

Second engine Liquid Alternative Indices

Quarterly Industry Report

Q2 2024

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Second engine Indices OVEFVIEW

The Second engine Liquid Alternative Indices were designed to provide accessible and timely information on Canada's liquid alternatives in an effort to bridge critical informational gaps, facilitating greater understanding and engagement within the Canadian alternative investment landscape. The indices consist of an aggregate index representing the overall liquid alternative market, along with a series of strategy-based and goal-based indices, for a total of 11 indices.



Objectives and Key Features

- Provide better understanding of the alternative universe and available investment options

Provide timely information for investors to stay up-to-date on the liquid alternative market

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Provide relevant peer groups to assess manager performance

Key Features

- Adhere to the CFA best practices for benchmarking¹
- Equal-weighting to minimize overconcentration risk
- Quarterly rebalancing and semi-annual reconstitution

¹ Index construction is consistent with the principles articulated in the 'Guidance Statement on Benchmarks for Firms' published by the CFA Institute in 2021.



Executive Summary – Q2 2024

Performance Highlights

- Most of the liquid alternative indices continued to deliver positive returns in the second quarter. The Second engine Liquid Alternative 35 Index[™] gained 1.4%, bringing its year-to-date performance to 5.1% and its one-year performance to 8.7%.
- The Second engine Equity Market Neutral Index[™] was the top performer among strategy-based indices, gaining 2.0% last quarter, followed by the Second engine Equity Long Short Index[™] with a 1.4% gain. The Second engine Event-Driven Index[™] faced a slight decline of 0.4%.
- All three goal-based indices posted positive returns, with the Second engine Diversifier 10 Index[™] leading at 1.9% in Q2, followed by the Second engine Equity Enhancer 10 Index[™] at 1.5% and the Second engine Fixed Income Enhancer 10 Index[™] at 1.3%.

Alternative Universe Flows

- In the second quarter, the Canadian liquid alternative strategies saw a net inflow of **\$1.8 billion**, bringing their total AUM to \$42.8 billion at the end of Q2.
- Most categories saw net inflows, with Absolute Return leading with \$429 million, while Multi-Strategy experienced net outflows of \$48 million.
- Alternative Fixed Income remains the largest category, with \$8.9 billion in assets managed across 22 funds.

Source: As of June 30, 2024, based on index constituent data provided by Morningstar and index performance calculated by Picton Mahoney Asset Management. All currencies are in CAD terms. The calculation of the Second engine Liquid Alternative Indices began in June 2023 ("Index Creation Date"). All performance information of the indices are based on actual returns of the constituents and in accordance with the methodology stated in the Second engine Liquid Alternative Indices Methodology Guide (<u>https://prd2e.wpenginepowered.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/2e_LiqAltIndex_MethodologyGuide_vF.pdf</u>). The index calculation methodology have been retroactively applied to produce performance data for periods before the Index Creation Date where the index constituent criteria is achieved.



Index Snapshot

Universe AUM

\$42.8_B

3M Net Flow



12M Net Flow



Total # of Funds in Universe

176

Fund Co in Universe

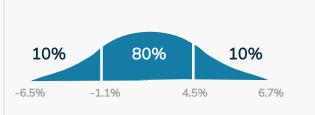
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Total # of indices



3-month return of the Second engine Liquid Alternative 35 Index





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Calendar Year Returns by Strategy

					Since In	ception ¹
2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD	Return	Vol.
Event-Driven	Equity Long	Global Macro	Alternative Fixed	Equity Long	Equity Long	Equity Market
17.4%	Short 15.8%	2.4%	Income 7.4%	Short 7.8%	Short 8.4%	Neutral 3.4%
Equity Long	Multi-Strategy	Equity Market	Absolute Return	Equity Market	Global Macro	Absolute Return
Short 16.4%	9.4%	Neutral 1.5%	5.2%	Neutral 6.8%	4.7%	3.7%
Multi-Strategy	Absolute Return	Equity Long	Multi-Strategy	Global Macro	Multi-Strategy	Global Macro
12.1%	5.2%	Short -3.6%	3.9%	5.2%	4.1%	4.5%
Alternative Fixed	Alternative Fixed	Alternative Fixed	Equity Long	Multi-Strategy	Alternative Fixed	Alternative Fixed
Income 6.9%	Income 3.9%	Income -3.9%	Short 3.5%	4.6%	Income 3.8%	Income 6.0%
Global Macro	Global Macro	Event-Driven -	Event-Driven	Alternative Fixed	Event-Driven	Equity Long
6.3%	2.9%	4.8%	2.8%	Income 3.6%	3.7%	Short 7.7%
Equity Market	Equity Market	Absolute Return	Global Macro	Absolute Return	Equity Market	Multi-Strategy
Neutral 3.1%	Neutral 0.5%	-5.0%	2.0%	3.6%	Neutral 2.7%	9.1%
Absolute Return	Event-Driven -	Multi-Strategy	Equity Market	Event-Driven	Absolute Return	Event-Driven
1.9%	0.8%	-8.3%	Neutral 0.8%	1.4%	2.4%	9.5%

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Performance Summary

	1M	ЗМ	YTD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	Since Inception	Inception Date
Overall Market Index								
Second engine Liquid Alternative 35 Index	0.4	1.4	5.1	8.7	2.6	4.3	4.3	06/30/2019
Strategy-Based Indices								
Second engine Equity Long Short Index	0.0	1.4	7.8	10.7	3.6	8.4	8.4	06/30/2019
Second engine Equity Market Neutral Index	0.8	2.0	6.8	7.5	3.8	2.7	2.7	06/30/2019
Second engine Alternative Fixed Income Index	0.6	1.3	3.6	8.2	2.5	3.8	3.8	06/30/2019
Second engine Absolute Return Index	0.4	0.9	3.6	7.6	1.6	2.4	2.4	06/30/2019
Second engine Event-Driven Index	-0.1	-0.4	1.4	3.2	-2.6	-	3.7	06/30/2020
Second engine Global Macro Index	-0.7	-0.1	5.2	4.5	2.8	-	4.7	06/30/2020
Second engine Multi-Strategy Index	0.1	0.8	4.6	8.2	0.2	4.1	4.1	06/30/2019
Goal-Based Indices								
Second engine Equity Enhancer 10 Index	0.5	1.5	7.0	9.1	2.1	5.6	5.6	06/30/2019
Second engine Fixed Income Enhancer 10 Index	0.5	1.3	2.8	7.4	1.7	4.4	4.4	06/30/2019
Second engine Diversifier 10 Index	0.1	1.9	5.7	8.4	2.5	3.7	3.7	06/30/2019
Broad Market Indices								
S&P/TSX Composite Index	-1.4	-0.5	6.1	12.1	6.0	9.3	9.3	06/30/2019 ¹
ICE BofA Canada Broad Market Index	1.2	1.0	-0.3	3.7	-1.8	-0.1	-0.1	06/30/2019 ¹

Source: As of June 30, 2024. Based on index constituent data provided by Morningstar and index performance calculated by Picton Mahoney Asset Management. ¹ inception date of the broad market indices were chosen to match the liquid alternative indices.



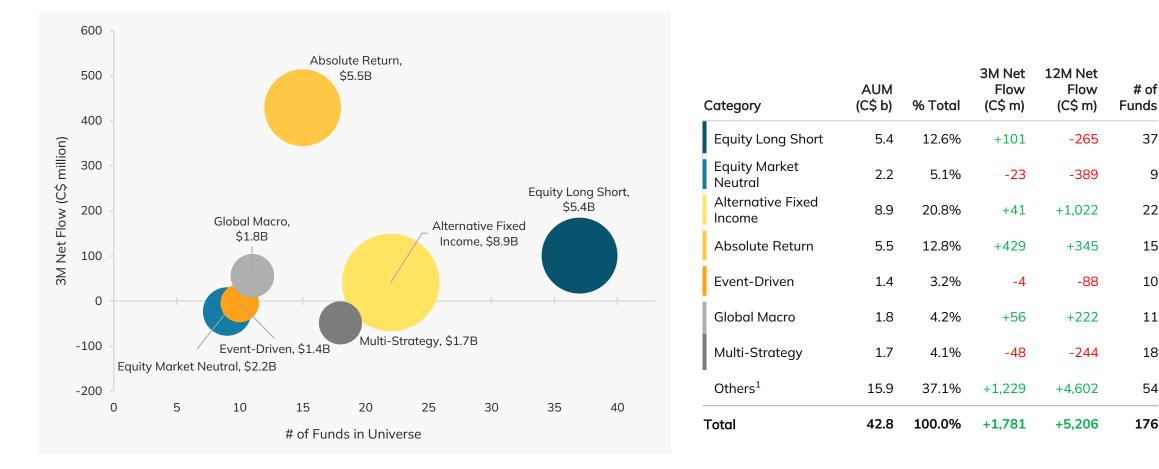
Risk Stats Summary

				Equi	Equity		Fixed Income		
	Volatility	Sharpe Ratio	Max Drawdown	Correlation	Beta	Correlation	Beta	Inception Date	
Overall Market Index									
Second engine Liquid Alternative 35 Index	4.5	0.46	-7.5	0.87	0.53	0.25	0.38	06/30/2019	
Strategy-Based Indices									
Second engine Equity Long Short Index	7.7	0.82	-10.0	0.88	0.46	0.44	0.57	06/30/2019	
Second engine Equity Market Neutral Index	3.4	0.14	-5.8	-0.33	-0.01	-0.07	-0.01	06/30/2019	
Second engine Alternative Fixed Income Index	6.0	0.27	-10.5	0.82	0.54	0.32	0.51	06/30/2019	
Second engine Absolute Return Index	3.7	0.06	-6.5	0.83	0.65	0.20	0.39	06/30/2019	
Second engine Event-Driven Index	9.5	0.16	-12.7	-0.07	-0.04	-0.03	-0.06	06/30/2020	
Second engine Global Macro Index	4.5	0.56	-2.7	0.15	-0.15	0.04	-0.11	06/30/2020	
Second engine Multi-Strategy Index	9.1	0.21	-14.5	0.89	0.45	0.52	0.65	06/30/2019	
Goal-Based Indices									
Second engine Equity Enhancer 10 Index	5.8	0.58	-7.7	0.84	0.44	0.31	0.40	06/30/2019	
Second engine Fixed Income Enhancer 10 Index	5.3	0.42	-7.8	0.83	0.60	0.28	0.51	06/30/2019	
Second engine Diversifier 10 Index	3.3	0.45	-4.5	0.54	0.34	0.12	0.18	06/30/2019	
Broad Market Indices									
S&P/TSX Composite Index	15.5	0.46	-22.3	-	-	-	-	06/30/2019 ¹	
ICE BofA Canada Broad Market Index	6.3	-0.36	-15.6	-	-	-	-	06/30/2019 ¹	

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Activity Highlights by Strategy

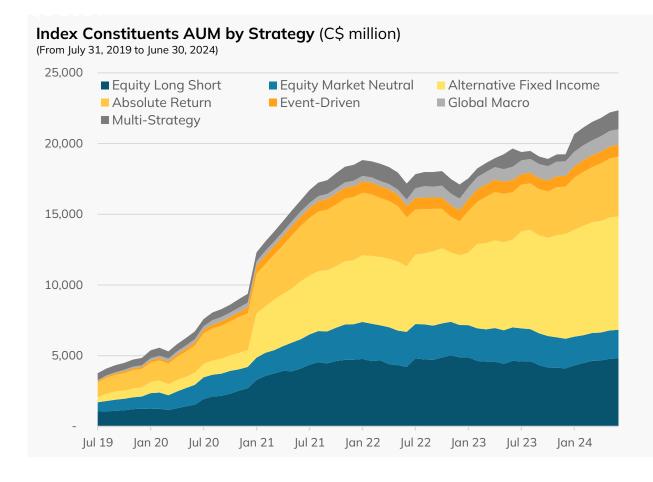


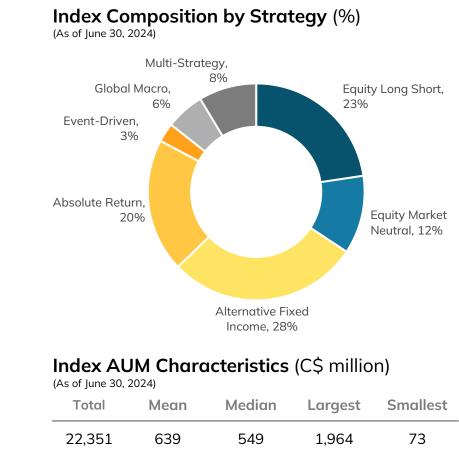
Source: As of June 30, 2024. Bubble size represents total AUM. Based on index constituent data provided by Morningstar and index performance calculated by Picton Mahoney Asset Management. ¹ Funds in the Others category consist of largely cryptocurrency assets and option-selling strategies.



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Liquid Alternative 35 Index[™]





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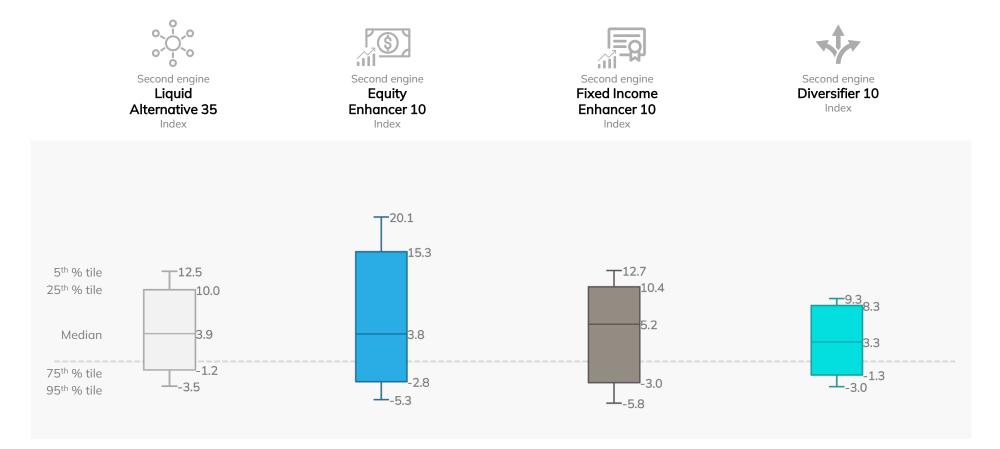
Strategy-Based Indices



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Goal-Based Indices



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