

ETF Selections & Timing

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Updates

I added a couple of new features this week. A Bond ETF timing model and a Growth ETF selecting table.

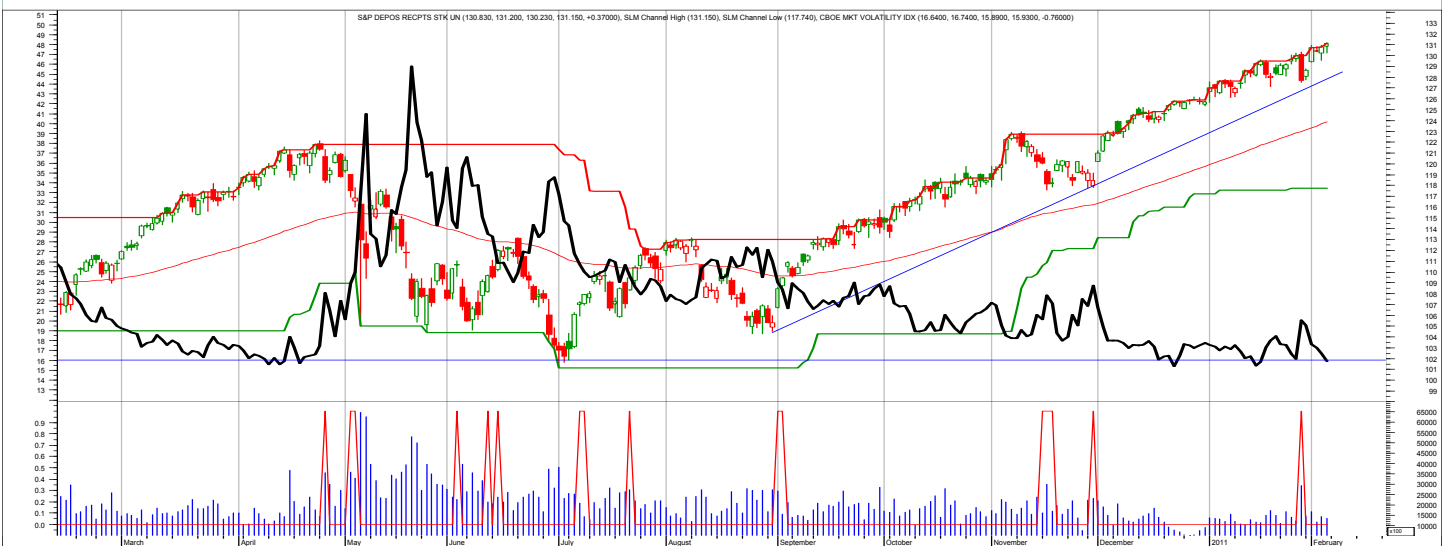
The Bond model is shown on a new page. It is on page 3. The other pages were pushed out a page. It attempts to forecast the direction of the corpo-

rate bond market. I plan to also introduce two new bond timing models in the weeks ahead. One will be based on the Treasury market and the other on the high-yield market. These three markets tend to move over the intermediate-term (weeks to months) without regard for the

other.

The second feature added is the table on page 8. It shows the growth (equity) ETFs and their performance over the last 12, 9, 6, 3, and 1 month. This table will change monthly. It

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The chart shows the daily S&P 500 with red smoothed line an 80-day moving average. The black is the VIX index. The lower part shows blue volume and red spikes as possible trading signals.

SCOREBOARD

Model	YTD	52-week	26-week	13-week	4-week	1-week
ETF Income Portfolio	-0.9%	5.0%	-0.9	-3.3	-0.9	-0.9%
ETF Growth Portfolio	0.7%	11.5%	4.9	1.0	0.7	0.3%
Aggrgt Bond (AGG)	-1.4%	-0.1%	-3.1	-4.0	-1.2	-1.5%
Wilshire 5000	4.0%	25.5%	18.3	7.4	2.9	2.7%

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Income Portfolio

ACTION FOR			PORTFOLIO DETAILS				Value as of date: 2/4/2011						
Action Date	Action	Symbol	Action Price	# of Shares	Action Value	Symbol	Closing Stop	Description	Start Price	Ending Price	# of Shares	Current Value	Percent of Total
10-Jan	sell	PHB	18.31	561	10,274								
10-Jan	buy	TLT	92.85	101	9,378								
10-Jan	sell	PCY	26.69	357	9,528	AGG			105.13	104.26	169.9	17,708.56	17.0%
14-Jan	sell	TIP	107.76	121	13,061								
14-Jan	sell	BSV	80.62	205	16,543								
24-Jan	buy	TIP	106.93	125	13,366								
3-Feb	sell	TLT	89.72	202	18,113								
4-Feb	sell	TIP	105.83	125	13,219								
						Money Market			1.00		86,216	86,216.00	83.0%
									Total Valuation=		103,924.56	100.0%	

PERFORMANCE RANK

iShares 1-3yr Trsry	SHY	BS
iShares Intrntl Tbond	IGOV	BW
PS Emrg Mrkt Bnd	PCY	BW
SPDR Intrntl TBond	BWX	BW
iShares Inter Gov	GVI	BU
Vngrd ShrtTrm Bond	BSV	BS
iShares Long Corp Bond	LQD	BL
iShares 10-20yr Trsry	TLH	BI
iShares 3-7yr Trsry	IEI	BI
iShares 7-10yr Trsry	IEF	BI
iShares Agg Bond	AGG	BI
iShares Trsry Inftn	TIP	BI
Vngrd Intrmdt Bond	BND	BI
iShares High Yld	HYG	BH
PS High Yield	PHB	BH
PS Laddrd 1-30 T	PLW	BF
iShares 20+ yr Trsry	TLT	BL
iShares Inter Bond	MBB	BI

INCOME DATABASE

iShares Agg Bond	AGG
Vngrd TTL Bond	BND
Vngrd ShrtTrm Bond	BSV
SPDR Intrntl TBond	BWX
iShares Inter Gov	GVI
iShares High Yld	HYG
iShares Intrntl Tbond	IGOV
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iShares 1-3 yr Trsry	SHY
iShares 3-7 yr Trsry	IEI
iShares 7-10yr Trsry	IEF
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iShares 20+ yr Trsry	TLT
iShares Trsry Inftn	TIP

WEEKLY REVIEW

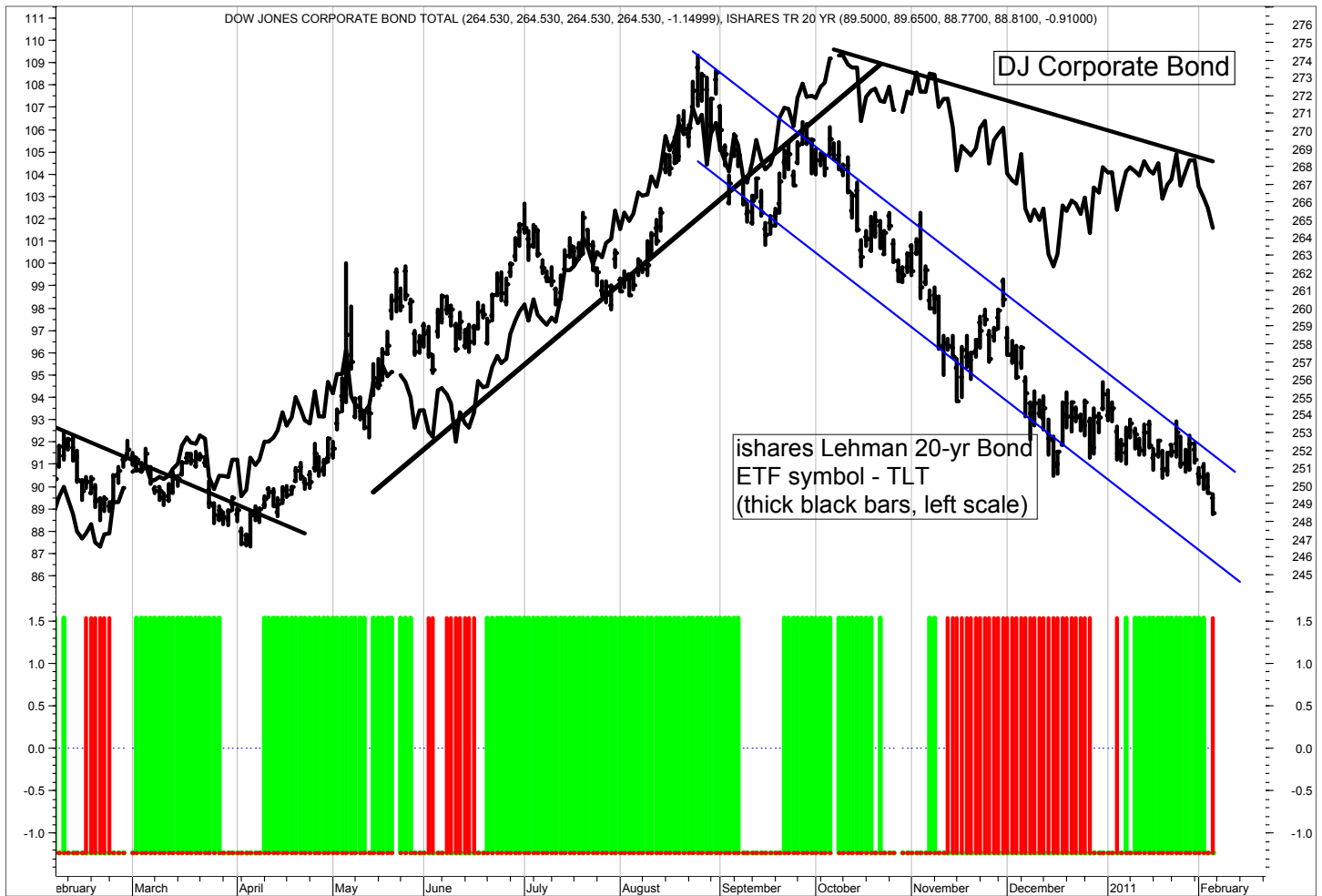
The two Income positions with stops were stopped out last week. The bond market continues to sell off. Prices are falling and yields are rising.

I've inserted a new page 3 that shows my bond timing model that is based on the corporate market. It is currently bearish, but you can also see how poorly the Treasury market is doing.

These two columns above show the ETF income database and its risk-adjusted performance rank for the month. Generally, we will want to own the leaders and avoid the laggards, but this is mitigated by expected turns in the ETFs.

Annual Performance	2010	2011
ETF Income Portfolio	4.8	
Aggregate Bond	2.5	

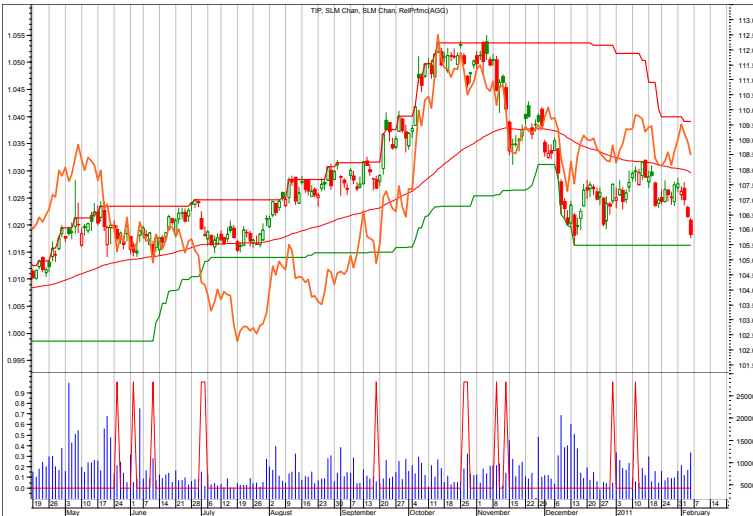
SLM Bond Timing Model



The SLM Bond Timing Model has again turned bearish. Last month it turned bullish, but I expected that to be a bear market rally. Keep in mind that the definition of a bear market is when a market makes lower highs and lower lows. Based on the bond chart above, both Treasuries and Corporates are in bear markets.

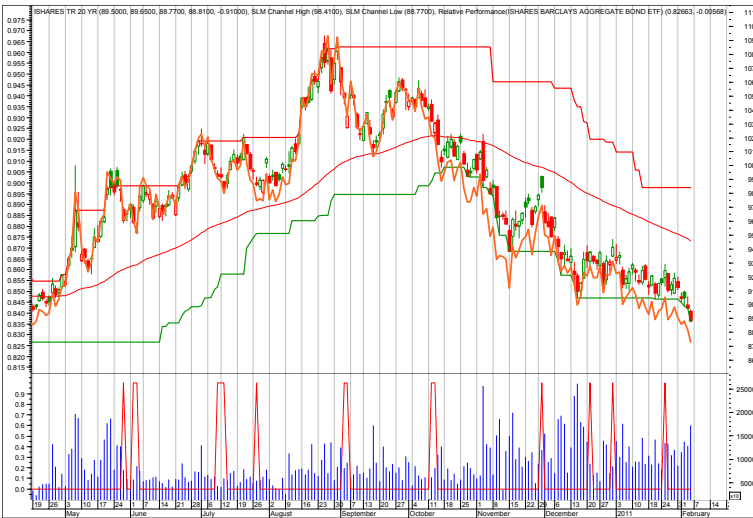
The SLM Bond Timing Model is based on the expected direction of the Corporate Bond market. The green bars are bullish and the red bars are bearish. White spaces indicate that the previous signal is still in effect. If the Model is bullish, I expect higher prices and lower yields. If the Model is bearish, I expect lower prices and higher yields.

Income Charts



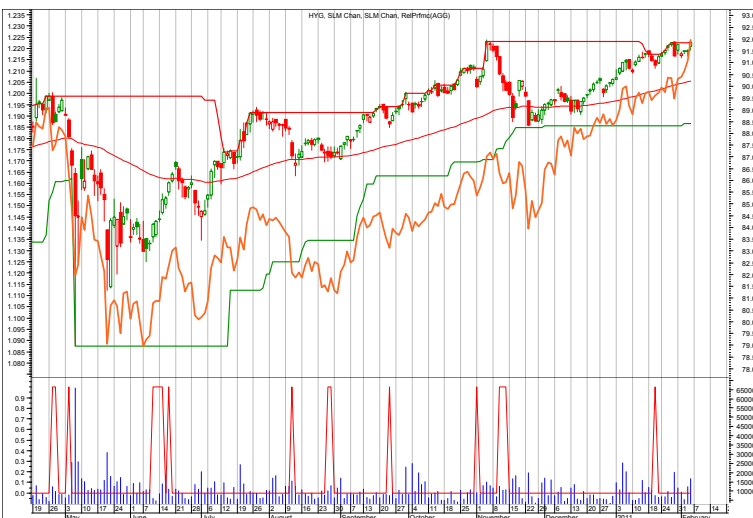
TIP—Inflation Protected

2/4/11 Got stopped out. Bear market.
 1/31/11 Watch for rally.
 1/24/11 Pullback to uptrend. Good entry point.



TLT--20 year Treasury bond

2/4/11 A ledge.
 1/31/11 Bouncing along a bottom or a ledge on the way down?
 1/24/11 Still weak.
 1/18/11 Potential trend change.



HYG—High Yield

2/4/11 Investors are stretching for yield.
 1/31/11 Still waiting.
 1/24/11 Waiting for a pullback to buy.

Each chart shows daily prices (top portion), volume (bottom portion), a moving average (smoothed red line on price portion, a relative strength indicator between the ETF and AGG (Aggregated bond ETF) (orange line), and red spikes. The spikes show potential places to buy and sell short. If the moving average is trending down, the spike shows a potential sell shorts. If the moving average is trending up, the spike shows potential buys. The charts do not show selling or covering signals.

Growth Portfolio

ACTION FOR			PORTFOLIO DETAILS				Value as of date: 2/4/2011						
Action Date	Action	Symbol	Action Price	# of Shares	Action Value	Symbol	Closing Stop as of 1/28	Description	Start Price	Ending Price	# of Shares	Current Value	Percent of Total
						LONG ETFs-							
6-Dec	short	EWP	37.64	(100)	(3,754)	ICF	67.00		63.72	68.10	100.0	6,810.00	6.3%
						SLV	26.00		26.36	28.40	200	5,680.00	5.2%
20-Dec	sell	EWS	13.45	400	5,390	XLE	69.50		70.36	74.13	70	5,189.10	4.8%
						DEM	57.00		58.63	58.06	90	5,225.40	4.8%
3-Jan	cover	EWP	36.55	100	3,665								
21-Jan	sell	IWR	103.24	122	12,534								
24-Jan	buy	SLV	26.36	200	5,262								
24-Jan	buy	XLE	70.36	70	4,915								
24-Jan	buy	DEM	58.63	90	5,267								
31-Jan	short	EWP	41.87	(100)	(4,177)								
						SHORT ETFs-							
4-Feb	sell	RSW	35.30	100	3,520	EWP	43.00		41.87	41.79	(100.0)	(4,179.00)	-3.8%
						Cash from short							
									1.00	4,177.0	4,177.00	3.8%	

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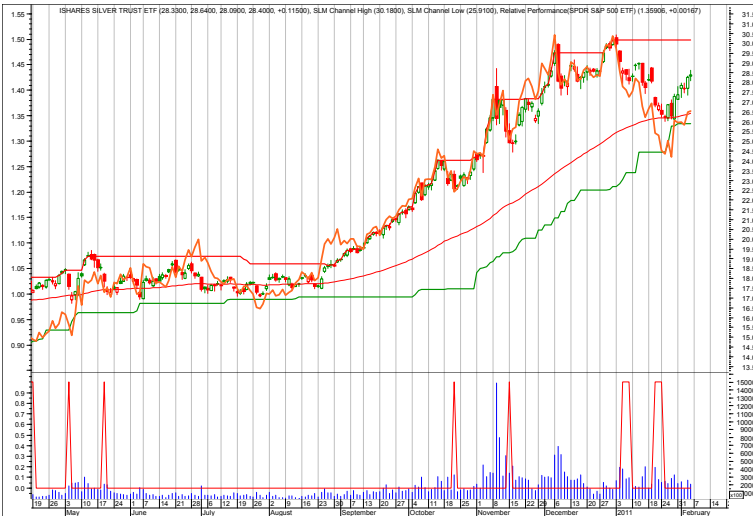
The Growth Portfolio database and rankings are on page six. Generally speaking, we will want to own the leaders and avoid or short the laggards, but this is mitigated by expected market timing turns in the ETFs.

The inverse S&P 500 ETF was stopped out last week as the market continues its climb without a meaningful correction.

No other changes. I'm still waiting for a pullback to buy.

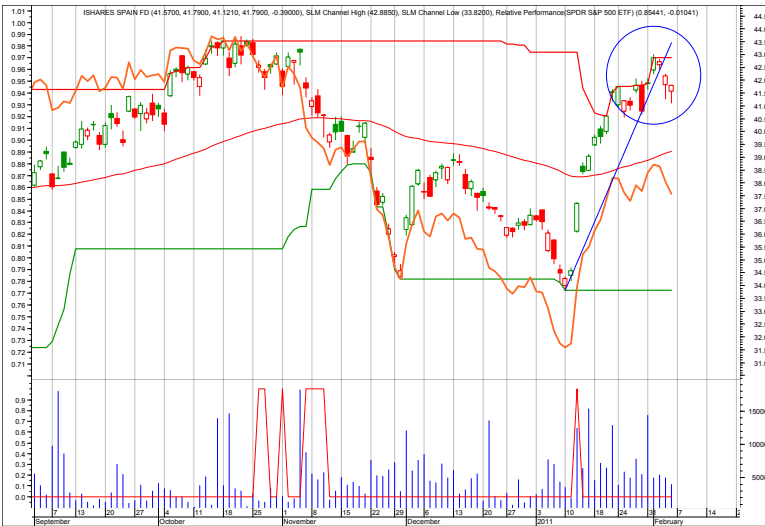
Annual Performance	2010	2011
ETF Growth Portfolio	8.1	
Wilshire 5000	15.5	

Growth Charts



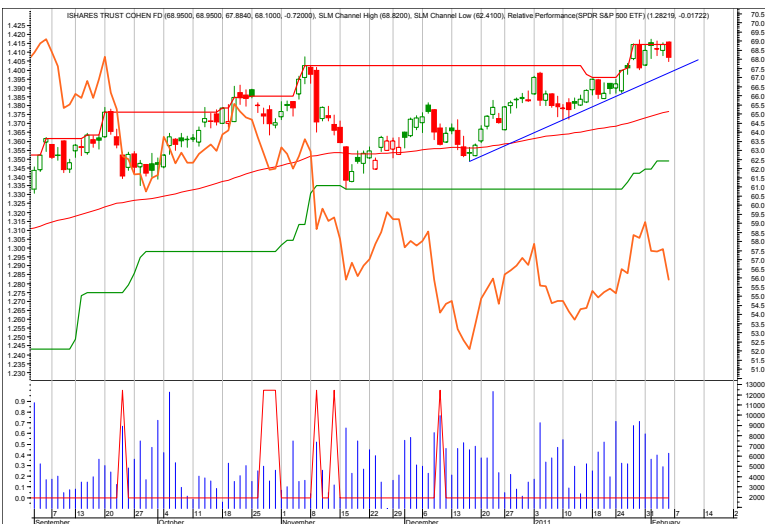
SLV—Silver

2/4/11 Holding.
 1/31/11 Long SLV in the portfolio. Expect rally back to recovery highs.
 1/24/11 Buy on the correction.



EWP—Spain

2/4/11 Rally appears over. Hold short.
 1/31/11 Will reshoot with a close stop.
 1/24/11 There's a change in sentiment.
 1/18/11 Bounce on good news.
 1/10/11 Very weak. Spain back in the news.
 1/3/11 Cover for now.
 12/27/10 Heading back down.
 12/20/10 Watch the dominant trend line.
 12/13/10 Hold the short.
 12/6/10 Reshort.
 11/29/10 I shorted this fund on the news of financial troubles.



ICF—REIT

2/4/11 So far, so good.
 1/31/11 Expect a rally.
 1/24/11 Watch for a breakout either way.
 1/18/10 Raised stop level.
 1/10/11 May be topping.
 1/3/11 Expect recovery highs.
 12/27/10 Main trend still up.

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ETF Growth Performance Page

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will be used from which to select new Growth (equity-oriented) ETFs. Generally speaking we still want to own the leaders and avoid or sell short the laggards.

As for the stock market, it is very overextended and is past due for a correction. I'll continue to wait for that before buying.

ETF Growth Database and Ranking

Fund Name	Symbol	Style	Asset	12m	9m	6m	3m	1m	V	NAV	Rank
iShares Silver	SLV	EG	E	72.28	50.01	55.81	13.33	-9.24	7.47	27.39	*****
PS Silver	DBS	EG	E	70.68	48.41	54.58	12.50	-9.85	7.51	49.14	*****
PS Agrcltr	DBA	EC	E	35.53	37.71	31.99	15.45	6.00	4.29	34.29	*****
PS Commodity	DBC	EC	E	25.74	16.73	24.64	13.30	3.56	4.60	28.53	*****
Select SPDR Enrgy	XLE	EA	E	34.22	22.10	35.87	23.48	7.18	5.69	73.15	*****
iShares Canada	EWC	EW	E	28.03	10.84	17.37	8.19	0.94	4.83	31.29	***
iShares Mexico	EWW	EW	E	32.09	14.66	19.23	5.63	-1.87	5.59	60.76	***
Wtree Intrntl SC Div	DLS	EW	E	18.47	9.35	17.53	5.42	0.73	4.59	52.15	***
iShares Russel MidVal	IWS	EV	E	28.08	9.29	18.00	9.78	2.24	5.07	46.02	***
iShares Russel 2000	IWM	ESC	E	29.68	8.79	19.89	10.88	-0.37	5.95	77.95	***
PS Dynmc OTC	PWO	ESC	E	27.08	5.84	17.66	6.35	-1.22	5.68	49.19	***
Vngrd Small Cap	VB	ESC	E	31.97	9.97	20.55	10.77	0.70	5.88	73.14	***
iShares Cohen&Str REIT	ICF	ERE	E	38.89	11.64	13.11	6.17	4.23	5.46	68.50	***
iShares REIT	IYR	ERE	E	33.46	9.44	12.22	5.46	3.57	5.13	57.96	***
SPDR Wlsh REIT	RWR	ERE	E	36.16	9.78	12.48	5.36	3.36	5.37	63.07	***
iShares Sclt Div	IDV	ELC	E	16.54	11.66	16.54	4.63	3.03	5.42	34.66	***
PS Dynmc Mrkt	PWC	ELC	E	22.63	11.24	20.40	8.98	2.07	4.67	44.92	***
SPDR DJ Industrials	DIA	ELC	E	17.95	7.72	13.28	6.55	2.57	4.14	118.60	***
SPDR NASDAQ 100	QQQQ	ELC	E	30.87	13.73	22.24	7.32	2.83	5.68	56.00	***
SPDR S&P 500	SPY	ELC	E	19.82	8.31	16.70	8.60	2.33	4.47	128.68	***
Vngrd Large Cap	VV	ELC	E	20.48	8.81	17.39	8.87	2.31	4.55	58.94	***
Vngrd TTL Stock	VTI	ELC	E	21.89	8.82	17.80	9.12	2.05	4.72	66.26	***
Wtree LrgCap Div	DLN	ELC	E	16.81	8.07	13.71	5.83	1.13	3.79	46.62	***
Wtree Ttl Div	DTD	ELC	E	17.79	7.74	13.78	6.05	1.18	3.88	47.14	***
iShares DJ Sclt Div	DVY	EGI	E	17.05	5.27	9.80	3.95	0.24	3.78	49.98	***
Wtree Eqty Income	DHS	EGI	E	16.40	8.49	10.60	1.78	-0.21	3.29	38.83	***
PS Energy	DBE	EA	E	18.43	3.82	17.05	16.81	5.21	5.04	28.28	***
Select SPDR Cnsmr Disc	XLY	EA	E	28.61	6.78	18.26	5.45	-0.61	5.64	37.18	***
Select SPDR Indl	XLI	EA	E	32.36	11.27	19.64	12.62	3.93	5.94	36.24	***
Select SPDR Matrls	XLB	EA	E	27.54	13.09	20.09	10.46	0.08	5.90	38.44	***
Select SPDR Technlgy	XLK	EA	E	24.00	11.12	18.57	6.74	3.18	5.61	25.99	***
iShares Prfrd	PFF	HB	E	5.45	1.43	-0.69	-1.34	0.72	1.92	39.08	**
iShares EAFE Indx	EFA	EW	E	13.26	9.24	14.51	4.26	2.10	5.13	59.44	**
iShares Emrg Mrkt Stk	EEM	EW	E	19.67	8.94	10.65	-0.67	-3.85	5.44	45.81	**
iShares Europe 350	IEV	EW	E	12.70	11.35	14.94	3.51	4.40	6.26	41.01	**
SPDR DJ Gbl Titans	DGT	EW	E	11.57	6.81	14.82	6.75	2.80	4.65	60.09	**
Vngrd Emrg Mrkt	VWO	EW	E	21.57	10.53	11.03	-0.81	-3.44	5.00	46.49	**
Wtree DEFA	DWM	EW	E	11.19	9.17	14.49	3.65	3.76	5.57	49.15	**
Wtree Emrg Mrkt EI	DEM	EW	E	19.35	9.45	11.57	0.09	-3.74	4.91	57.46	**
Wtree Sml Cap Div	DES	ESC	E	23.42	3.70	11.81	6.28	-1.18	5.16	46.85	**
PS High Yield Eqty	PEY	EMC	E	14.74	2.25	6.14	1.81	-2.48	3.65	8.64	**
iShares Gold	IAU	EG	E	22.71	12.72	12.54	-2.03	-6.40	4.42	13.01	**
PS Gold	DGL	EG	E	20.96	11.41	11.76	-2.54	-6.58	4.44	46.86	**
SPDR Gold	GLD	EG	E	22.57	12.58	12.45	-2.07	-6.38	4.43	129.87	**
PS Oil	DBO	EA	E	15.63	-1.56	16.23	14.79	3.01	5.30	29.07	**
Select SPDR Cnsmr Stpl	XLP	EA	E	10.23	4.52	7.04	0.38	-1.47	2.93	28.88	**
Select SPDR Financls	XLF	EA	E	15.66	1.49	11.49	12.65	2.82	4.78	16.40	**
Select SPDR Health	XLV	EA	E	1.28	2.59	10.89	1.64	0.57	3.19	31.68	**
Select SPDR Utilities	XLU	EA	E	7.42	4.20	4.45	0.00	1.21	2.99	31.72	**
Wtree India	EPI	EWR	E	10.81	-0.39	-0.77	-14.78	-12.20	6.13	23.17	*
iShares China	FXI	EW	E	10.92	4.19	3.18	-5.39	-1.25	4.24	42.55	*
iShares Latin Amr	ILF	EW	E	20.53	7.31	10.21	-1.44	-4.62	6.13	51.37	*
SPDR Euro Stoxx 50	FEZ	EW	E	6.70	8.97	13.49	2.49	8.44	7.84	39.95	*
Currency Euro	FXE	EC	E	-1.45	2.72	5.00	-1.67	2.47	3.56	136.38	*
PS Short Dow 30	DOG	EC	E	-20.27	-11.70	-14.13	-7.47	-2.80	4.13	43.09	*
PS Short Trsry 20yr	TBF	EC	E	-7.69	-5.98	5.11	7.58	2.26	3.35	45.25	*

This is the ETF Growth Database and Ranking. It shows performance over the last 12, 9, 6, 3, and 1 months through the previous month's end. V is Volatility. NAV is price. CS is Comet Strength. C is Comet, which is an ETF's risk-adjusted performance; the higher the better.

Descriptions & Disclosures

PORTFOLIO DESCRIPTIONS (pages 2 and 4)

Our guiding goal is to provide the most return with the least risk consistently over time through bull and bear markets.

Income Portfolio, page2: Uses a proprietary selection methodology on all of the monitored bond-oriented ETFs to pick the top ETFs. I then use a proprietary timing model to decide whether to buy, sell, hold, or avoid.

Growth Portfolio, page 3: Uses the same methodologies as in the Income Portfolio, except as it is applied to stock-oriented ETFs.

All portfolios were started on 1/1/10 with \$100,000.

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