

Spotlight Fund of the Month

Quick Facts

Transamerica International Small Cap Value I (TISVX)

Morningstar --- ☆☆☆☆☆

Category --- US Fund Foreign Small/Mid Blend

Total Assets --- \$731.6 million



Why We Like This Fund

The Transamerica International Small Cap Value I (TISVX) fund seeks maximum long-term total return through exposure to small-cap companies located outside the United States. With a relative value process combining both quantitative and qualitative methods, the strategy selects a diversified portfolio of largely developed market equities composed of roughly 80-120 securities. A tendency to target 'deeper' value companies than category peers has historically tilted the portfolio towards lower volatility, less liquid, higher-yielding stocks, but ultimately supported long-term outperformance. Portfolio Managers Brandon Harrell, CFA, and Stedman Oakey, CFA average 20 years of listed PM experience and anchor the fund's philosophy and process with strong, consistent investment management. The fund has outperformed its category average and benchmark by 1.4% annualized over the last 10 years and ranks in the top decile of peers on trailing 3- and 5-year periods, and YTD. Strong absolute returns translated to strong risk-adjusted returns, as the strategy achieved higher Sharpe ratios over trailing 5- and 10-year periods without taking on additional risk. The fund generated significant positive alpha over trailing 3-, 5-, and 10-year periods, notably, when the average peer suffered strongly negative alpha.

Where to Use

The Transamerica International Small Cap Value I (TISVX) fund is an ideal choice for any investor seeking to diversify equity exposure beyond concentrated U.S. large-cap stocks with attractively valued, fundamentally sound, foreign companies. Consistently strong performance achieved while maintaining risk relative to peers and the benchmark separates TISVX as a quality option for international exposure.

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