# <u>New Constructs®</u>

## 12/08/11 NAV as of 12/07/11: \$10.89



# **RSEMX - Attractive Rating**

# Royce Fund: Royce Special Equity Multi-Cap Fund

| ★★★★☆ | Predictive Rating    |  |  |
|-------|----------------------|--|--|
| ★★★★☆ | Portfolio Management |  |  |
| ★★★☆☆ | Total Annual Costs   |  |  |

Attractive

Attractive Neutral

#### Investment Recommendation

- · We recommend investors buy RSEMX.
- · We expect the fund to outperform the market.
- RSEMX's Portfolio Management rating justifies its high Total Annual Costs.

#### **Portfolio Management Rating Details**

- RSEMX receives our Attractive rating because it overweights Attractiveor-better-rated stocks.
- IWZ, RSEMX's benchmark, receives our Neutral rating.
- · Our fund analytics are based on aggregating our models and ratings for each fund's holdings.
- Our top-ranked stock ratings leverage key data from the financial footnotes for unrivaled research quality.

#### Predictive Ratings enable smarter investing by assessing the key drivers of fund performance.

**PREDICTIVE FUND RATING** 

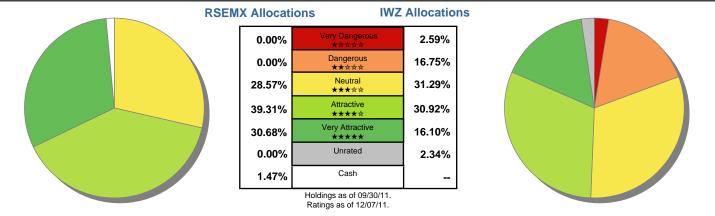
· Stock-picking (Portfolio Management) and fund expenses (Total Annual Costs) drive investment performance.

#### **Fund Rankings**

- 100th percentile of the 6000+ equity funds we cover.
- · 1 out of 376 All Cap Growth funds.
- None of the 2 ETFs in the same category rank better.

| Portfolio Management Rating Breakdown |                                   |                 |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Business Stre                         | ength                             |                 |  |  |
| *****                                 | Quality of Earnings               | Very Attractive |  |  |
| *****                                 | Return on Invested Capital (ROIC) | 18.11%          |  |  |
| Valuation                             |                                   |                 |  |  |
| ★★★★☆                                 | Free Cash Flow Yield              | 6.27%           |  |  |
| ★★★★☆                                 | Price to Economic Book Value      | 1.16            |  |  |
| ★★★★☆                                 | Market-Implied Duration of Growth | 9 years         |  |  |
| Fund Asset A                          | llocation                         |                 |  |  |
| ★★★★☆                                 | Cash Allocation                   | 1.47% cash      |  |  |

#### Allocation Details: Fund vs Benchmark - iShares Russell 3000 Growth Index Fund (IWZ)



#### **Active Management Commentary**

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- RSEMX allocates 0.00% of its value to Dangerous-or-worse-rated stocks while IWZ allocates 19.34%.
- RSEMX allocates 69.99% of its value to Attractive-or-better-rated stocks while IWZ allocates 47.02%.
- Investors should expect funds with higher Total Annual Costs to allocate more value to Attractive and Very Attractive Stocks and less to Dangerous and Very Dangerous stocks than alternative funds with lower costs.
- Active portfolio management of RSEMX adds value versus its ETF benchmark IWZ.

| Return - Annual   | Top 5 Holdings  |                                    | Key Mutual Fu  | nd Statistic                       | S   |  |
|---|---|------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Year to Date<br>1 Year<br>3 Year<br>5 Year<br>Inception 8.90%   | Bed Bath & Beyond Inc<br>Cisco Systems Inc<br>Microsoft Corp<br>Analog Devices Inc<br>Raytheon Co | BBBY<br>CSCO<br>MSFT<br>ADI<br>RTN | Net Assets(mm)<br>NAV<br>Benchmark<br># of Holdings<br>Initial Minimum | \$10.89<br>IWZ<br>37<br>\$2,000.00 | Category<br>Mgmt Co<br>Manager<br>Tenure<br>Inception | All Cap Growth<br>Royce & Associates LLC<br>Charles R. Dreifus<br>2011<br>01/03/11 |
| Data from Lipper, a Thomson Reuters Company, and New Constructs, LLC. Details on Total Annual Costs Rating are on page 2. |   |                                    |  |                                    |   |  |

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# PREDICTIVE FUND RATING

#### 12/08/11

#### Total Annual Costs Rating and Ranking

| Rating | Total Annual<br>Costs | Fund Universe<br>% Rank | Category Rank |
|--------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| ★★★☆☆  | 1.55%                 | 65.56%                  | 138 of 376    |

This rating reflects all expenses, loads, fees, and transaction costs in a single value that is comparable across all funds.

#### **Total Annual Costs Breakdown**

|                    | Annualized Values |                |  |  |
|--------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|--|
| All Cost Types     | RSEMX             | Benchmark: IWZ |  |  |
| Front-End Load     | 0.00%             |                |  |  |
| Expense Ratio      | 1.55%             | 0.28%          |  |  |
| Back-End Load      | 0.00%             |                |  |  |
| Redemption Fee     | 0.00%             |                |  |  |
| Transaction Costs  | 0.00%             |                |  |  |
| Total Annual Costs | 1.55%             | 0.28%          |  |  |

 To justify its higher Total Annual Costs, RSEMX must outperform its ETF benchmark by 1.27% annually over 3 years or 1.27% annually over 10 years.

- This analysis assumes a 3-year holding period, the average for all funds.
- Transaction costs are assumed to be zero because the portfolio turnover ratio is unknown.

Data from Lipper, a Thomson Reuters Company, and New Constructs, LLC.

#### Overview of Our Predictive Mutual Fund Rating System

New Constructs' <u>Predictive Fund Ratings</u> enable smarter investing by assessing the key drivers of future fund performance. We start by analyzing every fund holding based on New Constructs' stock ratings, which are regularly featured as among the <u>best by Barron's</u>. Next, we measure and rank the all-in costs of investing in a fund.

Intuitively, there are two drivers of future fund performance.

- 1) New stock-picking (Portfolio Management Rating) and
- 2) Fund expenses (Total Annual Costs Rating) drive investment performance

The figure below details the criteria that drive our Predictive Rating system for funds. The two drivers of our predictive rating system are Portfolio Management and Total Annual Costs. The Portfolio Management Rating (details <u>here</u>) is the same as our Stock Rating (details <u>here</u>) except that we incorporate Asset Allocation (details <u>here</u>) in the Portfolio Management Rating. The Total Annual Costs Rating (details <u>here</u>) captures the all-in cost of being in a fund over a 3-year holding period, the average period for all mutual fund investors.

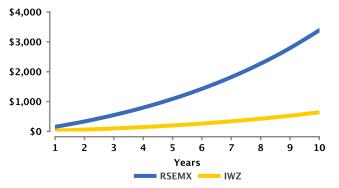
|                         | Portfolio Management Rating |                               |           |                             |                               |                  |                              |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Predictive<br>Rating    | Business Strength           |                               | Valuation |                             |                               | Asset Allocation | Total Annual<br>Costs Rating |  |
|                         | Quality of<br>Earnings      | Return on<br>Invested Capital | FCF Yield | Price to Econ<br>Book Value | Mkt-Imp Duration<br>of Growth | Cash %           |                              |  |
| Very Dangerous<br>★☆☆☆☆ | Misleading Trend            | Bottom Quintile               | < -5%     | > 3.5 or -1 < 0             | > 50                          | > 20%            | > 4%                         |  |
| Dangerous<br>★★☆☆☆      | False Positive              | 4th Quintile                  | -5% < -1% | 2.4 < 3.5 or < -1           | 20 < 50                       | 8% < 20%         | 2% < 4%                      |  |
| Neutral<br>★★★☆☆        | Neutral EE                  | 3rd Quintile                  | -1% < 3%  | 1.6 < 2.4                   | 10 < 20                       | 2.5% < 8%        | 1% < 2%                      |  |
| Attractive<br>★★★★      | Positive EE                 | 2nd Quintile                  | 3% < 10%  | 1.1 < 1.6                   | 3 < 10                        | 1% < 2.5%        | 0.5% < 1%                    |  |
| Very Attractive         | Rising EE                   | Top Quintile                  | > 10%     | 0 < 1.1                     | 0 < 3                         | < 1%             | < 0.5%                       |  |

#### Reported Costs vs Benchmark: as of 05/01/11

|                | RSEMX | Benchmark: IWZ |
|----------------|-------|----------------|
| Front-End Load | 0.00% |                |
| Expense Ratio  | 1.39% | 0.25%          |
| Back-End Load  | 0.00% |                |
| Redemption Fee | 0.00% |                |

#### Accumulated Total Costs vs Benchmark

Accumulated Total Costs represent the dollar value of costs investors incur during a 10-yr holding period. Assumes a \$10,000 investment and a 10% annual return for the fund and its benchmark.



 3-year Accumulated Total Costs are \$547.35 for RSEMX and \$99.58 for IWZ. 10-year Accumulated Total Costs are \$3,387.95 for RSEMX and \$641.19 for IWZ.

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