# MULTI-CAP GROWTH STRATEGY



Strategy Inception 7/1/2003

First Quarter 2024

### Firm Overview

Founded	1985
Investment Professionals	27
Enterprise Assets*	\$22.6 bn
Total Strategy Assets*	\$509 mm

<sup>\*</sup>Totals include model management assets.

Characteristics <sup>1</sup>	Representative Multi-Cap Growth Account	S&P 1500°		
P/E Trailing 12 months	31.5x	25.7x		
Market Cap (Median)	\$63.3 bn	\$5.8 bn		
Number of Holdings	50	1,506		
1 Yr. Turnover %	14.6			

### **Key Investment Tenets**



- Positive revenue and earnings growth
- Strong competitive position in stable, expanding industry



- Positive earnings
- Free cash flow positive
- Established profit margins



- Management focused on core business and aligned with stakeholders' interests
- Prudent use of debt and leverage



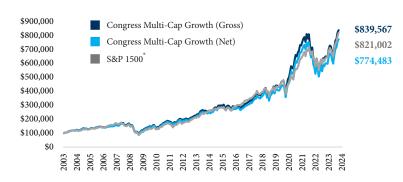
Evaluate relative to history, peers, and economic conditions

Risk/Return 7/1/2003 - 3/31/2024	Congress Multi- Cap Growth (Gross)	Congress Multi- Cap Growth (Net)	S&P 1500°
Standard Deviation	16.07	16.05	14.96
Beta	1.03	1.02	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.63	0.60	0.65
Alpha	0.03	-0.36	
Up Capture Ratio	99.9	98.9	100.0
Down Capture Ratio	99.2	100.0	100.0

### **Portfolio Construction**

- 50 to 60 securities
- Industry exposure not to exceed 25% and no more than 5% to any one security, in general
- Fully invested with a cash allocation not in excess of 5%
- Average annual turnover of 25-50%

## Growth of \$100,000 7/1/2003 through 3/31/2024



# Average Annualized Performance % as of 3/31/2024

Performance is preliminary and subject to change at any time.

	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Since Inception 7/1/2003
Congress Multi-Cap Growth Composite (Gross of Fees)	9.7	9.7	28.9	6.6	15.3	12.5	10.8
Congress Multi-Cap Growth Composite (Net of Fees)	9.6	9.6	28.7	6.3	14.9	12.1	10.4
S&P 1500°	10.3	10.3	29.2	11.0	14.7	12.7	10.7

Data is as of 3/31/2024. Sources throughout this presentation: Congress Asset Management, FactSet, and Morningstar Direct. The information throughout this presentation is for illustrative purposes and is subject to change at any time. Holdings and sector weightings are subject to change and should not be considered investment advice or a recommendation to buy or sell a particular security. Actual holdings may vary by client. This information is supplemental to the GIPS Report. Performance returns of less than one year are not annualized. This managed account strategy involves risk, may not be profitable, may not achieve its objective, and may not be suitable or appropriate for all investors. Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, and fees of this strategy carefully with their financial professional before investing. ¹The information shown is for a representative account as of 3/31/2024. Actual client account holdings and sector allocations may vary.

40%

30%

20%

10%

### Top 10 Active Holdings<sup>1</sup> as of 3/31/2024

Total:	29.6
Costco Wholesale Corporation	2.5
Cintas Corporation	2.5
Arista Networks, Inc.	2.6
Mastercard Incorporated Class A	2.6
Amphenol Corporation Class A	2.8
Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.	2.8
Microsoft Corporation	2.8
Onto Innovation, Inc.	3.3
Fair Isaac Corporation	3.7
NVIDIA Corporation	3.9

<b>Investment Committee</b>	Company Tenure			
John O'Reilly, CFA Committee Chair	2001			
Dan Lagan, CFA	1989			
Todd Solomon, CFA	2001			
Nancy Huynh	1998			
Mark Nygren, CFA	2023			

# GICS Sector Allocation <sup>1,2</sup> vs. Benchmark % ex Cash as of 3/31/2024 Representative Multi-Cap Growth Account S&P 1500°

Comm Svcs	s Cons Disc	Cons Staples	Energy	Financials	Health Care	Industrials	Info Tech	Materials	Real Estate	Utilities	
5.5	14.9	4.1	3.3	4.7	13.0	10.8	36.9	7.0			
8.4	10.8	5.8	4 1	13.4	12.1	9.8	28.0	2.7	2.7	2.3	

<sup>1</sup>The information shown is for a representative account as of 3/31/2024. Actual client account holdings and sector allocations may vary. <sup>2</sup> 0.75% Cash and/or cash equivalents.

The S&P 1500 Index measures the performance of widely available, liquid stocks in U.S. equity market. It combines three leading indices — S&P 500 Index, S&P MidCap 400 Index, and S&P SmallCap 600 Index, to cover approximately 90% of the U.S. market capitalization. P/E Ratio is the ratio of a company's share price to the company's earnings per share. Active Share is a measure of the stock holdings in a portfolio that differ from the stated benchmark index. Standard Deviation is a measure of the dispersion of a set of data from its mean. It is used by investors as a gauge for the amount of expected volatility. Sharpe Ratio is a risk-adjusted measure, calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the Sharpe Ratio, the better the portfolio's historical adjusted performance. Alpha is a measure of the difference between actual returns and expected performance, given the level of risk as measured by Beta, where Beta measures sensitivity to benchmark movements. Beta is a measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the entire market or a benchmark. Upside Capture ratio measures the manager's overall performance to the benchmark's overall performance, considering only months that are positive in the benchmark. An Upside Capture Ratio of more than 100% indicates a manager who outperforms the relative benchmark in the benchmark's positive months. Downside Capture ratio is the ratio of the manager's overall performance to the benchmark's overall performance, considering only months that are negative in the benchmark. A Downside Capture Ratio of less than 100% indicates a manager who outperforms the relative benchmark in the benchmark's negative months and protects more of a portfolio's value during down markets.

	Congress Asset Management Co. Multi-Cap Growth Composite 1/1/2013 - 12/31/2022												
Year	Total Return Gross of Fees %	Total Return Net of Fees %	S&P Composite 1500 Return % (dividends reinvested)	S&P 500 Return % (dividends reinvested)	Composite Gross 3-Yr annualized ex-post St Dev (%)	S&P Composite 1500 3-Yr annualized ex- post St Dev (%)	S&P 500 3-Yr annualized ex- post St Dev (%)	Number of Portfolios	Gross Dispersion %	Total Composite Assets End of Period (\$millions)	Total Firm Discretionary Assets End of Period (\$millions)	Total Firm Advisory-Only Assets End of Period (\$ millions)	Total Firm Assets End of Period # (\$millions)
2022	-27.5	-27.7	-17.8	-29.0	24.2	21.1	23.4	32	0.45	287	10,083	6,799	16,882
2021	22.6	22.1	28.5	28.7	19.2	17.5	17.2	34	0.64	403	12,778	8,018	20,796
2020	39.6	39.1	17.9	18.4	20.7	18.9	18.5	30	0.81	324	10,746	5,523	16,269
2019	33.4	32.9	30.9	31.5	13.4	12.1	11.9	27	0.80	242	8,445	4,083	12,528
2018	-3.4	-3.8	-5.0	-4.4	12.4	11.0	10.8	23	0.32	187	7,102	3,132	10,234
2017	25.4	24.9	21.1	21.8	10.3	9.9	9.9	23	0.51	215	7,272	3,274	10,546
2016	0.5	0.1	13.0	12.0	11.4	10.7	10.6	6	n/a	131	5,693	2,445	8,139
2015	2.7	2.3	1.0	1.4	10.8	10.5	10.5	≤5	n/a	135	5,941	1,153	7,094
2014	7.0	6.6	13.1	13.7	10.4	9.1	9.0	≤5	n/a	134	6,328	1,121	7,449
2013	31.2	30.7	32.8	32.4	12.6	12.2	11.9	≤5	n/a	127	6,489	978	7,467

#The "Total Firm Assets" column includes unified managed account (UMA) assetsCongress Asset Management claims compliance with the GIPS standards. Congress Asset Management has been independently verified for the periods 1/1/96 – 12/31/22. The verification report(s) is/are available upon request. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS standards must establish policies and procedure for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS standards. Verification provides assurance on whether the firm's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been designed in compliance with the GIPS standards and have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. Verification does not provide assurance on the accuracy of any specific performance report.

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Composite Characteristics: The creation and inception date of the Multi-Cap Growth Composite is July 1, 2003, which reflects the first full month an account was fully invested in the strategy and met the inclusion criteria. The composite includes all fully discretionary portfolios with a value over \$100 thousand (US dollars) managed in the multi cap growth style for a minimum of one full month. The multi-cap growth strategy invests in the equity of high quality companies with market capitalizations over \$500 million exhibiting consistent earnings growth. Accounts with wrap commissions are excluded from the composite. Prior to January 1, 2016, the composite minimum was \$500 thousand (US dollars). The primary composite benchmark is the S&P Composite 1500 Index, and the S&P 500 Index is a supplemental index. Effective April 1, 2021, the Multi-Cap Growth Composite benchmark was changed retroactively from the Russell 3000 Growth Index to the S&P Composite 1500 Index in order to better represent the investable universe. The benchmark returns are not covered by the report of independent verifiers. Closed account data is included in the composite as mandated by the standards in order to eliminate a survivorship bias. The % of the composite represented by non-fee paying accounts at annual period end was 196 in 2008. A list of composite descriptions, a list of broad distribution pooled funds, and a list of limited distribution pooled fund descriptions are available upon request.

Calculation Methodology: Valuations and returns are computed and stated in U.S. dollars. Gross of fees returns are calculated gross of management and custodial fees and net of transaction costs. Prior to 2007 net of fees returns were calculated by reducing gross returns by 1/4th of the highest management fee in the Multi-Cap Growth Composite, which was 0.63%, applied quarterly. Effective January 1, 2007, net of fees returns are calculated using actual management fees. The composite results portrayed reflect the reinvestment of dividends, capital gains, and other earnings when appropriate. Accruals for equity securities are included in calculations. Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross-of-fees returns of those portfolios that were included in the composite for the entire year. For those years when less than six portfolios were included in the composite for the full year, no dispersion measure is presented. The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the composite, and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

Fee Schedule: The firms' individual account fee schedule is as follows: 1.00% for first \$1 million, 0.80% for next \$4 million, 0.60% for next \$5 million. Management fees for individual accounts with assets under management exceeding \$10 million, and for institutional accounts are negotiated. The individual account fee schedule may be subject to negotiation where circumstances warrant. As fees are deducted quarterly, the compounding effect will increase the impact of the fees by an amount directly related to the gross account performance. For example, an account earning a 10% annual gross return with a 1% annual fee deducted quarterly would earn an 8.9% annual net return due to compounding.

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