

Al Powered US Equity Index 5

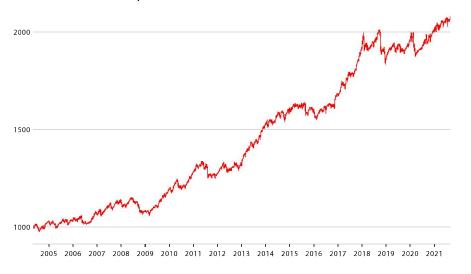


Monthly Performance Report - August 2021

About AiPEX5

The AI Powered US Equity Indexes are the first and only rules-based equity strategies to use IBM Watson's Artificial Intelligence ("AI") capabilities to turn data into investment insight. HSBC and San Francisco based asset manager EquBot have developed the AI Powered US Equity Index 5 ("AiPEX5"), a risk controlled, excess return index. AiPEX5 is comprised of approximately 250 U.S. publicly traded companies, selected monthly based on a 3-step equity selection process that utilizes objective artificial intelligence techniques to dynamically select the underlying constituents. The investment process is intended to provide growth through a variety of market conditions.

Index Return Summary: Historical & Simulated*



Index Overview

Website: aipex5.gbm.hsbc.com

Bloomberg Ticker: AIPEX5 Index

Geographical Focus: United States

Launch Date: 5/4/2020

Index Type: Excess Return

Index Sponsor: EquBot, Inc.

Index Calculation Agent: Solactive AG

Index Fee: 0.85% per year

Index Performance: Historical Simulated*

| 1 Month | 0.83% |
|---------------------------|---------|
| YTD | 3.58% |
| 1Y | 5.26% |
| 3Y | 4.05% |
| 5Y | 27.61% |
| 10Y | 63.26% |
| 10Y Annualized Volatility | 4.88% |
| 10Y Sharpe Ratio | 0.98 |
| Cumulative Return | 107.69% |
| | |

Top 10 Holdings: As of 8/31/2021

| | Index Weight(%) | Sector |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| FACEBOOK INC | 1.7% | Technology Services |
| COSTAR GROUP INC | 1.3% | Technology Services |
| PROCTER & GAMBLE CO | 1.2% | Consumer Non-Durables |
| CSX CORP | 1.0% | Transportation |
| DOMINION ENERGY INC | 1.0% | Utilities |
| WALMART INC | 1.0% | Retail Trade |
| SALESFORCE.COM INC | 0.9% | Technology Services |
| CONSTELLATION BRANDS INC CL A | 0.9% | Consumer Non-Durables |
| STARBUCKS CORP | 0.9% | Consumer Services |
| MCKESSON CORP | 0.8% | Distribution Services |
| Total | 10.6% | |

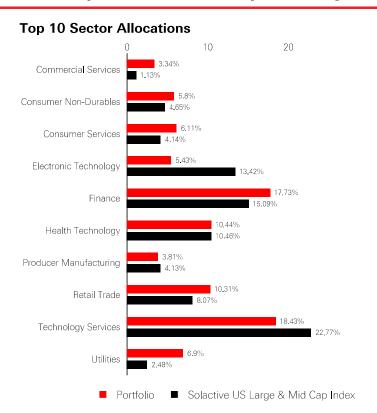
Annual Index Performance: Historical & Simulated*

| 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 201 | 4 20 | 15 201 | 6 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | |
|------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|------|
| 3.3% | -0.1% | 3.7% | 6.4% | -4.7% | 10.1% | 7.1% | -0.59 | % 4.0 | % 1 | 5.8% | 4.8% | -0.5% | 4.6% | 14.0% | -2.1% | 4.6% | 2.7% |

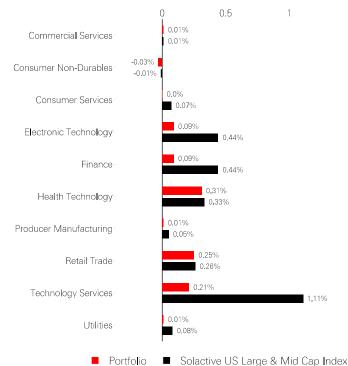
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Contributions to Return



Daily Risk Control Allocation - Historical Simulated*

| | As of 8/31/2021 | 3Y Average | 5Y Average | 10Y Average |
|------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Equity Portfolio | 38.14% | 28.67% | 37.02% | 35.83% |
| Cash | 61.86% | 71.33% | 62.98% | 64.17% |

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