

Hartford International Growth Fund

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Morningstar® Category Foreign Large Growth **Inception Date** 4/30/01

Market Overview

International equities edged lower in the first quarter of 2026, navigating a complex macro backdrop shaped by geopolitical tensions and renewed inflation concerns. The escalation of military actions in the Middle East triggered a global energy shock, driving oil prices sharply higher and shifting investor focus back toward inflation and macroeconomic risk. This shock unfolded alongside a more protectionist global trade environment, complicating cross-border commerce and clouding the outlook for trade-dependent economies. At the same time, divergence in monetary policy across major regions reinforced an increasingly fragmented macroeconomic environment, with central banks in inflation- and energy-sensitive countries maintaining tighter policy stances while others moved more cautiously toward easing.

The MSCI ACWI ex USA Growth Index returned -3.54% for the quarter. Within the index, four out of 11 sectors rose for the period. Energy and utilities were the top performing sectors, while communication services and consumer discretionary were the bottom performing sectors for the quarter.

Performance Summary

- The Hartford International Growth Fund (I share) underperformed the MSCI ACWI ex USA Growth Index during the quarter.
- Weak selection in industrials, financials, and consumer discretionary was partially offset by selection in information technology.
- Sector allocation, a result of our bottom-up stock selection process, detracted from results. Not having exposure to materials and an overweight allocation to communication services detracted most, partially offset by our overweight allocations to information technology and energy.
- Our top two relative detractors were out-of-benchmark positions in Flutter Entertainment (consumer discretionary) and Klarna Group (financials).
- Top relative contributors were an overweight position in Taiwan Semiconductor (information technology) and an out-of-benchmark position in Nokia (information technology).

Positioning & Outlook

- First-quarter performance unfolded amid extreme volatility. Geopolitical tensions, particularly in the Middle East, drove sharp moves in energy and defensive sectors, while higher oil prices and input cost pressures reignited inflation and consumer spending concerns, weighing on broader consumer sentiment.
- Capital was redeployed toward industrial, optical, and infrastructure-linked potential beneficiaries with stronger order cycles and clearer earnings momentum, including opportunities tied to the expansion of global power and data center infrastructure.
- At the end of the period, our largest overweights were to information technology and communication services. We were most underweight to materials and consumer staples.

Portfolio manager from Wellington Management and years of experience

Matthew D. Hudson, CFA, 35 years

Top Ten Holdings (%)

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	9.86
ASML Holding NV	4.45
SK Hynix, Inc.	3.73
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	3.42
Schneider Electric SE	3.28
AstraZeneca PLC	3.24
Advantest Corp.	2.45
Hitachi Ltd.	2.30
Resona Holdings, Inc.	2.19
Galderma Group AG	2.16
Percentage Of Portfolio	37.08

Holdings and characteristics are subject to change. Percentages may be rounded.

Average Annual Total Returns (%)

Class	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI	Expenses ¹	
								Gross	Net
A	-6.84	-6.84	16.58	9.58	1.78	7.03	4.77	1.34%	1.30%
A with 5.5% Max Sales Charge	—	—	10.17	7.54	0.64	6.43	4.54	—	—
F	-6.75	-6.75	17.13	10.10	2.24	7.49	5.09	0.90%	0.85%
I	-6.76	-6.76	16.93	9.94	2.10	7.37	5.05	1.01%	0.98%
R3	-6.90	-6.90	16.28	9.30	1.51	6.74	4.68	1.61%	1.57%
R4	-6.79	-6.79	16.71	9.65	1.83	7.07	4.94	1.31%	1.27%
R5	-6.73	-6.73	16.95	9.99	2.14	7.39	5.19	1.02%	1.00%
R6	-6.71	-6.71	17.11	10.10	2.24	7.51	5.27	0.90%	0.85%
Y	-6.77	-6.77	16.99	9.98	2.14	7.41	5.23	0.99%	0.95%
Benchmark	-3.62	-3.62	18.78	10.14	3.26	7.56	—	—	—
Morningstar Category	-4.01	-4.01	12.49	8.99	2.82	7.42	—	—	—

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Share Class Inception: A, Y - 4/30/01; F - 2/28/17; I - 8/31/06; R3, R4, R5 - 12/22/06; R6 - 2/28/18. Performance shown prior to the inception of a class reflects performance and operating expenses of another class(es) (excluding sales charges, if applicable). Had fees and expenses of a class been reflected for the periods prior to the inception of that class, performance would be different. Since inception (SI) performance is from 4/30/01. Performance and expenses for other share classes will vary. Additional information is in the prospectus. Only Class A assesses a sales charge. Performance for periods of less than one year is not annualized.

Benchmark: MSCI ACWI ex USA Growth Index is a free-float adjusted market-cap weighted index designed to capture large- and mid-cap securities that exhibit overall growth style characteristics across developed and emerging market countries, excluding the US MSCI index performance is shown net of dividend withholding tax. Indices are unmanaged and not available for direct investment.

¹Expenses are from the Fund's most recent prospectus at the time of publication. Gross expenses do not reflect contractual expense reimbursement arrangements. Net expenses reflect such arrangements in instances when they reduce gross expenses. These arrangements remain in effect through 2/28/27 unless the Fund's Board of Directors approves an earlier termination. Without these arrangements, performance would have been lower.

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