

Second engine Liquid Alternative Indices

Quarterly Industry Report

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Second engine Indices

Overview

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.

Second engine

Liquid Alternative 35 Index[™]

Strategy-based **Goal-based Multi-Strategy** Specialty **Bond** Equity Second engine | Equity Enhancer 10 Index™ Second engine Second engine Second engine Second engine | Alternative Fixed | Event-Driven |Equity Long | Multi-Strategy Second engine Income Index[™] Index™ Short Index™ Index™ |Fixed Income Enhancer 10 Index[™] Second engine Second engine Second engine **Equity Market** Absolute Return | Global Macro Second engine Neutral Index™ Index™ Index™ Diversifier 10 Index

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



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 (https://prd2e.wpenginepowered.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/2e_LiqAltIndex_MethodologyGuide_vF.pdf). 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.



2024 Q2

Index Snapshot

Universe AUM

\$42.8_B

3M Net Flow

+\$1,781_M

12M Net Flow

+\$5,206_M

Total # of Funds in Universe

176

Fund Co in Universe

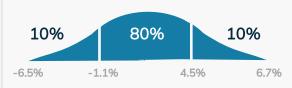
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Total # of indices

11

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

+1.4%



Source: As of June 30, 2024. All currencies are in CAD terms. Based on index constituent data provided by Morningstar and index performance calculated by Picton Mahoney Asset Management.

Calendar Year Returns by Strategy

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

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 for all indices are June 30, 2019, except for the Second engine Event-Driven Index and Second engine Global Macro Index which were incepted on June 30, 2020.



Since Inception¹

Performance Summary

	1M	ЗМ	YTD	1Y	3Y	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	8.0	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

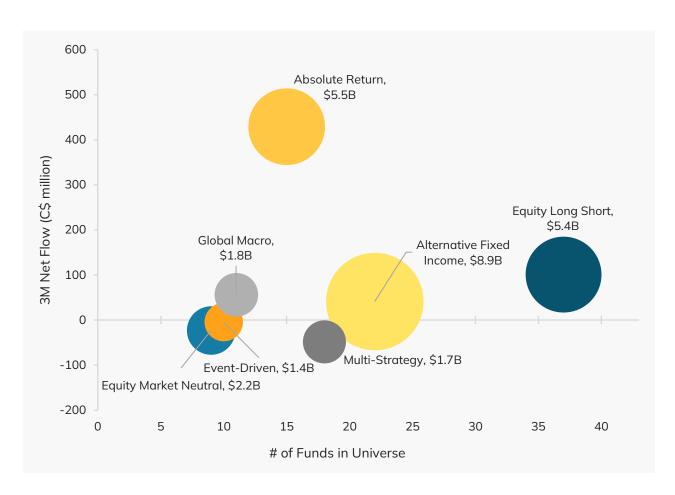
				Equity		Fixed Income		
	Volatility	Sharpe Ratio	Max Drawdown	Correlation	Beta	Correlation	Beta	Inception Date
Overall Market Index								
Second engine Liquid Alternative 35 Index	4.5	0.46	-7.5	0.87	0.53	0.25	0.38	06/30/2019
Strategy-Based Indices								
Second engine Equity Long Short Index	7.7	0.82	-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

Source: As of June 30, 2024. Based on index constituent data provided by Morningstar and index performance calculated by Picton Mahoney Asset Management.

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Activity Highlights by Strategy

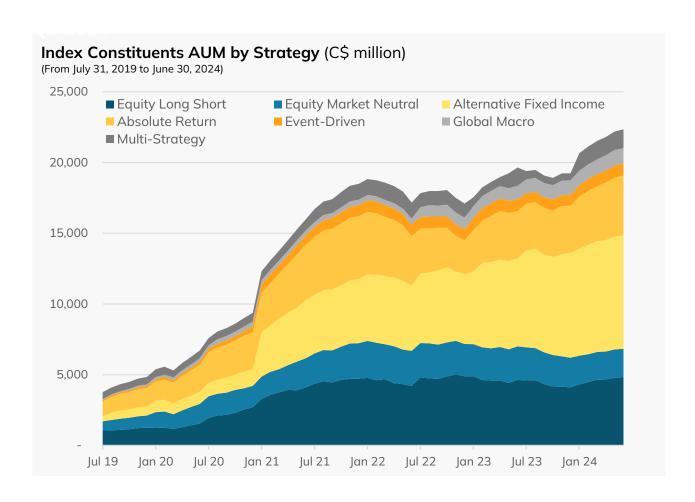


Category	AUM (C\$ b)	% Total	3M Net Flow (C\$ m)	12M Net Flow (C\$ m)	# of Funds
Equity Long Short	5.4	12.6%	+101	-265	37
Equity Market Neutral	2.2	5.1%	-23	-389	9
Alternative Fixed Income	8.9	20.8%	+41	+1,022	22
Absolute Return	5.5	12.8%	+429	+345	15
Event-Driven	1.4	3.2%	-4	-88	10
Global Macro	1.8	4.2%	+56	+222	11
Multi-Strategy	1.7	4.1%	-48	-244	18
Others ¹	15.9	37.1%	+1,229	+4,602	54
Total	42.8	100.0%	+1,781	+5,206	176

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.

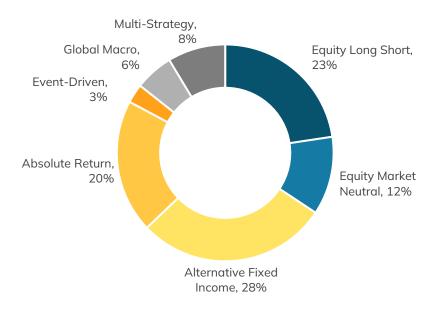


Liquid Alternative 35 Index™



Index Composition by Strategy (%)

(As of June 30, 2024)



Index AUM Characteristics (C\$ million)

(As of June 30, 2024)

Total	Mean	Median	Largest	Smallest
22,351	639	549	1,964	73

Source: Based on index constituent data provided by Morningstar and index performance calculated by Picton Mahoney Asset Management.



Rolling 1Y Return Distribution

Strategy-Based Indices



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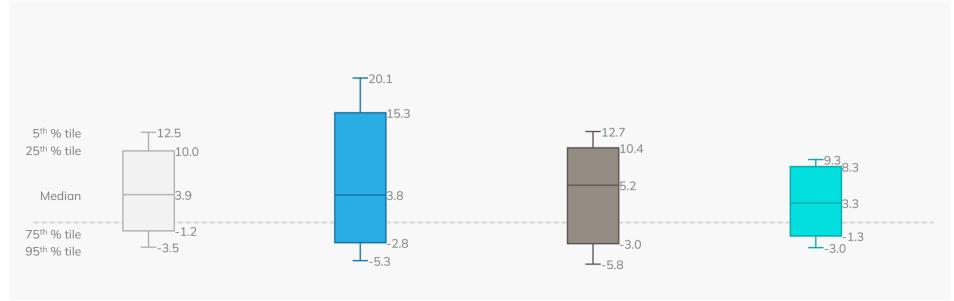
Goal-Based Indices











Source: From June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2024. Based on index constituent data provided by Morningstar and index performance calculated by Picton Mahoney Asset Management.

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