

**PERFORMANCE (AS OF 09/30/2025)**

	3Q 2025	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Inception
<b>Large Cap Growth (Gross)</b>	<b>4.94%</b>	<b>11.21%</b>	<b>17.52%</b>	<b>26.67%</b>	<b>12.36%</b>	<b>15.08%</b>	<b>9.64%</b>
<b>Large Cap Growth (Net)</b>	<b>4.67%</b>	<b>10.38%</b>	<b>16.35%</b>	<b>25.41%</b>	<b>11.24%</b>	<b>13.93%</b>	<b>8.30%</b>
Russell 1000® Growth	10.51%	17.24%	25.53%	31.61%	17.58%	18.83%	10.02%

Periods greater than one year are annualized. Inception Date: 12/31/1997. Net of fees returns are calculated net of a model management fee of 1%. Net of fee returns prior to January 1, 2014 are calculated using actual fees and expenses. Please see disclosures section and the GIPS® composite report for further details.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Russell 1000 Growth index delivered double digit returns and ended the quarter near all-time highs, driven by continued strength in AI-related mega cap companies
- Strategy delivered solid returns but lagged its benchmark; portfolio's consistent underweight to capital intensive business models is a relative performance headwind in today's AI infrastructure-driven market
- Riverbridge continues to focus on identifying sustainable growth and avoiding short-term euphoria; we believe companies that deploy generative AI to enhance profitability, deepen strategic positioning, and expand competitive moats will deliver enduring shareholder value

**MARKET COMMENTARY**

Historically, investors have braced for the third quarter to be the most challenging stretch of the year. That familiar pattern did not hold in 2025. Instead, major indices advanced and now sit at or near all-time highs. A fertile combination of robust earnings growth and benign inflation readings propelled markets higher.

Speculative pockets of the market—most notably quantum-computing stocks—were among the strongest performers. High levels of froth coupled with stretched valuations are prompting comparisons to the dot com era. For now, however, investor optimism remains elevated as we head into the end of the year.

The Russell 1000 Growth index rose more than 10% in the third quarter, propelled by the same forces that have been animating the market since the release of ChatGPT in late 2022. Stocks tied to the Generative AI (GenAI) data center buildout continue to drive the bulk of returns, with the Magnificent 7 now being joined by fellow mega caps Broadcom and Oracle. As a result, the Information Technology sector drove more than 70% of the benchmark's returns in the third quarter. The only other sector that outperformed the broader index was Communication Services, driven by a nearly 40% surge in the shares of Google's parent company, Alphabet. Consumer Staples, Real Estate, and Financials generated negative returns.

**PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY**

The Riverbridge Large Cap Growth strategy rose just under 5% in the third quarter, trailing the 10.5% return of its primary benchmark, the Russell 1000 Growth index. Year-to-date, the portfolio has returned more than 10% while the benchmark is up 17%.

The reversal in both absolute and relative performance for the portfolio in 2025 is quite remarkable, considering the Russell 1000 Growth index briefly touched bear market territory in early April and the Riverbridge Large Cap Growth strategy was outperforming the benchmark year-to-date as of mid-June.

This change in fortunes has had little to do with the fundamental performance of our portfolio companies, which has largely remained robust. Instead, it has been almost entirely due to market participants regaining their enthusiasm for companies participating in the GenAI infrastructure buildout.

The Riverbridge Large Cap Growth strategy has longstanding investments in many of the leading companies involved in the proliferation of AI data centers, namely Nvidia (NVDA), Microsoft (MSFT), Amazon (AMZN), and Alphabet (GOOGL). We expect these companies to leverage their scale and profitability to create and capture value not only during this buildout phase of GenAI, but more importantly, as it is deployed in business use cases to create efficiencies and bolster earnings margins.

With that said, we remain disciplined in ensuring the strategy is not overly concentrated around a single theme. The Magnificent 7 - plus Broadcom - has been responsible for approximately 75% of the Russell 1000 Growth index's return since the release of ChatGPT in November 2022; the narrow market leadership has been a persistent relative performance headwind for several years, despite the strategy's robust absolute returns.

In the third quarter, the strategy's underperformance was concentrated in Information Technology and Industrials. In Information Technology, the primary challenges were the portfolio's lack of exposure to Apple's rebound and stock selection in Software. ServiceNow (NOW) pulled back modestly from its all-time highs on some caution around the macroeconomic environment. As one of the leading early deployers of Generative AI and management laying out a visible trajectory to \$1 billion in AI revenues, our conviction in the company remains high. In Industrials, the Professional Services industry was the largest drag due to a decline in Verisk Analytics (VRSK). The market had a negative reaction to a recent acquisition due to potential cannibalization of small customers; however, we expect future cross-sell opportunities and new product development to be additive for their business.

Stock selection in Real Estate was the largest relative performance contributor, with data and analytics provider CoStar Group (CSGP) rising modestly in the third quarter against the broader sector's decline.

#### TRANSACTION COMMENTARY

The Riverbridge investment team did not initiate or exit any positions in the third quarter.

#### OUTLOOK

The fourth quarter tends to be rewarding to equity investors, and expectations for solid corporate earnings and subdued inflations should support further gains. Yet several risk factors loom.

Excess speculation is creating overheated conditions in some corners of the market. Stocks tied to the generative AI data-center buildout—ranging from semiconductors to energy providers to real estate assets—are commanding valuation multiples that are increasingly difficult to justify.

This dynamic bears resemblance to the late-1990s fiber-optic expansion. Carriers poured hundreds of billions into network infrastructure, dramatically overshooting demand. The “dark fiber” glut became emblematic of speculative excess, and when dot com demand collapsed, bankruptcies swept across telecom and infrastructure providers such as WorldCom and Global

Crossing.

The analogy is not perfect, but it is instructive. Today's data-center buildout is viewed as the backbone of generative AI. The technology is real and transformational, yet the risk is that the physical infrastructure may be overbuilt ahead of demand, echoing lessons from the dotcom era.

At Riverbridge, our investment disciplines remain grounded in identifying enduring growth drivers rather than chasing short-term euphoria. Instead of focusing on the speculative buildout of data-center capacity, we are seeking companies that deploy generative AI to enhance profitability, deepen strategic positioning, and expand competitive moats. These durable applications of generative AI, rather than speculative infrastructure buildouts, are where we believe enduring shareholder value will be created.

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**PURCHASES 3Q 2025**

Security	Sector	Rationale
There are no new securities.		

**SALES 3Q**

Security	Sector	Rationale
There are no liquidated securities.		

**CONTRIBUTORS 3Q 2025**

Security	Rationale
NVIDIA Corporation	Substantial deals and continued customer CapEx announcements ease fears of AI slowdown
Alphabet, Inc. Class A/Class C	Continued strength in advertising business and accelerating growth in Google Cloud; DOJ ruling better than feared
Tesla, Inc.	AI excitement and autonomy drive expectations higher for vehicles, robots, and robotaxi
Oracle Corporation	Cloud bookings cement Oracle's status in AI hyper-scaler world as a leader in database technologies
Fastenal Company	Strategic focus on high-value accounts shows early signs of accelerating share gains; macro shows modest improvement

**DETRACTORS 3Q 2025**

Security	Rationale
Verisk Analytics, Inc.	Negative reaction to AccuLynx acquisition given price and potential channel conflict for small customers; longer-term value creation on cross-sell, new products
ServiceNow, Inc.	Macro caution causes slight pullback from all-time highs; visibility and trajectory to substantial AI revenue remains on track
Netflix Inc.	Stock pullback from all-time highs; new subscriber growth remains, advertising revenue growing as expected, and outlook raised
Align Technology, Inc.	Weakness in case volume and softening near-term outlook causes meaningful valuation compression
Salesforce, Inc.	Strong quarterly results paired with underwhelming guidance; platform remains well positioned for Generative AI though near-term visibility is low

## LARGE CAP GROWTH COMPOSITE

Year	Gross-of-Fee Return (%)	Net-of-Fee Return (%)	Russell 1000® Growth Return (%)	Portfolios	Dispersion (%)	Composite 3-Year Ex-Post Std. Dev.	Russell 1000® Growth 3-Year Ex-Post Std. Dev.	Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	Ttl Firm Assets (\$ Millions)	Advisory Only (\$Millions)	Ttl Firm Assets & Advisory Only (\$Millions)
2024	27.36	26.09	33.36	<5	N/A	21.08	20.33	1.2	6,877.6	4,387.5	11,265.1
2023	38.96	37.58	42.68	<5	N/A	21.08	20.51	0.9	7,429.2	4,432.2	11,861.5
2022	-31.17	-31.86	-29.14	<5	N/A	22.30	23.47	0.7	6,279.5	3,892.8	10,172.3
2021	20.13	18.94	27.60	<5	N/A	16.04	18.17	1.0	9,408.0	6,149.6	15,557.6
2020	33.97	32.63	38.49	<5	N/A	17.23	19.64	0.8	8,478.1	4,896.5	13,374.6
2019	30.34	29.05	36.39	<5	N/A	11.95	13.07	0.9	5,378.3	2,633.2	8,011.5
2018	0.43	-0.57	-1.51	<5	N/A	11.08	12.13	0.7	4,737.1	1,842.0	6,579.1
2017	22.77	21.55	30.21	<5	N/A	9.52	10.54	0.6	5,047.9	1,791.1	6,839.0
2016	9.41	8.32	7.08	<5	N/A	10.18	11.15	0.6	4,686.7	1,546.6	6,233.3
2015	5.95	4.89	5.67	<5	N/A	10.34	10.70	0.3	5,030.8	1,202.4	6,233.2

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