

	A-Shares	B-Shares
NAV in USD	220.75	227.25
MTD return	-5.73%	-5.69%
YTD return	-6.99%	-6.64%
Net AuM	USD 48.3 m	
Morningstar Rating™	★★★	

Manager's comment

In September, we lost 5.7% underperforming our benchmark by 2.2%. This lowers our alpha for the year to 3.0%.

When we outperformed the benchmark in July by 5% we were able to explain this by the best earnings season in history. Looking back at the whole earnings season (including the month of August and some late announcements in September) 85 % of all companies beat or met analyst earnings forecasts, the highest score since we started the fund. However, we cannot point at any company-specific news that can explain the under-performance in September.

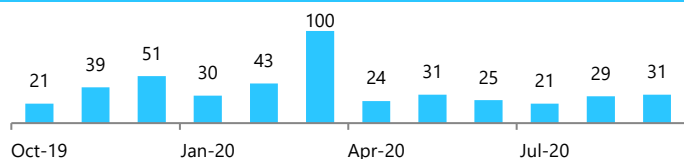
We found a very strong negative correlation between September returns and the returns since we bought the stock. In other words, our big winners sold off and our losers gained. One explanation (of course not the only one) is the fear of a Biden win in November as he plans not only to increase corporate taxes but also enact the largest capital gains tax increase in American history. If markets expect a Biden win, this expected capital gains tax increase will generate selling pressure from investors who will want to realize capital gains before January 2021. Investors who anticipate a Biden sell-off will already sell winners now. The election results in November will confirm whether this sell-off is justified.

This month we sold Ebix and Plantronics and bought CBTX and 31 firms made buyback announcements.

Fund strategy

The PV Buyback USA Fund is a long-only fund focused on small and mid caps listed on the US equity market. It invests in companies announcing share buyback programs to take advantage of an undervalued stock price. To identify those firms where the repurchase is most likely motivated by undervaluation, the Fund has developed a systematic approach. Fund managers are highly experienced and have a strong track record in developing and implementing this investment strategy.

Number of buyback announcements²



Risk metrics

Indicators	PV Buyback USA	Russell 2000
Daily annualized volatility ³	39.4%	41.0%
Maximum drawdown	-44.5%	-43.1%
Beta	0.93	1.00
Sharpe ratio ⁴	0.12	0.05
Information ratio ⁴	-0.04	
Tracking error	6.53%	

Fund facts

Fund name	DIM Funds SICAV SA – PV Buyback USA	
Legal structure	UCITS V	
Management comp.	Degroof Petercam Asset Services	
Domicile	Luxembourg (CSSF regulated)	
Geography	US listed stocks	
Asset classes	Equity	
Strategy	Directional long-only	
Style	Value, event driven situations	
Reference index	Russell 2000	
High Watermark	Yes, trailing 2 years	
Investment Advisors	Theo Vermaelen and Urs Peyer	
Fund administrator	Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg	
Share class	A-Shares	B-Shares
Management fee	150 bps	100 bps
Performance fee	10 % of the outperf.	10 % of the outperf.
Minimum investment	None	USD 250,000
Liquidity	Daily, 1 day notice	Daily, 1 day notice
ISIN	LU1149046275	LU0630248994
Ticker	DIPBAUS LX Equity	DIPVBAA LX Equity

Notes: 1 Daily NAV as of 30/9/2020 | 2 USA Buybacks; www.theonlineinvestor.com | 3 Trailing one year | 4 Calculated based on return since inception

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Performance vs. Benchmark



Performance period	PV BB USA - B	Russell 2000	Outperformance
September 2020	-5.7%	-3.5%	-2.2%
Year-to-date	-6.6%	-9.6%	3.0%
3-year annualized	1.8%	0.4%	1.5%
5-year annualized	8.4%	6.5%	1.9%
2019	19.5%	23.7%	-4.2%
2018	-7.2%	-12.2%	5.0%
2017	13.6%	13.1%	0.5%

Portfolio breakdown

Sector	# of positions	Avg. Market Cap.
Industrials	13	943 m
Health Care	12	1578 m
Semiconductors	8	933 m
Financials	8	695 m
Hardware	7	480 m
Software	6	1737 m
Telecom	5	869 m
Cons. Discretionary	5	625 m
Energy	4	429 m
Materials	1	310 m
Cons. Staples	0	-
TOTAL	69	979 m

Industry exposure

