

# 2024 Q2 Letter to Investors: A Tale of Two Markets

#### Letter Summary

The first half of 2024 has produced an enormously divergent set of returns and valuations with a very small set of stocks riding a wave of artificial intelligence enthusiasm while the rest of the market has lagged sharply behind. Of the S&P 500's 15.3% total return, just 7 stocks accounted for two-thirds of that total with only another 50 making up the rest such that all of the market's gains came from just 12% of its stocks. Leadership is extraordinarily narrow. While there has been fundamental improvement underpinning the strong rally in this small subset of stocks, the vast majority of the rally has come from valuation expansion. This valuation expansion has left Distillate's valuation-focused U.S. FSV strategy far behind the S&P 500 this year even though the strategy has seen estimated free cash flows rise by more than the overall S&P 500 even including the largest leading stocks (See **Figure 1** below). Consequently, Distillate's free cash flow yield is now at a record high relative to the S&P 500. Though it is frustrating to lag behind the broader market by such a large degree in the first half of this year, we are steadfast in the view that valuation matters in the longer-term just as it always has and that the extreme concentration and valuation disparity of the current market are critical risks to avoid while we take advantage of those valuation-situations left behind.

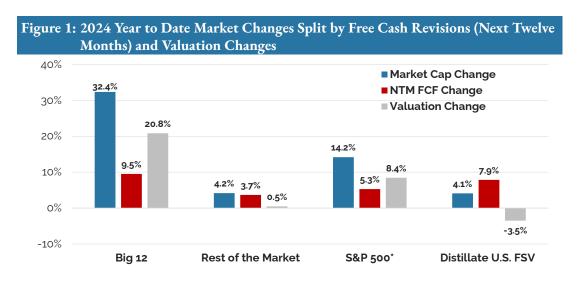
### Performance Summary

*U.S. Fundamental Stability & Value (U.S. FSV):* Distillate's U.S. FSV strategy's 1H24 total return of 4.85% substantially lagged the broader S&P 500's gain of 15.29%, which was driven by a very narrow subset of large stocks that now trade at a significant premium to the rest of the market.. Strategy performance was more similar to the Russell 1000 Value ETF's total return of 6.53%. Annualized net of fee performance since inception is 1.00% ahead of the S&P 500 and 4.68% ahead of the Russell 1000 Value ETF.

**U.S. Small/Mid Cap Quality & Value (SMID QV):** Our SMID QV strategy's 1.47% return slightly trailed the Russell 2000 ETF benchmark by 0.21% and outpaced the Russell 2000 Value ETF benchmark by 2.45% in H1 2024. Annualized excess returns since inception and net of fees are 8.62% and 8.76% ahead of those benchmarks.

International Fundamental Stability & Value (Intl. FSV): Our International FSV strategy returned 0.15% after fees in the first half of 2024 and trailed the MSCI All Country Ex US ETF benchmark gain of 5.58%. Annualized net of fee performance since inception trails the benchmark by 0.24%.

*U.S. Large Cap Value Long 130%/Short 30% (U.S. Value 130/30):* Our 130/30 strategy returned 10.17% net of fees in H1 2024 vs. the S&P 500 Index comparable rise of 15.29%. It remains 3.99% ahead of the S&P 500 ETF on an annualized net of fee basis and above the Russell 1000 Value ETF by 10.35%.



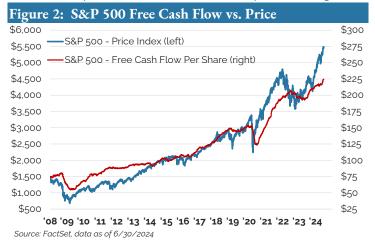
Big 12 includes Mag 6 (MSFT, NVDA, AAPL, AMZN, META, GOOGL) and next 6 megacap most expensive stocks on NTM FCF to Mkt Cap (TSLA, AVGO, ORCL LLY, COST, WMT). FactSet data through 6/30, excludes stocks without FCF data with index reweighted.



# **Market Commentary:**

The S&P 500's 14.5% price gain this year has far eclipsed it's 5% increase in rolling next-twelve-month (NTM) consensus estimated free cash flows in the first half of 2024 (See Figure 2). The free cash flow yield has dropped to just 4.1% from 4.5% at the start of the year.

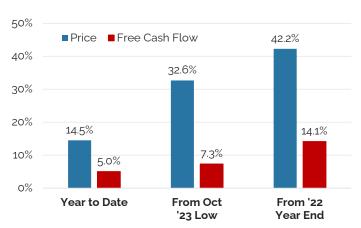
Price increases for the S&P 500 continue to exceed free cash flow gains.



This increase in price in excess of fundamentals continues a recent pattern of valuation expansion that is evident looking at changes in price and rolling next-twelve-month consensus estimated free cash flow changes, whether examining performance year-to-date, from the October '23 market low, or from the end of '22 (see Figure 3).

Recent price gains have outpaced free cash flow gains for the S&P 500.

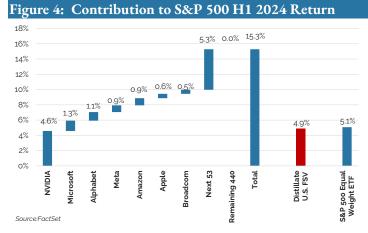
Figure 3: S&P 500 Free Cash Flow vs. Price Changes



Source: FactSet, data as of 6/30/2024

This comparison of price and valuation change for the headline S&P 500 Index, however, masks an even more exaggerated divergence under the surface in which a small handful of stocks are responsible for the majority of the changes. In the first half of this year, the 15.3% total return (including dividends) for the S&P 500 came entirely from just 60 stocks. Just seven stocks made up 10% of the 15.3% total, with a single stock (NVDA) comprising 30% of the total gain (See **Figure 4**).

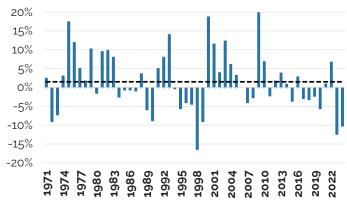
Just 7 stocks contributed for 10% of the total S&P 500 15.3% H1 2024 gain and 60 made up the full total with the average stock and S&P 500 Equal Weight lagging well behind.



Another way of looking at the unusually concentrated performance of the broader S&P 500 is to compare it to an equally-weighted index of the same stocks. The equal-weighted index has outperformed the standard cap-weighted over time averaging around 1.5% better per year, but it can lag considerably in periods when the largest stocks in the capitalization-weighted benchmark become larger and more expensive as is currently occurring (see **Figure 5**). Combining YTD performance with last year's figures would be the worst approximately two-year period for the equal weight benchmark relative to the cap weighted S&P 500, with only the combination of 1999 and 1998 being more severe.

The equal-weighted S&P 500 typically outperforms the capitalization-weighted version over time, but can lag in periods in which the largest stocks become more expensive.

Figure 5: S&P 500 Equal- vs. Mkt Cap-Weighted Returns



Source:FactSet

While concentration on its own is not necessarily problematic (though size can make future growth more difficult and incumbency may limit innovation), it is concerning when it is the result of stretched relative valuations, which in our view is very much the case currently.

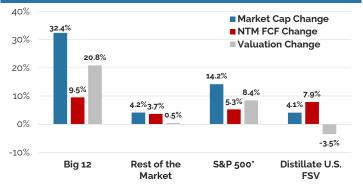
If we add to the Mag 6 (MSFT, NVDA, AAPL, GOOGL, AMZN, META) the next most expensive six stocks with market capitalizations over \$250 billion, that group saw a 32.4% increase in market cap in the first half of the year relative to just a 9.5% increase in rolling

next-twelve month consensus estimated free cash flows. Valuations for those 12 stocks consequently increased by 21%, accounting for a significant majority of the total increase in market cap¹. For the rest of the market that has available free cash flow data, a 4.2% increase in market cap and a 3.7% rise in free cash flows resulted in a negligible expansion in valuation. For the overall S&P 500 (excluding stocks without free cash flow data), 12% of the 14.2% return came from the Big 12 and virtually all of the valuation expansion came from the same small group of stocks (See **Figure 6**).

Distillate's U.S. FSV strategy, by contrast, rose by 4.1% but rolling next-twelve month free cash flows for the strategy were up 7.9% in the first half. This fundamental increase was actually greater than that of the S&P 500 even with the dominant Big 12 stocks, but was offset by valuation contraction of 3.5% vs. the market's 8.4% increase.

Gains in the S&P 500 were dominated by a few select stocks that benefited primarily from valuation expansion. Distillate's U.S. FSV strategy saw a greater gain in fundamentals (measured by Free Cash Flow) than did the S&P 500, but experienced multiple contraction rather than expansion.

Figure 6: 2024 H1 Market Cap Changes Split by Rolling Next Twelve Month FCF & Valuation



Big 12 includes Mag 6 (MSFT, NVDA, AAPL, AMZN, META, GOOGL) and next 6 megacap most expensive stocks on NTM FCF to Mkt Cap (TSLA, AVGO, ORCL, LLY, COST, WMT). FactSet data through 6/30, excludes stocks without FCF data with index revelainted.

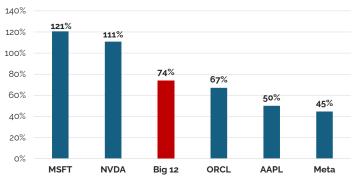
While **Figure 6** shows the valuation expansion that has occurred for a small subset of stocks year-to-date, it does not tell us anything about the richness of those stocks presently. Given significant growth expectations for this group, we can look at multiples on free cash flows further into the future to give them more credit for anticipated gains in sales and free cash flows. For NVDA, for example, sales are projected to grow from \$85 billion in the trailing twelve months to \$137 billion in the next twelve months and then to \$171 billion in the twelve months ending in June of 2026. Considering the valuation on free cash flows over that June 2026 period then gives the stock credit for this expected growth.

Even with this growth benefit looking two years into the future, valuations on free cash flows for the twelve months ending June 2026 shows that the group of Big 12 stocks trades at a 74% premium to the rest of the market with several stocks well above that level (See **Figure 7**). This substantial premium to the rest of the market on estimates that already reflect significant growth expectations looks to be a substantive valuation risk for the overall market.

The Big 12 stocks that represent over 40% of the S&P 500 (for which there is free cash data) trade at a 74% premium to the rest of the market on 12-month estimated free cash flows spanning July 2025 to June 2026.

Figure 7: Mkt Cap to FCF (Second Twelve Months)

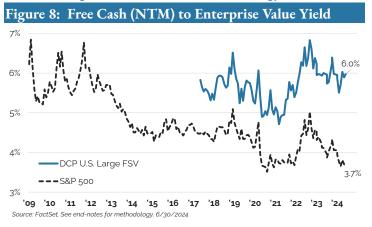
Valuation Relative to the Market Ex the Big 12



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While the valuation expansion among a small subset of now very large stocks has meant that the overall S&P 500's valuation has become increasingly rich, the same has not occurred for Distillate's U.S. FSV strategy. This is evident in a longer-term comparison of the free cash flow to enterprise value (EV) on consensus next twelve month estimates in **Figure 8**. This highlights that the S&P has seen its yield fall sharply to a level that was only previously reached in the middle of the pandemic when estimates were depressed by economic conditions, while the Distillate yield has remained relatively steady around 6% and is actually above where it was when the strategy started in 2017.

As the S&P has gotten richer, Distillate's U.S. FSV strategy has not.



To compare the valuation for Distillate's U.S. FSV strategy and the S&P 500 even more directly, **Figure 9** (next page) plots the difference between the two. This shows that as the market has gotten increasingly expensive driven by a small number of very large stocks, Distillate's adherence to its valuation discipline has led to a substantially widening valuation spread that is now at a record high and well above the 1.5% average since launching in 2017.

The free cash changes and valuation changes do not sum to the market cap change due to the interaction between those two figures. Additionally, this data is based on market caps so is weighted slightly differently than the S&P 500 data seen previously.

Distillate's U.S. FSV strategy's NTM FCF to EV valuation is at a record level relative to the S&P 500 benchmark.

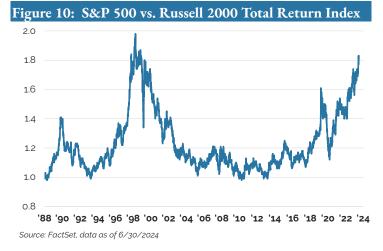
Figure 9: Free Cash (NTM) to Enterprise Value Yield Spread of Distillate's U.S. FSV vs the S&P 500



#### Small/Mid

Among smaller stocks, while there has been some of the same dynamic as in the large cap space where AI enthusiasm has propelled certain stocks higher, it has happened to a much smaller degree in aggregate. Super Micro Computer is the largest small stock in the Russell 2000 and its nearly 200% year-to-date return contributed 1% to the benchmark. While having less AI related stocks has meant much less of a headwind to performance in the small cap space, it has also meant that smaller stocks in general have lagged significantly behind large cap stocks. This is evident in **Figure 10** which plots the relative performance of the S&P 500 vs. the Russell 2000 index and shows that larger stocks on this metric are back near where they were roughly a quarter of a century ago.

The S&P 500 has sharply outperformed the Russell 2000 recently.



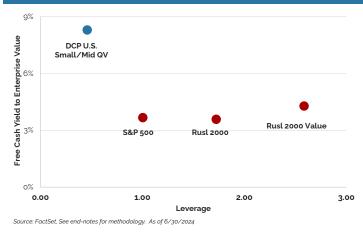
While part of the reason that small stocks in aggregate have lagged is that relatively few of these companies are expected to benefit from AI, another element is that small cap benchmarks are bogged down by unprofitable and highly indebted stocks. Almost 15% of stocks in the Russell 2000 benchmark by weight are not expected to generate positive next-twelve-month free cash flows and over 25% of the benchmark trades at a free cash yield on next twelve months of under 2%.

Debt is another key issue for small stocks and one that we have written about extensively in the past. Even though smaller stocks have more volatile fundamentals than their larger cap peers and should perhaps therefore carry smaller debt burdens, the opposite is true, and small cap stocks have much higher debt loads on average. As small companies gradually roll low-cost debt issued in the past to more expensive debt, this debt burden is likely to eat into a larger share of profits and increasingly burden the most highly leveraged small companies.

Our Small/Mid Quality Value strategy sets out to avoid both of these issues. By being selective on valuation and taking advantage of the wide dispersion in free cash yields among smaller stocks, our Small/Mid Quality Value strategy achieves a free cash flow to enterprise value yield on next twelve month estimates of 8.3% which is more than double the Russell 2000's 3.6%. The strategy does this while also being disciplined on leverage and has a debt burden that is significantly less than that of the small cap benchmarks and the larger S&P 500. Both of these characteristics are plotted in **Figure 11** and highlight the degree to which Distillate's Small/Mid Quality Value strategy is differentiated along these lines.

Small stocks in aggregate do not look especially attractive vs. large stocks when leverage and negative earning stocks are included, but Distillate's Smid QV strategy does.

Figure 11: Distillate Small/Mid QV Strategy Leverage & Valuation vs. Benchmarks



#### International

Fifteen years ago, international stocks were more expensive than U.S. stocks on the basis of a free cash flow yield. They also had more debt and a legacy of less stable cash flow generation. In combination, this made the U.S. look like the clear winner from an investing perspective despite much commentary to the opposite. From the period starting in 2010, this starting valuation advantage and better growth led U.S. stocks to a return of roughly 400% compared to just under 120% for the MSCI All Country World Ex the US Benchmark (MSCI ACWI Ex US). But after this long stretch of underperformance, international stocks are finally less expensive than their U.S. counterparts and the wide range of valuations means that many are considerably cheaper. International stocks do still have more debt

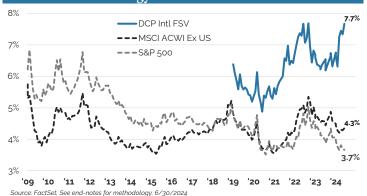


and less stable cash flow profiles, but our international strategy seeks to take advantage of this array of attractive valuations by limiting leverage and investing only in companies with stable cash generation.

Given some similar dynamics around valuation as in the U.S., our international strategy is likewise now trading at a relative valuation that is at a record premium to its benchmark. This is evident in **Figure 12** which shows the growing gap between our strategy's valuation and that of the MSCI ACWI Ex US benchmark (and that of the S&P 500).

Distillate's Intl. FSV's FCF/EV yield is well above that of key benchmarks.

Figure 12: Free Cash to EV vs. Leverage for Distillate's Intl Strategy vs. Various Benchmarks

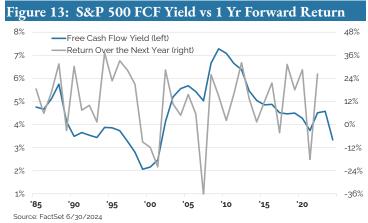


#### Final Word

Our observation is that the current environment on many levels is reminiscent of the late 1990's. AI, like the development of the internet then, could in fact be a transforming technology. Ultimately though, as was the case in the late 1990's, business models must develop that support the capital deployed and the share prices that the market is willing to pay. Then as now, we believe it is paramount to remain disciplined on valuation.

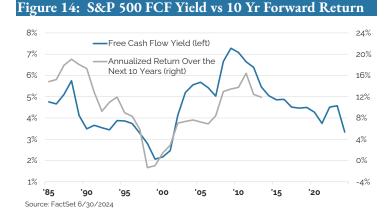
Valuation by itself is pretty unhelpful in predicting short-term returns and periods in which valuations look stretched can be both long and painful for value-disciplined investors to endure. This is evident in **Figure 13** (going back to when free cash flow data first became available), which compares the trailing free cash flow yield on the overall market to the subsequent market return over the next twelve months. Valuation thus provides little guide to short-term outcomes.

The trailing free cash yield does a poor job of predicting 1-year returns.



But over the longer-term, when the same starting free cash yield from Figure 13 is plotted against 10-year returns, the relationship is quite strong, as is evident in Figure 14. So while the one-year results seem random and free cash flow valuation looks largely irrelevant for the direction of the market, the price paid is of enormous consequence for returns over the long-term.

Starting valuation does a much better job predicting longer-term returns.



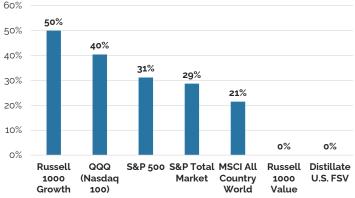
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With that view, it is worth noting that the S&P 500's current trailing yield of 3.3% ranks in the 14th percentile in the roughly 40-year history of this data. Said differently, the overall market has been less expensive than it is currently 86% of the time. Fortunately, though, because of the enormous dispersion in valuations across the market and the concentration in expensive stocks, investors are not resigned to having to accept this valuation risk and can achieve a much more attractive starting valuation while still emphasizing quality. This is precisely what Distillate's U.S. FSV seeks to do and what the trailing 6% free cash yield attests that it does.

Staying true to our valuation discipline has meant our strategy has looked very different from the broad market. At the same time, many of the major benchmarks now look very concentrated and very similar given the dominance of several of the largest stocks. Figure 15 shows the percentage of various benchmarks constituted by the Big 6 stocks and how much overlap there is across holdings of these various indexes and the funds that are linked to them. Only the Russell 1000 Value resembles our U.S. FSV strategy in not owning these six stocks. Though we more closely resemble the value benchmark in that sense and are at our core a value-driven firm, we built our firm in large part because we believe that current value benchmarks and many of the strategies that track them use an outdated valuation measures that would fail to own these Big 6 stocks and other asset-light companies if they were ever to become inexpensive. It was not that long ago that several of them were actually the cheapest stocks in the market on measures of free cash flow and we did own them.

The Big 6 make up a large share of many indices, but presently have no weight in Distillate's U.S. FSV Strategy and the Russell 1000 Value benchmark.





Data as of 6/30/2024

Ultimately, as in the past, we do not know what might cause the current environment to change, but we believe that also like the past, it will. The fickle nature of markets is why we designed our process around what is knowable—valuation—rather than what is not—sentiment—and why we will never stray from our philosophy. It is also why we focus on doing what we believe is right in the long-term even if it brings short-term frustration.

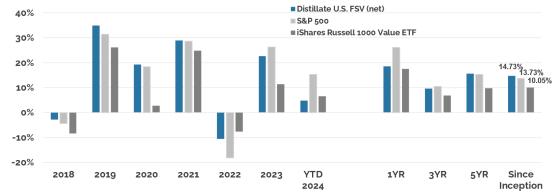


Performance & Rebalance Appendix

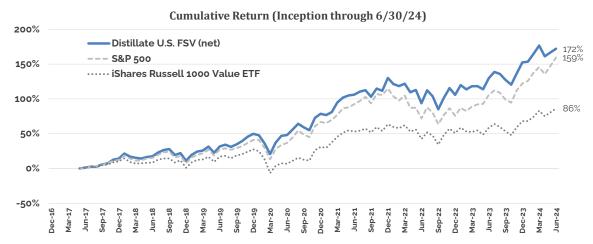


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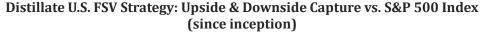


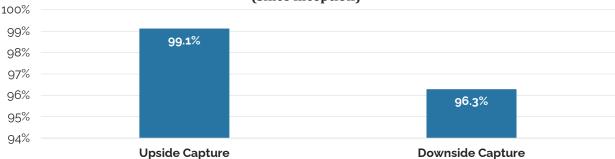


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Dick's Sporting Goods, Inc.	0.3%	Bristol-Myers Squibb Company	-0.5%		
QUALCOMM Incorporated	0.3%	CVS Health Corporation	-0.5%		
Williams-Sonoma, Inc.	0.2%	Etsy, Inc.	-0.3%		
NetApp, Inc.	0.2%	Humana Inc.	-0.3%		
Home Depot, Inc.	0.2%	Comcast Corporation Class A	-0.3%		

# **Rebalance Summary:**

U.S. FSV Strategy: Portfolio Changes During Recent Quarterly Rebalancing							
Largest Purchases	Weight		Largest Sales	Weight		Largest Sector Changes	
Home Depot, Inc.	2.0%		Alphabet Inc. Class A			Cons Discretionary (+5.1%)	
Salesforce, Inc.	1.6%		Philip Morris Int'l Inc.			Health Care (-4.0%)	
Abbott Laboratories	1.4%	QUALCOMM Incorporated		-1.7%		Communications (-2.3%)	
Largest Adds	Weight	Previous	Largest Trims	Weight	Previous		
Comcast Corporation Class A	1.9%	1.7%	NetApp, Inc.	0.8%	1.0%		
Builders FirstSource, Inc.	0.8%	0.6%	GoDaddy, Inc. Class A	0.8%	0.9%		
Johnson & Johnson	2.7%	2.4%	Corpay, Inc.	0.8%	0.9%		
Rebalance Calculation Date:	6/24	/2024					

U.S. FSV Portfolio Characteristics*						
	U.S. FSV	S&P 500	Russell 1000 Val ETF			
Free Cash Yield to Mkt Cap¹	6.9%	4.1%	5.5%			
Free Cash Yield to EV <sup>1</sup>	6.0%	3.7%	4.4%			
P/E <sup>2</sup>	14.7	21.1	15.3			
Leverage <sup>3</sup>	1.1	1.0	2.0			
Cash Flow Stability⁴	0.84	0.70	0.55			
Dividend Yield	1.9%	1.4%	2.3%			

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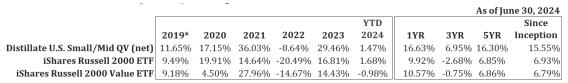
U.S. FSV Portfolio Sector Weights				
	U.S. FSV	S&P 500		
Communication Services	5.9%	9.4%		
Consumer Discretionary	16.4%	10.0%		
Ex AMZN & TSLA	16.4%	4.9%		
Consumer Staples	5.6%	5.8%		
Energy	3.1%	3.7%		
Financials	8.5%	12.4%		
Ex Banks	8.5%	8.3%		
Health Care	20.8%	11.8%		
Industrials	21.2%	8.2%		
Information Technology	16.0%	32.3%		
Ex MSFT, AAPL & NVDA	16.0%	11.7%		
Materials	2.4%	2.2%		
Real Estate	0.0%	2.1%		
Utilities	0.0%	2.3%		

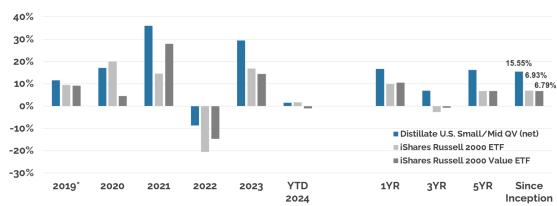
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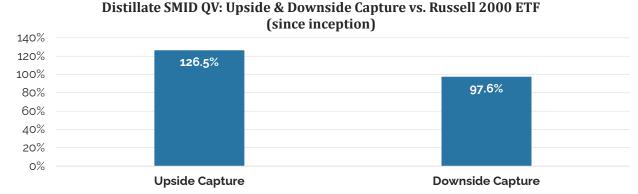




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#### Cumulative Return (Inception through 6/30/24) 140% Distillate SMID QV 120% iShares Russell 2000 ETF 100% ····· iShares Russell 2000 Val ETF 80% 60% 40% 20% 0% -20% -40% Mar-21 Jun-21 Dec-20 Sep-21 Ìμ

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United Therapeutics Corporation	0.6%	Robert Half Inc.	-0.2%
Owens Corning	0.3%	Malibu Boats, Inc. Class A	-0.2%
Encore Wire Corporation	0.3%	Alpha Metallurgical Resources, Inc.	-0.2%

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AGCO Corporation	1.1%	Owens Corning	-1.6%		

Largest Adds	Weight	Previous	Largest Trims	Weight	Previous
Atkore Inc	1.5%	0.9%	U.S. Silica Holdings, Inc.	0.6%	0.5%
Robert Half Inc.	1.0%	0.6%	Alliance Resource Partners	0.6%	0.5%
Qorvo, Inc.	1.4%	1.1%	United Therapeutics Corp	1.6%	1.5%

Rebalance Calculation Date: 6/1/2024

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	SMID QV	Russell 2000 ETF	Russell 2000 Value ETF		
Free Cash Yield to Mkt Cap <sup>1</sup>	9.8%	4.7%	6.0%		
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P/E <sup>2</sup>	10.7	14.4	11.8		
Leverage <sup>3</sup>	0.5	1.7	2.6		
Fundamental Stability <sup>4</sup>	0.49	0.41	0.36		
Negative FCF Weight <sup>5</sup>	0.0%	13.2%	12.1%		

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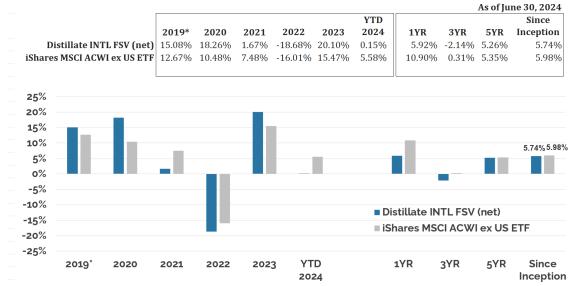
U.S. SMID QV Portfolio Sector Weights						
	SMID QV	Russell 2000 ETF	Russell 2000 Value ETF			
Communication Services	3.2%	2.5%	2.9%			
Consumer Discretionary	28.2%	10.0%	10.0%			
Consumer Staples	2.8%	2.8%	2.2%			
Energy	19.2%	6.6%	9.1%			
Financials	5.6%	17.1%	26.6%			
Health Care	6.4%	17.2%	9.2%			
Industrials	17.3%	17.2%	12.7%			
Information Technology	10.2%	13.3%	6.1%			
Materials	6.5%	4.5%	5.3%			
Real Estate	0.5%	6.0%	10.7%			
Utilities	0.0%	2.7%	5.0%			
Not Classified	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%			

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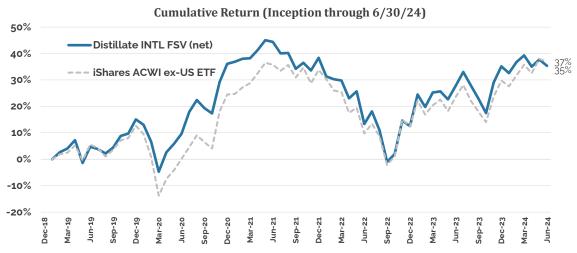
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### **International Fundamental Stability & Value Composite Performance:**



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Source: Zephyr Analytics, see definition

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# **Top Contributors and Detractors From Relative Performance:**

# INTL FSV Strategy: Owned Stocks 2024 YTD Impact to Rel Returns (vs. ACWI Ex U.S.)

Top Contributors	Impact	Largest Detractors	Impact
Taiwan Semiconductor Manuf	1.4%	Stellantis N.V.	-0.5%
UCB S.A.	0.4%	Li Auto, Inc. Class A	-0.5%
SK hynix Inc.	0.4%	PDD Holdings Inc. Spon ADR	-0.5%
LVMH	0.3%	Neste Corporation	-0.4%
Meituan Class B	0.2%	Petroleo Brasileiro SA Spon ADR	-0.4%

### **Rebalance Summary:**

INTL FSV Strategy: Portfolio Changes During Recent Quarterly Rebalancing					
Largest Purchases	Weight	Largest Sales	Weight		
LVMH	3.0%	Taiwan Semiconductor Manuf	-2.4%		
Netease Inc	1.3%	Petroleo Brasileiro SA	-2.2%		
KDDI Corporation	1.3%	Siemens AG	-1.9%		

Largest Adds	Weight	Previous	Largest Trims	Weight	Previous
Stellantis N.V.	2.2%	1.5%	JD Sports Fashion Plc	0.8%	1.0%
America Movil SAB	1.7%	1.2%	Next plc	0.8%	1.0%
Neste Corporation	0.9%	0.4%	LPP S.A.	0.7%	1.0%

Rebalance Calculation Date: 6/24/2024

INTL FSV Portfolio Characteristics*				
	INTL FSV	ACWI Ex U.S. ETF		
Free Cash Yield to Mkt Cap <sup>1</sup>	8.8%	5.2%		
Free Cash Yield to EV <sup>1</sup>	7.7%	4.3%		
P/E²	11.3	13.3		
Leverage <sup>3</sup>	0.6	1.4		
Cash Flow Stability⁴	0.75	0.53		
Dividend Yield	3.4%	3.2%		

<sup>\*</sup>as of 6/30/2024, see methodology endnotes.

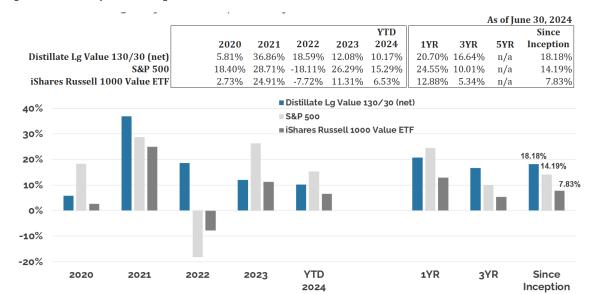
INTL FSV Portfolio Region Weights				
Region	INTL FSV	ACWI Ex U.S. ETF		
Europe	42.7%	42.6%		
Japan	14.6%	16.2%		
Asia Ex China & Japan	21.5%	16.9%		
China & Hong Kong	8.1%	9.7%		
Americas	9.7%	14.0%		
Middle East & Africa	3.4%	0.7%		
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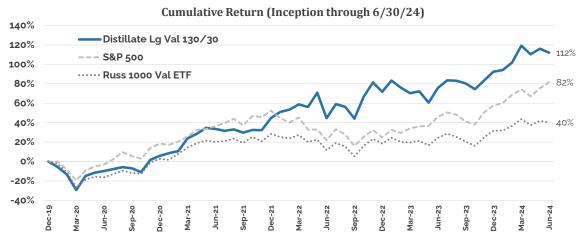
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# **U.S. Large Cap Value 130/30 Composite Performance:**



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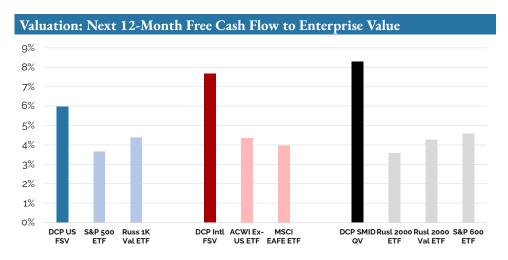
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U.S. Value 130/30 Portfolio Characteristics*				
	Long	Short	S&P 500	
Free Cash Yield to Mkt Cap <sup>1</sup>	9.4%	0.3%	4.1%	
Free Cash Yield to EV <sup>1</sup>	7.2%	0.3%	3.7%	
P/E <sup>2</sup>	11.2	23.9	21.1	
Leverage <sup>3</sup>	1.4	1.8	1.0	
Fundamental Stability⁴	0.54	0.57	0.70	
Dividend Yield	2.5%	1.3%	1.4%	

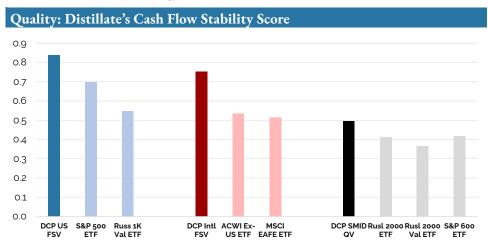
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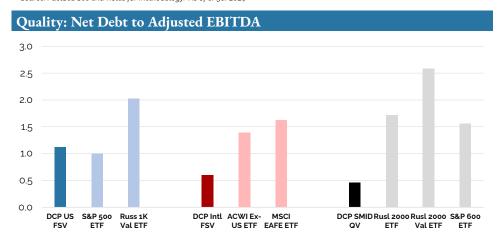




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Methodology Notes for **Portfolio Characteristics Tables (Appendix)**. <sup>1</sup> **Free Cash Vield to Market Cap and Enterprise Value (EV)** are based on the next-twelve-month free cash flow estimates relative to market capitalization and EV, which adds Distillate's proprietary measure of indebtedness. Stocks without estimates in the are excluded and the remaining names are reweighted based on those exclusions. <sup>2</sup> **P/E** is based on consensus estimates for next-twelve-months and excludes P/Es over 250 and under 0 to avoid the distortion from outliers. <sup>3</sup> **Leverage** is based on Distillate Capital's proprietary measure of indebtedness which looks at the ratio of adjusted net debt to an adjusted measure of forecast Earnings Before Interest, Taxation, Depreciation, and Amortization (EBITDA.) <sup>4</sup> **Fundamental stability** is Distillate Capital's proprietary measure of through-cycle cash flow stability with a higher value indicating greater stability. <sup>5</sup> **Negative FCF weight** is measured as the weight of stocks with negative free cash estimate as a share of those with any estimate.

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