

# Astra Dividend Equity Strategy

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Quartz Partners' Astra Dividend Equity Strategy is a stock strategy that seeks to provide investors with a desirable mix of income and total return through stock dividends and capital appreciation of equity holdings.

## PROCESS

The Astra Dividend Equity strategy invests primarily in US stocks diversified across various market sectors. All positions are monitored and analyzed on at least a bi-weekly basis, and annual turnover is targeted at less than 50 percent. Holding periods are generally at least one year; however, holdings may be added or sold at any time.

## STRATEGY PROFILE

Equity Strategy: Dividend Focus

## BLENDED BENCHMARK

S&P Composite 1500 Value Index

## INCEPTION DATE

1/1/2013

## INVESTMENT ADVISER

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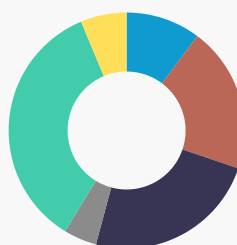
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## TOP 10 HOLDINGS

Security Name	Weight (%)
Novartis AG ADR	6.51
Broadcom Inc	6.43
NRG Energy Inc	6.12
Avnet Inc	6.04
Cencora Inc	5.98
AbbVie Inc	5.79
Leidos Holdings Inc	5.55
Enact Holdings Inc	5.43
Meta Platforms Inc	5.11
Jackson Financial	5.00

## EQUITY SECTORS (%)



Communication Services	10.24
Consumer Defensive	0.00
Consumer Cyclical	0.00
Energy	0.00
Financials	19.97
Health Care	23.98
Industrials	4.53
Materials	0.00
Real Estate	0.00
Technology	34.97
Utilities	6.31

Strategy allocations may vary depending on the custodian selected and are based on the target portfolio at the end of each period. The portfolio is dynamically adjusted and will frequently and substantially change. Actual allocations will vary due to market fluctuations.

ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS %

	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
Strategy - Gross	-10.21	-10.21	7.96	13.75	6.76	9.65	10.66
Strategy - Net	-10.68	-10.68	5.83	11.51	4.66	7.49	8.48
Benchmark	0.19	0.19	13.17	13.64	10.35	11.37	11.67

ANNUAL RETURNS %

	Strategy (Gross)	Strategy (Net)	Benchmark
2013	27.08	24.61	32.47
2014	18.95	16.62	12.14
2015	-3.92	-5.83	-3.53
2016	20.15	17.81	18.49
2017	20.45	18.10	14.99
2018	-8.72	-10.55	-9.29
2019	19.88	17.54	31.31
2020	5.23	3.15	1.60
2021	17.09	14.80	25.39
2022	-8.16	-9.99	-5.47
2023	16.06	13.79	21.64
2024	21.59	19.22	12.15
2025	16.00	13.73	12.72
2026 thru 3/31	-10.21	-10.68	0.19

RISK STATISTICS

	Strategy (Gross)	Benchmark
<b>Standard Deviation</b>		
3-Year	13.27	12.75
5-Year	15.15	14.71
10-Year	16.73	15.54
<b>Sharpe Ratio</b>		
3-Year	0.69	0.70
5-Year	0.29	0.52
10-Year	0.50	0.63

The Astra Dividend Equity strategy was named Asteria US Dividend Equity until April 1, 2025. The benchmark for the Strategy was changed from the Russell 3000 Value Index to the S&P Composite 1500 Value Index on April 1, 2025.

**DEFINITIONS** **Standard deviation:** a measure of the dispersion of a set of data from its mean. It is designed to gauge the historical risk of an investment in terms of its past volatility. **Sharpe Ratio:** the average return earned in excess of the risk-free rate per unit of volatility or total risk. **S&P Composite 1500 Value Index:** measures constituents from the S&P Composite 1500 that are classified as value stocks based on three factors: the ratios of book value, earnings and sales to price.

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