
Victory Capital Ranks 7th Over Five Years in *Barron's* Top Fund Families of 2019

Earns 10th Place for 10-Year Period

San Antonio, Texas, February 18, 2020 – Victory Capital (NASDAQ:VCTR) today announced that it is honored to be ranked 7th in “*Barron's Top Fund Families*” for the five-year period and 10th for the 10-year period ended December 31, 2019. The firm was ranked 17th overall on a one-year basis for 2019. This is the sixth consecutive year that Victory Capital has been ranked among the top 25 fund families by *Barron's*.

“We are committed to delivering excellent long-term risk-adjusted returns to our clients” said David Brown, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Victory Capital. “We are proud of the outstanding work that our Investment Franchises and Solutions Platform are doing year after year.”

About Victory Capital

Victory Capital is a global investment management firm operating a next-generation, integrated multi-boutique business model with \$150.3 billion in assets under management as of January 31, 2020.

Victory Capital provides specialized investment strategies to institutions, intermediaries, retirement platforms and individual investors, including USAA members through its direct member channel. Through its Investment Franchises and Solutions Platform, Victory Capital offers a diverse array of independent investment approaches and innovative investment vehicles designed to drive better investor outcomes. This includes actively managed mutual funds and separately managed accounts, rules-based and active ETFs, multi-asset class strategies, custom solutions and a 529 College Savings Plan.

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An investor should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing or sending money. This and other important information about the investment company can be found in the fund's prospectus. To obtain a prospectus, please call 1-800-539-FUND (1-800-539-3863) or visit www.vcm.com. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

Victory Funds are distributed by Victory Capital Advisers, Inc. (VCA). VictoryShares ETFs are distributed by Foreside Fund Services, LLC. Victory Capital Management Inc. (VCM) is the adviser to VictoryShares ETFs and Victory Funds. VCM and VCA are affiliated. They are not affiliated with Foreside Fund Services, LLC.

Barron's ranked Victory Capital 17th out of 55 firms for the one-year period ended December 31, 2019. It was ranked 7th out of 52 firms for the five-year period and 10th out of 45 firms for the 10-year period ended December 31, 2019. It was ranked 9th out of 57 firms for the one-year period ended December 31, 2018; 10th out of 58 firms for the one-year period ended December 31, 2017; 21st out of 61 firms for the one-year period ended December 31, 2016; 25th out of 67 firms for the one-year period ended December 31, 2015; and 15th out of 65 firms for the one-year period ended December 31, 2014.

How *Barron's* Ranks the Fund Families

All mutual and exchange-traded funds are required to report their returns (to regulators as well as in advertising and marketing material) after fees are deducted, to better reflect what investors would actually experience. But our aim is to measure manager skill, independent of expenses beyond annual management fees. That's why we calculate returns before any 12b-1 fees are deducted. Similarly, fund loads, or sales charges, aren't included in our calculation of returns.

Each fund's performance is measured against all of the other funds in its Lipper category, with a percentile ranking of 100 being the highest and one the lowest. This result is then weighted by asset size, relative to the fund family's other assets in its general classification. If a family's biggest funds do well, that boosts its overall ranking; poor performance in its biggest funds hurts a firm's ranking.

To be included in the ranking, a firm must have at least three funds in the general equity category, one world equity, one mixed equity (such as a balanced or target-date fund), two taxable bond funds, and one national tax-exempt bond fund.

We have historically excluded single-sector and country equity funds, but those are now factored into the rankings as general equity. We exclude all passive index funds, including pure index, enhanced index, and index-based, but include actively managed ETFs and so-called smart-beta ETFs, which are passively managed but created from active strategies.

Finally, the score is multiplied by the weighting of its general classification, as determined by the entire Lipper universe of funds. The category weightings for the one-year results in 2019 were general equity, 35.4%; mixed asset, 21.1%; world equity, 17%; taxable bond, 21.8%; and tax-exempt bond, 4.6%.

The category weightings for the five-year results were general equity, 36.9%; mixed asset, 19.7%; world equity, 17.2%; taxable bond, 21.7%; and tax-exempt bond, 4.6%. For the 10-year list, they were general equity, 37.6%; mixed asset, 20.1%; world equity, 17.5%; taxable bond, 20%; and tax-exempt bond, 4.7%.

The scoring: Say a fund in the general U.S. equity category has \$500 million in assets, accounting for half of the firm's assets in that category, and its performance lands it in the 75th percentile for the category. The first calculation would be 75×0.5 , which comes to 37.5. That score is then multiplied by 35.4%, general equity's overall weighting in Lipper's universe. So it would be 37.5×0.354 , which equals 13.28. Similar calculations are done for each fund in our study. Then the numbers are added for each category and overall. The shop with the highest total score wins. The same process is repeated to determine the five- and 10-year rankings.

Source: "*Barron's Top Fund Families of 2019*", February 14, 2020.