

Desjardins

Canadian Equity Value Fund



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LSV
Asset Management

PORTFOLIO MANAGER:
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CIFSC CATEGORY*:
Canadian Equity

Contributors to performance

- Stock selection in Consumer Staples (overweight to Loblaw) had a modest contribution during the period.

Detractors from performance

- Stock selection detracted across many of the cyclical value-oriented industries as markets were in free fall with the COVID-19 pandemic leading to an unprecedented economic shutdown globally.
- Energy, Materials, Industrials and the Financial sectors bore the brunt of indiscriminate selling.
- The portfolios overweight to airlines and Insurance stocks and underweight to Gold (acts as a defensive position) holdings detracted.

Major changes to portfolio in the period

- There were no major changes in the period (LSV uses a quant strategy with little turnover).
- Purchases during the period included Enbridge, Canadian Pacific Railway, Bausch Health and Rogers Communications.
- Sales during the period included West Fraser Timber, Bank of Nova Scotia, Toronto Dominion and Chorus Aviation.

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