# **Market Notebook**



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#### **PRICE ACTION:**

Equity prices, as measured by the ticker SPY, and bond prices, as measured by the ticker BND, closed higher last week.

**SPY +0.87%** BND +0.15%

#### **TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:**

SPY price appears established in an upward trend.

BND price appears established in an upward trend.

#### **SENTIMENT:**

Equity investor sentiment was positive but muted.

#### **ECONOMY AND FUNDAMENTALS:**

Throughout the tightening cycle, jobless claims have never indicated a recession by our measure. We will continue to monitor weekly jobless claims closely.

Market participants should be on the lookout for recessionary conditions following the first rate cut after a tightening cycle. Thus far, the Federal Reserve has managed the economic cycle well.

#### All the best during the week ahead!

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# **Market Data**

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### Market Indices ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name           | Trend    | % Total Return |
|--------|----------------|----------|----------------|
|        |                |          |                |
| DIA    | Dow Jones SPDR | 1        | 20.32          |
| SPY    | S & P 500 SPDR | <b>↑</b> | 29.08          |
| ONEQ   | Nasdaq         | <b>↑</b> | 32.87          |

### Bonds and Fixed Income ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                                   | Trend    | Strength     | % Total Return |
|--------|--|----------|--------------|----------------|
|        |  |          | vs BND       |                |
| BLV    | Long – Term Bond                       |          | <>           | 2.15           |
| MBB    | Mortgage Backed iShares                | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 3.49           |
| BND    | Total Bond Market                      | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 3.58           |
| TIP    | iShares TIPs                           | <>       | <>           | 3.67           |
| BIV    | Intermediate Term Bond                 | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 3.74           |
| VMBS   | Vanguard Mortgage - Backed Sec         | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 3.80           |
| BSV    | Short - Term Bond                      | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 4.09           |
| LQD    | ishares US Investment Grade Corp Bonds | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 4.13           |
| BNDX   | Vanguard Total International Bond      | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 4.70           |
| BOND   | PIMCO Active Bond                      | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 5.14           |
| MINT   | PIMCO Enhanced Short Maturity Bond     | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 5.61           |
| BKLN   | Powershares Bank Loans ETF             | <b>↑</b> | $\downarrow$ | 7.95           |
| JNK    | High Yield Bond                        | <b>↑</b> | <b>↑</b>     | 8.96           |
| HYS    | Pimco 0 – 5 yr High Yield              | <b>↑</b> | <b>↑</b>     | 8.98           |
| HYS    | PIMCO 0 - 5 YR High Yield Corp         | <b>↑</b> | <b>↑</b>     | 8.98           |
| DSL    | DoubleLine Income Solutions            | <b>↑</b> | <>           | 17.73          |

#### Commodity ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                                    | Trend        | Strength     | % Total Return |
|--------|---|--------------|--------------|----------------|
|        |   |              | vs DBC       |                |
|        |   |              |              |                |
| UNG    | United States Natural Gas               | $\downarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | -34.07         |
| DBC    | PowerShares DB Commodity Tracking Index | $\downarrow$ | <>           | -0.59          |
| US0    | United States Oil                       | $\downarrow$ | <>           | 5.39           |
| DBB    | PowerShares DB Base Metals ETF          | $\downarrow$ | <>           | 10.55          |
| IAU    | iShares Gold Trust                      | <b>↑</b>     | <b>↑</b>     | 27.29          |
| SLV    | iShares Silver Trust                    | <b>↑</b>     | <b>↑</b>     | 29.71          |

#### Stocks/Bonds ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %) 70/30 60/40 50/50

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50 \times \$ \ (VTI) \ / \ 50 \ \$ \ (BND)    Total Stock Market 50 \times \$ \ /    Total Bond Market 50 \times \$ \ 16.19
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70 \times \$ \text{ (VTI)} \ / \ 30 \ \$ \text{ (BND)} \ \text{Total Stock Market} \ 70 \times \$ \ / \ \text{Total Bond Market} \ 30 \times \$ \ \ 21.23
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#### Stocks/Bonds Core Portfolio (ytd total return %) 70/30 60/40 50/50

| Investment Type                   | Ticker |         | Allocation % Equity/Fixed Income |            |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|----------------------------------|------------|--|--|--|
|                                   |        | 60%/40% |                                  |            |  |  |  |
| Domestic Equity                   |        |         |                                  |            |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Growth                   | VUG    | 15%     | 17%                              | 12%        |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Value                    | VTV    | 16%     | 19%                              | 14%        |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Small Cap                | VB     | 5%      | 6%                               | 4%         |  |  |  |
| International Equity              |        |         |                                  |            |  |  |  |
| Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets   | VEA    | 19%     | 22%                              | 16%        |  |  |  |
| Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets    | VWO    | 5%      | 6%                               | <b>4</b> % |  |  |  |
| Domestic Fixed Income             |        |         |                                  |            |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Short-Term Bond          | BSV    | 10%     | 8%                               | 13%        |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Inter-Term Bond          | BIV    | 6%      | 4%                               | 7%         |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Long-Term Bond           | BLV    | 5%      | 4%                               | 6%         |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Mortgage-Backed Sec      | VMBS   | 6%      | 4%                               | <b>7</b> % |  |  |  |
| International Fixed Income        |        |         |                                  |            |  |  |  |
| Vanguard Total International Bond | BNDX   | 11%     | 8%                               | 15%        |  |  |  |
| Ultrashort Bond                   |        |         |                                  |            |  |  |  |
| PIMCO Enhanced Short Maturity     | MINT   | 2%      |                                  |            |  |  |  |
| % Total Return                    |        | 13.81   | 15.39                            |            |  |  |  |

#### Core Portfolio Elements ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                               | Trend    | Strength<br>vs VTI | % Total Return |
|--------|------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|----------------|
| BLV    | Vanguard Long - Term Bond          |          | <br>↓              | 2.15           |
| BIV    | Vanguard Inter - Term Bond         | <b>↑</b> | $\downarrow$       | 3.74           |
| VMBS   | Vanguard Mortgage - Backed Sec     | <b>↑</b> | $\downarrow$       | 3.80           |
| BSV    | Vanguard Short - Term Bond         | 1        | $\downarrow$       | 4.09           |
| BNDX   | Vanguard Total International Bond  | 1        | $\downarrow$       | 4.70           |
| MINT   | PIMCO Enhanced Short Maturity Bond | 1        | $\downarrow$       | 5.61           |
| VEA    | Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets    | 1        | <>                 | 7.81           |
| VWO    | Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets     | 1        | <>                 | 13.72          |
| VTV    | Vanguard Value                     | <u>†</u> | <>                 | 21.42          |
| VB     | Vanguard Small - Cap               | <u>†</u> | <>                 | 22.44          |
| VUG    | Vanguard Growth                    | <u>†</u> | <b>&lt;&gt;</b>    | 36.66          |

### Alternate Core Portfolio Elements ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                                    | Trend    | Strength<br>vs VTI | % Total Return |
|--------|---|----------|--------------------|----------------|
| SCZ    | iShares MSCI EAFE Small Cap             | <br>↑    |                    | 5.57           |
| EFA    | iShares MSCI EAFE                       | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 8.13           |
| VEU    | Vanguard International Equity All World | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 9.59           |
| IWD    | iShares Russel 1000 Value               | <u>,</u> | <>                 | 20.20          |
| VB     | Vanguard Small Cap                      | <u>,</u> | <>                 | 22.44          |
| VO     | Vanguard Mid Cap                        | <u>,</u> | <>                 | 23.24          |
| VTI    | Vanguard Total Stock Market             | ·<br>↑   | <>                 | 28.80          |
| MGC    | Vanguard World Mega Cap                 | ·<br>↑   | <>                 | 30.92          |

### Sector SPDR ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                   | Trend        | Strength<br>vs VTI | % Total Return |
|--------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------|
| XOP    | Oil Exploration        | <u> </u>     | <br>↓              | 0.93           |
| XLV    | Health Care            | <b>↑</b>     | $\downarrow$       | 6.99           |
| XLB    | Materials              | <b>↑</b>     | <>                 | 8.83           |
| XBI    | Biotech                | <b>↑</b>     | $\downarrow$       | 11.19          |
| XLE    | Energy                 | $\downarrow$ | <b>1</b>           | 11.23          |
| XLP    | Consumer Staples       | $\downarrow$ | <>                 | 16.70          |
| XLI    | Industrials            | <b>↑</b>     | <>                 | 24.52          |
| XHB    | Home Builders          | <b>↑</b>     | <>                 | 25.00          |
| XLK    | Technology             | <b>↑</b>     | <>                 | 25.78          |
| XLU    | Utilities              | $\downarrow$ | <>                 | 28.76          |
| VTI    | Total Stock Market     | <b>↑</b>     | <>                 | 28.80          |
| XLY    | Consumer Discretionary | <b>↑</b>     | <>                 | 31.03          |
| XLF    | Financials             | 1            | <>                 | 35.57          |

### Alternatives ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                                  | Trend    | Strength<br>vs QAI | % Total Return |
|--------|---------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|----------------|
| PSK    | Preferred Stock ETF, Wells Fargo SPDR |          | <>                 | 8.17           |
| QAI    | IQ Hedge Multi – Strategy             | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 8.70           |
| IYR    | iShares US Real Estate                | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 10.93          |
| VNQ    | Vanguard REIT                         | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 11.42          |
| IGF    | iShares S & P Global Infrastructure   | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 18.47          |
| VYM    | Vanguard High Dividend Yield          | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 21.47          |
| AMLP   | Alerian Master Limited Partnerships   | <b>↑</b> | <>                 | 27.25          |

#### Country ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                    | Trend  | Strength<br>vs VT | % Total Return |
|--------|-------------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|
| EWZ    | Brazil iShares MSCI     |        |                   | -25.33         |
| EWW    | Mexico iShares MSCI     | ·<br>↑ | <u> </u>          | -23.17         |
| EWA    | Austrailia iShares MSCI | ·<br>↑ | <>                | 7.62           |
| EWU    | UK iShares MSCI         | ·<br>↑ | <>                | 10.72          |
| EWJ    | Japan iShares MSCI      | ·<br>↑ | <>                | 11.64          |
| EWI    | Italy iShares MSCI      | ·<br>↑ | <>                | 13.99          |
| INDA   | India iShares MSCI      | ·<br>↑ | <>                | 14.05          |
| EWG    | Germany iShares MSCI    | ·<br>↑ | <>                | 15.21          |
| EWC    | Canada iShares MSCI     | ↑      | <>                | 18.00          |
| EWT    | Taiwan iShares MSCI     | ↑      | <>                | 19.16          |
| VT     | Total World - Vanguard  | ·<br>↑ | <>                | 21.13          |
| FXI    | China Large Cap iShares | ↓<br>↓ | <b>↓</b>          | 28.46          |

#### World Region ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                           | Trend        | Strength     | % Total Return |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
|        |                                |              | vs VT        |                |
|        |                                |              |              |                |
| ILF    | Latin America, iShares L.A. 40 | <b>↑</b>     | $\downarrow$ | -18.43         |
| VPL    | Asia Pacific, Vanguard FTSE    | <b>↑</b>     | <>           | 6.12           |
| VGK    | Europe, Vanguard FTSE          | <b>↑</b>     | <>           | 6.62           |
| AFK    | VanEck Vectors, Africa Index   | $\downarrow$ | <>           | 18.70          |
| VT     | Total World, Vanguard          | <b>↑</b>     | <>           | 21.13          |

#### China ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                           | Trend        | Strength | % Total Return |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------------|
|        |                                |              | vs FXI   |                |
|        |                                |              |          |                |
| CQQQ   | Guggenheim China Technology    | $\downarrow$ | <>       | 14.10          |
| KWEB   | KraneShares CSI China Internet | $\downarrow$ | <>       | 15.15          |
| FXI    | China Large Cap iShares        | $\downarrow$ | <>       | 28.46          |

### Currency ETF/ETN Performance (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                           | Trend        | Strength | % Total Return |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------------|
|        |                                |              | vs UUP   |                |
| FXY    | CurrencyShares Japanese Yen    |              | <>       | -6 <b>.</b> 50 |
| FXE    | CurrencyShares Euro Trust      | <b>↑</b>     | <>       | -1.98          |
| FXB    | Currency Shares British Pounds | <b>↑</b>     | <>       | 3.49           |
| UUP    | PowerShares DB U.S. Dollar Idx | $\downarrow$ | <>       | 10.48          |
| BITO   | Bitcoin Strategy               | <b>↑</b>     | <b>↑</b> | 123.90         |

### Selected Instruments (ytd total return %)

| Ticker | Name                              | Trend        | Strength<br>vs VTI | % Total Return      |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| STEM   | Stem Inc                          | ··           |                    | <br>-89 <b>.</b> 96 |
| MNTS   | Momentus                          | $\downarrow$ | <b>↓</b>           | -69.42              |
| MRNA   | Moderna                           | $\downarrow$ | $\downarrow$       | -55.31              |
| PLUG   | Plug Power                        | $\downarrow$ | <b>↑</b>           | -47.11              |
| QS     | QuantumScape Corp                 | <b>↑</b>     | $\downarrow$       | -28.06              |
| EXAS   | Exact Sciences                    | <b>↑</b>     | <b>\</b>           | -15.57              |
| ROBO   | Robo Global Robotics & Automation | <b>↑</b>     | <b>\</b>           | 1.94                |
| SBUX   | Starbucks                         | $\downarrow$ | <b>↑</b>           | 6.99                |
| KO     | Coke                              | <u> </u>     | <b>↓</b>           | 9.35                |
| SONY   | SONY                              | <b>↑</b>     | <b>\</b>           | 10.94               |
| VTI    | Vanguard Total Stock Market       | <u>†</u>     | <>                 | 28.80               |
| AMZN   | Amazon                            | 1            | <>                 | 49.42               |
| TQQQ   | ProShares UltraPro QQQ            | 1            | <b>↑</b>           | 74.91               |
| NFLX   | Netflix                           | <u>.</u>     | <u>,</u>           | 91.99               |
| NVDA   | NVIDIA                            | ↑            | <u>,</u>           | 187.70              |
| PLTR   | Palantir Tech                     | ↑            | <u>,</u>           | 344.60              |
| CDXC   | Chromadex                         | j            | 1                  | 369.90              |
| QUBT   | Quantum Computing Inc.            | j            | ↑                  | 768.50              |

### Instruments That Have Changed Trend Since Last Week

| Ticker | Name                                    | Trend        | % Total Return |  |
|--------|---|--------------|----------------|--|
| QS     | Missing[KeyAbsent, QS]                  |              | -28.06         |  |
| EWW    | Mexico iShares MSCI                     | <b>↑</b>     | -23.17         |  |
| DBC    | PowerShares DB Commodity Tracking Index | $\downarrow$ | -0.59          |  |
| TIP    | iShares TIPs                            | <>           | 3.67           |  |
| US0    | United States Oil                       | $\downarrow$ | 5.39           |  |
| SBUX   | Starbucks                               | $\downarrow$ | 6.99           |  |
| KO     | Coke                                    | $\downarrow$ | 9.35           |  |
| UUP    | PowerShares DB U.S. Dollar Idx          | $\downarrow$ | 10.48          |  |
| DBB    | PowerShares DB Base Metals ETF          | $\downarrow$ | 10.55          |  |
| XLE    | Energy                                  | $\downarrow$ | 11.23          |  |
| XLP    | Consumer Staples                        | $\downarrow$ | 16.70          |  |
| AFK    | VanEck Vectors, Africa Index            | $\downarrow$ | 18.70          |  |
| XLU    | Utilities                               | <b>\</b>     | 28.76          |  |
| CDXC   | Chromadex                               | $\downarrow$ | 369.90         |  |
| QUBT   | Quantum Computing Inc.                  | Į.           | 768.50         |  |

# Value Factor Candidate Stocks

| Ticker | Name                            | Price   | ROA    | EV/EBIT | EBIT/EV% | Trend        |
|--------|---------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|----------|--------------|
| QDEL   | QuidelOrtho Corporation         | 38.20   | 38.8%  | 0.25    | 396.0%   | $\downarrow$ |
| ROIV   | Roivant Sciences Ltd            | 12.40   | 113.0% | 1.61    | 62.0%    | <b>↑</b>     |
| TFII   | TFI International Inc           | 152.00  | 151.0% | 1.62    | 61.8%    | <b>↑</b>     |
| TNK    | Teekay Tankers Ltd              | 38.80   | 28.1%  | 1.78    | 56.2%    | <b>↑</b>     |
| ESEA   | Euroseas Ltd                    | 39.10   | 30.4%  | 2.89    | 34.6%    | <b>↑</b>     |
| WLKP   | Westlake Chemical Partners LP   | 23.90   | 28.0%  | 2.98    | 33.5%    | <b>↑</b>     |
| SIGA   | SIGA Technologies Inc           | 6.96    | 48.5%  | 3.60    | 27.7%    | $\downarrow$ |
| INMD   | Inmode Ltd                      | 18.10   | 26.3%  | 7.04    | 14.2%    | $\downarrow$ |
| NRP    | Natural Resource Partners LP    | 107.00  | 25.7%  | 7.05    | 14.2%    | <b>↑</b>     |
| BSM    | Black Stone Minerals L.P.       | 14.70   | 30.5%  | 8.24    | 12.1%    | <b>↑</b>     |
| NATH   | Nathan`s Famous, Inc.           | 85.60   | 37.8%  | 10.70   | 9.4%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| MO     | Altria Group Inc.               | 57.30   | 29.1%  | 10.80   | 9.3%     | $\downarrow$ |
| TZ00   | Travelzoo                       | 20.50   | 26.6%  | 12.30   | 8.1%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| NVR    | NVR Inc.                        | 8950.00 | 25.4%  | 12.40   | 8.1%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| VAL    | Valaris Ltd                     | 42.00   | 27.3%  | 13.50   | 7.4%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| PTGX   | Protagonist Therapeutics Inc    | 42.10   | 36.6%  | 15.90   | 6.3%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| FIZZ   | National Beverage Corp.         | 46.30   | 30.2%  | 17.50   | 5.7%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| MSB    | Mesabi Trust                    | 26.50   | 73.3%  | 18.40   | 5.4%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| LULU   | Lululemon Athletica inc.        | 400.00  | 26.5%  | 18.50   | 5.4%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| MDXG   | Mimedx Group Inc                | 9.68    | 40.9%  | 21.50   | 4.6%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| DPZ    | Dominos Pizza Inc               | 460.00  | 33.7%  | 23.30   | 4.3%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| VLT0   | Veralto Corp                    | 107.00  | 25.7%  | 23.50   | 4.2%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| EW     | Edwards Lifesciences Corp       | 71.50   | 37.2%  | 23.60   | 4.2%     | $\downarrow$ |
| NSSC   | NAPCO Security Technologies Inc | 39.60   | 26.1%  | 25.30   | 4.0%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| WINA   | Winmark Corporation             | 401.00  | 74.6%  | 26.70   | 3.7%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| DECK   | Deckers Outdoor Corp.           | 200.00  | 28.0%  | 27.20   | 3.7%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| BRBR   | Bellring Brands Inc             | 77.90   | 32.3%  | 27.90   | 3.6%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| AAPL   | Apple Inc                       | 243.00  | 26.1%  | 30.90   | 3.2%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| IDXX   | Idexx Laboratories, Inc.        | 436.00  | 26.9%  | 32.60   | 3.1%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| MA     | Mastercard Incorporated         | 529.00  | 28.4%  | 32.90   | 3.0%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| GDDY   | Godaddy Inc                     | 207.00  | 25.6%  | 37.60   | 2.7%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| UI     | Ubiquiti Inc                    | 345.00  | 30.7%  | 44.70   | 2.2%     | $\downarrow$ |
| NVDA   | NVIDIA Corp                     | 142.00  | 84.0%  | 48.70   | 2.1%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| TPL    | Texas Pacific Land Corporation  | 1340.00 | 39.8%  | 52.70   | 1.9%     | $\downarrow$ |
| APPF   | Appfolio Inc                    | 263.00  | 29.2%  | 67.20   | 1.5%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| FICO   | Fair Isaac Corp.                | 2370.00 | 31.1%  | 80.00   | 1.3%     | <b>↑</b>     |
| INOD   | Innodata Inc                    | 44.60   | 27.7%  | 84.10   | 1.2%     | <b>↑</b>     |

# **Economic Indicators**



# Charts

Fri. 12-06-2024 - AFK - VanEck Africa Index ETF - C:16.38



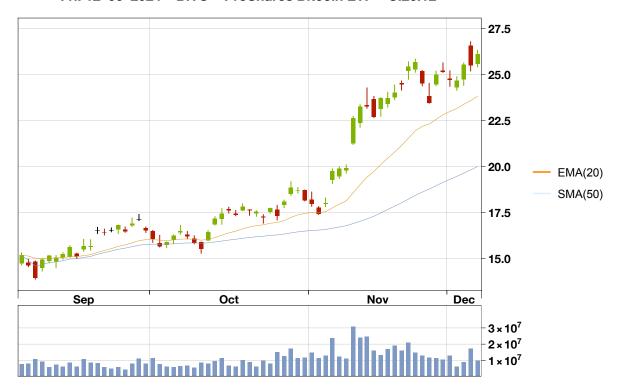
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - AMLP - Alerian MLP ETF - C:49.92

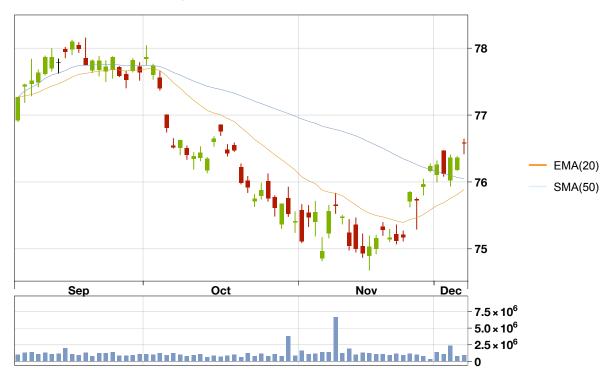
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - AMZN - Amazon.com Inc. - C:227.03

Fri. 12-06-2024 - BITO - ProShares Bitcoin ETF - C:26.12



Fri. 12-06-2024 - BIV - Vanguard Intermediate-Term Bond ETF - C:76.58



Fri. 12-06-2024 - BKLN - Invesco Senior Loan ETF - C:21.14



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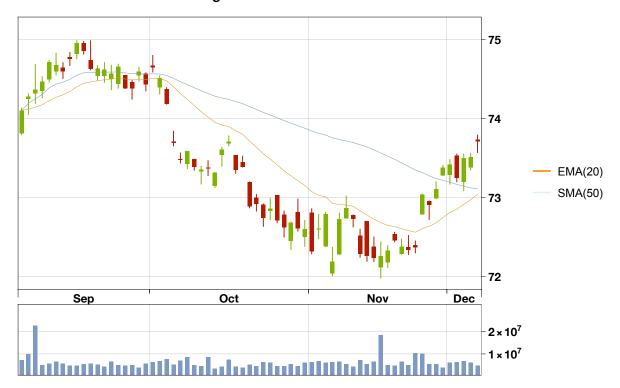
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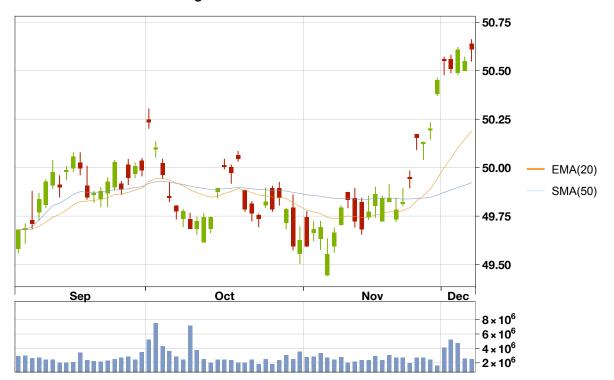
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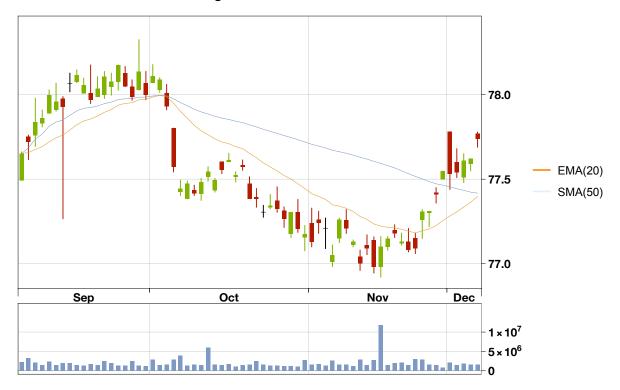
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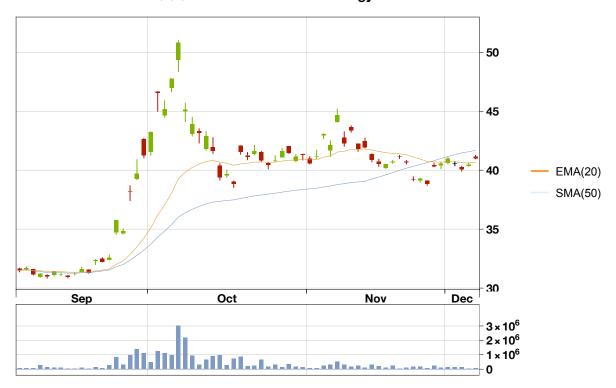
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - CDXC - Chromadex Corp - C:6.72

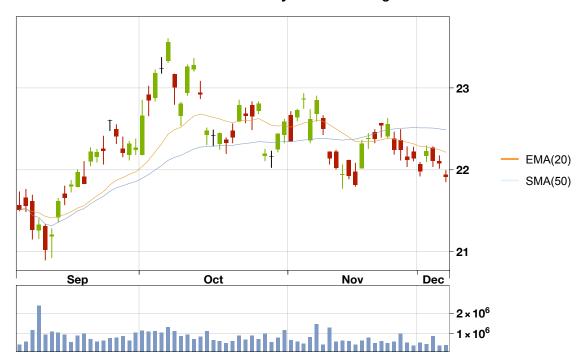
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - DBB - Invesco DB Base Metals Fund - C:20.23



Fri. 12-06-2024 - DBC - Invesco DB Commodity Index Tracking Fund - C:21.91



Fri. 12-06-2024 - DIA - SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF - C:447.15



Fri. 12-06-2024 - DSL - Doubleline Income Solutions Fund - C:12.98



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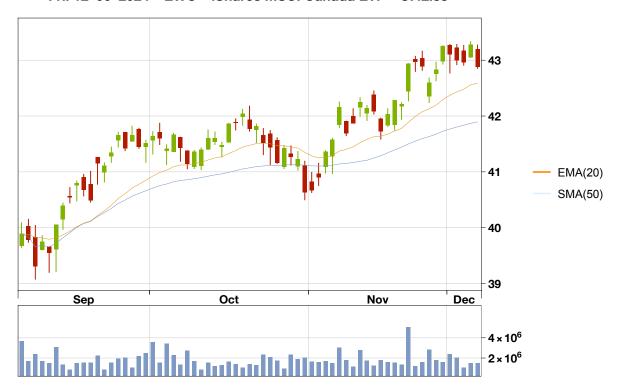
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - EFA - iShares MSCI EAFE ETF - C:80.08

27.0 26.5 EMA(20) 26.0 SMA(50) 25.5 25.0 Oct Nov Dec Sep  $3 \times 10^6$ 2×10<sup>6</sup>

Fri. 12-06-2024 - EWA - iShares MSCI Australia ETF - C:25.7

Fri. 12-06-2024 - EWC - iShares MSCI Canada ETF - C:42.88



34 33 EMA(20) SMA(50) 32 31 Oct Nov Dec Sep

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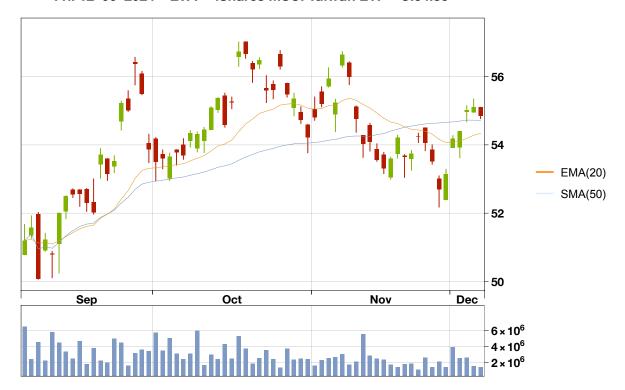
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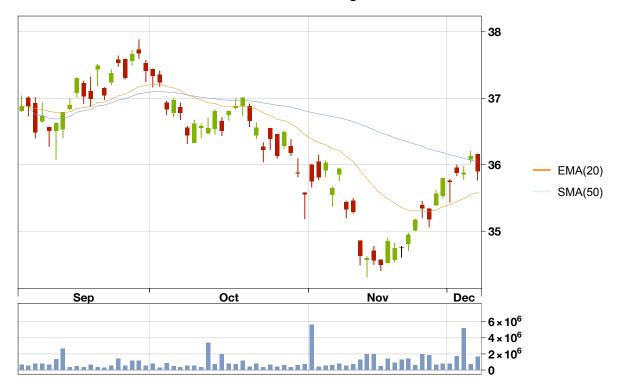
72 70 EMA(20) SMA(50) 68 Oct Dec Sep Nov 1 × 10<sup>7</sup>

Fri. 12-06-2024 - EWJ - iShares MSCI Japan ETF - C:71.08

Fri. 12-06-2024 - EWT - iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF - C:54.85



Fri. 12-06-2024 - EWU - iShares MSCI United Kingdom ETF - C:35.9



Fri. 12-06-2024 - EWW - iShares MSCI Mexico ETF - C:51.7



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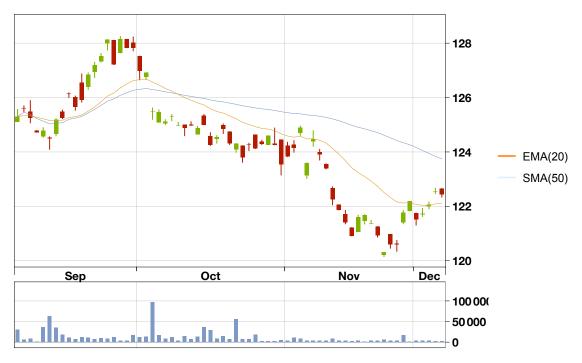
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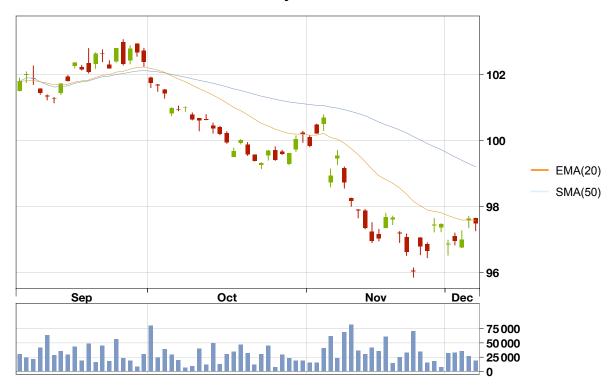


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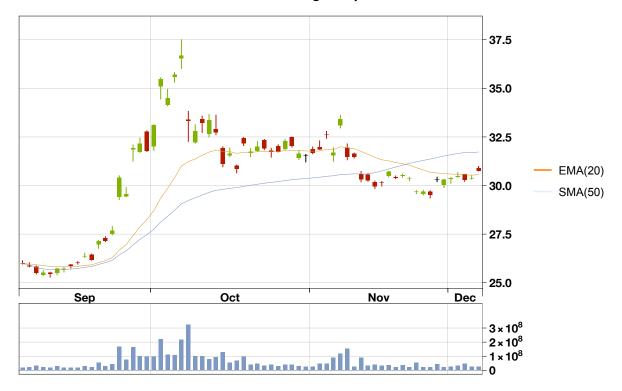
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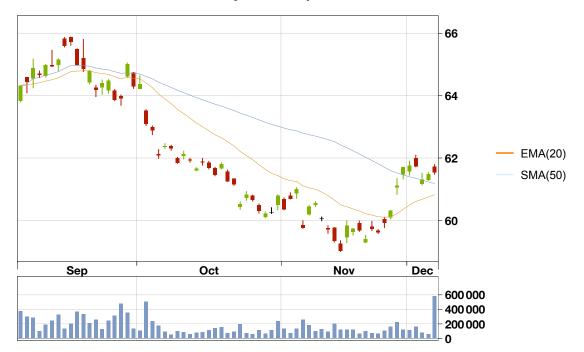
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - FXI - iShares China Large-Cap ETF - C:30.77



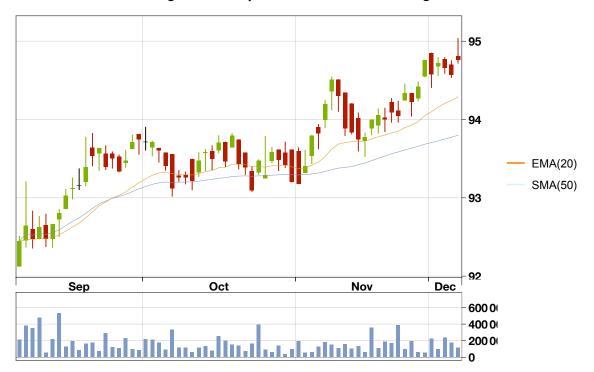
Fri. 12-06-2024 - FXY - Invesco CurrencyShares Japanese Yen Trust - C:61.53



180 170 EMA(20) SMA(50) 160 150 Oct Nov Dec Sep 4×10<sup>7</sup> 2×10<sup>7</sup>

Fri. 12-06-2024 - GOOG - Alphabet Inc - C:176.49

## 1 - HYS - PIMCO 0-5 Year High Yield Corporate Bond Index Exchange-Traded Fund - C:94.7



52 EMA(20) SMA(50) 48 Dec Sep Oct Nov 3×10<sup>7</sup> 2×10<sup>7</sup> 1 × 10<sup>7</sup>

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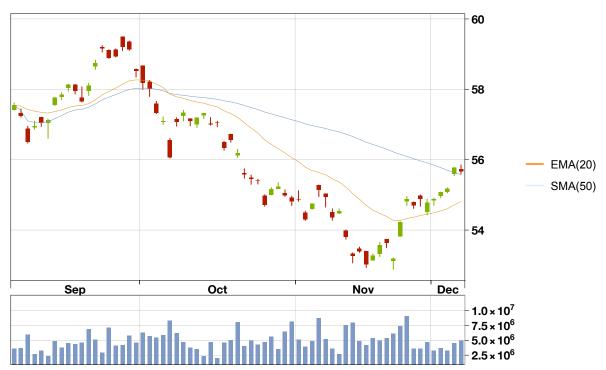
Fri. 12-06-2024 - IGF - iShares Global Infrastructure ETF - C:54.81



Fri. 12-06-2024 - ILF - iShares Latin America 40 ETF - C:23.09



Fri. 12-06-2024 - INDA - iShares MSCI India ETF - C:55.67



Fri. 12-06-2024 - IWD - iShares Russell 1000 Value ETF - C:195.92



104 102 100 EMA(20) SMA(50) 98 96 Oct Nov Dec Sep 1 × 10<sup>7</sup> 5×10<sup>6</sup>

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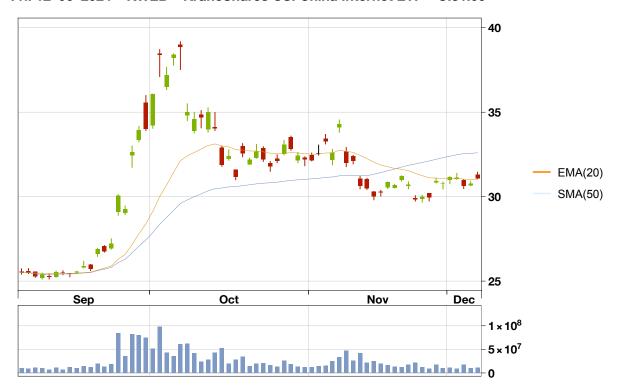
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72.5 70.0 67.5 - EMA(20) SMA(50) 65.0 62.5 Nov Dec Sep Oct  $-4 \times 10^{7}$ 2×10<sup>7</sup>

Fri. 12-06-2024 - KO - Coca-Cola Co - C:62.53

Fri. 12-06-2024 - KWEB - KraneShares CSI China Internet ETF - C:31.09



-06-2024 - LQD - iShares iBoxx USD Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF - C:110.7



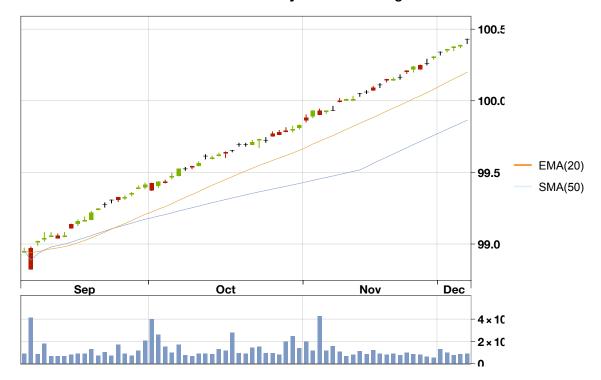
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - MGC - Vanguard Mega Cap 300 Index ETF - C:219.58



2024 - MINT - PIMCO Enhanced Short Maturity Active Exchange-Traded Fund - C:100.43





Fri. 12-06-2024 - MNTS - Momentus Inc - C:0.529

80 70 60 - EMA(20) SMA(50) 50 40 Oct Nov Dec Sep 2×107 1 × 10<sup>7</sup>

Fri. 12-06-2024 - MRNA - Moderna Inc - C:44.44

450 440 430 EMA(20) 420 SMA(50) 410 400 Oct Nov Dec Sep  $6 \times 10^{7}$  $4 \times 10^{7}$ -2×10<sup>7</sup>

Fri. 12-06-2024 - MSFT - Microsoft Corporation - C:443.57

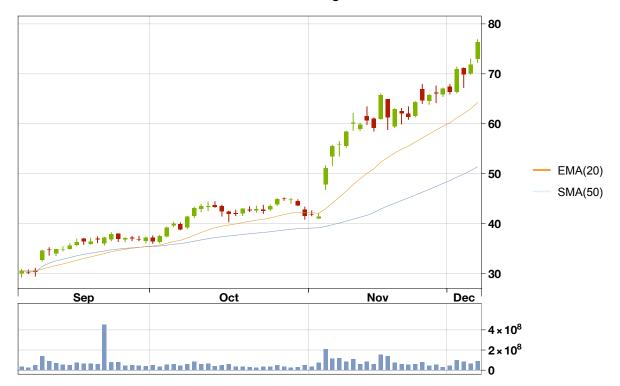
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2×10<sup>8</sup>
1×10<sup>8</sup>

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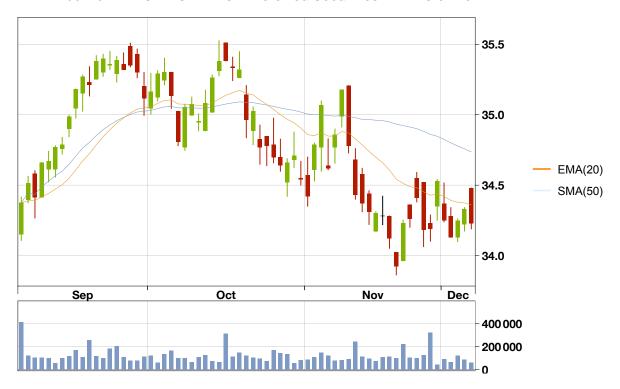
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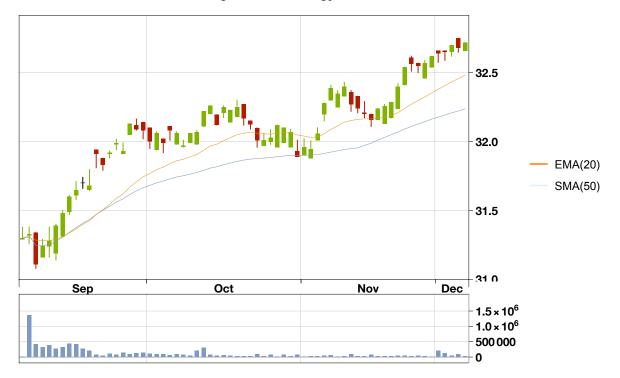
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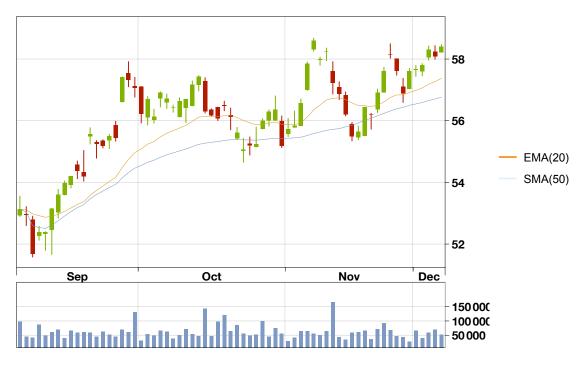
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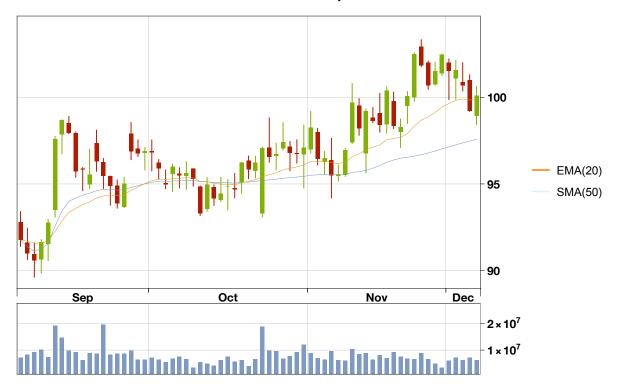
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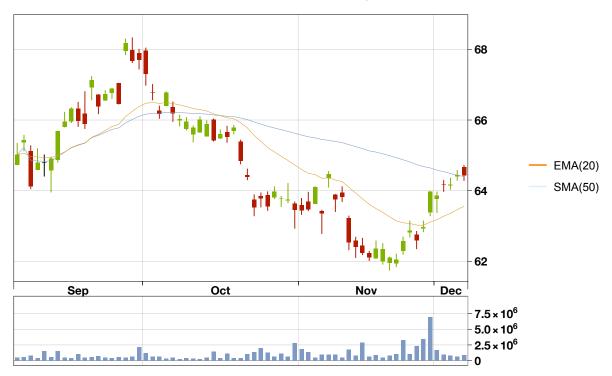
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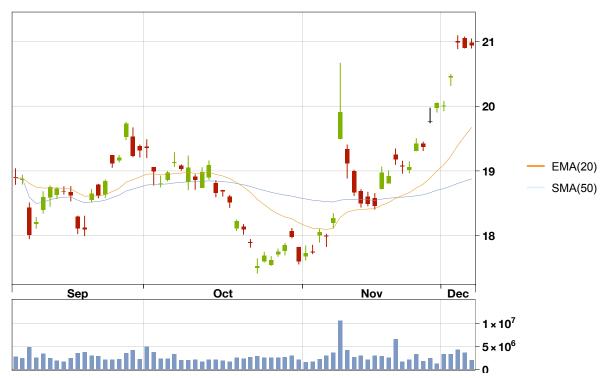
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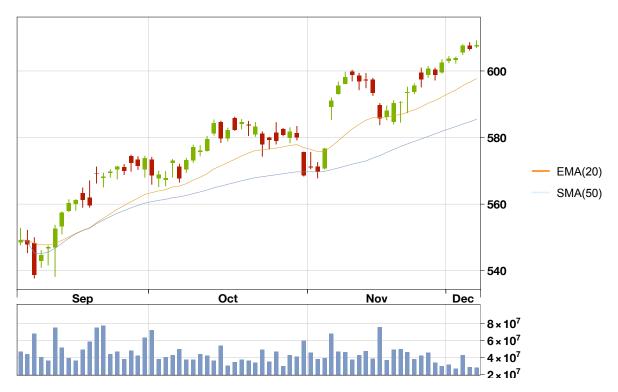
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - SLV - iShares Silver Trust - C:28.25

Fri. 12-06-2024 - SONY - Sony Group Corporation - C:20.94



Fri. 12-06-2024 - SPY - SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust - C:607.81



0.7 0.6 0.5 EMA(20) SMA(50) 0.4 0.3 Sep Oct Nov Dec 2×10<sup>7</sup> - 1 × 10<sup>7</sup>

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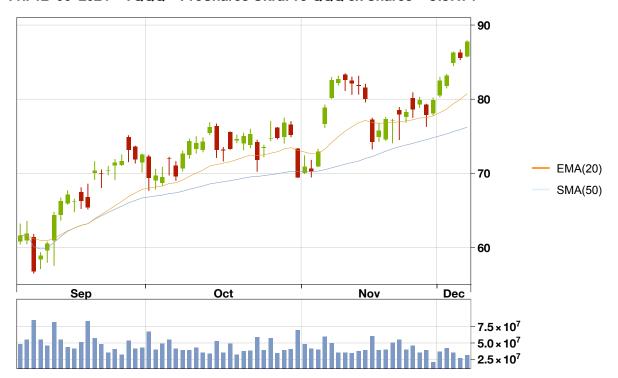
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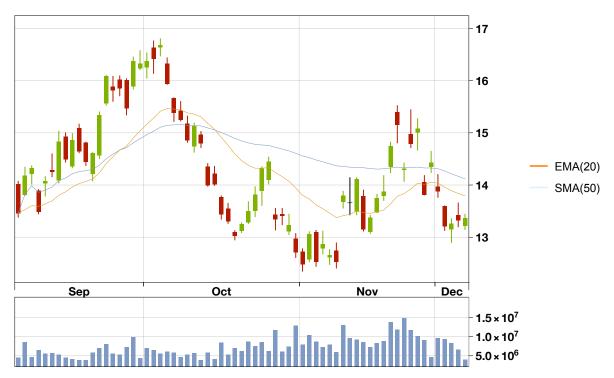
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Fri. 12-06-2024 - TQQQ - ProShares UltraPro QQQ 3x Shares - C:87.74



Fri. 12-06-2024 - UNG - United States Natural Gas Fund - C:13.37



Dec

1.5 × 10<sup>7</sup>  $-1.0 \times 10^{7}$ 5.0 × 10<sup>6</sup>

Nov

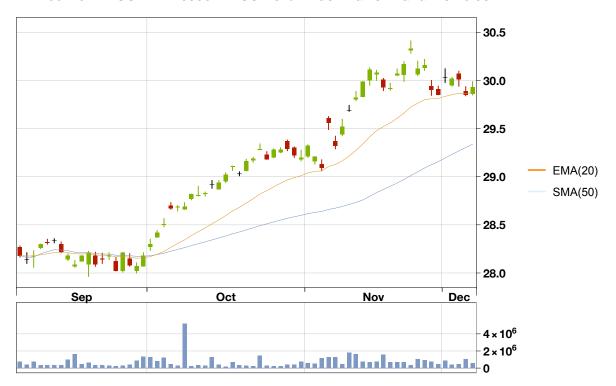
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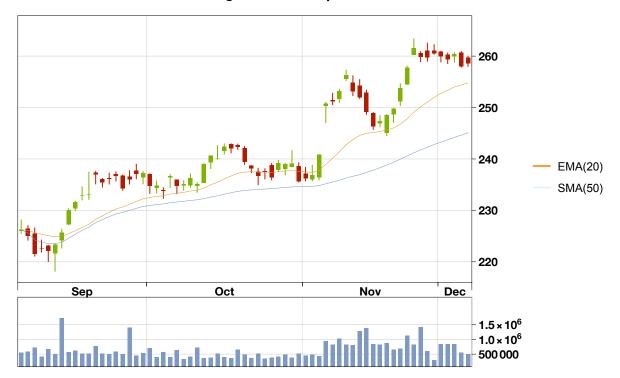
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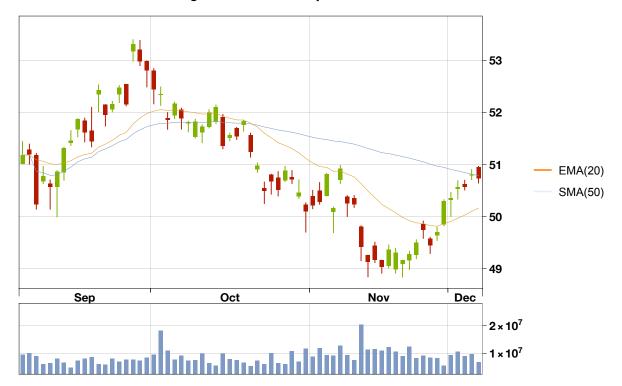
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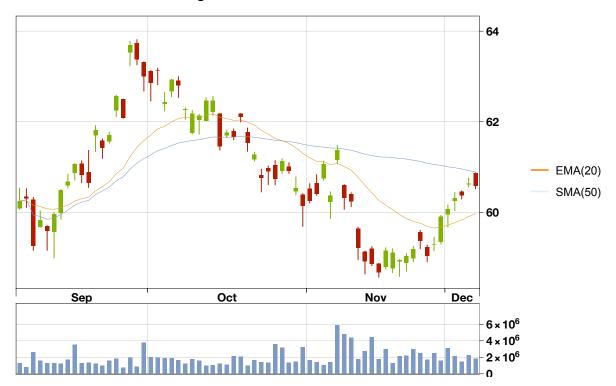
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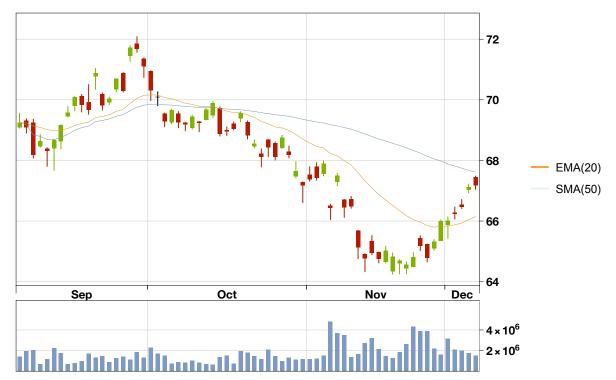
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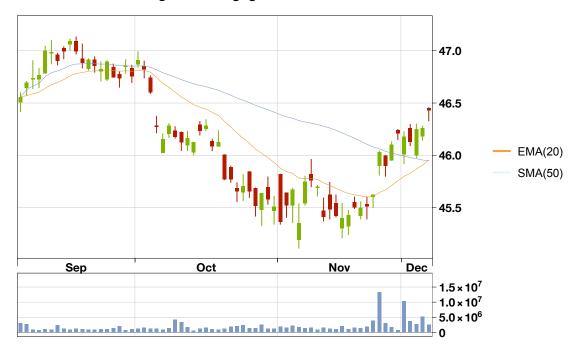
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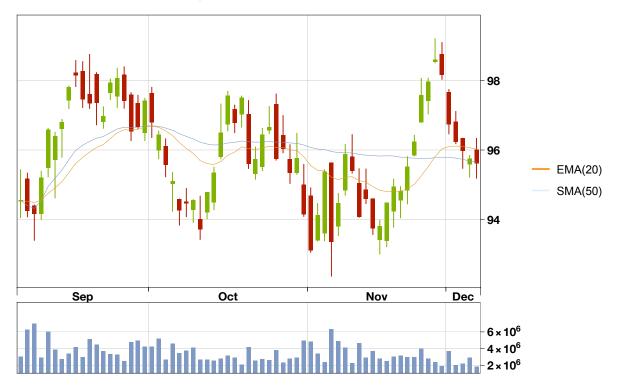
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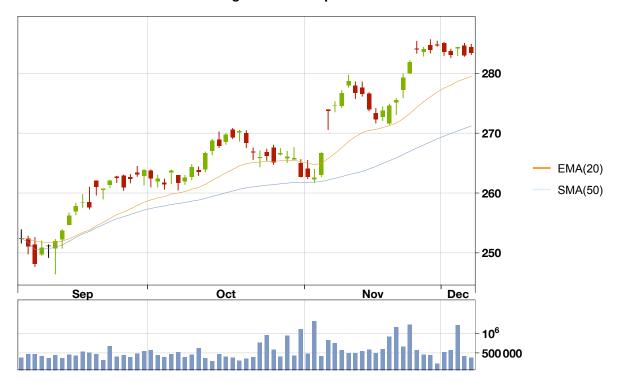
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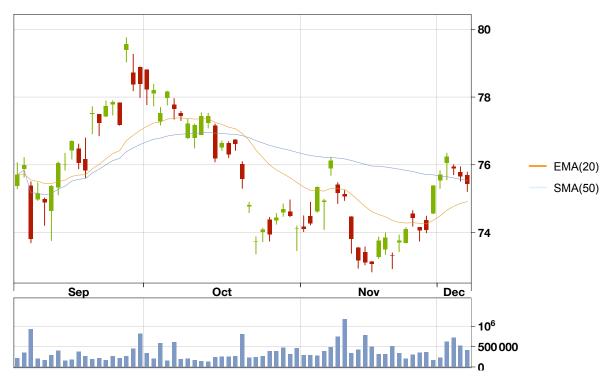
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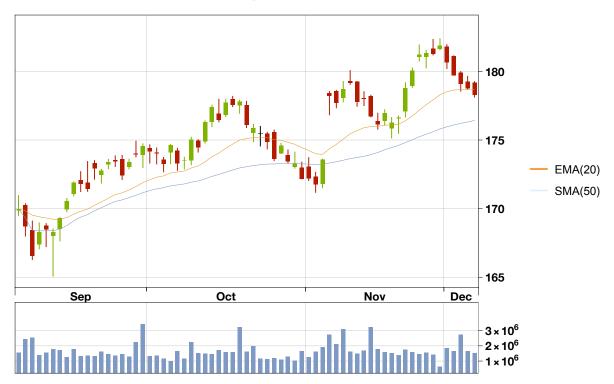
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420 400 EMA(20)

380

360

2×10<sup>6</sup>

Dec

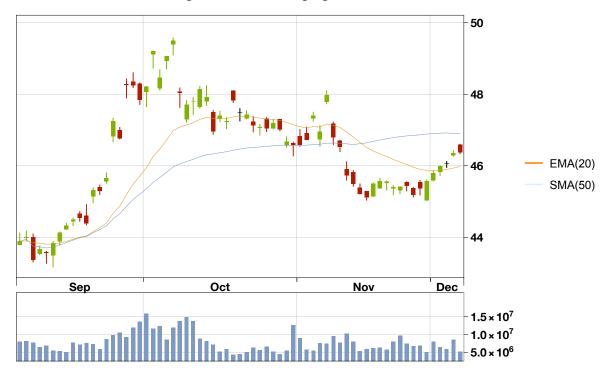
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SMA(50)

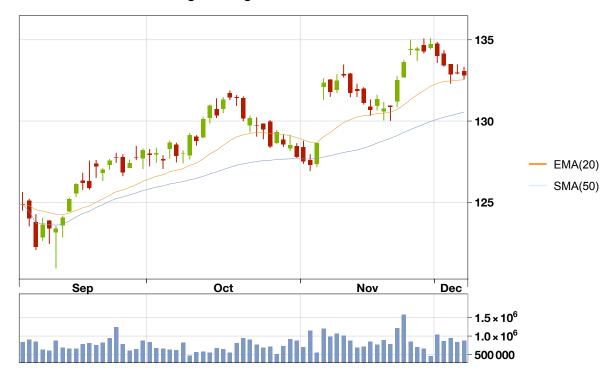
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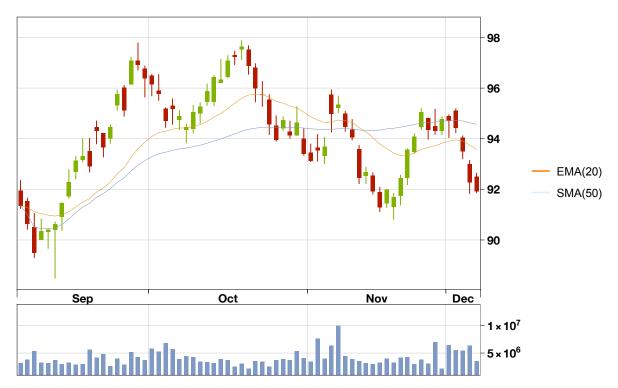
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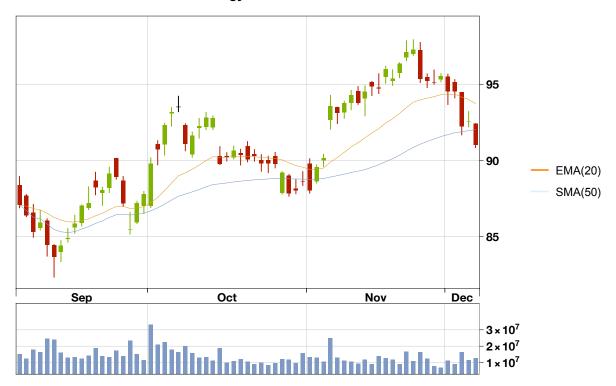
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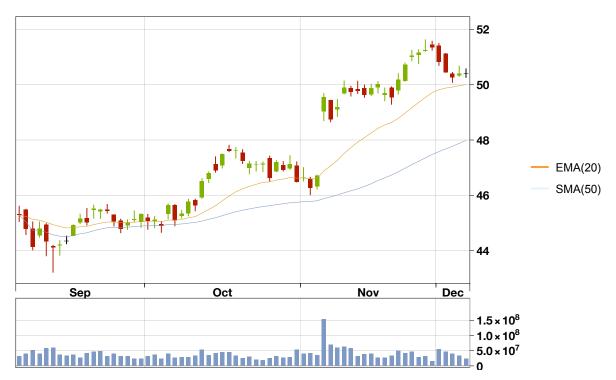




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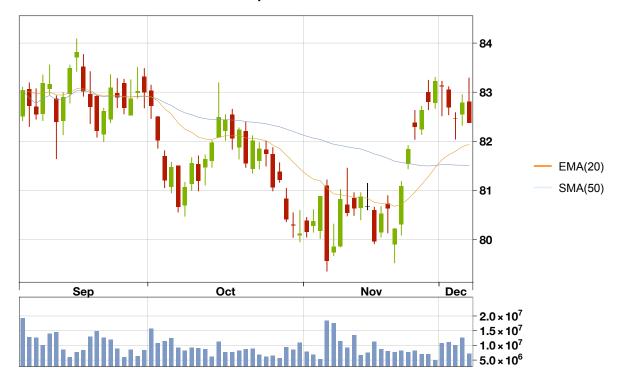
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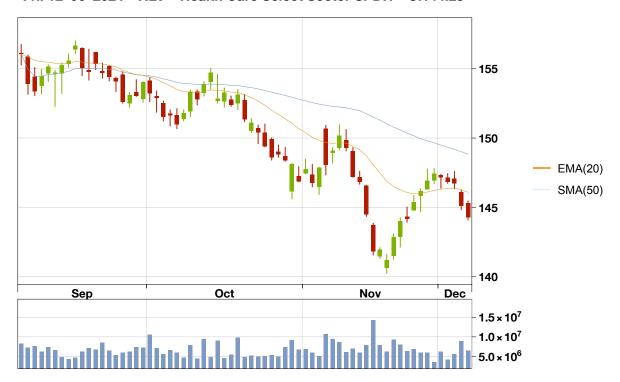
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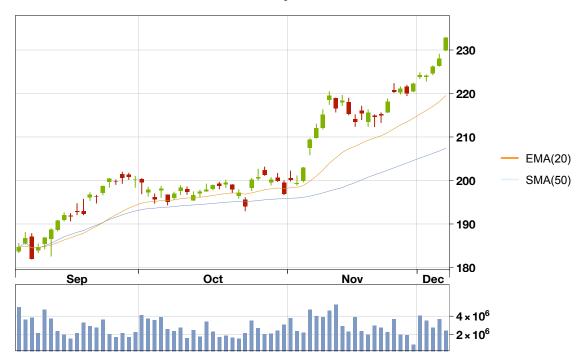
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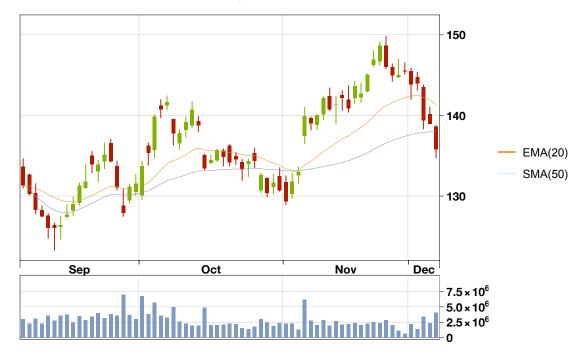
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## **Bear Market Statistics**

## NASDAQ Bear Market Data

| Start      | End        | % Change | Days |
|------------|------------|----------|------|
| 01/11/1973 | 10/03/1974 | -59.9    | 630  |
| 09/13/1978 | 11/14/1978 | -20.4    | 62   |
| 02/08/1980 | 03/27/1980 | -24.9    | 48   |
| 05/29/1981 | 08/13/1982 | -28.8    | 441  |
| 06/24/1983 | 07/25/1984 | -31.5    | 397  |
| 08/26/1987 | 10/28/1987 | -35.9    | 63   |
| 10/09/1989 | 10/16/1990 | -33.0    | 372  |
| 07/20/1998 | 10/08/1998 | -29.5    | 80   |
| 03/10/2000 | 05/23/2000 | -37.3    | 74   |
| 07/17/2000 | 01/02/2001 | -46.4    | 169  |
| 01/24/2001 | 04/04/2001 | -42.7    | 70   |
| 05/22/2001 | 09/21/2001 | -38.5    | 122  |
| 01/04/2002 | 10/09/2002 | -45.9    | 278  |
| 10/31/2007 | 11/20/2008 | -54.0    | 386  |
| 01/06/2009 | 03/09/2009 | -23.2    | 62   |
| 08/29/2018 | 12/24/2018 | -23.6    | 117  |
| 02/19/2020 | 03/23/2020 | -30.1    | 33   |
| 11/22/2021 | 06/16/2022 | -32.9    | 206  |
|            | Average    | -35.5    | 201  |
|            | Median     | -33.0    | 120  |

### **S&P Bear Market Data**

| Start      | End        | % Change | Days |
|------------|------------|----------|------|
| 09/07/1929 | 11/13/1929 | -44.67   | 67   |
| 04/10/1930 | 12/16/1930 | -44.29   | 250  |
| 02/24/1931 | 06/02/1931 | -32.86   | 98   |
| 06/27/1931 | 10/05/1931 | -43.10   | 100  |
| 11/09/1931 | 06/01/1932 | -61.81   | 205  |
| 09/07/1932 | 02/27/1933 | -40.60   | 173  |
| 07/18/1933 | 10/21/1933 | -29.75   | 95   |
| 02/06/1934 | 03/14/1935 | -31.81   | 401  |
| 03/06/1937 | 03/31/1938 | -54.50   | 390  |
| 11/09/1938 | 04/08/1939 | -26.18   | 150  |
| 10/25/1939 | 06/10/1940 | -31.95   | 229  |
| 11/09/1940 | 04/28/1942 | -34.47   | 535  |
| 05/29/1946 | 05/17/1947 | -28.78   | 353  |
| 06/15/1948 | 06/13/1949 | -20.57   | 363  |
| 08/02/1956 | 10/22/1957 | -21.63   | 446  |
| 12/12/1961 | 06/26/1962 | -27.97   | 196  |
| 02/09/1966 | 10/07/1966 | -22.18   | 240  |
| 11/29/1968 | 05/26/1970 | -36.06   | 543  |
| 01/11/1973 | 10/03/1974 | -48.20   | 630  |
| 11/28/1980 | 08/12/1982 | -27.11   | 622  |
| 08/25/1987 | 12/4/1987  | -33.51   | 101  |
| 03/24/2000 | 09/21/2001 | -36.77   | 546  |
| 01/04/2002 | 10/09/2002 | -33.75   | 278  |
| 10/09/2007 | 11/20/2008 | -51.93   | 408  |
| 01/06/2009 | 03/09/2009 | -27.62   | 62   |
| 02/19/2020 | 03/23/2020 | -33.92   | 33   |
| 01/03/2022 | 10/12/2022 | -25.4    | 282  |
|            | Average    | -35.2    | 289  |
|            | Median     | -33.5    | 250  |

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The Little Book that Beats the Market, Joel Greenblatt



Mastering the Market Cycle, Howard Marks



Nonviolent Communication: A Language of Life: Life - Changing Tools for Healthy Relationships



On Intelligence, Jeff Hawkins



The Only Three Questions That Count, Ken Fisher



The Psychology of Money



Reminiscences of a Stock Operator, Edwin Lefèvre

# **Reading List Continued**



Superforecasting: The Art and Science of Prediction, Philip E. Tetlock and Dan Gardner



Thinking, Fast and Slow, Daniel Kahneman



Virus of the Mind : The New Science of the Meme, Richard Brodie

## Definitions, Explanations, and Disclaimers

Notebook's purpose - The objective of presenting the information in this notebook is to communicate general market conditions and other information that may assist individuals in understanding the "state" of the market or the economy or both. The notebook is **NOT** intended to convey a message that any of the performance figures contained herein for any instrument or model are achievable investment performance by clients. Furthermore, the instruments contained herein may or may not be part of individual client portfolios. Nothing herein should be considered to represent an actual investment model or other actual investment or corresponding investment return. The entire notebook should be considered general information only.

**Year to date total returns** - The percentage return from the close of trading on the last day of the previous calendar year through the close of the last trading day to date as listed in the notebook time stamp. The percentage change is the cumulative fractional change in adjusted daily share prices. Share prices are adjusted for stock splits and dividends. The returns are not adjusted for commissions or advisory fees. Certain instruments may capture or include internal fund expenses and certain others may not. The underlying data at the notebook level, is sourced from Wolfram via a formula call within Wolfram Mathematica. Wolfram does not acknowledge specifically which market data vendor the data comes from. It should be assumed that the data may be sourced from multiple underlying vendors and that the return results could be different from one formula call to the next. The implication is that the return figures may differ from those published by other sources. This may be a result of time-period discrepancies, or because different firms employ different methods for calculating total return. For example, some services assume reinvestment of all dividends at month-end prices. Further more, when data is not available from Wolfram or becomes unreliable, data from other vendors may be used. An example of such a vendor is eodhistoricaldata.com.

**Trend** - The price trend of the stock correlated closely with "traditional" point and figure charting methodology. The subject of point and figure charting is expansive. Point and figure charts are drawn without regard to time. New information is plotted only with movement in price. It is proposed that point and figure charts can be used as a gauge of the supply and demand underlying a particular instrument. A great number of books and research exist in regard to point and figure charting. In this usage, a green upward pointing trend arrow most often correlates with whether a particular instrument is in a column of Xs or is in an up trend on a "traditional" point and figure chart. A red downward pointing trend arrow most often correlates with whether a particular instrument is in a column of Os or in a down trend on a "traditional" point and figure chart. Point and figure charting methodologies can vary significantly so please note that there is no guarantee that the trends represented in this report will match any particular methodology. That being said, effort was made to achieve correlation with common traditional scaling methodologies.

**Change in Trend** - It can be useful to have an indication of when a trend may be changing. A change in trend indication within this notebook certainly does not guarantee a trend is actually reversing, rather it is an indication that an instrument may be at an inflection point. Instruments undergoing a possible change in trend are good candidates for additional study.

Strength vs. XXX - Strength is a measure of relative strength of one instrument verses another. Understanding when one instrument is essentially outperforming another can be useful. Relative strength is derived by dividing the price data of one instrument by another. In this case, a filter is applied based on the point and figure methodology using a percentage of out-performance rather than a standard box size to determine whether an instrument is out-performing, neutral, or underperforming another. It should be noted that the bond performance section uses a smaller percentage change filter as compared to the rest of the notebook.

All Tradable Instruments - All the instruments in the list are tradable. Some of the instruments represent indices, but in tradable form. In some cases, the value or movement of a tradable instrument will trade differently and diverge from the value of the index it represents. Some of the instruments are cap weighted and some are equal weighted, thus one needs to pay attention to the nature of the instrument. Just because an instrument is tradable does not mean it should be traded. ETFs and ETNs can discontinue trading for many reasons including volatile market conditions. Discontinued trading, especially in thinly traded ETFs or ETNs, is a significant concern.

What is Missing is Important - The selected instruments and their organization are intended to communicate performance and provide an efficiently used, overarching picture of the investment and trading landscape. In this respect, what is missing is as important as what is included. This document is not intended to be an all encompassing review of the set of all tradable instruments. It is intended to give the reader a way to briefly evaluate the landscape and possibly identify opportunities or areas for further research.

**List of Selected Instruments** - The list of selected instruments is simply a list of instruments we are interested in tracking. Some are client portfolio elements and some are not. There is nothing special about this list and it is definitely not a portfolio unto itself, nor is it a strategy. It is just an arbitrary list.

Portfolio or Aggregate Returns - When returns are listed for a mix of instruments or for a portfolio of instruments, the returns are simply the returns as stated in "Year to Date Total Returns" weighted for the percentage or fraction of the total portfolio or mix that each instrument contributes at the time listed in the notebook timestamp. This method does not measure the growth of a sum of money as invested from the beginning of the year to the date listed in the notebook timestamp. This method does not allow for re-balancing and indeed re-balancing has not been accomplished. Portfolio or aggregate returns do not represent in any way, actual returns and should not be considered a model for any investment.

Value Factor Candidate Stocks - This is a list of roughly 40 stocks passing a quality and value factor screen. This screen was inspired by Joel Greenblatt using some of the elements of the strategy outlined in his book, "The Little Book That Beats the Market". Be aware that the screen is not a strategy. Stocks passing the screen may not be in any way suitable for any portfolio. Holding individual stocks in a retirement portfolio likely increases the risk of said portfolio. The pool of stocks screened is much smaller than the universe of all stocks. Occasionally, the data used to perform the screen may be older than the most recent data available. The bulk of fundamental data used in performing the screen is normally sourced from simfin.com and/or intrinio.com, however, the source of the data can be changed at any time without notice.

Economic Indicators - The economic indicators section contains a collection of economic indicator data displayed as angular gauges. The bulk of the data is sourced from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Federal Reserve Economic Database or FRED for short. The Leading Economic Indicator data is sourced from The Conference Board. The green, yellow, and red color bands displayed on the gauges are arbitrarily placed and may or may not indicate anything of significance. The purpose of including the indicators in the notebook is both to communicate the individual data points in a concise manner and to possibly provide hints or indications as to when risk in the market is increasing. There is no guarantee whatsoever that the indicators contained in the economic indicator section can predict when risk in the market is increasing.

Altman Z Score - Altman's Z-Score model is a numerical measurement that is used to predict the chances of a business going bankrupt in the next two years. The model was developed by American finance professor Edward Altman in 1968 as a measure of the financial stability of companies. According to the classical interpretation of the Z-score, the lower the Z-score, the higher the odds that a company is heading for bankruptcy. A Z-score that is lower than 1.8 means that the company could be in financial distress and with a higher than average probability of going bankrupt. On the other hand, a score of 3 and above means that the company may be in a safe zone and is less likely than average to file for bankruptcy. A score of between 1.8 and 3 may mean that the company is in a grey area and may have a moderate chance of filing for bankruptcy.

**FS Score** - The FS score is based upon a suggested improvement to the Piotroski F-score suggested in an article by Alpha Architect. The Piotroski F-score is a number between 0 and 9 which is used to assess strength of company's financial position. The FS score, is a modification to the original F-score which is intended to improve the usefulness of the score. The FS score in this notebook is calculated in a similar fashion to the FS score proposed by Alpha Architect. Term "Data" in the FS score column indicates that there was insufficient data available to complete the calculation.

**Links** - Links to interesting internet destinations. Nothing in the links section should be considered an endorsement or recommendation to buy anything. Links are provided because the destinations are considered interesting or useful to readers.

**Reading List** - A simple reading list. Not necessarily investment related.

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Generally speaking, the year to date total return figures in this notebook are intended as a regurgitation of % total return figures from other data vendors, ie Bloomberg "Year to Date" performance. The returns do not reflect the application of investment objectives or strategies, rather the data might be used along with other data to inform on the creation of investment objectives and strategies. Objectives and strategies should be tailored to specific investors and nothing in this notebook should be considered to be tailored to any investor.

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