# John Hancock International Small Company Fund

Class C/JISDX

## ANNUAL SHAREHOLDER REPORT | AUGUST 31, 2024

This annual shareholder report contains important information about the John Hancock International Small Company Fund (the fund) for the period of September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024. You can find additional information about the fund at jhinvestments.com/documents. You can also request this information by contacting us at 800-225-5291.

# What were the fund costs during the last year?

(Based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

Fund (Class)	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment
International Small Company Fund (Class C/JISDX)	\$218	2.03%

## **Management's Discussion of Fund Performance**

#### SUMMARY OF RESULTS

International Small Company Fund (Class C/JISDX) returned 14.67% (excluding sales charges) for the year ended August 31, 2024. In U.S. dollar terms, developed small-cap markets outside the U.S. lagged their small-cap counterparts in the U.S. and among emerging markets. Meanwhile, global small-cap stocks meaningfully underperformed their global large-cap counterparts.

#### TOP PERFORMANCE CONTRIBUTORS

**The industrials sector** | The fund's allocation to the industrials sector contributed positively to the fund's performance.

The financials sector | Positioning among the fund's financials stocks further added to the performance of the fund.

On a country level, the fund's positioning in Japan and the United Kingdom contributed to the fund's return. | Country exposure

# TOP PERFORMANCE DETRACTORS

**Germany** | The fund's positioning in Germany detracted from the fund's result.

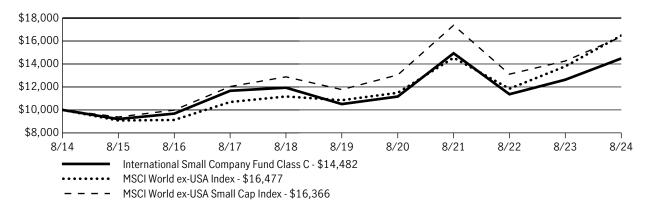
France | On a country level, the fund's allocation to France also hampered the fund's performance.

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#### **Fund Performance**

The following graph compares the initial and subsequent account values at the end of each of the most recently completed 10 fiscal years of the fund (or for the life of the fund, if shorter). It assumes a \$10,000 initial investment in the fund and in an appropriate, broad-based securities market index for the same period.

## **GROWTH OF \$10,000**



AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
International Small Company Fund (Class C/JISDX)	13.67%	6.63%	3.77%
International Small Company Fund (Class C/JISDX)—excluding sales charge	14.67%	6.63%	3.77%
MSCI World ex-USA Index	19.45%	8.72%	5.12%
MSCI World ex-USA Small Cap Index	14.76%	6.82%	5.05%

The fund has designated MSCI World ex-USA Index as its broad-based securities market index in accordance with the revised definition for such an index.

Performance figures assume all distributions have been reinvested and reflect the beneficial effect of any expense reductions. Class C shares sold within one year of purchase are subject to a 1.00% contingent deferred sales charge. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Due to market volatility and other factors, the fund's current performance may be higher or lower than the performance shown and can be found at jhinvestments.com/investments or by calling 800-225-5291. The graph and table do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or redemption of fund shares. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

#### **Fund Statistics**

Fund net assets	\$550,957,666
Total number of portfolio holdings	3,630
Total advisory fees paid (net)	\$4,450,040
Portfolio turnover rate	9%

## **Graphical Representation of Holdings**

The tables below show the investment makeup of the fund, representing percentage of the total net assets of the fund.

TOP TEN HOLDINGS		
Banco de Sabadell SA	0.4%	
Swiss Prime Site AG	0.4%	
Celestica, Inc.	0.4%	
PSP Swiss Property AG	0.3%	
Vistry Group PLC	0.3%	
Georg Fischer AG	0.3%	
LEG Immobilien SE	0.3%	
Belimo Holding AG	0.3%	
Zealand Pharma A/S	0.3%	
GEA Group AG	0.3%	

SECTOR COMPOSITION		
Industrials	24.4%	
Financials	14.1%	
Consumer discretionary	12.3%	
Materials	11.8%	
Information technology	8.6%	
Consumer staples	6.2%	
Health care	5.4%	
Energy	4.7%	
Real estate	4.4%	
Communication services	3.8%	
Utilities	2.9%	
Short-term investments and other	1.4%	

COUNTRY COMPOSITION	
Japan	22.40/
United Kingdom	23.4%
Canada	12.5%
Callada	10.4%
Switzerland	7.8%
Australia	6.6%
Germany	
France	5.8%
	4.9%
Italy	4.0%
Denmark	3.0%
Sweden	2.9%
Other countries	2.970
	18.7%

Holdings may not have been held by the fund for the entire period and are subject to change without notice. Portfolio composition is subject to review in accordance with the fund's investment strategy and may vary in the future. Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk and may change at any time.

The fund is subject to various risks as described in the fund's prospectuses. For more information, please refer to the "Principal risks" section of the prospectuses.

# **Availability of Additional Information**



At jhinvestments.com/documents, you can find additional information about the fund, including the fund's:

- Prospectus
- Financial information
- Fund holdings
- Proxy voting information

You can also request this information by contacting us at 800-225-5291.

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