Managed Yield Private Portfolio



Management Philosophy

The Managed Yield Private Portfolio aims to provide investors with stable, tax efficient returns. It focuses on dividend paying securities. The objective of the fund is to provide long term returns in-line with a 'growth' benchmark while maintaining a reduced level of volatility. This portfolio will:

- > Focus on value oriented Canadian & global equities
- > Diversify using exchange traded & closed end funds
- > Aim to capitalize on inefficiencies within the closed end market
- > Target tax efficient income generation
- > Only hold exchange listed securities

Top Holdings (52.6% of total portfolio)

Symbol	Description	Portfolio Weight	Income Yield
MSFT	MICROSOFT CORP	8.5%	0.8%
PMIF	PIMCO MONTHLY INCOME ETF	5.1%	5.8%
MFC	MANULIFE FINANCIAL CORP	5.1%	5.0%
FCIQ	FIDELITY INTL HIGH QUALITY IDX ETF	5.0%	0.5%
TGED	TD ACTIVE GLOBAL ENHANCED DIV ETF	4.9%	4.0%
RY	ROYAL BANK OF CANADA	4.9%	4.0%
HAB	HORIZONS ACTIVE CORP BOND ETF	4.8%	3.9%
ZCM	BMO MID CORP BOND IDX ETF	4.8%	4.0%
MUB	MACKENZIE UNCONSTRAINED BOND ETF	4.8%	5.5%
NPRF	NBI ACTIVE CDN PREFERRED SHARES ETF	4.7%	5.6%

Portfolio Performance

	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception
Performance*	7.1%	3.7%	6.9%	6.1%	7.1%	8.1%
Benchmark	7.8%	5.5%	12.2%	5.0%	7.9%	7.6%

Portfolio Information

Inception	April 1, 2012
Portfolio Income Yield	4.7%
Distributions Made	\$10,350
Initial Investment	\$40,000
Quarter End Valuation	\$82,283
Portfolio Manager	John (Jay) D. Nash, BA, CIM®, FCSI®

Composition of the benchmark: NBFWM Growth Benchmark is composed of 5% 91-Day Government of Canada T-Bills; 30% FTSE TMX Canada Universe, 22% S&P/TSX TR, 22%; S&P 500 \$CAD TR Index; 11% MSCI EAFE TR Index; & 10% Alternative (made up of hedge funds, global infrastructure & gold)

^{*}Returns presented are before management fees; Figures beyond 1 year are annualized.

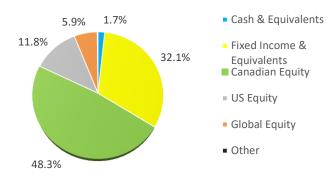


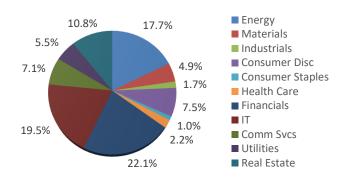


⁻ All reported data presented includes the cash balance set aside and available for investment in securities within the private portfolio. NBF statements exclude cash amounts from listed holdings in the section dedicated to the private portfolio.

Asset Allocation

Industry Weightings





Management Commentary

The markets turned sharply higher in late October rewarding investors and bringing 2023 to a positive finish. High yielding income and equity positions did especially well, and the Managed Yield experienced a 7% rebound for the quarter. Central Banks appear to be done raising rates and are likely to start cutting in 2024. It is our expectation that trailing 12-month inflationary data in Canada and the U.S. may come in higher than expected in January resulting in some level of market pullback. However, without a global event we would view any pullback in equity or increase in bond yields as an opportunity to add to positions.

We expect 2024 to shift to disinflation (*lower inflation levels*) with the potential of deflation (*negative inflation*) readings in the late months of the year. The odds of additional interest rate increases are extremely low.

Changes in the last quarter were minor and focused on adding to high yield positions. The Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) sector looks especially oversold and our position in H&R REIT (HR.UN) was increased to take advantage of this.

Transactions

Added	Increased	Decreased	Removed
None	Canso Credit Income (PBY.UN)	Open Text (OTEX)	None
	H&R REIT (HR.UN)	Fidelity International High Quality ETF (FCIQ)	







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