Portfolio Design

Multi-manager portfolios designed to help clients stay invested through the ups & downs of market cycles, with a full range of risk-based models for advisors to match with client needs.

| | Active / Passive Blend | 3 Layers Of I Manageme | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Drawdown | % To Recover | Years To Recover | Upside Capture through | | | | | | | |
| 5% | 5.3% | 0.67 Downside Hedging | | | | | | | | |
| 10% 20% | 11.1% 25.0% | 1.37 2.90 | We believe the optimal portfolio is one an investor can stick | | | | | | | |
| 20% 30% 40% | 42.9% 66.7% | 4.63 6.64 | with, a fragile package in our hands to be taken from point A | | | | | | | |
| 40% 50% | 100.0% | 9.01 | to point B. Impact Series allocations are designed to produce what every investor wants, potential for growth & income | | | | | | | |
| | to minimize draw shorten the recov | | with defenses against their most feared risks. | | | | | | | |
| ource: Aptus Resear Assumes recovery = | | | We start with low-cost, high-quality exposure to primary asset | | | | | | | |
| ould not be interpreted as | n: Information presented above is actual performance of any investor's ncept of hedging during an assumed | account. These figures are entirely | classes, & build in alternative return opportunities & downside hedging through actively-managed ETF strategies. | | | | | | | |

Yield Plus Growth Framework

Returns can come from:

- Yield: Dividends + Interest
- Growth: Annualized Improvement
- Valuation: Changing Investor Appetite

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With bonds under pressure, we focus on capturing sustainable yield with the potential for growth.

Our selections from the asset class level all the way to the individual security level must pass a series of yield and growth filters to be considered.

| Decade | Yield | + Earnings + Growth + | Valuation /- Change | Annual Returns |
|-----------------------------|-------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1900s | 3.9% | 4.7% | 0.9% | 9.5% |
| 1910s | 4.2% | 2.0% | -2.9% | 3.4% |
| 1920s | 3.7% | 5.6% | 4.6% | 13.9% |
| 1930s | 3.1% | -5.7% | 1.6% | -1.0% |
| 1940s | 4.2% | 9.9% | -6.4% | 7.8% |
| 1950s | 4.1% | 3.9% | 10.1% | 18.1% |
| 1960s | 3.1% | 5.5% | -1.2% | 7.3% |
| 1970s | 3.4% | 9.9% | -8.0% | 5.3% |
| 1980s | 3.4% | 4.4% | 8.6% | 16.4% |
| 1990s | 1.7% | 7.7% | 8.2% | 17.6% |
| 2000s | 1.5% | 0.6% | -2.9% | -0.8% |
| 2010s | 1.9% | 10.6% | 2.5% | 15.0% |
| 2020s | 2.2% | 9.1% | 3.2% | 14.5% |
| Avg. Contribution to Return | 3.1% | 5.2% | 1.4% | 9.8% |
| % Contribution to Return | 31.8% | 53.7% | 14.4% | 100.0% |

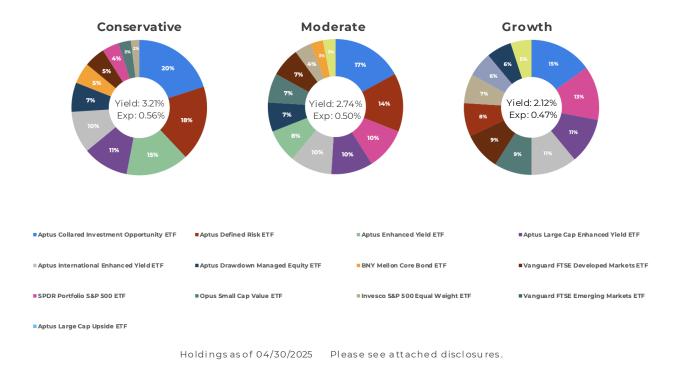
Source: Aptus Capital, John Bogle & Robert Shiller, Data as of 12/31/2024

Client-Specific Growth & Income Targets

Conservative Allocation: Designed with the primary objective of stability plus opportunity for appreciation. Reducing drawdown is the foundation, with lower exposure to traditional equities.

Moderate Allocation: Designed with flexibility to dynamically adjust exposure as risks & opportunities change. Balancing the reduction of both drawdown and longevity risk is the goal, designed to capture market returns while mitigating significant declines. Nearly half of the equity exposure contains some form of explicit hedging.

Growth Allocation: Designed to accumulate wealth through equities. Reduced drawdown remains a feature, but with a greater emphasis on reducing longevity risk by harnessing the compounding power of stocks.



Enhancing Outcomes

Your job is to help clients meet their goals. Part of that is capturing the compounding power of markets and part is making sure the path matches client expectations. How portfolios get from point A to point B matters.



Managing Risk

We lean on diversification, like any portfolio manager. But correlations can converge in a downturn, and bonds may not have quite the buffer they had when rates were higher. We manage risk for two primary reasons:



Performance

We're not here to try & beat the market. We're here to help your clients *get* the market, with less downside. We provide constant communication on why their allocation is sound, and in-line with their goals.

| Imp act Series Performance (as of 4/30/2025) | April | YTD | 1 Yr | 3 Yr | 5 Yr | Inception 1/1/2017 | Inception 1/1/2023* | Equities | Fixed | Hedged Eq. |
|---|--------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------|-------------|
| Aptus Impact Series: Preserve* | 0.00% | -0.44% | 8.44% | | | | 7.88% | 22% | 51% | 27% |
| iShares Allocation ETF 30:70 | 0.48% | 1.78% | 8.99% | 4.76% | 3.84% | 4.36% | 8.22% | 30% | 70% | O% |
| Aptus Impact Series : Conservative | 0.15% | -0.42% | 9.28 % | 5.23 % | 4.95 % | 5.50% | | 35% | 38% | 27 % |
| iShares Allocation ETF 40:60 | 0.57% | 1.58% | 9.35% | 5.61% | 5.29% | 5.29% | 9.36% | 40% | 60% | O% |
| Aptus Impact Series: Moderate | -0.01% | -0.86 % | 9.32% | 6.23% | 7.46% | 7.09% | | 50% | 25% | 25% |
| iShares Allocation ETF 60:40 | 0.52% | 0.96% | 10.07% | 7.09% | 7.96% | 6.97% | 11.65% | 60% | 40% | O% |
| Aptus Impact Series: Growth | -0.14% | -1.20% | 9.94% | 7.52 % | 9.07% | 8.34% | | 72 % | 8% | 20% |
| iShares Allocation ETF 80:20 | 0.50% | 0.35% | 10.71% | 8.63% | 10.57% | 8.64% | 13.63% | 80% | 20% | O% |
| Aptus Impact Series: Agg Growth* | -0.13% | -1.46% | 9.82% | | | | 13.75% | 85% | 0% | 15% |

*Official tracking for the Preserve and Aggressive Growth composites began 1/1/2023, to be distinguished from the 1/1/2017 start date for the Conservative, Moderate, and Growth composites.

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