

## Annual Report

December 31, 2020

# Nationwide Variable Insurance Trust

## Mozaic Fund

NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi-Asset Fund



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### Statement Regarding Availability of Quarterly Portfolio Holdings

The Trust files complete schedules of portfolio holdings for each Fund with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-PORT. Additionally, the Trust files a schedule of portfolio holdings monthly for the NVIT Government Money Market Fund on Form N-MFP. Forms N-PORT and Forms N-MFP are available on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. Forms N-PORT and Forms N-MFP may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC, and information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 800-SEC-0330. The Trust also makes this information available to investors on <http://nationwide.com/mutualfundsnvit> or upon request without charge.

### Statement Regarding Availability of Proxy Voting Record

Federal law requires the Trust and each of its investment advisers and subadvisers to adopt procedures for voting proxies (the "Proxy Voting Guidelines") and to provide a summary of those Proxy Voting Guidelines used to vote the securities held by a Fund. The Funds' proxy voting policies and procedures and information regarding how the Funds voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 are available without charge (i) upon request, by calling 800-848-0920, (ii) on the Trust's website at <http://nationwide.com/mutualfundsnvit> or (iii) on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>.

***Before purchasing a variable annuity, you should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the annuity and its underlying investment options. The product prospectus and underlying fund prospectuses contain this and other important information. Underlying fund prospectuses can be obtained from your investment professional or by contacting Nationwide at 800-848-6331. Read the prospectus carefully before you make a purchase.***

NVIT Funds are not sold to individual investors. These investment options are underlying subaccounts and cannot be purchased directly by the public. They are only available through variable products issued by life insurance companies.

Nationwide Funds Group (NFG) comprises Nationwide Fund Advisors, Nationwide Fund Distributors LLC and Nationwide Fund Management LLC. Together they provide advisory, distribution and administration services, respectively, to Nationwide Funds. Nationwide Fund Advisors (NFA) is the investment adviser to Nationwide Funds.

Variable products are issued by Nationwide Life Insurance Company or Nationwide Life and Annuity Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio. The general distributor is Nationwide Investment Services Corporation (NISC), member FINRA.

Nationwide Funds distributed by Nationwide Fund Distributors LLC (NFD), member FINRA, Columbus, Ohio. NISC and NFD are not affiliated with any subadviser contracted by Nationwide Fund Advisors (NFA), with the exception of Nationwide Asset Management, LLC (NWAM).

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Dear Investor,

During this unprecedented time of challenge and volatility, Nationwide continues to diligently care for our associates, communities, and ultimately, you our investors. We remain steadfastly committed to protecting people, businesses and futures with extraordinary care. Equity markets experienced an unprecedented period of volatility during the annual reporting period ended December 31, 2020, as investors tried to make sense out of the coronavirus outbreak and the resulting economic lockdown.

Economic growth collapsed through the reporting period as a result of the shutdown before recovering as the period closed, with growth rates -5.0% in the first quarter of 2020, a record -31.4% in the second quarter and a record +33.1% in the third quarter. Economists estimate a continued rebound in 2021. Corporate profits collapsed, with a decline of 16% forecast for 2020 but is expected to recover within the next year as the economy continues to emerge from the shutdown.

**U.S. economic activity faced unprecedented challenges spurred from the Pandemic outbreak, and the lasting implications remain unclear.**

#### Asset Class

Markets experienced unprecedented volatility during the reporting period, with the coronavirus outbreak causing the sharpest bear market since the Great Depression and an impressive bounce in the second-half of the year. The S&P 500® Index ("S&P 500") started the period strong, as an accommodating Federal Reserve and steady economic growth drove a cumulative return of 5.0% through mid-February. This quickly reversed as the severity of the coronavirus outbreak began to take shape, with a 34% decline through March 23, 2020. Since 1950, there have been five previous occasions where the S&P 500 fell 30%, taking on average 297 trading days (roughly a year and 2 months), with 1987 the previous quickest decline at 70 days. This time, it took 20 days. Aggressive fiscal and monetary policy, paired with the prospect for an economic reopen, drove investor sentiment higher, with a 69% rally through the end of the period. For the full reporting period, the S&P 500 finished with a return of 18.4%, which is impressive given the severe disruption caused by COVID-19. Fixed income returns were positive, with a substantial drop in interest rates more than offsetting modestly wider credit spreads.

International markets followed a similar pattern as domestic, though the MSCI EAFE® Index continued to lag the S&P 500, returning just 7.8%, while the MSCI Emerging Markets® Index was roughly in line at 18.3%. The global outbreak and subsequent economic shutdown had a broad impact, though the strong economic rebound and aggressive global central bank stimulus led to strong performance in the second-half of the period.

**The S&P 500 was higher in seven of the 12-months during the reporting period.**

While much of 2020 was characterized by near-universal strong returns and low volatility for risk-assets, volatility dramatically improved through the reporting period, though most risk-assets delivered positive returns. Growth stocks substantially outperformed value stocks, while small-cap stocks staged an impressive rebound and modestly outperformed large cap stocks.

Fixed-income markets were higher, driven by a decline in interest rates to historic lows. The Federal Reserve aggressively added stimulus, first by bringing the Fed Funds target rate to effectively 0% by March 15, followed by an aggressive bond buying program that nearly doubled the balance sheet from \$4.2 trillion to \$7.4 trillion through the period. Fed Chair Powell has indicated that they will remain active in supporting the market, and there is no maximum to their balance sheet growth. Interest rates collapsed across the curve through the period, with the 10-year yield falling from 1.92% to a record-low of 0.50% as of March 9, 2020 before bouncing modestly to 0.92% by period-end. The 2-year yield dropped from 1.57% to 0.12%, widening the spread between the two yields to 0.80%.

The following chart provides returns for various market segments for the year ended December 31, 2020:

Index	Annual Total Return (as of December 31, 2020)
Bloomberg Barclays Emerging Markets USD Aggregate Bond	6.52%
Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Bond	5.21%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-3 Year Government/Credit Bond	3.33%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 10-20 Year Treasury Bond	13.56%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond	7.51%
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield	7.11%
MSCI EAFE®	7.82%
MSCI Emerging Markets®	18.31%
MSCI World ex USA	10.65%
Russell 1000® Growth	38.49%
Russell 1000® Value	2.8%
Russell 2000®	19.96%
S&P 500®	18.40%

Source: Morningstar

As always, we feel that the best way for you to reach your financial goals is to consistently adhere to a disciplined and patient investment strategy. We urge investors to seek investments based on a sound asset allocation strategy, a long-term perspective and regular conversations with a financial professional.

At Nationwide, we continue to take a steady approach to seeking long-term growth. We remain confident in our ability to help investors navigate the markets for years to come. Thank you for investing with us. We deeply value your trust.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. S. Spangler", followed by a horizontal line.

Michael S. Spangler  
President and CEO  
Nationwide Variable Insurance Trust

During the annual reporting period ended December 31, 2020, the NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Fund (Class II) returned 1.51% versus 1.67% for its benchmark, the J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Index (Series F). Performance for the Fund's other share class versus the Fund's benchmark is stated in the Average Annual Total Return chart in this report's Fund Performance section.

This past year was a challenging period for global economies. Between the coronavirus, the U.S. election, and interventions of central bank and governments, the market experienced one of quickest selloffs in history as well as rebounds. Despite some of the headwinds faced throughout the year, public markets performed well with U.S. and International equity markets rallying and finishing up ~17% and ~8% respectively. The main driver of performance was concentrated to certain segments of the market that were relative beneficiaries of the coronavirus, like the technology sector. Specifically, the Nasdaq 100 was up ~48% over the year.

Not only did equity markets rally, but fixed income markets also performed well given the focus on global stimulus by central banks. Similar to equities, the U.S. fixed income markets led the way outperforming international counterparts.

In commodities, energy was challenged throughout the year, whereas, industrials and precious metals performed well throughout the year.

Fixed income was the largest contributor to performance over the period as the strategy reallocated away from equities and into fixed income following the equity drawdown driven by the Coronavirus crisis. In particular, the U.S. Long Bond was the top performing fixed income position, and Nasdaq 100 was the top performing equity position. Equities detracted from performance as the strategy was caught long equities during the first quarter market selloff. Lastly, the commodities exposure helped act as a ballast and were slightly positive over the period.

The tables below highlight the top 5 contributors and top 5 detractors.

Contributors by Security			
Security Name	Period Return (%) <sup>1</sup>	Portfolio Impact (bps)	Explanation of Performance
US Long Bond	13.2	164	Long trend benefited
Nasdaq 100	47.6	139	Long trend benefited
US Ultra Long Bond	17.3	130	Long trend benefited
Aust 10 Year Bond	4.1	79	Long trend benefited
Commodities (Cayman)	25.1 <sup>2</sup>	44	Long trend benefited

<sup>1</sup>Period return was calculated using the Bloomberg generic future contract

<sup>2</sup>Precious Metals return. Industrial return was 15.9%.

Detractors by Security			
Security Name	Period Return (%) <sup>1</sup>	Portfolio Impact (bps)	Explanation of Performance
DAX	4.0	-292	Long trend detracted
Topix	6.8	-100	Long trend detracted
Russell 2000	19.1	-47	Long trend detracted
S&P 500	17.3	-35	Long trend detracted
US 10 Year	8.2	-22	Long trend detracted

<sup>1</sup>Period return was calculated using the Bloomberg generic future contract

The Fund obtains access to constituents through index futures.

The Fund repositions based on the markets that have outperformed on a relative basis, all while staying diversified between selected constituents. The Fund is currently positioned long across most equity markets and would benefit from an extension of the global equity market rally.

#### Subadviser:

J.P. Morgan Investment Management Inc.

#### Portfolio Managers:

Alistair Lowe; Yazann Romahi, CFA; Joe Staines, CFA; and Steven (Yegang) Wu

The Fund seeks to track the performance of an index. Correlation between Fund performance and index performance may be affected by Fund expenses, index composition

changes, and the timing of Fund share purchases and redemptions. By investing in a Cayman Subsidiary, the Fund is indirectly exposed to the risks associated with the Subsidiary's investments. The commodity-related instruments held by the Subsidiary generally are similar to those that are permitted to be held by the Fund and are subject to the same risks that apply to similar investments if held directly by the Fund. The Fund may invest in more-aggressive investments such as derivatives (which create investment leverage and are highly volatile), commodities (which are considered highly volatile and speculative and can lose a significant portion of their value) and futures contracts (prices are more volatile than stocks and bonds and fluctuations in value can cause large losses to the Fund). The Fund may invest in other investment companies. Therefore, in addition to the expenses of the Fund, each investor is indirectly paying a proportionate share of the applicable fees and expenses of the other investment companies. The Fund is subject to the risks of investing in equity securities, including small companies. Smaller companies

involve greater risk than larger, more-established companies because smaller companies: i) are usually less stable in price and less liquid than larger, more-established companies; ii) are more vulnerable than larger companies to adverse business and economic developments; and iii) may have more-limited resources. The Fund is subject to the risks of investing in fixed-income securities, including default risk and interest rate risk (if interest rates go up, bond prices go down, and if interest rates go down, bond prices go up). The Fund may invest in sovereign debt (a governmental entity may delay or refuse to pay interest or repay principal). The Fund also is subject to the risks of investing in foreign securities (currency fluctuations, political risks, differences in accounting and limited availability of information, all of which are magnified in emerging markets). The Fund is subject to liquidity risk (the Fund may be more volatile than other mutual funds) and cash position risk (the Fund may miss investment opportunities). Please refer to the most recent prospectus for a more detailed explanation of the Fund's principal risks.

The J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Index (Series F) ("Index") has been licensed to Nationwide Fund Advisors (the "Licensee") for the Licensee's benefit. Neither the Licensee nor the

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A description of the benchmarks can be found on the Market Index Definitions page at the back of this book.

#### Asset Allocation<sup>1</sup>

Foreign Government Securities	14.6%
Supranational	11.6%
Corporate Bonds	7.9%
Futures Contracts	1.9%
Other assets in excess of liabilities <sup>§</sup>	64.0%
	100.0%

#### Top Industries<sup>2</sup>

Banks	11.6%
Electric Utilities	6.1%
Capital Markets	5.5%
Other Industries	76.8%
	100.0%

#### Top Holdings<sup>2</sup>

Kommunalbanken A/S, 1.50%, 8/31/2021	8.7%
Inter-American Development Bank, 2.63%, 4/19/2021	8.7%
International Finance Corp., 1.13%, 7/20/2021	8.7%
Japan Bank for International Cooperation, 1.88%, 4/20/2021	8.7%
Svensk Exportkredit AB, 1.75%, 3/10/2021	8.7%
Hydro-Quebec, 9.40%, 2/1/2021	6.1%
FMS Wertmanagement AoER, 1.38%, 6/8/2021	6.1%
Landwirtschaftliche Rentenbank, 2.38%, 3/24/2021	6.1%
Korea Development Bank (The), 2.50%, 1/13/2021	5.5%
African Development Bank, 2.63%, 3/22/2021	5.5%
Other Holdings	27.2%
	100.0%

#### Top Countries<sup>2</sup>

Canada	17.0%
Japan	13.9%
Germany	12.2%
Norway	8.8%
Sweden	8.7%
South Korea	5.5%
Other Countries	33.9%
	100.0%

§ Please refer to the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities for additional details.

1 Percentages indicated are based upon net assets as of December 31, 2020.

2 Percentages indicated are based upon total investments as of December 31, 2020.



### Average Annual Total Return<sup>1</sup>

(For periods ended December 31, 2020)

	1 Yr.	10 yr. or Inception	Date of Inception
Class II	1.51%	0.52%	10/4/2019
Class Y	1.85%	0.92%	10/4/2019
J.P. Morgan Mozaic <sup>SM</sup> Index (Series F)	1.67%	1.52%	

### Expense Ratios

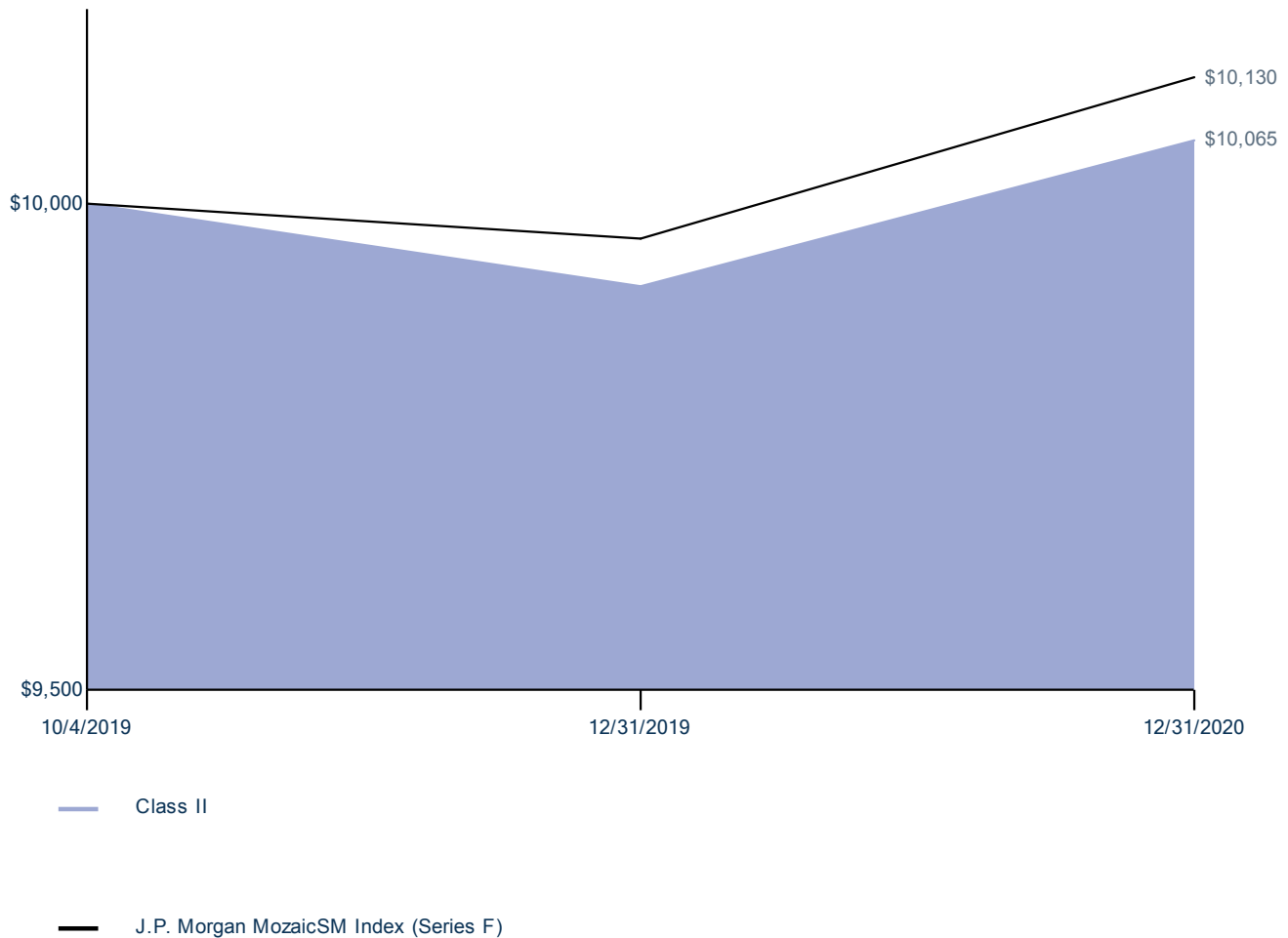
	Gross Expense Ratio <sup>^</sup>	Net Expense Ratio <sup>^</sup>
Class II	9.70%	0.93%
Class Y	9.20%	0.43%

<sup>^</sup> Current effective prospectus dated April 29, 2020. The difference between gross and net operating expenses reflects contractual waivers in place through April 30, 2021. Please see the Fund's most recent prospectus for details. Please refer to the Financial Highlights for each respective share class' actual results.

<sup>1</sup> The returns reported above do not include the effect of sales charges or additional expenses imposed by variable annuity contracts.

### Performance of a \$10,000 Investment

Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than original cost. Past performance is no guarantee of future results and does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the redemption of fund shares. Investing in mutual funds involves market risk, including loss of principal. Performance returns assume the reinvestment of all distributions.



Comparative performance of \$10,000 invested in Class II shares of the NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi-Asset Fund from inception through 12/31/20 versus the J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Index (Series F) for the same period. Unlike the Fund, the performance of this index does not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges. One cannot invest directly in a market index. A description of the benchmark can be found on the Market Index Definitions page at the back of this book.

As a shareholder of the Fund, you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, including sales charges (loads) paid on purchase payments and redemption fees; and (2) ongoing costs, including investment advisory fees, administration fees, distribution fees and other Fund expenses. The examples below are intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. Per Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") requirements, the examples assume that you had a \$1,000 investment in the Class at the beginning of the reporting period (July 1, 2020) and continued to hold your shares at the end of the reporting period (December 31, 2020).

## Actual Expenses

For each Class of the Fund in the table below, the first line provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this line, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first line of each Class under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

## Schedule of Shareholder Expenses

Expense Analysis of a \$1,000 Investment

	Beginning Account Value(\$) 7/1/20	Ending Account Value(\$) 12/31/20	Expenses Paid During Period (\$) 7/1/20 - 12/31/20	Expense Ratio During Period (%) 7/1/20 - 12/31/20 <sup>(a)</sup>
<b>NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi-Asset Fund</b>				
<b>Class II Shares</b>				
Actual <sup>(b)</sup>	1,000.00	1,041.40	4.77	0.93
Hypothetical <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	1,000.00	1,020.46	4.72	0.93
<b>Class Y Shares</b>				
Actual <sup>(b)</sup>	1,000.00	1,043.70	2.21	0.43
Hypothetical <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	1,000.00	1,022.97	2.19	0.43

- (a) The Example does not include charges that are imposed by variable insurance contracts. If these charges were reflected, the expenses listed below would be higher.
- (b) Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio multiplied by the average account value from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 multiplied by 184/366 to reflect one-half year period. The expense ratio presented represents a six-month, annualized ratio in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission guidelines.
- (c) Represents the hypothetical 5% return before expenses.

## Hypothetical Expenses for Comparison Purposes

The second line of each Class in the table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Class' actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Class' actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Class of the Fund and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transaction costs, such as sales charges (loads) or redemption fees. If these transaction costs were included, your costs would have been higher. Therefore, the second line for each Class in the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. The examples also assume all dividends and distributions are reinvested.

**Corporate Bonds 7.9%**

	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
<b>CANADA 3.9%</b>		
<b>Capital Markets 1.9%</b>		
CPPIB Capital, Inc., Reg. S, 2.38%, 1/29/2021	315,000	315,463
<b>Electric Utilities 2.0%</b>		
Hydro-Quebec, 9.40%, 2/1/2021	350,000	352,307
		667,770
<b>GERMANY 2.1%</b>		
<b>Banks 2.1%</b>		
Landwirtschaftliche Rentenbank, Reg. S, 2.38%, 3/24/2021	350,000	351,648
<b>SOUTH KOREA 1.9%</b>		
<b>Banks 1.9%</b>		
Korea Development Bank (The), 2.50%, 1/13/2021	318,000	318,149
<b>Total Corporate Bonds (cost \$1,337,853)</b>		<b>1,337,567</b>

**Foreign Government Securities 14.6%**

<b>CANADA 1.8%</b>		
Province of Ontario, 2.55%, 2/12/2021	310,000	310,747
<b>GERMANY 2.1%</b>		
FMS Wertmanagement AoeR, 1.38%, 6/8/2021	350,000	351,807
<b>JAPAN 4.7%</b>		
Japan Bank for International Cooperation, 1.88%, 4/20/2021	500,000	502,370
Japan Finance Organization for Municipalities, 4.00%, 1/13/2021	300,000	300,249
		802,619

**Foreign Government Securities**

	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
<b>NORWAY 3.0%</b>		
Kommunalbanken A/S, Reg. S, 1.50%, 8/31/2021	500,000	504,029
<b>SWEDEN 3.0%</b>		
Svensk Exportkredit AB, 1.75%, 3/10/2021	500,000	501,428
<b>Total Foreign Government Securities (cost \$2,470,465)</b>		<b>2,470,630</b>
<b>Supranational 11.6%</b>		
African Development Bank, 2.63%, 3/22/2021	315,000	316,589
European Bank for Reconstruction & Development, 2.00%, 2/1/2021	315,000	315,412
European Investment Bank, 4.00%, 2/16/2021	315,000	316,421
Inter-American Development Bank, 2.63%, 4/19/2021	500,000	503,465
International Finance Corp., 1.13%, 7/20/2021	500,000	502,561
<b>Total Supranational (cost \$1,954,536)</b>		<b>1,954,448</b>
<b>Total Investments (cost \$5,762,854) — 34.1%</b>		<b>5,762,645</b>
<b>Other assets in excess of liabilities — 65.9%</b>		<b>11,136,074</b>
<b>NET ASSETS — 100.0%</b>		<b>\$ 16,898,719</b>

Reg. S      Regulation S - Security was purchased pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, which exempts from registration securities offered and sold outside of the United States. Such security cannot be sold in the United States without either an effective registration statement filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933 or pursuant to an exemption from registration. Currently there is no restriction on trading this security.

**Futures contracts outstanding as of December 31, 2020:**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Number of Contracts</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>	<b>Trading Currency</b>	<b>Notional Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Value and Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) (\$)</b>
<b>Long Contracts</b>					
LME Aluminum Base Metal	8	1/2021	USD	395,800	33,701
LME Nickel Base Metal	3	1/2021	USD	298,197	35,493
LME Zinc Base Metal	5	1/2021	USD	341,666	44,939
Micro Gold	49	2/2021	USD	928,599	15,779
Copper	9	3/2021	USD	791,775	84,613
LME Aluminum Base Metal	8	3/2021	USD	395,500	(12,474)
LME Nickel Base Metal	3	3/2021	USD	298,944	(3,362)
LME Zinc Base Metal	5	3/2021	USD	343,666	(12,474)
Micro E-Mini S&P 500 Index	45	3/2021	USD	843,480	23,345
Mini-DAX Index	10	3/2021	EUR	839,640	27,428
NASDAQ 100 Micro E-Mini Index	32	3/2021	USD	824,672	29,438
Russell 2000 E-Mini Index	7	3/2021	USD	691,180	21,786
Silver	2	3/2021	USD	264,120	23,215
TOPIX Index	7	3/2021	JPY	1,223,331	34,521
U.S. Treasury Long Bond	13	3/2021	USD	2,251,437	(24,340)
U.S. Treasury Ultra Bond	6	3/2021	USD	1,281,375	(23,201)
					<u>298,407</u>
<b>Short Contracts</b>					
LME Aluminum Base Metal	(8)	1/2021	USD	(395,800)	10,176
LME Nickel Base Metal	(3)	1/2021	USD	(298,197)	3,474
LME Zinc Base Metal	(5)	1/2021	USD	(341,666)	12,694
					<u>26,344</u>
					<u><u>324,751</u></u>

At December 31, 2020, the Fund had \$511,232 segregated as collateral with the broker for open futures contracts, this amount is included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities under "Deposits with broker for futures contracts".

**Currency:**

EUR	Euro
JPY	Japanese Yen
USD	United States Dollar

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

	<b>NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi- Asset Fund</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Investment securities, at value	\$ 5,762,645
Cash	10,012,868
Deposits with broker for futures contracts	757,484
Foreign currencies, at value	265,943
Interest receivable	57,656
Receivable for capital shares issued	169,230
Receivable for reimbursement from investment adviser (Note 3)	20,127
Prepaid expenses	13,405
Total Assets	<u>17,059,358</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Payable for capital shares redeemed	99
Payable for variation margin on futures contracts	2,073
Accrued expenses and other payables:	
Investment advisory fees	3,903
Fund administration fees	40,290
Distribution fees	3,251
Administrative servicing fees	17,234
Accounting and transfer agent fees	1,350
Custodian fees	2,226
Compliance program costs (Note 3)	27
Offering costs	41,723
Professional fees	18,704
Printing fees	16,004
Other	13,755
Total Liabilities	<u>160,639</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<u>\$ 16,898,719</u>
Cost of investment securities	5,762,854
Cost of foreign currencies	255,241
<b>Represented by:</b>	
Capital	\$ 16,519,691
Total distributable earnings (loss)	379,028
<b>Net Assets</b>	<u>\$ 16,898,719</u>

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	<b>NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi- Asset Fund</b>
<b>Net Assets:</b>	
Class II Shares	\$ 15,842,426
Class Y Shares	1,056,293
Total	<u>\$ 16,898,719</u>
<b>Shares Outstanding</b> (unlimited number of shares authorized):	
Class II Shares	1,584,565
Class Y Shares	104,758
Total	<u>1,689,323</u>
<b>Net asset value and offering price per share</b> (Net assets by class divided by shares outstanding by class, respectively):	
Class II Shares	\$ 10.00
Class Y Shares	\$ 10.08

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	<b>NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi- Asset Fund</b>
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME:</b>	
Interest income	\$ 55,770
Foreign tax withholding	(2,617)
Total Income	<u>53,153</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Investment advisory fees	30,224
Fund administration fees	157,193
Distribution fees Class II Shares	25,646
Administrative servicing fees Class II Shares	25,646
Professional fees	95,742
Printing fees	10,664
Trustee fees	31,103
Custodian fees	2,005
Offering costs <sup>^</sup>	34,397
Accounting and transfer agent fees	1,445
Compliance program costs (Note 3)	2
Index licensing fee	10,758
Other	3,251
Total expenses before expenses reimbursed	<u>428,076</u>
Expenses reimbursed by adviser (Note 3)	<u>(330,037)</u>
Net Expenses	<u>98,039</u>
<b>NET INVESTMENT LOSS</b>	<u>(44,886)</u>
<b>REALIZED/UNREALIZED GAINS (LOSSES) FROM INVESTMENTS:</b>	
Net realized gains (losses) from:	
Transactions in investment securities	823
Expiration or closing of futures contracts (Note 2)	31,452
Foreign currency transactions (Note 2)	8,424
Net realized gains (losses)	<u>40,699</u>
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation in the value of:	
Investment securities	236
Futures contracts (Note 2)	339,331
Translation of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies (Note 2)	6,349
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	<u>345,916</u>
Net realized/unrealized gains (losses)	<u>386,615</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS</b>	<u><u>\$ 341,729</u></u>

<sup>^</sup> Amounts are amortized over 12-month period.

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	<b>NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi-Asset Fund</b>	
	<b>Year Ended December 31, 2020</b>	<b>Period Ended December 31, 2019(a)</b>
<b>OPERATIONS:</b>		
Net investment income/(loss)	\$ (44,886)	\$ 9,694
Net realized gains (losses)	40,699	(12,494)
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	345,916	(10,258)
Change in net assets resulting from operations	341,729	(13,058)
<b>Distributions to Shareholders From:</b>		
Distributable earnings:		
Class II	(63,619)	(9,069)
Class Y	(3,222)	—
Change in net assets from shareholder distributions	(66,841)	(9,069)
Change in net assets from capital transactions	10,580,679	6,065,279
Change in net assets	10,855,567	6,043,152
<b>Net Assets:</b>		
Beginning of year	6,043,152	—
End of year	\$ 16,898,719	\$ 6,043,152
<b>CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS:</b>		
<b>Class II Shares</b>		
Proceeds from shares issued	\$ 10,175,770	\$ 6,052,093
Dividends reinvested	63,619	9,069
Cost of shares redeemed	(669,018)	(883)
Total Class II Shares	9,570,371	6,060,279
<b>Class Y Shares</b>		
Proceeds from shares issued	1,030,370	5,000
Dividends reinvested	3,222	—
Cost of shares redeemed	(23,284)	—
Total Class Y Shares	1,010,308	5,000
Change in net assets from capital transactions	\$ 10,580,679	\$ 6,065,279
<b>SHARE TRANSACTIONS:</b>		
<b>Class II Shares</b>		
Issued	1,039,330	606,922
Reinvested	6,461	918
Redeemed	(68,977)	(89)
Total Class II Shares	976,814	607,751
<b>Class Y Shares</b>		
Issued	106,300	500
Reinvested	328	—
Redeemed	(2,370)	—
Total Class Y Shares	104,258	500
Total change in shares	1,081,072	608,251

Amounts designated as "—" are zero or have been rounded to zero.

(a) For the period from October 7, 2019 (commencement of operations) through December 31, 2019.

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	Operations			Distributions			Ratios/Supplemental Data							
	Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	Net Investment Income (Loss)(a)	Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses) from Investments	Total from Operations	Net Investment Income	Net Realized Gains	Total Distributions	Net Asset Value, End of Period	Total Return(b)(c)	Net Assets at End of Period	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets(d)	Ratio of Net Investment Income (Loss) to Average Net Assets(d)	Ratio of Expenses (Prior to Reimbursements) to Average Net Assets(d)(e)	Portfolio Turnover(b)(f)
NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic <sup>SM</sup>														
Multi-Asset Fund														
Class II Shares														
Year Ended December 31, 2020	\$ 9.94	(0.04)	0.15	0.11	(0.02)	(0.03)	(0.05)	\$ 10.00	1.10%(g)	\$ 15,842,426	0.93%	(0.43)%	4.02%	0.00%
Period Ended December 31, 2019(h)	\$ 10.00	0.02	(0.06)	(0.04)	(0.02)	—	(0.02)	\$ 9.94	(0.45%(g)	\$ 6,038,169	0.93%	0.77%	9.05%	0.00%
Class Y Shares														
Year Ended December 31, 2020	\$ 9.97	(0.01)	0.15	0.14	—	(0.03)	(0.03)	\$ 10.08	1.44%(g)	\$ 1,056,293	0.43%	(0.12)%	3.09%	0.00%
Period Ended December 31, 2019(h)	\$ 10.00	0.03	(0.06)	(0.03)	—	—	—	\$ 9.97	(0.30%(g)	\$ 4,983	0.43%	1.26%	8.33%	0.00%

Amounts designated as "—" are zero or have been rounded to zero.

(a) Per share calculations were performed using average shares method.

(b) Not annualized for periods less than one year.

(c) The total returns do not include charges that are imposed by variable insurance contracts. If these charges were reflected, returns would be lower than those shown.

(d) Annualized for periods less than one year.

(e) During the period, certain fees may have been waived and/or reimbursed. If such waivers/reimbursements had not occurred, the ratios would have been as indicated.

(f) Portfolio turnover is calculated on the basis of the Fund as a whole without distinguishing among the classes of shares.

(g) Includes adjustments in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and as such, the net asset values for financial reporting purposes and the returns based upon those net asset values may differ from the net asset values and returns for shareholder transactions.

(h) For the period from October 7, 2019 (commencement of operations) through December 31, 2019. Total return is calculated based on inception date of October 4, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

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## 1. Organization

Nationwide Variable Insurance Trust ("NVIT" or the "Trust") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company, organized as a statutory trust under the laws of the State of Delaware. The Trust has authorized an unlimited number of shares of beneficial interest ("shares"), without par value. The Trust currently offers shares to life insurance company separate accounts to fund the benefits payable under variable life insurance policies and variable annuity contracts. As of December 31, 2020, the Trust operates sixty-five (65) separate series, or mutual funds, each with its own objective(s) and investment strategies. This report contains the financial statements and financial highlights for the NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi-Asset Fund ("Mozaic Multi-Asset" or the "Fund"), a series of the Trust.

Nationwide Fund Advisors ("NFA") serves as investment adviser to the Fund. NFA is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nationwide Financial Services, Inc. ("NFS"), a holding company which is a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Nationwide Corporation. Nationwide Corporation, in turn, is owned by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company and Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Shares of the Fund are held by separate accounts established by Nationwide Life Insurance Company ("NLIC"), a wholly owned subsidiary of NFS, Nationwide Life and Annuity Insurance Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of NLIC, and other unaffiliated insurance companies.

The Fund currently offers Class II and Class Y shares. Each share class of the Fund represents interests in the same portfolio of investments of the Fund and the classes are identical except for any differences in the distribution or service fees, administrative services fees, class specific expenses, certain voting rights, and class names or designations.

The Fund is a diversified fund, as defined in the 1940 Act.

**Basis of Consolidation.** The accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Fund include the account of NW Securities Fund (the "Subsidiary"), which is a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of the Fund and primarily invests in commodity-related instruments, such as futures contracts. The Subsidiary also may buy short-term fixed income securities or hold cash to serve as margin or collateral for the Subsidiary's derivatives positions. The Subsidiary enables the Fund to hold these commodity-related instruments and satisfy regulated investment company tax requirements. The Fund may invest up to 25% of its total assets in the Subsidiary. Intercompany accounts and transactions, if any, have been eliminated. The Subsidiary is subject to the same investment policies and restrictions that apply to the Fund, except that the Subsidiary is not registered as an investment company under the 1940 act and may invest without limitation in commodity-related instruments.

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Fund in the accounting and the preparation of its financial statements. The Fund is an investment company and follows accounting and reporting guidance in the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946 ("ASC 946"). The policies are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), including, but not limited to, ASC 946. The preparation of financial statements requires fund management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of income and expenses for the period. The Fund utilizes various methods to measure the value of its investments on a recurring basis. Amounts received upon the sale of such investments could differ from those estimated values and those differences could be material.

### (a) Security Valuation

U.S. GAAP defines fair value as the price that the Fund would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Pursuant to procedures approved by the Board of Trustees of the Trust (the "Board of Trustees"), NFA assigns a fair value, as defined by U.S. GAAP, to the Fund's investments in accordance with a hierarchy that prioritizes the various types of inputs used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to readily available unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements) when market prices are not readily available or reliable.

The three levels of the hierarchy are summarized as follows.

- Level 1 — Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets
- Level 2 — Other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices of similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)
- Level 3 — Significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

Changes in valuation techniques may result in transfers into or out of an investment's assigned level within the hierarchy.

An investment's categorization within the hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair valuation in its entirety. The inputs or methodology used to value investments are not intended to indicate the risk associated with investing in those investments.

Securities for which market-based quotations are readily available are valued at the current market value as of "Valuation Time." Valuation Time is as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (usually 4:00 p.m. Eastern time). Equity securities are generally valued at the last quoted sale price or official closing price, or, if there is no such price, the last quoted bid price provided by an independent pricing service approved by the Board of Trustees. Prices are taken from the primary market or exchange on which each security trades. Shares of registered open-end management investment companies are valued at net asset value ("NAV") as reported by such company. Shares of exchange traded funds are generally valued at the last quoted sale price or official closing price, or, if there is no such price, the last quoted bid price provided by an independent pricing service. Master limited partnerships ("MLPs") are publicly traded partnerships and are treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Investments in MLPs are valued at the last quoted sale price or official closing price, or, if there is no such price, the last quoted bid price provided by an independent pricing service. Equity securities, shares of registered open-end management investment companies, shares of exchange traded funds and MLPs valued in this manner are generally categorized as Level 1 investments within the hierarchy. Repurchase agreements are valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value, and are generally categorized as Level 2 investments within the hierarchy.

Debt and other fixed-income securities are generally valued at the bid evaluation price provided by an independent pricing service as approved by the Board of Trustees. Evaluations provided by independent pricing service providers may be determined without exclusive reliance on quoted prices and may use broker-dealer quotations, individual trading characteristics and other market data, reported trades or valuation estimates from their internal pricing models. The independent pricing service providers' internal models use inputs that are observable such as issuer details, interest rates, yield curves, prepayment speeds, credit risks/spreads, default rates, anticipated timing of principal repayments, and quoted prices for similar assets and are generally categorized as Level 2 investments within the hierarchy. Debt obligations generally involve some risk of default with respect to interest and/or principal payments.

The Board of Trustees has delegated authority to NFA, and the Trust's administrator, Nationwide Fund Management LLC

("NFM"), to assign a fair value under certain circumstances, as described below, pursuant to valuation procedures approved by the Board of Trustees. NFA and NFM have established a Fair Valuation Committee ("FVC") to assign these fair valuations. The fair value of a security may differ from its quoted or published price. Fair valuation of portfolio securities may occur on a daily basis.

Securities may be fair valued in certain circumstances, such as where (i) market-based quotations are not readily available; (ii) an independent pricing service does not provide a value or the value provided by an independent pricing service is determined to be unreliable in the judgment of NFA/NFM or its designee; (iii) a significant event has occurred that affects the value of the Fund's securities after trading has stopped (e.g., earnings announcements or news relating to natural disasters affecting an issuer's operations); (iv) the securities are illiquid; (v) the securities have defaulted or been delisted from an exchange and are no longer trading; or (vi) any other circumstance in which the FVC believes that market-based quotations do not accurately reflect the value of a security.

The FVC will assign a fair value according to fair value methodologies. Information utilized by the FVC to obtain a fair value may include, among others, the following: (i) a multiple of earnings; (ii) the discount from market value of a similar, freely traded security; (iii) the yield-to-maturity for debt issues; or (iv) a combination of these and other methods. Fair valuations may also take into account significant events that occur before Valuation Time but after the close of the principal market on which a security trades that materially affect the value of such security. To arrive at the appropriate methodology, the FVC may consider a non-exclusive list of factors, which are specific to the security, as well as whether the security is traded on the domestic or foreign markets. The FVC monitors the results of fair valuation determinations and regularly reports the results to the Board of Trustees. The Fund attempts to establish a price that it might reasonably expect to receive upon the current sale of that security. That said, there can be no assurance that the fair value assigned to a security is the price at which a security could have been sold during the period in which the particular fair value was used to value the security. To the extent the significant inputs used are observable, these securities are classified as Level 2 investments; otherwise, they are classified as Level 3 investments within the hierarchy.

The following table provides a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's net assets as of December 31, 2020. Please refer to the Consolidated Statement of Investments for additional information on portfolio holdings.

#### Mozaic Multi-Asset

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>Assets:</b>				
Corporate Bonds	\$ —	\$ 1,337,567	\$ —	1,337,567
Foreign Government Securities	—	2,470,630	—	2,470,630
Futures Contracts	400,602	—	—	400,602
Supranational	—	1,954,448	—	1,954,448
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 400,602</b>	<b>\$ 5,762,645</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>6,163,247</b>

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Futures Contracts	\$ (75,851)	\$ —	\$ —	(75,851)
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ (75,851)</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>(75,851)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 324,751</b>	<b>\$ 5,762,645</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>6,087,396</b>

Amounts designated as "—", which may include fair valued securities, are zero or have been rounded to zero.

#### (b) Cash Overdraft

The Fund may have overdrawn U.S. dollar and/or foreign currency balances with the Fund's custodian bank, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"). To offset the overdraft, JPMorgan advanced an amount equal to the overdraft. Consistent with the Fund's borrowing policy, the advance is deemed a temporary loan to the Fund. Such loan is payable upon demand and bears interest from the date of such advance to the date of payment at the rate agreed upon with JPMorgan under the custody agreement. This advance is separate from, and was not made pursuant to, the credit agreement discussed in Note 4. A Fund with an overdraft is subject to a lien by JPMorgan on the Fund's account and JPMorgan may charge the Fund's account for any amounts owed to JPMorgan. JPMorgan also has the right to set off as appropriate and apply all deposits and credits held by or owing to JPMorgan against such amount, subject to the terms of the custody agreement.

At December 31, 2020, the Fund did not have overdrawn balances.

#### (c) Foreign Currency Transactions

The accounting records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. The Fund may, nevertheless, engage in foreign currency transactions. In those instances, the Fund will convert foreign currency amounts into U.S. dollars at the current rate of exchange between the foreign currency and the U.S. dollar in order to determine the value of the Fund's investments, assets, and liabilities.

Purchases and sales of securities, receipts of income, and payments of expenses are converted at the prevailing rate of exchange on the respective date of such transactions. The accounting records of the Fund do not differentiate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates from those resulting from changes in the market prices of the relevant securities. Each portion contributes to the net realized gains or losses from transactions in investment securities and net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation in the value of investment securities. Net currency gains or losses, realized and unrealized, that are a result of differences between the amount recorded on the Fund's accounting records, and the U.S. dollar equivalent amount actually received or paid for interest or dividends, receivables and payables for investments sold or purchased, and foreign cash, are included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations under "Net realized gains (losses) from foreign currency transactions" and "Net change in unrealized appreciation/

depreciation in the value of translation of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies," if applicable.

#### (d) Futures Contracts

The Fund is subject to equity price and/or interest rate risk in the normal course of pursuing its objective. The Fund entered into financial futures contracts ("futures contracts") to manage currency risk, to equitize cash balances, to more efficiently manage the portfolio, to modify exposure to volatility, to increase or decrease the baseline equity exposure, to gain exposure to and/or hedge against changes in interest rates, for the purpose of reducing active risk in the portfolio, to gain exposure to and/or hedge against the value of equities and/or to gain exposure to foreign currencies, as applicable, to meet the Fund's stated investment strategies as shown in the Fund's Prospectus. Futures contracts are contracts for delayed delivery of securities or currencies at a specific future date and at a specific price or currency amount.

Upon entering into a futures contract, the Fund is required to segregate an initial margin deposit of cash and/or other assets equal to a certain percentage of the futures contract's notional value. Under a futures contract, the Fund agrees to receive from or pay to a broker an amount of cash equal to the daily fluctuation in value of the futures contract. Subsequent receipts or payments, known as "variation margin" receipts or payments, are made each day, depending on the fluctuation in the fair value of the futures contract, and are recognized by the Fund as unrealized gains or losses. Futures contracts are generally valued daily at their settlement price as provided by an independent pricing service approved by the Board of Trustees, and are generally categorized as Level 1 investments within the hierarchy.

A "sale" of a futures contract means a contractual obligation to deliver the securities or foreign currency called for by the contract at a fixed price or amount at a specified time in the future. A "purchase" of a futures contract means a contractual obligation to acquire the securities or foreign currency at a fixed price at a specified time in the future. When a futures contract is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the value of the futures contract at the time it was opened and its value at the time it was closed.

Should market conditions change unexpectedly, the Fund may not achieve the anticipated benefits of futures contracts and may realize a loss. The use of futures contracts for hedging purposes involves the risk of imperfect correlation in the movements in the price of the futures contracts and the underlying assets. The Fund's investments in futures contracts



entail limited counterparty credit risk because the Fund invests only in exchange-traded futures contracts, which are settled through the exchange and whose fulfillment is guaranteed by the credit of the exchange.

The Fund's futures contracts are reflected in the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities under "Receivable/Payable

for variation margin on futures contracts", in a table in the Consolidated Statement of Investments and in the Consolidated Statement of Operations under "Net realized gains (losses) from expiration or closing of futures contracts" and "Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation in the value of futures contracts", as applicable.

The following is a summary of the Fund's derivative instruments categorized by risk exposure as of December 31, 2020:

#### Fair Values of Derivatives not Accounted for as Hedging Instruments as of December 31, 2020:

<b>Mozaic Multi-Asset Assets:</b>		<b>Statement of Assets and Liabilities</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>
Futures Contracts(a)			
Commodity risk	Receivable/payable for variation margin on futures contracts	\$	264,084
Equity risk	Receivable/payable for variation margin on futures contracts		136,518
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>400,602</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Futures Contracts(a)			
Commodity risk	Receivable/payable for variation margin on futures contracts		(28,310)
Interest rate risk	Receivable/payable for variation margin on futures contracts		(47,541)
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>(75,851)</b>

(a) Includes cumulative appreciation/(depreciation) of futures contracts as reported in the Consolidated Statement of Investments. Only current day's variation margin is reported within the Consolidated Statement of Asset and Liabilities.

#### The Effect of Derivative Instruments on the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the Year Ended December 31, 2020

<b>Mozaic Multi-Asset Realized Gains (Losses):</b>		<b>Total</b>
Futures Contracts		
Commodity risk	\$	47,745
Equity risk		(150,041)
Interest rate risk		133,748
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>31,452</b>

#### Change in Unrealized Appreciation/Depreciation on Derivatives Recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the Year Ended December 31, 2020

<b>Mozaic Multi-Asset Unrealized Appreciation/Depreciation:</b>		<b>Total</b>
Futures Contracts		
Commodity risk	\$	198,017
Equity risk		90,108
Interest rate risk		51,206
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>339,331</b>

The following is a summary of the Fund's average volume of derivative instruments held during the year ended December 31, 2020:

<b>Mozaic Multi-Asset Futures Contracts:</b>		
Average Notional Balance Long	\$	11,337,262
Average Notional Balance Short	\$	137,930

The Fund is required to disclose information about offsetting and related arrangements to enable users of the financial statements to understand the effect of those arrangements on the Fund's financial position. At December 31, 2020, the Fund has entered into futures contracts. The futures contracts agreement does not provide for a netting arrangement.

#### (e) Security Transactions and Investment Income

Security transactions are accounted for on the date the security is purchased or sold. Security gains and losses are calculated on the identified cost basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis and includes, where applicable, the amortization of premiums or accretion of discounts, and is recorded as such on the Fund's Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Foreign income may be subject to foreign withholding taxes, a portion of which may be reclaimable at various rates. Under applicable foreign law, a withholding tax may be imposed on interest and dividends paid by a foreign security. Foreign income subject to foreign withholding taxes is recorded net of the applicable withholding tax.

Reclassifications for the year ended December 31, 2020 were as follows:

Fund	Capital	Total Distributable Earnings (Loss)
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ (78,683)	\$ 78,683

#### (g) Federal Income Taxes

The Fund elected to be treated as, and intends to qualify each year as, a "regulated investment company" ("RIC") by complying with the requirements of Subchapter M of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), as amended, and to make distributions of net investment income and net realized capital gains sufficient to relieve the Fund from all, or substantially all, federal income taxes. The aforementioned distributions may be made in cash or via consent dividends. Consent dividends, when authorized, become taxable to the shareholders as if they were paid in cash.

The Fund recognizes a tax benefit from an uncertain position only if it is more likely than not that the position is sustainable, based solely on its technical merits and consideration of the relevant taxing authorities' widely understood administrative practices and precedents. Each year, the Fund undertakes an affirmative evaluation of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing tax returns to determine whether it is more likely than not (i.e., greater than 50 percent) that each tax position will be sustained upon examination by a taxing authority. The Fund is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly change in the next twelve months.

#### (f) Distributions to Shareholders

Distributions from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid quarterly. Distributions from net realized capital gains, if any, are declared and distributed at least annually. All distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Dividends and distributions to shareholders are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP. These "book/tax" differences are considered either permanent or temporary. Permanent differences are reclassified within the capital accounts based on their nature for federal income tax purposes; temporary differences do not require reclassification. The permanent differences as of December 31, 2020 are primarily attributable to foreign currency gain/loss and Cayman subsidiary taxable income. Temporary differences arise when certain items of income, gain, or loss are recognized in different periods for financial statement and tax purposes; these differences will reverse at some time in the future. The temporary differences as of December 31, 2020 may primarily be attributable to market-to-market adjustments on futures. These reclassifications have no effect upon the NAV of the Fund. Any distribution in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits for federal income tax purposes is reported as a return of capital distribution.

The Fund files a U.S. federal income tax return and, if applicable, returns in various foreign jurisdictions in which it invests. Generally, a Fund is subject to examinations by such taxing authorities for up to three years after the filing of the return for the tax period.

The Fund's investment in its Subsidiary is intended to provide additional exposure to commodities while allowing the Fund to satisfy the requirements applicable to a RIC. The Subsidiary, which has a November 30 year end for income tax purposes, is a controlled foreign corporation under the Code. As a U.S. shareholder of a controlled foreign corporation, the Fund will include in its taxable income its share of the Subsidiary's current earnings and profits (including future realized gains). Any deficit generated by the Subsidiary will be disregarded for purposes of computing the Fund's taxable income in the current period and also disregarded for all future periods.

#### (h) Allocation of Expenses, Income and Gains and Losses

Expenses directly attributable to a Fund are charged to that Fund. Expenses not directly attributable to a Fund are allocated proportionally among various or all series of the Trust. Income, fund level expenses, and realized and unrealized gains or losses are allocated to each class of shares of a Fund based on the value of the outstanding shares of that class relative to the total value of the outstanding shares of that Fund. Expenses

specific to a class (such as Rule 12b-1 and administrative services fees) are charged to that specific class.

### 3. Transactions with Affiliates

Under the terms of the Trust's Investment Advisory Agreement, NFA manages the investment of the assets and supervises

the daily business affairs of the Fund in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Board of Trustees. NFA has selected J.P. Morgan Investment Management Inc. (the "Subadviser") as subadviser for the Fund, and provides investment management evaluation services in monitoring, on an ongoing basis, the performance of the Subadviser.

Under the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Fund pays NFA an investment advisory fee based on the Fund's average daily net assets. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Fund paid investment advisory fees to NFA according to the following schedule.

<b>Fee Schedule</b>	<b>Advisory Fee (annual rate)</b>
All assets	0.28%

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the effective advisory fee rates before and after expense reimbursements due to the expense limitation agreement described below, were as follows:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Effective Advisory Fee Rate Before Expense Reimbursements</b>	<b>Effective Advisory Fee Rate After Expense Reimbursements</b>
Mozaic Multi-Asset	0.28%	0.00%

From these fees, pursuant to the subadvisory agreement, NFA pays fees to the unaffiliated subadvisers.

The Trust and NFA have entered into a written Expense Limitation Agreement that limits the Fund's operating expenses (excluding any interest, taxes, brokerage commissions and other costs incurred in connection with the purchase and sale of portfolio securities, acquired fund fees and expenses, short sale dividend expenses, Rule 12b-1 fees, fees paid pursuant to an Administrative Services Plan, excludable sub administration fees, other expenditures which are capitalized in accordance with U.S. GAAP, expenses incurred by the Fund in connection with any merger or reorganization, and other non-routine expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the Fund's business) from exceeding the amounts listed in the following table until April 30, 2021.

<b>Classes</b>	<b>Amount (annual rate)</b>
All Classes	0.43%

NFA may request and receive reimbursement from the Fund for advisory fees waived or other expenses reimbursed by NFA pursuant to the Expense Limitation Agreement at a date not to exceed three years from the month in which the corresponding waiver or reimbursement to the Fund was made. However, no reimbursement may be made unless: (i) the Fund's assets exceed \$100 million and (ii) the total annual expense ratio of the class making such reimbursement is no higher than the

amount of the expense limitation that was in place at the time NFA waived the fees or reimbursed the expenses and does not cause the expense ratio to exceed the current expense limitation. Reimbursement by the Fund of amounts previously waived or reimbursed by NFA is not permitted except as provided for in the Expense Limitation Agreement. The Expense Limitation Agreement may be changed or eliminated only with the consent of the Board of Trustees.

As of December 31, 2020, the cumulative potential reimbursements for the Fund, listed by the period or year in which NFA waived fees or reimbursed expenses to the Fund are:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Period Ended December 31, 2019(a) Amount</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2020 Amount</b>	<b>Total</b>
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ 110,748	\$ 330,037	\$ 440,785

Amounts designated as "—" are zero or have been rounded to zero.

(a) For the period from October 7, 2019 (commencement of operations) through December 31, 2019.

NFM, a wholly owned subsidiary of NFS Distributors, Inc. ("NFSDI") (a wholly owned subsidiary of NFS), provides various

administrative and accounting services for the Fund and serves as Transfer and Dividend Disbursing Agent for the Fund. NFM



has entered into agreements with third-party service providers to provide certain sub-administration and sub-transfer agency

services to the Fund. NFM pays the service providers a fee for these services.

Under the terms of a Joint Fund Administration and Transfer Agency Agreement, the fees for such services are based on the sum of the following: (i) the amount payable by NFM to its sub-administrator and sub-transfer agent; and (ii) a percentage of the combined average daily net assets of the Trust and Nationwide Mutual Funds ("NMF"), a Delaware statutory trust and registered investment company that is affiliated with the Trust, according to the following fee schedule.

#### Combined Fee Schedule

Up to \$25 billion	0.025%
\$25 billion and more	0.020%

For the year ended December 31, 2020, NFM earned \$157,193 in fees from the Fund under the Joint Fund Administration and Transfer Agency Agreement.

In addition, the Trust pays out-of-pocket expenses reasonably incurred by NFM in providing services to the Fund and the Trust, including, but not limited to, the cost of pricing services that NFM utilizes.

Under the terms of the Joint Fund Administration and Transfer Agency Agreement and a letter agreement between NFM and the Trust, the Trust has agreed to reimburse NFM for certain costs related to the Fund's portion of ongoing administration, monitoring and annual (compliance audit) testing of the Trust's Rule 38a-1 Compliance Program subject to the pre-approval of the Trust's Audit Committee. These costs are allocated among the series of the Trust based upon their relative net assets. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Fund's portion of such costs amounted to \$2.

Under the terms of a Distribution Plan pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act, Nationwide Fund Distributors LLC ("NFD"), the Fund's principal underwriter, is compensated by the Fund for expenses associated with the distribution of certain classes of shares of the Fund. NFD is a wholly owned subsidiary of NFSDI. These fees are based on average daily net assets of Class II shares of the Fund at an annual rate of 0.25%.

Under the terms of an Administrative Services Plan, the Fund pays fees to servicing organizations, such as broker-dealers, including NFS, and financial institutions, that agree to provide administrative support services to the shareholders of certain classes. These services may include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) establishing and maintaining shareholder accounts; (ii) processing purchase and redemption transactions; (iii) arranging bank wires; (iv) performing shareholder sub-accounting; (v) answering inquiries regarding the Fund; and (vi) other such services. These fees are calculated at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets of Class II shares of the Fund.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the effective rates for administrative services fees were as follows:

Fund	Class II
Mozaic Multi-Asset	0.25%

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Fund's total administrative services fees were as follows:

Fund	Amount
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ 25,646

#### 4. Line of Credit and Interfund Lending

Effective July 9, 2020, the Trust and NMF (together, the "Trusts") have renewed the credit agreement with JPMorgan, The Bank of New York Mellon, and Wells Fargo Bank National Association (the "Lenders"), permitting the Trusts, in aggregate, to borrow up to \$100,000,000. Advances taken by a Fund under this arrangement would be primarily for temporary or emergency purposes, including the meeting of redemption requests that otherwise might require the untimely disposition of securities, and are subject to the Fund's borrowing restrictions. The line of credit requires a commitment fee of 0.15% per year on \$100,000,000. Such commitment fee shall be payable quarterly in arrears on the last business day of each March, June, September and December and on the termination date. Effective July 9, 2020, borrowings under this arrangement accrue interest at a rate of 1.25% per annum plus the higher of (a) if ascertainable and available, the Eurodollar Rate as of

such day for a transaction settling two business days after such day, (b) the Federal Funds Effective Rate in effect on such day and (c) the Overnight Bank Funding Rate in effect on such day; provided, however, that if the Federal Funds Rate calculated in accordance with the foregoing shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero percent (0%) for the purposes of this Agreement. If an Index Rate Unavailability Event occurs in respect of the Eurodollar Rate, the Federal Funds Rate shall be determined without reference to clause (a) of this definition. Prior to July 9, 2020, borrowings under this arrangement accrued interest at a rate of 1.00% per annum plus the higher of (a) the one-month London Interbank Offered Rate or (b) the Federal Funds Rate. Interest costs, if any, would be shown on the Statement of Operations. No compensating balances are required under the terms of the line of credit. In addition, a Fund may not draw any portion of the line of credit that is provided by a bank that is an affiliate of the Fund's subadviser, if applicable. In addition to any rights and remedies

of the Lenders provided by law, each Lender has the right, upon any amount becoming due and payable by the Fund, to set-off as appropriate and apply all deposits and credits held by or owing to such Lender against such amount, subject to the terms of the credit agreement. The line of credit is renewed annually, and next expires on July 8, 2021. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Fund had no borrowings under the line of credit.

The Fund was added as a party upon renewal of the agreement on July 9, 2020.

Pursuant to an exemptive order issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") (the "Order"), the Fund may participate in an interfund lending program among Fund managed by NFA. The program allows the participating Funds to borrow money from and loan money to each other for temporary purposes, subject to the conditions in the Order. A loan can only be made through the program if the interfund loan rate on that day is more favorable to both the borrowing and lending Funds as compared to rates available through short-term bank loans or investments in overnight repurchase agreements and money market funds, respectively, as detailed in the Order. Further, a Fund may participate in the program only if and to the extent that such participation is consistent with its investment objectives and limitations. Interfund loans have a maximum duration of seven days and may be called on one business day's notice. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Fund did not engage in interfund lending.

## 5. Investment Transactions

For the year ended December 31, 2020, there were no purchases and sales of long-term securities.

## 6. Portfolio Investment Risks

### Risks Associated with Interest Rates

Prices of fixed-income securities generally increase when interest rates decline and decrease when interest rates increase. Prices of longer-term securities generally change more in response to interest rate changes than prices of shorter-term securities. To the extent a Fund invests a substantial portion of its assets in fixed-income securities with longer-term maturities, rising interest rates are more likely to cause the value of the Fund's investments to decline significantly.

### Risks Associated with Foreign Securities and Currencies

Investments in securities of foreign issuers carry certain risks not ordinarily associated with investments in securities of U.S. issuers. These risks include foreign currency fluctuations, future disruptive political and economic developments and the possible imposition of exchange controls or other unfavorable foreign government laws and restrictions. In addition, investments in certain countries may carry risks of expropriation of assets, confiscatory taxation, political or social instability, or diplomatic developments that adversely affect investments in those countries.

Certain countries also may impose substantial restrictions on investments in their capital markets by foreign entities, including restrictions on investments in issuers in industries deemed sensitive to relevant national interests. These factors may limit the investment opportunities available and result in a lack of liquidity and high price volatility with respect to securities of issuers from developing countries.

### Risks Associated with Variable Rate Securities

**Mortgage-Backed Securities** — Mortgage-backed securities are fixed-income securities that give the holder the right to receive a portion of principal and/or interest payments made on a pool of residential or commercial mortgage loans. Such securities may be issued or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities or may be issued by private issuers, generally originators in mortgage loans, including savings and loan associations, mortgage bankers, commercial banks, investment bankers, and special purpose entities. Adjustable rate mortgage-backed securities are collateralized by or represent interests in mortgage loans with variable rates of interest. These variable rates of interest reset periodically to align themselves with market rates. The Fund will not benefit from increases in interest rates to the extent that interest rates rise to the point where they cause the current coupon of the underlying adjustable rate mortgages to exceed any maximum allowable annual or lifetime reset limits (or "cap rates") for a particular mortgage. During periods of declining interest rates, income to the Fund derived from adjustable rate mortgage-backed securities which remain in a mortgage pool will decrease in contrast to the income on fixed rate mortgage-backed securities, which will remain constant. Adjustable rate mortgages also have less potential for appreciation in value as interest rates decline than do fixed rate investments.

**Asset-Backed Securities** — Asset-backed securities are fixed-income securities issued by a trust or other legal entity established for the purpose of issuing securities and holding certain assets, such as credit card receivables or auto leases, which pay down over time and generate sufficient cash to pay holders of the securities. Almost any type of fixed-income assets may be used to create an asset-backed security, including other fixed-income securities or derivative instruments such as swaps. Payments or distributions of principal and interest on asset-backed securities may be supported by nongovernmental credit enhancements similar to those utilized in connection with mortgage-backed securities. The credit quality of most asset-backed securities depends primarily on the credit quality of the assets underlying such securities, how well the entity issuing the security is insulated from the credit risk of the originator or any other affiliated entities, and the amount and quality of any credit enhancement of the securities. To the extent a security interest exists, it may be more difficult for the issuer to enforce the security interest as compared to mortgage-backed securities.

**Collateralized Mortgage Obligations ("CMOs") and Multiclass Pass-Through Securities** — CMOs are multi-class debt obligations which are collateralized by mortgage loans or pass-through certificates. Multiclass pass-through securities are interests in a trust composed of whole loans or private pass-

throughs (referred to as "Mortgage Assets"). Often, CMOs are collateralized by Government National Mortgage Association Pass-Through Certificates ("Ginnie Maes"), Federal National Mortgage Association Pass-Through Certificates ("Fannie Maes"), or Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Pass-Through Certificates ("Freddie Macs"), but also may be collateralized by Mortgage Assets. Payments of principal and interest on the Mortgage Assets, and any reinvestment income thereon, provide the funds to pay debt service on the CMOs or make scheduled distributions on the multiclass pass-through securities. CMOs may be issued by agencies or instrumentalities of the U.S. government, or by private originators of, or investors in, mortgage loans, including savings and loan associations, mortgage banks, commercial banks, investment banks and special purpose subsidiaries of the foregoing. In order to form a CMO, the issuer assembles a package of traditional mortgage-backed pass-through securities, or actual mortgage loans, and uses them as collateral for a multi-class security. Each class of CMOs, often referred to as a "tranche," is issued at a specified fixed or floating coupon rate and has a stated maturity or final distribution date. Principal prepayments on the Mortgage Assets may cause the CMOs to be retired substantially earlier than their stated maturities or final distribution dates. Interest is paid or accrues on all classes of the CMOs on a monthly, quarterly or semi-annual basis. As market conditions change, and particularly during periods of rapid or unanticipated changes in market interest rates, the attractiveness of the CMO classes and the ability of the structure to provide the anticipated investment characteristics may be reduced significantly. Such changes can result in volatility in the market value, and in some instances reduced liquidity, of the CMO class.

**Stripped Mortgage Securities** — Stripped mortgage securities are derivative multiclass mortgage securities. Stripped mortgage securities are structured with two or more classes of securities that receive different proportions of the interest and principal distributions on a pool of mortgage assets. A common type of stripped mortgage security will have at least one class receiving only a small portion of the interest and a larger portion of the principal from the mortgage assets, while the other class will receive primarily interest and only a small portion of the principal. In the most extreme case, one class will receive all of the interest ("IO" or interest-only), while the other class will receive the entire principal ("PO" or principal-only class). The yield to maturity on IOs, POs and other mortgage-backed securities that are purchased at a substantial premium or discount generally are extremely sensitive not only to changes in prevailing interest rates but also to the rate of principal payments (including prepayments) on the related underlying mortgage assets, and a rapid rate of principal payments may have a material adverse effect on such securities' yield to maturity. If the underlying mortgage assets experience greater than anticipated prepayments of principal, the Fund may fail to fully recoup its initial investment in these securities even if the securities have received the highest rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

**Collateralized Debt Obligations ("CDOs")** — CDOs are a type of asset-backed security and include, among other things, collateralized bond obligations ("CBOs"), collateralized loan

obligations ("CLOs") and other similarly structured securities. A CBO is a trust which is backed by a diversified pool of high risk, below investment grade fixed-income securities. A CLO is a trust typically collateralized by a pool of loans, which may include, among others, domestic and foreign senior secured loans, senior unsecured loans and subordinate corporate loans, including loans that may be rated below investment grade or equivalent unrated loans. Normally, CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs are privately offered and sold, and thus are not registered under the securities laws. As a result, investments in CDOs may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities. In addition to the risks associated with debt instruments (e.g., interest rate risk and credit risk), CDOs carry additional risks including, but not limited to: (i) the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments; (ii) the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default; (iii) the possibility that the Fund may invest in CDOs that are subordinate to other classes; and (iv) the complex structure of the security may not be fully understood at the time of investment and may produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results.

## 7. Indemnifications

Under the Trust's organizational documents, the Trust's Officers and Trustees are indemnified by the Trust against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Trust. In addition, the Trust has entered into indemnification agreements with its Trustees and certain of its Officers. Trust Officers receive no compensation from the Trust for serving as its Officers. In addition, in the normal course of business, the Trust enters into contracts with its vendors and others that provide for general indemnifications. The Trust's maximum liability under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims made against the Trust. Based on experience, however, the Trust expects the risk of loss to be remote.

## 8. New Accounting Pronouncements and Other Matters

On July 27, 2017, the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority announced its intention to cease sustaining LIBOR after 2021. US Federal Reserve Bank's Alternative Reference Rates Committee (the "SOFR committee") selected Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) as the preferred alternative to the U.S. dollar LIBOR. The SOFR committee has noted the stability of the repurchase market on which the rate is based. New York Federal Reserve began publication of the rate in April 2018. Markets are slowly developing in response to these new reference rates. Uncertainty related to the liquidity impact of the change in rates, and how to appropriately adjust these rates at the time of transition, poses risks for the Fund. These risks are likely to persist until new reference rates and fallbacks for both legacy and new instruments and contracts are commercially accepted and market practices become settled. Management is currently evaluating the implications of the change and its impact on financial statement disclosures and reporting requirements.

## 9. Federal Tax Information

The tax character of distributions paid during the year ended December 31, 2020 was as follows:

Fund	Distributions paid from				Total Distributions Paid
	Ordinary Income*	Net Long-Term Capital Gains	Total Taxable Distributions	Return of Capital	
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ 47,592	\$ 19,249	\$ 66,841	\$ —	\$ 66,841

Amounts designated as "-" are zero or have been rounded to zero.

\* Ordinary Income amounts include taxable market discount and net short-term capital gains, if any.

The tax character of distributions paid during the year ended December 31, 2019 was as follows:

Fund	Distributions paid from				Total Distributions Paid
	Ordinary Income*	Net Long-Term Capital Gains	Total Taxable Distributions	Return of Capital	
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ 9,069	\$ —	\$ 9,069	\$ —	\$ 9,069

Amounts designated as "-" are zero or have been rounded to zero.

\* Ordinary Income amounts include taxable market discount and net short-term capital gains, if any.

Fund	Undistributed Ordinary Income	Undistributed Long-Term Capital Gains	Accumulated Earnings	Distributions Payable	Accumulated Capital and Other Losses	Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation)*	Total Accumulated Earnings (Deficit)
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ 60,820	\$ 37,005	\$ 97,825	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 281,203	\$ 379,028

Amounts designated as "-" are zero or have been rounded to zero.

\* The difference between book-basis and tax-basis unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) is primarily attributable to timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on investment transactions.

As of December 31, 2020, the tax cost of investments and the breakdown of unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) for the Fund was as follows:

Fund	Tax Cost of Investments	Unrealized Appreciation	Unrealized Depreciation	Net Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation)
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ 5,817,309	\$ 355,319	\$ (85,232)	\$ 270,087

## 10. Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic

The global pandemic outbreak of an infectious respiratory illness caused by a novel coronavirus known as COVID-19 has resulted in substantial market volatility and global business disruption, affecting the global economy and the financial health of individual companies in significant and unforeseen ways. COVID-19 has resulted in, among other things, travel restrictions, closed international borders, enhanced health screenings at ports of entry and elsewhere, disruption of and delays in healthcare service preparation and delivery, prolonged quarantines, significant disruptions to business operations, market closures, cancellations and restrictions, supply chain disruptions, lower consumer demand, and significant volatility and declines in global financial markets, as well as general concern and uncertainty. Instability in the United States, European and other credit markets has made it more difficult for borrowers to obtain financing or refinancing on attractive terms or at all. In particular, because of the current conditions in the credit markets, borrowers may be subject to increased interest expenses for borrowed money and

tightening underwriting standards. In addition, stock prices as well as yield could be negatively impacted to the extent that issuers of equity securities cancel or announce the suspension of dividends or share buybacks.

The COVID-19 pandemic could continue to inhibit global, national and local economic activity, and constrain access to capital and other sources of funding. Various recent government interventions have been aimed at curtailing the distress to financial markets caused by the COVID-19 outbreak. There can be no guarantee that these or other economic stimulus plans (within the United States or other affected countries throughout the world) will be sufficient or will have their intended effect. In addition, an unexpected or quick reversal of such policies could increase market volatility, which could adversely affect the Fund's investments. The duration and future impact of COVID-19 are currently unknown, which may exacerbate the other risks that apply to the Fund and could negatively affect Fund performance and the value of your investment in the Fund.

**11. Subsequent Events**

Management has evaluated the impact of subsequent events on the Fund and has determined that there are no subsequent events requiring recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.



**To the Board of Trustees of Nationwide Variable Insurance Trust and Shareholders of NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi-Asset Fund**

**Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statement of assets and liabilities, including the consolidated statement of investments, of NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Multi-Asset Fund and its subsidiary (one of the funds constituting Nationwide Variable Insurance Trust, referred to hereafter as the "Fund") as of December 31, 2020, the related consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the consolidated statement of changes in net assets and the consolidated financial highlights for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for the period October 7, 2019 (commencement of operations) through December 31, 2019, including the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2020, the results of its operations for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the changes in its net assets and the financial highlights for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for the period October 7, 2019 (commencement of operations) through December 31, 2019 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Basis for Opinion**

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2020 by correspondence with the custodian and broker. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP**  
**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**  
**February 18, 2021**

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies of Nationwide Funds, which includes the investment companies of Nationwide Variable Insurance Trust, since 1997.

**Amundi NVIT Multi-Sector Bond Fund**  
**BlackRock NVIT Equity Dividend Fund**  
**BlackRock NVIT Managed Global Allocation Fund**  
**DoubleLine NVIT Total Return Tactical Fund**  
**Federated NVIT High Income Bond Fund**  
**Neuberger Berman NVIT Multi Cap Opportunities Fund**  
**NVIT AllianzGI International Growth Fund (formerly, NVIT Multi-Manager International Growth Fund)**  
**NVIT AQR Large Cap Defensive Style Fund (formerly, NVIT Nationwide Fund)**  
**NVIT Columbia Overseas Value Fund (formerly, Templeton NVIT International Value Fund)**  
**NVIT Core Bond Fund**  
**NVIT Core Plus Bond Fund**  
**NVIT Emerging Markets Fund**  
**NVIT Government Bond Fund**  
**NVIT Government Money Market Fund**  
**NVIT GS International Equity Insights Fund**  
**NVIT GS Large Cap Equity Insights Fund**  
**NVIT GS Small Cap Equity Insights Fund**  
**NVIT International Equity Fund**  
**NVIT iShares® Fixed Income ETF Fund**  
**NVIT iShares® Global Equity ETF Fund**  
**NVIT J.P. Morgan Disciplined Equity Fund**  
**NVIT J.P. Morgan Mozaic Multi-Asset Fund**  
**NVIT Jacobs Levy Large Cap Growth Fund (formerly, NVIT Multi-Manager Large Cap Growth Fund)**  
**NVIT Managed American Funds Asset Allocation Fund**  
**NVIT Managed American Funds Growth & Income Fund**  
**NVIT Mellon Dynamic U.S. Core Fund (formerly, NVIT Dynamic U.S. Growth Fund)**  
**NVIT Mellon Dynamic U.S. Equity Income Fund (formerly, American Century NVIT Multi Cap Value Fund)**  
**NVIT Newton Sustainable U.S. Equity Fund (formerly, Neuberger Berman NVIT Socially Responsible Fund)**  
**NVIT Real Estate Fund**  
**NVIT Short Term Bond Fund**  
**NVIT U.S. 130/30 Equity Fund**  
**NVIT Wells Fargo Discovery Fund (formerly, NVIT Multi-Manager Mid Cap Growth Fund)**

#### **Continuation of Advisory (and Sub-Advisory) Agreements**

The Trust's investment advisory agreements with its Investment Adviser (the "Adviser") and its Sub-Advisers (together, the "Advisory Agreements") must be approved for each series of the Trust (individually a "Fund" and collectively the "Funds") for an initial term no greater than two years, and may continue in effect thereafter only if such continuation is approved at least annually, (i) by the vote of the Trustees or by a vote of the shareholders of the Fund in question, and (ii) by the vote of a majority of the Trustees who are not parties to the Advisory Agreements or "interested persons" of any party thereto (the "Independent Trustees"), cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting on such approval. As a result of the current and potential effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, however, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued an exemptive order suspending the in-person voting requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended for approval of investment advisory agreements, subject to certain conditions.

The Trustees relied on this order in connection with their 2020 meeting to approve the Advisory Agreements.

The Board of Trustees (the "Board") has five regularly scheduled meetings each year and takes into account throughout the year matters bearing on the Advisory Agreements. The Board and its standing committees consider at each meeting factors that are relevant to the annual continuation of each Fund's Advisory Agreements, including investment performance, Sub-Adviser updates and reviews, reports with respect to compliance monitoring and the services and support provided to the Fund and its shareholders.

In preparation for the Board's meetings in 2020 to consider the continuation of the Advisory Agreements, the Trustees requested and were furnished with a wide range of information to assist in their deliberations. These materials included:

- A summary report for each Fund that sets out a variety of information regarding the Fund, including performance, expense, and profitability information for the past three years.
- Reports from Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge"), a leading independent source of mutual fund industry data, describing, on a Fund-by-Fund basis, for each Fund's largest share class, the Fund's (a) performance rankings (over multiple periods ended June 30, 2020) compared with performance universes created by Broadridge of similar or peer group funds, and (b) expense rankings comparing the Fund's fees and expenses with expense groups created by Broadridge of similar or peer group funds. An independent consultant retained by the Board provided input to Broadridge as to the composition of the various performance universes, expense groups and peer funds.
- Information regarding voluntary or contractual expense limitations or reductions and the relationship of expenses to any expense limitation.
- Information provided by the Adviser as to the Adviser's profitability in providing services under the Advisory Agreements.
- Information from the Adviser regarding economies of scale and breakpoints, including information provided by the Adviser as to the circumstances under which specific actions intended to share the benefits of economies of scale might be appropriate.

The Trustees met with representatives of the Adviser at the Trustees' regular quarterly meetings in September and December 2020 to discuss matters related to the continuation of the Advisory Agreements. In addition, the Trustees met with independent legal counsel to the Independent Trustees ("Independent Legal Counsel") in October and in November, to review information and materials provided to them, and to formulate requests for additional information. The Trustees submitted supplemental information requests to the Adviser following each meeting. At the Trustees' regular quarterly meeting in December 2020, the Trustees met to give final

consideration to information bearing on the continuation of the Advisory Agreements.

The Trustees considered, among other things, information provided by the Adviser in response to their previous information requests. The Trustees engaged in discussion and consideration among themselves, and with the Adviser, Trust counsel, and Independent Legal Counsel regarding the various factors that may contribute to the determination of whether the continuation of the Advisory Agreements should be approved.

In considering this information with respect to each of the Funds, the Trustees took into account, among other things, the nature, extent, and quality of services provided by the Adviser and relevant Sub-Adviser. In evaluating the Advisory Agreements for the Funds, the Trustees also reviewed information provided by the Adviser concerning the following:

- The terms of the Advisory Agreements and a summary of the services performed by the Adviser and Sub-Advisers.
- The activities of the Adviser in selecting, overseeing, and evaluating each Sub-Adviser; reporting by the Adviser to the Trustees regarding the Sub-Advisers; and steps taken by the Adviser, where appropriate, to identify replacement Sub-Advisers and to put those Sub-Advisers in place.
- The investment advisory and oversight capabilities of the Adviser, including, among other things, its expertise in investment, economic, and financial analysis.
- The Adviser's and Sub-Advisers' personnel and methods; the number of the Adviser's advisory and analytical personnel; general information about the compensation of the Adviser's advisory personnel; the Adviser's and Sub-Advisers' investment processes; the Adviser's risk assessment and risk management capabilities; and the Adviser's valuation and valuation oversight capabilities.
- The financial condition and stability of the Adviser and the Adviser's assessment of the financial condition and stability of the Sub-Advisers.
- Potential ancillary benefits, in addition to fees for serving as investment adviser, derived by the Adviser as a result of being investment adviser for the Funds, including, where applicable, information on fees inuring to the Adviser's affiliates for serving as the Trust's administrator, fund accountant, and transfer agent and fees or other payments relating to shareholder servicing or sub-transfer agency services provided by or through the Adviser or its affiliates.

Based on information provided by Broadridge and the Adviser, the Trustees reviewed expense information for the each of the Funds and the total return investment performance of each of the Funds as well as the performance of peer groups of funds over various time periods.

The Trustees considered that DoubleLine NVIT Total Return Tactical Fund, NVIT AllianzGI International Growth Fund, NVIT AQR Large Cap Defensive Style Fund, NVIT Core Bond Fund,

NVIT Core Plus Bond Fund, NVIT Emerging Markets Fund, NVIT GS International Equity Insights Fund, NVIT GS Large Cap Equity Insights Fund, NVIT GS Small Cap Equity Insights Fund, NVIT iShares® Fixed Income ETF Fund, NVIT iShares® Global Equity ETF Fund, NVIT Jacobs Levy Large Cap Growth Fund, NVIT JP Morgan Disciplined Equity Fund, NVIT JP Morgan Mozaic Multi-Asset Fund, NVIT Mellon Dynamic U.S. Core Fund, NVIT Mellon Dynamic U.S. Equity Income Fund, NVIT Real Estate Fund, NVIT Short Term Bond Fund, and NVIT Wells Fargo Discovery Fund were each shown to pay actual management fees and to have total expense ratios (including 12b-1/non-12b-1 fees) at levels below or equal to their peer group medians or within a generally acceptable range above the Fund's peer group median. In addition, the Trustees considered that, with the exception of the Funds referred to below in this paragraph, each of those Funds was shown to have experienced three-year performance for the period ended June 30, 2020 (or, if shorter, for the period since the Fund's inception) at or above its peer group median, or within the third quintile of its peer group. With respect to NVIT Core Bond Fund, the Trustees noted that the Fund had experienced three-year performance in the fourth quintile of its peer group and considered management's statement that the Fund's underperformance was substantially the result of the Fund's portfolio having a lower allocation to corporate credit risk and higher credit quality compared to its peer group. With respect to NVIT GS International Equity Insights Fund, NVIT GS Large Cap Equity Insights Fund, NVIT GS Small Cap Equity Insights Fund, NVIT iShares® Fixed Income ETF Fund, NVIT iShares® Global Equity ETF Fund, NVIT JP Morgan Disciplined Equity Fund, and NVIT JP Morgan Mozaic Multi-Asset Fund, the Trustees considered that these Funds had been relatively recently organized and did not have three years of performance. With respect to NVIT Jacobs Levy Large Cap Growth Fund and NVIT Mellon Dynamic U.S. Equity Income Fund, the Trustees considered that a new subadviser was appointed to the Fund in May 2020 and April 2020, respectively, and additional time was necessary to evaluate each Fund's performance under the new subadviser. The Trustees determined on the basis of all of the information presented to them that the expense and performance information of each of these Funds was consistent with the continuation of the Fund's Advisory Agreement.

With respect to Amundi NVIT Multi-Sector Bond Fund, BlackRock NVIT Managed Global Allocation Fund, Federated NVIT High Income Bond Fund, Neuberger Berman NVIT Multi-Cap Opportunities Fund, NVIT Columbia Overseas Value Fund, NVIT Government Bond Fund, NVIT Government Money Market Fund, NVIT International Equity Fund, NVIT Managed American Funds Asset Allocation Fund, NVIT Newton Sustainable U.S. Equity Fund, and NVIT U.S. 130/30 Equity Fund, the Trustees considered that, although each Fund was shown to pay actual management fees higher than its peer group median, its total expense ratio (including 12b-1/non-12b-1 fees) was equal to or lower than or within a generally acceptable range of the Fund's peer group median. The Trustees considered that each of Federated NVIT High Income Bond, Neuberger Berman NVIT Multi-Cap Opportunities Fund, NVIT Columbia Overseas Value Fund, NVIT Government Bond Fund, NVIT Government Money Market Fund, and NVIT Managed American Funds Asset



Allocation Fund had experienced three-year performance for the period ended June 30, 2020 at or above its peer group median, or within the third quintile of its peer group. With respect to Amundi NVIT Multi-Sector Bond Fund, the Trustees noted that the Fund had experienced three-year performance in the fifth quintile of its peer group and considered that in February 2019 the Fund's prior sub-adviser was replaced. With respect to BlackRock NVIT Managed Global Allocation Fund, the Trustees noted that the Fund had experienced three-year performance below its peer group median and considered the Adviser's statements that the volatility overlay that is part of the Fund's investment strategy will have the effect of causing the Fund to underperform its peers under various market conditions, including those experienced in recent periods. With respect to NVIT International Equity Fund, the Trustees noted that the Fund had experienced three-year performance in the fifth quintile of its peer group and considered the Adviser's statement that it is considering future opportunities for the Fund in light of its recent underperformance and its stronger long-term (ten-year) performance. With respect to NVIT Newton Sustainable U.S. Equity Fund, the Trustees noted that the Fund had experienced three-year performance below its peer group median and considered that a new sub-adviser was appointed in May 2020 and additional time was necessary to evaluate the Fund's performance under the new subadviser. With respect to NVIT U.S. 130/30 Equity Fund, the Trustees considered that the Fund had been relatively recently organized and did not have three years of performance. The Trustees determined on the basis of all of the information presented to them, including any remedial efforts taken or to be taken by the Adviser, that the expense and performance information of each of these Funds was consistent with the continuation of the Fund's Advisory Agreement.

With respect to BlackRock NVIT Equity Dividend Fund, the Trustees noted that the Fund was shown to pay actual management fees at a level higher than its peer group median and that the Fund's total expense ratio (including 12b-1/non-12b-1 fees) was in the fifth quintile of its peer group. The Trustees

considered that, although the Fund pays relatively high total expenses, the Fund's overall expense arrangements appeared acceptable, particularly in light of its favorable levels of three-year investment performance shown to be within the second quintile of its peer group. The Trustees determined on the basis of all of the information presented to them that the expense and performance information of the Fund was consistent with the continuation of the Fund's advisory agreement.

With respect to NVIT Managed American Funds Growth & Income Fund, the Trustees considered that, although the Fund's total expense ratio (including 12b-1/non-12b-1 fees) was higher than the Fund's peer group median, the Fund was shown to pay actual management fees at a level lower than its peer group. They noted that the Fund had experienced three-year performance below its peer group median and considered the Adviser's statements that the volatility overlay that is part of the Fund's investment strategy will have the effect of causing the Fund to underperform its peers under various market conditions, including those experienced in recent periods. The Trustees determined on the basis of all of the information presented to them that the expense and performance information of the Fund was consistent with the continuation of the Fund's Advisory Agreement.

The Trustees considered whether each of the Funds may benefit from any economies of scale realized by the Adviser in the event of growth in assets of the Fund. The Trustees noted that each Fund's advisory fee rate schedule, with the exception of Blackrock NVIT Managed Global Allocation Fund, NVIT iShares® Fixed Income ETF Fund, and NVIT iShares® Global Equity ETF Fund, is subject to contractual advisory fee breakpoints. The Trustees determined to continue to monitor the fees paid by the Funds without breakpoints to determine whether breakpoints might in the future become appropriate.

Based on all relevant information and factors, the Trustees unanimously approved the continuation of the Advisory Agreements at their meeting in December 2020.

### Other Federal Tax Information

For the year ended December 31, 2020 certain dividends paid by the Funds may be subject to a maximum tax rate of 20% as provided for by the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003. The Funds intend to designate the maximum amount allowable as taxed at a maximum rate of 15%. Complete information will be reported in conjunction with your 2020 Form 1099-DIV.

The Funds designate the following amounts, or the maximum amount allowable under the Internal Revenue Code, as long term capital gain distributions qualifying for the maximum 20% income tax rate for individuals:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mozaic Multi-Asset	\$ 19,249

Each Trustee who is deemed an “interested person,” as such term is defined in the 1940 Act, is referred to as an “Interested Trustee.” Those Trustees who are not “interested persons,” as such term is defined in the 1940 Act, are referred to as “Independent Trustees.” The name, year of birth, position and length of time served with the Trust, number of portfolios overseen, principal occupation(s) and other directorships/trusteeships held during the past five years, and additional information related to experience, qualifications, attributes, and skills of each Trustee and Officer are shown below. There are 65 series of the Trust, all of which are overseen by the Board of Trustees and Officers of the Trust. The address for each Trustee and Officer is c/o Nationwide Funds Group, One Nationwide Plaza, Mail Code 5-02-210, Columbus, OH 43215.

#### Independent Trustees

<a href="#">Paula H. J. Cholmondeley</a>		
Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1947	Trustee since July 2000	112
<b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)</b>		
Ms. Cholmondeley focuses full time on corporate governance. She sits on public company boards and is also on the faculty of the National Association of Corporate Directors. She has served as a Chief Executive Officer of Sorrel Group (management consulting company) since January 2004. From April 2000 through December 2003, Ms. Cholmondeley was Vice President and General Manager of Sappi Fine Paper North America.		
<b>Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup></b>		
Director of Dentsply International, Inc. (dental products) from 2002 to 2016, Terex Corporation (construction equipment) from 2004 to present, Bank of the Ozarks, from 2016 to present, and Kapstone Paper and Packaging Corporation from 2016 to 2018.		
<b>Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership</b>		
Ms. Cholmondeley has significant board and governance experience; significant executive experience, including continuing service as chief executive officer of a management consulting company and past service as an executive of a manufacturing-based public company and past experience as an executive in a private service-based company. Ms. Cholmondeley is a former certified public accountant and former chief financial officer of both public and private companies.		
<a href="#">Lorn C. Davis</a>		
Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1968	Trustee since January 2021	112
<b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)</b>		
Mr. Davis has been a Managing Partner of College Hill Capital Partners, LLC (private equity) since June 2016. From September 1998 until May 2016, Mr. Davis originated and managed debt and equity investments for John Hancock Life Insurance Company (U.S.A.)/Hancock Capital Management, LLC, serving as a Managing Director from September 2003 through May 2016.		
<b>Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup></b>		
Board Member of Outlook Group Holdings, LLC from July 2006 to May 2016, serving as Chair to the Audit committee and member of the Compensation committee, Board Member of MA Holdings, LLC from November 2006 to October 2015, Board Member of IntegraColor, Ltd. from February 2007 to September 2015, Board Member of The Pine Street Inn from 2009 to present, currently serving as Treasurer and Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee, and Member of the Advisory Board (non-fiduciary) of Mearthane Products Corporation from September 2019 to present.		
<b>Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership</b>		
Mr. Davis has significant board experience; significant past service at a large asset management company and significant experience in the investment management industry. Mr. Davis is a Chartered Financial Analyst and earned a Certificate of Director Education from the National Association of Corporate Directors in 2008.		
<a href="#">Phyllis Kay Dryden</a>		
Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1947	Trustee since December 2004	112
<b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)</b>		
Ms. Dryden became President of Energy Dispute Solutions, LLC in December 2012, and since 2016 has acted as CEO, leading a company providing strategy consulting, arbitration and mediation services. She has been a management consultant since 1996, first as a partner of Mitchell Madison Group (management consulting), then as a managing partner and head of west coast business development for marchFIRST (internet consulting), returning to Mitchell Madison Group in 2003 as an associated partner until January 2010 and thereafter as an independent strategy consultant through December 2012. Ms. Dryden was VP and General Counsel of Lucasfilm, Ltd. from 1981 to 1984, SVP and General Counsel of Charles Schwab and Co. Inc. from 1984 to 1992, and EVP and General Counsel of Del Monte Foods from 1992 to 1995. She presently serves as chairman of the board of Mutual Fund Directors Forum.		
<b>Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup></b>		
Director and Vice-Chair of Smithsonian Institution Environmental Research Board from 2016 to present, and Director of Smithsonian Institution Libraries Board from 2007 to 2015.		
<b>Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership</b>		
Ms. Dryden has significant board experience and significant executive, management consulting, and legal experience, including past service as general counsel for a major financial services firm and a public company.		

[Barbara I. Jacobs](#)

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1950	Trustee since December 2004	112

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Retired. From 1988 through 2003, Ms. Jacobs was a Managing Director and European Portfolio Manager of CREF Investments (Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association—College Retirement Equities Fund). Ms. Jacobs also served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of KICAP Network Fund, a European (United Kingdom) hedge fund, from January 2001 through January 2006.

**Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup>**

Trustee and Board Chair of Project Lede from 2013 to present.

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership**

Ms. Jacobs has significant board experience and significant executive and portfolio management experience in the investment management industry.

[Keith F. Karlawish](#)

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1964	Trustee since March 2012; Chairman since January 2021	112

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Karlawish has been a partner of Park Ridge Asset Management, LLC since December 2008, at which he also serves as a portfolio manager. From May 2002 until October 2008, Mr. Karlawish was the President of BB&T Asset Management, Inc., and was President of the BB&T Mutual Funds and BB&T Variable Insurance Funds from February 2005 until October 2008.

**Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup>**

None

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership**

Mr. Karlawish has significant board experience, including past service on the boards of BB&T Mutual Funds and BB&T Variable Insurance Funds; significant executive experience, including past service at a large asset management company and significant experience in the investment management industry.

[Carol A. Kosel](#)

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1963	Trustee since March 2013	112

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Retired. Ms. Kosel was a consultant to the Evergreen Funds Board of Trustees from October 2005 to December 2007. She was Senior Vice President, Treasurer, and Head of Fund Administration of the Evergreen Funds from April 1997 to October 2005.

**Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup>**

None

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership**

Significant board experience; significant executive experience, including past service at a large asset management company; significant experience in the investment management industry.

[Douglas F. Kridler](#)

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1955	Trustee since September 1997	112

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Since 2002, Mr. Kridler has served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of The Columbus Foundation, a \$1.5 billion community foundation with 2,000 funds in 55 Ohio counties and 37 states in the U.S.

**Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup>**

None

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership**

Mr. Kridler has significant board experience; significant executive experience, including service as president and chief executive officer of one of America's largest community foundations and significant service to his community and the philanthropic field in numerous leadership roles.

[David E. Wesdenko](#)

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1963	Trustee since January 2021	112

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Wesdenko is a Co-Founder of Blue Leaf Ventures (venture capital firm, founded May 2018). From November 2008 until December 2017, Mr. Wesdenko was Managing Director of JPMorgan Chase & Co.

**Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup>**

Board Director of J.P. Morgan Private Placements LLC from January 2010 to December 2017.

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership**

Mr. Wesdenko has significant board experience; significant past service at a large asset and wealth management company and significant experience in the investment management industry.

**Interested Trustee**[M. Diane Koken<sup>3</sup>](#)

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Trust and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>	Number of Portfolios Overseen in the Nationwide Fund Complex
1952	Trustee since April 2019	112

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Self-employed as a legal/regulatory consultant since 2007. Ms. Koken served as Insurance Commissioner of Pennsylvania, for three governors, from 1997–2007, and as the President of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) from September 2004 to December 2005. Prior to becoming Insurance Commissioner of Pennsylvania, she held multiple legal roles, including vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary of a national life insurance company.

**Other Directorships held During the Past Five Years<sup>2</sup>**

Director of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company 2007-present, Director of Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company 2007-present, Director of Nationwide Corporation 2007-present, Director of Capital BlueCross 2011-present, Director of NORCAL Mutual Insurance Company 2009-present, Director of Medicus Insurance Company 2009-present, Director of Hershey Trust Company 2015-present, Manager of Milton Hershey School Board of Managers 2015-present, Director and Chair of Hershey Foundation 2016-present, and Director of The Hershey Company 2017-present.

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, and Skills for Board Membership**

Ms. Koken has significant board experience and significant executive, legal and regulatory experience, including past service as a cabinet-level state insurance commissioner and general counsel of a national life insurance company

<sup>1</sup> Length of time served includes time served with the Trust's predecessors. The tenure of each Trustee is subject to the Board's retirement policy, which states that a Trustee shall retire from the Boards of Trustees of the Trusts effective on December 31 of the calendar year during which he or she turns 75 years of age; provided this policy does not apply to a person who became a Trustee prior to September 11, 2019.

<sup>2</sup> Directorships held in: (1) any other investment companies registered under the 1940 Act, (2) any company with a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or (3) any company subject to the requirements of Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, which are required to be disclosed in the SAI. In addition, certain other directorships not meeting the aforementioned requirements may be included for certain Trustees such as board positions on non-profit organizations.

<sup>3</sup> Ms. Koken is considered an interested person of the Trust because she is a Director of the parent company of, and several affiliates of, the Trust's investment adviser and distributor.

**Officers of the Trust****Michael S. Spangler**

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Funds and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>
1966	President, Chief Executive Officer and Principal Executive Officer since June 2008

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Spangler is President and Chief Executive Officer of Nationwide Funds Group, which includes NFA, Nationwide Fund Management LLC and Nationwide Fund Distributors LLC, and is a Senior Vice President of Nationwide Financial Services, Inc. and Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.<sup>2</sup>

**Brian Hirsch**

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Funds and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>
1956	Chief Compliance Officer since January 2012; Senior Vice President since December 2015

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Hirsch is Vice President of NFA and Chief Compliance Officer of NFA and the Trust. He is also a Vice President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.<sup>2</sup>

**Stephen R. Rimes**

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Funds and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>
1970	Secretary, Vice President and Associate General Counsel since December 2019

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Rimes is Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Secretary for Nationwide Funds Group, and Vice President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.<sup>2</sup> He previously served as Assistant General Counsel for Invesco Ltd. from 2000-2019.

**Lee T. Cummings**

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Funds and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>
1963	Senior Vice President, Head of Fund Operations since December 2015; Treasurer and Principal Financial Officer since July 2020

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Cummings is Senior Vice President, Treasurer and Principal Financial Officer of Nationwide Funds Group, and Head of Fund Operations of Nationwide Funds Group. Lee is a Vice President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.<sup>2</sup>

**Steven D. Pierce**

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Funds and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>
1965	Senior Vice President, Head of Business and Product Development since March 2020

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Pierce is Senior Vice President, Head of Business and Product Development for Nationwide Funds Group, and is a Vice President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.<sup>2</sup>

**Christopher C. Graham**

Year of Birth	Positions Held with Funds and Length of Time Served <sup>1</sup>
1971	Senior Vice President, Head of Investment Strategies, Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager since September 2016

**Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years (or Longer)**

Mr. Graham is Senior Vice President, Head of Investment Strategies and Portfolio Manager for the Nationwide Funds Group, and is a Vice President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Length of time served includes time served with the Trust's predecessors.

<sup>2</sup> These positions are held with an affiliated person or principal underwriter of the Fund.

The Statement of Additional Information ("SAI") includes additional information about the Trustees and is available, without charge, upon request. Shareholders may call 800-848-0920 to request the SAI.

**Bloomberg Barclays Emerging Markets USD Aggregate Bond Index:** An unmanaged index comprising fixed-rate and floating-rate U.S. dollar-denominated bonds from sovereign, quasi-sovereign and corporate emerging market issuers; the countries considered to be emerging markets are determined by annual review using rules-based classifications from the World Bank income group and the International Monetary Fund.

**Bloomberg Barclays Long U.S. Treasury Index:** An ETF tracking index that includes all publicly issued U.S. Treasury securities 10 or more years remaining until maturity, are rated as investment grade and have an outstanding face-value of \$250 million or more.

**Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Bond Index:** An unmanaged index that covers the U.S. dollar-denominated, long-term, tax-exempt bond market. The index has four main sectors: state and local general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, insured bonds and pre-refunded bonds.

**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 10-20 Year Treasury Bond Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of U.S. Treasury securities with a remaining maturity of 10 to 20 years.

**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index:** An unmanaged, market value-weighted index of U.S. dollar-denominated investment-grade, fixed-rate, taxable debt issues, which includes Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, mortgage-backed securities (agency fixed-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage pass-throughs), asset-backed securities and commercial mortgage-backed securities (agency and non-agency).

**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of high-yield corporate bonds, with a maximum allocation of 2% to any one issuer.

**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of U.S. dollar-denominated, non-investment-grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds with at least \$150 million par value outstanding, a maximum credit rating of Ba1 and a remaining maturity of one year or more; gives a broad look at how high-yield ("junk") bonds have performed.

**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-3 Year Government/Credit Bond Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the non-securitized component of the U.S. Aggregate Bond Index with maturities of 1 to 3 years, including Treasuries, government-related issues and corporates.

**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS) Index<sup>SM</sup>:** An index that measures the performance of the US Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS) market.

**Bloomberg Barclays Mortgage-Backed Securities Index:** A market value-weighted index comprising agency mortgage-backed pass-through securities of the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) with a minimum \$150 million par amount outstanding and a weighted-average maturity of at least 1 year.

**Citigroup Non-US Dollar World Government Bond Index (Citigroup WGBI Non-US):** An unmanaged, market capitalization-weighted index that reflects the performance of fixed-rate investment-grade sovereign bonds with remaining maturities of one year or more issued outside the United States; generally considered to be representative of the world bond market.

**Citigroup US Broad Investment-Grade Bond Index (USBIG<sup>®</sup>):** An unmanaged, market capitalization-weighted index that measures the performance of U.S. dollar-denominated bonds issued in the U.S. investment-grade bond market; includes fixed-rate, U.S. Treasury, government-sponsored, collateralized and corporate debt with remaining maturities of one year or more.

**Citigroup US High-Yield Market Index:** An unmanaged, market capitalization-weighted index that reflects the performance of the North American high-yield market; includes U.S. dollar-denominated, fixed-rate, cash-pay and deferred-interest securities with remaining maturities of one year or more, issued by corporations domiciled in the United States or Canada.

**Citigroup World Government Bond Index (WGBI) (Unhedged):** An unmanaged, market capitalization-weighted index that is not hedged back to the U.S. dollar and reflects the performance of the global sovereign fixed-income market; includes local currency, investment-grade, fixed-rate sovereign bonds issued in 20-plus countries, with remaining maturities of one year or more.



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**Dow Jones U.S. Select Real Estate Securities Index<sup>SM</sup> (RESI):** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of publicly traded securities of U.S.-traded real estate operating companies (REOCs) and real estate investment trusts (REITs).

**FTSE World ex US Index:** An unmanaged, broad-based, free float-adjusted, market capitalization-weighted index that measures the performance of large-cap and mid-cap stocks in developed and advanced emerging countries, excluding the United States.

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**ICE BofA Merrill Lynch Global High Yield Index (USD Hedged):** An unmanaged, market capitalization-weighted index that gives a broad-based measurement of global high-yield fixed-income markets; measures the performance of below-investment-grade, corporate debt with a minimum of 18 months remaining to final maturity at issuance that is publicly issued in major domestic or euro bond markets, and is denominated in U.S. dollars, Canadian dollars, British pounds and euros. The index is hedged against the fluctuations of the constituent currencies versus the U.S. dollar.

**ICE BofA Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index:** An unmanaged index made up of over 1,200 high yield bonds representing high-yield bond markets as a whole. It includes zero-coupon bonds and payment-in-kind ("PIK") bonds.

**ICE BofA Merrill Lynch AAA U.S. Treasury/Agency Master Index:** An unmanaged index that gives a broad look at how fixed-rate U.S. government bonds with a remaining maturity of at least one year have performed.

**ICE BofA Merrill Lynch Current 5-Year US Treasury Index:** An unmanaged, one-security index, rebalanced monthly, that measures the performance of the most recently issued 5-year U.S. Treasury note; a qualifying note is one auctioned on or before the third business day prior to the final business day of a month.

#### Note about ICE BofA Merrill Lynch Indexes

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**iMoneyNet Money Fund Average<sup>TM</sup> Government All Index:** An average of government money market funds. Government money market funds may invest in U.S. Treasuries, U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements, and government-backed floating rate notes, and include both retail and institutional funds.

**JPM Emerging Market Bond Index (EMBI) Global Diversified Index:** An unmanaged index that reflects the total returns of U.S. dollar-denominated sovereign bonds issued by emerging market countries as selected by JPMorgan.

**J.P. Morgan Mozaic<sup>SM</sup> Index (Series F):** A rules-based, dynamic index that tracks the total return of a global mix of asset classes, including equity securities, fixed-income securities and commodities, through futures contracts on those asset classes. The Index rebalances monthly in an effort to capture the continued performance of asset classes that have exhibited the highest recent returns.

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**Morningstar® Lifetime Allocation Indexes:** A series of unmanaged, multi-asset-class indexes designed to benchmark target-date investment products. Each index is available in three risk profiles: aggressive, moderate and conservative. The index asset allocations adjust over time, reducing equity exposure and shifting toward traditional income-producing investments. The strategic asset allocation of the indexes is based on the Lifetime Asset Allocation methodology developed by Ibbotson Associates, a Morningstar company.

**Morningstar® Lifetime Moderate Income Index:** An index representing a portfolio of global equities, bonds and traditional inflation hedges such as commodities and Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities. This portfolio is held in proportions appropriate for a U.S. investor who is at least ten years into retirement.

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- Aggressive Target Risk Index
- Moderately Aggressive Target Risk Index
- Moderate Target Risk Index
- Moderately Conservative Target Risk Index
- Conservative Target Risk Index

**MSCI ACWI®:** An unmanaged, free float-adjusted, market capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure the performance of large-cap and mid-cap stocks in global developed and emerging markets as determined by MSCI.

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**MSCI World ex USA Index<sup>SM</sup>:** Captures large- and mid-capitalization representation across 22 of 23 Developed Markets (DM) countries—excluding the United States. With 1,020 constituents, the index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each country. DM countries include: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

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**MSCI EAFE® Small Cap Index:** An equity index which captures small cap representation across Developed Markets countries including Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK around the world, excluding the US and Canada.

**MSCI EAFE® Value Index:** An unmanaged, free float-adjusted, market capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure the performance of large-cap and mid-cap value stocks in developed markets as determined by MSCI; excludes the United States and Canada.

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**NYSE Russell 1000® Growth Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the large-capitalization growth segment of the U.S. equity universe; includes those Russell 1000® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.

**Russell 1000® Value Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the large-capitalization value segment of the U.S. equity universe; includes those Russell 1000® Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values.

**Russell 2000® Growth Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the small-capitalization growth segment of the U.S. equity universe; includes those Russell 2000® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.

**Russell 2000® Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the small-capitalization segment of the U.S. equity universe.

**Russell 2000® Value Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the small-capitalization value segment of the U.S. equity universe; includes those Russell 2000® Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values.

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**Russell 3000® Index:** a capitalization-weighted stock market index, maintained by FTSE Russell, that seeks to be a benchmark of the entire U.S stock market

**Russell Midcap® Growth Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the mid-capitalization growth segment of the U.S. equity universe; includes those Russell Midcap® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.

**Russell Midcap® Value Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of the mid-capitalization value segment of the U.S. equity universe; includes those Russell Midcap® Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values.

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**The S&P/Citi International Treasury Bond ex-US Index:** An index measuring performance of treasury bonds in local currencies. The bonds are issued by developed market countries outside the U.S.

**S&P MidCap 400® (S&P 400) Index:** An unmanaged index that measures the performance of 400 stocks of medium-sized U.S. companies (those with a market capitalization of \$1.4 billion to \$5.9 billion).

**S&P North American Technology Sector Index™:** An index that represents U.S. securities classified under GICS® information technology sector as well as internet & direct marketing retail, interactive home entertainment, and interactive media & services sub-industries.

**S&P Biotechnology Select Industry Index:** An index that represents performance of narrow GICS® sub-industries. Made up of stocks from the S&P Total Market Index that are classified with biotechnology as a sub-industry.



**S&P Target Date® To Indexes:** A series of 12 unmanaged, multi-asset class indexes consisting of the Retirement Income Index plus 11 indexes that correspond to a specific target retirement date (ranging from 2010 through 2060+). The series reflects a subset of target date funds, each of which generally has an asset allocation mix and glide path featuring relatively conservative total equity exposure near retirement and static total equity exposure after retirement. Each index in the series reflects varying levels of exposure to equities, bonds, and other asset classes and becomes more conservative with the approach of the target retirement date.

**S&P Total Market Index:** An index comprised of securities to track the broad equity market, including large-, mid-, small-, and micro-cap stocks.

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