# **CONSERVATIVE ALLOCATION FUND**



## OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATING™

Institutional Class
Investor Class

Out of 442 Moderately Conservative Allocation funds based on risk adjusted returns.

# **FUND OVERVIEW**

# MANAGEMENT TEAM

Brad Hinton, CFA®

Executive Vice President, Co-Chief Investment Officer, Portfolio Manager

Joined Weitz in 2001 Fund Mgmt since 2003 Nolan Anderson

Vice President, Co-Head of Fixed Income, Portfolio Manager

Joined Weitz in 2011 Fund Mgmt since 2021

#### **FUND ASSETS**

\$222 Million

## **DIVIDEND/CAPITAL GAIN FREQUENCY**

Semi-annually

#### **FUND FACTS**

#### **INSTITUTIONAL CLASS**

 Ticker:
 WBAIX

 CUSIP:
 94904P815

 Inception Date:
 March 29, 2019

 Expense Ratio:
 0.79% (gross)

 0.70% (net)

**INVESTOR CLASS** 

 Ticker:
 WBALX

 CUSIP:
 94904P104

 Inception Date:
 October 01, 2003

 Expense Ratio:
 0.99% (gross)

 0.85% (net)

ASSET ALLOCATION (% of net ass	ets)			
	Fund	Morningstar Mod Conservative Target Risk Index		
Bonds	51.8	58.5		
Common Stocks	45.8	40.5		
Preferred Stocks	0.5	0.0		
Cash Equivalents/Other	1.9	1.0		

35.8
8.7
2.9
2.7
0.9
0.8

CREDIT QUALITY (% of fixed income portfolio)	
U.S. Treasury	66.6
U.S. Government Agency MBS	2.2
AAA	21.4
AA	2.1
A	1.2
BBB	0.9
BB	0.0
В	0.0
CCC	0.9
Not Rated	1.7
Cash Equivalents	2.9

CHARACTERISTICS	
Avg. Effective Maturity (yrs)	2.8
Avg. Effective Duration (yrs)	1.8
Yield to Maturity (%)	5.0
Yield to Worst (%)	5.0
Average Coupon (%)	3.2
No. of Fixed Income Issuers	75
No. of Equity Issuers	29
Annual Turnover (%)	25

EQUITY BREAKDOWN (% of net assets)	
Financials	14.2
Information Technology	11.7
Health Care	5.8
Materials	5.2
Industrials	4.4
Communication Services	3.4
Consumer Staples	1.1

TOP TEN EQUITY HOLDINGS (% of net assets)	
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.	2.8
Microsoft Corp.	2.6
Analog Devices, Inc.	2.2
Danaher Corp.	2.2
Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	2.1
Vulcan Materials Co.	2.1
Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.	2.0
Mastercard, Inc.	2.0
Visa, Inc.	2.0
Accenture plc	1.9
TOTAL	21.9

CAPITALIZATION (% of common stocks)	
More than \$50 Billion	71.9
\$25 - \$50 Billion	16.4
\$10 - \$25 Billion	11.7
\$2.5 - \$10 Billion	0.0
Less than \$2.5 Billion	0.0
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$Billion)	389.1

# MORNINGSTAR STOCK STYLEBOX (as of 12/31/2023)



#### All data is as of 12/31/2023 unless otherwise indicated.

This material must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus or summary prospectus.

The Fund has entered into a fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement arrangement with the Investment Advisor by which the Advisor has contractually agreed to waive a portion of the Advisor's fee and reimburse certain expenses (excluding taxes, interest, brokerage costs, acquired fund fees and expenses and extraordinary expenses) to limit the total annual fund operating expenses of the Fund's average daily net assets through 7/31/2024. The gross expense ratio reflects the total annual operating expenses of the fund, before any fee waivers or reimbursements. The net expense ratio reflects the total annual operating expenses of the fund after taking into account any fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement. The net expense ratio represents what investors are ultimately charged to be invested in a mutual fund

Holdings are subject to change and may not be representative of the Fund's current or future investments. Totals may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Credit ratings are assigned to underlying securities utilizing ratings from a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization (NRSRO) such as Moody's and Fitch, or other rating agencies and applying the following hierarchy: security is determined to be Investment Grade if it has been rated at least BBB- by one credit rating agency; once determined to be Investment Grade (BBB- and above) or Non-Investment Grade (BB+ and below) where multiple ratings are available, then the lowest rating is assigned. Mortgage-related securities issued and guaranteed by government-sponsored agencies such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are generally not rated by rating agencies. Securities that are not rated do not necessarily indicate low quality. Ratings are shown in the Fitch scale (e.g., AAA). Ratings and portfolio credit quality may change over time. The Fund itself has not been rated by a credit rating agency.

The Morningstar Stock Style Box plots a fund's portfolio holdings on the Morningstar style box grid thereby providing a more complete picture of how a fund's holdings are distributed across the equity style box. Weitz portfolio managers select fund holdings with the sole purpose of accomplishing a fund's stated objective rather than adhering to a specific Morningstar style box classification.

Investors should consider carefully the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses of a fund before investing. This and other important information is contained in the prospectus and summary prospectus, which may be obtained at weitzinvestments.com or from a financial advisor. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

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RETURNS (%)												
	TOTAL R	ETURNS	AVE	Since Inception								
	QTR YTD		1-YR	3-YR	5-YR	10-YR	20-YR	(10/1/2003)				
WBAIX Institutional Class	4.75	10.44	10.44	4.09	7.59	5.33	5.57	5.69				
WBALX Investor Class	4.75	10.27	10.27	3.94	7.45	5.26	5.54	5.66				
Morningstar Mod Conservative Target Risk Index	8.37	10.89	10.89	0.53	5.55	4.50	5.34	5.57				

YIELDS (%	)		
	30-DAY	SEC YIELD	Distribution
	Subsidized	Unsubsidized	Yield
WBAIX	2.42	2.32	2.12
WBALX	2.28	2.11	2.02

WBAIX Institutional Class \$30,683	N	lorningstar Mod	Conservative Tar	get Risk Index	\$30,008	\$40,
						\$30,
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VOLATILITY MEASURES (3-Year %)	
WBAIX (vs. Morningstar Mod Conservative Target Risk Index)	
R-Squared	87.48
Beta	0.81
Alpha	3.61
Upside Capture Ratio	101.51
Downside Capture Ratio	76.82
Standard Deviation	8.81
Sharpe Ratio	0.21

CALENDAR YEAR RET	URNS (%)																			
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
WBAIX Institutional Class	10.44	-9.84	13.27	8.33	17.98	-1.78	11.15	4.07	-1.11	3.79	15.46	10.91	2.27	15.66	28.77	-26.82	-5.26	14.33	1.73	11.84
WBALX Investor Class	10.27	-9.94	13.09	8.14	17.94	-1.78	11.15	4.07	-1.11	3.79	15.46	10.91	2.27	15.66	28.77	-26.82	-5.26	14.33	1.73	11.84
Morningstar Mod Conservative Target Risk Index	10.89	-13.85	6.36	11.86	15.25	-2.87	10.86	6.66	-1.03	4.30	8.83	9.66	2.60	9.65	15.31	-13.06	8.01	9.72	4.93	8.95

All data is as of 12/31/2023 unless otherwise indicated. Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate, and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please visit weitzinvestments.com for the most recent month-end performance.

Investment results reflect applicable fees and expenses and assume all distributions are reinvested but do not reflect the deduction of taxes an investor would pay on distributions or share redemptions. Results also include the effect of a fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement arrangement. If this arrangement had not been in place, the performance results would have been lower.

Performance quoted for Institutional Class shares before their inception (3/29/2019) is derived from the historical performance of the Investor Class shares and has not been adjusted for the expenses of the Institutional Class shares, had they, returns would have been different.

Index performance is hypothetical and is shown for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in an index. The Morningstar Moderately Conservative Target Risk Index is an asset allocation index comprised of constituent Morningstar indices and reflects global equity market exposure of 40% based on an asset allocation methodology derived by lbbotson Associates, a Morningstar company.

Definitions: Investment Grade Bonds are those securities rated at least BBB-. Non-Investment Grade Bonds are those securities (commonly referred to as "high yield" or "junk" bonds) rated BB+ and below. 30-Day SEC Yield represents net investment income earned by a fund over a 30-day period, expressed as an annual percentage rate based on the fund's share price at the end of the 30-day period. Subsidized yield reflects fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements during the period. Without such fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, if any, yields would have been lower. Unsubsidized yield does not adjust for any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements in effect. Distribution Yield is the measurement of cash flow paid by a fund over a year. This rate does not represent the total return of a fund. Distributions may include income, short-term capital gains and long-term capital gains. The distribution yield is calculated by dividing the sum of all distributions paid by the fund over the trailing 12 months by the fund's NAV as of the date of the period presented. This calculation is based on distributions made in the past and is therefore not reflective of the fund's current portfolio. Average Effective Duration provides a measure of a fund's interest-rate sensitivity. The longer a fund's duration, the more sensitive the fund is to shifts in interest rates. Average Effective Maturity is a measure of maturity that takes into account the possibility that a bond might be called back by the issuer. Yield to Maturity (YTM) is the total return anticipated on a bond portfolio in maturity. Yield to Worst (YTM) is the lowest potential yield that can be received on a bond portfolio without the issuers actually defaulting. Average Coupon is the weighted average coupon rate of each bond in the portfolio. R-Squared is a measure that represents the percentage of a portfolio's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark. Beta measures volatility in relation to the fund's benchmark. Alpha measures the difference b

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