# LONGWAVE AUSTRALIAN SMALL COMPANIES FUND



# Small Caps for All Seasons

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## The Greatest Product of all time?

US\$1.8
Trillion
Sales

US\$550
Billion
Profit



Source: Bloomberg. Jun 2024

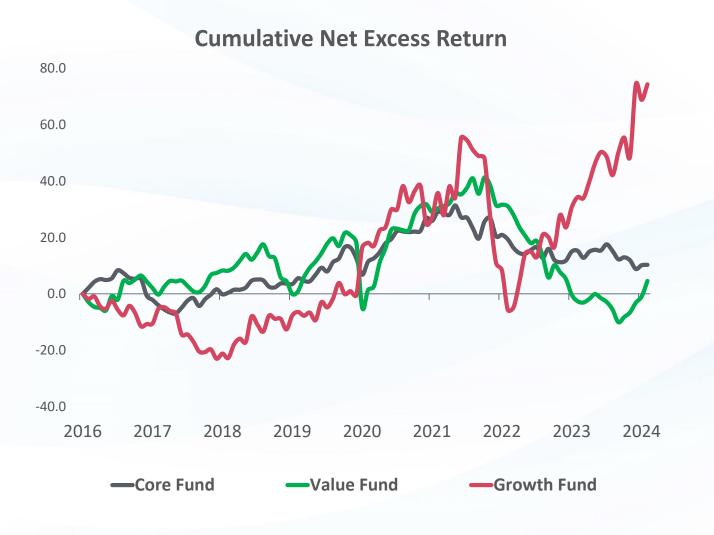
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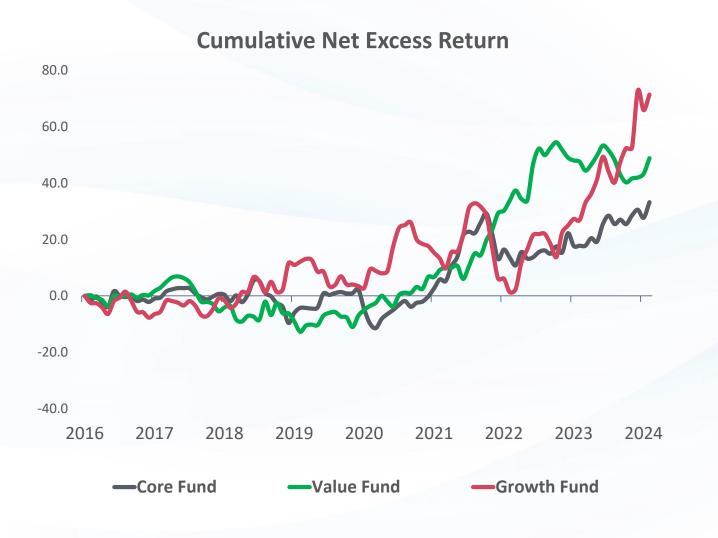




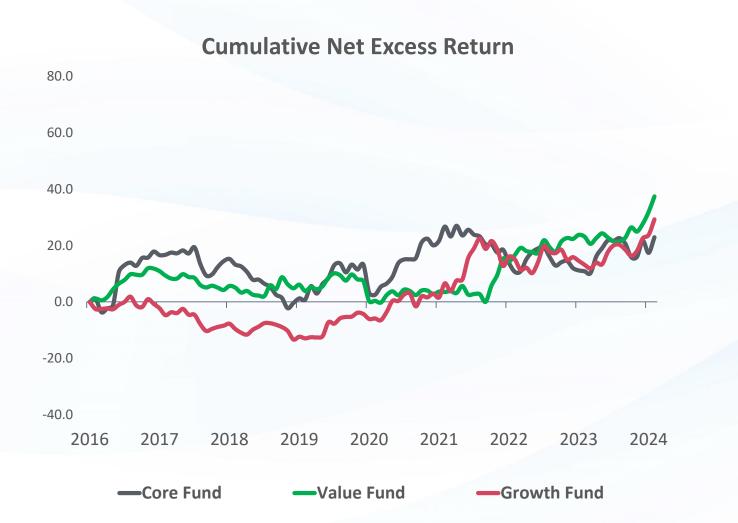






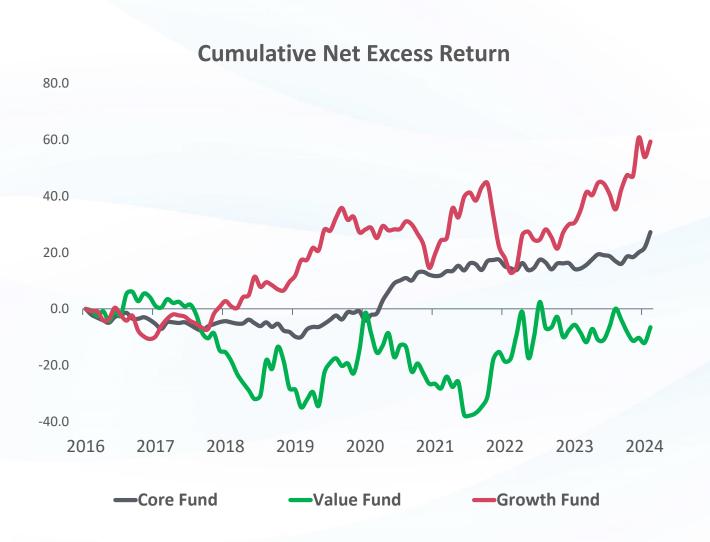








# **Investing in Multiple Smallcap Managers?**



"A volatile small cap fund means I spend half of my annual client meeting discussing a fund that is less than 5% of the portfolio"

"As my clients approach retirement, consistency becomes more important than the highest returns"

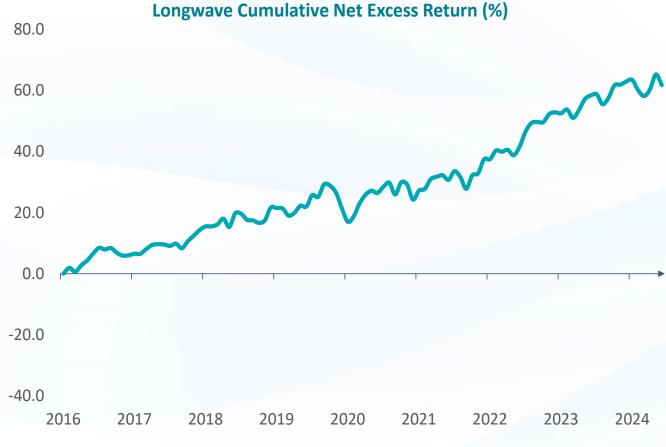
"I only want one or two small cap funds for my client portfolios"

"The fees on small cap funds are too high"



Source: Morningstar (Fund), Bloomberg (Benchmark), Longwave Capital. Jun 2024

# **More Consistent Alpha**



CORE fund
+
VALUE fund
+
GROWTH fund

Source: Longwave Capital. Aug 2024



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#### **Benefits of combination**

#### **CORE**



#### **VALUE**



#### **GROWTH**

Stalwarts
Strong Franchise
Solid Growth
Reasonable Value

Out of Favour Cyclically Depressed Company Turnaround Hidden Upside Profitable High Growth
P/E ≠ long term value
Long runway, global
Proven not speculative

#### **EQT Holdings**

Monadelphous Group
Spark New Zealand
Premier Investments
Freightways Group
Smartgroup Corp
Harvey Norman Holdings
Tabcorp Holdings
Auckland Intl Airport
Bapcor
Austal

#### Macmahon Holdings

SRG Global
Perenti
Beach Energy
Karoon Energy
New Hope Corp
Credit Corp Group
NRW Holdings
Super Retail Group
MMA Offshore
Fletcher Building

#### **RPMGlobal Holdings**

Telix Pharmaceuticals
Imdex
Hub24
Mainfreight
Lovisa Holdings
ARB Corp
Nanosonics
Temple & Webster Group
PWR Holdings
Webjet

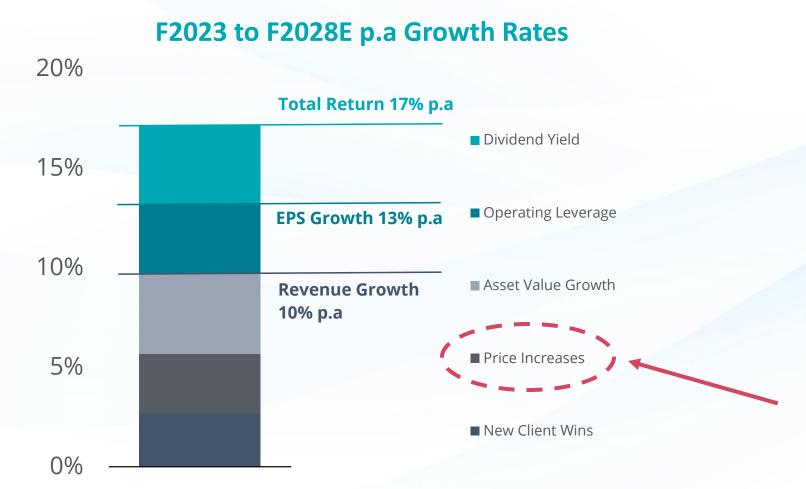
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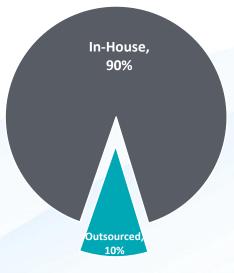


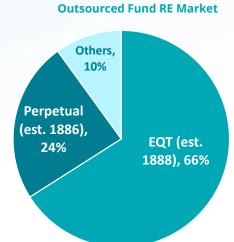
# A CORE Stock - EQT Holdings



Fund Responsible Entity (RE) Market









Source: Company Accounts, Longwave Capital. Jun 2024

## **A VALUE Stock - Macmahons**



#### **Competition 2014**







































#### **Competition 2024**













## **A VALUE Stock - Macmahons**



#### Macmahons ROE (%) and Price to Book (x)

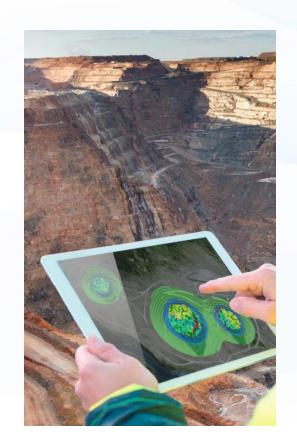


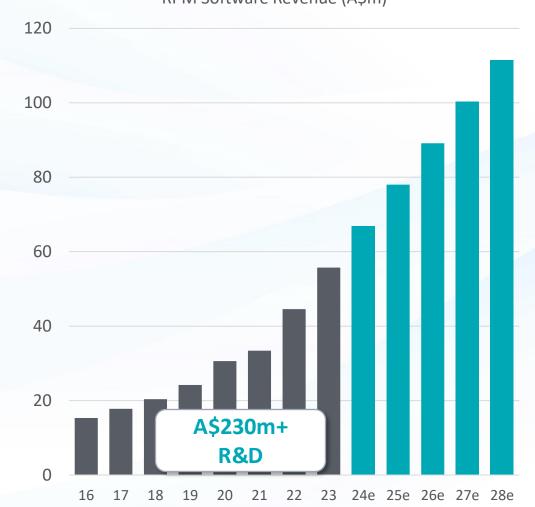


### A GROWTH Stock - RPMGlobal



RPM Software Revenue (A\$m)





<25%
Tier 1 Mines

<7%
Multiple Products

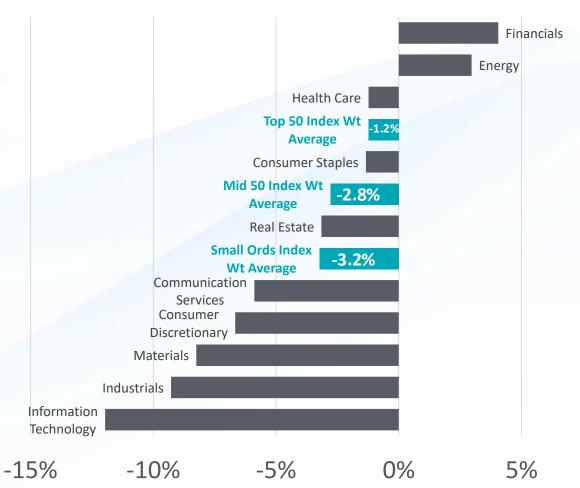


# **Reporting Season**

Total Returns - 12 months to 31 August 2024



#### 12M Forward EPS Revisions in August 2024

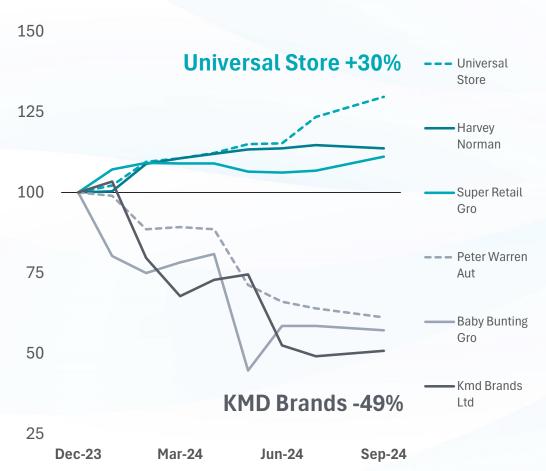




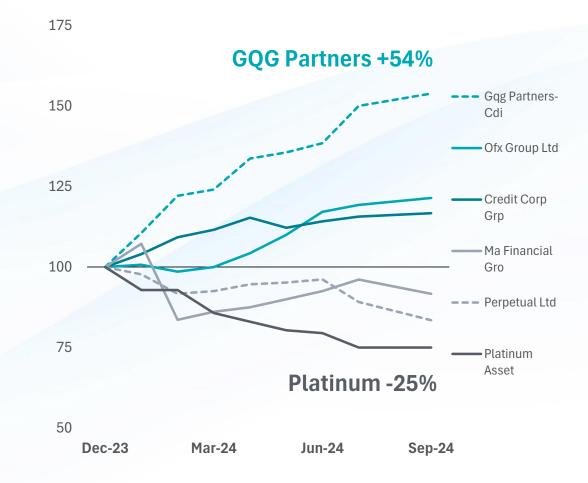
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# **Reporting Season - Earnings Revisions**





Small Financials 12M FWD EPS (100 = Dec 2023)





# More Consistent Alpha at Lower Fees

31 Aug 2024 Net Fund / Bmark	1 Month	3 Month	6 Month	1 Year	2Yrs p.a	3Yrs p.a	Fund Since Incep p.a <sup>2</sup>	Strategy SI p.a <sup>3</sup>
Fund Net	-2.8%	1.6%	0.7%	7.9%	7.6%	2.2%	6.8%	10.7%
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	-2.0%	0.0%	1.5%	8.5%	3.6%	-2.9%	3.6%	6.8%
Net Alpha	-0.8%	1.6%	-0.8%	-0.6%	4.0%	5.1%	3.2%	3.9%

- 1 S&P / ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index
- 2 31 Oct 2019 A Class Units
- 3 31 Mar 2016 Strategy net of A Class unit fee

Source: Longwave Capital Partners. 31 Aug 2024







# 89bps Flat Fee

#### **PLATFORM AVAILABILITY**

AMP North Asgard BT Panorama Centric CFS FirstChoice

CFS FirstWrap / Edge DASH HUB24 Macquarie Wrap

Netwealth Praemium



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