

Principal Edge Equity Income

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Strategy description

The strategy seeks a relatively high level of current income and long-term growth of income and capital by investing primarily in the common stocks of U.S. large-cap companies.

Strategy facts

Manager: Principal Edge

Inception: 1 August 2000

Index: Russell 1000 Value Index

Available vehicles¹: CIT, IMA, Model-Only, SMA, U.S. Mutual Fund

Targeted number of holdings²: 50-80

Expected turnover²: 15-25%

Key differentiators

- **Growers, not just payers.** Dividend growers and payers have historically had higher returns with less risk than non-dividend paying stocks.
- **Powered by great companies.** A quality-first mentality removes subpar operators, helping to avoid value traps.
- **Sector neutral approach.** Helps mitigate risk and relies on stock selection not sector bets to drive excess returns.

Portfolio management

Daniel R. Coleman

45 years' experience

Nedret E. Vidinli, CFA

28 years' experience

Sarah E. Radecki, CFA

28 years' experience

Investment philosophy

We invest in companies that we believe are high-quality with competitive advantages, financial strength, shareholder-oriented management teams, and a strong or improving profitability. We focus on quality first, have the patience to invest at attractive valuations, and maintain a long-term investment horizon.

Composite performance (%)

	3M	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	Performance Start (1 August 2000)
Principal Edge Equity Income (gross)	8.15	20.58	7.47	10.76	10.19	9.91
Principal Edge Equity Income (net)	8.02	19.99	6.93	10.25	9.72	9.38
Russell 1000 Value Index	8.99	20.27	8.10	10.30	9.00	8.58

Calendar year returns (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Principal Edge Equity Income (gross)	13.24	-3.38	16.16	21.61	-4.55	29.61	7.03	22.97	-10.04	11.67
Principal Edge Equity Income (net)	12.79	-3.77	15.69	21.12	-4.93	29.09	6.59	22.38	-10.49	11.12
Russell 1000 Value Index	13.45	-3.83	17.34	13.66	-8.27	26.54	2.80	25.16	-7.54	11.46

Source: Principal Global Investors.

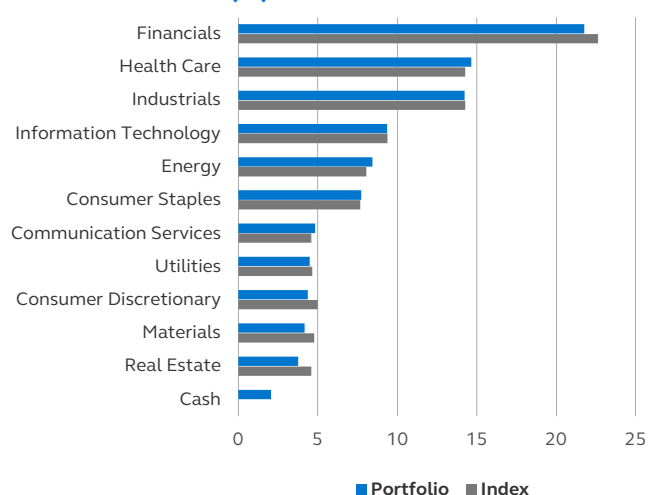
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¹Not all vehicles are available to investors in all jurisdictions.

²Investment guidelines are subject to change.

Top 10 holdings (%)³

	Location	Sector	Portfolio	Index	Active weight ⁴
1 Jpmorgan Chase & Co.	United States	Financials	3.3	2.6	0.6
2 Marathon Petroleum Corporation	United States	Energy	3.1	0.3	2.7
3 Parker-Hannifin Corporation	United States	Industrials	3.0	0.3	2.7
4 Kkr & Co Inc	United States	Financials	3.0	0.2	2.7
5 Blackrock, Inc.	United States	Financials	2.7	0.6	2.1
6 Morgan Stanley	United States	Financials	2.6	0.5	2.1
7 Merck & Co., Inc.	United States	Health Care	2.5	1.3	1.3
8 Costco Wholesale Corporation	United States	Consumer Staples	2.5	—	2.5
9 Paccar Inc	United States	Industrials	2.4	0.3	2.1
10 Trane Technologies Plc	United States	Industrials	2.4	0.2	2.2

Sector allocation (%)³Portfolio characteristics^{3,5}

	Portfolio	Index
Market cap (weighted average)	\$243.9B	\$158.4B
Sales growth (trailing 5-year CAGR)	7.45	6.07
Turnover – last 12 months ⁶	13.1%	-
Active share ⁷	79.3%	-
Number of holdings	66	846
Dividend yield (weighted average)	2.38	2.12
Beta	0.95	1.00
Price/earnings – last 12 months	23.14	21.78
Operating margin (trailing 5-year average)	18.48	17.53
Return on capital (trailing 5-year average)	12.79	10.77

Composite risk statistics (gross)⁶

	3YR	5YR
Sharpe ratio	0.28	0.48
Standard deviation	17.12	18.31
Information ratio	-0.21	0.14
Tracking error	3.10	3.26

³ Source: FactSet. Characteristics and weightings shown are of the representative portfolio. FactSet data is subject to revision over time, which may result in slight differences among data points reported during the same period.

⁴ Portfolio security weight minus the benchmark security weight.

⁵ Yields and yield related characteristics shown are only one component of performance or expected performance and are not and should not be viewed as a statement of the current or future performance of the strategy. See the gross and net performance of the strategy.

⁶ Source: Principal Global Investors.

⁷ A measure of the proportion of stock weights in a manager's portfolio that differ from the index.

Due to rounding, figures and percentages shown may not add to the total or equal 100%. The index benchmarks are referred to for comparative purposes only and are not necessarily intended to parallel the risk or investment approach of the portfolios included in the composites and the methods of calculating performance of the composite and the index may not be identical.

Investment process overview

Seek quality companies at attractive valuations

Screen for profitable companies

- Revenue growth > industry and GDP
- Return on invested capital > weighted average cost of capital
- Positive free cash flow

Identify “Good Companies” from industry review

- **Competitive advantage.** Brand, patents, barriers to entry, location, etc.
- **Complexity.** Number and relatedness of businesses
- **Financial strength.** Variability of operating margins and strength of balance sheet
- **Potential for profitability change.** Is there a meaningful inflection up or down over our 5-year horizon
- **Shareholder friendliness.** History of increasing dividends, buying back stock at attractive prices or making accretive acquisitions

Portfolio construction and risk management

- Monitor buy list for attractive entry point
- Seek to purchase companies when there has been company or industry specific dislocation and then own for years
- Sector neutral approach focuses team on stock selection within each sector to drive results
- Utilize BarraOne® for risk management oversight

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