

# TIAA-CREF MID-CAP GROWTH FUND

## RETIREMENT CLASS

EQUITIES | DOMESTIC

AS OF 3/31/2010

<b>Portfolio Net Assets</b> \$874.24 Million	<b>Inception Date</b> 10/01/2002	<b>CUSIP</b> 87244W888	<b>Symbol</b> TRGMX	<b>Benchmark Index</b> Russell Midcap® Growth Index	<b>Expense Ratio<sup>1</sup></b> <b>Gross 0.79%   Net 0.79%</b>
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### PORTFOLIO STRATEGIES

The fund seeks a favorable long-term total return, mainly through capital appreciation, primarily from equity securities of medium-sized domestic companies. It typically invests at least 80% of its assets in equity securities of medium-sized domestic companies that are included in the fund's benchmark, the Russell Midcap Growth Index, and that are positioned to take advantage of new opportunities with the potential for significant growth. The fund may invest up to 20% of assets in foreign securities.

### MORNINGSTAR CATEGORY

Mid-Cap Growth

### MORNINGSTAR RATING™

Overall	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
★★★	★★★	★★★	—
702	702	609	N/A

The Overall Morningstar Rating is based on risk-adjusted return, and is a weighted average of the applicable 3-, 5-, and 10-year Ratings.

### MORNINGSTAR STYLE BOX™

	Value	Blend	Growth
Large	■	■	■
Medium	■	■	■
Small	■	■	■

The Morningstar Style Box™ reveals a fund's investment strategy. For equity funds, the vertical axis shows the market capitalization of the stocks owned and the

horizontal axis shows investment style (value, blend or growth).

### LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR INVESTMENTS

For more information please contact:  
**800 TIAA-CREF** (800 842-2273)  
 Weekdays 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. ET,  
 Saturdays 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET,  
 or [tiaa-cref.org](http://tiaa-cref.org)

### PERFORMANCE

	TOTAL RETURN		AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN				
	3 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
TIAA-CREF Mid-Cap Growth Fund	7.80%	7.80%	62.81%	-1.31%	3.54%	-	10.52%
Russell Midcap Growth Index	7.67%	7.67%	63.00%	-2.04%	4.27%	-	10.63%
Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Average	6.76%	6.76%	55.35%	-2.27%	3.86%	-	—

The returns quoted represent past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Returns and the principal value of your investment will fluctuate. Current performance may be higher or lower than that shown above, and you may have a gain or a loss when you redeem your mutual fund shares/annuity account accumulation units. For current performance information, including performance to the most recent month-end, call 800 TIAA-CREF (800 842-2273).

TIAA-CREF Mid-Cap Growth Fund performance fluctuates and currently may be lower than the exceptional performance noted here.

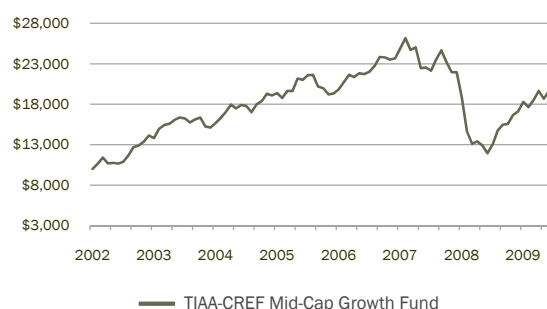
<sup>1</sup> The net annual expense reflects a contractual reimbursement of various expenses by the fund's adviser. Fee Waiver Expiration Date: January 31, 2011. Had fees not been waived and/or expenses reimbursed currently or in the past, returns would have been lower.

### ABOUT THE BENCHMARK

The Russell Midcap Growth Index is a subset of the Russell Midcap Index, which measures the performance of the stocks of the 800 smallest companies in the Russell 1000 Index, based on market capitalization. The Russell Midcap Growth Index measures the performance of those stocks of the Russell Midcap Index with higher relative forecasted growth rates and price/book ratios. You cannot invest directly in any index.

### HYPOTHETICAL GROWTH OF \$10,000

An investment of \$10,000 on October 1, 2002 would have been worth \$21,163 on March 31, 2010, including the reinvestment of dividends and distributions.



The chart illustrates the performance of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment made in the account on the date indicated. The account total returns are not adjusted to reflect sales charges or the effects of taxation, but are adjusted to reflect actual ongoing fund expenses, and assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains, net of all recurring costs.

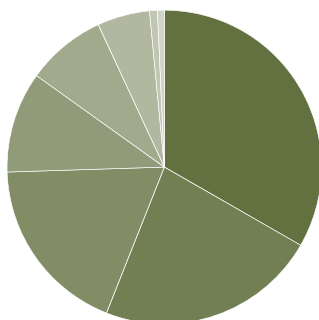


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**PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION** (As of 3/31/10)

Sector	% of Portfolio Investments
Consumer Products & Services	33.3%
Technology	22.7%
Manufacturing & Materials	18.5%
Health Care	10.4%
Financial	8.2%
Energy	5.4%
Other Assets & Liabilities, Net	0.8%
Utilities	0.7%



**TOP 10 HOLDINGS<sup>2</sup>** (As of 03/31/10)

Issuer	% of Net Assets
iShares Russell Midcap Growth Index Fund	2.41%
Precision Castparts Corp	1.89%
T Rowe Price Group Inc	1.59%
TJX Cos Inc	1.48%
Walter Energy Inc	1.45%
Life Technologies Corp	1.17%
Cognizant Technology Solutions Corp	1.17%
Dendreon Corp	1.07%
Marvell Technology Group Ltd	1.07%
Nuance Communications Inc	1.07%

**HOLDINGS BY COMPANY SIZE**

	Portfolio
<b>LARGE</b> Over \$15 Billion	8.27%
<b>MID</b> \$4 Billion-\$15 Billion	52.58%
<b>SMALL</b> Under \$4 Billion	39.15%

**PORTFOLIO STATISTICS**

	Portfolio	Benchmark
P/E Ratio (1 Yr Forecast)	17.2	-
EPS Growth (1 Yr Forecast)	17.9%	-
R Squared (3 Yr Previous)	0.98	-
Beta (3 Yr Previous)	0.99	-
Sharpe Ratio	-0.13	-
Standard Deviation (3 Yr Previous)	24.86	-

Please refer to Portfolio Statistics Definitions section.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

<sup>2</sup>The top 10 holdings are subject to change and may not be representative of the fund's current or future investments. The holdings listed only include the fund's long-term investments. Money market instruments and/or futures contracts, if applicable, are excluded. The holdings do not include the fund's entire investment portfolio and should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell a particular security.

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**MORNINGSTAR DISCLOSURE**

The Morningstar Category classifies a fund based on its investment style as measured by underlying portfolio holdings (portfolio statistics and compositions over the past three years). If the fund is new and has no portfolio, Morningstar estimates where it will fall before assigning a more permanent category. When necessary, Morningstar may change a category assignment based on current information.

To determine a fund's star rating for a given time period (three, five, or 10 years), the fund's risk-adjusted return (including the effects of sales charges, loads and redemption fees) is plotted on a bell curve. The top 10% of funds in each category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% earn 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. Morningstar Rating™ is for individual share classes only. Other classes may have different performance characteristics.

**A NOTE ABOUT RISKS**

In general, the value of equity funds or variable annuity accounts will fluctuate based on the share prices of the individual companies in which they invest. An investment in an equity fund or variable annuity account may be subject to all or some of the following principal investment risks:

**Market Risk**, the risk that the price of securities may fall in response to economic conditions; **Company Risk**, the risk that the financial condition of a company may deteriorate, causing a decline in the value of the securities it issues; **Style Risk**, the risk that a fund's/account's investing style may lose favor in the marketplace; **Large-Cap Risk**, the risk that large companies may grow more slowly than the overall market; **Small-Cap/Mid-Cap Risk**, the risk that smaller company securities may be more volatile than those of larger ones; **Active Management Risk**, the risk that a fund/account may underperform because of the allocation decisions or individual security selections of its portfolio manager; **Index Risk**, the risk that a portfolio's performance may not match that of its benchmark index. For a detailed discussion of risk, please consult the prospectus.

**PORTFOLIO STATISTICS DEFINITIONS**

**P/E Ratio** P/E is the price of a stock divided by its forecasted earnings per share for the next 12-month period.

**EPS Growth** Shows the relative growth of earnings per share over the previous one-year reporting period.

**R Squared** A statistical measure that represents the percentage of a fund's movements that are explained by movements in a benchmark index.

**Beta** The systematic risk of a portfolio. A beta of 1.00 means the fund varies in tandem with the benchmark.

**Sharpe Ratio** The expected return over the T-bill divided by the portfolio standard deviation.

**Standard Deviation** A statistical measure of how much a return varies over an extended period of time. The more variable the returns, the larger the standard deviation.