)	Indonesia	0.5
TIME dotCom Berhad (Telecom services)	Malaysia	0.7
YouGov (Market research and data analytics services)	UK	1.7
Consumer Discretionary		
BorgWarner (Automotive parts manufacturer)	US	2.3
Eclat Textile (Technology-based textile manufacturer)	Taiwan	0.5
Five Below (Discount consumer products retailer)	US	1.2
Malibu Boats (Boat manufacturer)	US	1.7
Ollie's Bargain Outlet (Discount cons. products retailer)	US	1.6
Planet Fitness (Fitness centers operator)	US	0.5
Rinnai (Consumer appliances manufacturer)	Japan	0.4
Stanley Electric (Automotive lighting manufacturer)	Japan	0.8
Thule Group (Lifestyle consumer products manufacturer)	Sweden	0.6
Consumer Staples		
Agthia (Foods and beverages manufacturer)	UAE	0.2
Ariake (Natural seasonings manufacturer)	Japan	1.4
Cosmos Pharmaceutical (Drugstores operator)	Japan	1.0
Cranswick (Foods manufacturer)	UK	1.6
MGP Ingredients (Alcoholic beverage ingredients mfr.)	US	2.4
Milbon (Hair care products manufacturer)	Japan	1.2
Pigeon (Consumer products manufacturer)	Japan	0.8
Reynolds (Consumer products manufacturer)	US	1.8
Robinsons Retail (Foods & consumer products retailer)	Philippin	es 1.0
Energy		
Dialog Group Berhad (Petrochemical services)	Malaysia	0.8
Helmerich & Payne (Oil driller)	US	1.1
Financials		
Bank of Georgia (Commercial bank)	UK	1.0
BTPN Syariah (Commercial bank)	Indonesia	
Commerce Bank (Commercial bank)	US	1.0
Discovery Holdings (Insurance provider)	South Afr	
Lazard (Financial advisory)	US	0.5
Linea Directa (Insurance provider)	Spain	0.5
MarketAxess (Electronic trading platform)	US	0.5
Max Financial (Financial services & insurance provider)	India	1.4
Rathbones (Wealth manager)	UK	0.6
Tatibolies (Weatti Hallager)	UIN	0.0

Financials	Market End W	/t. (%)
RGA (Reinsurance provider)	US	2.2
Siauliu Bankas (Commercial bank)	Lithuania	1.0
Health Care		
Abcam (Life science services)	UK	1.9
Ambu (Medical device manufacturer)	Denmark	0.3
BML (Clinical testing and information services)	Japan	0.6
CellaVision (Medical device manufacturer)	Sweden	0.6
DiaSorin (Reagent kits developer)	Italy	1.1
Elanco (Animal health care products)	US	0.8
LeMaitre Vascular (Medical device manufacturer)	US	0.9
Neurocrine Biosciences (Biopharmaceutical mfr.)	US	2.1
Repligen (Biopharma equipment supplier)	US	0.7
Santen Pharmaceutical (Pharma manufacturer)	Japan	1.3
Simulations Plus (Simulation software developer)	US	1.0
Square Pharmaceuticals (Pharma manufacturer)	Bangladesh	0.5
Tecan (Life science products and services)	Switzerland	2.0
Industrials		
AAON (HVAC manufacturer)	US	1.2
Alfa Laval (Industrial equipment manufacturer)	Sweden	0.4
Allegion (Security equipment manufacturer)	US	1.2
Atkore (Electrical conduit manufacturer)	US	2.1
Bossard (Industrial components supplier)	Switzerland	0.7
Burckhardt Compression (Compressor manufacturer)	Switzerland	0.6
Clarkson (Shipping services)	UK	0.6
Daifuku (Material-handling equipment manufacturer)	Japan	1.0
Diploma (Specialized technical services)	UK	1.6
EnerSys (Industrial-battery manufacturer)	US	3.3
Exponent (Engineering and scientific consultant)	US	1.7
Haitian International (Injection-molding machines mfr.)	China	0.7
Infomart (Restaurant supply chain operator)	Japan	0.4
MISUMI Group (Machinery-parts supplier)	Japan	1.2
MonotaRO (Factory materials supplier)	Japan	0.3
Nihon M&A Center Inc. (Financial advisory)	Japan	0.2
Rational (Commercial kitchen equipment manufacturer)	Germany	0.9
Senior (Aerospace and auto parts manufacturer)	UK	2.2
SMS (Health care employment services)	Japan	0.4
Spirax-Sarco (Industrial components manufacturer)	UK	0.5
TOMRA (Industrial sensors manufacturer)	Norway	0.9
UT Group (Manufacturing staffing services)	Japan	0.9
Information Technology		
Advantech (Industrial PCs manufacturer)	Taiwan	0.9
Alten (Technology consultant and engineer)	France	1.3
Appfolio (Real estate information services)	US	1.6
Bechtle (IT services and IT products reseller)	Germany	1.2
Cognex (Machine vision systems manufacturer)	US	0.8

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Global Small Companies Holdings (as of June 30, 2023)

Information Technology	Market	End Wt. (%)
Cyberark (Cybersecurity software developer)	Israel	1.7
Endava (Software developer)	UK	1.2
Guidewire Software (Insurance software developer)	US	0.8
Keywords Studios (Video game technical services)	UK	1.0
Kinaxis (Supply chain software developer)	Canada	0.6
LEM Holdings (Electrical components manufacturer)	Switzerland	1.2
Nemetschek (Engineering software developer)	Germany	1.3
Rakus (IT employment and cloud services)	Japan	0.5
Reply (IT consultant)	Italy	0.8
Vaisala (Atmospheric measuring devices manufacturer)	Finland	0.9
Materials		
Fuchs Petrolub (Lubricants manufacturer)	Germany	0.9
Hoa Phat Group (Steel producer)	Vietnam	0.6
JCU (Industrial coating manufacturer)	Japan	0.5
Real Estate		
No Holdings		
Utilities		
Rubis (Liquid chemical storage and distribution)	France	1.0
Cash		2.9

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2Q23 Contributors to Relative Return (%)

	Avg. Weight				
Largest Contributors	Sector	HL	Index	Effect	
Abcam	HLTH	1.6	_	0.99	
EnerSys	INDU	2.7	<0.1	0.55	
Dechra	HLTH	0.4	0.1	0.51	
SimCorp	INFT	0.4	0.1	0.41	
Appfolio	INFT	1.4	<0.1	0.40	

Last 12 Mos. Contributors to Relative Return (%)

		Avg.	Weight	
Largest Contributors	Sector	HL	Index	Effect
EnerSys	INDU	2.4	<0.1	1.40
Bank of Georgia	FINA	1.2	<0.1	1.01
Atkore	INDU	1.5	0.1	0.95
Abcam	HLTH	1.5	<0.1	0.93
Appfolio	INFT	1.2	<0.1	0.71

2Q23 Detractors from Relative Return (%)

		Avg.	Weight	
Largest Detractors	Sector	HL	Index	Effect
MarketAxess	FINA	1.0	_	-0.48
Endava	INFT	1.2	_	-0.41
MISUMI Group	INDU	1.5	_	-0.38
Keywords Studios	INFT	0.8	<0.1	-0.36
Bechtle	INFT	1.4	-	-0.29

[&]quot;HL": Global Small Companies composite. "Index": MSCI All Country World Small Cap Index.

Last 12 Mos. Detractors from Relative Return (%)

		Avg.	Weight	
Largest Detractors	Sector	HL	Index	Effect
Commerce Bank	FINA	0.9	0.1	-0.64
Cable One	COMM	0.6	<0.1	-0.62
Signature Bank	FINA	0.5	-	-0.53
Endava	INFT	0.3	-	-0.46
Neurocrine Biosciences	HLTH	2.5	_	-0.42

Portfolio Characteristics

Quality and Growth	HL	Index
Profit Margin ¹ (%)	9.4	7.6
Return on Assets ¹ (%)	7.5	5.0
Return on Equity ¹ (%)	13.8	11.2
Debt/Equity Ratio ¹ (%)	23.3	60.4
Std. Dev. of 5 Year ROE ¹ (%)	4.3	6.4
Sales Growth ^{1,2} (%)	9.6	7.5
Earnings Growth ^{1,2} (%)	9.0	10.1
Cash Flow Growth ^{1,2} (%)	6.7	7.1
Dividend Growth ^{1,2} (%)	7.9	5.3
Size and Turnover		
Wtd. Median Mkt. Cap. (US \$B)	4.4	3.1
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap. (US \$B)	4.5	3.8
Turnover³ (Annual %)	22.1	-

Risk and Valuation	HL	Index
Alpha ² (%)	-2.27	_
Beta ²	0.88	-
R-Squared ²	0.87	_
Active Share ³ (%)	98	-
Standard Deviation ² (%)	17.51	18.61
Sharpe Ratio ²	0.35	0.54
Tracking Error ² (%)	6.7	-
Information Ratio ²	-0.59	_
Up/Down Capture ²	82/96	_
Price/Earnings ⁴	18.9	12.8
Price/Cash Flow ⁴	14.0	8.1
Price/Book ⁴	2.7	1.6
Dividend Yield ⁵ (%)	1.5	2.2

Weighted median. ²Trailing five years, annualized. ³Three-year average. ⁴Weighted harmonic mean. ⁵Weighted mean. Source: (Risk characteristics): Harding Loevner Global Small Companies composite based on the composite returns, gross of fees, eVestment Alliance LLC, MSCI Inc. Source: (other characteristics): Harding Loevner Global Small Companies model based on the underlying holdings, FactSet (Run Date: July 5, 2023 based on the latest available data in FactSet on this date.), MSCI Inc.

Completed Portfolio Transactions

Positions Established	Market	Sector
Airtel Africa	UK	СОММ
Burckhardt Compression	Switzerland	INDU
Cellavision	Sweden	HLTH
Daifuku	Japan	INDU
Milbon	Japan	STPL

Positions Sold	Market	Sector
Altair Engineering	US	INFT
Dechra	UK	HLTH
Sensata Technologies	US	INDU
SimCorp	Denmark	INFT
STRATEC	Germany	HLTH
Sugi Holdings	Japan	STPL

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Global Small Companies Composite Performance (as of June 30, 2023)

	HL Global Small Cos. Gross (%)	HL Global Small Cos. Net (%)	MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index ¹ (%)	HL Global Small Cos. 3-yr. Std. Deviation ² (%)		Internal Dispersion ³ (%)	No. of Accounts	Composite Assets (\$M)	Firm Assets (\$M)
2023 YTD ⁴	8.11	7.65	8.32	17.50	18.61	N.A.	1	1	46,871
2022	-21.46	-22.14	-18.27	21.86	23.83	N.M.	1	1	47,607
2021	12.53	11.52	16.54	18.58	21.27	N.M.	1	2	75,084
2020	29.24	28.09	16.83	+	+	N.M.	1	2	74,496
2019	30.99	29.82	25.23	+	+	N.M.	1	1	64,306

Benchmark index. ²Variability of the composite, gross of fees, and the index returns over the preceding 36-month period, annualized. ³Asset-weighted standard deviation (gross of fees). ⁴The 2023 YTD performance returns and assets shown are preliminary. N.A.-Internal dispersion less than a 12-month period. N.M.-Information is not statistically significant due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year. +Less than 36 months of return data.

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The MSCI All Country World Small Cap Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure small cap developed and emerging market equity performance. The index consists of 47 developed and emerging market countries, and is comprised of companies that fall within a market capitalization range of USD 81-30.150 million (as of June 30, 2023). You cannot invest directly in this index.

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The Global Small Companies composite was created on December 31, 2018 and the performance inception date is January 1, 2019.

