



Overall Rating



Among 576 Mid-Cap Growth Funds
(as of 6/30/17)

The Overall Morningstar Rating is based on risk-adjusted returns, derived from a weighted average of the Fund's 3-, 5-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar metrics.



Stephen E. Grant

Portfolio Manager

Mr. Grant has been Portfolio Manager of the Value Line Premier Growth Fund since 1996 and has over 20 years of investment experience. Mr. Grant earned an MBA from Wharton and a BA from Stanford University.

Fund Facts

Symbol: VALSX
Inception date: 5/30/56
Total assets: \$332M
(as of 6/30/17)

Top 10 Holdings

(as of 6/30/17)

Company	Weight (%)
Waste Connections, Inc.	3.4%
Toro Co.	3.3%
Mettler-Toledo Intl, Inc.	3.1%
IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	2.8%
Roper Technologies, Inc.	2.7%
Fiserv, Inc.	2.5%
Ansysis, Inc.	2.3%
C.R. Bard, Inc.	2.2%
Henry Schein, Inc.	2.1%
Mastercard, Inc.	2.1%

Portfolio Manager Q&A

Value Line Premier Growth Fund (VALSX)

Q1: Would you please describe the Fund's investment selection process and how it affects sector weightings?

Our time-tested investment discipline, using the venerable Value Line research, focuses on high-quality companies that have consistently experienced growth in both earnings and stock price for 10 years or more. Companies that fit this criteria often possess proprietary or highly desirable products and services, and are less sensitive to changes in the economic environment. A substantial number of these companies have a sustainable competitive advantage based upon demonstrated results spanning many years and, therefore, greater control over their future.

With this focus on consistent growth in earnings and stock price, our portfolio tends to favor stocks in the Industrials and Consumer Staples sectors. As of June 30, 2017, Industrials and Consumer Staples comprised approximately 32% and 9% of the Fund's assets, respectively, whereas the Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Funds Category averaged 18% and 5%, respectively. Conversely, the Fund generally holds fewer companies in the Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology sectors compared to other mid-cap growth funds.

Q2: Would you please discuss advantages the Fund may have over other Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Funds?

We believe the Fund offers two significant advantages for investors. Due to our approach of holding high-quality companies with 10+ years of consistent growth, the Fund generally has an attractive risk profile. In fact, the Fund received Morningstar's "Low" risk rating over the 3- and 5-year periods ended June 30, 2017.

An additional advantage is the Fund's ability to invest in stocks of all market capitalizations. Without a market cap restriction, we can continue to hold companies that fit our long-term investment approach rather than being forced to sell because they reached a certain market cap threshold.

However, mid-cap companies remain the strategy's "sweet spot" as a result of their future growth runway relative to larger companies and their more favorable risk profile as compared to smaller companies. As of quarter-end, approximately 60% of the Fund's assets consisted of high-quality mid-cap companies with long-term consistent track records of growth guided by experienced management teams.

Q3: Would you please discuss the Fund's international holdings?

While the portfolio primarily holds U.S.-based companies, the Fund has the ability to purchase international stocks that fit our strict criteria. As of quarter's end, the Fund had an international weighting of approximately 5%. Currently, the Fund's largest international holding is HDFC Bank Ltd, a banking and financial services company based in India. The Fund has held the company since the end of 2004, and on a year-to-date basis as of June 30, 2017, the stock rose approximately 45%.

Another long-term international holding is Canadian National Railway Co., a company engaged in the rail and related transportation business offering integrated transportation services that include rail, trucking, freight forwarding, warehousing, and distribution. For the first six months of 2017, the stock rose nearly 18%.

Value Line Premier Growth Fund Performance (as of 6/30/17)				
	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Premier Growth Fund (VALSX)	15.10%	7.29%	11.91%	7.31%
S&P 500 Index	17.90	9.61	14.63	7.18
Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Category Average	18.58	6.86	12.72	6.81
Morningstar Cat. Rank (%)	80	40	63	39
# of Funds in Category	626	576	502	370
Morningstar Risk		Low	Low	Below Avg.
Expense ratio: 1.23%				

Morningstar rates funds based on enhanced Morningstar risk-adjusted returns.

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The average annual returns shown above are historical and reflect changes in share price, reinvested dividends and are net of expenses. Investment results and the principal value of an investment will vary.

There are risks associated with investing in small and mid-cap stocks, which tend to be more volatile and less liquid than stocks of large companies, including the risk of price fluctuations.

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