# Legal & General Growth Trust

Unit Trust (UCITS compliant) R-Class GBP

Base currency: GBP

Domicile: UK



#### **FUND AIM**

The objective of the Fund is to provide growth above that of the FTSE All Share TR Net Index, the "Benchmark Index." The Fund aims to outperform the Benchmark Index by 4% per annum. This objective is before the deduction of any charges and measured over rolling three year periods.

#### **RISK AND REWARD PROFILE**

	1	2	3	4	5		7
	Lower risk						her risk
Potentially lower rewards			ds Po	tentially	higher	rewards	

The synthetic risk and reward indicator (SRRI) is based on the historic volatility of the fund's value and it may change in the future.

This fund is in category 6 because it invests in company shares which generally provide higher rewards and higher risks than other investments such as bonds, cash or commercial property.

For more information, please refer to the Key Risks section on page 3.

#### WHO ISTHIS FUND FOR?

- This fund is designed for investors looking for growth from an investment in company shares from the UK.
- Although investors can take their money out at any time, this fund may not be appropriate for those who plan to withdraw their money within five years.
- This fund is not designed for investors who cannot afford more than a minimal loss of their investment.
- If you do not understand this document we recommend you seek additional information to help you decide if this fund is right for you.

#### **FUND FACTS**

Fund size	Fund launch date
£215.8m	1 Nov 2000
Historical yield	
0.4%	

#### COSTS

Initial charge 0.00%	Ongoing charge 1.43%
Price basis	Bid / Offer spread
Dual	0.78%

#### **BENCHMARKS**

Benchmark

**FTSE All Share TR Net Index** 

Performance objective

FTSE All Share TR Net Index +4%

Comparator benchmark

**IA Sector: UK All Companies** 

### PERFORMANCE (%)



	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years	5 years
■ Fund	-4.24	0.99	-1.47	4.14	36.83
■ Benchmark	-3.82	-3.16	-18.64	-14.39	8.93
Performance objective	-	-	-	-3.25	31.97
Comparator	-3.25	-2.02	-15.66	-13.04	8.86

### **FUND SNAPSHOT**

- What does it invest in? Invests at least 90% in the shares of UK companies that the manager believes have strong growth prospects.
- How does it invest? Actively managed, with holdings in 25 companies on average over a typical market cycle of 3-5 years, which means the fund will be concentrated.



#### 12 MONTH PERFORMANCETO MOST RECENT QUARTER (%)

12 months to 30 September	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Fund	5.16	-3.03	9.48	11.30	21.02
Benchmark	-16.59	2.68	5.87	11.94	16.82
Comparator	-13.13	0.08	5.63	13.84	11.98

For annual performance against the performance objective please see the Key Investor Information Document (KIID). Performance for the R Inc unit class in GBP, launched on 24 December 2004. Source: Lipper. Performance assumes all fund charges have been taken and that all income generated by the investments, after deduction of tax, remains in the fund.

Past performance is not a guide to the future.



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### PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

All data source LGIM unless otherwise stated. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

#### COUNTRY (%)



United Kingdom

100.0



MARKET CAPITALISAT	ION (%
Large	54.8
Mid	43.6
■ Small	0.0
■ Micro	0.0
■ Cash and Equivalents	1.6



#### TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

Helios Towers	4.5
Boohoo Group Plc	4.4
Aston Martin Lagonda Global Holdings	4.3
RHI Magnesita	4.1
Croda International	4.1
Ocado Group	4.1
Experian	4.1
RWS Holdings	4.1
B&M European Value Retail	4.1
London Stock Exchange Group	4.0

#### TOP SECTOR OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

	Fund	Relative	
Consumer Services	28.1	15.6	
Industrials	20.2	6.8	
Unclassified	4.1	4.1	•
Technology	4.0	2.8	•
Telecommunications	4.5	2.3	•
Consumer Goods	11.8	-3.5	
Utilities	0.0	-3.6	
Basic Materials	4.1	-4.7	
Oil & Gas	0.0	-6.5	
Financials	15.2	-10.5	
Other	8.0	-	

#### TOP 5 STOCK OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

1	Fund	Relative	
Helios Towers	4.5	4.5	
Boohoo Group Plc	4.4	4.4	
Aston Martin Lagonda Glob	4.3	4.3	
RHI Magnesita	4.1	4.1	
RWS Holdings	4.1	4.1	
Diageo	0.0	-3.2	
GlaxoSmithKline	0.0	-3.5	
HSBC Holdings	0.0	-3.7	
Royal Dutch Shell	0.0	-4.1	
AstraZeneca	0.0	-5.7	

#### **FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY**

Global equity market performance was mostly negative as volatility increased amid the resurgence of new coronavirus cases across the UK and Europe. Alongside broader uncertainty on the implications for economic recovery, the lack of fiscal stimulus ahead of the upcoming US election vote applied downward pressure on markets. Q3 corporate earnings have generally been mostly positive thus far, but the market appears more focused on Q4 guidance and the 2021 outlook. As such, good results are not necessarily being rewarded on results day.

Looking ahead to 'lockdown 2' prospects, perhaps the market may focus on what may be different this time. China is back to growth, some industries will remain open for trade, and while capital raisings may become necessary again, this may not be as well supported by investors as first time around. We would expect most of the prior theme winners to continue to reap the benefits, while capital deployment, investment and M&A will remain attractive for long term secular growth winners.

The L&G Growth Trust saw small underperformance against its benchmark. Stock selection was negative with weakness in consumer services offsetting relative strength in healthcare. Sector allocation was more beneficial, led by a helpful contribution from the underweight positioning in healthcare and consumer goods. By stock, the biggest detractor was Boohoo Group, while Network International, ASOS and Ocado Group also underperformed. Meanwhile, our holdings in Abcam, Aston Martin Lagonda, Helios Towers and Wizz Air made a positive contribution.

There was no notable new activity in the period.

## **GAVIN LAUNDER**



Gavin joined LGIM in 2007 and has been the Fund Manager for the UK Growth Trust since September 2014. Previously, he was a Global Equities Analyst at BlueBay Asset Management. Gavin spent the majority of his buyside career as a Portfolio Manager with UBS O'Connor. Prior to this, he was a top-rated, sell-side analyst covering the Autos, Capital Goods and Conglomerates sectors at investment banks including SG Warburg (now part of UBS) and Goldman Sachs. Gavin holds a degree in Philosophy and Economics from University College, London.

CITYWIRE



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### **ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE**

Carbon dioxide (CO2) is the most significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions which are driving climate change.



**O** Tonnes

CO<sub>2</sub>e<sup>i</sup> per \$1 million of market capitalisation

#### **CARBON RESERVES**

Carbon reserves are fossil fuels (coal, oil and gas) which, if burnt, will become the carbon emissions of the future. To meet global climate change targets, the unabated use of fossil fuels is expected to decline over time

The figure is a measure of the size of carbon reserves held by the fund's underlying companies.



122 Tonnes

CO<sub>3</sub>e per \$1 million of sales

#### **CARBON EMISSIONS**

Following the global Paris Agreement on climate change, companies in all sectors are expected to reduce their emissions to prepare and adapt for a low-carbon economy.

Carbon emissions intensity describes the relationship between the carbon emissions of a company and its sales<sup>ii</sup>.

#### **NOTES**

<sup>1</sup> Carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e) is a standard unit to compare the emissions of different greenhouse gases.

"The choice of this metric follows best practice recommendations from the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures.

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Refinitiv: Source: Refinitiv ESG



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#### **KEY RISKS**

- The value of an investment and any income taken from it is not guaranteed and can go down as well as up; you may not get back the amount you originally invested.
- The return from this fund is dependent on relatively few individual investments. This means that a fall in the value of an individual investment can have a major impact on the overall performance of the fund.
- The fund could lose money if any institution providing services such as acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the fund.
- Derivatives are highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains.
- The fund may have underlying investments that are valued in currencies that
  are different from sterling (British pounds). Exchange rate fluctuations will
  impact the value of your investment. Currency hedging techniques may be
  applied to reduce this impact but may not entirely eliminate it.

For more information, please refer to the key investor information document on our website  $\ensuremath{\sigma}$ 

#### LATEST DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

For distributing unit classes, the latest payments are shown below. Please note that these payments are not guaranteed, are at the discretion of the manager and may be paid out of capital.

Туре	Ex-div date	Pay date	Pence per unit
Final	18 May 20	15 Jul 20	0.00p
Interim	18 Nov 19	15 Jan 20	0.38p
Final	16 May 19	15 Jul 19	0.00p
Interim	16 Nov 18	15 Jan 19	0.04p



# SPOTLIGHT ON LEGAL & GENERAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

We are one of Europe's largest asset managers and a major global investor, with assets under management of £1,240.6 billion (as at 30 June 2020). We work with a wide range of global clients, including pension schemes, sovereign wealth funds, fund distributors and retail investors.

Source: LGIM internal data as at 30 June 2020. The AUM disclosed aggregates the assets managed by LGIM in the UK, LGIMA in the US and LGIM Asia in Hong Kong. The AUM includes the value of securities and derivatives positions.

#### **DEALING INFORMATION**

Valuation frequency	Daily, 12pm (UK time)
Dealing frequency	Daily
Settlement period	T+4

### **CODES**

ISIN	R Acc	GB00B032BQ58
	R Inc	GB00B032BP42
SEDOL	R Acc	B032BQ5
	R Inc	B032BP4
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