

Equity Index Fund

A Shares (BAEQX)
Inception Date 09/11/00

C Shares (BCEQX)
Inception Date 05/01/01

I Shares (BIEQX)
Inception Date 05/01/07

Fund Statistics

TOTAL NET ASSETS:	\$20,477,401
Weighted Average P/E ¹	16.5
Weighted Average P/B ²	3.6
Average Market Capitalization	\$89.8B
Total Number of Holdings	500

Expense Ratio

	Gross	Net
A Shares (BAEQX)	1.36%	1.11%
C Shares (BCEQX)	1.86%	1.86%
I Shares (BIEQX)	0.86%	0.86%

The Adviser has contractually agreed to limit certain fees for Class A shares from May 1, 2011 through April 30, 2012.

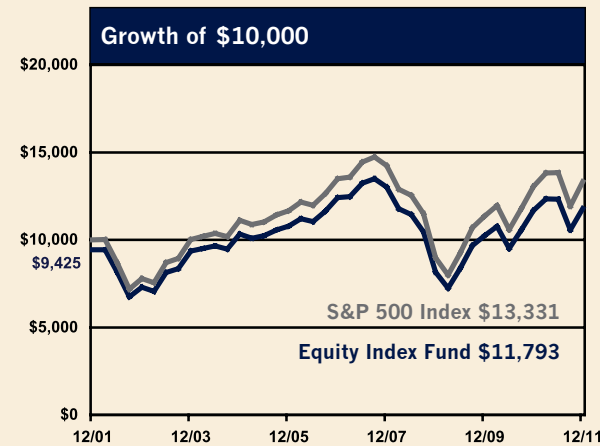
Fund Performance	Qtr	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
A Shares without Sales Charge	11.56%	0.94%	0.94%	13.09%	-1.02%	2.27%	7.08%
A Shares with 5.75% Sales Charge	5.18%	-4.81%	-4.81%	10.88%	-2.18%	1.66%	6.74%
I Shares	11.65%	1.21%	1.21%	13.52%	-0.77%	2.39%	7.15%
S&P 500 Index	11.82%	2.11%	2.11%	14.11%	-0.25%	2.92%	-1.32%
Lipper S&P 500 Index Objective Median	11.69%	1.63%	1.63%	13.62%	-0.67%	2.49%	-
Lipper Ranking / Funds in Category	-	130/156	130/156	115/153	112/150	83/116	-
Lipper Quartile (Percentile)	-	4 (83%)	4 (83%)	3 (75%)	3 (75%)	3 (71%)	-

Past performance does not guarantee future results. The performance data quoted represents past performance and current returns may be lower or higher. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Performance would have been lower without fee waivers in effect. To obtain performance information current to the most recent month end, please visit www.sterlingcapitalfunds.com. Lipper Rankings are based on A Shares.

Lipper rankings are based on average annual total returns, including the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains (not including sales charges) for the periods indicated and compare total return performance with that of other funds in the category.

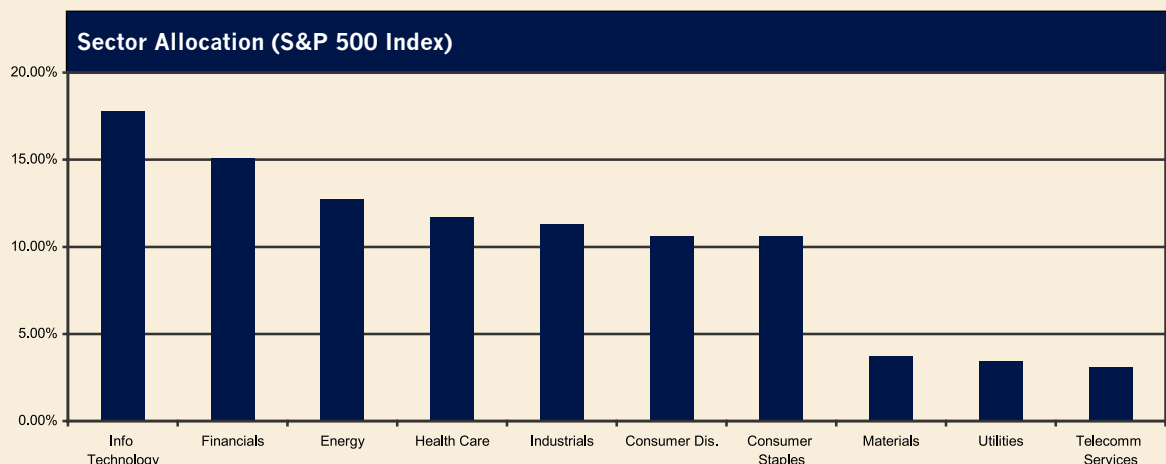
Year-End Returns	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
A Shares w/out Sales Charge	-22.56%	28.28%	10.23%	4.43%	15.15%	4.85%	-37.35%	25.60%	14.09%	0.94%
I Shares	-22.56%	28.28%	10.23%	4.43%	15.15%	4.74%	-37.24%	26.36%	14.41%	1.21%
S&P 500 Index	-22.10%	28.68%	10.88%	4.91%	15.79%	5.49%	-37.00%	26.46%	15.06%	2.11%

Top Ten Holdings	Weighting
1. Exxon Mobil Corp.	3.54%
2. Apple, Inc.	3.28%
3. International Business Machines Corp.	1.89%
4. Chevron Corp.	1.85%
5. Microsoft Corp.	1.69%
6. General Electric Co.	1.65%
7. Procter & Gamble Co. (The)	1.60%
8. AT&T, Inc.	1.56%
9. Johnson & Johnson	1.56%
10. Pfizer, Inc.	1.45%



Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to change and risk. The Growth of \$10,000 chart is hypothetical based upon the performance of A Shares less the maximum sales charge for the period ended 12/31/11. It includes the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. It does not reflect the deduction of other fees and expenses, in which case the performance would have been lower.

Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. For a prospectus with this and other information about the Fund, please call (888) 228-1872 or visit our web site at www.sterlingcapitalfunds.com. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.



The composition of the Fund's holdings is subject to change. Percentages are based on securities at market value.

Portfolio Management

Diane Hsiung

BlackRock Fund Advisors (subadviser)

Diane has managed the Sterling Capital Equity Index Fund since 2008. She received her BA from the University of California, San Diego and an MBA from New York University. Diane has investment experience since 1994.

Greg Savage, CFA

BlackRock Fund Advisors (subadviser)

Greg has managed the Sterling Capital Equity Index Fund since 2008. He received his BS from the University of Colorado at Boulder. Greg has investment experience since 1996.

The Investment Team supporting the Sterling Capital Equity Index Fund includes:

- Christopher Bliss, CFA
- Edward Corallo
- Jennifer Hsui

“Our approach to index management is to take advantage of the stock market’s long-term growth potential, while managing costs, to help shareholders potentially build wealth over time. We believe the Fund is an excellent diversification tool for novice and experienced investors alike, and can serve as the foundation of most equity investors’ asset allocation strategies.”

Firm Overview

Sterling Capital Management LLC is a registered investment advisor founded in 1970. An investment firm, Sterling is an independently operated subsidiary of BB&T Corporation, one of the nation’s largest financial services holding companies. Sterling is headquartered in Charlotte, NC with offices in Raleigh, NC, Atlanta, GA, Washington, D.C., and San Francisco, CA. As of 12/31/11, Sterling has over \$34 billion in assets under management overseen by 83 investment and client service professionals.

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to provide investment results that correspond as closely as practicable, before fees and expenses, to the total return of the broad range of stocks represented in the Standard & Poor’s 500® Composite Stock Price Index.

- To pursue its investment objective, the Fund presently invests all of its assets in the Master Portfolio, which is a series of Master Investment Portfolio, an open-end, management investment company. The Master Portfolio has substantially the same investment objective as the Fund.
- The Master Portfolio seeks to replicate the total return performance of the S&P 500 Index.

Investment Considerations

The Fund invests in equity securities which fluctuate with overall market conditions and economic factors. The Fund will purchase, retain or sell securities in an attempt to track the performance of an index and may be subject to additional costs when aiming to correlate with the index. The Fund will not be able to replicate the index exactly due to structure, fees and expenses. The Fund invests in a Master Portfolio and the shareholder is subject to its underlying risks and may bear additional indirect expenses than if invested directly in the securities.

¹**Weighted Average P/E:** A weighted average ratio used to compare the price of a fund’s stocks with their per-share earnings. A higher price per earnings ratio indicates the market has belief that a company has the ability to increase its earnings.

²**Weighted Average P/B:** A weighted average ratio used to compare the book value of fund’s stocks with their market value. The price to book ratio indicates how much an investor is paying for a company’s assets based on historical valuations. It does not reflect current market value.

³**Portfolio Turnover Rate:** A measure of how frequently assets within a fund are bought and sold by the managers. The Turnover Rate used in this document is calculated for one year as of 12/31/11.

⁴**Alpha:** Alpha measures performance on a risk-adjusted basis by comparing it to the benchmark index.

⁵**Beta:** Beta attempts to measure the relative risk. A Beta rating above 1.0 indicates greater volatility than the market. A Beta rating below 1.0 indicates lower volatility than the market.

⁶**R-Squared:** A statistical measure that represents what amount of a fund’s movements can be explained by movements in its benchmark index. A high R-Squared (between 85 and 100) indicates the fund’s performance patterns have been in line with the index.

⁷**Standard Deviation:** A statistical measurement showing how widely the returns varied over a certain period of time. When a fund has a high standard deviation, the predicted range of performance implies greater volatility.

⁸**Sharpe Ratio:** The measurement of a fund’s excess return. This helps determine if a fund’s returns are due to sound investment decisions or excess risk. The greater a fund’s Sharpe ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been.

⁹**Upside/Downside Capture Ratio:** The measurement of a fund’s cumulative return divided by its benchmark’s cumulative return during positive and negative market periods.

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