

# Voya Large Cap Core Value SMA - Merrill Lynch

## Strategy-at-a-glance

Objective <sup>1</sup>	To outperform the S&P 500 Index over full market cycles
Inception Date	01/01/14
Benchmark	S&P 500 Total Return

<sup>1</sup> There is no guarantee that this objective will be achieved.

## Strategy overview

The Large Cap Core-Value strategy seeks to outperform its benchmark over a full market cycle via an actively managed approach relying on fundamental research to capture the benefits of high excess capital yield and sustainable dividends.

## Investment philosophy

We believe:

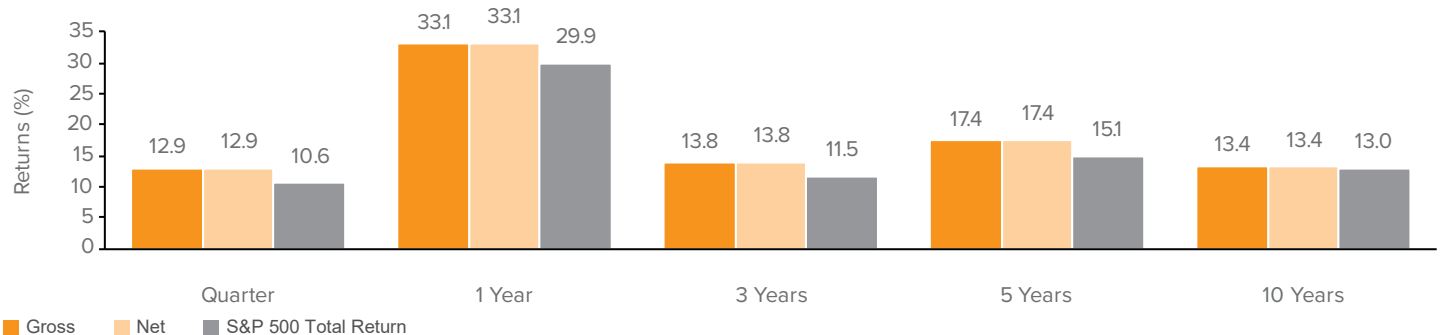
- An investment strategy that captures the benefits of both high-dividend yield and dividend growth is the best way to outperform over various market cycles
- An experienced and specialized research team is critical to generating alpha from stock selection
- Portfolios built with active risk substantially focused on stock picking deliver a superior performance profile

## Investment process

Our disciplined, bottom-up investment process focuses on high-conviction stock selection. The process begins by identifying companies with strong capital returns prospects through the triangulation of excess capital yield, relative valuation and qualitative insights from our well-tenured analysts. Excess capital yield is a dynamic measure that isolates the "dry powder" available to management to facilitate value creation. Our sector specific analysts focus on the decomposition of excess capital yield and relative multiple deviation in conjunction with our proprietary multi-factor sector models. This allows our analysts to concentrate their efforts on the highest ranked stocks within their respective sectors while finding their highest conviction ideas through in-depth fundamental research and analysis. Portfolio construction is based on the attractiveness each stock, analyst/portfolio manager conviction, and active weights impact on relative risk exposure and relative factor exposures. Gross yield of the portfolio seeks to be at or above the yield of the S&P 500 Index.

## Performance

### Annualized Total Returns MAA Composite



**Past performance does not guarantee future results.** Performance numbers for time periods greater than one year are annualized. The Composite represents the investment results of a group of fully discretionary portfolios managed according to the strategy. Returns include the reinvestment of income. Gross of fee returns are "Pure Gross" and do not reflect the deduction of transaction costs associated with investment. Pure Gross returns should be used as Supplemental Information only. Net of fee performance reflects the maximum Program Fee Rate that could be charged for this Strategy in the Program. The maximum Program Fee Rate that can currently be charged to a client account for this Strategy starting on January 1, 2019, is 2.28%, which is based on the maximum Merrill Lynch Fee Rate of 2.00% plus the maximum Style Manager Expense Rate of 0.28%. Prior to January 1, 2019, the net of fee performance information shown is calculated to reflect the deduction of the maximum Merrill Lynch Fee Rate then in effect (2.20% from February 1, 2017 until January 1, 2019 and 2.70% prior to January 31, 2017) plus the maximum Style Manager Expense Rate of 0.22%. Source: Bank of America/Merrill Lynch

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## Portfolio highlights

Annual Returns (%)	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Gross	27.9	-13.9	29.4	19.2	29.6	-2.6	20.3	11.0	-0.6	10.8
Net	25.4	-15.7	26.5	16.5	26.7	-5.0	17.3	7.7	-3.5	7.5
S&P 500 Total Return	26.3	-18.1	28.7	18.4	31.5	-4.4	21.8	12.0	1.4	13.7

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	S&P 500 Total Return
Weighted Avg. Cap (\$M)	\$537,454	\$803,922
P/E (next 12 mos.)	22.33	25.38
Dividend Yield	1.58	1.35
EPS Growth (3-5 year estimate)	11.65	12.49
PEG Ratio (next 12 mos.)	2.11	2.25
Price to Cash Flow	21.00	21.37
ROA (%)	8.44	11.11
Number of Issues	61	503

Sector Weights (%)	Portfolio	Index
Communication Services	7.62	8.95
Consumer Discretionary	9.08	10.34
Consumer Staples	7.72	5.97
Energy	5.22	3.95
Financials	13.74	13.16
Health Care	14.78	12.42
Industrials	9.69	8.80
Information Technology	23.76	29.57
Materials	2.72	2.37
Real Estate	1.81	2.28
Utilities	3.85	2.20

Top Ten Holdings (%)	Portfolio
Microsoft Corporation	8.63
Amazon.com, Inc.	4.94
Meta Platforms Inc	4.33
Broadcom Inc.	3.07
AbbVie, Inc.	2.25
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	2.19
Bank of America Corp	2.16
Micron Technology, Inc.	2.09
Philip Morris International Inc.	2.01
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	1.99

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Characteristics are based on a representative account in the composite that we believe best represents the portfolio management style of the composite. Characteristics may be adjusted to exclude securities for which data is not available or for extreme data outliers via commonly used trimming methodologies. Holdings are subject to change. The information shown is supplemental only. Totals may not equal due to rounding. Source: Bank of America/Merrill Lynch and Voya Investment Management

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## Portfolio managers

**Vincent Costa, CFA**  
**Chief Investment Officer, Equities**  
 Years of experience: 39  
 Years with firm: 18

**James Dorment, CFA**  
**Co-Head of Fundamental Research and Portfolio Manager**  
 Years of experience: 29  
 Years with firm: 16

**Gregory Wachsman, CFA**  
**Equity Analyst and Portfolio Manager**  
 Years of experience: 25  
 Years with firm: 7

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