

International Equity Strategy

March 31, 2025

Objective

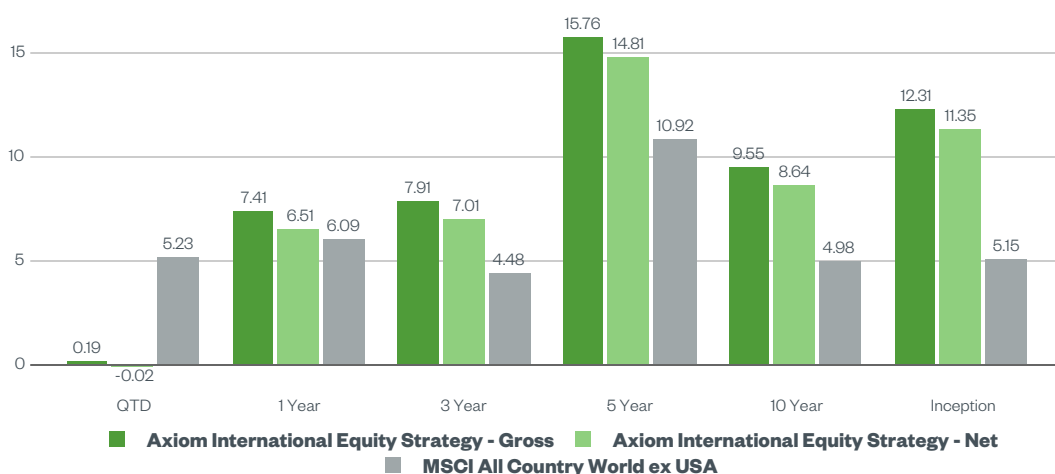
The International Equity Strategy seeks long term compounding by focusing its investments in non-US developed markets as well as investments deriving significant revenues or growth from non-US markets and may also invest in companies located in emerging markets.

Why Invest?

- Clearly defined, transparent, and consistent process
- Active risk management with disciplined portfolio construction
- Driven by fundamentals, supported by evidence
- Advancing positive change through active engagement

Annualized Returns (%)

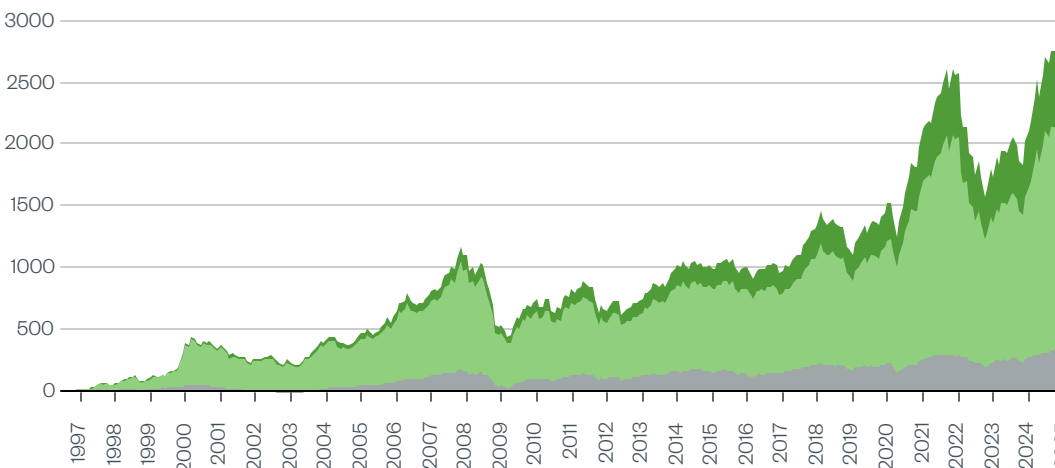
As of 3/31/25



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Cumulative Returns (%)

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Strategy Facts

Inception

July 1, 1996

Firm Assets

\$23.8 B*

Strategy Assets

\$3.5 B

Benchmark

MSCI All Country World ex USA

Vehicles

Separate account
Commingled fund 3(c)7
CIT**
UCITS
Mutual Fund***

Portfolio Managers

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Portfolio Manager,
Chief Investment Officer

Bradley Amoils

Portfolio Manager

Dean Bumbaca, CFA

Portfolio Manager

*Assets include Assets Under Management (\$23.3B) & Assets Under Advisement (\$0.5B).

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Top 10 Holdings

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Security	Country	Sector	% of Portfolio	% of Index
SAP SE	Germany	Information Technology	5.0	1.0
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc.	Japan	Financials	4.3	0.6
Barclays PLC	UK	Financials	4.2	0.2
Alibaba	China	Consumer Discretionary	4.0	1.0
Tokio Marine Holdings, Inc.	Japan	Financials	4.0	0.3
Taiwan Semiconductor	Taiwan	Information Technology	3.5	2.5
Tencent	China	Communication Services	3.3	1.5
Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd.	Japan	Industrials	3.2	0.2
Spotify Technology SA	Sweden	Communication Services	3.1	0.3
Rolls-Royce Holdings plc	UK	Industrials	3.0	0.3

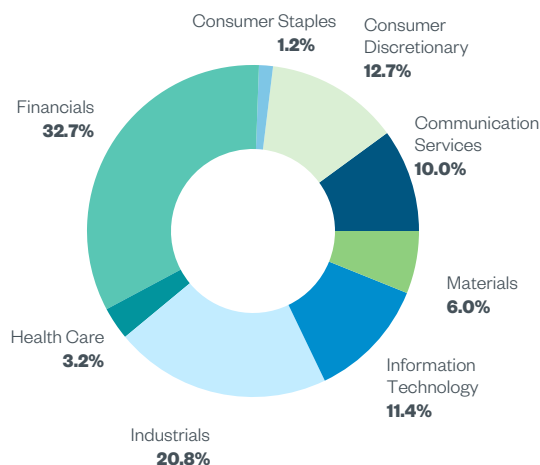
Risk/Return Analysis & Portfolio Characteristics (%)

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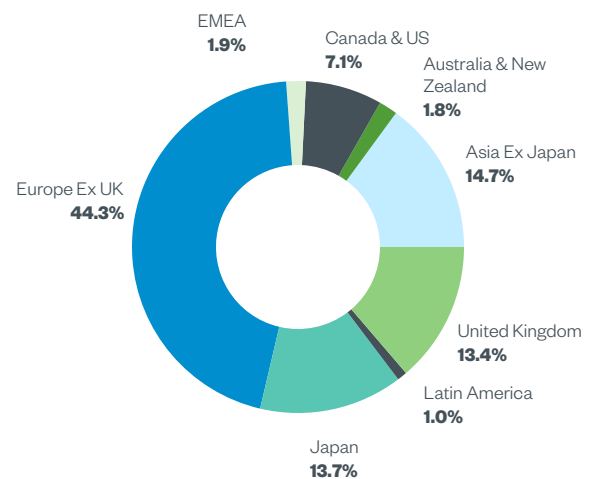
10 Year Statistics	Axiom (Gross)	Axiom (Net)	Index
Cumulative Return (%)	149.0	129.0	62.5
Annualized Return (%)	9.6	8.6	5.0
Annualized Excess Return (%)	4.6	3.7	--
Batting Average (% Quarterly)	60.0	60.0	--
Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	16.3	16.3	14.9
Tracking Error (%)	8.9	8.9	--
Information Ratio	0.5	0.4	--
Annualized Sortino Ratio	0.7	0.6	0.3
Upside Capture (% Quarterly)	169.7	159.8	-
Downside Capture (% Quarterly)	100.5	102.2	-

	Axiom	Index
Holdings	49	1982
% in Axiom Top 10 Holdings	37.5%	7.9%
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$B)	\$166.9	\$107.5
Median Market Cap (\$B)	\$75.9	\$11.0
Liquidity (\$M/Day)	\$863	\$401
Net Debt/Equity Ratio	13.7	37.7
Price Earnings Ratio (forward)	17.1	13.3
Earnings Growth Rate (forward)	17.0	14.2
PEG Ratio (PE/Growth Rate)	1.0	0.9
Wgt. Avg. Carbon Intensity	97.6	159.3

Sector Exposure (%)



Regional Exposure (%)



Index: MSCI All Country World Ex-United States

Currency: USD

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Commentary

During the first quarter 2025, the Axiom International Equity Strategy ("Strategy") underperformed the MSCI ACWI ex USA Index ("Index") net of fees. The Strategy has outperformed the Index on a net of fees basis over the 1-year, 3-year, 5-year, 10-year, and since inception periods.

International markets meaningfully outperformed the U.S. during the first quarter, with the MSCI AC World ex USA Index gaining nearly +5%, while the S&P 500 declined more than -4%. The U.S. dollar weakened by almost -4%, amplifying the relative strength of non-U.S. equities. Value stocks outpaced growth globally (MSCI ACWI) by nearly 12%, led by strong gains in materials, energy, and financials, while information technology stocks corrected, with the so-called "Mag 7" declining by -16%. Emerging markets also posted solid gains, supported by a recovery in leading Chinese innovation companies—particularly following the January release of Deep Seek R1—which contributed to the broader reset in AI-related equities outside of China. Meanwhile, the removal of Germany's low national "debt ceiling" by the newly elected government in February added support for select European equities. Non-U.S. markets continue to trade at meaningful discounts to the U.S., with new sources of sustainable growth emerging, even as some of the dominant themes of the past few years—such as the accelerated buildout of AI infrastructure and resilient U.S. consumption—show signs of moderating. Having benefited strongly from these themes in recent years, Axiom's investment team actively mitigated risk and repositioned portfolios to capture new global opportunities.

From a sector perspective, the largest absolute contributor to performance was industrials led by Rolls-Royce and Mitsubishi Heavy. Financials was another absolute contributor driven by Deutsche Borse and Barclays. The largest absolute and relative detracting sector during the quarter was consumer discretionary.

From a regional perspective, the largest absolute and one of the largest relative contributors was the UK, led by Rolls-Royce and Barclays. Another relative contributor was Japan, driven by Mitsubishi UFJ and Mitsubishi Heavy, and Australia & New Zealand due to positive performance from QBE Insurance. Europe ex UK and Canada & US were the main detracting regions for the quarter on a relative and absolute basis.

The largest relative contributors for Axiom owned stocks for the quarter were Rolls-Royce, Deutsche Borse, Mitsubishi UFJ, Barclays, and Celestica, while on an absolute basis Mitsubishi Heavy and Spotify also contributed to performance. The primary detractors on a relative basis were NVIDIA, Alibaba, On Holding, Taiwan Semiconductor, and InterContinental Hotels.

Dynamic growth investing is more essential than ever as the Trump administration's newly announced tariffs mark a potentially significant shift in U.S. trade and industrial policy. The structure and tone of these measures suggest more than a technical adjustment—they may hasten the deglobalization trends already in motion since the global financial crisis. Alongside ongoing demographic pressures, rising debt levels, and accelerating technological disruption, these developments reinforce the relevance of Axiom's "4Ds" investment framework: demographics, debt, deglobalization, and disruption. Our dynamic growth philosophy focuses on identifying the evolving group of global companies delivering sustainable, innovation-led growth in this environment. While the market digests the tariff news and its broader implications, it's worth noting that missing just 10 of the best recovery days over the past 30 years would have cut long-term returns nearly in half (source: Ned Davis Research). Global monetary policy and incrementally more favorable fiscal policy in certain countries continue to provide a supportive backdrop, with central bank cuts now outpacing hikes by a ratio of nearly 4-to-1. Valuations across global markets remain historically reasonable, while corporate and consumer balance sheets appear broadly healthy—important buffers against macroeconomic headwinds. With more than 25 years of experience successfully navigating changing market conditions, Axiom remains focused on our rigorous, evidence-based dynamic growth approach to identify investment opportunities, manage risk, and help our clients achieve attractive long-term outcomes.

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Footnotes and Disclaimers

	Composite return (gross of fees)	Composite return (net of fees)	Benchmark Total Return	No. of accounts	Market value (millions)	Total firm assets (millions)	% of firm assets (%)	Internal dispersion (%)	Composite 3-year standard deviation (%)	Benchmark 3-year standard deviation (%)
YTD '25	0.19%	-0.02%	5.23%	6	3,461.5	23,298.9	14.86	N/A	18.24	15.96
2024	27.18%	26.14%	5.53%	6	2,699.8	24,180.9	11.17	N/A	19.65	16.02
2023	20.21%	19.21%	15.62%	≤ 5	2,018.0	19,915.6	10.13	N/A	18.93	16.07
2022	-31.35%	-31.94%	-16.00%	≤ 5	1,611.8	16,580.9	9.72	N/A	21.01	19.26
2021	20.20%	19.21%	7.82%	6	2,251.0	18,639.7	12.08	0.54	15.82	16.79
2020	37.97%	36.84%	10.65%	6	2,202.5	18,535.9	11.88	N/A	17.83	17.93
2019	33.76%	32.66%	21.51%	7	1,715.6	13,458.1	12.75	N/A	12.99	11.34
2018	-16.34%	-17.05%	-14.20%	6	989.4	9,729.2	10.17	N/A	13.02	11.38
2017	35.25%	34.15%	27.19%	6	1,123.6	12,116.0	9.27	N/A	10.91	11.87
2016	-3.56%	-4.38%	4.50%	7	1,124.2	9,671.6	11.62	0.11	11.17	12.51
2015	1.21%	0.35%	-5.66%	7	1,402.2	8,704.3	16.11	0.20	11.25	12.13

Fee Schedule: First \$25 Million: 0.85%; Balance: 0.75%

Firm Compliance Statement: Axiom Investors LLC (the "Firm") claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Axiom has been independently verified for the period September 1, 1998 to December 31, 2024. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS standards must establish policies and procedures for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS standards. Verification provides assurance on whether the firm's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been designed in compliance with the GIPS standards and have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. The Axiom International Equity Composite has had a performance examination for the periods September 1, 1998 to December 31, 2024. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

Definition of the Firm: The firm is currently defined for GIPS purposes as Axiom Investors, LLC (the "Firm") is a registered investment advisor under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

Policies: Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request. Past performance does not predict or guarantee future results.

Composite Description: The International Equity strategy (the "Composite") is designed for investors who seek to invest in a broadly diversified portfolio of international equities. Portfolios are invested in the full range of developed markets and may also invest in selected emerging markets. Currencies may be actively managed to reduce portfolio volatility. The Composite represents the performance of all Institutional international style fee-paying, discretionary equity accounts, regardless of asset size and commingled fund(s). The Composite was initiated and created in September 1998. For the periods from July 1, 1996 to August 31, 1998 (the "Prior Composite") was managed by Andrew Jacobson and current Axiom team members at Columbus Circle Investors ("Columbus"). A list of composite descriptions, a list of limited distribution pooled fund descriptions, a list of broad distribution pooled funds and performance results are available upon request.

Benchmark Description: The benchmark is the MSCI All Country World ex U.S. index, which is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets excluding the United States. The benchmark is calculated on a total return basis with net dividends reinvested, after the deduction of withholding taxes and is free float-adjusted market cap weighted and unmanaged. Prior to January 1, 2001, the benchmark was calculated on a total return basis not including tax credits. FX is based off London 4 P.M. close.

Significant Cash Flow Policy: Accounts with a cash flow greater than 20% of the portfolio market value are excluded for the month.

Reporting Currency: Valuations are computed and performance is reported in U.S. dollars. FX is based off NY 4 P.M. close.

Fees: Gross of fees returns are presented before management and custodial fees but after all trading expenses. Net of fees returns are calculated by deducting the highest fee from the monthly gross composite return which is expressed above in the stated fee schedule. Returns include the reinvestment of income.

Performance is calculated net of withholding taxes on dividends. The fee schedule for the Axiom International Equity Fund II, which is included in the International Equity Composite is listed above. The total expense ratio as of December 31, 2024 was 0.05%. The Axiom International Equity CIT, which is also included in the composite has an all-in fee (management fees & expenses) of 0.85%.

Internal Dispersion: Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross returns of those portfolios that were in the composite for the entire year. If 5 or less accounts, N/A is shown.

Annualized Standard Deviation: The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite gross returns and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

Batting Average: The number of periods that the portfolio outperforms (or matches) the benchmark divided by the total number of periods.

Tracking Error: The active risk of the portfolio. It determines the standard deviation of the excess returns between the portfolio and the benchmark. It is calculated by creating a new return series of the excess returns and then calculating the population standard deviation of that return series.

Information Ratio: A measure of consistency in excess return. The annualized excess return over a benchmark divided by the annualized standard deviation (population) of excess return.

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Risks of investing in the strategy:

Potential loss of investment: No guarantee or representation is made that the investment program used by Axiom will be successful. The strategy represents a speculative investment and involves a high degree of risk. An investment in the strategy should be discretionary capital set aside strictly for speculative purposes. Investors must have the financial ability, sophistication/experience and willingness to bear the risks of an investment in the strategy. An investment in the strategy is not suitable for all investors. An investor could lose all or a substantial portion of his/her/its investment. Only qualified eligible investors may invest in the strategy. Because of the nature of the trading activities, the results of the strategy's operations may be volatile from month to month and from period to period. Accordingly, investors should understand that past performance is not indicative of future results.

Fees and expenses: The strategy may be subject to substantial charges for management, advisory and brokerage fees. It may be necessary for those accounts that are subject to these charges to make substantial trading profits to avoid depletion or exhaustion of their assets.

Reliance on key persons: The strategy's manager or advisor has total trading authority over the strategy and may be subject to various conflicts of interest. The death, disability or departure of the manager or advisor may have a material effect on the strategy.

Counterparty and bankruptcy risk: Although Axiom will attempt to limit its transactions to counterparties which are established, well-capitalized and creditworthy, the strategy will be subject to the risk of the inability of counterparties to perform with respect to transactions, whether due to insolvency, bankruptcy or other causes, which could subject the strategy to substantial losses.

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