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Assets (\$USD)	<b>\$ 97,902,160</b>	<b>31-Dec-23</b>	Currency	USD
Type:	Gold & PM		Domicile:	USA
Structure:	Investment Company (open ended)		Inception Date:	<b>01-Jul-74</b>
Performance Fee	N/A			
Benchmark	<a href="#">FTSE Gold Mines Total Return Index</a>			

Investment Philosophy and Objective

The Gold and Precious Metals Fund seeks capital appreciation while protecting against inflation and monetary instability. The Fund also pursues current income as a secondary objective.

Portfolio Manager **Mr. Frank E Holmes** B.Econ [bulldog.holmes@mac.com](mailto:bulldog.holmes@mac.com)



Start Date  
January 1, 2000

Frank Holmes is the CEO and chief investment officer of U.S. Global Investors. Mr. Holmes purchased a controlling interest in U.S. Global Investors in 1989 and became the firm’s chief investment officer in 1999. In 2006, Mr. Holmes was selected mining fund manager of the year by the Mining Journal, and in 2011 he was named a U.S. Metals and Mining "TopGun" by Brendan Wood International. In 2016, Mr. Holmes and portfolio manager Ralph Aldis received the award for Best Americas Based Fund Manager from the Mining Journal. He is also the co-author of The Goldwatcher: Demystifying Gold Investing. More than 30,000 subscribers follow his weekly commentary in the award-winning Investor Alert newsletter which is read in over 180 countries. Under his guidance, the company’s mutual funds have received recognition from Lipper and Morningstar, two trusted independent financial authorities.

Mr. Holmes was awarded the Huron Medal of Distinction from Huron University College in 2013, his alma mater for the class of 1978. This award recognizes individuals whose life achievements set an example of excellence and reflect Huron’s arts and social sciences missions. Mr. Holmes is a native of Toronto and is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario with a bachelor’s degree in economics. He is a former president and chairman of the Toronto Society of the Investment Dealers Association.

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Start Date  
November 30, 2001

Ralph Aldis rejoined U.S. Global Investors as senior mining analyst in November 2001. He is responsible for analyzing gold and precious metals stocks in his role as portfolio manager for the World Precious Minerals Fund (UNWPX) and the Gold and Precious Metals Fund (USERX). In 2011, 2015 and again in 2018, Mr. Aldis was named a U.S. Metals and Mining "TopGun" by Brendan Wood International. In 2016 he and Frank Holmes were named Best Americas Based Fund Manager by the Mining Journal.

Mr. Aldis received a master’s degree in energy and mineral resources from the University of Texas at Austin in 1988 and a Bachelor of Science in geology, from Stephen F. Austin University in 1981, graduating cum laude. Mr. Aldis is a member of the CFA Society of San Antonio.

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