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➤ Smart Sector® Fixed Income

➤ Smart Sector® International

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> Smart Sector: Global Balanced Portfolios

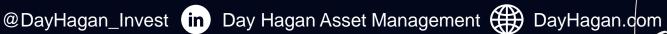
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Smart Sector: Powered by Ned Davis Research

Ned Davis Research (NDR): 43 Years of Evolution

- Founded in 1980 by Ned Davis, NDR is a global provider of independent investment research using the weight of the evidence and a 360-degree approach to build up to market insights.
- ~30 strategists and analysts committed to developing, evaluating, and monitoring financial market indicators.
- Team of data analysts review the integrity of the data inputted into the model.
- U.S. sector coverage, which reviews the macro, fundamental, technical, and behavioral
 drivers within and across the sectors. The team monitors the indicators and recommends
 model enhancements to the Index Committee. Furthermore, this team regularly reviews
 the information as it writes about the sectors each week.
- NDR's Index Committee meets at least once per quarter to review its core strategies, including the Smart Sector strategy.
- Offices and distribution in Florida, New York. London, Hong Kong, Montreal, Singapore, and Sydney.



DH/Ned Davis Research Smart Sector Strategies:

Smart Sector® with Catastrophic Stop ****

U.S. Equity

- Overweight/underweights the 11 major U.S. equity sectors based on Ned Davis Research's proprietary sector modeling.
- Utilizes sector-specific composites of fundamental, economic, technical, and behavioral indicators to determine each sector's probability of outperformance.
- Incorporates NDR Catastrophic Stop Model as a risk overlay, raising cash when risks are deemed excessive.

Smart Sector® Fixed Income

Global Fixed Income

- Overweight/underweights among 8 fixed income sectors based on NDR's proprietary modeling.
- Sectors include U.S. Long-Term Treasury, U.S. Investment Grade Corporate, U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities, International IG Bonds, TIPS, U.S. High-Yield, Emerging Market Bonds, U.S. Floating Rate Notes, and Short-Duration Treasury.
- Evaluates macroeconomic, behavioral, credit, currency, and technical indicators to determine relative attractiveness.
- Uses NDR Catastrophic Stop as risk overlay.

Smart Sector® International (ex-U.S.)

International Equity (ex-U.S.)

- Overweight/underweight largest non-U.S. equity markets using fundamental, economic, technical, and behavioral indicators (8 positions).
- Seeks to explore opportunities in smaller markets using a technical ranking system (6 positions).
- Combines three NDR quantitative investment strategies: NDR Core International, NDR Explore International, and NDR Catastrophic Stop.
- Uses NDR Catastrophic Stop as risk overlay.



Ned Davis Research Smart Sector Models: Process and Discipline

Each model typically has two major components:

Internal Composite (50% of Overall Score)

Made up of Price-Related Indicators

- Trend
- Momentum
- Relative Strength
- Overbought/Oversold
- Deviation from Trend
- Moving Averages
- Breadth
- Volatility

Indicator Examples

External Composite (50% of Overall Score)

Made up of Non-Price-Related Indicators

- Fundamentals
- Sentiment / Behavioral
- Supply / Demand
- Measures of Economic Activity
- Fixed Income trends
- Credit Stress
- Currency
- Economic Liquidity

Ned Davis Research Philosophy:

"Fundamentals tell us how the markets should be acting, while technicals reveal how the markets are acting. Truly insightful and timely ideas demand a balance between the two disciplines."





Risk On / Risk Off:

NDR Catastrophic Stop Model

Recognizing the importance of:

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Ned Davis Research Catastrophic Stop Model

Risk Management

- The Catastrophic Stop model monitors the market's technical and fundamental health along with economic and behavior-based indicators.
- The Catastrophic Stop is designed to increase cash holdings (i.e., reduce exposure) when a large, diverse group of long-term market indicators <u>conclusively</u> turns negative.



NDR Catastrophic Stop Model

See the Signals.™

When the Model turns decisively bearish, reduce risk.

External Indicators

- Sentiment
- Credit
 Environment
- Leadership
- Economic
- Interest rates

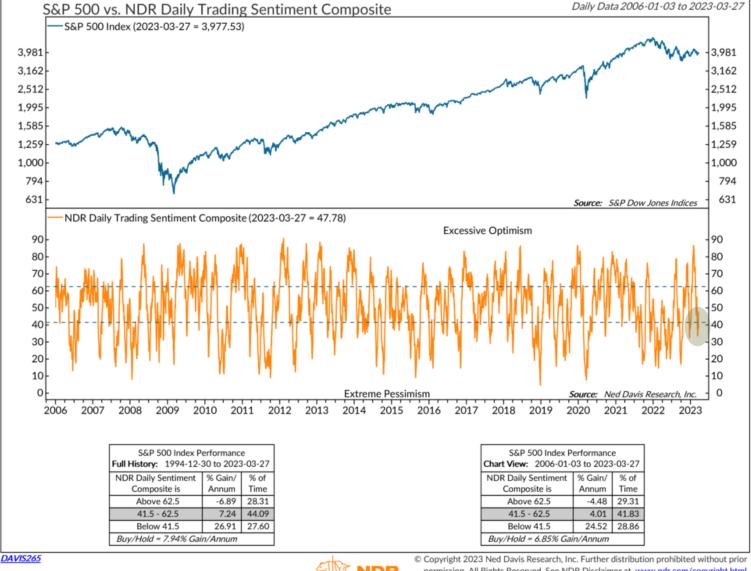
Internal Indicators

- Trend (Short-Term)
- Trend (Intermediate-Term)
- Breadth
- Supply and Demand
- Overbought/Oversold

Composite = A group of indicators combined into an aggregate model. The composite model's final reading is based on the weight of the evidence. Composites shown for illustrative purposes. Indicators subject to change.



Sentiment

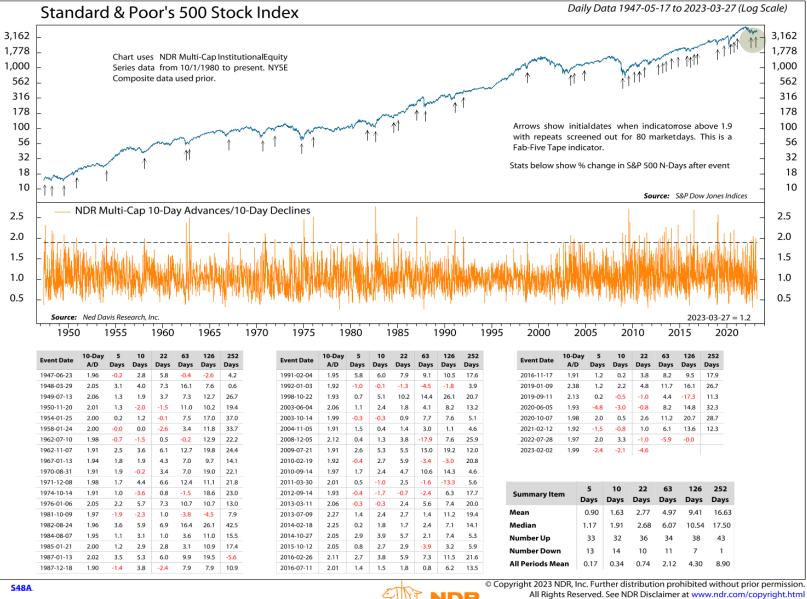




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Breadth (Participation)

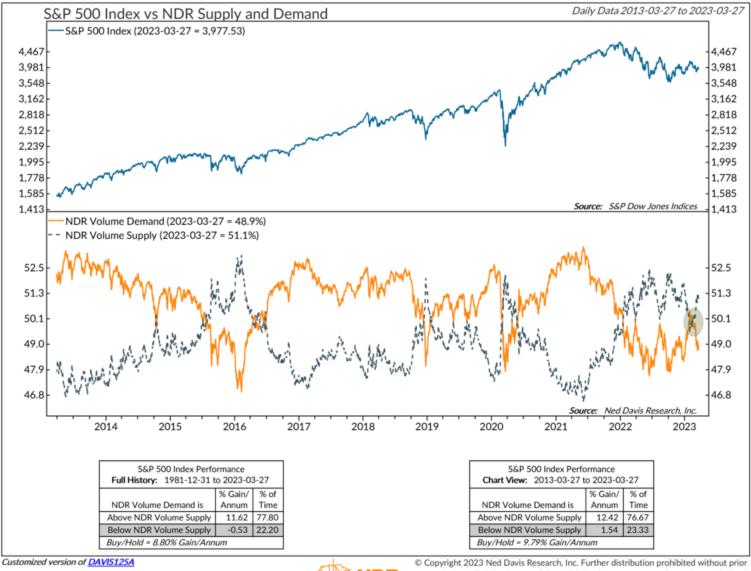




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Supply / Demand

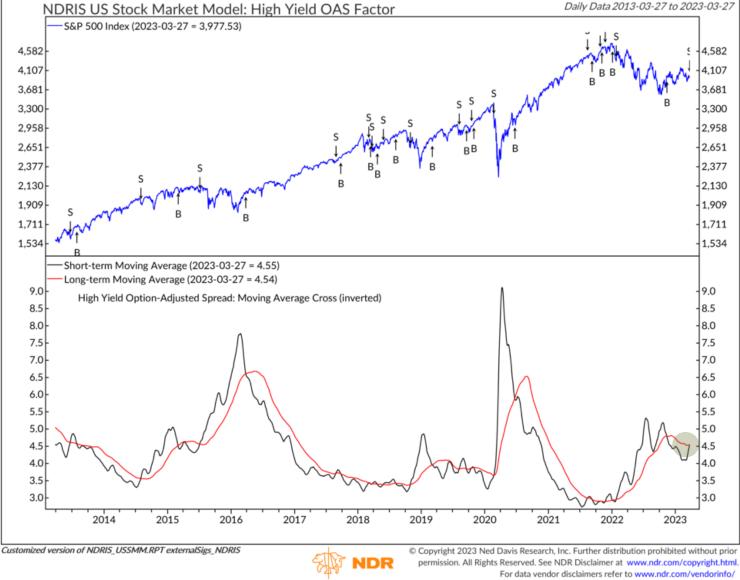




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Credit Markets

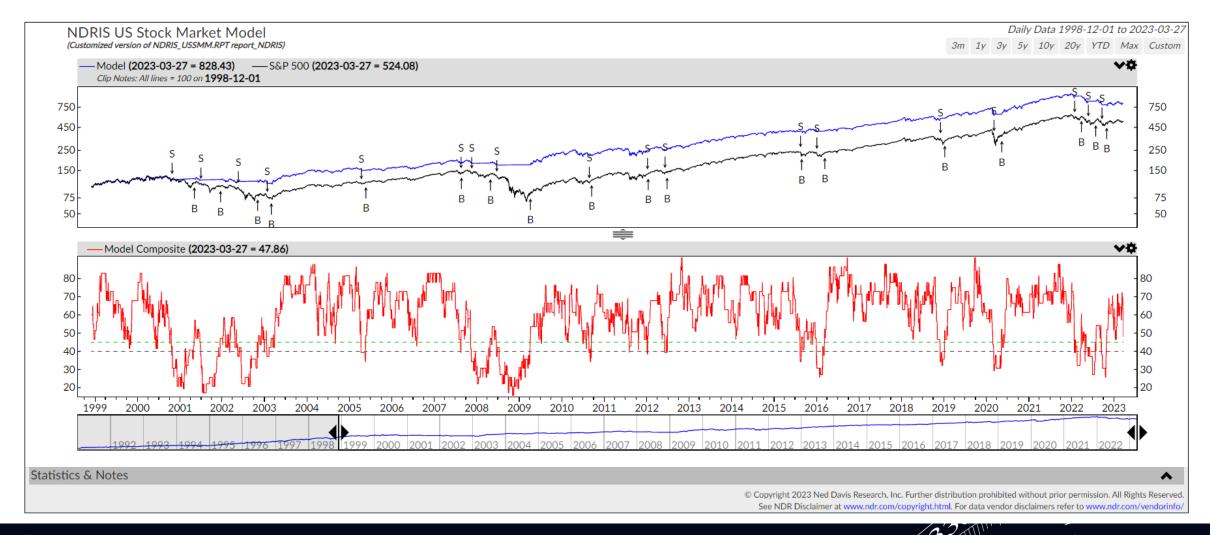






NDR Catastrophic Stop

Quantitatively, Unemotionally Manage Risk





When Market Risks Subside, Put Money Back to Work Quickly

- As soon as the Catastrophic Sell Stop model moves back to levels indicating risks have subsided, the strategy immediately moves back to a fully invested equity allocation.
- It is important to note that since 1929, 50% of bull market returns have been made in the first third of the bull market.
- While emotion can cause hesitation to get back in after a major decline, the use of a diversified, time-tested, model-based process provides support for the unemotional reinvestment of funds back o a fully invested portfolio.



How the Catastrophic Stop Model works for each strategy

Smart Sector® with Catastrophic Stop ****

U.S. Equity

Catastrophic Stop Sell Signal:

- All holdings are reduced by up to 50% until the model reverses back to a buy signal.
- On the buy signal, allocation moved back to a fully invested position.

Smart Sector® Fixed Income

Global Fixed Income

Catastrophic Stop Sell Signal:

- Fixed-income sectors with a high correlation to equities are reduced by 50%.
- These sectors include High Yield, Emerging Market Bond, U.S. Investment Grade Corporates, and Floating Rate Notes.
- On the buy signal, allocations moved back to previously recommended positions.

Smart Sector® International (ex-U.S.)

International Equity (ex-U.S.)

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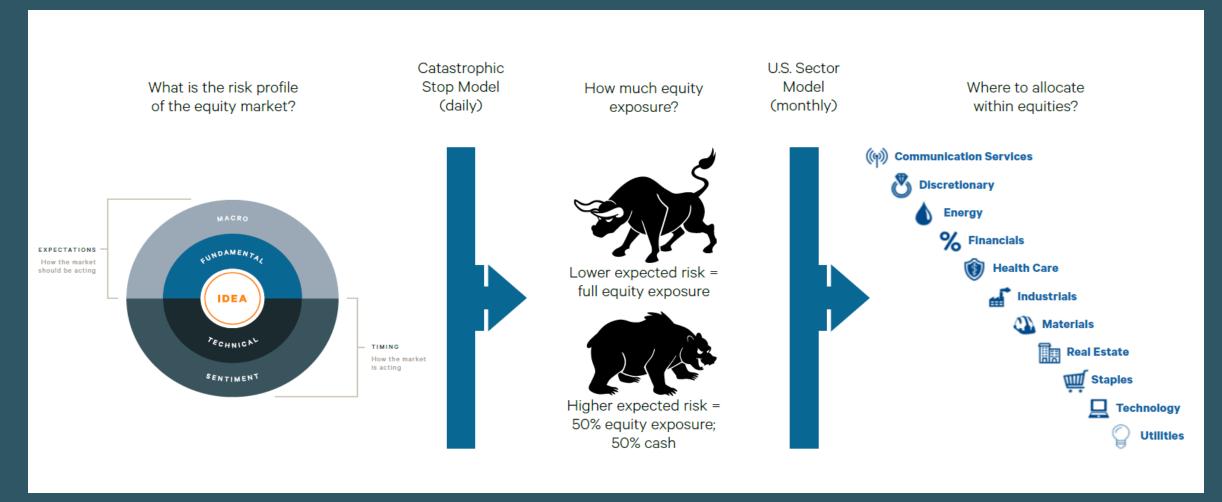
Smart Sector® with Catastrophic Stop

Asset Class: U.S. Equity

Benchmark: S&P 500 Total Return



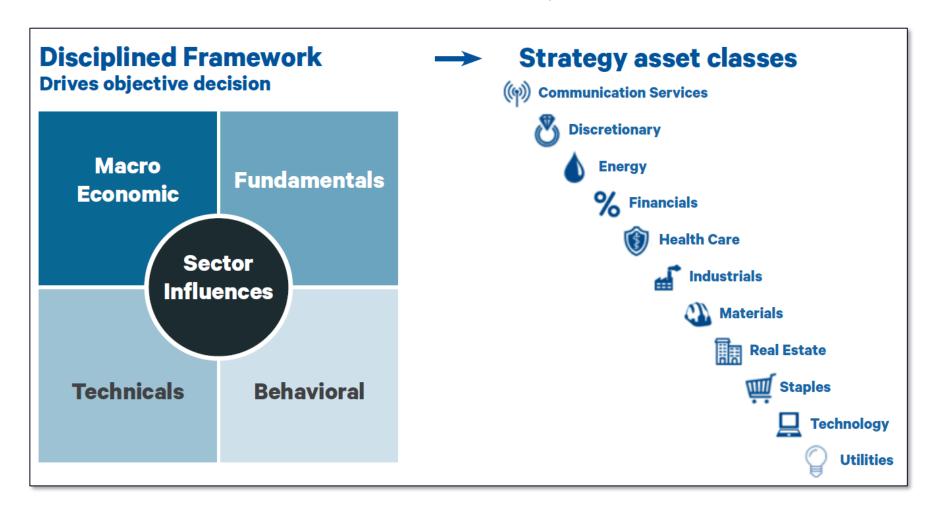
Smart Sector® with Catastrophic Stop





EQUITY SECTORS ARE DIVERSE AND RESPOND TO DIFFERENT FACTORS:

All models and indicators are sector-specific





Targeted Weightings:

Ned Davis Research Quantitative Models

Energy Sector:

External Indicators

- Crude Futures Crowd Sentiment
- Crude Oil Days of Supply
- Energy Sector Median Valuation
- Total World Rig Count
- Crude Oil Spot Prices
- U.S. Dollar Trade Weighted Index

Internal Indicators

Relative Price Momentum

(Indicators subject to change)

- Relative Price Overbought/Oversold
- Energy Sector Rolling Volatility
- Sector Breadth
- Energy Sector Moving Average Crossover

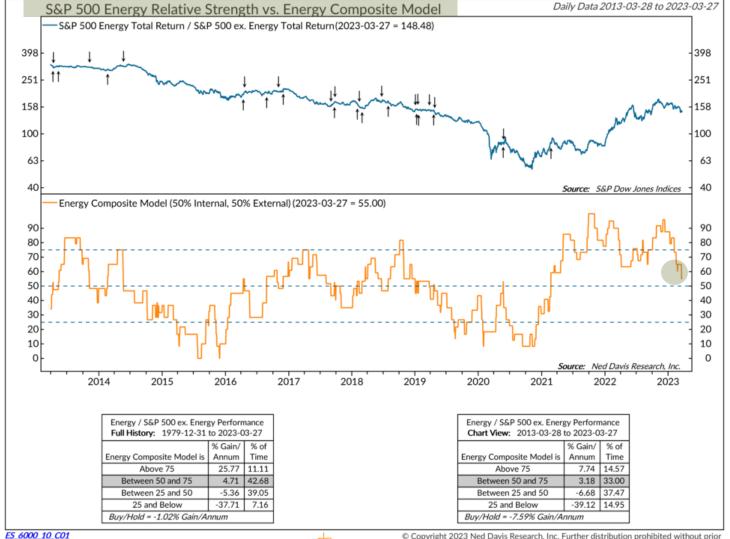




Energy Sector

Each NDR sector model is unique and has been timetested throughout many different market environments.

Indicators are continuously updated and revised to reflect new information.



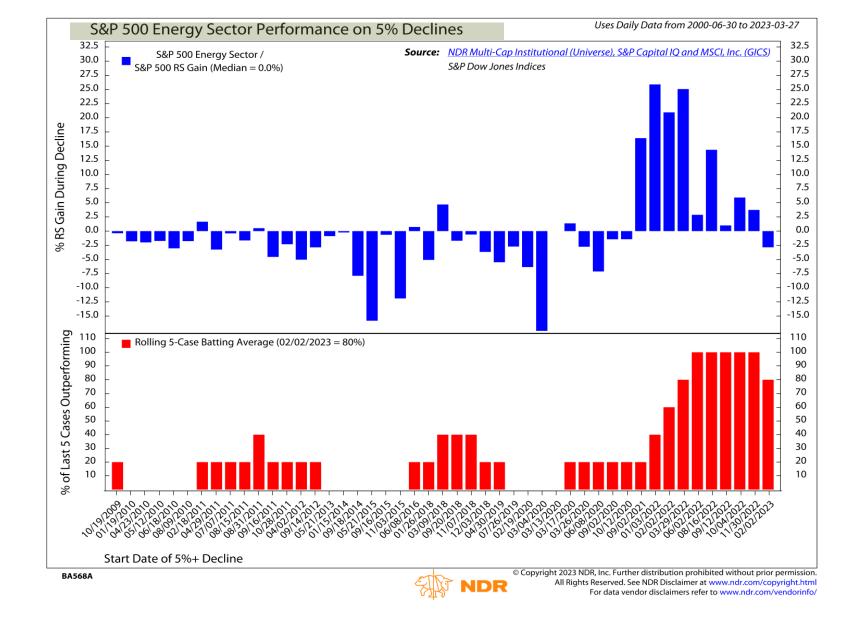


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Energy Sector

Energy outlook becoming more closely tied to economic activity.





Targeted Weightings:

Ned Davis Research Quantitative Models

Technology Sector:

External Indicators

- Median Valuation
- Market-Based Inflation Expectations
- Relative Short Interest Ratio
- Earnings Revision Breadth
- Emerging Asia Equity Trend

Internal Indicators

- Relative Price Moving Average Crossover
- Relative Price Momentum
- Relative Price Overbought/Oversold (short)
- Relative Price Overbought/Oversold (intermediate)
- Technology Sector Volatility

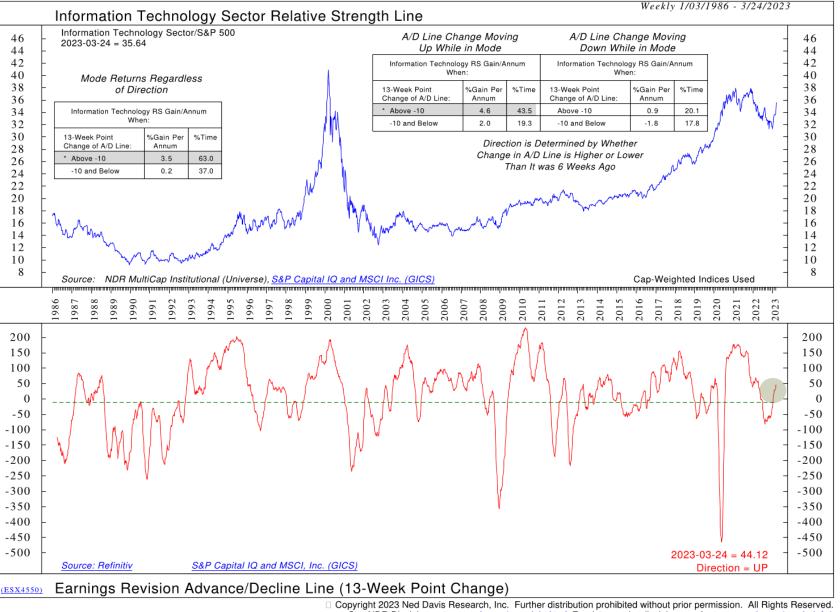


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Technology Sector:

Earnings revisions are constructive.



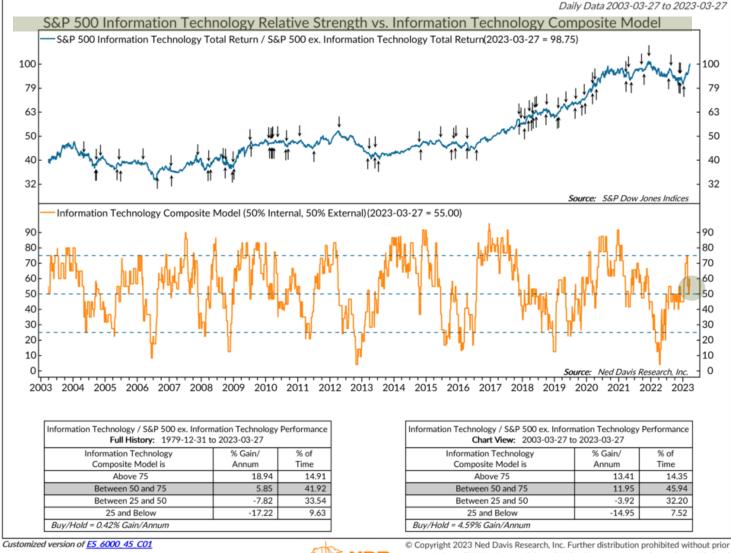
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Smart Sector with Catastrophic Stop

Current Outlook:

Catastrophic Stop: Buy Signal

<u>Sector</u>	<u>Outlook</u>
Communication Services	Neutral
Consumer Discretionary	Neutral
Consumer Staples	Neutral
Energy	Neutral
Financials	Slight Overweight
Health Care	Neutral
Industrials	Neutral
Information Technology	Neutral
Materials	Neutral
Real Estate	Slight Underweight
Utilities	Neutral

Relative to S&P 500 sector weightings. As of 3-28-2023.



Asset Class: Fixed Income

Benchmark: Core U.S. Aggregate

Bond Index





Allocate according to NDR
Fixed Income Allocation
Model each month

Overweight sectors and geographies with tailwinds

Manage risk every day using the NDR Catastrophic Stop Model

Raise cash from higher risk areas when risks elevated





Fixed Income Influences

Technicals

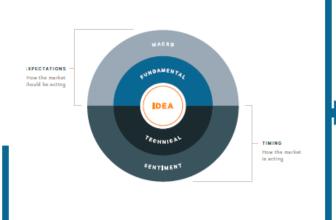
Behavioral



- ▶ TIPS
- ▶ MBS
- International Treasurys



- U.S. Investment Grade
- U.S. High Yield
- Emerging Markets





Low expected risk; stay fully invested



High expected risk; reduce exposure to higher risk areas by 50%



Targeted Weightings:

Ned Davis Research Quantitative Models

Credit Sector Indicators

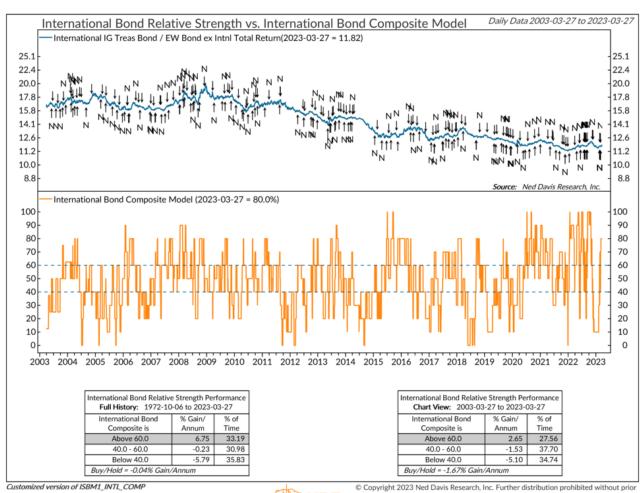
External Indicators

- Currency relative strength trends
- Volatility (Fixed Income / Equity)
- Credit spreads / Credit Default Swaps
- Inflation (Trends / Expectations)
- Commodity trends

Internal Indicators

- Short-Term, IT, and Long-Term trends
- Moving average crossovers
- Momentum / Relative Strength
- Mean Reversion
- Breadth
- Overbought / Oversold

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Current Outlook:

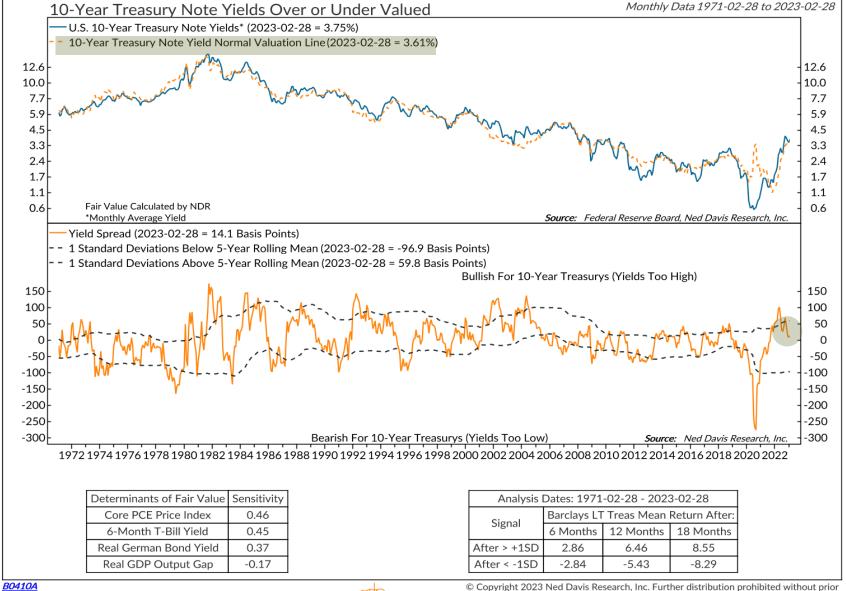
Catastrophic Stop: Buy Signal

<u>Sector</u>	Outlook*
U.S. Long-Term Treasury	Neutral
U.S. Investment Grade Corporate	Underweight
U.S. TIPS	Neutral
U.S. High Yield Bonds	Underweight
U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities	Overweight
U.S. Floating Rate Notes	Underweight
International Treasury and IG Bonds	Overweight
Emerging Market Bonds	Overweight
Cash/T-Bills	Neutral

Relative to an equally-weighted portfolio. As of 3-28-2023.



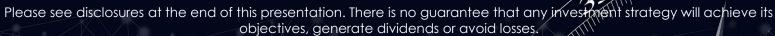
Normal Valuation



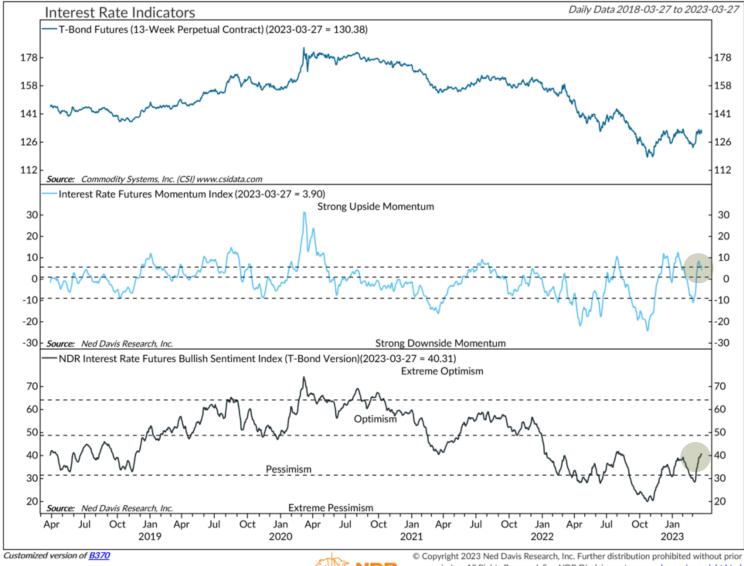


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Momentum and Sentiment

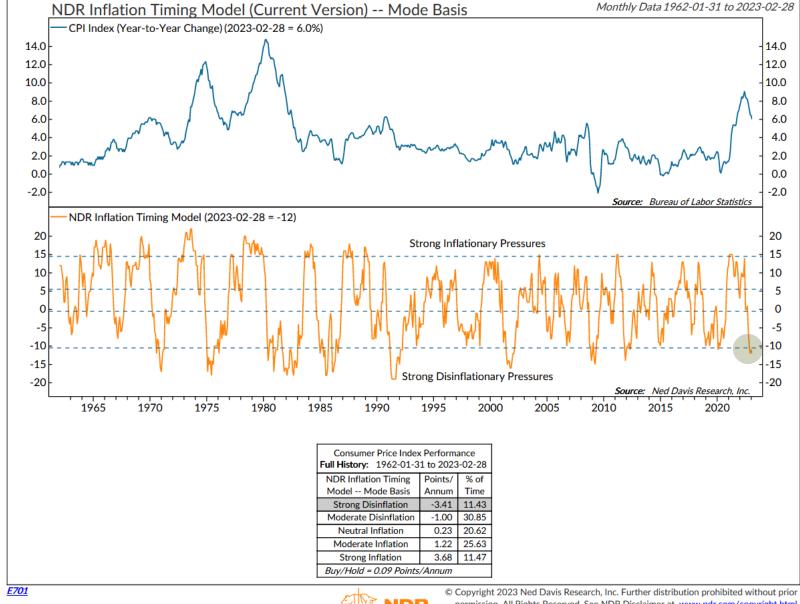




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Inflation has peaked.



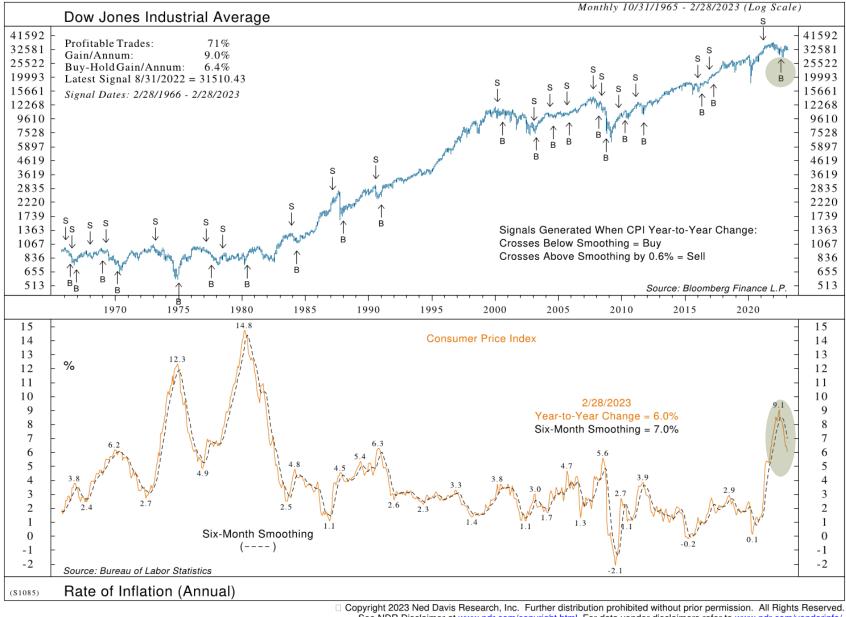


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Peaks in inflation are constructive.

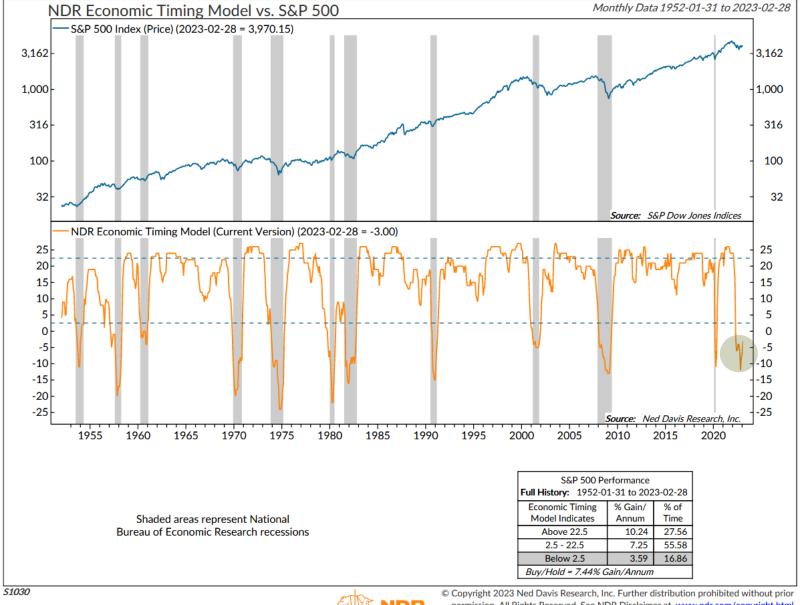


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Economic growth indicators reached the same levels seen during the pandemic lows.



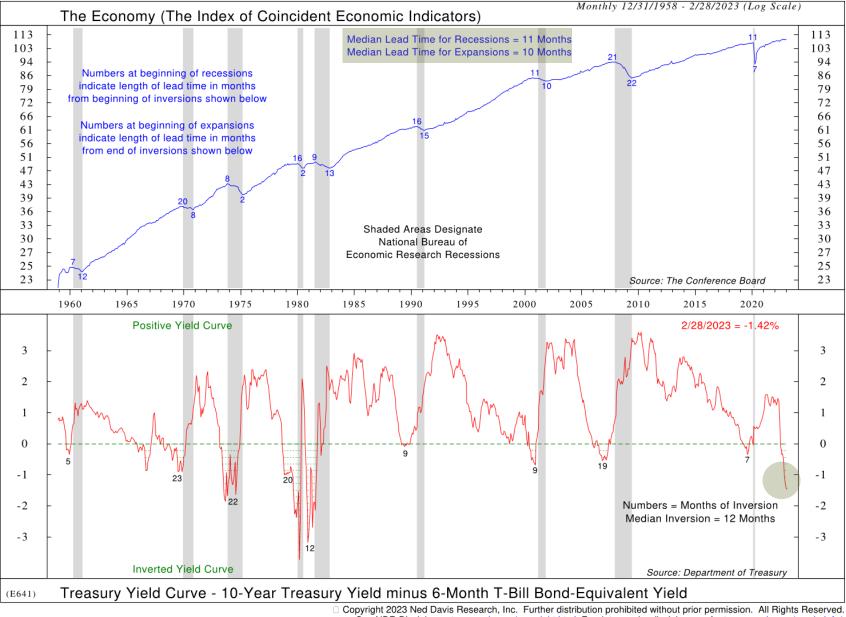


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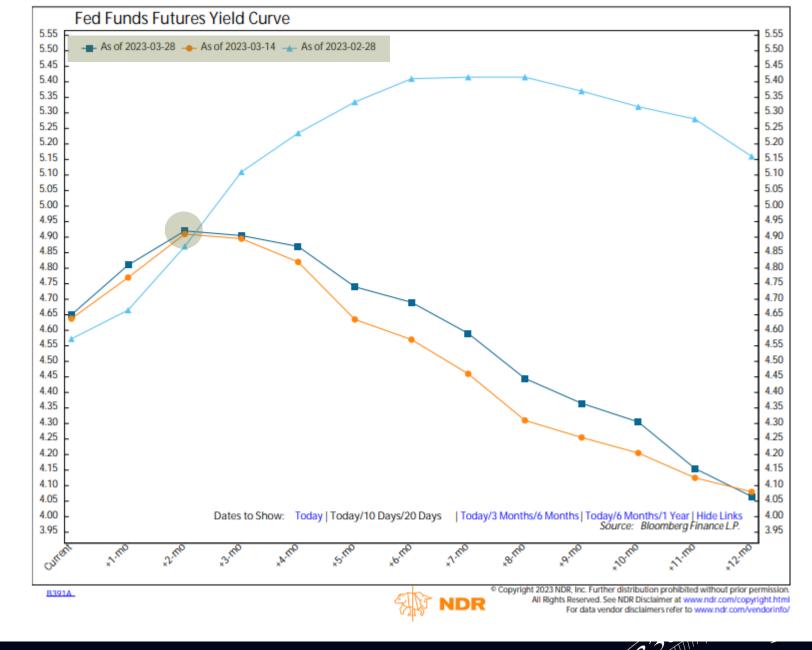
Yield curve perspective.



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Better or worse.





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Smart Sector® International (ex.-U.S.)

Asset Class: Global Equity

Benchmark: ACWI ex-U.S. Index



Smart Sector® International (ex-U.S.)

- > Core and Explore
 - > 65% of the allocation to the largest eight countries in the ACWI index
 - > 35% to Explore (smaller, country-specific opportunities)
- Utilize Catastrophic Stop overlay to raise cash and reduce exposure



Smart Sector International:

A Core and Explore Approach

Core:

- Approximately 65% of the Smart Sector International portfolio is allocated to the top 8 holdings.
- The fund begins by overweighting and underweighting the largest non-U.S. equity markets based on Ned Davis Research's proprietary models.
- Each of the models utilize market-specific, weight-of-the-evidence composites of fundamental, economic, technical, and behavioral indicators to determine each area's probability of outperforming the ACWI ex. U.S. Markets are weighted accordingly relative to benchmark weightings.
- Weightings are determined using Black-Litterman framework, which seeks to minimize volatility and enhance returns.

ACWX Benchmark Allocation

Japan	14.28
United Kingdom	9.81
China	9.05
Canada	8.22
France	6.96
Switzerland	6.47
Australia	5.09
Germany	4.62
Taiwan	4.32
India	4.10
Korea (South)	3.35
Netherlands	2.58
Sweden	2.11
Hong Kong	1.90
Denmark	1.70
Brazil	1.55
Spain	1.48
Italy	1.38
Saudi Arabia	1.37
South Africa	1.02
Cash and/or Derivatives	0.63
Other	7.99



Smart Sector International:

A Core and Explore Approach

Explore:

- Approximately 35% of the Smart Sector International portfolio is allocated to Explore opportunities.
- To select smaller markets, the fund uses a multi-factor technical ranking system to choose the top markets. The markets with the highest rankings split the non-Core model allocation equally.

Explore Opportunities

Brazil
Chile
Hong Kong
India
Israel
Italy
Malaysia
Mexico
Netherlands
New Zealand
Peru
Philippines
Poland
Singapore
South Africa
South Korea
Spain
Sweden
Taiwan
Thailand
Turkey
South Africa



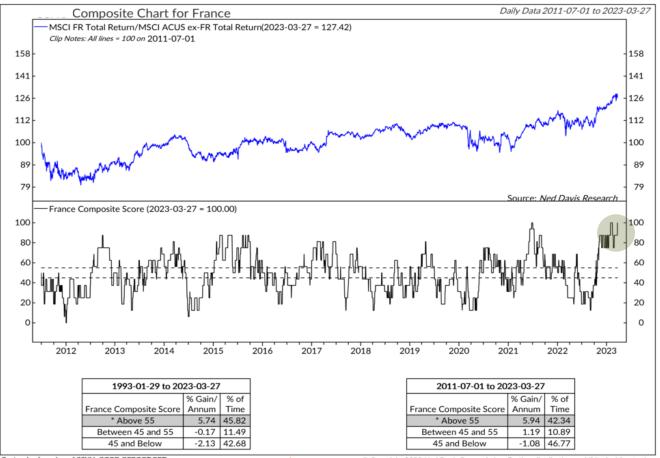
Targeted Weightings:

Ned Davis Research Quantitative Models

France

International Indicators

- Trend / Moving Average
- Breadth
- Deviation from Trend
- NDR Global Market Rank Score
- Mean Reversion
- Leading Economic Indicators
- Relative Valuations
- Fund Flows
- Return-on-Equity (ROE) relative strength
- Earnings Yield
- Long-Term Earnings-per-Share Growth



Customized version of SSXU_CORE_REPORT.RPT



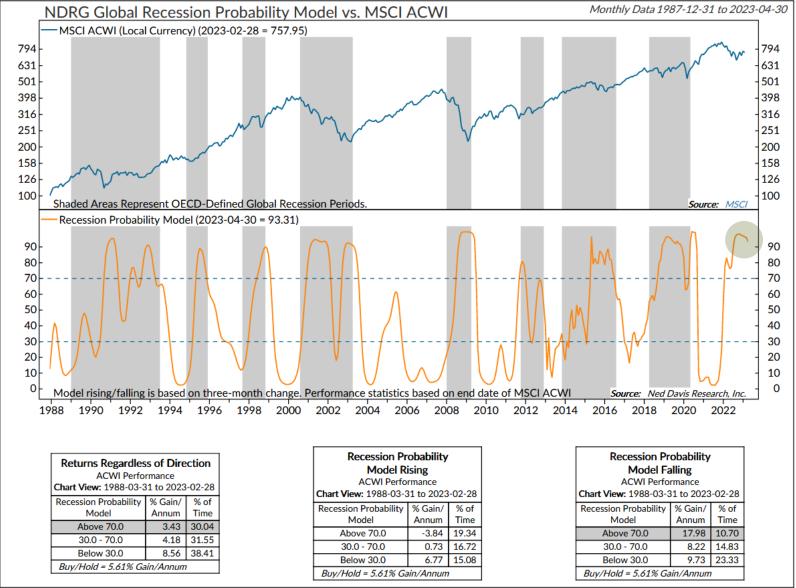
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Smart Sector International ex-U.S.:

NDR Global Recession Probability Model



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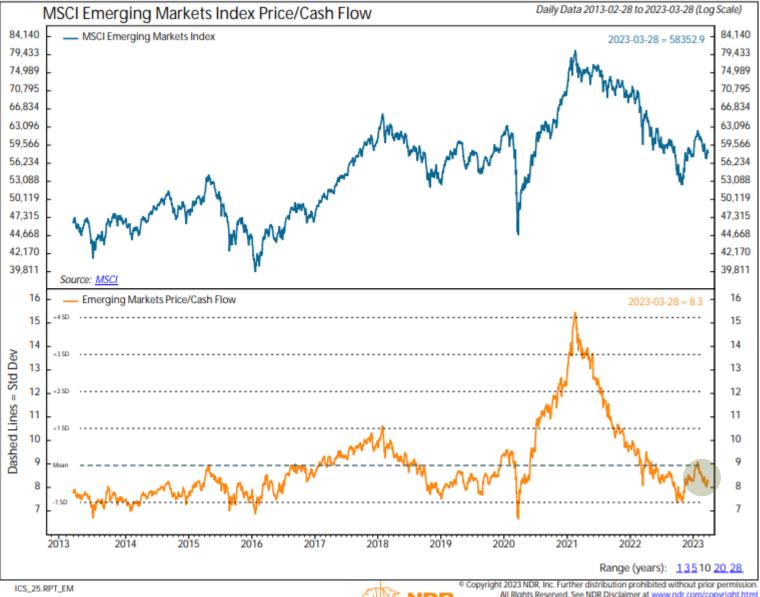
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Smart Sector International ex-U.S.:

Valuation

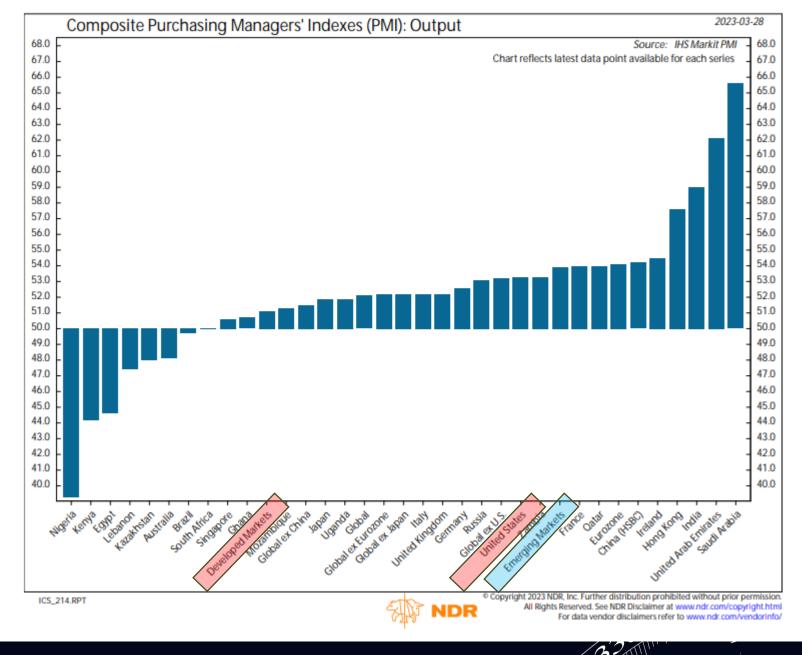






Smart Sector International ex-U.S.:

Output.

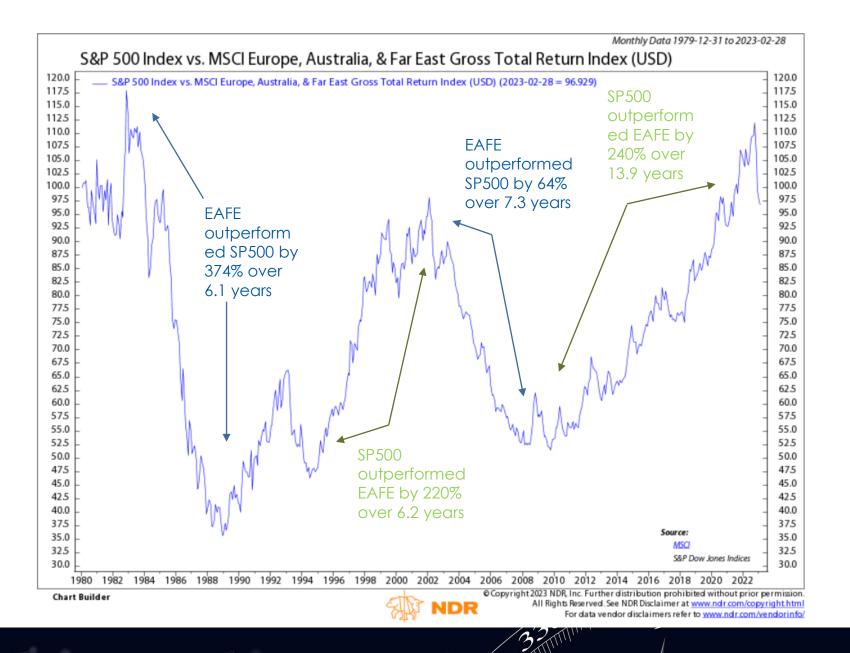




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The Importance of Global Allocation:

U.S. versus International equity performance differentials can last a long time. Investors need a disciplined process to make decisions around global allocation.







Smart Sector

Global Balanced Portfolios

(U.S. Equity/Fixed
Income/International Equity)



Including International:

Combining U.S. equity, non-U.S. equity, and fixed income has produced a favorable return/risk profile.

Risk/return of adding International stocks



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Smart Sector® Global Balanced: U.S. Equity/International Equity/Fixed Income

-	Period ending 2023-03-27									Period ending 2023-02-28				
<u>Name</u>		Month-to-Date Return NET(%)		Year-to-Date Return NET(%)	3-Month Return (%)	3-Month Return NET(%)	12-Month Return (%)	12-Month Return NET(%)	3-Year Return (%)	3-Year Return NET(%)	<u>5-Year</u> <u>Return (%)</u>	<u>5-Year</u> <u>Return NET(%)</u>	<u>10-Year</u> <u>Return (%)</u>	10-Year Return NET(%)
54% U.S. Equity/36% International Equity/10% Fixed Income	0.04	-0.02	4.08	3.88	0.36	0.17	-6.12	-6.87	10.64	9.76	7.96	7.1	10.58	9.7
48% U.S. Equity/32% International Equity/20% Fixed Income	0.16	0.1	3.86	3.67	0.37	0.18	-6.44	-7.18	9.2	8.33	7.26	6.4	9.73	8.86
42% U.S. Equity/28% International Equity/30% Fixed Income	0.27	0.21	3.65	3.46	0.38	0.19	-6.77	-7.51	7.76	6.9	6.54	5.7	8.87	8.0
36% U.S. Equity/24% International Equity/40% Fixed Income	0.38	0.32	3.43	3.24	0.38	0.19	-7.1	-7.84	6.32	5.47	5.81	4.97	8.0	7.14
30% U.S. Equity/20% International Equity/50% Fixed Income	0.5	0.44	3.22	3.03	0.39	0.19	-7.45	-8.18	4.87	4.04	5.07	4.23	7.12	6.26
24% U.S. Equity/16% International Equity/60% Fixed Income	0.61	0.55	3.0	2.81	0.38	0.19	-7.81	-8.54	3.43	2.61	4.3	3.47	6.23	5.38
18% U.S. Equity/12% International Equity/70% Fixed Income	0.73	0.67	2.77	2.58	0.38	0.19	-8.17	-8.9	1.99	1.18	3.53	2.7	5.33	4.49
12% U.S. Equity/8% International Equity/80% Fixed Income	0.84	0.78	2.55	2.36	0.37	0.18	-8.55	-9.27	0.54	-0.26	2.74	1.92	4.43	3.59

Performance periods greater than 1 year show annualized returns.

•Report: Smart Sector® Balanced Portfolios

•Run Date: 2023-03-28

•Data updated through 2023-03-37

•Monthly return data updated through 2023-02-28

•Source: Ned Davis Research, Inc.

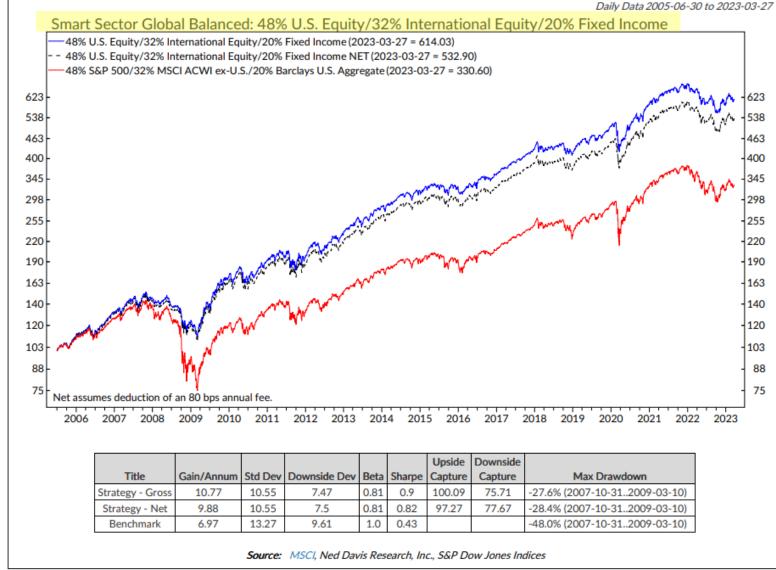
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Smart Sector Global Balanced Portfolio: Growth 80/20



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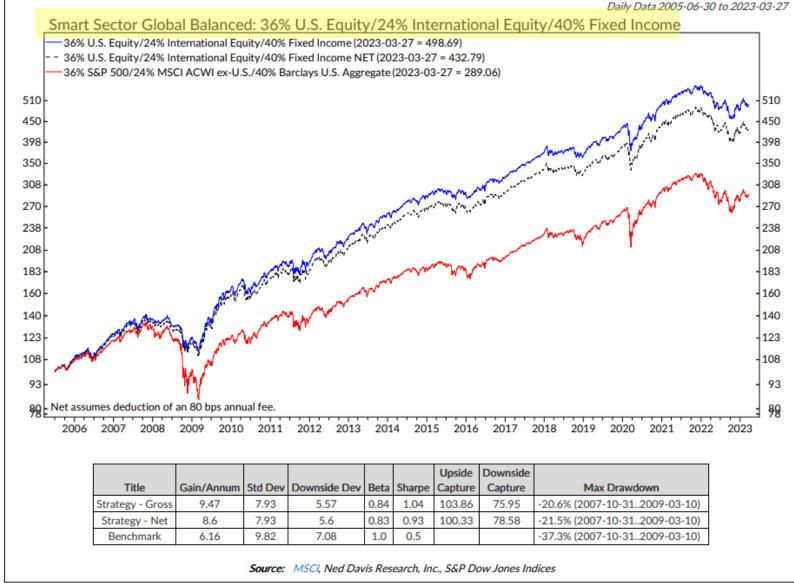
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Smart Sector Global Balanced Portfolio: Moderate 60/40



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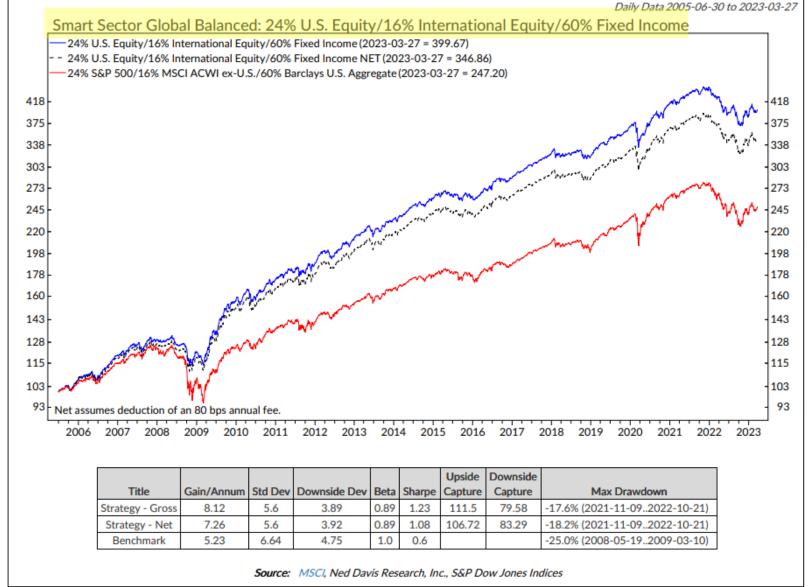


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Smart Sector Global Balanced Portfolio: Conservative 40/60



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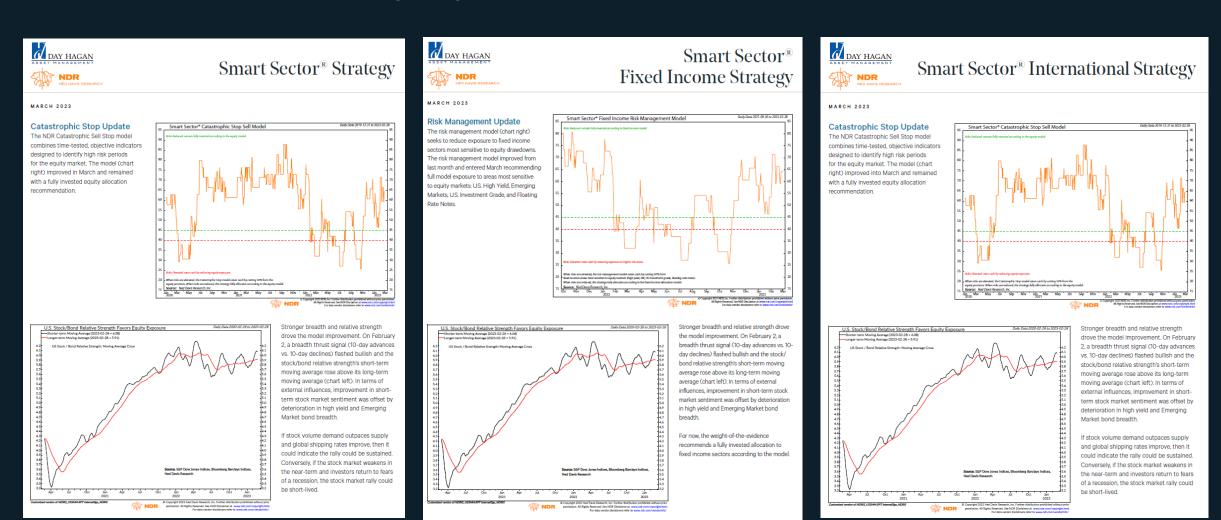
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 diversification each
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 strategy based on the weight
 of the evidence, not a single
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Recognizing the importance of 77 versus 23

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