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Portfolio Manager
(industry since 1986)

Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation.

Morningstar category

Small Value

Lipper category

Small-Cap Value

Fund symbols

Class A	PSLAX
Class B	PSLBX
Class C	PSLCX
Class M	PSLMX
Class R	PSCRX
Class R6	PSCMX
Class Y	PYSVX

Number of holdings

236

Net assets

\$232.87M

Dividend frequency

Annually

Putnam Small Cap Value Fund

Pursuing capital appreciation through undervalued small companies

Small companies

Often overlooked by Wall Street analysts, the stocks of small companies can represent attractive opportunities.

Active value strategy

The portfolio manager seeks attractively valued companies with improving fundamentals or catalysts that may unlock value.

Rigorous research

The portfolio manager and a team of senior research analysts offer the collaboration of a boutique with the extensive resources of a large, global firm.

Fundamental investment research determines top holdings and sector weightings

Top ten holdings

Cedar Fair	2.76%
Vermilion Energy	1.93
American Equity Investment Life Holding	1.47
Clean Harbors	1.43
Dave & Buster's	1.33
Madison Square Garden	1.22
Caesars Entertainment	1.18
Celestica	1.16
Salvatore Ferragamo	1.11
LogMeIn	1.09

Holdings represent 14.68% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

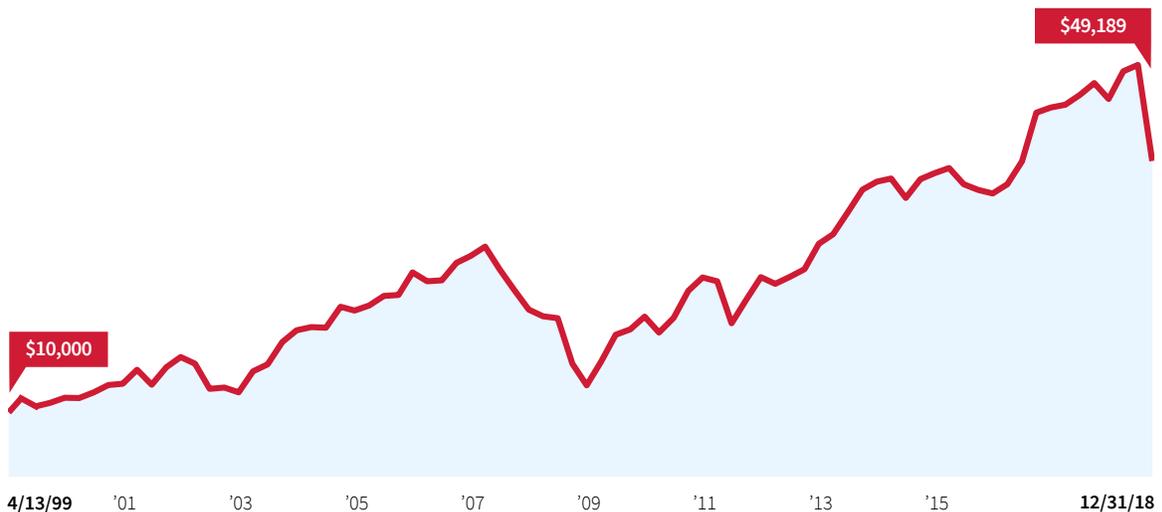
Sector

Sector	Fund	Russell 2000 Value Index
Consumer discretionary	17.9%	9.4%
Industrials	17.1	11.7
Financials	15.2	29.5
Information technology	15.0	10.8
Energy	10.4	5.4
Materials	5.7	4.1
Communication services	5.6	3.1
Health care	3.9	4.3
Consumer staples	3.6	2.6
Real estate	2.6	11.8
Utilities	0.0	7.3

Cash and net other assets represent 3.0% of the portfolio.

Growth of a \$10,000 investment

The fund has returned an average of 8.4% annually since inception.



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May lose value
No bank guarantee**

Lipper rankings

(Y shares, based on total return)

1 year	86% (251/293)
3 years	74% (196/264)
5 years	55% (127/232)
10 years	47% (74/158)

Total expense ratio

(Y shares)

1.23%

Market-cap breakdown

Over \$5B	8.00%
\$3B-\$5B	21.79%
\$1B-\$3B	41.02%
\$500M-\$1B	8.31%
Less than \$500M	17.97%
Cash and other assets	2.92%

"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

0.92

Price to earnings

12.03

Projected 5-yr EPS growth

12.96

Annual performance at net asset value (all distributions reinvested)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Y shares	30.3%	26.2%	-4.7%	17.2%	38.3%	3.7%	-3.6%	26.9%	8.1%	-19.5%
Russell 2000 Value Index	20.6	24.5	-5.5	18.1	34.5	4.2	-7.5	31.7	7.8	-12.9

Annualized total return performance

Inception 1/3/01	Class Y shares	Russell 2000 Value Index
1 year	-19.50%	-12.86%
3 years	3.37	7.37
5 years	1.99	3.61
10 years	10.86	10.40
Life of fund	8.41	8.81

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Not all share classes are available on all platforms.

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