Ariel Investments





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Firm Facts

- · Founded in 1983 by John W. Rogers, Jr.
- Headquartered in Chicago, with offices in New York and San Francisco
- \$14.1 billion in Assets Under Management*
- 95.7% owned by employees and board members

Our Patient Investment Philosophy

Active Patience

We take the long-term view.

Independent Thinking

We invest to our convictions, not to benchmarks.

Focused Expertise

We specialize in bottom-up, fundamental research.

Bold Teamwork

We work collaboratively with a shared commitment to excellence.

Our Value Approach

- Prioritize research using fundamental, quantitative, and country analysis.
- Seeks to own mispriced companies with discernable investment catalysts, offering attractive long-term earnings power.
- Strives to deliver favorable upside and downside participation.
- Aims to build concentrated, high conviction portfolios.



Ariel International (DM/EM)

Summary

OBJECTIVE	Long-term Capital Appreciation
INVESTMENT STYLE	International All Cap Value
INDEX	MSCI ACWI ex-US Net Index
INCEPTION DATE	December 31, 2011
TOTAL STRATEGY ASSETS	\$1.4 hillion

Performance ^I (%)		Annualized					
	QTD	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
Gross of Fees	3.42	29.23	22.84	20.35	10.64	8.06	8.09
Net of Fees	3.29	28.75	22.22	19.70	10.02	7.44	7.39
MSCI ACWI ex-US Net Index ²	6.89	26.02	16.45	20.67	10.26	8.23	7.22
Additional Indexes							
MSCI ACWI ex-US Value Net Index ²	8.13	29.64	20.17	23.10	14.42	8.10	6.79

Statistics ³						
	Standard Deviation	Beta	Tracking Error	Information Ratio	Upside Capture	Downside Capture
Ariel International (DM/EM)	12.50	0.80	5.73	0.15	89.31	80.21
MSCI ACWI ex-US Net Index	14.27	-	-	-	-	-

Since Inception through September 30, 2025.

*Assets under management are aggregated on a firmwide basis for Ariel Investments and its affiliated investment advisers, including aggregate commitments to private funds and excluding fund specific leverage. Total strategy assets include all accounts and investment funds employing the strategy. All other information presented is for the Ariel International (DM/EM) Composite and its representative account. Investments in non-U.S. securities may underperform and may be more volatile than comparable U.S. stocks because of the risks involving non-U.S. economies, markets, political systems, regulatory standards, currencies and taxes. The use of currency derivatives and exchange-traded funds (ETFs) may increase investment losses and expenses, and create more volatility. Investments in emerging markets present additional risks, such as difficulties in selling on a timely basis and at an acceptable price. The intrinsic value of the stocks in which the portfolio invests may never be recognized by the broader market. The portfolio is often concentrated in fewer sectors than its benchmarks, and its performance may suffer if these sectors underperform the overall stock market. Investing in equity stocks is risky and subject to the volatility of the markets. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Performance results may be preliminary, are net of transaction costs and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Ariel Composite Net of Fees returns are calculated by deducting: (1) for the period from inception to December 31, 2013, the maximum advisory fee in effect for the respective period, applied on a monthly basis; and (2) for the period from January 1, 2014 onwards, the actual monthly advisory fee (on an asset-weighted basis) accrued for the accounts in the composite, using the fee rates in place as of the most recent calendar quarter-end. Gross returns do not reflect the deduction of advisory fees. Client returns will be reduced by advisory fees and such other expenses as may be incurred in the management of the account. Advisory fees are described in Part 2 of Ariel's Form ADV. Returns assume the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. 2The MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) ex-US Index is an index of large and mid-cap representation across 22 Developed Markets (DM) and 24 Emerging Markets (EM) countries. Inception of this benchmark was January 1, 2001. The MSCI ACWI ex-US Value Index captures large and mid-cap securities exhibiting overall value style characteristics across 22 Developed and 24 Emerging Markets countries. Inception of this benchmark was December 8, 1997. All MSCI Index net returns reflect the reinvestment of income and other earnings, including the dividends net of the maximum withholding tax applicable to non-resident institutional investors that do not benefit from double taxation treaties. MSCI uses the maximum tax rate applicable to institutional investors, as determined by the company's country of incorporation. MSCI makes no express or implied warranties or representations and shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to any MSCI data contained herein. The MSCI data may not be further redistributed or used to create indices or financial products. This report is not approved or produced by MSCI. ³Definitions for the metrics below are detailed on page 2 under the section entitled Quantitative Measures.

Characteristics		
	Ariel International (DM/EM)	MSCI ACWI ex-US Net Index
Number of Holdings	47	1,965
Price to Book	1.58	2.12
Forward Price/Earnings	12.17	14.82
Return on Equity (%)	14.57	16.61
Dividend Yield	3.02	2.65
Active Share (%)	91.82	_

Sector Weightings	^I (%)	
	Ending Weight	MSCI ACWI ex-US Net Index
Information Technology	19.04	13.79
Financials	18.85	24.93
Consumer Discretionary	17.29	10.66
Communication Services	14.43	6.29
Industrials	7.82	14.73
Health Care	7.40	7.66
Consumer Staples	5.25	6.15
Utilities	3.85	3.03
Materials	2.90	6.65
Real Estate	2.20	1.62
Other	0.68	0.00
Cash	0.28	0.00
Energy	0.00	4.47

Top Country Exposure ² (%)							
	Ending Weight	MSCI ACWI ex-US Net Index					
Japan	20.03	13.68					
United Kingdom	11.98	9.03					
Germany	9.15	6.05					
France	9.13	6.70					
South Korea	6.55	3.34					
Italy	5.97	1.97					
Belgium	5.38	0.65					
China	4.67	9.48					
Taiwan	4.43	5.91					
United States	3.18	0.00					
EM Exposure	21.58	30.46					

Top 10 Positions ³ (%)						
		Ending Weight				
1	Fresenius Medical Care AG	4.70				
2	Murata Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	3.38				
3	Lasertec Corporation	3.36				
4	Informa plc	3.28				
5	Bridgestone Corporation	3.26				
6	Aptiv plc	3.18				
7	Publicis Groupe SA	3.05				
8	Syensqo SA	2.90				
9	Siemens AG	2.89				
10	Sega Sammy Holdings, Inc.	2.88				
To	tal	32.88				

Contributors and Detractors ³ (%)									
Top Five Relative Contributors	GICS Sector	Average Weight	Total Return	Currency Effect	Total Effect				
Aptiv plc	Consumer Discretionary	2.86	26.39	0.03	0.51				
Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Information Technology	1.81	24.75	-0.02	0.44				
Samsung Electro-Mechanics Company, Ltd.	Information Technology	1.42	27.11	-0.04	0.38				
SUMCO Corporation	Information Technology	0.59	30.38	0.00	0.31				
Ebara Corporation	Industrials	1.88	19.11	-0.02	0.24				
Bottom Five Relative Detractors									
Publicis Groupe SA	Communication Services	3.16	-12.05	0.03	-0.66				
Sega Sammy Holdings, Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	3.05	-11.15	-0.04	-0.61				
Fresenius Medical Care AG	Health Care	4.07	-8.11	0.04	-0.61				
Airtac International Group	Industrials	2.06	-15.02	-0.08	-0.49				
Bandai Namco Holdings, Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	3.43	-6.47	-0.04	-0.45				

Source: FactSet. Holdings categorized according to the MSCI Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS). Holdings not classified by GICS categorized according to FactSet. Holdings categorized according to MSCI Country and at the discretion of the Advisor. Holdings of the same issuer aggregated and if held as depositary receipts it is not so specified. The portfolio's Top 10 Positions ranked by issuer Ending Weight. Contributors and Detractors ranked by issuer Total Effect (%). Total Effect (%) represents the opportunity cost of the investment decisions in a portfolio relative to the overall benchmark. Holdings of the same issuer are aggregated and may include depositary receipts. The holdings shown do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold or recommended for investors. Quantitative Measures: Standard Deviation is a statistical measure of the volatility of the portfolio's returns. Beta measures the portfolio's risk relative to the benchmark. Tracking Error is an active risk measure that represents the standard deviation of the excess returns between the portfolio's returns. Beta measures the portfolio's isk relative to the benchmark. Tracking Error is an active risk measure that represents the standard deviation of the excess returns between the portfolio's total assets over the period. Price to Book is a valuation measure that represents the price divided by the book value per share. Holdings are summarized using harmonic average. Forward Price/Earnings Ratio is a valuation measure that represents the price at quarter end divided by the mean earnings per share (EPS) consensus estimate for the next twelve months as of the run date. The holdings are summarized at the portfolio level using weighted harmonic average and exclude negative earnings. Return on Equity is a profitability measure that represents return on average total equity for the period. Holdings are summarized at the portfolio level using weighted Arronic average and exclude negative earnings. Return on Equity is a profitability measu

For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2025

	Ariel Int	ernational (I	OM/EM) (%)	MSCI A	CWI ex-US N	et Index (%)	Attribution (%)			
Country	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Allocation Effect (Local)	Selection Effect (Local)	Total Currency Effect	Total Effect
Africa/Mideast	5.21	-5.40	-0.30	3.58	9.42	0.33	0.00	-0.72	-0.02	-0.74
Congo, Democratic Republic	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	41.49	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01
Egypt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	24.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Israel	2.68	-6.48	-0.22	0.60	4.12	0.02	-0.11	-0.28	0.02	-0.38
Kuwait	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.23	3.18	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01
Qatar	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.22	5.11	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Saudi Arabia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.98	6.44	0.06	0.02	0.00	-0.01	0.01
South Africa	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.99	20.40	0.19	-0.08	0.00	-0.04	-0.12
United Arab Emirates	2.53	-4.05	-0.08	0.47	1.92	0.01	-0.11	-0.14	0.02	-0.24
Zambia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	27.62	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01
Asia/Pacific Ex Japan	14.97	7.12	1.25	30.71	9.67	2.93	-0.51	-0.02	-0.13	-0.67
Australia	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.30	3.46	0.16	0.23	0.00	-0.09	0.14
China	3.78	1.26	0.04	8.83	20.70	1.72	-0.54	-0.70	-0.10	-1.34
Hong Kong	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.29	9.08	0.12	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-0.03
India	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.96	-7.61	-0.42	0.62	0.00	0.13	0.75
Indonesia	0.88	-3.05	-0.02	0.35	-3.09	-0.01	-0.04	0.00	-0.01	-0.05
Malaysia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	6.41	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Zealand	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.12	-0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Philippines	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.13	-7.80	-0.01	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.02
Singapore	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.12	8.84	0.10	-0.02	0.00	0.00	-0.02
South Korea	5.17	16.37	1.01	3.19	12.75	0.39	0.21	0.27	-0.07	0.42

Source: FactSet. Performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Holdings are categorized according to MSCI Country and the discretion of the Advisor. The portfolio return for each category reflects the returns of the stocks in the category before the deduction of fees, charges, transaction costs or other expenses. Total portfolio return shown may be slightly different than reported returns for the period.

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Country	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Allocation Effect (Local)	Selection Effect (Local)	Total Currency Effect	Total Effect
Taiwan	5.14	3.94	0.23	5.74	14.33	0.80	-0.04	-0.52	0.03	-0.53
Thailand	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.32	17.46	0.05	-0.03	0.00	0.00	-0.03
Currency Forward	-0.21	-0.39	-0.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	-0.14	-0.12
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Europe	54.92	0.65	0.28	41.84	3.65	1.54	-0.49	-1.66	0.10	-2.04
Austria	2.91	3.42	0.10	0.14	9.13	0.01	0.04	-0.17	0.03	-0.10
Belgium	3.10	8.18	0.00	0.65	8.22	0.05	-0.05	-0.25	0.03	-0.27
Czech Republic	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	6.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Denmark	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.29	-13.10	-0.20	0.29	0.00	-0.01	0.28
Finland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.66	5.53	0.04	0.02	0.00	-0.01	0.01
France	13.90	-1.44	-0.33	6.86	3.15	0.22	-0.34	-0.69	0.08	-0.95
Germany	11.53	-2.33	-0.51	6.33	-1.12	-0.07	-0.36	-0.34	0.04	-0.66
Greece	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.19	12.20	0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01
Hungary	0.83	4.10	0.04	0.09	5.86	0.01	-0.04	0.02	-0.01	-0.02
Ireland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.28	1.97	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01
Italy	5.73	6.08	0.35	2.00	8.31	0.17	0.00	-0.13	0.04	-0.08
Netherlands	0.96	-1.64	-0.02	2.85	9.60	0.26	-0.03	-0.11	-0.02	-0.16
Norway	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.38	0.71	0.00	0.03	0.00	-0.01	0.02
Poland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.21	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.02
Portugal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.12	6.35	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Spain	4.88	3.44	0.13	2.16	12.89	0.28	0.13	-0.45	0.03	-0.30
Sweden	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.26	3.81	0.09	0.12	0.00	-0.05	0.07

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Switzerland	1.23	0.62	-0.04	5.88	1.44	0.09	0.26	-0.04	-0.05	0.18
Turkey	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	8.09	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
United Kingdom	9.84	5.06	0.55	9.19	5.89	0.56	-0.01	-0.10	0.02	-0.09
Funds	0.43	4.11	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01
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Japan	16.30	5.98	1.52	13.69	8.02	1.11	0.02	0.15	-0.02	0.15
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Latin America	2.57	16.43	0.34	2.13	10.54	0.22	-0.06	0.15	0.04	0.13
Brazil	2.09	12.24	0.26	1.26	8.27	0.10	0.00	0.06	0.03	0.09
Chile	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.16	10.54	0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01
Colombia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	19.54	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mexico	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.58	13.21	0.07	-0.01	0.00	-0.02	-0.03
Peru	0.49	5.81	0.08	0.09	23.06	0.02	-0.02	0.08	0.03	0.09
North America	5.20	10.13	0.54	8.06	9.47	0.76	-0.10	-0.05	0.13	-0.02
Canada	2.34	-5.15	-0.15	8.06	9.47	0.76	-0.20	-0.42	0.10	-0.52
United States	2.86	26.39	0.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.48	0.00	0.03	0.51
Cash	0.60	0.18	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.06	0.00	0.00	-0.06
Total	100.00	3.52	3.52	100.00	6.89	6.89	-1.19	-2.15	-0.04	-3.37

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GICS Sector	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Allocation Effect (Local)	Selection Effect (Local)	Total Currency Effect	Total Effect
Information Technology	15.21	12.14	2.75	13.28	10.97	1.41	0.29	0.85	-0.02	1.12
Consumer Staples	5.66	2.57	0.16	6.49	-0.60	-0.03	0.07	0.17	0.01	0.25
Energy	0.41	6.76	0.07	4.57	5.43	0.25	0.06	0.05	0.01	0.13
Funds	0.43	4.11	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01
Industrials	9.69	3.07	0.24	14.76	4.95	0.74	0.11	-0.09	-0.07	-0.05
Cash	0.60	0.18	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.06	0.00	0.00	-0.06
Currency Forward	-0.21	-0.39	-0.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	-0.14	-0.12
Real Estate	2.53	-4.05	-0.08	1.67	3.47	0.06	-0.03	-0.19	0.01	-0.20
Financials	20.25	3.23	0.70	25.21	6.14	1.58	0.08	-0.61	0.02	-0.52
Health Care	8.30	-2.04	-0.45	7.93	1.87	0.15	-0.03	-0.57	0.05	-0.55
Utilities	6.49	-4.19	-0.32	3.09	1.77	0.06	-0.23	-0.41	0.05	-0.60
Communication Services	11.54	1.70	0.31	6.20	9.75	0.60	0.18	-1.01	0.12	-0.71
Materials	1.28	-1.41	-0.23	6.37	15.14	0.94	-0.33	-0.51	-0.01	-0.85
Consumer Discretionary	17.81	2.47	0.48	10.43	11.07	1.12	0.29	-1.43	-0.06	-1.20
Total	100.00	3.52	3.52	100.00	6.89	6.89	0.43	-3.76	-0.04	-3.37

Source: FactSet. Total Return (%) does not represent the performance of the Composite for the period. The portfolio holdings are of a representative account and not reflective of the portfolio holdings of the Composite, of clients as a whole, or of the strategy. The representative account was selected because it has no client-imposed restrictions and minimal planned contributions and withdrawals. The portfolio holdings would differ from those of another client account if different client-imposed restrictions were applied, and also may vary from other differences such as cash flow. Holdings are categorized according to the MSCI Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS). Holdings not classified by GICS are categorized according to FactSet. The portfolio return for each category reflects the percentage returns of the stocks in each category.

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