

## Select Growth Equity Investment Commentary Fourth Quarter 2025

Equity markets posted modest gains in the fourth quarter, capping a year marked by early trade shocks, robust earnings, and a growing divergence between headline indices and underlying breadth. While large-cap technology names remained a focal point, the final months of 2025 saw renewed strength in small caps and cyclical sectors, driven by resilient consumer spending, a steepening yield curve, and continued disinflation. The Fed's dovish pivot and easing financial conditions further supported sentiment, even as investors grew more discerning about AI-driven growth and labor market dynamics remained in flux.

The Westfield Select Growth Equity Composite (the "portfolio") returned 0.74% net in the quarter, underperforming the Russell 1000® Growth Index (the "index"), which returned 1.12%. Relative weakness in Health Care, Consumer Discretionary, and Information Technology outweighed relative strength in Industrials and Financials. The following discussion reflects relative performance from the representative account.

Health Care was the largest source of relative weakness over the quarter, detracting 41 bps from relative performance. Legend Biotech Corporation (LEGN), a biopharmaceutical company focused on cell therapies for oncology, was the largest contributor over the period as sentiment toward multiple myeloma names continued to weigh on shares. Investor caution toward the group overshadowed the company's differentiated therapy and long-term commercial potential. While we believe its lead asset is well-positioned relative to competitors, we decided to step aside for the time being as a source of funds for other names which we believe have a better risk/reward. Elsewhere in the sector, Ascendis Pharma A/S (ASND), a biopharmaceutical company advancing its TransCon prodrug delivery platform, was among the top contributing names over the period as investor focus shifted toward de-risked commercial assets with multiple avenues for upside. Shares benefited from growing confidence that YORVIPATH is emerging as a stable revenue foundation rather than a binary launch. The strategic agreement with Royalty Pharma further validated the asset's commercial value while improving balance-sheet flexibility. With SKYTROFA continuing to gain traction and a broad pipeline in development, we believe Ascendis offers a multi-leg growth profile anchored by an approved product and supported by platform-driven optionality.

Information Technology was also a source of relative weakness, costing 16 bps of performance. Commvault Systems, Inc. (CVLT), a provider of data protection and cyber resilience software, was among the bottom contributing names over the period as continued multiple compression weighed on the stock. Near-term sentiment was further pressured by accounting-related noise in the September results and the unexpected departure of the company's CFO, which contributed to investor caution. As a result, we decided to exit the position. The sector also contained the best relative performer in the portfolio, Coherent Corp (COHR). This global provider of photonics, lasers, and optical networking components was among the top contributing names over the period as investor focus remained firmly on AI-driven datacenter buildout. Shares benefited from accelerating demand for optical networking and communications infrastructure tied to cloud and AI workloads. We believe Coherent's differentiated photonics and engineered materials portfolio has positioned the company as a key enabler of next-generation data transmission and compute architectures. As visibility into AI-related capital spending improved, investors increasingly recognized Coherent's leverage to secular growth in optical networking, supporting strong performance during the quarter.

Industrials was the largest positive contributor to relative performance over the quarter, adding 22 basis points ("bps") of performance. FTAI Aviation Ltd. (FTAI), an aviation services company transitioning from asset leasing to engine maintenance and parts monetization, was among the top contributing names over the period as investor focus shifted toward its higher-quality business mix. Shares benefited from growing confidence in the company's pivot toward engine MRO and aftermarket parts, which offer greater earnings visibility,

stronger cash generation, and more durable margins than traditional leasing. This evolution differentiated FTAI from cyclical peers and supported a re-rating narrative. With increasing exposure to narrow-body engines such as the CFM56 and V2500, which power a large portion of the global fleet, FTAI is building a recurring, higher-margin revenue stream with attractive long-term growth characteristics.

With 2026 underway, the market appears poised for a shift toward broader participation and more fundamental drivers of return. Monetary policy is likely to remain supportive, and earnings expectations suggest a more balanced contribution across sectors and size segments. However, persistent macro uncertainties—including labor softness, elevated valuations, and episodic volatility—underscore the importance of maintaining a selective and risk-aware approach. In our view, a focus on high-quality businesses with improving fundamentals and valuation support will remain essential in this evolving environment.

Attribution is based on gross returns: The Select Growth Equity Composite returned 0.74% net of investment advisory fees in 4Q25.

**Performance Attribution Analysis 4Q25**

Select Growth Equity Representative Account vs. Russell 1000® Growth

30-SEP-2025 to 31-DEC-2025

Sector	Avg. Port. Weight	Port. Return (Gross)	Port. Contrib.	Avg. Bench. Weight	Bench. Return	Bench. Contrib.	Allocation Effect	Selection Effect	Total Effect
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>1.07</b>	<b>1.07</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>1.12</b>	<b>1.12</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>-0.53</b>	<b>-0.06</b>
Industrials	14.56	0.60	0.20	5.75	-2.49	-0.14	-0.23	0.45	0.22
Financials	4.60	5.51	0.15	6.04	0.77	0.05	0.06	0.10	0.15
[Cash]	1.72	1.52	0.02	--	--	--	0.15	--	0.15
Consumer Staples	--	--	--	2.40	-2.44	-0.06	0.08	--	0.08
Utilities	--	--	--	0.30	-12.44	-0.04	0.04	--	0.04
Real Estate	--	--	--	0.42	-5.45	-0.02	0.03	--	0.03
Materials	0.15	0.82	0.01	0.31	-3.78	-0.01	-0.02	0.04	0.02
Energy	--	--	--	0.28	-1.56	-0.01	0.01	--	0.01
Communication Services	12.90	3.98	0.67	11.66	4.65	0.59	0.09	-0.09	-0.00
Information Technology	47.42	-1.24	-0.55	52.37	-0.60	-0.39	0.15	-0.32	-0.16
Consumer Discretionary	9.53	-1.95	-0.16	12.99	0.54	0.07	0.04	-0.23	-0.18
Health Care	9.12	10.18	0.73	7.50	15.88	1.07	0.08	-0.49	-0.41

**Top 10 Contributors**

Security	Sector	Avg. Port. Weight	Total Effect
Coherent Corp.	Info. Tech	1.49	0.83
Alphabet Inc. Class A	Comm. Services	6.67	0.80
Ascendis Pharma A/S Sponsored ADR	Health Care	5.37	0.39
FTAI Aviation Ltd.	Industrials	2.26	0.37
Comfort Systems USA, Inc.	Industrials	2.73	0.28
Oracle Corporation	Info. Tech	0.32	0.17
Bank of America Corp	Financials	2.15	0.12
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Spons	Info. Tech	1.44	0.11
Microsoft Corporation	Info. Tech	9.48	0.11
Parker-Hannifin Corporation	Industrials	0.96	0.11

**Bottom 10 Contributors**

Security	Sector	Avg. Port. Weight	Total Effect
Axon Enterprise Inc	Industrials	2.79	-0.65
Commvault Systems, Inc.	Info. Tech	0.49	-0.53
AutoZone, Inc.	Consumer Disc.	1.54	-0.37
Rocket Lab Corporation	Industrials	0.06	-0.23
Legend Biotech Corp. Sponsored ADR	Health Care	0.55	-0.22
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	Info. Tech	0.62	-0.22
Meta Platforms Inc Class A	Comm. Services	4.70	-0.22
HubSpot, Inc.	Info. Tech	0.29	-0.21
ServiceNow, Inc.	Info. Tech	1.58	-0.20
Insulet Corporation	Health Care	0.46	-0.19

**Select Growth Equity Composite Trailing Period Returns 4Q25**

	QTD	YTD	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	SI (1/1/14)
Select Growth Equity Composite - Net	0.74	17.39	17.39	32.50	15.03	16.91
Russell 1000® Growth	1.12	18.56	18.56	31.15	15.32	16.61

Source: FactSet Portfolio Analytics as of 12/31/2025

Since we use a representative account, rather than the composite, to perform the attribution analysis above, there may be slight differences between the performance numbers in the commentary and those in the table.

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