



# BRISTOL GATE CANADIAN EQUITY STRATEGY



## ABOUT BRISTOL GATE

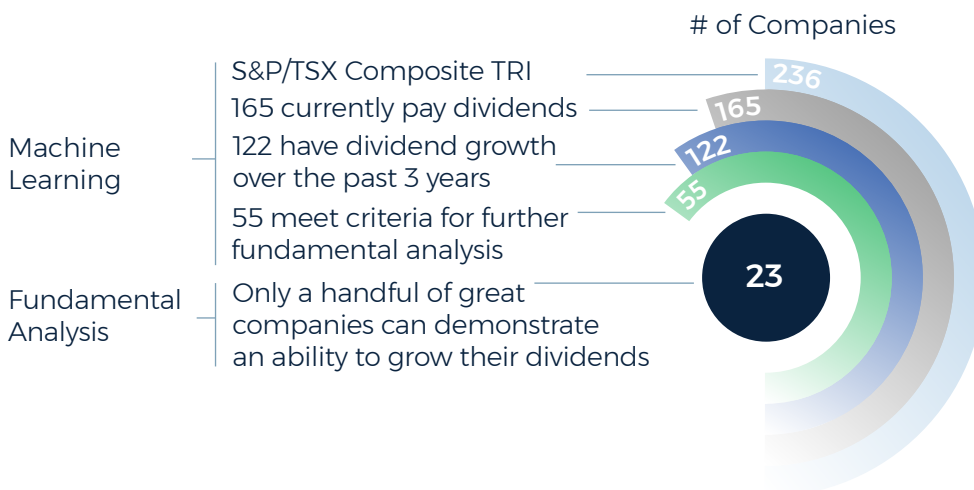
As at February 28, 2023

Bristol Gate is a Toronto-based Investment Manager that combines fundamental analysis with data science to identify companies with the highest predicted dividend growth over the next 12 months. Bristol Gate uses machine learning and other data science techniques in constructing portfolios aimed at reducing risk and improving returns while avoiding emotional bias in the investment process. Bristol Gate was founded in 2006 and is a privately owned company.

## OBJECTIVE

The Bristol Gate Canadian Equity Strategy seeks to generate long-term growth of income and capital by investing primarily in a concentrated portfolio of publicly traded equity securities of Canadian companies that pay a dividend.

## HOW WE FIND THE BEST DIVIDEND GROWTH



## HIGHLIGHTS

- 23 positions
- Rebalanced to an equally weighted model, generally quarterly
- Our proprietary methodology uses Machine Learning to predict the highest dividend growers looking forward over the next 12 months
- The dividend hurdle rate is set annually. If a portfolio company falls below the dividend hurdle rate, a full due-diligence process on the company will be triggered.

## HOW DATA SCIENCE FITS INTO THE INVESTMENT PROCESS



## WHY WE ARE DIFFERENT?

- Concentrated portfolio of the highest predicted dividend growers primarily in the S&P/TSX Composite TRI
- Truly active management with high Active Share
- Measureable reduction in downside risk

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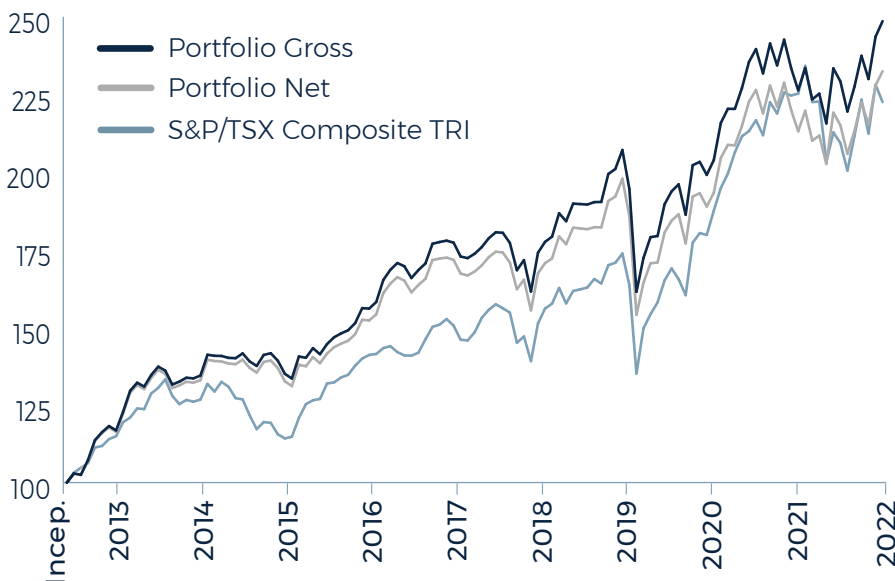


## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Portfolio		Index
	Gross	Net	Gross
Number of Securities	23	23	236
Dividend Yield	1.6%	1.6%	3.2%
TTM Dividend Growth	15.4%	15.4%	9.9%
P/E	22.3	22.3	14.1
Forward P/E	18.6	18.6	13.0
Standard Deviation	11.7%	11.7%	12.4%
Sharpe Ratio	0.43	0.37	0.30
Sortino Ratio	0.81	0.71	0.60
Information Ratio	0.18	0.06	-
Up Capture	92.6%	90.3%	100%
Down Capture	77.2%	79.2%	100%
Tracking Error	6.01	6.01	-
Portfolio Alpha	2.21	1.50	-
Portfolio Beta	0.88	0.88	-
Active Share	81.4%	81.4%	-

## GROWTH OF \$100,000 [CAD]

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The table shown above is used only to illustrate the effects of the compound growth rate and is not intended to reflect future values of the Strategy or returns on investment in the Strategy.

## ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE [CAD]

\*Since Inception July 1, 2013

		1M	3M	YTD	1Y	3Y	4Y	5Y	Since Inception*		
Bristol Gate Canadian Equity	Gross	2.1%	4.7%	8.1%	9.8%	8.5%	8.8%	7.5%	9.9%		
	Net	2.0%	4.5%	8.0%	9.1%	7.8%	8.0%	6.8%	9.1%		
S&P/TSX Composite TRI		-2.5%	-0.4%	4.8%	-1.2%	10.8%	9.3%	8.8%	8.6%		
		2013*	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Bristol Gate Canadian Equity	Gross	18.2%	13.0%	4.3%	12.1%	13.9%	-9.2%	24.4%	1.2%	19.3%	-5.2%
	Net	17.8%	12.2%	3.6%	11.4%	13.1%	-9.9%	23.6%	0.5%	18.4%	-5.9%
S&P/TSX Composite TRI		14.0%	10.6%	-8.3%	21.1%	9.1%	-8.9%	22.9%	5.6%	25.1%	-5.8%

## TOP 10

Stella-Jones Inc.	5.00%
Premium Brands Holdings	4.91%
Open Text Corp.	4.82%
Thomson Reuters Corp.	4.80%
CCL Industries Inc.	4.64%
Toromont Industries Ltd.	4.58%
Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc.	4.53%
Enghouse Systems Ltd.	4.46%
Dollarama Inc.	4.35%
Element Fleet Mgmt. Corp.	4.33%

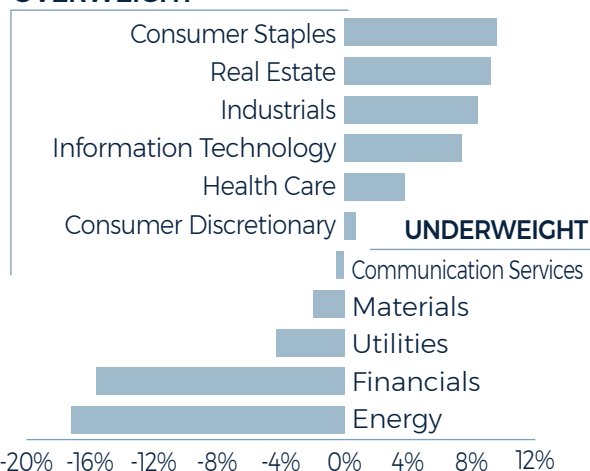
## SECTOR ALLOCATIONS (%)

Industrials	21.7%
Financials	16.1%
Consumer Staples	13.8%
Information Technology	13.5%
Real Estate	11.8%
Materials	9.6%
Consumer Discretionary	4.4%
Communication Services	4.3%
Health Care	4.2%
Utilities	0.0%
Energy	0.0%

## RELATIVE TO BENCHMARK

Sector Exposure vs. S&P/TSX Composite TRI at February 28, 2023

### OVERWEIGHT



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iShares Core S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index ETF (XIC CN) sourced from Bloomberg has been used as a proxy for the S&P/TSX Total Return Index for the purpose of providing non-return based portfolio statistics and sector weightings in this factsheet.

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