

# Santander GO North American Equity

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# **Fund commentary**

#### Market Overview

U.S. equities advanced over the month ended 7/31/22, as measured by the S&P 500 Index. All sectors had positive performance in the month, with Consumer Discretionary leading and Consumer Staples the smallest gainer. Growth stocks outperformed the broad market in the month, benefiting from investor anticipation that the U.S. Federal Reserve could pivot to interest rate cuts in 2023.

## Performance Commentary

- The portfolio returned 13.38% (gross of fees), while the S&P 500 benchmark returned 9.22%. The portfolio outperformed the benchmark this month due to favourable stock selection and sector allocations.
- The Communication Services sector was the largest positive contributor to relative performance due to favourable stock selection, which more than offset the small negative impact of the overweight allocation. Consumer Discretionary, Health Care, Financials, and Industrials benefited relative performance to a lesser extent, as did a lack of exposure to Consumer Staples and Utilities. The Information Technology sector was the largest detractor from relative performance due to adverse stock selection overwhelming the advantage of a sector overweight. Energy, Real Estate, and Materials sectors which the Fund did not own had no material impact on relative performance.
- The top contributing holdings in the portfolio included Roblox, Uber Technologies, and ASML Holding. Conversely, IAC/InteractiveCorp and Zoom Video Communications were the top detractors.

### Strategy and Outlook

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