



Needham Growth Fund

Institutional Class | NEEIX

Annual Shareholder Report | December 31, 2024

This annual shareholder report contains important information about the Needham Growth Fund for the period of January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024. You can find additional information about the Fund at www.needhamfunds.com/resources-forms. You can also request this information by contacting us at 1-800-625-7071.

WHAT WERE THE FUND COSTS FOR THE LAST YEAR? (based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

Class Name	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment
Institutional Class	\$135	1.26%

HOW DID THE FUND PERFORM LAST YEAR AND WHAT AFFECTED ITS PERFORMANCE?

Performance

For the 12-month period ended December 31, 2024, the Needham Growth Fund underperformed the Russell 3000 Index and the Russell Midcap Growth Index, and outperformed the S&P MidCap 400 Growth.

The key factor affecting the Fund’s performance was stock selection. The top contributor to performance was Super Micro Computer, Inc. (SMCI). SMCI manufactures server racks used in data centers and saw strong demand from artificial intelligence (AI) applications. The stock declined in third quarter after its auditor resigned, but SMCI hired a new auditor and stated it will file its financials in February 2025. The Fund has owned SMCI since 2009.

Entegris Inc. (ENTG) was the top detractor to fund performance. ENTG supplies materials used for semiconductor manufacturing. In 2024, the semiconductor industry saw growth from semiconductors manufactured for the AI industry, but the automotive, consumer, and industrial markets suffered, which affected ENTG. The Fund has also owned ENTG since 2009.

Investment Themes

The Fund’s major investment theme remains the importance of U.S. infrastructure. We invest in the lesser-known “pick and shovel” providers behind engineering and manufacturing. Our portfolio companies sell into data centers, life sciences labs, semiconductor and other manufacturing plants, roads, airports, airbases, power plants, and more. The U.S. has underinvested in these areas, so there could be long tailwinds.

Four areas present throughout our portfolio are: 1) Semiconductor manufacturing, 2) Data Centers/artificial intelligence (AI) processing, 3) U.S. manufacturing, and 4) Defense technology.

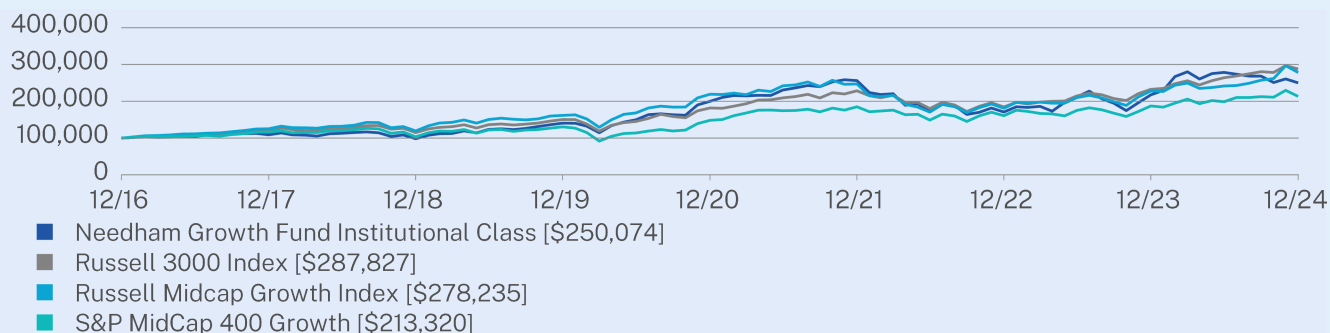
We believe the AI buildout is still in an early stage. Economic returns on AI projects could be substantial for productivity and the economy.

Our strategy is to invest in companies that are investing in new products and services and hold those that are successful.

HOW DID THE FUND PERFORM SINCE INCEPTION?*

The \$100,000 chart reflects a hypothetical \$100,000 investment in the class of shares noted and assumes the maximum sales charge. The chart uses total return NAV performance and assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Fund expenses, including 12b-1 fees, management fees and other expenses were deducted.

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE



ANNUAL AVERAGE TOTAL RETURN (%)

	1 Year	5 Year	Since Inception (12/30/2016)
Institutional Class (without sales charge)	15.01	12.22	12.14
Russell 3000 Index	23.81	13.86	14.12
Russell Midcap Growth Index	22.10	11.47	13.64
S&P MidCap 400 Growth	13.93	10.34	9.93

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* The Fund's past performance is not a good predictor of the Fund's future performance. The returns do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or redemption of Fund shares.

KEY FUND STATISTICS (as of December 31, 2024)

Net Assets	\$192,048,162
Number of Holdings	73
Net Advisory Fee	\$2,375,790
Portfolio Turnover	14%

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WHAT DID THE FUND INVEST IN? (as of December 31, 2024)

Top Sectors	(%) of net assets	Top 10 Issuers	(%) of net assets
Information Technology	54.5%	Super Micro Computer, Inc.	5.0%
Industrials	17.4%	Entegris, Inc.	4.9%
Health Care	11.4%	PDF Solutions, Inc.	4.5%
Communication Services	5.0%	Nova, Ltd. (Israel)	4.4%
Consumer Discretionary	4.5%	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	4.4%
Materials	3.5%	Parsons Corp.	4.2%
Real Estate	1.3%	Akamai Technologies, Inc.	3.7%
Financials	1.3%	Vicor Corp.	3.2%
Utilities	0.6%	CarMax, Inc.	3.2%
Cash & Other	0.5%	The Trade Desk, Inc.	3.1%

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