Washington Mutual Investors Fund

Fiscal year-end summary: 4/30/25 **Growth-and-income fund**



This growth-and-income fund offers a prudent approach to investing that seeks the bluest of blue chip companies.

Ticker symbols: A shares: AWSHX C shares: WSHCX F-1 shares: WSHFX F-2 shares: WMFFX F-3 shares: FWMIX R-3 shares: RWMCX

A fund of distinction

Founded in 1952 for fiduciaries and conservative investors, Washington Mutual Investors Fund:

- Invests only in companies that meet the fund's strict eligibility criteria.
- Primarily invests in common stocks and securities convertible into common stocks.
- May invest up to 10% of its assets in companies based outside the United States.

Focus on quality

The fund has been less volatile than the S&P 500 Index over the past 10 years, as well as over its 70-year lifetime. This relative stability has been due largely to the fund's focus on high-quality, dividendpaying companies.

Volatility is calculated using annualized standard deviation (based on monthly returns), a common measure of absolute volatility that tells how returns over time have varied from the mean. A lower number signifies lower volatility. The fund's 13.77 10-year standard deviation and 13.63 lifetime standard deviation were lower than the S&P 500's 15.39 and 14.63 standard deviations for the same 10-year and lifetime periods.

Refined approach

Meeting the strict eligibility criteria is just the first step in selecting securities for the fund. The fund's managers also rely on in-depth research to further refine the search for quality investments. As of 5/31/25, less than 2%* of available U.S. companies were selected for the fund's portfolio.

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. 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 and do not reflect a sales charge. 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 <u>capitalgroup.com</u>.

A focus on dividend-paying companies

Almost half of the fund's 190 stocks held as of December 31, 2024, paid dividends in each of the past 25 years.



50% (95 of 190) of the stocks held by the fund as of 12/31/24 have paid at least 25 years of uninterrupted dividends.

A long history of growing dividend income

The fund has seen income increase 68 out of 70 years (based on hypothetical investments of \$10,000 made on December 31, 1953) \$50.000



Annual income excludes special dividends. The calculation assumes that the investor remains invested for full calendar years, takes dividend payments in cash and reinvests capital gains.

*Source: FactSet. Available U.S. companies are based on the number of U.S. incorporated companies on the NYSE, Nasdaq and OTC as of 5/31/25.

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

Experienced portfolio management

The fund's eight portfolio managers each manage a portion of fund assets independently. A group of investment analysts also manages a portion of the fund.

Investment professional in the industry since:



Reflects current team as of April 1, 2025.

Results of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment (4/30/05-4/30/25)



10 years: 10.71%

Largest equity holdings

	at 4/30/25
Broadcom	6.1%
Microsoft	5.4
Philip Morris International	4.0
Eli Lilly	2.4
Marsh & McLennan	2.4

% of net assets
at 4/30/25
9.5%
6.7
5.6
5.1
5.1
64.7
3.3

Portfolios are managed, so holdings will change. Certain fixed income and/or cash & equivalents holdings may be held through mutual funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates that are not offered to the public.

Average annual total returns for periods ended 3/31/25 after payment of the 5.75% maximum up-front sales charge for Class A shares:

1 year: 3.08%

5 years: 16.32%

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Expense ratio: 0.56%

The 30-day SEC yield as of 5/31/25 is 1.34%.

This material must be preceded or accompanied by a summary prospectus or prospectus for the fund being offered.

Cash and equivalents includes short-term securities, accrued income and other assets less liabilities. It may also include investments in money market or similar funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates that are not offered to the public.

*Source for industry average: Lipper Growth & Income Funds Average, which represents funds that combine a growth-of-earnings orientation and an income requirement for level and/or rising dividends. 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 3/31/25.

Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses. The expense ratio is as of the prospectus available at the time of publication. When applicable, investment results reflect fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, without which results would have been lower. Refer to <u>capitalgroup.com</u> for more information.

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.

If used after 6/30/25, this sheet must be accompanied by the most recent American Funds quarterly statistical update.

The index is unmanaged and, therefore, has no expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in an index. There have been periods when the fund has lagged the index.

The S&P 500 Index is a market capitalization-weighted index based on the results of 500 widely held stocks.

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