



# Blackrock US Small/Mid Cap Equity Index Portfolio

AS OF 2025-03-31

**INVESTMENT STRATEGY:** The portfolio invests in a collective investment trust fund maintained and managed by BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, N.A. ("BTC"). The Fund shall be invested and reinvested in a portfolio of equity securities with the objective of approximating as closely as practicable the capitalization weighted total return of that segment of the U.S. market for publicly traded equity securities represented by the Russell 2500 Index (the "Underlying Index"). BTC uses a "passive" or indexing approach to try to achieve the Fund's investment objective. Unlike many funds, the Fund does not try to outperform the index it seeks to track and does not seek temporary defensive positions when markets decline or appear overvalued. BTC uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the Fund.

Fund Category:  
**Stock**

### PORTFOLIO DETAILS

Inception Date	2021-07-02
Gross Expense Ratio <sup>f1</sup> (%)	0.29
Net Expense Ratio <sup>f1</sup> (%)	0.29
Fund Total Net Assets (\$M)	74.34

### TOP TEN HOLDINGS AS OF 2025-03-31

	% of Assets
Blackrock Russell 2500 Idx M	100.00

### PRINCIPAL RISKS

Principal Risks include: Equity Securities, Index Correlation/Tracking Error, Mid-Cap, Private Fund, Small Cap and Wrap Fee. See disclosure for details.

## Average Annual Total Returns %

As of 2025-03-31

	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
Blackrock US Small/Mid Cap Equity Index Portfolio	-7.54	-3.28	1.60	--	--	0.00
Russell 2500 Index <sup>27</sup>	-7.50	-3.11	1.78	14.91	7.46	--

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Due to market volatility, current performance may be less or higher than the figures shown. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that upon redemption, shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Performance data does not reflect deduction of redemption fee, which, if such fee exists, would lower performance. For current to the most recent month-end performance information, please log onto [myplan.johnhancock.com](http://myplan.johnhancock.com) or call a John Hancock representative at (800) 294-3575.

## Portfolio Snapshot<sup>b2</sup> (%)



100.00

Blackrock Russell 2500 Idx M

<sup>f1</sup> The Gross Expense Ratio does not include fee waivers or expense reimbursements which result in lower actual cost to the investor. The Net Expense Ratio represents the effect of a fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement and is subject to change.

Marketing support services are provided by John Hancock Distributors LLC.



## Important Notes

### Other:

b2. The portfolio composition, industry sectors, top ten holdings, and credit analysis are presented to illustrate examples of securities that the fund has bought and diversity of areas in which the fund may invest and may not be representative of the fund's current or future investments. The top ten holdings do not include money market instruments and/or futures contracts. The figures presented are as of date shown, do not include the fund's entire investment portfolio, and may change at any time.

### Index Description:

i27. Russell 2500 Index: The Russell 2500 Index is an unmanaged index that measures the performance of the 2,500 smallest companies in the Russell 3000 Index, which includes the 3,000 largest U.S. companies based on total market capitalization. Results assume the reinvestment of all capital gain and dividend distributions. An investment cannot be made directly into an index.

## Principal Risks

**Equity Securities:** The value of equity securities, which include common, preferred, and convertible preferred stocks, will fluctuate based on changes in their issuers' financial conditions, as well as overall market and economic conditions, and can decline in the event of deteriorating issuer, market, or economic conditions.

**Index Correlation/Tracking Error:** A portfolio that tracks an index is subject to the risk that certain factors may cause the portfolio to track its target index less closely, including if the advisor selects securities that are not fully representative of the index. The portfolio will generally reflect the performance of its target index even if the index does not perform well, and it may underperform the index after factoring in fees, expenses, transaction costs, and the size and timing of shareholder purchases and redemptions.

**Mid-Cap:** Concentrating assets in mid-capitalization stocks may subject the portfolio to the risk that those stocks underperform other capitalizations or the market as a whole. Mid-cap companies may be subject to increased liquidity risk compared with large-cap companies and may experience greater price volatility than do those securities because of more-limited product lines or financial resources, among other factors.

**Private Fund:** The fund is not a mutual fund and is privately offered. Prospectuses are not required and prices are not available in local publications.

**Small Cap:** Concentrating assets in small-capitalization stocks may subject the portfolio to the risk that those stocks underperform other capitalizations or the market as a whole. Smaller, less-seasoned companies may be subject to increased liquidity risk compared with mid- and large-cap companies and may experience greater price volatility than do those securities because of limited product lines, management experience, market share, or financial resources, among other factors.

**Wrap Fee:** The expense ratio is adjusted to reflect the additional wrap fee of 0.26%.