



MONTHLY PERFORMANCE, NET OF FEES

May 2026

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2026	4.75	(1.00)	.90	4.93	.88	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10.76
2025	1.30	(2.20)	(6.65)	(2.96)	4.60	5.33	1.03	10.74	(1.68)	(2.54)	6.72	2.52	15.98
2024	(5.00)	(5.07)	2.05	(10.44)	4.48	3.47	20.53	(.77)	(1.28)	2.38	11.74	(7.21)	11.68
2023	2.91	.50	(19.28)	(8.10)	(10.03)	6.10	17.36	(7.36)	(5.42)	(4.06)	9.62	17.28	(7.11)
2022	.82	1.86	(3.71)	(7.55)	(.07)	(8.49)	5.20	(.28)	(3.56)	5.51	2.89	(5.86)	(13.55)
2021	3.12	13.97	10.66	1.51	5.78	(4.11)	(2.26)	1.65	3.13	3.81	(.81)	2.57	44.90
2020	(7.2)	(8.74)	(34.61)	8.27	(5.65)	.89	(8.00)	1.94	(4.89)	13.78	19.51	7.41	(25.71)
2019	8.16	4.01	(5.55)	3.79	(4.79)	4.89	2.52	(6.57)	5.10	2.97	4.57	3.10	23.09
2018	1.13	(1.62)	1.28	.22	3.73	(.22)	(1.36)	.61	(3.10)	(10.40)	1.26	(14.87)	(22.36)
2017	1.64	2.13	(.06)	.20	(2.50)	3.19	(.14)	(1.09)	6.06	.65	2.82	(1.88)	11.26
2016	(7.38)	(3.72)	4.99	4.91	1.37	(1.60)	3.82	3.93	(.19)	(.09)	12.18	7.51	27.14
2015	(6.42)	4.57	6.43	(.79)	.27	3.23	2.19	1.66	1.61	3.54	4.42	.39	22.54
2014	(.43)	1.34	1.31	(3.39)	.85	1.52	(3.59)	1.08	(2.75)	8.94	(.52)	5.22	9.27
2013	4.58	.74	1.62	(1.65)	1.62	2.45	5.99	(2.10)	2.30	1.38	4.20	1.12	24.30
2012	2.42	.57	3.09	(1.01)	(2.59)	2.59	.06	1.98	3.12	.37	(.91)	2.49	12.67
2011	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(.64)	3.05	.91	1.66	5.04

OVERVIEW:

The Iron Bay Fund was +.88% in May, +10.76% year to date (net), versus the Nasdaq Bank Index that was +.28% and +7.39%, respectively.

The continuing conflict in Iran has not been weighing on market sentiment as one would expect. Energy prices have fluctuated in line with the most recent headline regarding the conflict and any attempt at a resolution. have been moving higher on fears of more persistent inflation given the trajectory of energy prices. The 10-year Treasury note yield averaged about +4.48% in May, down from the intra-month highs, but still firmly in a “higher for longer” mode. For the banking sector this backdrop is a double-edged sword; higher long rates support asset yields and has helped net interest margin expansion improve from 2025. As the Iran conflict continues, we will have higher energy prices, continued rate volatility, and investor sentiment in a “hold” mode.

Fed funds rates are still in the 3.50–3.75% range, with markets increasingly skeptical of near-term cuts given sticky inflation and strong jobs data. The yield curve stayed relatively flat to modestly upward between the 2-year and 10-year note. This leaves community banks operating in a world where deposit costs have stabilized, while loan yields are continuing to reset higher.

In the nearer term, net interest margin expansion has continued for many community banks. Bank CFO’s have commented on higher-yielding loans and more disciplined deposit pricing. They also have emphasized stable credit, and a focus on expense control and technology leverage with little de novo branch growth.



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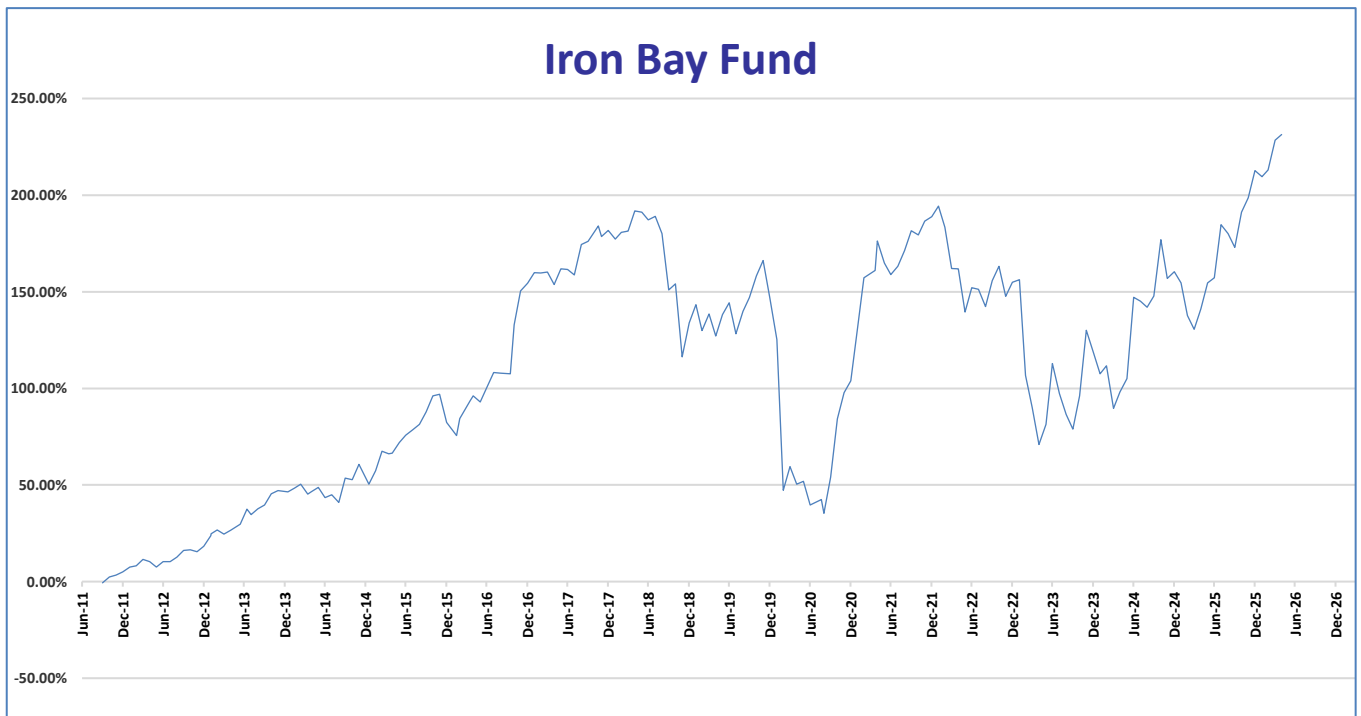
We continue to see a push for more business-friendly regulations. The latest Basel III proposal addresses capital requirements that would significantly enhance community bank’s ability to increase dividends, buybacks or explore more strategic acquisitions.

M&A activity has been slower than expected given a more volatile geopolitical environment, persistent inflation and concern about potential credit fallout. There have been 66 whole bank deals (year to date) at an average price/tangible book value of 1.48x. There have been some strategic, smaller size transactions (often sub-\$2B sellers). Announced deals thru May have tended to be smaller “in-market” transactions that are focused on cost synergies, core deposits, and specialty-lending capabilities. For many boards, the playbook has been to stay independent if you have funding strength, core profitability, and a credible tech/efficiency path; otherwise, explore “strategic alternative strategies.”

The confirmation of Kevin Warsh as the new Federal Reserve chair, succeeding Jerome Powell, has added a renewed perspective. Warsh has signaled a more creative approach to inflation targets. Many expect policy to be muted and for rates to remain on hold through the rest of 2026. For community banks, the Warsh transition reinforces a “higher for longer, but not higher forever” philosophy. We should see sustained support for loan yields and NIM, time for capital and liquidity to rebuild, and certainly no immediate rate action from the Fed.

Thank you for your interest in the Iron Bay Fund. If you are interested in learning more about our strategy and outlook for 2026, please contact us.

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RETURN DATA:

	IRON BAY FUND, LP	NASDAQ BANK	RUSSELL 2000
<i>May 2026</i>	+0.88%	+0.28%	+4.27%
<i>Year-to-Date</i>	+10.76%	+7.39%	+17.62%
<i>Last 12-Months</i>	+36.84%	+19.24%	+41.28%
<i>Last 3-Year</i>	+24.52%	+20.40%	+18.61%
<i>Last 5-Year</i>	+3.63%	+0.55%	+5.17%
<i>Inception to Date Annualized</i>	+8.44%	+8.22%	+9.89%

<i>Total Return Since Inception</i>	+230.58%
<i>Annualized Return from Inception</i>	+8.44%
<i>Average Monthly Return</i>	+0.88%
<i>Std. Deviation of Monthly Return</i>	+6.18%
<i>Sharpe Ratio Since Inception</i>	.32
<i>Beta Since Inception vs. S&P 500</i>	.54

* Iron Bay Fund, LP returns are reported net of all fees.



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Fund Manager	Robert Bolton
Management Fee	1.75%
Performance Fee	20%
Lock Up	None
Redemptions	Quarterly with 60 Days Notice
Administrator	FIS Global/Virtus Partners
Auditor	KPMG
Prime / Custodian	Jones Trading/ Pershing
Legal	Woods Oviatt Gilman, LLP

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