# 富蘭克林坦伯頓成長基金 Templeton Growth Fund, Inc. 半年度財務報告中文簡譯本

2023年2月28日

(尚未經審計)

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# 富蘭克林坦伯頓成長基金 財務重點

	2023年2月28	$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U} \cdot $				
	日半年度底 (尚未經審計)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
A股						
每單位股份操作績效						
(針對持續全年流通在外之股份	r)					
期初淨資產價值	\$20.47	\$25.34	\$21.17	\$20.96	\$27.08	\$26.26
來自投資操作之收益 a:						
淨投資收益 b	0.04	0.14	0.37c	0.27	0.51	0.47
淨實現及未實現利得(損失)	2.41	(4.59)	4.03	1.16	(3.96)	0.84
來自投資操作之收益總額	2.45	(4.45)	4.40	1.43	(3.45)	1.31
扣除配息來自:						
淨投資收益	(0.19)	(0.42)	(0.23)	(0.47)	(0.45)	(0.49)
淨實現利得		_	_	(0.75)	(2.22)	_
配息總額	(0.19)	(0.42)	(0.23)	(1.22)	(2.67)	(0.49)
期末淨資產價值	\$22.73	\$20.47	\$25.34	\$21.17	\$20.96	\$27.08
總報酬 d	12.03%	(17.76)%	20.80%	6.53%	(13.02)%	4.99%
對應平均淨資產比率 <sup>6</sup>						
費用(未扣除關係企業支付或	1.05%	1.05%	1.04%	1.06%	1.06%	1.03%
減免款項)						
費用(扣除關係企業支付或減	1.04%	1.05% <sup>f</sup>	1.04% <sup>f</sup>	1.06% <sup>f</sup>	1.06% <sup>f</sup>	1.03% <sup>f</sup>
免款項)f						
淨投資收益	0.42%	0.61%	1.53% <sup>c</sup>	1.29%	2.20%	1.75%
補充資料						
期末淨資產(000's)	\$7,489,224	\$6,913,896	\$9,010,906	\$8,191,333	\$8,604,624	\$10,711,345
投資組合資金週轉率	16.30%	42.82%	<b>44.14</b> % <sup>9</sup>	52.90%	25.30%	28.77%

- a. 視與基金所獲取的收益以及/或是基金投資市值的變動相關的基金股份出售與購回的時間點,於此期間內流 通在外股份所顯示的金額可能與此期間的經營業績表所實現的金額無關聯性。
- b. 以每日平均流通在外股數為基礎。
- C. 每股淨投資收益包含約 0.26 美元的每股收益,其中包括以特別股息形式獲得的收入,以及對與基金某些持股有關的歐盟回收的調整。若不計此金額,淨投資收益與平均淨資產的比率將為 0.42%。
- d. 總報酬並不反映銷售酬佣或是或有遞延銷售手續費(如適用),而低於一年期間的總報酬數字未年化。
- e. 低於一年期間的年化比率,但非經常性費用(如有)除外。
- f. 關係企業支付或減免款項的利益四捨五入到小於 0.01%。
- g. 不包括因實物贖回而交付的投資組合證券的價值。

# 資產負債表

# 2023年2月28日(尚未經審計)

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上攻	华	112	次	•
證	豜	才又	貝	•

證券投資:	
成本 - 非關係企業上市公司	\$ 7,546,757,518
成本 - 非控制關係企業上市公司(附註 3f)	27,742,104
價值 - 非關係企業上市公司(包括借出證券\$25,992,175 美元)	\$8,144,959,978
價值 - 非控制關係企業上市公司(附註 3f)	27,742,104
現金	30,859
外幣(價值\$369,892 美元)	370,944
應收款項:	
投資證券銷售款	19,696,549
股本銷售款	471,582
股利及利息	15,315,939
歐盟稅款回收(附註 1d)	2,482,569
資產合計	8,211,070,524
負債:	
應付款項:	
投資證券買入款	36,811,440
股本贖回款	6,849,790
管理費用	4,391,762
配銷費用	1,620,778
股務代理機構費用	1,063,749
美國國稅局對於歐盟稅款支付之結算協議費(附註 1d)	51,601,807
依證券借出的返還支付(附註 1c)	27,742,104
預提費用及其他負債	1,291,553
負債合計	131,372,983
淨資產價值	\$8,079,697,541
淨資產包含:	
實收資本	\$7,709,191,482
可分配盈餘(損失)合計	370,506,059
淨資產價值	\$8,079,697,541
A 股:	
淨資產價值	\$ 7,489,223,934
流通在外股份	329,541,877
每股淨資產價值 a	\$22.73
每股最高售價(每股淨資產價值除以 94.50%)	\$24.05

a. 贖回價格等於淨資產價值減掉任何由本基金所提取的或有遞延銷售手續費(如適用)。

# 富蘭克林坦伯頓成長基金 經營業績表

# 截至 2023 年 2 月 28 日止之半年度(尚未經審計) 投資收益:

投資收益	:		
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投資收益:	
股利:(扣除外國稅額 \$1,595,265)	
非關係企業上市公司	\$ 50,993,137
利息:	
非關係企業上市公司	9,278,291
來自借出證券的收益:	
非關係企業上市公司(扣除費用及退還款)	47,429
非控制關係企業上市公司(附註 3f)	836,668
減:美國國稅局對於歐盟稅款支付之結算協議費(附註 1d)	(5,067,076)
投資收益總額	56,088,449
費用: ————————————————————————————————————	
管理費用(附註 3a)	26,527,855
配銷費用:(附註 3c)	
A 股	8,845,480
C 股	428,028
R 股	116,397
股務代理機構費用:(附註 3e)	
A 股	2,863,884
C 股	34,661
R 股	18,837
R6 股	28,984
Advisor 股	64,248
保管機構費用	123,180
註冊與申報費用	66,785
專業人士費用	100,015
董事酬金與費用	404,827
其他	112,227
總費用	39,735,408
由關係企業減免/支付的費用(附註3f及3g)	(75,768)
净費用	39,659,640
净投資收益	16,428,809
實現與未實現利得(損失):	
淨實現利得(損失)來自:	
投資:	
非關係企業上市公司	120,076,432
外幣交易	(34,199)
淨實現利得(損失)	120,042,233
淨未實現溢價(折價)在:	
投資:	
非關係企業上市公司	742,838,032
以外幣計價之其他資產與負債換算	690,169
淨未實現溢價(折價)變動	743,528,201
淨實現與未實現利得(損失)	863,570,434
淨資產在營運操作上的淨增加(減少)	\$879,999,243

# 富蘭克林坦伯頓成長基金 淨資產變動表

	2023 年 2 月 28 日 半年度底	2022年8月31日
	(尚未經審計)	年度底
淨資產增加(減少):		_
營運操作:		
淨投資收益	\$16,428,809	\$55,323,121
淨實現利得(損失)	120,042,233	659,908,715
淨未實現溢價(折價)變動	(743,528,201)	(2,411,525,881)
淨資產在營運操作上的淨增加(減少)	879,999,243	(1,696,294,045)
對股東的配息:		
A 股	(64,548,857)	(144,707,194)
C 股	(578,484)	(780,823)
R 股	(395,576)	(835,559)
R6 股	(2,730,340)	(6,642,236)
Advisor 股	(1,571,073)	(7,975,892)
對股東的配息總額	(69,824,330)	(160,941,704)
股本交易:(附註2)		· ·
A 股	(174,922,040)	(417,885,156)
C 股	(1,367,135)	(6,948,306)
R 股	(1,691,749)	(4,122,944)
R6 股	(21,106,353)	(4,163,187)
Advisor 股	(12,855,285)	(190,354,970)
股本交易總額	(211,942,562)	(623,474,563)
淨資產的增加(減少)	598,232,351	(2,480,710,312)
淨資產:		,
年度期初	7,481,465,190	9,962,175,502
年度期末	\$8,079,697,541	\$7,481,465,190

#### 財務報告附註

#### 1. 組織結構與重要會計政策

富蘭克林坦伯頓成長基金(以下稱本基金)是依據美國 1940 年投資公司法案(簡稱為 1940 法案)註冊成立的開放式投資公司並且採行美國一般公認會計原則(U.S. GAAP)之專業會計和報導指南。本基金提供五種股份類別:A股、C股、R股、R6股與 Advisor股。C股在持有8年後將每月自動轉為A股。各股份類別的首次銷售手續費、或有遞延銷售手續費、對單一股份具影響之事件的投票權、轉換權益、不同約定之分銷費用及股務代理機構費用皆有所不同。

本基金重要會計政策摘要如下:

#### a. 財務工具評價

本基金為每日以公平價值(fair value)評價投資的財務工具。公平價值是市場參與者於秩序交易中,賣出資產或轉移負債於衡量日所被買賣參與者接受的價格。本基金在每個營業日的美東時間下午四點或紐約證券交易所(NYSE)正常排定的收盤時間計算每股淨資產價值(NAV),以較早者為準。在本基金董事會所核准的政策及程序下,本基金的行政經理公司負責監控及評價的範圍包括:主導具有交叉功能之**評價委員會**(the Valuation Committee(VC))。本基金得以利用獨立定價服務、來自證券和財務工具的交易商所提供的報價以及其他市場資訊來決定公平價值。

在證券交易所或那斯達克交易系統掛牌之股票是分別以最後公告售價或當日官方收盤價格計價。外國證券是以證券主要交易之外國證券交易所或是東部時間下午四點的收盤價估值,其價格將以外國證券依每個營業日當日東部時間下午 4 點的收盤匯率被轉換成美元後的價值而定。店頭市場交易證券其估值則不超過最近一次的買賣報價範圍。同時在多個市場或多個交易所進行交易的證券,其估值則以最具廣度和代表性之市場的報價為準。某些股權證券是以類似證券的基本特徵或關係為評價基礎。

投資於開放式共同基金是以結算後的淨資產價值評價。投資於定期存款是以成本評價,其成本接近公平價值。

當財務工具缺乏可以信賴或是無法獲得市場價格時,本基金採用一些程序來決定其公平價值。在這些程序下,本基金主要使用市場基礎法(market-based approach),即使用相關或可比較之資產或負債、近期交易、市場乘數、帳面價值及其他相關資訊來決定投資之公平價值。收益基礎衡量法(income-based valuation approach)也可用於投資之預期未來現金流量折價以計算公平價值。由於處分投資的限制的本質或是存續期間,可能也使用折價來計算。由於此類投資評價固有的不確定性,其公平價值與交易市場的價格可能會有顯著的差異。

於外國證券交易所及店頭交易市場掛牌證券的交易,可能早於東部時間下午四點時間。此外, 某些外國市場的交易並不會發生在每一個基金的營業日內。有時候,在外國證券交易完畢與 東部時間下午四點之間的時間裡發生的事件可能對本基金所持有之投資組合證券價值的可信 度造成影響。因此,由外國市場收盤後所決定之基金組合證券價格與東部時間下午四點最近 的價格間,可能會產生差異。為了最小化這些潛在的差異,本基金得採用獨立定價服務將投 資組合證券的價值調整至東部時間下午四點最新指標的公平價值。截至 2023 年 2 月 28 日, 部分證券已使用公平價值程序來定價,在這種情況下,這些證券被分類為公平價值衡量層級 中的等級 2,稱為"市場層級公平價值"。更多說明,請參閱"公平價值衡量"附註。

- 1. 組織結構與重要會計政策(承續前文)
- a. 財務工具評價(承續前文)

當申報期間的最後一日為非營業日時,某些外國市場是在紐約交易所休市日時營業,此可能造成基金投資組合證券的價值在申報期間的最後營業日及最後日曆日間所有差異。任何因外國市場開市所造成之證券價值變動將被基金為反映財務申報目的而進行調整和反映。

#### b. 外幣轉換

投資組合中以外幣結算的證券以及其他資產與負債,是在估值日以這類外幣對美元的匯率轉換成美元來定價。本基金得簽訂外匯契約協助以外幣計價的交易。以外幣結算之證券的申購與銷售,收益與費用項目是以在交易日生效的匯率轉換成美元來定價。以外幣計價之投資組合證券、資產及負債包含這些外幣相對於美元價值下跌的風險。有時候,事件的發生可能影響外幣對美元匯率的可獲得性或可信度。若有此類事件發生,將以本基金董事會所建立並核准之程序來確定該匯率的公平價值。

本基金不會單獨報告由於持有證券的市價變動而引起的外幣匯率變動的結果。這類的變動已包含在經營業績表的淨實現與未實現投資利益或損失中。

已實現的匯兌利得或損失來自於外幣銷售、在證券的交易日與交割日之間所實現的貨幣利得或損失及股利、利息、外國預扣稅的紀錄金額與其實際交付的等值美元金額之間的差異。淨未實現匯兌利得或損失來自於在報告期末除所持有的投資證券之外,以外幣結算之資產與負債的外幣匯率變動。

#### C. 證券借貸

本基金參與一項代理機構基礎之證券借貸計劃以賺取額外的收益。本基金收取相當於所借出證券之公平價值至少 102%的金額之現金及/或美國政府與機構證券擔保品。在此借貸的存續期間內擔保品的金額不低於該借出證券公平價值(在基金各營業日結束時評定)的 100%,任何因證券價值變動而須追加的擔保品必須於次一營業日交付給本基金。與其他基金存入聯合現金帳戶的現金擔保品習慣被投資於富蘭克林顧問公司(本基金之關係企業)所管理的貨幣市場基金裡。本基金收取來自現金擔保品的投資收益,以及從借貸者收取出借費用與回扣。來自借出證券的收益,扣除支付予證券借貸機構以及/或是第三方供應商的費用,已分別記錄於經營業績表中。本基金承擔有關現金擔保品投資與證券借出的市場風險,以及代理機構違反其數本基金義務的風險。如果借貸者違反其應返還借出證券的義務,本基金有權利運用所收取的擔保品於公開市場再買回這些證券。證券借貸機構已同意賠償本基金由第三方借入者產生的違約風險。

#### d. 所得稅及遞延稅

按照基金政策,本基金必须符合美國稅務法對於投資公司的規定,對股東分配幾乎所有的應稅收益與淨實現利益以免於繳納聯邦所得稅及特許權稅,因此無需預提美國聯邦所得稅。

本基金在外國管轄區域的投資所收取的收益、證券售出的資本利得以及一些外匯交易可能須 繳納外國稅捐。如有外國稅捐,其金額將依據本基金所投資之外國市場實施的稅務法規與稅 率申報。如外國對淨實現利得加以課稅,本基金將記錄預估的遞延稅賦義務,其金額相當於 當證券在評價日交易須支付的稅額。

由於遍及歐盟一些國家的幾個訴訟案件結果,本基金已經為以前在這些國家所賺取股利的代扣稅款申報追加的回收稅款(歐盟回收)。已認可收益,若有的話,這些歐盟回收金額是以其他收益反映於經營業績表中,而任何相關應收款項,若有的話,是以歐盟稅款回收反映於

- 1. 組織結構與重要會計政策(承續前文)
- d. 所得稅及遞延稅(承續前文)

資產負債表中。與這些申報相關的任何費用都反映在經營業績表中的其他費用中。當這些訴訟的最終裁決、取得這些回收稅款的可能性以及付款的可能時間安排尚存有不確定性時,則無金額得以被反映於財務報表中。就美國所得稅目的,本基金所收取的歐盟回收稅款,若有的話,將減少外國稅捐金額而使本基金股東得在個人所得稅申報單中作為稅收抵免。如果本基金在一個財政年度收到的歐盟回收款項超過本基金支付的外國預扣稅,並且本基金之前已將其轉嫁給其股東的外國稅款用於作為股東收入的抵免或扣除納稅申報表後,本基金將與美國國稅局 (IRS) 簽訂結算協議,以代表本基金的股東支付相關的納稅義務。本基金已決定與IRS 達成一項結算協議,並在經營業績表中將估計支付計為收益的減項。

只有當稅務機關基於稅項的技術優勢進行依據美國一般公認會計原則(U.S.GAAP)審查時認為不明確稅項低於50%的可能性將持續的情況下,本基金才會承認不明確稅項的賦稅利益。於截至2023年2月28日止及所有開放稅賦年度,本基金認為沒有因被要求於納稅申報表所揭有關不明確稅項之納稅申報(或預計在未來進行納稅申報)之未承認賦稅利益而產生的負債。開放稅賦年度為基於稅賦管轄權之法定時效限制下仍須接受審查的年度。

#### e. 證券交易、投資收益、費用及配息

證券交易是在交易日作入帳。證券交易之已實現利得或損失則決定於特定基礎。利息收入與預估費用則每日計提。利息收入包括債券折價及溢價攤銷。股利收入是在除息日入帳,除了某些來自外國證券的股利是在本基金接獲除息日通知才立即認定。對股東的配息是在除息日入帳並且依據所得稅法(稅基)確定。以稅基所決定的可分配盈餘可能不同於依照一般美國公認會計準則所紀錄的盈餘。這些差異可能是永久或是暫時的。在資本帳戶中,永久性差異將被重新分類以反映其稅賦特性。這些重新分類對淨資產或是經營業績並不會造成影響。暫時性差異則不用重新分類,因為差異在後續期間將會迴轉。

已實現與未實現利得與損失以及淨投資收益(股份等級特定費用除外),是依照個別股份等級的淨資產之相對比重而每日分配到個別股份等級。股份等級的費用差異可能導致各股份等級每股配息款項的差異。

#### f. 會計估計

管理階層依照美國一般公認的會計準則編制財務報表時需要做出會計估計與假設。這些會計估計與假設會影響於財務報表日的資產與負債金額以及在財務報表期間的收入與費用金額。實際結果可能與估計值不同。

#### g. 保證及賠償

在本基金的組織文件規定下,本基金同意免除其主管與董事在某些超越其職責範圍而發生的負債的責任。此外,在正常業務狀況下,本基金代表本基金與服務提供機構簽訂契約也包含責任免除條款。本基金在這些免責條款下的最大風險是未知的,因為涉及未來可能對本基金發生的被訴訟索賠。目前,本基金預期損失的風險是很小的。

#### 2. 實益權益股份

在截至 2023 年 2 月 28 日,本基金經授權發行的股份為 27 億股(每股面值\$0.01)。本基金股份的交易如下表:

	截至 2 月 28 日止之半年度 2023		截至 8 月 31 日止之年度 2022	
	股份	金額	股份	金額
A 股:				_
股份銷售a	5,422,662	\$115,570,892	12,961,576	\$301,976,998
配息轉入再投資之股份發行	2,405,693	52,179,545	4,879,775	117,700,180
股份贖回	(15,975,559)	(342,672,477)	(35,768,006)	(837,562,334)
淨增加(減少)	(8,147,204)	\$(174,922,040)	(17,926,655)	\$(417,885,156)

a可能包含部分 C 股其被自動轉為 A 股。

#### 3. 與關係企業的交易

富蘭克林公司作為控股公司,與其各附屬公司合稱為富蘭克林坦伯頓基金集團。本基金的部分主管與董事也是下列附屬公司的主管以及/或是董事:

附屬公司	與本基金的關係
Templeton Global Advisors Limited (TGAL)	投資經理公司
Franklin Templeton Services, LLC (FT Services)	行政經理公司
Franklin Distributors, LLC (Distributors)	主辦承銷商
Franklin Templeton Investor Services, LLC (Investor Services)	股務代理機構

#### a. 管理費用

本基金按基金的平均每日淨資產價值所適用之年率標準按月支付 TGAL 投資管理費用,年率標準詳如下表:

年化費率	淨資產
0.780%	不超過(含)二億美元
0.765%	超過二億美元,不超過(含)七億美元
0.730%	超過七億美元,不超過(含)十億美元
0.715%	超過十億美元,不超過(含)十二億美元
0.690%	超過十二億美元,不超過(含)五十億美元
0.675%	超過五十億美元,不超過(含)一百億美元
0.655%	超過一百億美元,不超過(含)一百五十億美元
0.635%	超過一百五十億美元,不超過(含)二百億美元
0.615%	超過二百億美元,不超過(含)二百五十億美元
0.605%	超過二百五十億美元,不超過(含)三百億美元
0.595%	超過三百億美元,不超過(含)三百五十億美元
0.585%	超過三百五十億美元,不超過(含)四百億美元
0.575%	超過四百億美元,不超過(含)四百五十億美元
0.565%	超過四百五十億美元

在截至 2023 年 2 月 28 日止之半年度,實際的投資管理費用年率為本基金平均每日淨資產價值之 0.694%。

#### 3. 與關係企業的交易(承續前文)

#### b. 行政費用

依據與 Global Advisors 的契約,FT Services 對本基金提供行政管理服務。此行政費用是由 Global Advisors 按本基金的每日平均淨資產支付,其並不是本基金額外的費用。

#### c. 配銷費用

除 R6 股及 Advisor 股外,本基金董事會遵循美國 1940 年投資公司法案的規則 12b-1,對於各股皆採用配銷計劃。配銷費用在本基金 A 股的償還配銷計劃下,每年本基金將向 Distributors 償付不超過 A 股的最高年度計劃費率的費用,用以彌補其銷售與配銷本基金股份所帶來的費用。在 A 股的償還配銷計劃下,當期計劃年度的費用超出最高償還額度的部分不會在後續期間得到償還。此外,在本基金 C 股及 R 股的補償配銷計劃下,每年本基金將向 Distributors 支付不超過各股的最高年度計劃費率的費用,用以彌補其服務、銷售與配銷本基金股份所招致的費用。為監控最高年度計劃費率之遵循情形,該計劃年度整個期間為 2 月 1 日至 1 月 31 日。

按本基金的平均每日淨資產的特定比例,各股的最高年度計劃費率列示如下:

A 股 0.25% C 股 1.00% R 股 0.50%

#### d. 銷售手續費/承銷合約

前收型銷售手續費以及或有遞延銷售手續費(CDSC)不是本基金的費用。這些手續費在投資之前就從基金股份銷售款項中扣除,或是在贖回收益匯出之前被扣除(若適用)。承銷商已告知本基金下列有關本期間基金股份銷售與贖回的交易佣金:

扣除支付給非關係企業的交易商/經紀商佣金後的銷售手續費 \$80,141 保留的或有遞延銷售手續費 \$1,438

#### e. 股務代理機構費用

每個基金股份為 Investor Services 對股東服務範圍的績效支付股務代理機構費用義務。費用基礎為年化資產費用的 0.016%加上交易基礎費用。費用是依據其基金或帳戶型態變化而產生。此外,除了 R6 股,每個基金股份為 Investor Services 對股東服務範圍的績效支付股務代理機構費用並且償付 Investor Services 的墊付款項,包括:支付予第三方的股東服務費用。這些費用將以各個股份淨資產的相對比例為基礎每日配置於各該股份。R6 股僅對該股支付 Investor Services 股務代理機構費用。

在截至 2023 年 2 月 28 日止之半年度,本基金支付股務代理機構的費用為\$3,010,614,其中\$1,443,226 是用以支付 Investor Services。

#### f. 投資於關係企業管理投資公司

本基金投資於一家或數家關係企業管理投資公司。根據 1940 年法案的定義,當基金直接或間接擁有附屬基金 25% 或更多的已發行股份或有權對管理行使控制權時,該投資被視為基金的"控制關係企業"。 本基金的投資目的不是對管理或政策施加控制影響。本基金可減免投資於關係企業管理投資公司的資產所對應的管理費用已標示於經營業績表中,但金額不超過每一個關係企業直接或間接所支付的管理費用和行政費用。在截至 2023 年 2 月 28 日止之半年度,本基金投資在關係企業管理投資公司明細如下:

- 3. 與關係企業的交易(承續前文)
- f. 投資於關係企業管理投資公司(承續前文)

期初 已實現利得 未實現溢價 期末 期末 申購 出售 投資收益 價值 (虧損) (折價)淨變動 價值 持有股數

非控制關係

上市公司 來自借出

證券收益

Institutional Fiduciary Trust - Money Market

Portfolio, 4.204% \$ 54,376,208 \$260,300,736 \$(286,934,840) \$*—* \$*—* 

關聯證券合計 \$ 54,376,208 \$260,300,736 \$(286,934,840) \$ **—** \$ **—** \$27,742,104 \$836,668

#### g. 免除與費用償還

Investor Services 已事先簽約同意免除或是限制其收取的費用,所以 R6 股的股務代理機構費用 直到 2023 年 12 月 31 日將不會超過基於該股份平均淨資產的 0.03%。

#### 4. 所得稅

就稅務目的,資本虧損得用來抵銷未來的資本利得。

在2022年8月31日,資本虧損結轉如下:

沒有到期日的資本虧損結餘:

96,571,211 短期 長期 260,731,930 \$ 357,303,141 總資本虧損結餘

基於所得稅目的,於2023年2月28日,本基金之投資成本及淨未實現溢價(折價)如下表所示:

\$7,582,957,652 投資成本 \$1,239,740,717 未實現溢價 (649,996,287)未實現折價 \$589,744,430 未實現淨溢價(折價)

收益以及/或是資本利得在帳面基礎與稅賦基礎上有所不同,主要是因為對外幣交易、沖銷性 交易、歐盟稅款回收及企業活動的處理不同而影響分配的特性所致。

#### 5. 投資交易

截至2023年2月28日止之半年度内買入與賣出(不包括短期證券及實物交易)的交易額分 別為 \$1,176,602,632 美元及 \$1,340,710,738 美元。

至 2023 年 2 月 28 日,本基金在有關證券借貸交易上,借出股權投資並且收取\$27,742,104 美 元的現金擔保品。該類交易所認定的負債總額已算入資產負債表的「依證券借出的返還支付」 科目裡。本證券借貸合約得隨時被終止。

#### 6. 集中風險

投資於外國證券可能含有特定風險,須考量的因素也與投資美國證券的一般相關事項不同,例如貨幣價值的波動及當地與地區經濟、政治及社會情況的變動等,該因素可能導致大幅度的市場波動。許多外國地區的政治和金融不確定性可能會增加市場波動和投資外國證券的經濟風險。此外,某些外國證券的流動性可能不如美國證券。

#### 7. 地緣政治風險

2022 年 2 月 24 日,俄羅斯在烏克蘭主權領土上採取軍事行動。當前圍繞俄羅斯和烏克蘭的政治和金融不確定性可能會增加市場波動和在這些國家投資證券的經濟風險,也可能對全球經濟和更廣泛的金融市場造成不確定性。這些事件的最終後果和長期影響尚不清楚。基金將繼續評估對估值和流動性的影響,並將根據董事會批准之程序採取任何必要的潛在行動。

#### 8. 新型冠狀病毒大流行

全球性新型冠狀病毒疾病 (稱為 COVID-19) 的爆發已普遍性對許多公司、產業、國家、區域和市場造成了不利影響,並且可能以無法預料的持續時間蔓延。這種大流行病的影響可能會嚴重地衝擊本基金的價值和績效表現、在適當的評價買賣基金投資的能力以及達成其投資目標的能力。

#### 9. 信用工具

本基金與富蘭克林坦伯頓基金集團所管理的其他美國註冊以及外國投資基金(以下合稱「全體借用人」)共同簽定一項於2024年2月2日到期之貸款總額為26.75億美元的優先無擔保聯合全球信用貸款(以下稱「全球信用工具」)。全球信用工具為一項資金來源,提供基金予全體借用人以因應其暫時與緊急之資金需求,包括應付未來無預期或不尋常的大量贖回之資金需求。

依據全球信用工具條款,本基金除了應負擔所動用任何貸款的利息,以及由本基金所產生的其他成本之外,尚須依據本基金佔全體借用人淨資產總額的相對持份比例,分攤履行及維持全球信用工具所產生的費用及支出,包括全球信用工具未使用部位的0.15%年度承諾費用。這些費用已反映於經營業績表的其他費用裡。截至2023年2月28日止,本基金並未動用全球信用工具貸款。

#### 10. 公平價值衡量

本基金採用公平價值的等級,其係用來區別從獨立來源所取得的市場資料(可觀察信息)與 基金自行的市場假設(不可觀察信息)。這些信息被用於決定基金投資的價值,並得概述於以 下之公平價值的等級:

- 等級1-用同一證券的現行活躍市場報價
- 等級2-其他重要的可觀察信息(包括對於相類似證券的報價、利率、預付款項速度及信用風險等)
- 等級3-重要的不可觀察信息(包括基金以自行假設決定投資的公平價值)

用以評價投資的信息或方法之等級,並非暗示該投資的投資風險或流動性。在公平價值等級間變動的情形下,本基金採用引發變動事件的日期,作為認定轉移的日期。

#### 10. 公平價值衡量(承續前文)

以下為截至 2023 年 2 月 28 日止,評估本基金資產之公平價值所包含的輸入等級概要:

	等級1	等級2	等級3	合計
 資產:				
證券投資:				
普通股:				
比利時	\$ —	\$207,714,507	\$ —	\$207,714,507
中國	94,801,972	—		94,801,972
法國	_	488,799,105		488,799,105
德國		550,821,704		550,821,704
香港		141,800,411		141,800,411
印度	_	108,593,529		108,593,529
日本	_	550,035,311		550,035,311
荷蘭		109,121,024		109,121,024
南韓		192,781,082		192,781,082
瑞士		78,385,688		78,385,688
台灣	85,888,199	—		85,888,199
英國	18,272,855	1,076,601,075		1,094,873,930
美國	3,784,212,737	178,530,779		3,962,743,516
託管和訴訟信託	<del>-</del>	<del></del>	а	<del>-</del>
短期投資	27,742,104	478,600,000		506,342,104
證券投資總額	\$4,010,917,867	\$4,161,784,215b	\$ —	\$8,172,702,082

a 包括於 2023 年 2 月 28 日被確定為無價值的證券。

#### 11. 新會計原則宣告

於 2022 年 6 月,美國財務會計準則委員會 (FASB) 頒佈公報第 2022-03 號會計準則更新 (ASU) 「公允價值衡量 (主題 820) 一受合約銷售限制的股權證券的公允價值衡量」。ASU 中的修訂 澄清了限制出售股權證券的合同不被視為權益證券的計算單位,因此在計算公允價值時不應 考慮。此更新於 2023 年 12 月 15 日之後開始的中期和年度報告期間正式生效,也可選擇提前 採用。管理公司目前已評估需求並相信採行此會計準則不會造成重大影響。

#### 12. 期後事項

本基金已評量截至本財報公告日期間的期後事項,確定沒有發生應行揭露的事項。

b 包括價值為\$3,683,184,215 美元的外國證券,其因採用了市場等級的公平價值程序而被歸類為第二級。更多說明,請參閱「財務工具評價」附註。

# TEMPLETON GROWTH FUND, INC.

February 28, 2023



## SHAREHOLDER LETTER

Dear Shareholder:

During the six months ended February 28, 2023, global equities rose despite continued challenges resulting from elevated inflation and higher interest rates. The price of oil fell, and several other commodities that were disrupted by Russia's invasion of Ukraine stabilized at or near their pre-war prices, easing inflationary pressure. China ended its restrictive zero-COVID policy, prompting investor optimism that a return to normal conditions would benefit global growth. In this environment, global developed and emerging market stocks, as measured by the MSCI All Country World Index-NR (net of tax withholding when dividends are paid), posted a +3.32% total return for the period.<sup>1</sup>

We are committed to our long-term perspective and disciplined investment approach as we conduct a rigorous, fundamental analysis of securities with a regular emphasis on investment risk management.

Historically, patient investors have achieved rewarding results by evaluating their goals, diversifying their assets globally and maintaining a disciplined investment program, all hallmarks of the Templeton investment philosophy. We continue to recommend investors consult financial professionals and review their portfolios to design a long-term strategy and portfolio allocation that meet their individual needs, goals and risk tolerance.

Templeton Growth Fund's semiannual report includes more detail about prevailing conditions and a discussion about investment decisions during the period. Please remember all securities markets fluctuate, as do mutual fund share prices.

We thank you for investing with Franklin Templeton, welcome your questions and comments, and look forward to serving your investment needs in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Alan Bartlett Chief Investment Officer Templeton Global Equity Group

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This letter reflects our analysis and opinions as of February 28, 2023, unless otherwise indicated. The information is not a complete analysis of every aspect of any market, country, industry, security or fund. Statements of fact are from sources considered reliable.

1. Source: Morningstar.

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# SEMIANNUAL REPORT

# Templeton Growth Fund, Inc.

This semiannual report for Templeton Growth Fund, Inc. covers the period ended February 28, 2023.

#### Your Fund's Goal and Main Investments

The Fund seeks long-term capital growth. Under normal market conditions, the Fund invests primarily in the equity securities of companies located anywhere in the world, including developing markets.

#### Performance Overview

The Fund's Class A shares posted a +12.03% cumulative total return for the six months under review. In comparison, the Fund's benchmark, the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI)-NR, which measures stock performance in global developed and emerging markets, posted a +3.32% cumulative total return for the same period.¹ Please note index performance information is provided for reference and we do not attempt to track the index but rather undertake investments on the basis of fundamental research. You can find more performance data in the Performance Summary beginning on page 7.

Performance data represent past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and you may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares. Current performance may differ from figures shown. For most recent month-end performance, go to franklintempleton.com or call (800) 342-5236.

# **Geographic Composition**

	% of Total Net Assets
North America	49.1%
Europe	31.3%
Asia	14.5%
Short-Term Investments & Other Net Assets	5.1%

#### **Economic and Market Overview**

Global developed and emerging market equities, as measured by the MSCI ACWI-NR, posted a +3.32% total return for the six months ended February 28, 2023.¹ Despite continued challenges from elevated inflation and higher interest rates, stocks gained amid signs of resilience in the global economy. The price of oil fell, and several other commodities that were disrupted by Russia's invasion of Ukraine stabilized at or near their pre-war prices, easing inflationary pressure. China ended its restrictive zero-COVID policy, prompting investor optimism that a return to normal conditions would benefit global growth.

In the U.S., gross domestic product growth resumed in the second half of 2022, rebounding from contractions in the first two quarters of the year. Increasing consumer and government spending, rising inventories and strong nonresidential fixed investment boosted economic growth. Meanwhile, inflation, which remained heightened relative to recent decades, showed signs of easing. The annual inflation rate, as measured by the consumer price index, declined each month from September 2022 through January 2023.

In an effort to control inflation, the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) raised the federal funds target rate four times during the period to end at a range of 4.50%–4.75%. The Fed slowed the pace of its interest rate increases from 75 basis points (bps) at its September and November 2022 meetings to 50 bps in December and 25 bps in February 2023. At its February meeting, the Fed noted that although inflation has eased somewhat, it remained elevated, and job growth was robust while the unemployment rate continued to be low. Furthermore, the Fed maintained its policy of reducing its accumulated bond holdings and decreasing the size of its balance sheet.

Economies in the eurozone maintained a slow growth rate in 2022's third and fourth quarters. The European Central Bank continued to raise interest rates during the six-month period, opting to increase its benchmark rate at each of its four meetings to fight growing inflation. While the ongoing war in Ukraine and subsequent sanctions against Russia disrupted the supply of natural gas to Europe, alternate supplies

#### 1. Source: Morningstar.

The index is unmanaged and includes reinvestment of any income or distributions. It does not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. One cannot invest directly in an index, and an index is not representative of the Fund's portfolio. Net Returns (NR) include income net of tax withholding when dividends are paid. See www.franklintempletondatasources.com for additional data provider information.

The dollar value, number of shares or principal amount, and names of all portfolio holdings are listed in the Fund's Schedule of Investments (SOI). The SOI begins on page 15.

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and reduced industrial consumption helped maintain gas inventories at historically high levels. In this environment, European developed market equities, as measured by the MSCI Europe Index-NR, posted a +17.69% total return for the six months under review.<sup>1</sup>

Asian developed and emerging market equities, as measured by the MSCI All Country Asia Index-NR, posted a -0.05% total return for the six-month period.¹ China's economy grew on an annual basis in the third and fourth quarters of 2022. In December 2022, China loosened its strict zero-COVID policy, lifting a potential barrier to continued growth and driving gains in China's equity market. Japan's economy weakened in 2022's third quarter before returning to modest growth in the fourth quarter, driven by rising private consumption amid loosened border controls.

Global emerging market stocks, as measured by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index-NR, posted a -2.29% total return for the six months under review.¹ Concerns that continued strength in the U.S. economy could keep Fed monetary policy tight negatively impacted stocks in developing nations. Stocks in these countries are negatively impacted by high interest rates in the U.S., which increase the yield of some U.S.-based assets, making them relatively more attractive to investors.

## **Investment Strategy**

When choosing equity investments for the Fund, we apply a bottom-up, value-oriented, long-term approach. We focus on the market price of a company's securities relative to our evaluation of the company's long-term earnings, asset value and cash flow potential. We also consider the company's price/earnings ratio, price/cash flow ratio, profit margins and liquidation value.

The Fund may also use a variety of equity-related derivatives, which may include equity futures and equity index futures, for various purposes including enhancing Fund returns, increasing liquidity and gaining exposure to particular markets in more efficient or less expensive ways.

Top 10 Industries 2/28/23

	% of Total Net Assets
Aerospace & Defense	5.8%
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	5.7%
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	5.6%
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	5.2%
Health Care Providers & Services	4.8%
Health Care Equipment & Supplies	4.4%
Specialty Retail	4.2%
Beverages	3.8%
Pharmaceuticals	3.3%
Media	3.2%

#### Top 10 Holdings

2/28/23

Company Industry, Country	% of Total Net Assets
BP plc Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels, United Kingdom	3.0%
AbbVie, Inc. Biotechnology, United States	2.7%
TJX Cos., Inc. (The) Specialty Retail, United States	2.6%
Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV Beverages, Belgium	2.6%
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals, South Korea	2.4%
Unilever plc Personal Products, United Kingdom	2.4%
Medtronic plc Health Care Equipment & Supplies, United States	2.4%
Rolls-Royce Holdings plc Aerospace & Defense, United Kingdom	2.3%
UnitedHealth Group, Inc. Health Care Providers & Services, United States	2.3%
Comcast Corp.  Media, United States	2.1%

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# Top 10 Countries

	% of Total Net Assets
United States	49.0%
United Kingdom	13.6%
Germany	6.8%
Japan	6.8%
France	6.0%
Belgium	2.6%
South Korea	2.4%
Hong Kong	1.8%
Netherlands	1.4%
India	1.3%

#### Manager's Discussion

In a six-month period characterized by elevated uncertainty and shifting market trends, Templeton Growth Fund, Inc. delivered double-digit absolute gains and outperformed its benchmark, the MSCI ACWI-NR, by the largest margin in more than 20 years. Outperformance during the period was primarily attributable to stock selection, which was encouraging given the volatility in factor trends during the period. In our view, outperformance absent a strong style regime is a good sign, as it highlights the portfolio's idiosyncratic return potential and the positive impact of stock selection. That said, we have repositioned the portfolio's risk profile on the margins to take advantage of what we believed were evolving opportunities. Specifically, we had increased cyclical exposures prior to the period as a darkening macroeconomic outlook created opportunities among economically-sensitive stocks. We trimmed some of our cyclical exposures during the review period as optimism returned and cyclical stocks were re-rated. Tactically, that was the correct move, in our assessment, as evidenced by strong recent performance results.

Market leadership during the period was initially dominated by large-capitalization defensive U.S. value stocks at a time when policy tightening, U.S. dollar strength and slowing economic indicators raised expectations of a global recession. As the period progressed, investors began to focus on early signs that inflation could be peaking. Consequently, entering 2023, rising expectations of a dovish policy pivot from the Fed led to a revival in risk appetite, a pull-back in the U.S. dollar, and a resurgence in international cyclical growth stocks. However, renewed signs of more persistent inflation late in the period led to increased hawkishness from central bankers, causing a rotation out

of rate-sensitive emerging market stocks and back into developed market equities, particularly in Europe.

European outperformance was the most consistent market trend during a period otherwise characterized by ongoing leadership rotations. In fact, it was the best six-month period for European equities (relative to the rest of the world) in at least two decades as mild winter weather quelled fears of an energy crisis on the continent and investors gravitated to the region's relatively inexpensive valuations. The Fund's European holdings were the primary regional contributors, led by a favorable overweighted allocation and stock selection in the U.K. Our European overweight also had a meaningfully positive currency impact during the period given the strength of both the British pound and the euro versus the U.S. dollar. The Fund's other major regional allocations also outperformed, with North American holdings benefiting from stock selection in the U.S. and Asian holdings benefiting from stock selection in Japan.

From a sector standpoint, stock selection in consumer discretionary and industrials represented the primary contributors. U.S. home goods retailer TJX was the top consumer discretionary firm, benefiting from solid earnings characterized by good cost and inventory controls and positive revenue guidance. In our view, TJX's size and quality advantages have allowed it to navigate the volatile supply-chain and demand environment better than competitors, and the firm looks well positioned to maintain positive growth in an uncertain macroeconomic environment. U.K. aerospace and defense firm Rolls-Royce Holdings an industrials sector constituent—was the top single stock contributor, also rallying on strong results. The company is in the midst of a strategic review, with new medium-term financial targets expected to be released in the latter half of the year. Overall, the firm's balance sheet is improving, with positive cash flow dynamics and a healthy industry demand profile. Furthermore, the ongoing recovery in international long-haul travel significantly benefits Rolls-Royce given its long-term service contracts, which tie revenues to engine flight hours.

Other notable sector outperformers included information technology, consumer staples, health care and energy, all due primarily to stock selection. Energy delivered one of the Fund's biggest individual contributors: U.K. integrated oil major BP. Shares rallied after the firm reported strong results, with a larger-than-expected share buyback and 10% dividend increase. We were encouraged to see BP increase long-term profit and production guidance, especially given analyst concerns about declining volumes. Overall, we are confident in management's ability to strategically allocate

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BP's prodigious cash flows to balance shareholder returns, production growth and capital efficiency. With cash flow yields in the high teens at current oil prices, we continue to believe BP is undervalued, and it represents a core holding in the portfolio.

Financials and communication services were the only relative detractors during the review period. Our financials holdings delivered double-digit absolute gains and there were no sector stocks among the Fund's biggest individual detractors; however, an unfavorable underweighted allocation to the strong sector negatively impacted relative performance. Our exposures in the financials sector remain highly selective. We have avoided banks in what we view as low-returning, over-regulated markets with elevated credit risk. Our sole bank holding during the period was U.K. lender Lloyds Banking Group, which exemplifies our preferred investment profile in the sector: what we believe to be a best-in-class bank in an attractive market with shareholderfriendly management and earnings sensitivity as interest rates rise. We also have modest exposure to what we view as high-quality consumer finance through American Express and structural growth opportunities in insurance through Hong Kong-based insurer AIA Group.

Communication services delivered the Fund's biggest single-stock detractor during the review period: U.S.-based media conglomerate and theme park operator Walt Disney. The stock was volatile during the period given well-known industry and company challenges, including a leadership rotation that saw the replacement of the firm's beleaguered CEO, Bob Chapek, with former long-time Disney boss Bob Iger. We have been encouraged by Iger's early efforts to communicate a strategy that transitions Disney out of its expensive pursuit of streaming market share and towards a path of greater efficiency. Near-term pressures aside, we believe the changes underway at Disney have the potential to significantly unlock additional value for shareholders. Management plans to significantly cut costs and reinstate the company's dividend by the end of the year. Furthermore, an activist investor remains involved and is likely to keep pressure on management to execute a strategy that we largely support. At current valuations, the stock remains a core portfolio holding.

At Templeton, we think creatively about the many ways that value gets created over time. The result is a process that combines analytical rigor with a dynamic approach to value that covers a range of different investment profiles. One of the objectives underpinning our use of the full spectrum of value is the independence it creates from the large

momentum shifts that so often buffet markets. We seek to build portfolios that we believe will not be whipsawed by the whims of the equity market as investors rotate between narratives. If we can successfully manage the volatility associated with these swings, we can then focus on pursuing alpha over time through stock picking—that is, through the evaluation of long-term business fundamentals and buying shares at a discount to their intrinsic worth. Templeton Growth Fund, Inc. is full of idiosyncratic return and risk characteristics, which we believe have the potential to support performance over time, particularly if the market continues to move away from macroeconomic themes and towards a more discriminate assessment of bottom-up value.

Thank you for your continued participation in Templeton Growth Fund, Inc. We look forward to serving your future investment needs.

Peter M. Moeschter, CFA Lead Portfolio Manager

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Portfolio Management Team

The foregoing information reflects our analysis, opinions and portfolio holdings as of February 28, 2023, the end of the reporting period. The way we implement our main investment strategies and the resulting portfolio holdings may change depending on factors such as market and economic conditions. These opinions may not be relied upon as investment advice or an offer for a particular security. The information is not a complete analysis of every aspect of any market, country, industry, security or the Fund. Statements of fact are from sources considered reliable, but the investment manager makes no representation or warranty as to their completeness or accuracy. Although historical performance is no guarantee of future results, these insights may help you understand our investment management philosophy.

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# Performance Summary as of February 28, 2023

The performance table does not reflect any taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund dividends, capital gain distributions, if any, or any realized gains on the sale of Fund shares. Total return reflects reinvestment of the Fund's dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, and any unrealized gains or losses. Your dividend income will vary depending on dividends or interest paid by securities in the Fund's portfolio, adjusted for operating expenses of each class. Capital gain distributions are net profits realized from the sale of portfolio securities.

#### Performance as of 2/28/231

Cumulative total return excludes sales charges. Average annual total return includes maximum sales charges. Sales charges will vary depending on the size of the investment and the class of share purchased. The maximum is 5.50% and the minimum is 0%. Class A: 5.50% maximum initial sales charge; Advisor Class: no sales charges. For other share classes, visit franklintempleton.com.

Shara Class	Cumulative	Average Annual
Share Class	Total Return <sup>2</sup>	Total Return <sup>3</sup>
A <sup>4</sup>		
6-Month	+12.03%	+5.88%
1-Year	-2.95%	-8.30%
5-Year	+2.29%	-0.68%
10-Year	+50.44%	+3.58%
Advisor		
6-Month	+12.13%	+12.13%
1-Year	-2.74%	-2.74%
5-Year	+3.57%	+0.70%
10-Year	+54.28%	+4.43%

Performance data represent past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and you may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares. Current performance may differ from figures shown. For most recent month-end performance, go to **franklintempleton.com** or call **(800) 342-5236**.

See page 8 for Performance Summary footnotes.

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#### Distributions (9/1/22–2/28/23)

Share Class	Net Investment Income
A	\$0.1942
С	\$0.1428
R	\$0.1774
R6	\$0.2152
Advisor	\$0.2116

#### Total Annual Operating Expenses<sup>5</sup>

#### **Share Class**

A	1.05%
Advisor	0.79%

Each class of shares is available to certain eligible investors and has different annual fees and expenses, as described in the prospectus.

All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Special risks are associated with foreign investing, including currency fluctuations, economic instability and political developments; investments in emerging markets involve heightened risks related to the same factors. Because the Fund may invest its assets in companies in specific regions, it is subject to greater risks of adverse developments in that region and/or the surrounding regions than a fund that is more broadly diversified geographically. Political, social or economic disruptions in the region, even in countries in which the Fund is not invested, may adversely affect the value of securities held by the Fund. Derivatives involve costs and can create economic leverage which may result in significant volatility and cause the Fund to participate in losses (and enable gains) on an amount that exceeds the Fund's initial investment. In addition, securities issued by small-and mid-capitalization companies have historically experienced more price volatility than larger-company stocks, especially over the short term and may involve additional risks. Events such as the spread of deadly diseases, disasters, and financial, political or social disruptions, may heighten risks and adversely affect performance. The Fund's prospectus also includes a description of the main investment risks.

Russia's military invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, the resulting responses by the United States and other countries, and the potential for wider conflict could increase volatility and uncertainty in the financial markets and adversely affect regional and global economies. The United States and other countries have imposed broad-ranging economic sanctions on Russia and certain Russian individuals, banking entities and corporations as a response to its invasion of Ukraine. The United States and other countries have also imposed economic sanctions on Belarus and may impose sanctions on other countries that support Russia's military invasion. These sanctions, as well as any other economic consequences related to the invasion, such as additional sanctions, boycotts or changes in consumer or purchaser preferences or cyberattacks on governments, companies or individuals, may further decrease the value and liquidity of certain Russian securities and securities of issuers in other countries that are subject to economic sanctions related to the invasion.

- 1. The total annual operating expenses are as of the Fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns.
- 2. Cumulative total return represents the change in value of an investment over the periods indicated.
- 3. Average annual total return represents the average annual change in value of an investment over the periods indicated. Return for less than one year, if any, has not been annualized.
- 4. Prior to 9/10/18, these shares were offered at a higher initial sales charge of 5.75%, thus actual returns (with sales charges) would have differed. Average annual total returns (with sales charges) have been restated to reflect the current maximum initial sales charge of 5.50%.
- 5. Figures are as stated in the Fund's current prospectus and may differ from the expense ratios disclosed in the Your Fund's Expenses and Financial Highlights sections in this report. In periods of market volatility, assets may decline significantly, causing total annual Fund operating expenses to become higher than the figures shown. See www.franklintempletondatasources.com for additional data provider information.

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# Your Fund's Expenses

As a Fund shareholder, you can incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, including sales charges (loads) on Fund purchases and redemptions; and (2) ongoing Fund costs, including management fees, distribution and service (12b-1) fees, and other Fund expenses. All mutual funds have ongoing costs, sometimes referred to as operating expenses. The table below shows ongoing costs of investing in the Fund and can help you understand these costs and compare them with those of other mutual funds. The table assumes a \$1,000 investment held for the six months indicated.

#### **Actual Fund Expenses**

The table below provides information about actual account values and actual expenses in the columns under the heading "Actual." In these columns the Fund's actual return, which includes the effect of Fund expenses, is used to calculate the "Ending Account Value" for each class of shares. You can estimate the expenses you paid during the period by following these steps (of course, your account value and expenses will differ from those in this illustration): Divide your account value by 1,000 (if your account had an 8,600 value, then  $8,600 \div 1,000 = 8.6$ ). Then multiply the result by the number in the row for your class of shares under the headings "Actual" and "Expenses Paid During Period" (if Actual Expenses Paid During Period were 7.50, then  $8.6 \times 7.50 = 64.50$ ). In this illustration, the actual expenses paid this period are 64.50.

#### Hypothetical Example for Comparison with Other Funds

Under the heading "Hypothetical" in the table, information is provided about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund's actual return. This information may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period, but it can help you compare ongoing costs of investing in the Fund with those of other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example for the class of shares you hold with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of other funds.

Please note that expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight ongoing costs and do not reflect any transactional costs. Therefore, information under the heading "Hypothetical" is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you compare total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if transactional costs were included, your total costs would have been higher.

	Actual (actual return after expenses)			Hypo (5% annual retur		
Share Class	Beginning Account Value 9/1/22	Ending Account Value 2/28/23	Expenses Paid During Period 9/1/22–2/28/23 <sup>1,2</sup>	Ending Account Value 2/28/23	Expenses Paid During Period 9/1/22–2/28/23 <sup>1,2</sup>	Net Annualized Expense Ratio <sup>2</sup>
Α	\$1,000	\$1,120.30	\$5.49	\$1,019.62	\$5.23	1.04%
С	\$1,000	\$1,115.90	\$9.41	\$1,015.90	\$8.97	1.79%
R	\$1,000	\$1,118.40	\$6.80	\$1,018.38	\$6.48	1.29%
R6	\$1,000	\$1,121.70	\$3.86	\$1,021.15	\$3.68	0.73%
Advisor	\$1,000	\$1,121.30	\$4.18	\$1,020.86	\$3.98	0.79%

<sup>1.</sup> Expenses are equal to the annualized expense ratio for the six-month period as indicated above—in the far right column—multiplied by the simple average account value over the period indicated, and then multiplied by 181/365 to reflect the one-half year period.

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<sup>2.</sup> Reflects expenses after fee waivers and expense reimbursements. Does not include acquired fund fees and expenses.

#### Financial Highlights

	Six Months		Year E	Inded August 3	1,	
	Ended February 28, 2023 (unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Class A						
Per share operating performance (for a share outstanding throughout the period)						
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$20.47	\$25.34	\$21.17	\$20.96	\$27.08	\$26.26
Income from investment operations <sup>a</sup> :  Net investment income <sup>b</sup>	0.04 2.41	0.14 (4.59)	0.37° 4.03	0.27 1.16	0.51 (3.96)	0.47 0.84
Total from investment operations	2.41	(4.45)	4.40	1.43	(3.45)	1.31
Less distributions from:	2.43	(4.43)	4.40	1.43	(3.43)	1.01
Net realized gains	(0.19)	(0.42)	(0.23)	(0.47) (0.75)	(0.45) (2.22)	(0.49)
Total distributions	(0.19)	(0.42)	(0.23)	(1.22)	(2.67)	(0.49)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.73	\$20.47	\$25.34	\$21.17	\$20.96	\$27.08
Total return <sup>d</sup>	12.03%	(17.76)%	20.80%	6.53%	(13.02)%	4.99%
Ratios to average net assetse Expenses before waiver and payments by						
affiliates	1.05%	1.05%	1.04%	1.06%	1.06%	1.03%
affiliates	1.04%	1.05% <sup>f</sup>	1.04% <sup>f</sup>	1.06% <sup>f</sup>	1.06% <sup>f</sup>	1.03% <sup>f</sup>
Net investment income	0.42%	0.61%	1.53%°	1.29%	2.20%	1.75%
Supplemental data						
Net assets, end of period (000's) Portfolio turnover rate	\$7,489,224 16.30%	\$6,913,896 42.82%	\$9,010,906 44.14% <sup>9</sup>	\$8,191,333 52.90%	\$8,604,624 25.30%	\$10,711,345 28.77%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>The amount shown for a share outstanding throughout the period may not correlate with the Statement of Operations for the period due to the timing of sales and repurchases of the Fund's shares in relation to income earned and/or fluctuating fair value of the investments of the Fund.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Based on average daily shares outstanding.

Net investment income per share includes approximately \$0.26 per share related to income received in the form of special dividends and an adjustment for EU reclaims in connection with certain Fund holdings. Excluding this amount, the ratio of net investment income to average net assets would have been 0.42%.

Total return does not reflect sales commissions or contingent deferred sales charges, if applicable, and is not annualized for periods less than one year.

eRatios are annualized for periods less than one year.

Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Excludes the value of portfolio activity as a result of in-kind transactions.

	Six Months	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
	Ended February 28, 2023 (unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Class C						
Per share operating performance						
(for a share outstanding throughout the period)						
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$20.09	\$24.82	\$20.71	\$20.56	\$26.31	\$25.52
Income from investment operations <sup>a</sup> :						
Net investment income (loss) <sup>b</sup>	(0.03)	(0.03)	0.19°	0.11	0.25	0.26
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	2.35	(4.52)	3.95	1.12	(3.78)	0.81
Total from investment operations	2.32	(4.55)	4.14	1.23	(3.53)	1.07
Less distributions from:						
Net investment income	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.03)	(0.33)	_	(0.28)
Net realized gains			_	(0.75)	(2.22)	
Total distributions	(0.14)	(0.18)	(0.03)	(1.08)	(2.22)	(0.28)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.27	\$20.09	\$24.82	\$20.71	\$20.56	\$26.31
Total return <sup>d</sup>	11.59%	(18.38)%	19.93%	5.70%	(13.68)%	4.20%
Ratios to average net assets <sup>e</sup>						
Expenses before waiver and payments by						
affiliates	1.80%	1.80%	1.79%	1.82%	1.81%	1.78%
Expenses net of waiver and payments by						
affiliates	1.79%	1.80% <sup>f</sup>	1.79% <sup>f</sup>	1.82% <sup>f</sup>	1.81% <sup>f</sup>	1.78% <sup>f</sup>
Net investment income (loss)	(0.33)%	(0.13)%	0.80%⁵	0.54%	1.45%	1.00%
Supplemental data						
Net assets, end of period (000's)	\$91,734	\$84,172	\$111,870	\$125,500	\$152,392	\$554,889
Portfolio turnover rate	16.30%	42.82%	44.14% <sup>g</sup>	52.90%	25.30%	28.77%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>The amount shown for a share outstanding throughout the period may not correlate with the Statement of Operations for the period due to the timing of sales and repurchases of the Fund's shares in relation to income earned and/or fluctuating fair value of the investments of the Fund.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Based on average daily shares outstanding.

<sup>\*</sup>Net investment income per share includes approximately \$0.26 per share related to income received in the form of special dividends and an adjustment for EU reclaims in connection with certain Fund holdings. Excluding this amount, the ratio of net investment income to average net assets would have been (0.31)%.

Total return does not reflect sales commissions or contingent deferred sales charges, if applicable, and is not annualized for periods less than one year.

eRatios are annualized for periods less than one year.

Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Excludes the value of portfolio activity as a result of in-kind transactions.

	Six Months	,				
	Ended February 28, 2023 (unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Class R						
Per share operating performance						
(for a share outstanding throughout the period)						
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$20.24	\$25.05	\$20.93	\$20.75	\$26.81	\$26.00
Income from investment operations <sup>a</sup> :						
Net investment income <sup>b</sup>	0.02	0.08	0.30°	0.21	0.44	0.40
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	2.37	(4.54)	3.99	1.14	(3.91)	0.83
Total from investment operations	2.39	(4.46)	4.29	1.35	(3.47)	1.23
Less distributions from:  Net investment income.  Net realized gains	(0.18)	(0.35)	(0.17)	(0.42) (0.75)	(0.37) (2.22)	(0.42)
Total distributions	(0.18)	(0.35)	(0.17)	(1.17)	(2.59)	(0.42)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.45	\$20.24	\$25.05	\$20.93	\$20.75	\$26.81
Total return <sup>d</sup>	11.84%	(17.95)%	20.49%	6.24%	(13.21)%	4.73%
Ratios to average net assets <sup>e</sup> Expenses before waiver and payments by affiliates	1.30%	1.30%	1.29%	1.31%	1.31%	1.28%
Expenses net of waiver and payments by						
affiliates	1.29%	1.30% <sup>f</sup>	1.29% <sup>f</sup>	1.31% <sup>f</sup>	1.31% <sup>f</sup>	1.28% <sup>f</sup>
Net investment income	0.18%	0.36%	1.29%°	1.04%	1.95%	1.50%
Supplemental data						
Net assets, end of period (000's)	\$48,693	\$45,502	\$60,867	\$56,912	\$62,515	\$88,560
Portfolio turnover rate	16.30%	42.82%	44.14% <sup>g</sup>	52.90%	25.30%	28.77%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Based on average daily shares outstanding.

Net investment income per share includes approximately \$0.26 per share related to income received in the form of special dividends and an adjustment for EU reclaims in connection with certain Fund holdings. Excluding this amount, the ratio of net investment income to average net assets would have been 0.18%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>Total return is not annualized for periods less than one year.

eRatios are annualized for periods less than one year.

Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Excludes the value of portfolio activity as a result of in-kind transactions.

	Six Months	Year Ended August 31,				
	Ended February 28, 2023 (unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Class R6						
Per share operating performance						
(for a share outstanding throughout the period)						
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$20.50	\$25.39	\$21.20	\$20.97	\$27.10	\$26.29
Income from investment operations <sup>a</sup> :						
Net investment income <sup>b</sup>	0.08	0.21	0.59°	0.34	0.59	0.56
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	2.41	(4.61)	3.90	1.16	(3.97)	0.83
Total from investment operations	2.49	(4.40)	4.49	1.50	(3.38)	1.39
Less distributions from:						
Net investment income	(0.22)	(0.49)	(0.30)	(0.52)	(0.53)	(0.58)
Net realized gains	_	_	_	(0.75)	(2.22)	
Total distributions	(0.22)	(0.49)	(0.30)	(1.27)	(2.75)	(0.58)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.77	\$20.50	\$25.39	\$21.20	\$20.97	\$27.10
Total return <sup>d</sup>	12.17%	(17.50)%	21.15%	6.87%	(12.73)%	5.33%
Ratios to average net assets <sup>e</sup>						
Expenses before waiver and payments by						
affiliates	0.74%	0.75%	0.74%	0.74%	0.73%	0.70%
Expenses net of waiver and payments by						
affiliates	0.73%	0.75% <sup>f</sup>	0.74% <sup>f</sup>	0.74% <sup>f</sup>	0.73% <sup>f</sup>	0.70% <sup>f</sup>
Net investment income	0.74%	0.92%	2.56%°	1.63%	2.53%	2.08%
Supplemental data						
Net assets, end of period (000's)	\$286,256	\$277,985	\$349,281	\$1,342,940	\$1,504,941	\$1,791,152
Portfolio turnover rate	16.30%	42.82%	44.14% <sup>g</sup>	52.90%	25.30%	28.77%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Based on average daily shares outstanding.

Net investment income per share includes approximately \$0.26 per share related to income received in the form of special dividends and an adjustment for EU reclaims in connection with certain Fund holdings. Excluding this amount, the ratio of net investment income to average net assets would have been 1.45%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>Total return is not annualized for periods less than one year.

eRatios are annualized for periods less than one year.

Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Excludes the value of portfolio activity as a result of in-kind transactions.

	Six Months	Year Ended August 31,				
	Ended February 28, 2023 (unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Advisor Class						
Per share operating performance						
(for a share outstanding throughout the period)						
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$20.54	\$25.42	\$21.24	\$21.01	\$27.15	\$26.33
Income from investment operations <sup>a</sup> :						
Net investment income <sup>b</sup>	0.07	0.20	0.42°	0.32	0.57	0.54
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	2.41	(4.60)	4.05	1.17	(3.98)	0.83
Total from investment operations	2.48	(4.40)	4.47	1.49	(3.41)	1.37
Less distributions from:						
Net investment income	(0.21)	(0.48)	(0.29)	(0.51)	(0.51)	(0.55)
Net realized gains	_			(0.75)	(2.22)	
Total distributions	(0.21)	(0.48)	(0.29)	(1.26)	(2.73)	(0.55)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.81	\$20.54	\$25.42	\$21.24	\$21.01	\$27.15
Total return <sup>d</sup>	12.13%	(17.53)%	21.06%	6.79%	(12.79)%	5.24%
Ratios to average net assets <sup>e</sup>						
Expenses before waiver and payments by						
affiliates	0.80%	0.79%	0.80%	0.81%	0.81%	0.78%
Expenses net of waiver and payments by						
affiliates	0.79%	0.79% <sup>f</sup>	0.80% <sup>f</sup>	0.81% <sup>f</sup>	0.81% <sup>f</sup>	0.78% <sup>f</sup>
Net investment income	0.68%	0.85%	1.76%°	1.54%	2.45%	2.00%
Supplemental data						
Net assets, end of period (000's)	\$163,790	\$159,910	\$429,251	\$377,028	\$427,371	\$533,358
Portfolio turnover rate	16.30%	42.82%	44.14% <sup>g</sup>	52.90%	25.30%	28.77%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Based on average daily shares outstanding.

Net investment income per share includes approximately \$0.26 per share related to income received in the form of special dividends and an adjustment for EU reclaims in connection with certain Fund holdings. Excluding this amount, the ratio of net investment income to average net assets would have been 0.66%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>Total return is not annualized for periods less than one year.

eRatios are annualized for periods less than one year.

Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Excludes the value of portfolio activity as a result of in-kind transactions.

# Schedule of Investments (unaudited), February 28, 2023

	Industry	Shares	Valu
Common Stocks 94.9%			
Belgium 2.6%			
Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV	Beverages	3,424,320	\$207,714,50
China 1.2%			
NXP Semiconductors NV	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	531,163	94,801,97
France 6.0%			
Danone SA	Food Products	2,709,003	152,279,47
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods	120,245	99,962,93
Pernod Ricard SA	Beverages	481,673	100,482,49
Thales SA	Aerospace & Defense	973,322	136,074,19
			488,799,10
Germany 6.8%			
Bayer AG	Pharmaceuticals	1,674,531	99,435,74
Continental AG	Auto Components	1,883,049	135,188,05
Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co. KGaA	Health Care Providers & Services	3,270,051	127,779,08
Infineon Technologies AG	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	4,178,343	147,814,82
SAP SE	Software	357,395	40,603,99
			550,821,70
Hong Kong 1.8%			
AIA Group Ltd	Insurance	13,342,557	141,800,41
India 1.3%	011 0 0 0 0 11 5 1	0.0=0.004	400 -00 -0
Reliance Industries Ltd	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	3,870,631	108,593,52
Japan 6.8%			
Hitachi Ltd	Industrial Conglomerates	1,491,474	75,500,88
Honda Motor Co. Ltd	Automobiles	4,046,234	105,222,67
Komatsu Ltd	Machinery	4,301,830	102,930,55
Nitori Holdings Co. Ltd	Specialty Retail	1,091,242	123,326,21
Sony Group Corp	Household Durables	1,710,721	143,054,98
			550,035,31
Netherlands 1.3%			
Shell plc	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	3,603,035	109,121,02
South Korea 2.4%			
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd	Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals	4,206,638	192,781,08
Switzerland 1.0%	Professional Services	2 100 252	70 205 60
Adecco Group AG	Professional Services	2,198,253	78,385,68
<b>Taiwan 1.1%</b> Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing			
Co. Ltd., ADR	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	986,427	85,888,19
United Kingdom 13.6%			
BAE Systems plc	Aerospace & Defense	13,416,569	144,889,63
BP plc	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	37,399,371	245,750,75
Compass Group plc	Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	4,237,511	97,886,02
Farfetch Ltd., A	Internet & Direct Marketing Retail	3,561,960	18,272,85
International Consolidated Airlines			
Group SA	Airlines	34,033,220	63,351,75
S	Internet & Direct Marketing Retail	3,157,948	68,686,36
Lloyds Banking Group plc	Banks	127,452,481	80,483,45
Rolls-Royce Holdings plc	Aerospace & Defense	106,351,667	185,281,03
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	Darsonal Droducts	3 813 78 <i>1</i>	100 272 NA
Unilever plc	Personal Products	3,813,784	190,272,04

	Industry	Shares	Value
Common Stocks (continued)			
United States 49.0%			
AbbVie, Inc	Biotechnology	1,405,973	\$216,379,245
Albemarle Corp	Chemicals	406,004	103,250,877
<sup>a</sup> Alphabet, Inc., A	Interactive Media & Services	1,405,626	126,590,678
<sup>a</sup> Amazon.com, Inc	Internet & Direct Marketing Retail	1,192,303	112,350,712
American Express Co	Consumer Finance	349,490	60,807,765
Applied Materials, Inc	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	465,559	54,074,678
<sup>a</sup> Booking Holdings, Inc	Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	37,945	95,773,180
Comcast Corp., A	Media	4,569,090	169,833,075
<sup>a</sup> Dollar Tree, Inc	Multiline Retail	999,129	145,153,46
DuPont de Nemours, Inc	Chemicals	2,093,992	152,924,236
<sup>a</sup> DXC Technology Co	IT Services	5,306,055	147,189,966
<sup>a</sup> Haleon plc	Personal Products	15,320,340	59,279,517
HCA Healthcare, Inc	Health Care Providers & Services	319,452	77,770,589
Honeywell International, Inc	Industrial Conglomerates	421,289	80,668,418
<sup>a</sup> Hyatt Hotels Corp., A	Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	843,036	97,994,505
alCON plc	Life Sciences Tools & Services	651,544	147,007,873
Johnson & Johnson	Pharmaceuticals	1,094,406	167,728,663
Lear Corp	Auto Components	784,348	109,534,198
Medtronic plc	Health Care Equipment & Supplies	2,295,669	190,081,393
Micron Technology, Inc	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	1,265,015	73,143,167
Microsoft Corp	Software	301,700	75,250,014
Paramount Global, B	Media	4,163,681	89,186,047
Schneider Electric SE	Electrical Equipment	743,197	119,251,262
Starbucks Corp	Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	1,221,594	124,712,53°
Target Corp	Multiline Retail	381,502	64,283,087
TJX Cos., Inc. (The)	Specialty Retail	2,787,238	213,502,43
<sup>a</sup> T-Mobile US, Inc	Wireless Telecommunication Services	1,170,074	166,361,12°
UnitedHealth Group, Inc	Health Care Providers & Services	388,204	184,761,812
Visa, Inc., A	IT Services	502,488	110,517,21
<sup>a</sup> Walt Disney Co. (The) Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies	Entertainment	1,686,570	167,999,238
Corp	Machinery	634,722	66,220,546
aYETI Holdings, Inc	Leisure Products	711,185	27,721,99°
Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc	Health Care Equipment & Supplies	1,335,594	165,440,029
		_	3,962,743,516
Total Common Stocks (Cost \$	7,068,157,518)		7,666,359,978
Escrows and Litigation Trusts	0.0%		
dHemisphere Properties India Ltd., Escrow Account		104,748	_
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Total Escrows and Litigation 1	rusts (Cost \$-)	,	
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#### Short Term Investments (continued)

	Principal Amount	Value
Time Deposits (continued)		
Canada (continued)		
Royal Bank of Canada, 4.55%, 3/01/23	16,600,000	\$16,600,000
	_	236,600,000
France 3.0% Credit Agricole Corporate and		
Investment Bank SA, 4.55%, 3/01/23	242,000,000	242,000,000
Total Time Deposits (Cost \$478,600,000)		478,600,000
	Shares	
Investments from Cash Collateral Received for Loaned Securities 0.4%  Money Market Funds 0.4%  Institutional Fiduciary Trust - Money		
Market Portfolio, 4.204%	27,742,104	27,742,104
Total Investments from Cash Collateral Received for Loan	ed Securities (Cost	
\$27,742,104)		27,742,104
Total Short Term Investments (Cost \$506,342,104)		506,342,104
Total Investments (Cost \$7,574,499,622) 101.2%	-	\$8,172,702,082
Other Assets, less Liabilities (1.2)%		(93,004,541)
Net Assets 100.0%		\$8,079,697,541
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<sup>\*</sup>The principal amount is stated in U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Non-income producing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>A portion or all of the security is on loan at February 28, 2023. See Note 1(c).

Security was purchased pursuant to Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933. 144A securities may be sold in transactions exempt from registration only to qualified institutional buyers or in a public offering registered under the Securities Act of 1933. Regulation S securities 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. At February 28, 2023, the value of this security was \$68,686,365, representing 0.9% of net assets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Fair valued using significant unobservable inputs. See Note 10 regarding fair value measurements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup>See Note 1(c) regarding securities on loan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>f</sup>See Note 3(f) regarding investments in affiliated management investment companies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>The rate shown is the annualized seven-day effective yield at period end.

#### Statement of Assets and Liabilities

February 28, 2023 (unaudited)

	Templeton Growth Fund, Inc.
Assets:	
Investments in securities:	
Cost - Unaffiliated issuers	\$7,546,757,518 27,742,104
Value - Unaffiliated issuers (Includes securities loaned of \$25,992,175)	\$8,144,959,978
Value - Non-controlled affiliates (Note 3f)	27,742,104
Cash	30,859
Foreign currency, at value (cost \$369,892)	370,944
Investment securities sold	19,696,549
Capital shares sold	471,582
Dividends and interest	15,315,939
European Union tax reclaims (Note 1d)	2,482,569
Total assets	8,211,070,524
Liabilities:	
Payables:	
Investment securities purchased	36,811,440
Capital shares redeemed	6,849,790
Management fees	4,391,762
Distribution fees	1,620,778
Transfer agent fees	1,063,749
IRS closing agreement payments for European Union tax reclaims (Note 1d)	51,601,807
Payable upon return of securities loaned (Note 1c)	27,742,104
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	1,291,553
Total liabilities	131,372,983
Net assets, at value	\$8,079,697,541
Net assets consist of:	
Paid-in capital	\$7,709,191,482
Total distributable earnings (losses)	370,506,059
Net assets, at value	\$8,079,697,541

# Statement of Assets and Liabilities (continued)

February 28, 2023 (unaudited)

Templeton Growth Fund,

	Inc.
Class A:	
Net assets, at value	\$7,489,223,934
Shares outstanding	329,541,877
Net asset value per share <sup>a</sup>	\$22.73
Maximum offering price per share (net asset value per share ÷ 94.50%)	\$24.05
Class C:	
Net assets, at value	\$91,733,911
Shares outstanding	
Net asset value and maximum offering price per share <sup>a</sup>	\$22.27
Class R:	
Net assets, at value	\$48,693,278
Shares outstanding	
Net asset value and maximum offering price per share	
Class R6:	
Net assets, at value	\$286,256,256
Shares outstanding	
Net asset value and maximum offering price per share	
Advisor Class:	
Net assets, at value	\$163,790,162
Shares outstanding	7,180,602
Net asset value and maximum offering price per share	\$22.81
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Redemption price is equal to net asset value less contingent deferred sales charges, if applicable.

# **Statement of Operations**

for the six months ended February 28, 2023 (unaudited)

	Templeton Growth Fund, Inc.
Investment income:	
Dividends: (net of foreign taxes of \$1,595,265)	
Unaffiliated issuers	\$50,993,137
Interest:	
Unaffiliated issuers	9,278,291
Income from securities loaned:	
Unaffiliated entities (net of fees and rebates)	47,429
Non-controlled affiliates (Note 3f)	836,668
Less: IRS closing agreement payments for European Union tax reclaims (Note 1d)	(5,067,076)
Total investment income.	56,088,449
Expenses:	, ,
Management fees (Note 3a)	26,527,855
Distribution fees: (Note 3c)	20,02.,000
Class A	8,845,480
Class C	428,028
Class R	116,397
Transfer agent fees: (Note 3e)	
Class A	2,863,884
Class C	34,661
Class R	18,837
Class R6	28,984
Advisor Class	64,248
Custodian fees.	123,180
Registration and filing fees	66,785
Professional fees	100,015
Directors' fees and expenses	404,827
Other	112,227
Total expenses	39,735,408
Expenses waived/paid by affiliates (Note 3f and 3g)	(75,768)
Net expenses	39,659,640
Net investment income	16,428,809
Realized and unrealized gains (losses):	10,120,000
Net realized gain (loss) from:	
Investments:	400 0=0 400
Unaffiliated issuers	120,076,432
Foreign currency transactions	(34,199)
Net realized gain (loss)	120,042,233
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on: Investments:	
Unaffiliated issuers	742,838,032
Translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies	690,169
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	743,528,201
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	863,570,434
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$879,999,243
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# Statements of Changes in Net Assets

	Templeton Growth Fund, Inc.		
	Six Months Ended February 28, 2023 (unaudited)	Year Ended August 31, 2022	
Increase (decrease) in net assets:			
Operations:			
Net investment income	\$16,428,809	\$55,323,121	
Net realized gain (loss)	120,042,233	659,908,715	
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	743,528,201	(2,411,525,881)	
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	879,999,243	(1,696,294,045)	
Distributions to shareholders:			
Class A	(64,548,857)	(144,707,194)	
Class C	(578,484)	(780,823)	
Class R	(395,576)	(835,559)	
Class R6	(2,730,340)	(6,642,236)	
Advisor Class	(1,571,073)	(7,975,892)	
Total distributions to shareholders	(69,824,330)	(160,941,704)	
Capital share transactions: (Note 2)			
Class A	(174,922,040)	(417,885,156)	
Class C	(1,367,135)	(6,948,306)	
Class R	(1,691,749)	(4,122,944)	
Class R6	(21,106,353)	(4,163,187)	
Advisor Class	(12,855,285)	(190,354,970)	
Total capital share transactions	(211,942,562)	(623,474,563)	
Net increase (decrease) in net assets	598,232,351	(2,480,710,312)	
Net assets:			
Beginning of period	7,481,465,190	9,962,175,502	
End of period	\$8,079,697,541	\$7,481,465,190	

## Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited)

#### 1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Templeton Growth Fund, Inc. (Fund) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (1940 Act) as an open-end management investment company. The Fund follows the accounting and reporting guidance in Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946. Financial Services - Investment Companies (ASC 946) and applies the specialized accounting and reporting guidance in U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. GAAP), including, but not limited to, ASC 946. The Fund offers five classes of shares: Class A, Class C, Class R, Class R6 and Advisor Class. Class C shares automatically convert to Class A shares on a monthly basis, after they have been held for 8 years. Each class of shares may differ by its initial sales load, contingent deferred sales charges, voting rights on matters affecting a single class, its exchange privilege and fees due to differing arrangements for distribution and transfer agent fees.

The following summarizes the Fund's significant accounting policies.

#### a. Financial Instrument Valuation

The Fund's investments in financial instruments are carried at fair value daily. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Fund calculates the net asset value (NAV) per share each business day as of 4 p.m. Eastern time or the regularly scheduled close of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), whichever is earlier. Under compliance policies and procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors (the Board), the Board has designated the Fund's investment manager as the valuation designee and has responsibility for oversight of valuation. The investment manager is assisted by the Fund's administrator in performing this responsibility, including leading the crossfunctional Valuation Committee (VC). The Fund may utilize independent pricing services, quotations from securities and financial instrument dealers, and other market sources to determine fair value.

Equity securities listed on an exchange or on the NASDAQ National Market System are valued at the last quoted sale price or the official closing price of the day, respectively. Foreign equity securities are valued as of the close of trading on the foreign stock exchange on which the security is primarily traded, or as of 4 p.m. Eastern time. The value is

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then converted into its U.S. dollar equivalent at the foreign exchange rate in effect at 4 p.m. Eastern time on the day that the value of the security is determined. Over-the-counter (OTC) securities are valued within the range of the most recent quoted bid and ask prices. Securities that trade in multiple markets or on multiple exchanges are valued according to the broadest and most representative market. Certain equity securities are valued based upon fundamental characteristics or relationships to similar securities.

Investments in open-end mutual funds are valued at the closing NAV. Investments in time deposits are valued at cost, which approximates fair value.

The Fund has procedures to determine the fair value of financial instruments for which market prices are not reliable or readily available. Under these procedures, the Fund primarily employs a market-based approach which may use related or comparable assets or liabilities, recent transactions, market multiples, and other relevant information for the investment to determine the fair value of the investment. An income-based valuation approach may also be used in which the anticipated future cash flows of the investment are discounted to calculate fair value. Discounts may also be applied due to the nature or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the investments. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuations of such investments, the fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had an active market existed.

Trading in securities on foreign securities stock exchanges and OTC markets may be completed before 4 p.m. Eastern time. In addition, trading in certain foreign markets may not take place on every Fund's business day. Events can occur between the time at which trading in a foreign security is completed and 4 p.m. Eastern time that might call into question the reliability of the value of a portfolio security held by the Fund. As a result, differences may arise between the value of the Fund's portfolio securities as determined at the foreign market close and the latest indications of value at 4 p.m. Eastern time. In order to minimize the potential for these differences, an independent pricing service may be used to adjust the value of the Fund's portfolio securities to the latest indications of fair value at 4 p.m. Eastern time. At February 28, 2023, certain securities may have been fair valued using these procedures, in which case the securities were categorized as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy (referred to as "market level fair value"). See the Fair Value Measurements note for more information.

# 1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### a. Financial Instrument Valuation (continued)

When the last day of the reporting period is a non-business day, certain foreign markets may be open on those days that the Fund's NAV is not calculated, which could result in differences between the value of the Fund's portfolio securities on the last business day and the last calendar day of the reporting period. Any security valuation changes due to an open foreign market are adjusted and reflected by the Fund for financial reporting purposes.

#### b. Foreign Currency Translation

Portfolio securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars based on the exchange rate of such currencies against U.S. dollars on the date of valuation. The Fund may enter into foreign currency exchange contracts to facilitate transactions denominated in a foreign currency. Purchases and sales of securities, income and expense items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the transaction date. Portfolio securities and assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies contain risks that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar. Occasionally, events may impact the availability or reliability of foreign exchange rates used to convert the U.S. dollar equivalent value. If such an event occurs, the foreign exchange rate will be valued at fair value using procedures established and approved by the Board.

The Fund does not separately report the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates from changes in market prices on securities held. Such changes are included in net realized and unrealized gain or loss from investments in the Statement of Operations.

Realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions and the difference between the recorded amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in foreign exchange rates on foreign denominated assets and liabilities other than investments in securities held at the end of the reporting period.

#### c. Securities Lending

The Fund participates in an agency based securities lending program to earn additional income. The Fund receives collateral in the form of cash and/or U.S. Government and Agency securities against the loaned securities in an amount equal to at least 102% of the fair value of the loaned securities. Collateral is maintained over the life of the loan in an amount not less than 100% of the fair value of loaned securities, as determined at the close of Fund business each day; any additional collateral required due to changes in security values is delivered to the Fund on the next business day. Any cash collateral received is deposited into a joint cash account with other funds and is used to invest in a money market fund managed by Franklin Advisers, Inc., an affiliate of the Fund. The Fund may receive income from the investment of cash collateral, in addition to lending fees and rebates paid by the borrower. Income from securities loaned, net of fees paid to the securities lending agent and/ or third-party vendor, is reported separately in the Statement of Operations. The Fund bears the market risk with respect to any cash collateral investment, securities loaned, and the risk that the agent may default on its obligations to the Fund. If the borrower defaults on its obligation to return the securities loaned, the Fund has the right to repurchase the securities in the open market using the collateral received. The securities lending agent has agreed to indemnify the Fund in the event of default by a third party borrower.

#### d. Income and Deferred Taxes

It is the Fund's policy to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code. The Fund intends to distribute to shareholders substantially all of its taxable income and net realized gains to relieve it from federal income and excise taxes. As a result, no provision for U.S. federal income taxes is required.

The Fund may be subject to foreign taxation related to income received, capital gains on the sale of securities and certain foreign currency transactions in the foreign jurisdictions in which it invests. Foreign taxes, if any, are recorded based on the tax regulations and rates that exist in the foreign markets in which the Fund invests. When a capital gain tax is determined to apply, the Fund records an estimated deferred tax liability in an amount that would be payable if the securities were disposed of on the valuation date.

# 1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### d. Income and Deferred Taxes (continued)

As a result of several court cases, in certain countries across the European Union, the Fund filed additional tax reclaims for previously withheld taxes on dividends earned in those countries (EU reclaims). Income recognized, if any, for EU reclaims is reflected as other income in the Statement of Operations and any related receivable, if any, is reflected as European Union tax reclaims in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Any fees associated with these filings are reflected in other expenses in the Statement of Operations. When uncertainty exists as to the ultimate resolution of these proceedings, the likelihood of receipt of these EU reclaims, and the potential timing of payment, no amounts are reflected in the financial statements. For U.S. income tax purposes, EU reclaims received by the Fund, if any, reduce the amount of foreign taxes Fund shareholders can use as tax deductions or credits on their income tax returns. In the event that EU reclaims received by the Fund during a fiscal year exceed foreign withholding taxes paid by the Fund, and the Fund previously passed through to its shareholders foreign taxes incurred by the Fund to be used as a credit or deduction on a shareholder's income tax return, the Fund will enter into a closing agreement with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in order to pay the associated tax liability on behalf of the Fund's shareholders. The Fund determined to enter into a closing agreement with the IRS and recorded the estimated payments as a reduction to income, as reflected in the Statement of Operations.

The Fund may recognize an income tax liability related to its uncertain tax positions under U.S. GAAP when the uncertain tax position has a less than 50% probability that it will be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities based on its technical merits. As of February 28, 2023, the Fund has determined that no tax liability is required in its financial statements related to uncertain tax positions for any open tax years (or expected to be taken in future tax years). Open tax years are those that remain subject to examination and are based on the statute of limitations in each jurisdiction in which the Fund invests.

# e. Security Transactions, Investment Income, Expenses and Distributions

Security transactions are accounted for on trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined on a specific identification basis. Interest income and estimated expenses are accrued daily. Amortization of premium and accretion of discount on debt securities are included in interest income. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date except for certain dividends from securities where the dividend rate is not available. In such cases, the dividend is recorded as soon as the information is received by the Fund. Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Distributable earnings are determined according to income tax regulations (tax basis) and may differ from earnings recorded in accordance with U.S. GAAP. These differences may be permanent or temporary. Permanent differences are reclassified among capital accounts to reflect their tax character. These reclassifications have no impact on net assets or the results of operations. Temporary differences are not reclassified, as they may reverse in subsequent periods.

Realized and unrealized gains and losses and net investment income, excluding class specific expenses, are allocated daily to each class of shares based upon the relative proportion of net assets of each class. Differences in per share distributions by class are generally due to differences in class specific expenses.

#### f. Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### g. Guarantees and Indemnifications

Under the Fund's organizational documents, its officers and directors are indemnified by the Fund against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. Currently, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

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#### 2. Shares of Beneficial Interest

At February 28, 2023, there were 2.7 billion shares authorized (\$0.01 par value). Transactions in the Fund's shares were as follows:

	Six Months Ended February 28, 2023		Year Ended August 31, 2022	
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount
Class A Shares:				
Shares sold <sup>a</sup>	5,422,662	\$115,570,892	12,961,576	\$301,976,998
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions	2,405,693	52,179,545	4,879,775	117,700,180
Shares redeemed	(15,975,559)	(342,672,477)	(35,768,006)	(837,562,334)
Net increase (decrease)	(8,147,204)	\$(174,922,040)	(17,926,655)	\$(417,885,156)
Class C Shares:				
Shares sold	462,114	\$9,785,577	1,044,312	\$24,399,782
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions	27,130	577,316	32,713	778,574
Shares redeemed <sup>a</sup>	(559,165)	(11,730,028)	(1,395,107)	(32,126,662)
Net increase (decrease)	(69,921)	\$(1,367,135)	(318,082)	\$(6,948,306)
Class R Shares:				
Shares sold	81,000	\$1,711,801	194,775	\$4,518,288
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions	18,459	395,576	34,975	835,559
Shares redeemed	(178,953)	(3,799,126)	(411,472)	(9,476,791)
Net increase (decrease)	(79,494)	\$(1,691,749)	(181,722)	\$(4,122,944)
Class R6 Shares:				
Shares sold	202,394	\$4,358,095	496,965	\$11,748,815
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions	108,785	2,361,726	240,095	5,786,278
Shares redeemed	(1,298,711)	(27,826,174)	(933,822)	(21,698,280)
Net increase (decrease)	(987,532)	\$(21,106,353)	(196,762)	\$(4,163,187)
Advisor Class Shares:				
Shares sold	546,534	\$11,720,310	5,350,129	\$113,603,833
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions	68,096	1,481,094	316,124	7,637,562
Shares redeemed	(1,219,330)	(26,056,689)	(14,767,271)	(311,596,365)
Net increase (decrease)	(604,700)	\$(12,855,285)	(9,101,018)	\$(190,354,970)
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>May include a portion of Class C shares that were automatically converted to Class A.

#### 3. Transactions with Affiliates

Franklin Resources, Inc. is the holding company for various subsidiaries that together are referred to as Franklin Templeton. Certain officers and directors of the Fund are also officers and/or directors of the following subsidiaries:

Subsidiary	Affiliation
Templeton Global Advisors Limited (Global Advisors)	Investment manager
Franklin Templeton Services, LLC (FT Services)	Administrative manager
Franklin Distributors, LLC (Distributors)	Principal underwriter
Franklin Templeton Investor Services, LLC (Investor Services)	Transfer agent

#### 3. Transactions with Affiliates (continued)

#### a. Management Fees

The Fund pays an investment management fee, calculated daily and paid monthly, to Global Advisors based on the average daily net assets of the Fund as follows:

Annualized Fee Rate	Net Assets
0.780%	Up to and including \$200 million
0.765%	Over \$200 million, up to and including \$700 million
0.730%	Over \$700 million, up to and including \$1 billion
0.715%	Over \$1 billion, up to and including \$1.2 billion
0.690%	Over \$1.2 billion, up to and including \$5 billion
0.675%	Over \$5 billion, up to and including \$10 billion
0.655%	Over \$10 billion, up to and including \$15 billion
0.635%	Over \$15 billion, up to and including \$20 billion
0.615%	Over \$20 billion, up to and including \$25 billion
0.605%	Over \$25 billion, up to and including \$30 billion
0.595%	Over \$30 billion, up to and including \$35 billion
0.585%	Over \$35 billion, up to and including \$40 billion
0.575%	Over \$40 billion, up to and including \$45 billion
0.565%	In excess of \$45 billion

For the period ended February 28, 2023, the annualized gross effective investment management fee rate was 0.694% of the Fund's average daily net assets.

#### b. Administrative Fees

Under an agreement with Global Advisors, FT Services provides administrative services to the Fund. The fee is paid by Global Advisors based on the Fund's average daily net assets, and is not an additional expense of the Fund.

#### c. Distribution Fees

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The Board has adopted distribution plans for each share class, with the exception of Class R6 and Advisor Class shares, pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act. Under the Fund's Class A reimbursement distribution plan, the Fund reimburses Distributors for costs incurred in connection with the servicing, sale and distribution of the Fund's shares up to the maximum annual plan rate. Under the Class A reimbursement distribution plan, costs exceeding the maximum for the current plan year cannot be reimbursed in subsequent periods. In addition, under the Fund's Class C and R compensation distribution plans, the Fund pays Distributors for costs incurred in connection with the servicing, sale and distribution of the Fund's shares up to the maximum annual plan rate for each class. The plan year, for purposes of monitoring compliance with the maximum annual plan rates, is February 1 through January 31.

The maximum annual plan rates, based on the average daily net assets, for each class, are as follows:

Class A	0.25%
Class C	1.00%
Class R	0.50%

#### 3. Transactions with Affiliates (continued)

#### d. Sales Charges/Underwriting Agreements

Front-end sales charges and contingent deferred sales charges (CDSC) do not represent expenses of the Fund. These charges are deducted from the proceeds of sales of Fund shares prior to investment or from redemption proceeds prior to remittance, as applicable. Distributors has advised the Fund of the following commission transactions related to the sales and redemptions of the Fund's shares for the period:

Sales charges retained net of commissions paid to unaffiliated brokers/dealers	\$80,141
CDSC retained	\$1,438

#### e. Transfer Agent Fees

Each class of shares pays transfer agent fees to Investor Services for its performance of shareholder servicing obligations. Effective October 1, 2022, the fees are based on an annualized asset based fee of 0.016% plus a reduced transaction based fee. Prior to October 1, 2022, the fees were based on an annualized asset based fee of 0.02% plus a transaction based fee. In addition, each class reimburses Investor Services for out of pocket expenses incurred and, except for Class R6, reimburses shareholder servicing fees paid to third parties. These fees are allocated daily based upon their relative proportion of such classes' aggregate net assets. Class R6 pays Investor Services transfer agent fees specific to that class.

For the period ended February 28, 2023, the Fund paid transfer agent fees of \$3,010,614, of which \$1,443,226 was retained by Investor Services.

#### f. Investments in Affiliated Management Investment Companies

The Fund invests in one or more affiliated management investment companies. As defined in the 1940 Act, an investment is deemed to be a "Controlled Affiliate" of a fund when a fund owns, either directly or indirectly, 25% or more of the affiliated fund's outstanding shares or has the power to exercise control over management or policies of such fund. The Fund does not invest for purposes of exercising a controlling influence over the management or policies. Management fees paid by the Fund are waived on assets invested in the affiliated management investment companies, as noted in the Statement of Operations, in an amount not to exceed the management and administrative fees paid directly or indirectly by each affiliate. During the period ended February 28, 2023, the Fund held investments in affiliated management investment companies as follows:

	Value at Beginning of Period	Purchases	Sales	Realized Gain (Loss)	Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	Value at End of Period	Number of Shares Held at End of Period	Investment Income
Templeton Growth Fund, Inc.								
							-	Income from securities loaned
Institutional Fiduciary Trust - Money Market Portfolio, 4.204%	\$54,376,208	\$260,300,736	\$(286,934,840)	\$—	\$—	\$27,742,104	27,742,104	\$836,668
Total Affiliated Securities	\$54,376,208	\$260,300,736	\$(286,934,840)	\$—	\$—	\$27,742,104	_	\$836,668

#### g. Waiver and Expense Reimbursements

Investor Services has contractually agreed in advance to waive or limit its fees so that the Class R6 transfer agent fees do not exceed 0.03% based on the average net assets of the class until December 31, 2023.

#### 4. Income Taxes

For tax purposes, capital losses may be carried over to offset future capital gains.

At August 31, 2022, the capital loss carryforwards were as follows:

Capital loss carryforwards not subject to expiration:

Short term	\$96,571,211
Long term	260,731,930
Total capital loss carryforwards	\$357,303,141

At February 28, 2023, the cost of investments and net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for income tax purposes were as follows:

Cost of investments	\$7,582,957,652
Unrealized appreciation.	\$1,239,740,717
Unrealized depreciation	(649,996,287)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	\$589,744,430

Differences between income and/or capital gains as determined on a book basis and a tax basis are primarily due to foreign currency transactions, wash sales, EU reclaims and corporate actions.

#### 5. Investment Transactions

Purchases and sales of investments (excluding short term securities) for the period ended February 28, 2023, aggregated \$1,176,602,632 and \$1,340,710,738, respectively.

At February 28, 2023, in connection with securities lending transactions, the Fund loaned equity investments and received \$27,742,104 of cash collateral. The gross amount of recognized liability for such transactions is included in payable upon return of securities loaned in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The agreements can be terminated at any time.

#### 6. Concentration of Risk

Investing in foreign securities may include certain risks and considerations not typically associated with investing in U.S. securities, such as fluctuating currency values and changing local, regional and global economic, political and social conditions, which may result in greater market volatility. Political and financial uncertainty in many foreign regions may increase market volatility and the economic risk of investing in foreign securities. In addition, certain foreign securities may not be as liquid as U.S. securities.

#### 7. Geopolitical Risk

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On February 24, 2022, Russia engaged in military actions in the sovereign territory of Ukraine. The current political and financial uncertainty surrounding Russia and Ukraine may increase market volatility and the economic risk of investing in securities in these countries and may also cause uncertainty for the global economy and broader financial markets. The ultimate fallout and long-term impact from these events are not known. The Fund will continue to assess the impact on valuations and liquidity and will take any potential actions needed in accordance with procedures approved by the Board.

#### 8. Novel Coronavirus Pandemic

The global outbreak of the novel coronavirus disease, known as COVID-19, has caused adverse effects on many companies, sectors, nations, regions and the markets in general, and may continue for an unpredictable duration. The effects of this pandemic may materially impact the value and performance of the Fund, its ability to buy and sell fund investments at appropriate valuations and its ability to achieve its investment objectives.

#### 9. Credit Facility

The Fund, together with other U.S. registered and foreign investment funds (collectively, Borrowers), managed by Franklin Templeton, are borrowers in a joint syndicated senior unsecured credit facility totaling \$2.675 billion (Global Credit Facility) which matures on February 2, 2024. This Global Credit Facility provides a source of funds to the Borrowers for temporary and emergency purposes, including the ability to meet future unanticipated or unusually large redemption requests.

Under the terms of the Global Credit Facility, the Fund shall, in addition to interest charged on any borrowings made by the Fund and other costs incurred by the Fund, pay its share of fees and expenses incurred in connection with the implementation and maintenance of the Global Credit Facility, based upon its relative share of the aggregate net assets of all of the Borrowers, including an annual commitment fee of 0.15% based upon the unused portion of the Global Credit Facility. These fees are reflected in other expenses in the Statement of Operations. During the period ended February 28, 2023, the Fund did not use the Global Credit Facility.

#### 10. Fair Value Measurements

The Fund follows a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and the Fund's own market assumptions (unobservable inputs). These inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's financial instruments and are summarized in the following fair value hierarchy:

- Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments
- Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar financial instruments, interest rates, prepayment speed, credit risk, etc.)
- Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of financial instruments)

The input levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with financial instruments at that level.

A summary of inputs used as of February 28, 2023, in valuing the Fund's assets carried at fair value, is as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Templeton Growth Fund, Inc.				
Assets:				
Investments in Securities:				
Common Stocks:				
Belgium	\$—	\$207,714,507	\$—	\$207,714,507
China	94,801,972	<del>_</del>	_	94,801,972
France	_	488,799,105	_	488,799,105
Germany	_	550,821,704	_	550,821,704
Hong Kong	_	141,800,411	_	141,800,411
India	_	108,593,529	_	108,593,529
Japan	_	550,035,311	_	550,035,311
Netherlands	_	109,121,024	_	109,121,024
South Korea	_	192,781,082	_	192,781,082
Switzerland	_	78,385,688	_	78,385,688

#### 10. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Templeton Growth Fund, Inc. (continued)				
Assets: (continued)				
Investments in Securities:				
Common Stocks:				
Taiwan	\$85,888,199	\$—	\$—	\$85,888,199
United Kingdom	18,272,855	1,076,601,075	_	1,094,873,930
United States	3,784,212,737	178,530,779	_	3,962,743,516
Escrows and Litigation Trusts	_	<del>_</del>	a	_
Short Term Investments	27,742,104	478,600,000	_	506,342,104
Total Investments in Securities	\$4,010,917,867	\$4,161,784,215 <sup>b</sup>	\$—	\$8,172,702,082

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Includes financial instruments determined to have no value at February 28, 2023.

#### 11. New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2022, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2022-03, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820) – Fair Value Measurement of Equity Securities Subject to Contractual Sale Restrictions. The amendments in the ASU clarify that a contractual restriction on the sale of an equity security is not considered part of the unit of account of the equity security and, therefore, should not be considered in measuring fair value. The ASU is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023, with the option of early adoption. Management has reviewed the requirements and believes that the adoption of the ASU will not have a material impact on the financial statements.

#### 12. Subsequent Events

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The Fund has evaluated subsequent events through the issuance of the financial statements and determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure.

b Includes foreign securities valued at \$3,683,184,215, which were categorized as Level 2 as a result of the application of market level fair value procedures. See the Financial Instrument Valuation note for more information.

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### Shareholder Information

### **Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures**

The Fund's investment manager has established Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures (Policies) that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities. Shareholders may view the Fund's complete Policies online at franklintempleton.com. Alternatively, shareholders may request copies of the Policies free of charge by calling the Proxy Group collect at (954) 527-7678 or by sending a written request to: Franklin Templeton Companies, LLC, 300 S.E. 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, Attention: Proxy Group. Copies of the Fund's proxy voting records are also made available online at franklintempleton.com and posted on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's website at sec.gov and reflect the most recent 12-month period ended June 30.

### Quarterly Schedule of Investments

The Fund files a complete schedule of investments with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for the first and third quarters for each fiscal year as an exhibit to its report on Form N-PORT. Shareholders may view the filed Form N-PORT by visiting the Commission's website at sec. gov. The filed form may also be viewed and copied at the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information regarding the operations of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330.

# Householding of Reports and Prospectuses

You will receive, or receive notice of the availability of, the Fund's financial reports every six months. In addition, you will receive as an annual updated summary prospectus (detail prospectus available upon request). To reduce Fund expenses, we try to identify related shareholders in a household and send only one copy of the financial reports (to the extent received by mail) and summary prospectus. This process, called "householding," will continue indefinitely unless you instruct us otherwise. If you prefer not to have these documents householded, please call us at (800) 632-2301. At any time you may view current prospectuses/ summary prospectuses and financial reports on our website. If you choose, you may receive these documents through electronic delivery.

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