



Emerging Markets Equity Strategy

AS OF MARCH 31, 2021

Strategy facts

Co-Lead Portfolio Managers: Andrew Jacobson, CFA, José Gerardo Morales, CFA, Young Kim

Co-Portfolio Manager: Donald Elefson, CFA

Inception: August 1, 2007

Firm assets: \$18.8 B*

Strategy assets under management: \$8.2 B

Vehicles: Separate account, commingled fund, CIT** and UCITS

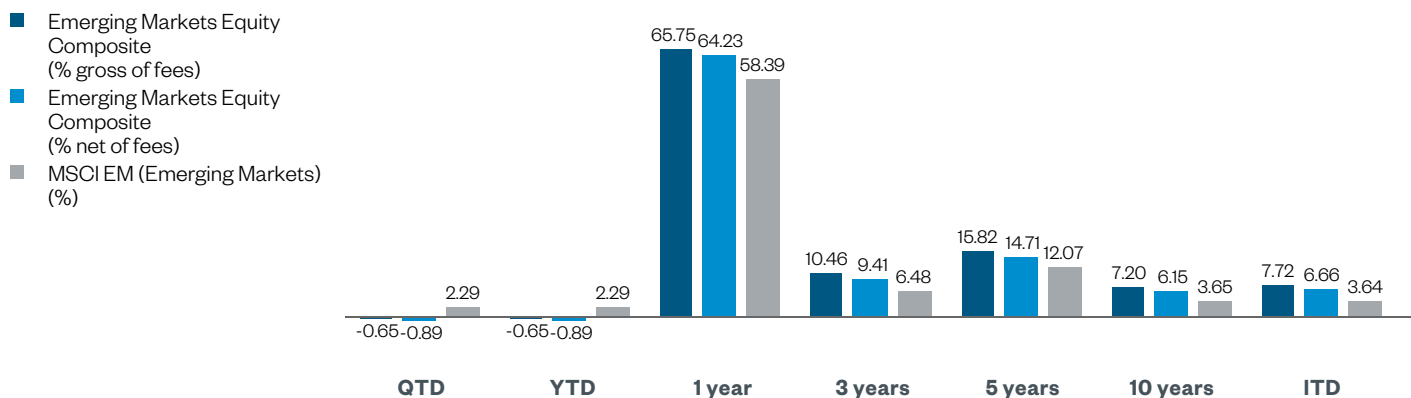
Benchmark: MSCI Emerging Markets

Strategy objectives

Axiom invests in dynamic growth stocks globally. Axiom targets companies whose key business drivers are both improving and exceeding expectations through its disciplined process of data collection, analysis and portfolio construction. Axiom's dynamic growth strategy is implemented by the firm's experienced, stable, and collaborative investment team. The Emerging Markets Equity strategy concentrates its investments in companies located in emerging market countries or in companies that derive the majority of their revenues or assets from an emerging market country. The strategy focuses on growing companies undergoing significant change.

Annualized returns

Performance period: 8/1/07-3/31/21



Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Portfolio statistics

	Strategy	Bench.
Holdings	86	1391
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$M)	\$190,162	\$173,521
Liquidity (\$M/Day)	\$926	\$929
Net Debt/Equity Ratio	-12.2	6.2
Price Earnings Ratio (forward)	18.7	15.0
Earnings Growth Rate (forward)	39.8	35.9
PEG Ratio (PE/Growth Rate)	0.5	0.4
Earnings Revisions Up	67%	59%
Earnings Revisions Down	33%	41%

Portfolio top ten holdings

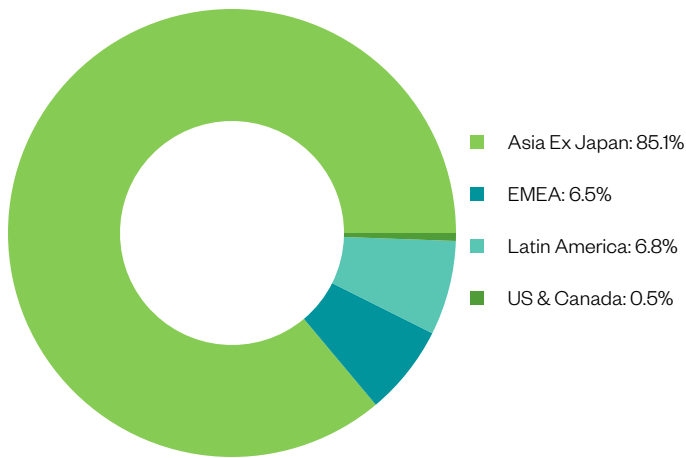
Security	Country	Sector	Strategy	Bench.
Taiwan Semiconductor	Taiwan	Info. Tech.	8.8%	6.3%
Samsung	Korea	Info. Tech.	6.3%	4.3%
Tencent	China	Comm. Serv.	5.3%	5.6%
Alibaba	China	Discretionary	4.2%	5.3%
SK hynix	Korea	Info. Tech.	2.1%	0.8%
Airtac International	Taiwan	Industrials	2.0%	0.1%
Hyundai Motor Co.	Korea	Discretionary	1.9%	0.4%
Infosys	India	Info. Tech.	1.9%	0.8%
MediaTek Inc	Taiwan	Info. Tech.	1.9%	0.6%
Shinhan Financial	Korea	Financials	1.8%	0.2%

*Assets include Assets Under Management (\$18.0B) & Assets Under Advisement (\$0.8B).

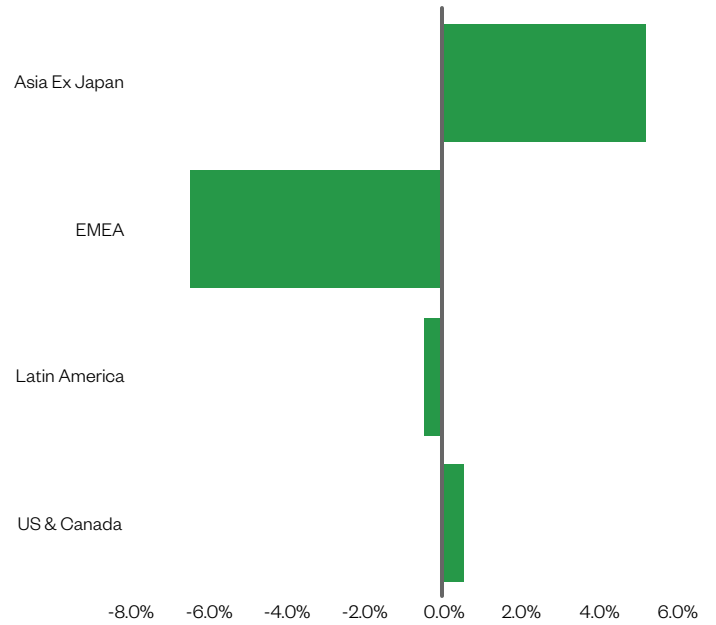
Source: Factset and Axiom. There can be no assurance that the Strategy will continue to hold these positions or that weightings do not change after the as of date stated. Please refer to the attached GIPS compliant presentation for complete performance information.

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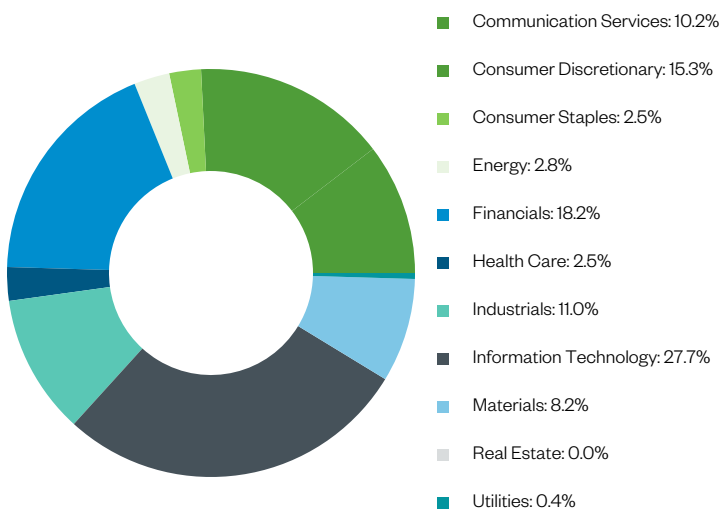
Portfolio exposure by region



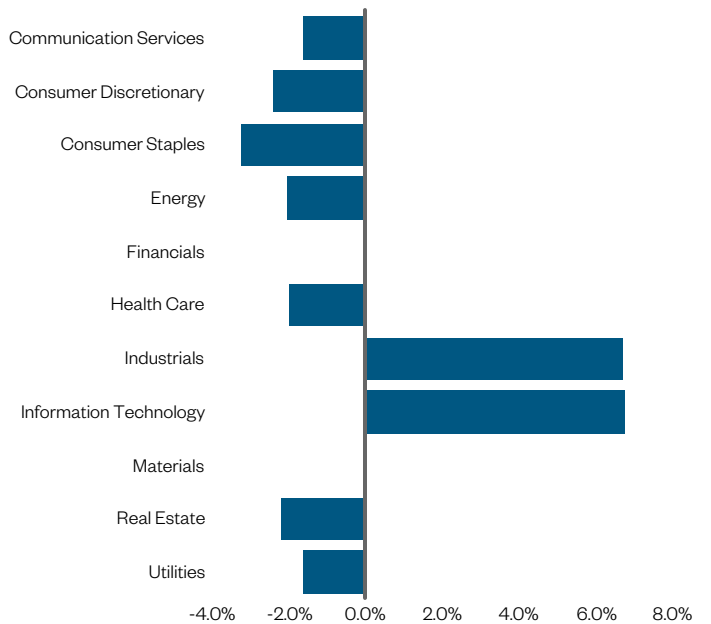
Regional allocation vs. benchmark weight



Portfolio exposure by sector



Sector allocation vs benchmark weight





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Commentary

During the first quarter 2021, the Axiom Emerging Markets Equity Strategy ("Strategy") underperformed the MSCI EM Index ("Index") net of fees. The Strategy remains ahead of the Index on a net of fees basis over the 1-year, 3-year, 5-year, 10-year, and since inception periods.

After two consecutive quarters of sharp gains and outperformance, emerging market returns were more subdued during the first quarter of 2021 with an Index return of 2.3% compared to 4.6% for developed markets. Emerging market sentiment was affected by news of additional COVID waves and economic lockdowns in various parts of the world. Also possibly weighing on emerging market returns, the US 10-year yield rose from 0.9% at the start of the quarter to a high of 1.7% at the close of the quarter, and the JPM EM Currency Index fell slightly from 57.9 to 56.3. Emerging market macro trends, while still attractive, moderated during the quarter with the emerging market PMI falling from 54 to 52 as China tightened liquidity and India and Brazil faced renewed COVID challenges. Despite the moderating pace of economic recovery, value stocks outperformed growth stocks by 341 basis points this quarter as investors focused on adding to more cyclical holdings. Growth benchmarks were also impacted by the recent regulatory scrutiny of the large Chinese internet companies. Finally, on the positive side, EMBI spreads remain relatively low at 324 and the emerging market earnings revision ratio continued to accelerate, moving up to 1.2 from 0.9 at the start of the year.

Contributing sectors on a relative basis during the first quarter were energy, led by Lukoil, an integrated oil and gas firm in Russia, followed by communication services, led by Sea and Naver. The financials, materials and consumer discretionary sectors were the largest relative detractors for the quarter.

From a country perspective, the top contributors were Mexico, led by strong performance from Grupo Mexico, followed by South Korea, driven by Shinhan Financial and POSCO. In China, Xinyi Solar and Contemporary Amperex Technology (CATL) were the largest underperformers. In India, Maruti Suzuki and Asian Paints lagged this quarter.

From an individual stock perspective, the Strategy's best relative contributors were Country Garden Services, Grupo Mexico, MediaTek and Realtek Semiconductor. Country Garden and MediaTek responded positively to quarterly results that beat consensus expectations, while Grupo Mexico benefitted from favorable copper fundamentals during the period. The Strategy's underweight position in Pinduoduo also contributed positively. Top detracting stocks for the quarter include Xinyi Solar, StoneCo, Jiangsu Hengli Hydraulic, Itau Unibanco, and Turkiye Garanti Bankasi.

Global investors will likely remain focused on the progress towards vaccine distribution around the world, the pace of reopening, movements in rates, especially US yields, and inflation trends. As countries increase vaccination levels, the reopening of economies is set to continue which is expected to support global growth. Emerging markets would see a further boost to earnings growth from reopening, potentially enhancing the already attractive relative valuation of emerging markets which are priced at a PEG rate (PE to growth rate) of 0.4 compared to the 1.0 PEG for developed markets. Axiom's fundamental dynamic growth stock selection process is well suited to identifying companies poised to benefit from further improvements in their growth outlook.

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Footnotes and disclaimers

	Composite return (gross of fees)	Composite return (net of fees)	Benchmark Total Return (%)	No. of accounts	Market value (millions)	Total firm assets (millions)	% of firm assets (%)	Internal dispersion (%)	Composite 3-year standard deviation (%)	Benchmark 3-year standard deviation (%)
YTD 2021	-0.65%	-0.89%	2.29%	18	7,511.5	18,034.3	41.65	N/A	19.18	18.89
2020	31.22%	29.99%	18.31%	17	7,342.6	18,535.9	39.61	0.53	19.80	19.60
2019	25.98%	24.79%	18.42%	18	6,180.6	13,458.1	45.93	0.31	14.46	14.17
2018	-15.76%	-16.59%	-14.58%	18	4,541.1	9,729.2	46.67	0.50	14.76	14.60
2017	42.57%	41.21%	37.28%	21	6,210.6	12,116.0	51.26	0.71	15.07	15.35
2016	9.30%	8.21%	11.19%	16	3,170.0	9,671.6	32.78	0.17	15.55	16.07
2015	-11.29%	-12.19%	-14.92%	16	2,571.7	8,704.3	29.54	0.29	13.96	14.06
2014	-0.26%	-1.26%	-2.19%	14	2,349.1	9,482.3	24.77	0.35	15.07	15.00
2013	4.30%	3.26%	-2.60%	8	1,444.2	9,949.8	14.52	0.30	19.37	19.04
2012	22.94%	21.74%	18.22%	8	1,271.3	8,611.6	14.76	0.03	21.98	21.50
2011	-17.48%	-18.31%	-18.42%	7	833.8	10,161.2	8.21	0.07	26.38	25.76

Fee schedule: First \$25 million: 1.00%; next \$75 million: 0.90%; next \$25 million: 0.80%; next \$50 million: 0.70%; Balance: 0.60%

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Composite Description: The Emerging Markets Equity strategy (the "Composite") is designed for investors who seek to invest in a broadly diversified portfolio of emerging market equities. Portfolios are invested in the full range of global emerging markets. Currencies may be actively managed to reduce portfolio volatility. The Composite represents the performance of all institutional emerging markets style fee-paying, discretionary equity accounts, regardless of asset size and comingled fund(s). The Composite was initiated and created in August 2007. A list of composite descriptions, a list of limited distribution pooled fund descriptions, a list of broad distribution pooled funds and performance results are available upon request.

Benchmark Description: The benchmark is the MSCI Emerging Markets index, which is designed to measure the equity market performance in the global emerging markets. The benchmark is calculated on a total return basis with net dividends reinvested, after the deduction of withholding taxes and is free float-adjusted market cap weighted and unmanaged. FX is based off London 4 P.M. close.

Significant Cash Flow Policy: Accounts with a cash flow greater than 20% of the portfolio market value are excluded for the month.

Reporting Currency: Valuations are computed and performance is reported in U.S. dollars. FX is based off NY 4 P.M. close.

Fees: Gross of fees returns are presented before management and custodial fees but after all trading expenses. Net of fees returns are calculated by deducting the highest fee from the monthly gross composite return which is expressed above in the stated fee schedule. Returns include the reinvestment of income. Performance is calculated net of withholding taxes on dividends.

Internal Dispersion: Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross returns of those portfolios that were in the composite for the entire year. If 5 or less accounts, N/A is shown.

Annualized Standard Deviation: The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite gross returns and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. The standard deviation is not required for periods prior to 2011.

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