



# Interim Management Report of Fund Performance

June 30, 2024

**Beutel Goodman American Equity Fund**

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## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

### Investment Objectives and Strategies

This Fund seeks long-term capital growth primarily through investments in common shares and other equity securities of established American issuers.

The Fund invests in equity securities selected from a universe of potential candidates whose management have consistently demonstrated a commitment to create shareholder value without undue financial leverage. A value approach is applied, and research is directed to identify stocks which can be purchased at a reasonable price.

### Risk

There were no significant changes to the investment objectives or strategies that affected the Fund's overall level of risk during the period. The risks of investing in this Fund and the suitability of the Fund for investors remain as discussed in the Prospectus.

### Results of Operations

Over the six-month period ended June 30, 2024, Beutel Goodman American Equity Fund (the "Fund"), Class B returned 11.58% versus 19.64% for the Fund's benchmark, the S&P 500 Index (C\$). Unlike the benchmark, the Fund's return is net of fees and expenses paid by the Fund. Detailed performance is provided under the heading "Past Performance" in this report.

U.S. equity markets have led the way internationally in terms of performance so far in 2024, showing surprising resilience amid geopolitical challenges, higher-for-longer interest rates, stubborn inflation and economic growth that appears to be slowing slightly. The strong advance of the S&P 500 Index year to date has largely been driven by members of the Magnificent 7, however, increasing the concentration risk of the index.

### Key Contributors to Performance

- The top-performing sectors during the period relative to the benchmark were Industrials, Real Estate and Energy.
- Over the period, the largest individual contributors to Fund performance included QUALCOMM Inc., NetApp Inc., and American Express Company.

### Key Detractors from Performance

- From a sector perspective, the Fund's holdings in the Communication Services, Information Technology and Consumer Discretionary sectors were the largest detractors from the Fund's relative performance over the period.
- Over the period, the largest individual detractors from Fund performance included Polaris Inc., PPG Industries, Inc. and Comcast Corp.

### Portfolio Activity

- The portfolio management team (the "team") employs a stock selection process that is based on identifying securities trading at a significant discount to their business value. The Fund's sector and stock weights are outcomes of the team's investment decisions based on bottom-up fundamentals and business quality. As a by-product of the team's bottom-up investment process, market performance and general management activity, the following changes occurred in the Fund's portfolio during the reporting period:
  - The Fund's Consumer Staples, Materials, Health Care and Communication Services sector weightings increased over the period because of relative performance and the team's buy/sell activities.
  - The Fund's Industrials, Financials, Information Technology and Consumer Discretionary sector weightings decreased over the period because of relative performance and the team's buy/sell activities.
  - The Fund's position in WK Kellogg Co. and Parker-Hannifin Corp. were liquidated.

### Recent Developments

Despite the size of the U.S. equity market, many investors over the last several quarters have been focused on the performance of just a handful of stocks. While we do not dispute the quality of these businesses, we do believe valuations have become stretched. Meanwhile, large swathes of the market, including numerous high-quality businesses, have been ignored, ultimately leading to one of the most extreme gaps between value and growth stocks over the past 20 years.

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## Related Party Transactions

Beutel, Goodman & Company Ltd. ("BG") is the Manager, Trustee and Portfolio Advisor to this Fund. The Fund pays a management fee to BG as compensation for its services. The Fund pays a fixed administration fee to BG, which in turn pays certain operating expenses of the Fund. BG as trustee of the Fund earns a fee which is paid by the Manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Fund.

The Fund did not rely on any recommendation or approval of its Independent Review Committee to proceed with any transaction involving related parties because it did not conduct any related party transactions, except for certain inter-fund trades and the management and administrative fees as described above, as approved by the Independent Review Committee by standing instructions, and subject to regulatory requirements.

**Management Fees:** As Manager, BG is paid a management fee from each class of the Fund based on the average daily net asset value of the particular class. The fee is payable monthly, in arrears, and is calculated at the annualized rate specified for each class of the Fund as set out in the table below. Management fees for Class I units are negotiated and paid directly by the investor, not by the Fund, and, therefore, are not listed.

	Maximum Annual Management Fee Rate %	As a Percentage of Management Fees	
		Dealer Compensation %	General Administration, Investment Advice and Profit %
Class B	1.85	53	47
Class D	1.25	20	80
Class F	0.90	0	100

**Administration Fee:** The Manager receives a fixed administration fee to pay certain operating expenses of the Fund. These expenses include audit and legal fees; custodian and transfer agent fees; costs attributable to the issue, redemption and change of units, including the cost of the security holder record-keeping system; expenses incurred in respect of preparing and distributing all regulatory reports; fund accounting and valuation costs; independent review committee fees and filing fees, including those incurred by us. The administration fee may vary by class of units and by Fund.

BG, as trustee of the Fund, earns a fee which is paid by the Manager from the administration fee paid by the Fund.

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## Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the 6 month period ended June 30 of the current year and for the past 5 years ended December 31. The December 31 information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements and is provided for each class of units.

### Financial Highlights per unit

#### Class B Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

\$	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	26.05	24.33	23.58	23.72	24.08	20.27
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations</b>						
Total revenue	0.33	0.61	0.57	0.54	1.42	0.57
Total expenses	(0.35)	(0.62)	(0.59)	(0.64)	(0.71)	(0.57)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	1.85	(0.05)	1.36	3.32	1.81	1.20
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.13	1.83	0.31	(0.36)	(1.25)	3.13
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(1)</sup></b>	2.96	1.77	1.65	2.86	1.27	4.33
<b>Distributions to unitholders per unit:</b>						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	0.05	–	–	0.52	–
From capital gains	–	–	1.00	2.95	1.49	0.53
From return of capital	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total period distributions<sup>(2)</sup></b>	–	0.05	1.00	2.95	2.01	0.53
<b>Net assets, end of period<sup>(3)</sup></b>	29.07	26.05	24.33	23.58	23.72	24.08

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

#### Class B Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total net asset value (\$) (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	89,029	73,536	65,432	67,782	70,108	82,861
<b>Number of outstanding units (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	3,063	2,823	2,689	2,875	2,955	3,442
<b>Management expense ratio<sup>(5)</sup></b>	2.17%	2.16%	2.16%	2.16%	2.16%	2.16%
<b>Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>(6)</sup></b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Portfolio turnover rate<sup>(7)</sup></b>	15%	7%	26%	44%	41%	17%
<b>Trading expense ratio (%)<sup>(8)</sup></b>	0.03%	0.01%	0.03%	0.04%	0.06%	0.03%
<b>Net asset value per unit, end of period</b>	29.07	26.05	24.33	23.58	23.72	24.08

### Financial Highlights per unit

#### Class D Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

\$	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	18.31	17.07	16.43	16.44	16.71	14.06
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations</b>						
Total revenue	0.22	0.42	0.39	0.38	1.01	0.40
Total expenses	(0.18)	(0.32)	(0.30)	(0.32)	(0.38)	(0.29)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	1.31	(0.03)	0.95	2.31	1.26	0.84
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.89	1.24	(0.06)	(0.28)	(0.95)	2.18
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(1)</sup></b>	2.24	1.31	0.98	2.09	0.94	3.13
<b>Distributions to unitholders per unit:</b>						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	0.12	–	0.02	0.50	0.11
From capital gains	–	–	0.70	2.06	1.04	0.37
From return of capital	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total period distributions<sup>(2)</sup></b>	–	0.12	0.70	2.08	1.54	0.48
<b>Net assets, end of period<sup>(3)</sup></b>	20.50	18.31	17.07	16.43	16.44	16.71

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

#### Class D Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total net asset value (\$) (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	44,221	44,306	47,866	99,790	106,147	127,607
<b>Number of outstanding units (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	2,157	2,420	2,804	6,074	6,456	7,638
<b>Management expense ratio<sup>(5)</sup></b>	1.50%	1.50%	1.49%	1.49%	1.50%	1.50%
<b>Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>(6)</sup></b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Portfolio turnover rate<sup>(7)</sup></b>	15%	7%	26%	44%	41%	17%
<b>Trading expense ratio (%)<sup>(8)</sup></b>	0.03%	0.01%	0.03%	0.04%	0.06%	0.03%
<b>Net asset value per unit, end of period</b>	20.50	18.31	17.07	16.43	16.44	16.71

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### Financial Highlights per unit

#### Class F Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

\$	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	18.29	17.08	16.55	16.60	16.86	14.21
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations</b>						
Total revenue	0.23	0.43	0.40	0.38	1.00	0.41
Total expenses	(0.14)	(0.25)	(0.24)	(0.26)	(0.32)	(0.23)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	1.31	(0.03)	0.97	2.34	1.29	0.84
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.81	1.24	0.40	(0.33)	(0.90)	2.20
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(1)</sup></b>	2.21	1.39	1.53	2.13	1.07	3.22
<b>Distributions to unitholders per unit:</b>						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	0.22	0.19	0.12	0.56	0.19
From capital gains	–	–	0.71	2.09	1.06	0.37
From return of capital	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total period distributions<sup>(2)</sup></b>	–	0.22	0.90	2.21	1.62	0.56
<b>Net assets, end of period<sup>(3)</sup></b>	20.52	18.29	17.08	16.55	16.60	16.86

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

#### Class F Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total net asset value (\$) (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	366,671	308,083	255,101	168,138	151,778	189,841
<b>Number of outstanding units (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	17,873	16,845	14,939	10,158	9,143	11,259
<b>Management expense ratio<sup>(5)</sup></b>	1.10%	1.10%	1.09%	1.09%	1.10%	1.10%
<b>Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>(6)</sup></b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Portfolio turnover rate<sup>(7)</sup></b>	15%	7%	26%	44%	41%	17%
<b>Trading expense ratio (%)<sup>(8)</sup></b>	0.03%	0.01%	0.03%	0.04%	0.06%	0.03%
<b>Net asset value per unit, end of period</b>	20.52	18.29	17.08	16.55	16.60	16.86

### Financial Highlights per unit

#### Class I Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

\$	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	19.69	18.37	17.77	17.84	18.16	15.29
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations</b>						
Total revenue	0.24	0.46	0.43	0.41	0.98	0.44
Total expenses	(0.04)	(0.08)	(0.08)	(0.08)	(0.15)	(0.08)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	1.41	(0.04)	1.03	2.53	1.49	0.91
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.92	1.35	0.33	(0.33)	(0.74)	2.39
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(1)</sup></b>	2.53	1.69	1.71	2.53	1.58	3.66
<b>Distributions to unitholders per unit:</b>						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	0.43	0.37	0.33	0.84	0.38
From capital gains	–	–	0.77	2.26	1.15	0.40
From return of capital	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total period distributions<sup>(2)</sup></b>	–	0.43	1.14	2.59	1.99	0.78
<b>Net assets, end of period<sup>(3)</sup></b>	22.20	19.69	18.37	17.77	17.84	18.16

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

#### Class I Units

(for the period ended June 30, 2024 and years ended December 31)

	June 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total net asset value (\$) (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	2,155,574	1,921,174	1,777,010	1,690,163	1,444,066	1,133,044
<b>Number of outstanding units (000's)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	97,112	97,583	96,753	95,108	80,956	62,383
<b>Management expense ratio<sup>(5)</sup></b>	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%
<b>Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>(6)</sup></b>	0.11%	0.11%	0.11%	0.11%	0.11%	0.11%
<b>Portfolio turnover rate<sup>(7)</sup></b>	15%	7%	26%	44%	41%	17%
<b>Trading expense ratio (%)<sup>(8)</sup></b>	0.03%	0.01%	0.03%	0.04%	0.06%	0.03%
<b>Net asset value per unit, end of period</b>	22.20	19.69	18.37	17.77	17.84	18.16

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- (1) Net asset value per unit and distributions to unitholders per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding for the relevant class at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding for the relevant class over the fiscal period.
- (2) Distributions were paid in cash or automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund.
- (3) This is not a reconciliation of the beginning and ending net assets per unit.
- (4) This information is provided as at period end of the period shown.
- (5) Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.
- (6) The Manager may have waived or absorbed some of the fund expenses. If this had occurred, the management fee ratio before any such waiver or absorption is listed. The Manager may terminate the waiver or absorption at any time, at its discretion. It is not known when such waivers or absorptions will be terminated.
- (7) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the fiscal year. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a higher turnover rate and the performance of a Fund. Portfolio turnover rate equals the lesser of the costs of purchases and proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the period divided by the average value of the portfolio securities of the Fund calculated on a monthly basis, excluding short-term securities.
- (8) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs disclosed in the Statements of Comprehensive Income expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value of the Fund during the period.

## Past Performance

The performance returns below:

- are calculated as of **December 31** in each year and for the **first 6 months** of the current year;
- assume **all distributions** made by the Fund **are reinvested** to purchase additional units; and
- show the returns of the particular class of the Fund after any applicable management fees and operating expenses have been deducted, **but are not reduced by any redemption charges, optional charges or income taxes payable by you that would have reduced returns on performance.**

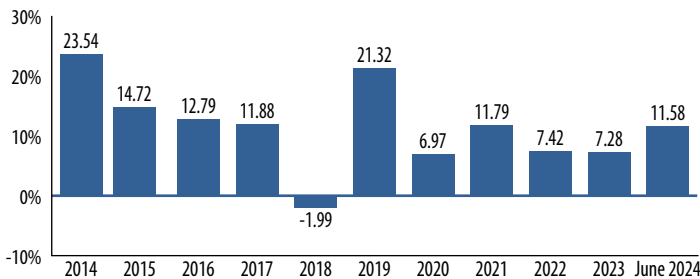
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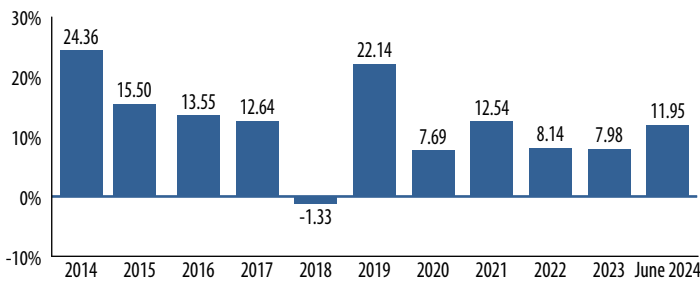
## Year-by-Year Returns

The bar chart indicates the Fund's annual performance for each of the year's shown and for the current 6 month period, illustrating how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. The bar chart shows in percentage terms how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year or period would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year or period.

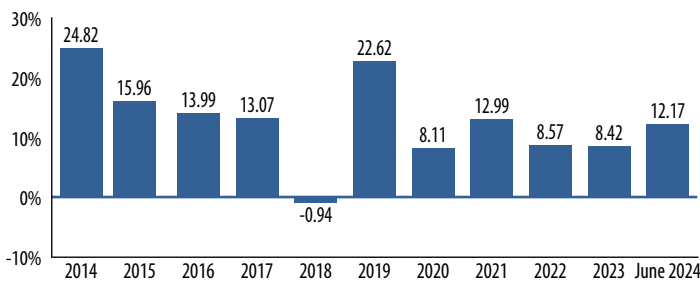
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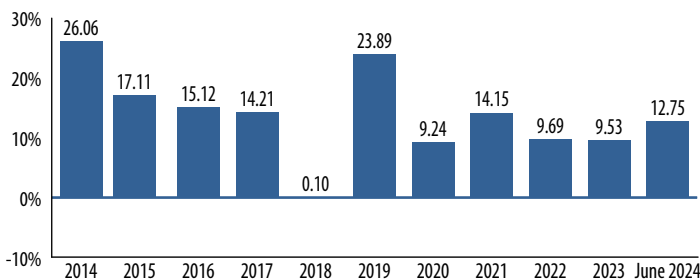
### Class D



### Class F



### Class I





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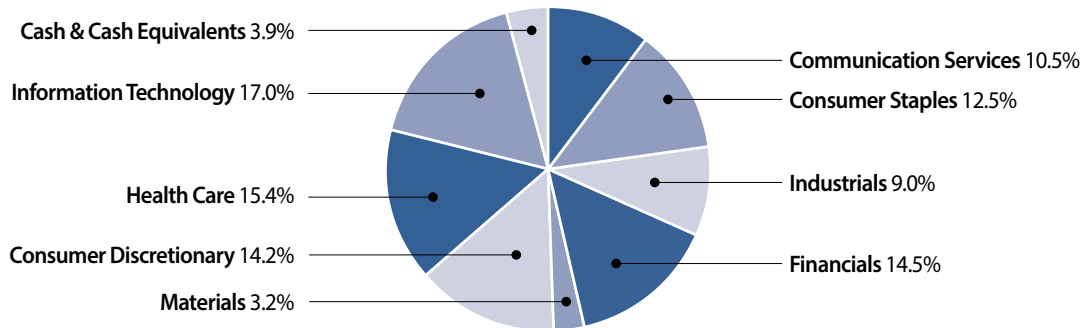
## Summary of Investment Portfolio

The following information may change due to the ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund. More current information regarding the holdings of the Fund may be obtained on our website at [www.beutelgoodman.com](http://www.beutelgoodman.com).

### Summary of Top 25 Holdings

Issuer Name	% of Net Assets	Issuer Name	% of Net Assets
1. Amgen Inc.	5.43	14. Omnicom Group Inc.	3.17
2. Gen Digital Inc.	4.63	15. PPG Industries, Inc.	3.15
3. Biogen Inc.	4.58	16. BlackRock Inc.	3.13
4. Kimberly-Clark Corp.	4.55	17. SEI Investments Co.	3.13
5. NetApp Inc.	4.48	18. Interpublic Group of Cos Inc.	3.07
6. Kellanova	4.43	19. Harley-Davidson Inc.	3.03
7. Comcast Corp., Class A	4.27	20. Flowserve Corp.	2.58
8. eBay Inc.	4.12	21. Ameriprise Financial Inc.	2.47
9. Amdocs Ltd.	3.94	22. Gentex Corp.	2.45
10. QUALCOMM Inc.	3.89	23. Polaris Inc.	2.38
11. American Express Company	3.70	24. Masco Corp.	2.33
12. Merck & Co Inc.	3.54	25. Tempur Sealy International Inc.	2.19
13. Campbell Soup Co.	3.50		

### Asset Mix





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