

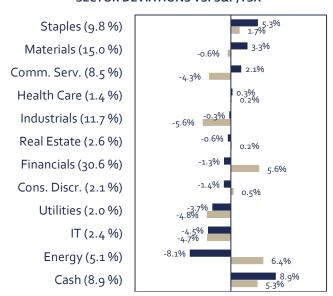
# Canadian Equities

Performance (CAD)										
Annualized (%)	3 months	,	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 yea	rs	10 years	Since in	ception
Hexavest Canada Macro Opportunities Composite	-28.12	-2	8.12	-22.17		-				-14.01
S&P TSX Capped Composite	-20.90	-2	0.90	-14.21		-				-8.70
VALUE ADDED	-7.22	-	7.22	-7.96						-5.31
Ten last years (%)	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018*	2019
Hexavest Canada Macro Opportunities Composite									-8.32	19.52
S&P TSX Capped Composite									-10.91	22.88
VALUE ADDED									2.59	-3.36

<sup>\*</sup> Since inception on August 31, 2018

## Positioning (Representative Account)

#### SECTOR DEVIATIONS VS. S&P/TSX



■ As of March 31, 2020 ■ As of December 31, 2019

#### **MARKET CAPITALIZATION**

	HEXAVEST	S&P/TSX
Weighted average (\$M)	60,464	43,974
o to \$1B	1.2%	1.5%
1 to \$10B	15.9%	18.3%
>\$10B	82.9%	80.2%

#### **PORTFOLIO METRICS**

	HEXAVEST	S&P/TSX
Price/earnings	13.4X	13.4X
Price/book	1.7X	1.5X
Dividend yield	3.0%	3.7%
Return on equity	13.9%	12.0%
Earnings growth	24.7%	25.8%

#### **TOP 10 STOCK HOLDINGS**

STOCK	COUNTRY	SECTOR	WEIGHT
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA	Canada	Financials	7.9%
TORONTO-DOMINION BANK	Canada	Financials	7.7%
BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA	Canada	Financials	5.7%
BCE	Canada	Comm. Serv.	3.6%
LOBLAW COMPANIES	Canada	Staples	3.5%
METRO	Canada	Staples	3.4%
BARRICK GOLD	Canada	Materials	3.2%
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY	Canada	Industrials	3.0%
WASTE CONNECTIONS	Canada	Industrials	2.8%
ENBRIDGE	Canada	Energy	2.6%

Market Outlook		
MACROECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT	VALUATION	SENTIMENT
	N	+

Our analysis of the global economy has prompted us to favor the scenario of a deep recession that will be extended by a cascade of payment defaults, corporate bankruptcies and permanent layoffs. Canada will not escape the downturn and could be more vulnerable given the country's high consumer and corporate debt load in addition to its large exposure to the energy sector. While the Canadian equity market appears cheap, trading at the 36<sup>th</sup> percentile of its historical range, it's mostly because earnings estimates have been slow to adjust and do not yet reflect the pandemic's impact. Beyond the current level of pessimism, we believe that contrarian opportunities are more likely to arise when our sentiment indicator's three- and six-month moving averages will also reach the pessimism zone. Investor sentiment could therefore remain pessimistic until the extent of the economic damage can be estimated adequately.

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## Summary

Benchmark S&P/TSX Capped

Value added objective 2% (4-year rolling periods)

Active risk 3% to 5%
Number of holdings 60 to 80
Currency management Active
Maximum foreign exposure 10%
Maximum cash exposure 10%

#### SECTOR DEVIATIONS VS. BENCHMARK

If weight < 10%: Min: 0% / Max: W + 10%

10% < weight < 20%: Min: W - 10% / Max: W + 10%

If weight > 20%: Min: W x 50% / Min of (W + 10%) or 35%

Separate accounts

First \$20 million:

Next \$30 million:

Next \$50 million:

> \$100 million:

#### **MANAGEMENT FEES**

#### Commingled vehicle

First \$10 million: 0.40%

Next \$30 million: 0.30%

> \$40 million: 0.20%

Administrative fees: 0.10%

(2019)

#### Chief Econom

0.50%

0.40%

0.30%

0.20%

# Investment Team



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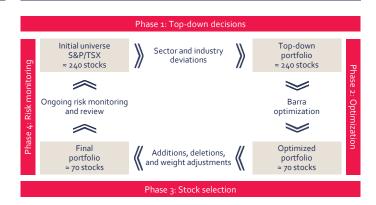
# Investment Approach

- Top-down, team-driven process
- Diversified sources of alpha
  - Sectors, industries, stocks
- Value bias with contrarian style
- Excel in volatile markets, with focus on downside protection
- Clearly defined process, applied for nearly 30 years

## Investment Process

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