



A PROVEN WAY TO INVEST THAT'S ABOUT MORE THAN JUST THE MARKETS

Our research-driven belief is that the best investment strategy should be linked to an ongoing planning approach that covers your entire life. An evolving plan to guide your investments ensures you're not leaving money on the table by informing critical decisions around how much to invest, what account types to use, and how much risk to take.

➤ **As part of your membership, we manage money for clients at no additional cost. Most of our clients invest with us and we manage over \$1 billion in assets and counting for them.**

KEEP MORE OF WHAT'S YOURS



When it comes to investing, we use strategies that not only help you generate more, but also help you keep more. **That's also why we don't charge you more as your investment balances grow.** After all, it's your money.



RESEARCH-DRIVEN DECISION MAKING



Our approach to investing is based on Nobel Prize-winning research* that overwhelmingly demonstrates that a carefully constructed portfolio of low cost, globally diversified, tax-efficient investments that captures the total market will outperform an investing strategy that attempts to beat the market.

While a lot of firms provide active management because it sounds good, it comes with higher fees, and has been shown to underperform the market and hurt long-term returns.

LOW COST, HIGH VALUE IMPLEMENTATION



Because of the much lower costs and tax efficiency, exchange-traded funds (ETFs) are a natural fit for use in our portfolios and are hard to beat.

WHAT ARE ETFs?

ETFs are a basket of stocks, bonds, or other investments that typically track an index, such as the S&P 500. Shares trade daily on major exchanges, and can be bought and sold throughout the day.



WE ACTIVELY MONITOR AND ADJUST YOUR PORTFOLIO OVER TIME

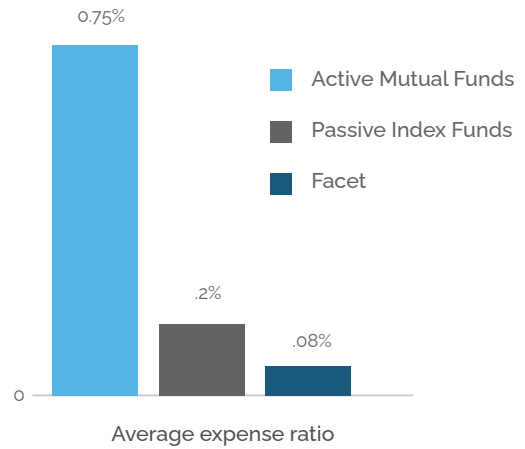
In addition to what we choose to invest in, we enhance the foundation of our approach with ongoing monitoring and regular reviews of the investments held across our portfolios, proactive portfolio rebalancing to ensure appropriate risk levels, and thoughtful tax loss harvesting.

*Our investment approach incorporates research from Nobel prize winners Harry Markowitz, Eugene Fama and Richard Thaler.

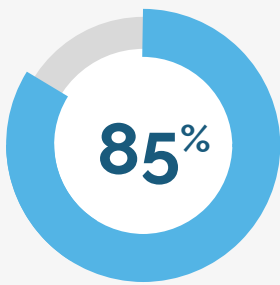
THE BENEFITS OF ETFS EXPLAINED

01 | LOWER EXPENSES

An expense ratio is the annual cost paid to fund managers by holders of mutual funds or ETFs. As of 12/31/21, the average expense ratio for an actively managed mutual fund is between .5% and 1.0%. For passive index funds, the typical expense ratio is .2%. At Facet, our average portfolio expense ratio is .08%.¹



02 | BETTER PERFORMANCE OVER TIME



of all mutual funds have underperformed the market in the last 10 years²



Additionally, **89%** of mutual funds have underperformed the market in the last 15 years³.

Even though many mutual funds strive to beat their defined benchmarks, most don't. Index funds, including the ETFs Facet utilizes, have historically outperformed the average active mutual fund over time.³

03 | TAX EFFICIENCY

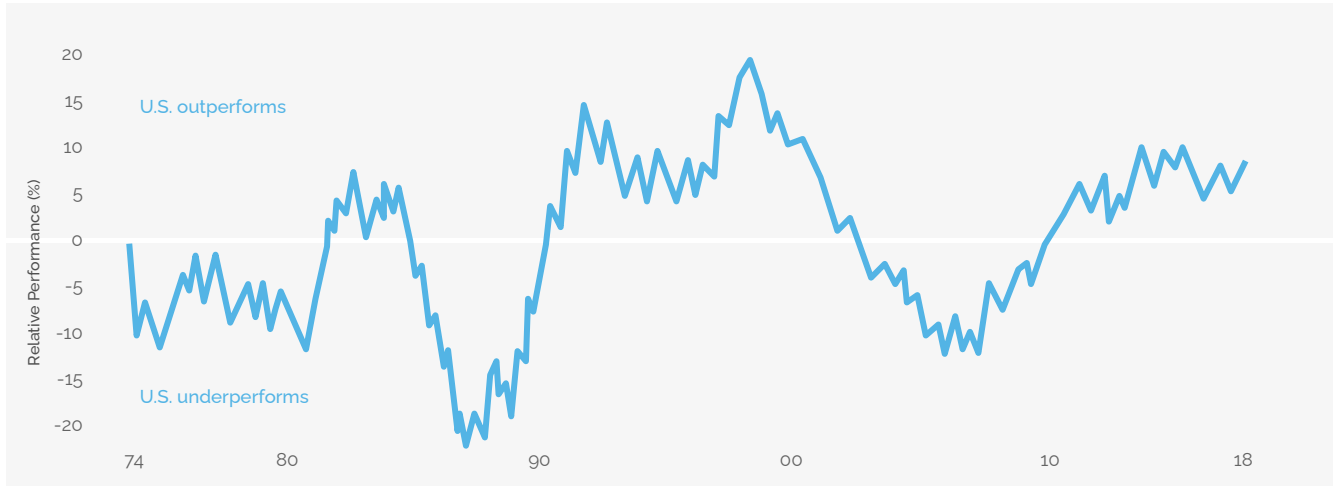
Since ETFs are index funds, they are generally very tax efficient (especially when compared to mutual funds). Mutual funds distribute capital gains to investors regardless of your own transactions. ETFs, on the other hand, rarely make capital gains distributions, which puts you in control of your taxes.

HOW WE USE ETFS IN OUR PORTFOLIOS

A GLOBAL APPROACH IS KEY

Your dedicated CFP® professional will create a globally diversified portfolio of ETFs with the appropriate asset allocation for you that is rebalanced as needed to help you reach your financial goals. When it comes to global market performance, there are periods of time when the US stock market outperforms international markets and there will be times when that trend reverses. By creating a portfolio that is diversified across regions, we are able to help limit downside risk and provide a portfolio that experiences a narrower range of market swings.

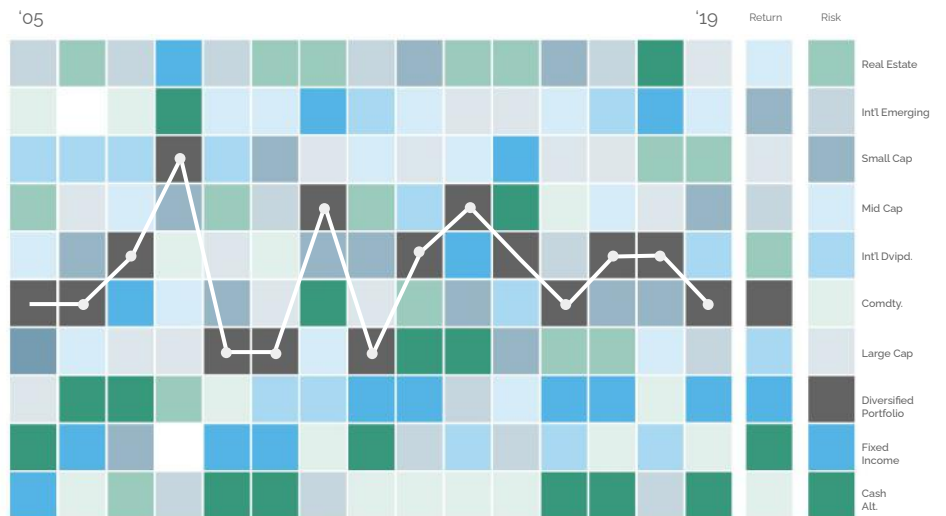
(US EQUITY VS. INTERNATIONAL EQUITY ROLLING FIVE YEAR RETURNS: JANUARY 1970-DECEMBER 2018)



Source: Morningstar Direct, Vanguard analysis.

WHY ASSET ALLOCATION IS SO IMPORTANT

It is extremely difficult to pick the asset class that will perform the best in any given year, and it only gets more difficult over time. In fact, outperformance of different regions or asset classes does not persist over time in any scientifically identifiable way. Certain classes that perform the best for a year or two often become the worst performers in another. Similarly, those at the bottom do not remain there for long periods.



HOW WE REBALANCE

Rebalancing your portfolio allows us to control your risk and capture natural movements in the market. Many Robo advisors and bigger firms will review your portfolio on a 90-day calendar frequency, which potentially misses rebalancing opportunities by picking pre-scheduled days to update your allocations. We review your portfolio daily and use a 20% tolerance band rebalancing strategy applied to sub-asset allocations.



FACET HISTORICAL RETURNS

The following table shows the historical returns of three Facet portfolio mixes: 100% stock ETFs, 80% stock ETFs/20% fixed income ETFs, and 60% stock ETFs/40% fixed income ETFs.

Portfolio	Annualized 1 yr (daily)	Annualized 5 year (daily)	Annualized 10 year (daily) ³	Annualized 20 year (daily) ³
100% Facet Stock Benchmark Portfolio	-18.10%	3.89%	7.74%	8.65%
80/20 Benchmark Facet Portfolio	-16.76%	3.18%	6.46%	7.58%
60/40 Benchmark Facet Portfolio	-15.42%	2.48%	5.17%	6.51%

Hypothetical returns as of 9/30/2022. Past performance is not a guarantee of future return, nor is it necessarily indicative of future performance.⁴



Email or call your Client Success Manager at Facet Wealth to continue the conversation.

¹ www.investopedia.com/ask/answers/032715/when-expense-ratio-considered-high-and-when-it-considered-low.asp#:~:text=The%20average%20expense%20ratio%20for,typical%20ratio%20is%20about%200.2%25. Facet Expense ratio as of January, 2022. Facet's portfolios are continually optimized and models occasionally change. Changes in underlying security selection can impact expense ratios

² Pisani, B. (2019, March 15). Active fund managers trail the S&P 500 for the ninth year in a row in triumph for indexing. CNBC. <https://www.cnbc.com/2019/03/15/active-fund-managers-trail-the-sp-500-for-the-ninth-year-in-a-row-in-triumph-for-indexing.html>

³ https://www.spglobal.com/spdji/en/research-insights/spiva/?utm_source=pdf_spiva

⁴ Investment returns shown here are for illustrative purposes only and reflect the as of date in the chart. All investments involve risk, including the potential for the loss of principal. The actual performance of Facet models began in 2018. Hypothetical returns were calculated by using the monthly returns for Facet's current portfolio holdings for the past 15 years. We believe the sources for this data to be reliable but cannot guarantee the accuracy or completeness of the information. In cases where a security did not exist at the time of calculation, a substitute was chosen based on similarity of holdings absent a review of returns. No consideration was given to regular rebalancing, tax loss harvesting or other activities that occur during the ongoing management of investments nor does Facet assert an opinion on the impact of these actions on these returns. These hypothetical returns were calculated net of the fees associated with the underlying investments. Facet charges an annual planning fee based on the complexity of a client's financial situation but does not charge a separate fee for investment management. The planning fee was not considered in the calculation of returns. Past performance is not indicative of future returns.