



The fund received a 5-star Overall Morningstar Rating as of 9/30/22 among 1,142 funds in the Large Growth category (Y shares, based on risk-adjusted returns)



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Portfolio Manager  
(industry since 1990)



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Portfolio Manager  
(industry since 2011)

**Objective**

The fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.

**Morningstar category**

Large Growth

**Lipper category**

Large-Cap Core

**Primary benchmark**

S&P 500 Index

**Secondary benchmark**

Putnam Sustainable Leaders Linked Benchmark

**Fund symbols**

Class A	PNOPX
Class B	PNOBX
Class C	PNOCX
Class R	PNORX
Class R6	PSLGX
Class Y	PNOYX

**Net assets**

\$4,735.26M

**Number of holdings**

57

**Turnover**

32%

# Putnam Sustainable Leaders Fund

Investing in sustainability leadership

**Committed companies**

The fund invests in companies we believe have strong fundamentals linked to leadership in financially material sustainability issues.

**Active research process**

A framework grounded in fundamental research, enhanced by a focus on material sustainability issues, drives investment decisions.

**Experienced team**

An experienced, dedicated sustainable investing team is integrated with Putnam's equity research group.

**Top 10 holdings**

Microsoft	7.98%
Apple	7.04
Amazon	4.13
UnitedHealth	3.02
Walmart	2.96
Eli Lilly	2.84
Thermo Fisher Scientific	2.29
Hilton Worldwide	2.13
Amgen	2.10
Heineken	2.08

Holdings represent 36.57% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

**Market-cap breakdown**

Over \$95B	62.19%
\$22B-\$95B	20.15
\$4.7B-\$22B	14.27
Less than \$4.7B	0.00
Cash and other assets	3.39

"Cash and other assets" includes cash, short-term securities, ETFs, bonds excluding convertible bonds, and other securities not able to be classified by market capitalization.

**Risk** (Y shares, as of 9/30/22)

Beta	0.98
Tracking error	4.00%
Up capture ratio	99.12%
Down capture ratio	98.08%

**Sector weightings**

	Underweight	Overweight	Portfolio	Primary benchmark
Health care		3.6	18.7%	15.1%
Materials		3.3	5.8	2.5
Utilities		1.8	4.9	3.1
Consumer discretionary		1.0	12.7	11.7
Consumer staples		0.9	7.8	6.9
Information technology		0.2	26.6	26.4
Real estate		0.0	2.8	2.8
Industrials	-0.5		7.4	7.9
Financials	-2.7		8.3	11.0
Energy	-4.5		0.0	4.5
Communication services	-6.4		1.7	8.1

Cash and net other assets represent 3.4% of the portfolio.

Allocations will vary over time. Due to rounding, percentages may not equal 100%.

The unclassified sector, where applicable, includes exchange-traded funds and other securities not able to be classified by sector.

**Top active weights**

Top 5 overweights	Portfolio	Primary benchmark	Over/under
Walmart	3.0%	0.6%	2.4%
Microsoft	8.0	5.8	2.2
Heineken	2.1	0.0	2.1
Hilton Worldwide	2.1	0.1	2.0
Fortive	2.1	0.1	2.0

Top 5 underweights	Portfolio	Primary benchmark	Over/under
Alphabet	0.0%	3.6%	-3.6%
Tesla	0.0	2.3	-2.3
Berkshire Hathaway	0.0	1.6	-1.6
Johnson & Johnson	0.0	1.4	-1.4
Exxon Mobil	0.0	1.2	-1.2

**Capture ratios** are used to evaluate how well an investment manager performed relative to an index during specific periods (periods of positive return in the case of up capture, negative return in the case of down capture). The ratio is calculated by dividing the manager's returns by the returns of the index during the period and multiplying that factor by 100. **Turnover** is the rate at which the fund buys and sells securities each year. For example, if a fund's assets total \$100 million and the fund bought and sold \$100 million of securities that year, its portfolio turnover rate would be 100%. **Beta** is defined as a fund's sensitivity to market movements and is used to evaluate market related, or systematic, risk. It is a historical measure of the variability of return earned by an investment portfolio. Risk statistics are measured using a 3-year regression analysis. For funds with shorter track records, Since Inception analysis is used. **Tracking error** assesses how closely a fund's performance tracks that of the fund's benchmark by calculating the standard deviation of the difference between the fund's returns and its benchmark returns over a given time period, typically 5 years.

Not all share classes are available on all platforms.

**Not FDIC insured  
May lose value  
No bank guarantee**

**Total expense ratio**(Y shares)  
0.80%(A shares)  
1.05%**Adjustable management fee examples**

(Y shares, based on performance versus benchmark)

Base fee 0.55%

Higher fee after 1% outperformance 0.58%

Lower fee after 1% underperformance 0.52%

Maximum performance adjustment +/-0.12%

**Annual performance (all distributions reinvested)**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Y shares at net asset value	36.63%	13.64%	-0.16%	7.91%	29.39%	-0.65%	36.17%	28.84%	23.56%	-26.91%
A shares before sales charge	36.28	13.35	-0.40	7.65	29.05	-0.90	35.83	28.50	23.26	-27.05
Primary benchmark	32.39	13.69	1.38	11.96	21.83	-4.38	31.49	18.40	28.71	-23.87
Secondary benchmark	34.23	12.44	5.09	7.39	29.59	-2.12	35.64	18.40	28.71	-23.87

**Annualized total return performance**

	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Life of fund
Y shares (Inception 7/19/94)	-21.20%	8.35%	10.80%	13.19%	11.60%
A shares (Inception 8/31/90) before sales charge	-21.40	8.08	10.52	12.91	11.36
A shares after sales charge	-25.92	5.96	9.22	12.24	11.15
Primary benchmark	-15.47	8.16	9.24	11.70	10.03
Secondary benchmark	-15.47	8.16	10.63	12.88	9.87

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