

# Needham Aggressive Growth Fund

## Retail Class | NEAGX

Annual Shareholder Report | December 31, 2025

This annual shareholder report contains important information about the Needham Aggressive Growth Fund ("the Fund") for the period of January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025. You can find additional information about the Fund at [www.needhamfunds.com/resources-forms](http://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
Retail Class	\$185	1.63%*

\* Reflects Fee Waivers and/or Expense Assumptions, without which expenses would have been higher.

### How Did the Fund Perform Over the Last Year and What Affected its Performance?

#### Performance

For the 12-month period ended December 31, 2025, the Needham Aggressive Growth Fund significantly outperformed the broad-based Russell 3000 Index and the more narrowly-based Russell 2000 Growth Index. Equity markets experienced periods of volatility during the year, particularly in the first quarter, related to trade and tariff policy. The market weakness earlier in the year was followed by periods of recovery, particularly in the second half, as the Federal Reserve began reducing interest rates.

Despite these challenges, the Fund delivered strong absolute and relative returns.

The key factor affecting the Fund's performance was stock selection. Several holdings benefited from strong demand related to data centers, semiconductor manufacturing, and defense-related technologies. Top contributors included nLIGHT, Inc. (LASR), which benefited from strength in its Aerospace and Defense business; ThredUp, Inc. (TDUP), which saw revenue and margin growth for its resale marketplace for women's clothing; and Vicor Corporation (VICR), which reported strong results driven by data center and AI-related power solutions. Top detractors included Unisys Corp. (UIS) and Aspen Aerogels, Inc. (ASPN).

The Fund experienced meaningful inflows and several of its portfolio holdings were acquired during the year, which contributed to higher-than-normal cash balances at certain points.

#### Investment Themes

Needham Investment Management LLC (the "Adviser") looks to invest in companies when they are investing in something new that is supported by an established business. The Fund's major investment theme remains the importance of U.S. infrastructure. The Fund invests in lesser-known "pick and shovel" providers behind engineering, manufacturing, and technology development. Portfolio companies sell into data centers, life sciences laboratories, semiconductor and other manufacturing facilities, transportation infrastructure, energy systems, and defense-related markets. The U.S. has underinvested in many of these areas, which may create long-term opportunities.

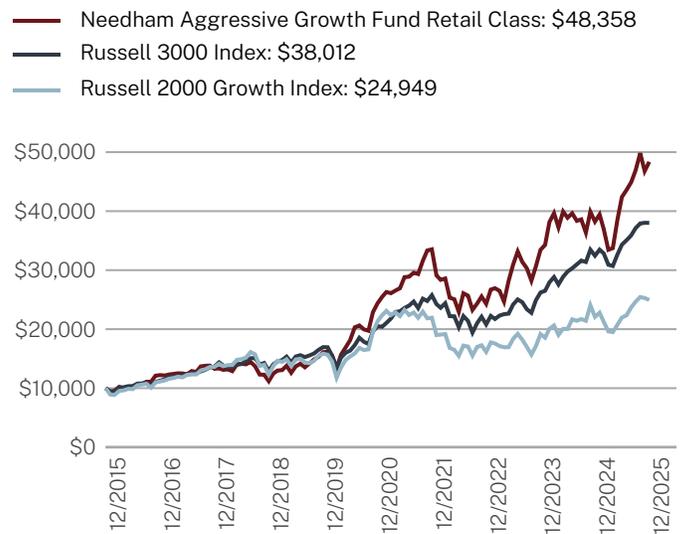
Four areas present throughout the portfolio are: Semiconductor manufacturing, data centers and artificial intelligence (AI) processing, U.S. manufacturing, and defense technology.

The Adviser believes the AI buildout remains in an early stage. The Fund's strategy is to invest in companies developing new products and services and to hold those that are successful over time.

### How Did the Fund Perform Over the Past 10 Years?\*

The following graph compares the initial and subsequent account values at the end of each of the most recently completed ten fiscal years of the Retail Class shares of the Fund. The graph assumes a \$10,000 initial investment at the beginning of the first annual period in an appropriate, broad-based securities market index and a more narrowly based index that reflects the market sector in which the Fund invests for the same period.

#### Cumulative Performance



#### Annual Average Total Return % (as of December 31, 2025)

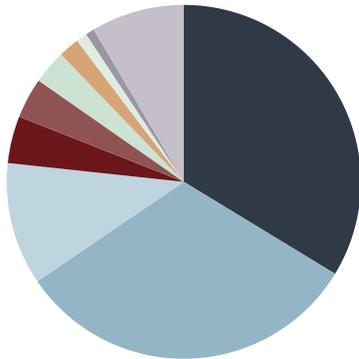
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Retail Class	26.51	14.69	17.07
Russell 3000® Index	17.15	13.15	14.29
Russell 2000® Growth Index	13.01	3.18	9.57

\* **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. All performance figures assume reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

#### Key Fund Statistics (as of December 31, 2025)

Net Assets	\$1,225,656,704
Number of Holdings	104
Portfolio Turnover	16%
Net Advisory Fee	\$9,305,074

**What Sectors Did the Fund Invest In? (as of December 31, 2025) (as a percentage of net assets)**



- Information Technology 33.7%
- Industrials 31.8%
- Consumer Discretionary 11.2%
- Consumer Staples 4.3%
- Materials 3.7%
- Energy 3.1%
- Health Care 1.9%
- Financials 1.0%
- Utilities 0.8%
- Cash & Other 8.5%

**Top Ten Issuers (as a percentage of net assets)**

Dreyfus Treasury Securities Cash Management - Class Institutional	7.5%
nLight, Inc.	4.9%
Vicor Corp.	4.4%
Arteris, Inc.	3.5%
Vertiv Holdings Co.	3.4%
PDF Solutions, Inc.	3.4%
ThredUp, Inc.	3.2%
Oil-Dri Corp. of America	2.5%
Genius Sports Ltd.	2.4%
Lincoln Educational Services Corp.	2.2%

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**Householding**

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