

Market extremes call for active judgment: Build resilience amid AI-driven concentration

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Passive risk grows

Benchmarks are increasingly dominated by a narrow group of AI-linked companies that may be creating unintended risks.

Valuations are extended

Today's leaders are high-quality companies, but elevated valuations may already reflect optimistic outcomes.

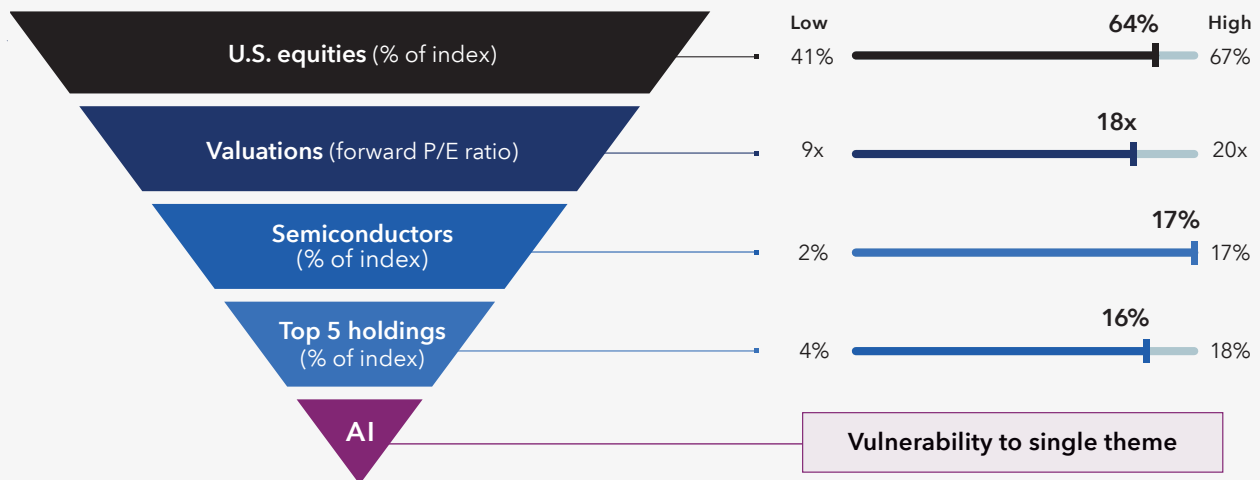
Active judgment can help

As market leadership narrows, active management seeks to participate in growth while building resilience.

Passive market risks are stacked

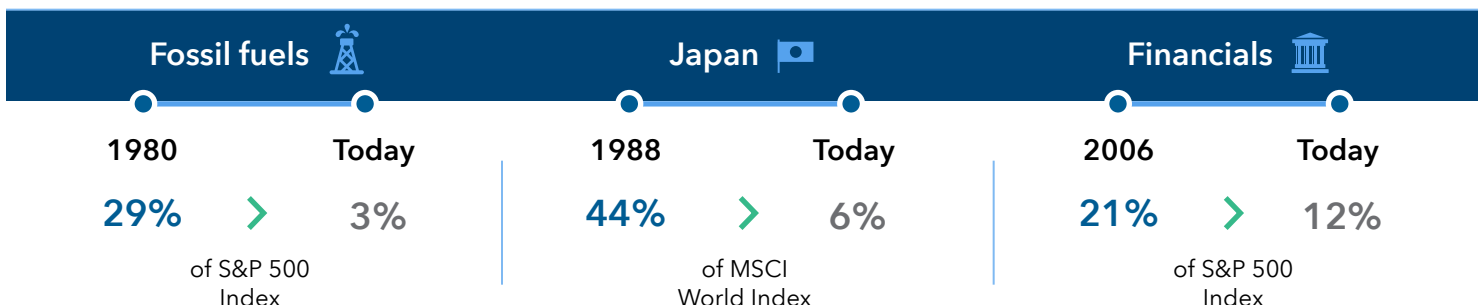
MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI)

Current value and historic range, 20 years through 6/30/26



Sources: Capital Group, FactSet, Morningstar. Percent of index is based on market capitalization.

Previous examples of market concentration



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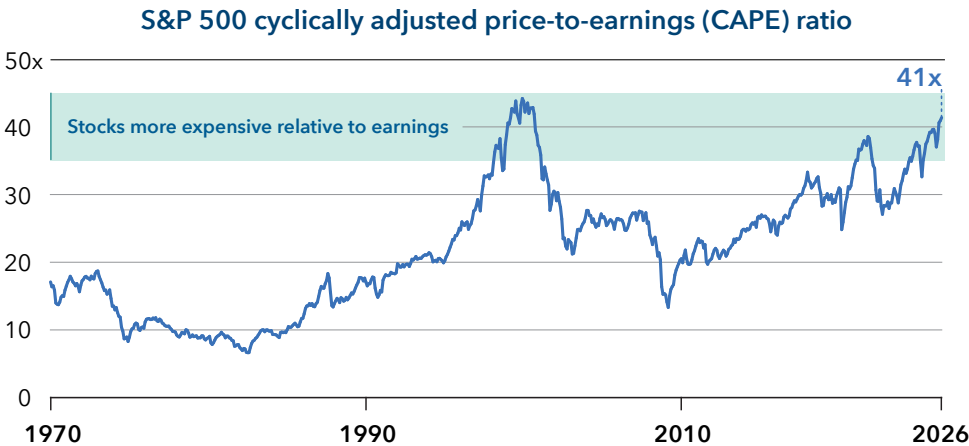
Active management has historically outpaced when valuations soar

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Average 3-year forward returns (%) since 1/31/1970 when S&P 500 CAPE was 35x-45x¹

S&P 500 Index	-1.5
Average actively managed funds	-1.2
American Funds® mutual funds	4.0

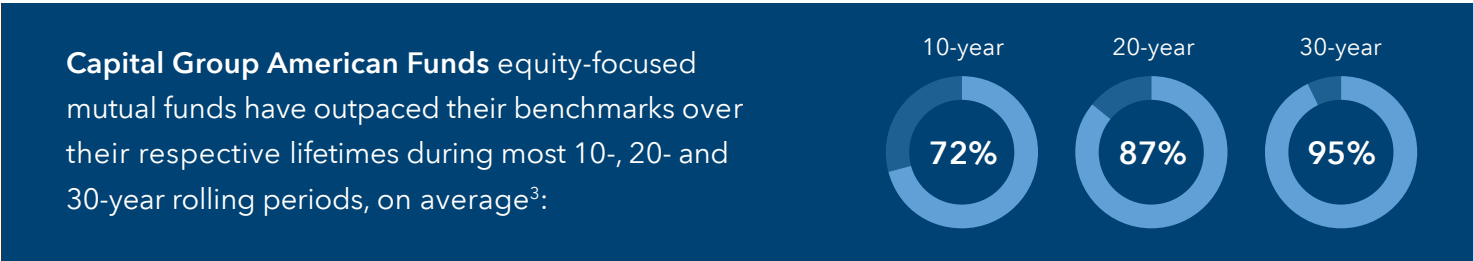
Sources: Capital Group, S&P Global, Shiller Data, Morningstar. American Funds benchmarked to the S&P 500. Based on Class R-6 shares. Analysis period is from January 31, 1970, through June 30, 2026. CAPE ratio can help assess whether an index is overvalued, undervalued or fairly valued. For more information, see footnotes and important information.



Active management can be risk aware

Investment criteria	Passive ²	Active
Market indicators (market capitalization, valuations and sectors)	✓	✓
Fundamental research (analysis of economies, industries and companies)	✗	✓
Portfolio risk management (consideration of risk at the issuer and portfolio level)	✗	✓

How Capital Group has delivered



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Martin Romo
Chair and chief investment officer

A long-term view	Collaborative research	Diverse perspectives
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Privately owned We can maintain a long-term view and do what we think is best for investors.	Aligned with investors Portfolio managers invest alongside their shareholders to focus on long-term outcomes. ⁴	An industry leader An evolving product suite of mutual funds, ETFs and SMAs, along with new public-private strategies.	A top asset manager Our assets total more than \$3 trillion, making Capital Group the largest active U.S. fund manager. ⁵	Low expenses Our equity-focused mutual fund and ETF expenses are among the lowest in the industry. ⁶
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How Capital Group can help increase resilience

The question is not whether AI will create value. It is whether a single theme should define the shape of a portfolio. An active approach can help investors both participate in powerful innovation while gaining differentiated exposure to other potential growth areas.

Participate with growth	Defend with dividends	Diversify with international
Growth Fund of America (GFA)	Washington Mutual Investors Fund (WMIF)	New World Fund (NWF)
Seek growth outside the style box 	Add value or income exposure 	Increase global exposure 
Investment focus		
Within U.S. growth Seeks to invest in companies that may offer superior opportunities for growth without index constraints.	Across U.S. equity styles Seeks both growth and income opportunities without rigid style limitations.	Across geographies Seeks growth with a focus on emerging markets while maintaining exposure to developed markets.
• Flexible approach to growth • Dynamic positioning • Grounded in fundamentals	• Seeks growth and income • Pursues high-quality dividends • Disciplined focus on resilience	• Research-based approach to global equities • Seeks growth with moderate risk • Emphasis on quality holdings

Areas of research-based conviction

Top overweight holdings relative to benchmark

GFA (vs. S&P 500)	WMIF (vs. S&P 500)	NWF (vs. MSCI EM Index)
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Information technology	Broadcom Information technology	Broadcom Information technology
Meta Communication services	Philip Morris International Consumer staples	Alphabet Communication services
Broadcom Information technology	KLA Corporation Information technology	NVIDIA Information technology
Eli Lilly Healthcare	ASML Holdings NV Information technology	MercadoLibre Consumer discretionary
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Healthcare	Marsh & McLennan Companies Financials	International Container Terminal Services Industrials
Anthropic Information technology	Welltower Inc. Real estate	ASML Holdings NV Information technology
SK hynix Information technology	British American Tobacco Consumer staples	First Quantum Materials

Source: Capital Group. Top holdings relative to benchmark reflect the largest differentials of each company weight in the fund versus the benchmark, based on monthly average company weights ending 6/30/26. The benchmark for GFA and WMIF is the S&P 500 Index. The benchmark for NWF is the MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

Investment results

Investment results		Total returns (%)					Gross expense ratio (%)	30-day SEC yield (%)		12-month distribution rate (%)
		Cumulative	Average annual					as of 8/31/26		
As of 6/30/2026 (Class R-6 shares)	Inception date	1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year	Lifetime		Gross	Net	
Morningstar Large Growth category		18.29	21.52	10.51	16.40	-	-	-	-	-
The Growth Fund of America	12/1/73	19.24	23.79	11.84	16.53	14.26	0.29	0.34	0.34	0.51
Morningstar Large Value category		21.21	16.13	10.48	11.47	-	-	-	-	-
Washington Mutual Investors Fund	7/31/52	15.69	18.01	12.66	13.70	12.30	0.26	1.54	1.54	1.49
New Geography/New World Historical Benchmarks Index		37.67	24.06	13.39	14.00	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI Emerging Markets Index		43.51	23.03	7.20	10.07	-	-	-	-	1.93
New World Fund	6/17/99	29.73	18.51	6.82	11.36	8.99	0.57	1.26	1.26	1.24
S&P 500 Index		22.32	20.61	13.41	15.51	-	-	-	-	1.10
Russell 1000 Growth Index		17.71	22.58	13.71	18.58	-	-	-	-	-
Russell 1000 Value Index		27.09	17.78	11.17	11.52	-	-	-	-	-

Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses. The expense ratios are as of each fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. The indexes are unmanaged and therefore, have no expenses. Investors cannot directly invest in an index. There have been periods when the funds have lagged the indexes. When applicable, results reflect fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, without which they would have been lower. Please see capitalgroup.com for more information. This content, developed by Capital Group, home of American Funds, should not be used as a primary basis for investment decisions and is not intended to serve as impartial investment or fiduciary advice.

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¹ Average actively managed return is based on Morningstar data of 2,983 U.S. large-cap funds using the oldest available share class and returns are net of oldest share class fees. Categories include Large Value, Large Blend, and Large Growth, and are inclusive of open-end and exchange-traded funds. The methodology rebalances monthly and includes both live and obsolete funds. American Funds included in the analysis are benchmarked to the S&P 500 and consist of: American Mutual Fund, Washington Mutual Investors Fund, The Investment Company of America, Fundamental Investors, AMCAP Fund and The Growth Fund of America. Returns are net of fund expenses. Analysis period is from January 31, 1970, through June 30, 2026.

² Certain types of index funds may employ hybrid active and passive strategies. The attributes of these funds may differ.

³ Source: Capital Group. As of 12/31/25. Calculations cover the time frame from January 1934 through December 2025 and are based on rolling monthly periods over each of the existing American Funds equity-focused mutual funds' respective lifetimes for Class R-6 shares at net asset value.

⁴ Source: Morningstar. As of 2/18/26. Ninety-four percent of American Funds assets are invested in mutual funds in which at least one manager has invested more than \$1 million.

⁵ Assets under management claim based on preliminary Capital Group data as of 6/30/26. Largest U.S. mutual fund manager information based on Morningstar data on open-ended mutual fund assets (excluding fund of funds) as of 6/30/26.

⁶ Sources: Capital Group, Morningstar. As of 6/30/26. Based on the prospectus expense ratio for ETFs and their peer category, and the Morningstar Fee-Level Group - Distribution peers median and prospectus expense ratio for American Funds Class R-6 mutual funds.

Forward price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio measures a stock's current price relative to its projected earnings over the next 12 months, reflecting market expectations for future growth.

MSCI Emerging Markets Index: A free-float-adjusted market-capitalization-weighted index designed to measure equity market results in global emerging markets.

MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) captures large and mid-cap representation across developed markets (DM) and emerging markets (EM) countries. The index is float-adjusted and covers approximately 85% of the global investable equity opportunity set.

MSCI World Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure equity market results of developed markets. The index consists of more than 20 developed market country indexes, including the United States.

New Geography/New World Historical Benchmarks Index returns reflect the results of the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) through December 31, 2025, and the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, the primary benchmark, thereafter.

Russell 1000 Growth Index: Tracks large-cap U.S. growth stocks by market capitalization.

Russell 1000 Value Index: Tracks large-cap U.S. value stocks by market capitalization.

S&P 500 Index is a market-capitalization-weighted index of about 500 major U.S. stocks. Includes reinvested dividends but excludes fees and taxes.

S&P 500 cyclically adjusted price-to-earnings (CAPE) ratio is a valuation measure that adjusts for short-term earnings variability by dividing an index's current price by the average of the prior 10 years of inflation-adjusted earnings to assess an index's valuation over a full business cycle.

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