# **CANADIAN HIGH DIVIDEND EQUITY**

FACTOR-BASED MODEL PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

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### STRATEGY

In seeking to pursue its investment objective, the portfolio is designed to provide exposure to high quality Canadian dividend-paying companies that consistently generate shareholder wealth, while trading at attractive price. This strategy is based on a proprietary multi-factor quantitative model.

### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Provide a steady stream of income by investing in Canadian Equities.
- 2. Consistently outperform the S&P/TSX Total Return over a 5-year period.
- 3. Maximize tax efficiency by having a low portfolio turnover ratio.





### **REASONS TO INVEST**

- Historically outperformed benchmark.
- Risk-adjusted return performance.
- Consistent investment process.

### **INVESTMENT PROCESS**



### AS OF FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2023



#### PERFORMANCE

Ann. (%)	1M	3M	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
Strategy	-0.8	-1.7	-3.6	8.2	10.4	12.7
S&P/TSX	-2.5	-0.4	-1.2	10.8	8.8	7.9
Difference	1.7	-1.3	-2.4	-2.6	1.6	4.8
Year (%)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD
Strategy	-4.6	29.2	8.7	19.9	-3.2	2.4
S&P/TSX	-8.9	22.9	5.6	25.1	-5.8	4.8
Difference	4.3	6.3	3.1	-5.2	2.6	-2.4
Month (%)	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Strategy	-5.1	4.4	4.0	-4.1	3.3	-0.8
S&P/TSX	-4.3	5.6	5.5	-4.9	7.4	-2.5
Difference	-0.8	-1.2	-1.5	0.8	-4.1	1.7

### **TOP HOLDINGS**

Ticker	Companies	Weight (%)
IAG:CAN	iA Financial	5.3
WSP:CAN	WSP Global	5.2
H:CAN	Hydro One	4.8
SAP:CAN	Saputo	4.6
FRU:CAN	Freehold Royalties	4.5
EIF:CAN	Exchange Income	4.4
KEY:CAN	Keyera	4.4
NA:CAN	National Bank of Canada	4.3
MTL:CAN	Mullen Group	4.2
ENB:CAN	Enbridge	4.1

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Since Inception	Strategy	S&P/TSX
Ann. Return (%)	15.7	6.6
Standard Dev. (%)	9.8	14.0
Max Drawdown (%)	-41.1	-48.5
Portfolio Turnover	72.2	6.3
Sharpe Ratio	1.4	0.4
Sortino Ratio	1.7	0.5
Index Correlation	0.7	1.0
R-Squared	0.5	1.0
Beta	0.5	1.0
Alpha (%)	9.1	0.0

### SECTOR ALLOCATION

Weights (%)	Strategy	S&P/TSX	Deviations
Financials	39.5	31.7	7.8
Staples	8.5	4.2	4.3
Telecom	9.1	4.8	4.3
Utilities	4.8	4.3	0.5
Industrials	13.8	13.3	0.5
Discretionary	3.7	3.7	0.1
Health Care	0.0	0.4	-0.4
Energy	15.9	17.2	-1.3
Real Estate	0.0	2.6	-2.6
Info Tech	0.0	6.2	-6.2
Materials	3.8	11.6	-7.8

## **CHARACTERISTICS**

Median	Strategy	S&P/TSX
Market Cap (\$B)	29.2	3.1
Price / Earnings	14.3	13.8
Price / Book	2.0	1.8
Price / Sales	1.9	2.1
Price / Cash Flow	9.4	9.6
Return on Equity	14.7	10.4
Dividend Yield	4.4	1.8
5Y EPS Growth	8.8	13.1
Debt / Equity	1.6	0.5
5Y Beta	1.05	1.00

### **PORTFOLIO FACTS**

Number of Securities	25
Currency	CAD
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Total Return
Inception Date	January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2000
Strategy Fees	Contact Us
Rebalancing Frequency	Quarterly

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