

PERFORMANCE (AS OF 06/30/2024)

	2Q 2024	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Inception
Eco Leaders® (Gross)	-0.66%	9.31%	16.90%	2.37%	12.14%	12.76%	9.02%
Eco Leaders® (Net)	-0.84%	8.91%	16.06%	1.65%	11.38%	11.97%	7.93%
Russell 3000® Growth	7.80%	19.90%	32.22%	10.33%	18.55%	15.75%	7.72%
S&P 500®	4.28%	15.29%	24.56%	10.01%	15.05%	12.86%	7.77%

Periods greater than one year are annualized. Inception Date: 05/31/2000.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Russell 3000 Growth rose nearly 8 percent during the quarter, led primarily by its largest constituents and masking the fact that more than half the index's constituents declined
- Strategy was flat in 2Q; in the short-term, being underweight the companies benefiting most from the AI hardware boom is proving a major headwind to relative performance
- The equity market likely needs to broaden beyond the largest six companies to advance further, presenting an opportunity for a true all cap portfolio to perform well going forward

MARKET COMMENTARY

On the surface, the first six months of 2024 appeared to be a utopia for investors. The S&P 500 returned more than 15 percent with very little volatility, despite the Federal Reserve not cutting interest rates and with inflation remaining stubbornly elevated. These impressive returns, however, masked some underlying warning signs. Despite the overall index posting strong returns, the majority of stocks in the S&P 500 declined in the second quarter. The market's gains were driven almost exclusively by the six largest stocks, which have been fueled by enthusiasm about artificial intelligence.

The Russell 3000 Growth index displayed an even starker dichotomy. Thanks to the mega caps, the Information Technology and Communication Services sectors were responsible for the entirety of the index's 7.8 percent return in the second quarter. The median stock in the benchmark, on the other hand, was down 5 percent, and 61 percent of the index's constituents declined. Remarkably, even with the Russell 3000 Growth up nearly 20 percent in the first half of the year, this pattern is the same year-to-date. The median stock has declined more than 2 percent, and 54 percent of the index's holdings are down in 2024.

PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

The Riverbridge Eco Leaders® strategy declined just under 1 percent net of fees in the second quarter, trailing the 7.8 percent return of its primary benchmark, the Russell 3000 Growth index, and the 4.3 percent return of the S&P 500 index. Year-to-date, the

strategy has returned approximately 9 percent net of fees against the Russell 3000 Growth's nearly 20 percent surge.

In the same way the market's largest constituents drove the index's returns, the mega caps had a significant impact on the Eco Leaders® strategy's relative returns in the second quarter. Though we hold positions in seven of the Russell 3000 Growth index's 10 largest constituents, those companies represented 28 percent of the portfolio's total weight at the end of the second quarter. Meanwhile, the Russell 3000 Growth's 10 largest holdings currently account for 56 percent of the index's total value. This dynamic explained more than a quarter of the strategy's relative underperformance in the second quarter.

Given the outsize influence of the mega caps, it is helpful to dig below the surface of the strategy's performance relative to the broader index. As noted above, the median stock in the Russell 3000 Growth index declined 5 percent in the second quarter, and 61 percent of constituents experienced a negative return. The Eco Leaders® strategy held 43 companies for the entirety of the quarter; our median holding declined 0.5 percent, with 51 percent experiencing a negative return. Similarly, year-to-date, while only 46 percent of stocks in the Russell 3000 Growth index have positive returns, 51 percent of the Eco Leaders portfolio's holdings have risen. This fact pattern indicates that the strategy's underperformance over both time periods was primarily the result of not owning the small handful of big winners in the same proportion as the benchmark, rather than a disproportionate number of our holdings struggling.

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At the sector level, Information Technology and Health Care were the strategy's largest relative performance detractors in the second quarter. In both, the portfolio was hurt by our preference for software and services business models, which broadly underperformed.

This could be seen acutely in the Life Sciences Tools & Services and Health Care Technology industries in Health Care, areas where the strategy is overweight that declined during the period. Longtime holding West Pharmaceutical Services (WST), the global leader of packaging components and delivery systems for injectable medical products, delivered good earnings but saw its stock retreat as it continues to manage through industry-wide customer de-stocking trends. In our view, the company is executing well despite this short-term inventory dynamic and remains well positioned to benefit from the shift to more specialized and complex drugs, for which West provides higher margin proprietary products.

On the other side, Heico (HEI) was the strategy's largest contributor to relative performance in the quarter. Heico is a manufacturer of after-market replacement parts for the airline industry. The FAA mandates replacement of all parts on an aircraft on a fixed schedule based on the number of miles flown; Heico sells their approved parts to airlines at a significant cost savings to the original equipment manufacturers, and as such often become the sole supplier of parts consumed consistently over decades. Record travel demand has increased the demand for their products, and a recent acquisition has provided fruitful synergies.

TRANSACTION COMMENTARY

The Riverbridge Investment Team purchased one new position in the Eco Leaders® strategy during the second quarter – Tesla (TSLA). We took the opportunity to initiate a position after the recent pullback in its stock price, as we believe the company has opened a lead in electric vehicles (EVs) that will be hard for traditional automakers to catch. Tesla's cost advantages are difficult to replicate across materials, batteries, and manufacturing, as evidenced by competitors' recent pullback on EV investments. It is also at the forefront of autonomous vehicles, with Full-Self Driving presenting the opportunity for meaningful recurring revenue that will make the business model more predictable and less cyclical going forward.

OUTLOOK

To advance further, the market will likely need to broaden beyond the six largest companies, as they possess both lofty valuations and lofty expectations. If history is any guide, narrow, speculative

markets tend not to persist for more than a few quarters. On a relative basis, a shift in leadership would likely be a boon for small and mid cap franchises.

The November election also injects elements of uncertainty into the markets. The election results will influence many elements of the economy that impact investor expectations, including the regulatory climate, monetary policy, and trading policies.

Regardless of the voluminous factors that promise to shape market returns in the second half of 2024, the Riverbridge Investment Team remains steadfast in its investment philosophy, which is centered on investing in companies possessing high degrees of recurring revenue while internally financing their growth. More importantly, we seek management teams that are prioritizing long-term earnings power over short-term reported earnings. Our portfolio companies continue to invest to strengthen their strategic market positions. We believe this focus on earnings power creates the foundation for compelling returns over a full market cycle.

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PURCHASES 2Q 2024

Security	Sector	Rationale
Tesla, Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	Dominant electric vehicle manufacturer with a head start on traditional automakers and durable competitive advantages in batteries, manufacturing, and autonomous driving capabilities.

SALES 2Q 2024

Security	Sector	Rationale
There are no liquidated securities.		

CONTRIBUTORS 2Q 2024

Security	Rationale
NVIDIA Corporation	Growth far exceeds expectations as cloud service providers increase CAPEX; governments around the world invest in "sovereign AI" as AI arms race accelerates.
Alphabet, Inc. Class A	Quarterly results in core advertising business healthy; generative AI in products and cloud services progresses.
HEICO Corporation	Record travel increases demand for products; synergies from Wencor acquisition exceeding expectations.
Tyler Technologies, Inc.	Steady execution as customers look for tech solutions indicates that the company is less susceptible to slowing enterprise spend with its vertical focus.
Microsoft Corporation	Strong quarterly results; AI applications continue to fuel Azure cloud business re-acceleration.

DETRACTORS 2Q 2024

Security	Rationale
CoStar Group, Inc.	Soft housing data dampens enthusiasm around Homes.com investment as a 2024 growth driver.
Five Below, Inc.	Lower-income consumers pull back on discretionary spend due to impact of inflation.
Veeva Systems, Inc.	Strong Q1 revenue & earnings beat overshadowed by conservative guidance due to elongated sales cycle; some overhang remains from Salesforce entrance into healthcare.
Fastenal Company	Slower than expected demand environment hurts quarterly results; however, growth outpaces the market as strategic initiatives continue to drive share gains.
Paycom Software, Inc.	Hiring headwinds amidst product (BETI) transition cause lower growth expectations for 2024.

ECO LEADERS® COMPOSITE

Year	Gross-of-Fee Return (%)	Net-of-Fee Return (%)	S&P 500® Return (%)	Russell 3000® Growth Return (%)	Portfolios	Dispersion (%)	Composite 3-Year Ex-Post Std. Dev.	S&P 500® 3-Year Ex-Post Std. Dev.	Russell 3000® Growth 3-Year Ex-Post Std. Dev.	Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	TTL Firm Assets (\$ Millions)	Advisory Only (\$Millions)	TTL Firm Assets & Advisory Only (\$Millions)
2023	32.84	31.89	26.29	41.21	23	0.39	20.50	17.29	20.34	43.9	7,429.2	4,432.2	11,861.5
2022	-29.37	-29.90	-18.11	-28.97	23	0.38	22.68	20.87	23.43	33.2	6,279.5	3,892.8	10,172.3
2021	10.57	9.86	28.71	25.85	25	0.17	17.25	17.17	18.27	57.5	9,408.0	6,149.6	15,557.6
2020	46.13	45.23	18.40	38.26	20	0.32	18.48	18.53	19.87	45.3	8,478.1	4,896.5	13,374.6
2019	33.75	32.89	31.49	35.85	23	0.31	13.31	11.93	13.20	29.7	5,378.3	2,633.2	8,011.5
2018	4.48	3.78	-4.38	-2.12	15	0.10	13.43	10.80	12.29	21.2	4,737.1	1,842.0	6,579.1
2017	24.26	23.35	21.83	29.59	15	0.41	10.69	9.92	10.62	22.3	5,047.9	1,791.1	6,839.0
2016	6.91	6.09	11.96	7.39	15	0.43	12.48	10.59	11.34	18.5	4,686.7	1,546.6	6,233.3
2015	5.00	4.22	1.38	5.09	18	0.23	11.86	10.48	10.80	18.7	5,030.8	1,202.4	6,233.2
2014	0.51	-0.16	13.69	12.44	17	0.40	11.99	8.97	9.74	18.5	5,523.2	1,215.6	6,738.8

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