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## **New Perspective Fund®**

Fiscal Year-End Summary: 9/30/17 **Growth Fund** 

# The fund offers a time-tested investment strategy of multinational companies focused on growth opportunities in global markets.

Ticker symbols: A shares: ANWPX C shares: NPFCX F-1 shares: NPFFX F-2 shares: ANWFX



Figures shown are past results for Class A shares and are not predictive of results in future periods. Current and future results may be lower or higher than those shown. Share prices and returns will vary, so investors may lose money. Investing for short periods makes losses more likely. Unless otherwise indicated, results shown are at net asset value with all distributions reinvested. If the 5.75% maximum Class A sales charge had been deducted, results would have been lower. For current information and month-end results, visit americanfunds.com.

## **Global Opportunities**

The fund invests chiefly in multinational or global companies that have a significant share of their sales and operations outside their home countries. Some of the largest and most successful companies are based overseas, as of 9/30/17:

- 8 of the 10 largest mining companies
- 7 of the 10 largest electronic companies
- 4 of the 10 largest chemical companies

## **Company-by-Company Approach**

The fund's portfolio managers focus on companies – not countries or regions. They rely on in-depth global research to find companies with sound management teams and sustainable competitive advantages. As of its fiscal year-end on 9/30/17, the fund's portfolio included investments in 240 companies based in 27 countries.

#### **Consistent Results**

The fund's consistent long-term results over its lifetime have helped it rank first among the seven funds in the fund's Lipper category.

Lifetime (since 3/13/73)	1 of 7
10 years	23 of 349
Five years	109 of 671
One year	191 of 993

Source: Lipper Global Funds, based on 9/30/17 total returns.

# New Perspective Fund vs. the World's Top 10 Markets (3/13/73-9/30/17)



#### **Outpacing World Markets**

Over its lifetime, the fund has provided a higher average annual total return (just edging out Sweden as of 9/30/17, 12.30% to 12.27%) with lower volatility than all of the world's top 10 major stock markets. In comparison, the average annual total return of the fund's benchmark over the same period was 8.7%.

\*From 3/13/73, through 12/31/87, the MSCI World Index was used because the MSCI ACWI did not exist. MSCI World Index reflects dividends net of withholding taxes, and the MSCI ACWI results reflect dividends gross of withholding taxes through 12/31/00, and dividends net of withholding taxes thereafter.

MSCI indices are unmanaged and, therefore, have no expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in an index. Of the more than 40 markets currently tracked by the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI), only 18 existed at the time of the fund's inception. Returns are calculated with dividends net of withholding taxes reinvested and adjusted to U.S. dollars. The fund's historical benchmark reflects results of the MSCI World Index from 3/13/73, through 9/30/11, and the MSCI ACWI, the fund's current primary benchmark, thereafter. Volatility is calculated at net asset value by Lipper using annualized standard deviation (based on monthly returns), a measure of how returns over time have varied from the mean; a lower number signifies lower volatility.

Investments are not FDIC-insured, nor are they deposits of or guaranteed by a bank or any other entity, so they may lose value.

The fund's seven portfolio managers each manage a portion of fund assets independently and have a median 29 years of investment experience as of the prospectus dated 12/1/17. A group of investment analysts also manages a portion of the fund.



Noriko Chen **27** years



Isabelle de Wismes **34** years



Brady Enright **26** years



Jody Jonsson **29** years



Jonathan Knowles **26** years



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32 years

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Steve Watson **30** years

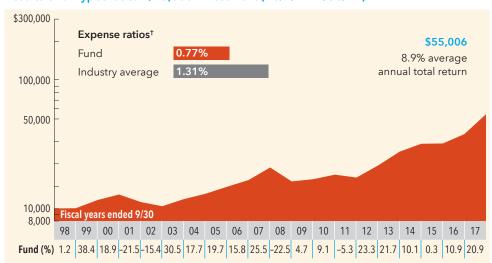
#### Geographic Breakdown by Region

	at 9/30/17
United States	48.7%
Europe	25.1
Asia/Pacific Basin	14.7
Other	5.4
Cash & equivalents*	6.1

Industry Holdings	at 9/30/17
Semiconductors & semiconductor equipment	7.8%
Internet & direct marketing retail	5.3
Internet software & services	5.2
Banks	4.2
Biotechnology	4.0
Other industries	67.4
Cash & equivalents*	6.1

Geographic breakdown and industry holdings are based on the fund's net assets. The fund is managed, so holdings change.

### Results of a Hypothetical \$10,000 Investment (10/1/97-9/30/17)



Average annual total returns for periods ended 12/31/17 after payment of the 5.75% maximum up-front sales charge for Class A shares:

1 year: 21.47% 5 years: 11.27% 10 years: 6.25% Expense ratio: 0.75%

Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses. The expense ratio is as of the fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. When applicable, investment results reflect fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, without which the results would have been lower. Please see americanfunds.com for more information.

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Investors should carefully consider investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. This and other important information is contained in the fund's prospectus and summary prospectus, which can be obtained from a financial professional and should be read carefully before investing. Investing outside the United States involves risks such as currency fluctuations, periods of illiquidity and price volatility, as morefully described in the prospectus. These risks may be heightened in connection with investments in developing countries. If used after 3/31/18, this sheet must be accompanied by a current American Funds quarterly statistical update.

\*Includes short-term securities and other assets less liabilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Source for industry average: Lipper Global Funds Average, which represents funds that invest at least 25% of their portfolios in securities traded outside the U.S. and that may own U.S. securities as well. The industry average expense ratio is based on statistics for front-end load funds (excluding funds of funds) for the most recent fiscal year-ends available through 9/30/17.