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ETF Strategies

4Q 2025

Strategy Overview

Sage Advisory Services
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Austin, Texas 78735

SAGE | INVEST WITH WISDOM™

Who We Are

- Founded in 1996
- 100% employee operated
- 17-member investment team has an average industry experience of 18 years

Why Sage

Agility

Our size and independence as an employee-controlled firm enable us to take a nimble approach.

Alignment

We customize the investment experience to align with each client's unique objectives and needs.

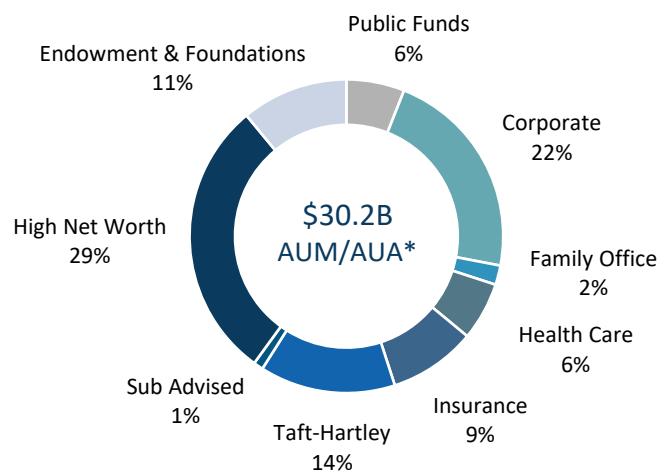
Consistency

We have a tenured investment team and proven process that enable us to deliver expected results.

Culture

We are committed to cultivating a culture of service and trust among our clients, our employees, and our community.

Who We Serve





Executive Leadership

Robert G. Smith, III, AIF® & CIMC

President & Co-CIO
56 Years

Thomas H. Urano, CFA

Co-CIO
30 Years

Robert D. Williams, CFA

Chief Investment Strategist
29 Years

Michael D. Walton, AIF®

Managing Partner
29 Years

Robert W. Moser, CIMA®, CRPC, CFIP

Managing Partner
26 Years

Investment Management

Portfolio Management

Research & Strategy

Relationship Management

Institutional

Private Client

Marketing Services

Enterprise Management

Information Technology

Operations

Administration

Organizational Committees

Executive — Investment — Operating — Vendor Oversight — GIPS Oversight — Brokerage Oversight



Investment Team

Chief Investment Officers

Robert G. Smith, III, AIF® & CIMC  **Thomas H. Urano, CFA** 
President & Co-CIO Co-CIO

Expert Team Specializing in Institutional Fixed Income

- *Average industry experience is 18 years*
- *Average tenure at Sage is 13 years*
- *12 CFA charterholders*

Portfolio Management & Trading

Jeffery S. Timlin, CFA, CMT 
Managing Partner | Municipal

Seth B. Henry, CFA 
Partner | Securitized

Andrew K. Demand, CFA 
Partner | Credit

David L. Luria, CFA
Vice President | Credit

Nicholas C. Erickson, CFA
Vice President | Securitized

Brett J. Adelglass, CFA
Associate | Municipal

Nicholas A. Barnard, CFA
Associate | Securitized

Alex Bender, CFA
Associate | Credit

Research & Strategy

Robert D. Williams, CFA 
Chief Investment Strategist

Komson Silapachai, CFA 
Partner | Sr. Strategist

Andrew S. Poreda, CFA 
VP, Sr. Research Analyst | LDI,
Responsible Investing

Emma L. Harper, CIMA
VP, Institutional Research, Client
Relations | Responsible Investing

Jae Y. Song, ASA
VP, Sr. Research Analyst | LDI

Douglas A. Benning
VP, Sr. Research Analyst | General

Xochitl C. Maldonado
Research Analyst | Quantitative

 Investment Committee



Sage | Invest With Wisdom

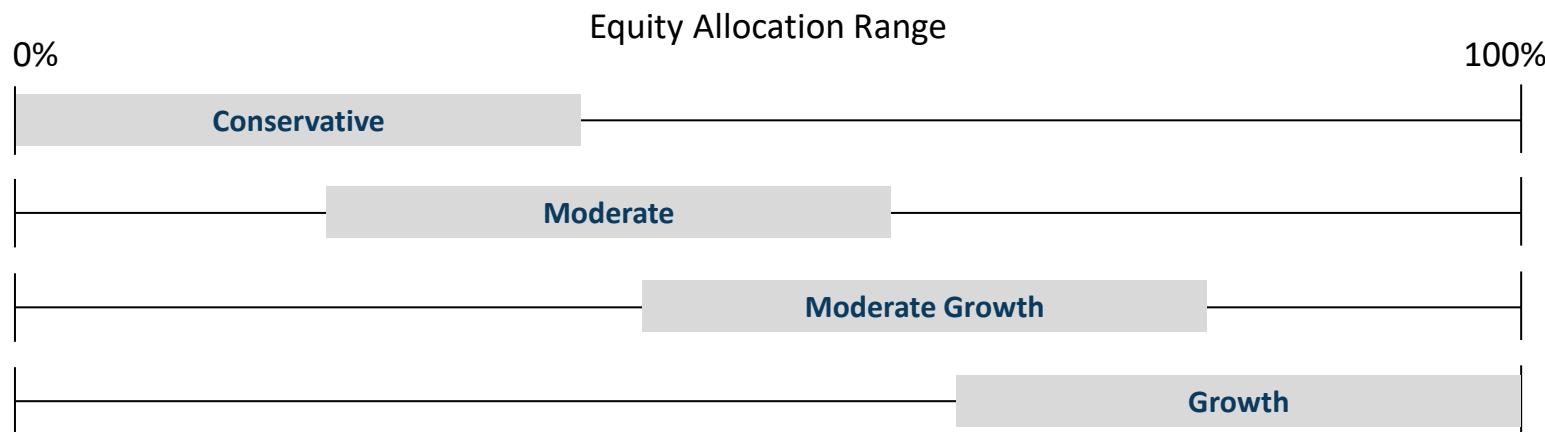
ETF Strategies Overview

	Strategy	Time Horizon Years	Target Allocation*	Objective
Growth	Global Equity	10-plus	100% Equity	Focus is on capital appreciation. Investors have a longer time horizon and a higher tolerance for short-term volatility.
	Growth	7-10	80% Equity/20% Fixed Income	
	Moderate Growth	5-7	60% Equity/40% Fixed Income	
Stability	Moderate	3-5	40% Equity/60% Fixed Income	Focus is on capital appreciation and stability of returns. Investors have a short to medium time horizon, and have a lower tolerance for short-term volatility.
	Conservative	1-3	20% Equity/80% Fixed Income	
Income	Multi-Asset Income	2-5	20% Equity/80% FI and Hybrids	Focus is on income and stability of returns. The time horizon is short to medium term, and investors have a low tolerance for short-term volatility.
	Tax Aware MAI	2-5	20% Equity/80% FI and Hybrids	
	Core Plus	1-3	100% Fixed Income	

**Actual allocation may vary based on market conditions.*



Asset Allocation Strategies



Flexible Approach	<i>Broad Asset Class</i>	+/- 20% from equity/fixed income allocation target
	<i>Equity/Alternatives</i>	Carry up to 60% in cash and alternative asset classes combined
	<i>Fixed Income</i>	Utilize entire global bond market, up to 40% non-core segments



Strategies & Services

ETF Strategies

Asset Allocation: target-risk allocation strategies designed to be core solutions

Income Solutions: income strategies balance maximizing yield versus volatility

ETF Implementation: experience managing strategies using ETFs since 1998

Investment Philosophy

Top-Down View: drivers include macro, policy, valuation, and sentiment

Flexible: dynamic market segment allocation based on 3-6 month outlook

Risk Management: risk budgeting and stress testing are core to process

Investment Approach

Team Integration: Investment Committee, Portfolio Management, & Research

ETF Evaluation: sponsor, cost, exposure, along with factor/security composition

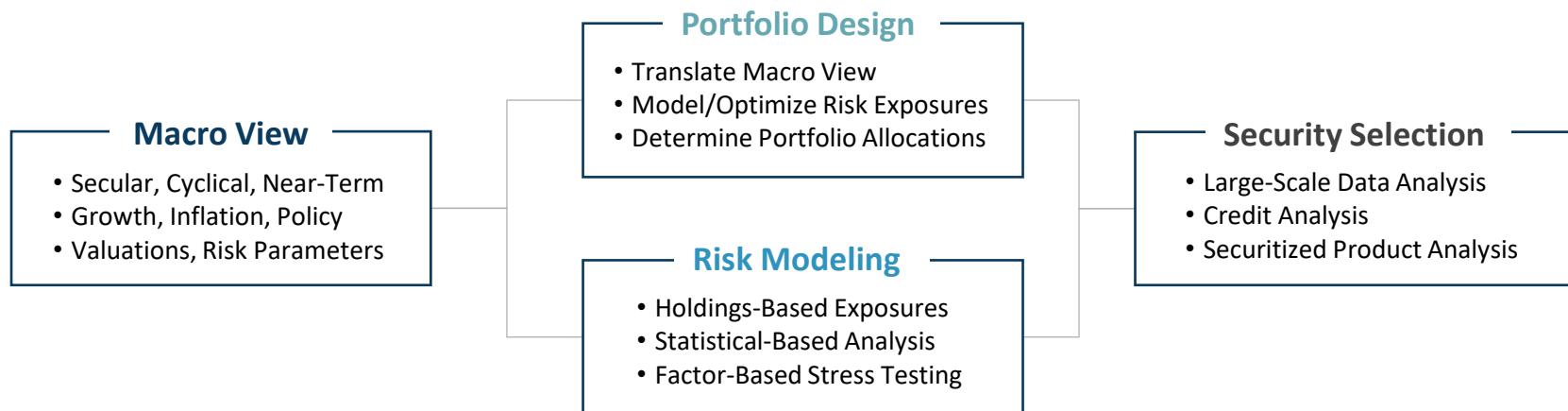
Portfolio Design: express macro view with portfolio design and risk management



Our Approach

Investment Process

Our teams work together to balance the development of our macro views with thoughtful portfolio design, value-driven security selection, and active risk management.





Fixed Income Market Segment Study

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
TIPS	Treasury	High Yield	High Yield	TIPS	EM Debt	High Yield	US Credit	MBS	High Yield	Intl Treas	Agency	High Yield	TIPS	TIPS	Agency	High Yield	High Yield	EM Debt
11.63%	13.74%	58.20%	15.12%	13.56%	17.95%	7.44%	7.53%	1.51%	17.13%	9.31%	1.34%	14.32%	10.99%	5.96%	-7.87%	13.45%	8.19%	11.11%
Intl Treas	Intl Treas	EM Debt	EM Debt	Treasury	High Yield	MBS	MBS	EM Debt	EM Debt	EM Debt	MBS	US Credit	Intl Treas	High Yield	High Yield	EM Debt	EM Debt	High Yield
10.94%	9.43%	34.22%	12.84%	9.81%	15.81%	-1.45%	6.15%	1.29%	9.88%	8.17%	0.99%	13.80%	9.54%	5.28%	-11.19%	9.09%	6.58%	8.62%
Treasury	Agency	US Credit	US Credit	US Credit	US Credit	Agency	Treasury	Treasury	US Credit	High Yield	Treasury	EM Debt	US Credit	MBS	MBS	US Credit	Agency	MBS
9.01%	9.26%	16.04%	8.47%	8.35%	9.37%	-1.58%	5.05%	0.84%	5.63%	7.50%	0.86%	13.11%	9.35%	-1.04%	-11.81%	8.18%	3.16%	8.58%
Agency	MBS	TIPS	TIPS	EM Debt	TIPS	US Credit	EM Debt	Agency	TIPS	US Credit	TIPS	TIPS	Treasury	US Credit	TIPS	Intl Treas	US Credit	Intl Treas
7.90%	8.34%	11.40%	6.31%	6.97%	6.98%	-2.01%	4.76%	-0.36%	4.68%	6.18%	-1.26%	8.43%	8.00%	-1.08%	-11.85%	6.25%	2.03%	8.20%
MBS	TIPS	MBS	Intl Treas	MBS	MBS	Treasury	Agency	US Credit	Agency	TIPS	Intl Treas	Treasury	High Yield	Agency	Treasury	Agency	TIPS	US Credit
6.90%	-2.35%	5.75%	6.12%	6.32%	2.60%	-2.75%	3.65%	-0.77%	2.27%	3.01%	-1.83%	6.86%	7.11%	-1.31%	-12.46%	5.13%	1.84%	7.83%
EM Debt	US Credit	Intl Treas	Treasury	Intl Treas	Agency	EM Debt	TIPS	TIPS	Intl Treas	Agency	High Yield	MBS	EM Debt	EM Debt	US Credit	MBS	MBS	TIPS
5.16%	-3.08%	4.35%	5.87%	5.24%	2.16%	-4.12%	3.64%	-1.44%	1.87%	2.98%	-2.08%	6.35%	6.52%	-1.65%	-15.26%	5.05%	1.20%	7.01%
US Credit	EM Debt	Agency	MBS	High Yield	Treasury	Intl Treas	High Yield	High Yield	MBS	MBS	US Credit	Intl Treas	MBS	Treasury	EM Debt	Treasury	Treasury	Treasury
5.11%	-14.75%	1.95%	5.50%	4.98%	1.98%	-4.88%	2.45%	-4.47%	1.67%	2.47%	-2.11%	6.04%	3.87%	-2.32%	-15.26%	4.05%	0.58%	6.32%
High Yield	High Yield	Treasury	Agency	Agency	Intl Treas	TIPS	Intl Treas	Intl Treas	Treasury	Treasury	EM Debt	Agency	Agency	Intl Treas	Intl Treas	TIPS	Intl Treas	Agency
1.87%	-26.16%	-3.56%	4.36%	4.82%	1.77%	-8.61%	-2.77%	-4.84%	1.04%	2.31%	-2.46%	5.89%	2.70%	-8.67%	-19.44%	3.90%	-5.97%	6.11%

Range of Opportunity: Difference Between the Top and Bottom Performing Market Segments

9.76%	39.89%	61.76%	10.76%	8.74%	16.18%	16.05%	10.30%	6.35%	16.09%	7.00%	3.80%	8.43%	8.29%	14.63%	11.57%	9.55%	14.16%	5.00%
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Equity Market Segment Study

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
EM Equity 39.78%	Small Value -28.92%	EM Equity 79.02%	REITs 29.58%	REITs 10.39%	EM Equity 18.63%	Small Growth 43.30%	REITs 34.62%	REITs 6.36%	Small Value 31.74%	EM Equity 37.75%	Large Growth -0.01%	Large Value 31.93%	Small Growth 34.63%	REITs 44.48%	CMDTY 16.09%	Large Growth 30.03%	Large Growth 36.07%	EM Equity 33.57%
CMDTY 16.23%	Large Growth -34.92%	Mid Caps 37.38%	Small Growth 29.09%	Large Growth 4.65%	Small Value 18.05%	Small Value 34.53%	Large Growth 14.89%	Large Growth 5.52%	Mid Caps 20.74%	Large Growth 27.44%	REITs -2.12%	Large Growth 31.13%	Large Growth 33.47%	Large Growth 32.01%	Large Value -5.22%	Large Value 22.23%	Small Growth 15.15%	Intl Equity 31.22%
Intl Equity 11.63%	CMDTY -35.65%	Small Growth 34.47%	Mid Caps 26.64%	Large Value -0.48%	Mid Caps 17.88%	Mid Caps 33.46%	Large Value 12.36%	Intl Equity -0.39%	Large Value 17.40%	Intl Equity 25.62%	Large Value -8.95%	Small Growth 28.48%	EM Equity 18.31%	Small Value 28.27%	Mid Caps -13.06%	Small Growth 18.66%	Mid Caps 13.93%	Large Growth 22.18%
Large Growth 9.13%	Mid Caps -36.23%	Intl Equity 32.46%	Small Value 24.50%	Mid Caps -1.73%	Large Value 17.76%	Large Growth 32.75%	Mid Caps 9.77%	Small Growth -1.38%	Small Growth 11.77%	Small Growth 22.17%	Small Growth -11.01%	Mid Caps 26.20%	Mid Caps 13.66%	CMDTY 27.11%	Intl Equity -14.46%	Intl Equity 18.24%	Large Value 12.29%	CMDTY 15.77%
Mid Caps 7.98%	Small Growth -38.54%	Large Growth 31.57%	EM Equity 19.20%	Small Growth -2.91%	Intl Equity 17.76%	Large Value 31.97%	Small Growth 5.60%	Mid Caps -2.18%	EM Equity 11.60%	Mid Caps 16.24%	CMDTY -11.25%	REITs 25.90%	Intl Equity 7.82%	Large Value 24.90%	Small Value -14.48%	Mid Caps 16.44%	Small Value 8.05%	Large Value 13.19%
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Large Value 1.99%	REITs -40.93%	Large Value 21.17%	Large Value 15.10%	Intl Equity -11.73%	Large Growth 14.70%	REITs -1.45%	EM Equity -1.82%	Small Value -7.47%	Large Growth 6.89%	Small Value 7.84%	Small Value -12.86%	Intl Equity 22.01%	Large Value 1.36%	Intl Equity 11.26%	REITs -25.85%	REITs 10.77%	REITs 5.68%	Small Value 12.59%
Small Value -9.78%	Intl Equity -43.06%	Small Value 20.58%	Large Growth 15.05%	CMDTY -13.32%	Small Growth 14.59%	EM Equity -2.27%	Intl Equity -4.48%	EM Equity -14.60%	REITs 4.93%	REITs 5.32%	Intl Equity -13.79%	EM Equity 18.42%	CMDTY -3.12%	Small Growth 2.83%	Small Growth -26.36%	EM Equity 9.83%	CMDTY 5.38%	Mid Caps 7.50%
REITs -18.03%	EM Equity -53.18%	CMDTY 18.91%	Intl Equity 8.21%	EM Equity -18.17%	CMDTY -1.06%	CMDTY -9.52%	CMDTY -17.01%	CMDTY -24.66%	Intl Equity 1.22%	CMDTY 1.70%	EM Equity -14.57%	CMDTY 7.69%	REITs -5.00%	EM Equity -2.54%	Large Growth -29.41%	CMDTY -7.91%	Intl Equity 3.82%	REITs 2.27%

Range of Opportunity: Difference Between Top and Bottom Performing Market Segments

57.81%	24.26%	60.11%	21.37%	28.56%	19.69%	52.82%	51.63%	31.02%	30.52%	36.05%	14.56%	24.24%	39.63%	47.02%	45.50%	37.94%	32.25%	31.30%
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Source: Bloomberg

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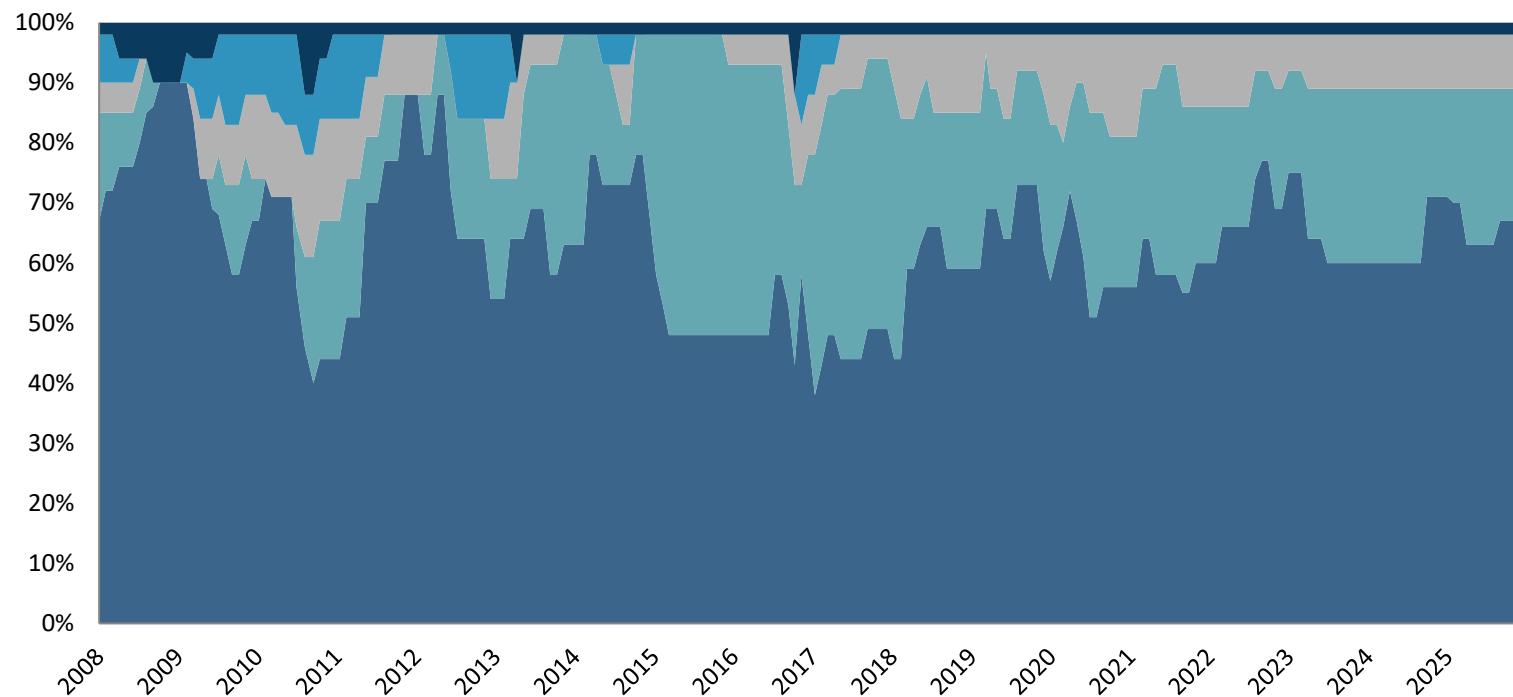
Study of Active Mutual Fund Managers within Core Equity Segments

Bottom Quartile (75 th Percentile) Mutual Fund Manager in Best Performing Market Segment																				
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Large Growth 9.13%	Large Growth -34.92%	Small Growth 34.47%	Mid Caps 26.64%	Large Value -0.48%	Mid Caps 17.88%	Small Value 34.53%	Large Value 12.36%	Intl Equity -0.39%	Mid Caps 20.74%	Intl Equity 25.62%	Large Value -8.95%	Large Growth 31.13%	Small Growth 19.96%	Small Value 28.27%	Mid Caps -13.06%	Large Value 22.23%	Mid Caps 13.93%	Large Growth 22.18%		
Mid Caps 7.98%	Mid Caps -36.23%	Intl Equity 32.46%	Small Value 24.50%	Mid Caps -1.73%	Intl Equity 17.76%	Mid Caps 33.46%	Mid Caps 9.77%	Small Growth -1.38%	Large Value 17.40%	Small Growth 22.17%	Small Growth -11.01%	Small Growth 28.48%	Mid Caps 13.66%	Large Value 24.90%	Intl Equity -14.45%	Intl Equity 18.24%	Large Value 12.29%	Large Value 13.19%		
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Small Value -9.78%	Intl Equity -43.06%	Small Value 20.58%	Intl Equity 8.21%	Intl Equity -11.73%	Small Growth 14.59%	Intl Equity -2.41%	Intl Equity -4.48%	Small Value -7.47%	Intl Equity 1.22%	Small Value 7.84%	Intl Equity -13.79%	Intl Equity 22.01%	Large Value 1.36%	Intl Equity 11.26%	Large Growth -29.41%	Small Value 14.65%	Intl Equity 3.82%	Mid Caps 7.50%		
-2.71%	-41.66%	40.35%	12.77%	-12.00%	15.98%	16.72%	-3.41%	-4.02%	2.66%	11.25%	-13.82%	23.75%	6.42%	26.20%	-23.63%	20.01%				
Top Quartile (25 th Percentile) Mutual Fund Manager in Worst Performing Market Segment																				

Equity Asset Allocation Ranges

U.S. Equities	Int'l Equities	Emerging Markets	Alternatives	Cash
25-100% of Allocation	0-75% of Allocation	0-25% of Allocation	0-40% of Allocation	0-20% of Allocation

Equity Asset Allocation in Motion



Historical Allocation as of 12/31/2025

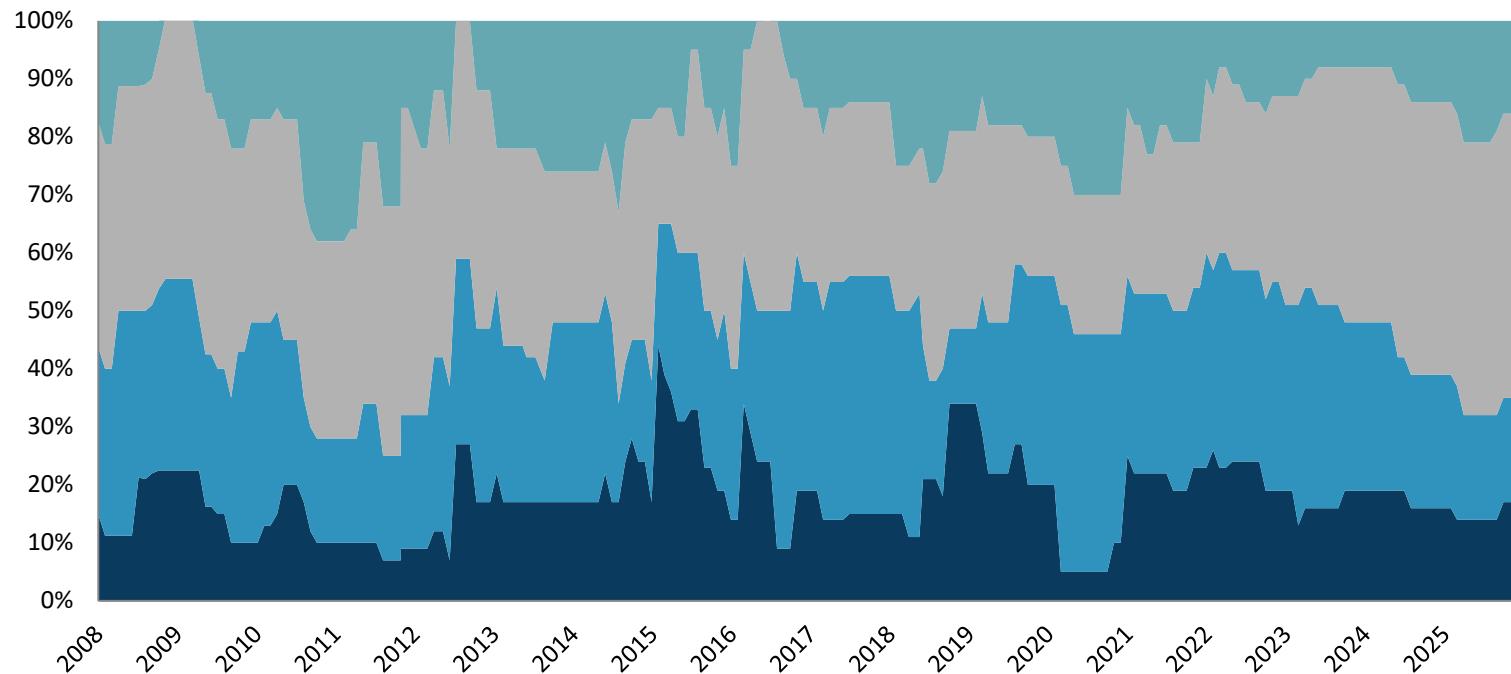
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Fixed Income Asset Allocation Ranges

Treasuries	IG Credit	Securitized	Non-Core Fixed
0-75% of Allocation	0-50% of Allocation	0-50% of Allocation	0-40% of Allocation

Fixed Income Allocation in Motion



Historical Allocation as of 12/31/2025

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