

NORTHERN TRUST ASSET MANAGEMENT

# RUSSELL 2000 INDEX FUND

## DC - NON-LENDING

EQUITY

COLLECTIVE - TIER 3

AS OF 1Q25

Investment Objective

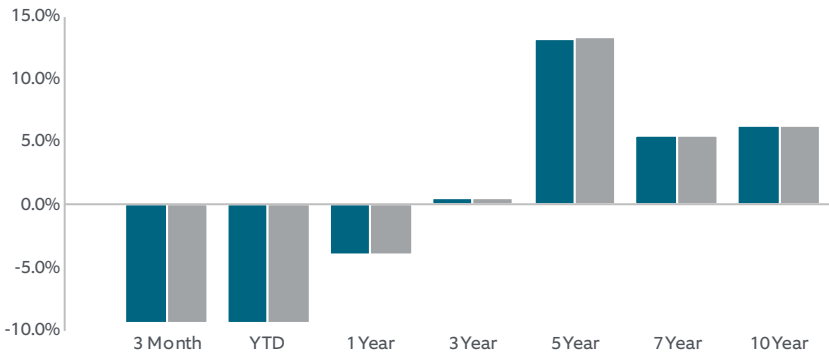
The primary objective of the Northern Trust Collective Russell 2000 Index Fund - DC - Non-Lending is to approximate the risk and return characteristics of the Russell 2000 Index. This Index is commonly used to represent the small cap segment of the U.S.market.

Investment Approach

To achieve its objective, the Fund employs a replication technique which generally seeks to hold each index constituent in its proportional index weight. The Fund may make limited use of futures and/or options for the purpose of maintaining equity exposure. This Fund may not participate in securities lending.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE % — AS OF 3/31/25

■ Russell 2000 Index Fund DC - Non-Lending  
■ Russell 2000<sup>1</sup>



Average Annualized Returns

	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
Fund (Net)	-9.46	-9.46	-4.01	0.51	13.25	5.40	6.28
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	-9.48	-9.48	-4.01	0.52	13.27	5.41	6.30

PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURES

Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. Performance returns and the principal value of an investment will fluctuate. Performance returns contained herein are subject to revision by Northern Trust Investments, Inc. (NTI). Comparative indices shown are provided as an indication of the performance of a particular segment of the capital markets and/or alternative strategies in general. Index performance returns do not reflect any management fees, transaction costs or expenses. It is not possible to invest directly in any index. Net performance returns are reduced by investment management fees and other expenses relating to the management of the account. Gross performance returns contained herein include reinvestment of dividends and other earnings, transaction costs, and all fees and expenses other than investment management fees, unless indicated otherwise. For additional information on fees, please refer to Part 2a of the Form ADV or consult an NTI representative.

All securities investing and trading activities risk the loss of capital. There can be no assurance that any portfolio investment objectives will be achieved. Risk controls and models do not promise any level of performance or guarantee against loss of principal. No investment strategy or risk management technique can guarantee returns or eliminate risk in any market environment. Any discussion of risk management is intended to describe NTI's efforts to monitor and manage risk but does not imply low risk.

FUND OVERVIEW

	Fund
Benchmark/Index	Russell 2000 <sup>1</sup>
Inception Date	9/1/11
Total Net Assets	\$4.66 Billion

FEES AND EXPENSES

	Fund
Administrative Fee Cap (%)	0.0125
Investment Management Fee (%)	0.0300
Total Fees and Expenses (%)	0.0425
Per \$1000 Investment (\$)	0.4250

As set forth in the Fund Declaration for each Fund, NTI has established an Administrative Fee Cap pursuant to which the sum of (i) the fees charged by the Fund's external auditor and (ii) the Custody and Fund Administration Fee paid by the Fund will not exceed a specified percentage of the Fund's assets. NTI may at any time modify or discontinue the above-described Fees and Expenses.

FUND CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Number of Equity Securities	1,953	1,953
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$M)	3,449.55	3,449.26
Trailing 12-month Price-to-Earnings Ratio	17.59	17.59
Price-to-Book Ratio	1.88	1.88
Dividend Yield (%)	1.47	1.47
3-Year EPS (%)	-17.67	-17.67
Return on Equity (%)	5.17	5.17
Annual Portfolio Turnover as of 7/31/24 (%)	5.82	

PERFORMANCE AND RISK CHARACTERISTICS (3 YR)

	Fund
Beta*	1.00
Annualized Standard Deviation	23.20
Tracking Error*	0.03

\*Measured against the Fund's benchmark

NOT FDIC INSURED

MAY LOSE VALUE

NO BANK GUARANTEE

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## CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS %

Fund (Net)

Benchmark<sup>1</sup>

2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
11.50	16.89	-20.40	14.76	19.97	25.50	-11.04	14.63	21.30	-4.44
11.54	16.93	-20.44	14.82	19.96	25.52	-11.01	14.65	21.31	-4.41

Performance quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results.

## TOP HOLDINGS %

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc.	0.64	0.64
Insmed Incorporated	0.55	0.55
FTAI Aviation Ltd.	0.47	0.47
Concept Therapeutics Incorporated.	0.38	0.38
SouthState Corporation	0.38	0.38
Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc.	0.36	0.36
Carpenter Technology Corporation	0.36	0.36
Mueller Industries, Inc.	0.35	0.35
Halozyne Therapeutics, Inc.	0.33	0.33
Beacon Roofing Supply, Inc.	0.32	0.32

## SECTOR

ALLOCATION %	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Financials	19.79	19.79
Industrials	17.65	17.65
Health Care	16.74	16.74
Information Technology	12.32	12.32
Consumer Discretionary	9.12	9.12
Real Estate	6.45	6.45
Energy	5.11	5.11
Materials	3.88	3.88
Consumer Staples	3.18	3.18
Utilities	3.17	3.17
Communication Services	2.61	2.61

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## INVESTMENT RISKS

The following Risks are for Russell 2000 Index Fund DC - Non-Lending:

**EQUITY RISK:** Equity securities (stocks) are more volatile and carry more risk than other forms of investments, including investments in high-grade fixed-income securities.

**INDEX FUND RISK:** The performance of the Fund is expected to be lower than that of the Index because of Fund fees and expenses.

**SMALL-CAP RISK:** Small-capitalization funds typically carry additional risks since smaller companies generally have a higher risk of failure.

## DEFINITIONS

<sup>1</sup>Russell 2000 Index is an unmanaged index which measures the performance of the 2,000 smallest of the 3,000 largest U.S. companies, based on market capitalization. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

**Tracking Error:** Tracking error is a measure of the volatility of the differences in the return between a fund and its benchmark. The smaller the tracking error, the more the fund resembles the benchmark regarding risk and return characteristics.

**Beta:** Beta is a measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole.

**Annualized Standard Deviation:** Standard deviation is a measure of risk. In this case risk is represented by the fund's price movements up or down over time.

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