

# GLOBAL SMALL COMPANY TRUST

## **AS AT 30 JUNE 2021**

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## **OVERVIEW**

Reference Index	MSCI World ex Australia Small Cap Index (net div., AUD)
Inception Date	21 August 2000
Responsible Entity	DFA Australia Limited
APIR	DFA0106AU
Trust Net Assets	\$609.2 Million

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

To provide long-term capital growth by gaining exposure to a diversified portfolio of small companies associated with approved developed markets (excluding Australia). The Trust is not managed with the objective of achieving a particular return relative to a benchmark index. However, to compare the performance of the Trust with a broad measure of market performance, reference may be made to the MSCI World ex Australia Small Cap Index (net div.). Investors should note that the index is referred to for comparison purposes only. The index is not intended to represent the current or targeted asset allocation of the Trust. The performance of the Trust may differ significantly from the index.

## PRINCIPAL RISKS

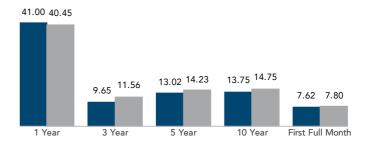
All investing is subject to risks, including market fluctuations and possible loss of the principal amount invested. Section 4 of the Product Disclosure Statement contains further information about other relevant risk factors.

## **CHARACTERISTICS**

Number of Holdings	4,715
% in Top 10 Holdings	1.77
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap. (Millions)	\$7,498
Price-to- Book	2.04

## ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)





First Full Month refers to performance since September 2000.

## CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (%)

	TRUST	REFERENCE INDEX
2020	1.64%	5.36%
2019	24.98%	26.53%
2018	-6.48%	-4.20%
2017	12.39%	13.43%
2016	14.51%	13.19%
2015	13.04%	12.30%
2014	8.39%	11.72%
2013	56.80%	55.35%
2012	15.83%	16.31%
2011	-9.52%	-8.74%

Performance shown represents past performance and is not indicative of future performance. Returns for periods shorter than one year are not annualised. Returns are net of fees and costs and assume income is reinvested and are gross of tax. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's units, when redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. The trust is not managed with the objective of achieving a particular return relative to a benchmark index. A reference index has been provided for comparison purposes only and is not intended to represent the current or targeted asset allocation. Trust performance may differ significantly from the reference index.

All figures are measured in Australian dollars unless stated otherwise.

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SECTOR ALLOCATION	
Industrials	20.80%
Financials	16.43%
Consumer Discretionary	14.71%
Information Technology	13.77%
Health Care	9.66%
Materials	7.46%
Consumer Staples	4.66%
Energy	3.62%
Utilities	3.49%
Communication Services	3.24%
Real Estate	2.13%
REITs	0.02%
TOP HOLDINGS	
Devon Energy Corp	0.19%
Nuance Communications Inc	0.19%
Quanta Services Inc	0.18%
Signature Bank/New York NY	0.18%
Steel Dynamics Inc	0.18%
Diamondback Energy Inc	0.17%
Entegris Inc	0.17%
Mosaic Co/The	0.17%
RH	0.16%
Newell Brands Inc	0.16%

67.88%
7.32%
5.14%
3.81%
2.49%

## **FEES AND COSTS**

Management Cost	0.653%
Transaction Costs Allowance - entry	0.12%
Transaction Costs Allowance - exit	-0.12%

Management costs comprise management fees, expense recoveries and indirect costs. Section 6 of the Product Disclosure Statement contains further information on fees and costs including a breakdown of management costs into management fees, indirect costs and expense recoveries. The expense recoveries and indirect costs components are calculated based on the relevant costs incurred for the financial year to 30 June 2019.

Where applicable, the Transaction Costs Allowance is paid to the trust and is not a fee paid to Dimensional.

Holdings are subject to change. Numbers may not total 100% due to rounding.

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