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Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation.

Morningstar category

Natural Resources

Putnam Global Natural Resources Fund

Investing in natural resources stocks worldwide since 1980

A dynamic sector

From oil and gas to chemicals and metals, the fund invests in industries that can profit from the global demand for natural resources.

A global approach

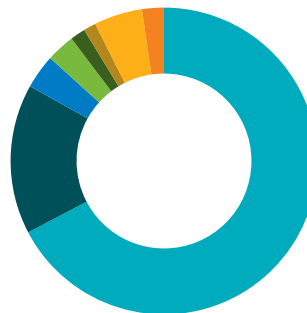
To seek the best opportunities, the fund managers have the flexibility to invest in stocks from around the world.

Active management

The managers, supported by experienced research analysts, combine rigorous fundamental research with macroeconomic views to pinpoint opportunities across the sector.

Diversification across markets

United States	67.3%
Canada	15.8
Germany	3.6
Italy	3.0
Australia	1.6
France	1.3
Other countries	5.1
Cash and net other assets	2.3



Allocations will vary over time. Due to rounding, percentages may not equal 100%

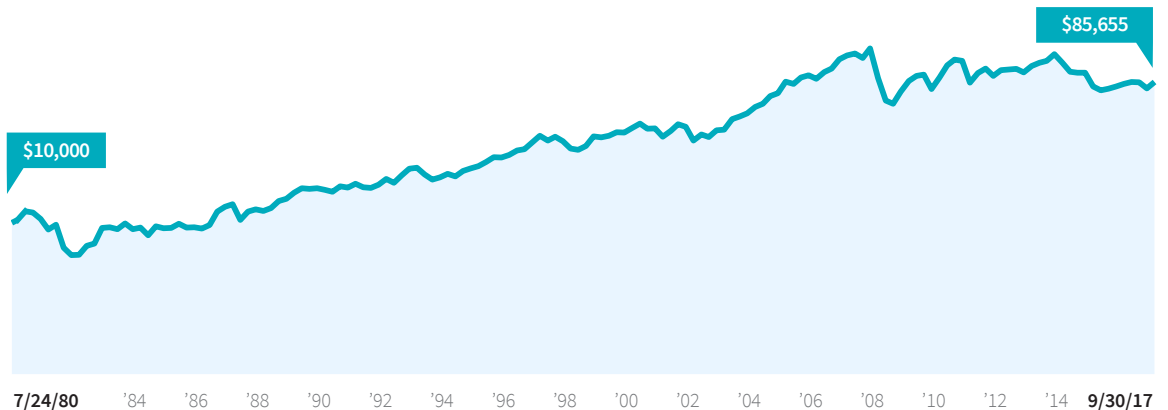
Top ten holdings

Suncor Energy	4.97%
Alcoa	4.73
DowDuPont	4.71
EQT	4.17
W.R. Grace	3.92
Cenovus Energy	3.73
Encana	3.68
ConocoPhillips	3.58
Seven Generations Energy	3.42
EOG Resources	3.09

Holdings represent 40.00% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

Growth of a \$10,000 investment

The fund has returned an average of 6.0% annually since inception. Plotted on a logarithmic scale so that comparable percentage changes appear similar.



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**Not FDIC insured
May lose value
No bank guarantee**

Fund symbols

Class A	EBERX
Class B	PNRBX
Class C	PGLCX
Class M	PGLMX
Class R	PGNRX
Class Y	PGRYX

Total expense ratio

(Y shares)
1.02%

Number of holdings

42

Net assets

\$168.99M

Dividend frequency

Annually

Market-cap breakdown

Over \$58B	16.76%
\$13B–\$58B	36.38%
\$2.8B–\$13B	38.13%
\$850M–\$2.8B	1.39%
Less than \$850M	5.08%
Cash and other assets	2.26%

"Cash and other assets" includes cash, short term securities, ETFs, bonds excluding convertible bonds, and other securities not able to be classified by market capitalization.

Beta

1.13

Annual performance at net asset value (all distributions reinvested)

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017YTD
Y shares	33.1%	-51.2%	44.9%	17.8%	-11.3%	5.5%	11.0%	-12.8%	-24.5%	13.7%	-0.1%
MSCI World Energy & Materials Index (ND)	31.2	-42.7	38.3	15.8	-8.5	5.5	12.2	-9.1	-19.8	24.9	7.0

Annualized total return performance

Inception 10/4/05	Class Y shares	MSCI World Energy & Materials Index (ND)
1 year	3.13%	12.91%
3 years	-9.34	-1.45
5 years	-3.52	1.89
10 years	-3.98	-0.14
Life of fund	5.95	—

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Highlights of five-year performance periods (7/24/80–9/30/17)*

Best 5-year return	Best period end date	Worst 5-year return	Worst period end date	Average 5-year return	% of 5-year periods with positive returns	Number of positive 5-year periods	Number of negative 5-year periods
29.61%	9/30/07	-8.52%	3/31/16	7.88%	82%	106	23

*Based on annualized returns for quarterly rolling periods.

MSCI World Energy & Materials Index (ND) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets in the energy and materials sector. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Beta measures volatility in relation to the fund's benchmark. A beta of less than 1.0 indicates lower volatility; a beta of more than 1.0, higher volatility than the benchmark.

Not all share classes are available on all platforms.

Consider these risks before investing: International investing involves currency, economic, and political risks. Emerging-market securities carry illiquidity and volatility risks. Investments in small and/or midsize companies increase the risk of greater price fluctuations. The energy and other natural resources industries may be affected by changes in crude oil prices and changes in governmental regulatory policies. The fund concentrates on a limited group of industries and is non-diversified. Because the fund may invest in fewer issuers than a diversified fund, it is vulnerable to common economic forces and may result in greater losses and volatility. Growth stocks may be more susceptible to earnings disappointments, and value stocks may fail to rebound. The use of short selling may result in losses if the securities appreciate in value. Risks associated with derivatives include increased investment exposure (which may be considered leverage) and, in the case of over-the-counter instruments, the potential inability to terminate or sell derivatives positions and the potential failure of the other party to the instrument to meet its obligations. Stock prices may fall or fail to rise over time for several reasons, including general financial market conditions, changing market perceptions, changes in government intervention in the financial markets, and factors related to a specific issuer or industry. You can lose money by investing in the fund.

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