



AS OF MARCH 31, 2025

## Strategy Performance Summary

STRATEGY / BENCHMARK	FEES	CUMULATIVE		AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS					Inception Date	
		3-mo	YTD	1-yr	3-yr	5-yr	10-yr	Since Inception		
<b>QUARTZ TACTICAL STRATEGIES</b>										
Dynamic US Opportunities	GROSS	-13.17	-13.17	-7.53	-	-	-	8.90	2/1/24	
	NET	-13.63	-13.63	-9.38	-	-	-	6.74		
S&P 1500 Composite Index		-4.49	-4.49	7.33	-	-	-	14.30		
Dynamic Global Equity	GROSS	-0.32	-0.32	10.53	2.42	12.46	6.11	6.15	3/1/15	
	NET	-0.82	-0.82	8.36	0.39	10.25	4.02	4.05		
MSCI ACWI Index		-1.32	-1.32	7.15	6.91	15.18	8.84	8.59		
Dynamic All-Asset	GROSS	0.88	0.88	12.12	2.78	11.55	5.95	5.90	3/1/15	
	NET	0.38	0.38	9.92	0.75	9.35	3.86	3.82		
Blended Benchmark		0.34	0.34	6.30	4.47	8.89	6.06	5.93		
Dynamic Yield Plus	GROSS	1.50	1.50	7.87	2.73	3.82	2.87	2.83	3/1/15	
	NET	1.00	1.00	5.74	0.70	1.77	0.83	0.80		
BBg US Aggregate Bond Index		2.78	2.78	4.88	0.52	-0.40	1.46	1.50		
High Yield Legacy	GROSS	1.03	1.03	7.55	2.72	3.14	2.41	2.29	3/1/15	
	NET	0.53	0.53	5.43	0.69	1.10	0.38	0.26		
BBg US Corporate High Yield Index		1.00	1.00	7.69	4.98	7.30	5.01	4.91		
<b>QUARTZ ADAPTCORE PORTFOLIOS</b>										
adaptCORE Aggressive Growth	GROSS	0.26	0.26	10.17	2.55	10.33	-	5.33	6/1/15	
	NET	-0.24	-0.24	8.01	0.52	8.16	-	3.25		
Blended Benchmark		-0.70	-0.70	6.84	6.01	12.81	-	7.72		
adaptCORE Long-Term Growth	GROSS	0.54	0.54	10.58	2.66	10.62	-	5.68	5/1/15	
	NET	0.04	0.04	8.40	0.63	8.45	-	3.60		
Blended Benchmark		-0.08	-0.08	6.52	5.09	10.46	-	6.63		
adaptCORE Balanced Growth	GROSS	0.77	0.77	10.50	2.85	9.61	-	5.25	5/1/15	
	NET	0.27	0.27	8.33	0.81	7.45	-	3.18		
Blended Benchmark		0.75	0.75	6.07	3.83	7.33	-	5.24		
adaptCORE Conservative Growth	GROSS	1.40	1.40	8.69	3.04	5.67	-	3.64	5/1/15	
	NET	0.90	0.90	6.55	1.00	3.59	-	1.60		
Blended Benchmark		2.18	2.18	5.25	1.53	1.91	-	2.67		

Please see Pages 3-5 for important disclosures and information regarding strategy benchmarks. Net returns are based on a 2% maximum advisory fee.

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<b>ASTRA SERIES: STOCK PORTFOLIOS</b>									
<b>Astra Growth Equity</b>	GROSS	-6.40	-6.40	13.35	14.02	21.32	13.76	13.58	9/1/14
	NET	-6.88	-6.88	11.12	11.78	18.95	11.53	11.35	
	S&P Composite 1500 Growth Index	-8.45	-8.45	8.96	7.35	18.36	13.48	13.41	
<b>Astra Dividend Equity</b>	GROSS	-3.53	-3.53	4.91	6.79	16.31	8.66	10.87	1/1/13
	NET	-4.02	-4.02	2.84	4.68	14.03	6.52	8.69	
	S&P Composite 1500 Value Index	-0.20	-0.20	4.02	8.85	17.34	9.92	11.55	
<b>Astra Core Equity</b>	GROSS	-6.71	-6.71	4.56	9.68	20.55	-	15.62	10/1/19
	NET	-7.19	-7.19	2.52	7.52	18.19	-	13.36	
	S&P 1500 Composite Index	-4.49	-4.49	7.33	8.59	18.42	-	13.58	
<b>Astra Natural Resources</b>	GROSS	6.73	6.73	3.96	0.35	-	-	6.31	4/1/21
	NET	6.21	6.21	1.90	-1.64	-	-	4.21	
	S&P GSCI Index	4.89	4.89	3.83	1.25	-	-	14.32	
<b>STRATEGIC ETF PORTFOLIOS</b>									
<b>Strategic US Equity</b>	GROSS	-5.14	-5.14	2.31	-	-	-	12.57	12/1/22
	NET	-5.63	-5.63	0.29	-	-	-	10.36	
	S&P 1500 Composite Index	-4.49	-4.49	7.33	-	-	-	15.50	
<b>Strategic International</b>	GROSS	1.60	1.60	4.98	6.45	11.85	-	6.92	1/1/14
	NET	1.10	1.10	2.91	4.35	9.65	-	4.81	
	MSCI EAFE Index	6.86	6.86	4.88	6.05	11.77	-	5.33	
<b>Strategic Bond</b>	GROSS	1.75	1.75	6.01	2.17	-	-	0.62	12/1/22
	NET	1.25	1.25	3.92	0.14	-	-	-1.37	
	Bloomberg US Agg Bond Index	2.78	2.78	4.88	0.52	-	-	-0.67	

Several strategies were renamed as of April 1, 2025. The following strategies were renamed (Current Name/Name prior to April 1, 2025):

- Dynamic US Opportunities / Equity Opportunities
- Dynamic Global Equity / Equity
- Dynamic All-Asset / Spectrum
- Dynamic Yield Plus / Yield Plus
- Astra Growth Equity / Asteria US Growth Equity
- Astra Dividend Equity / Asteria US Dividend Equity
- Astra Core Equity / Asteria US Core Equity
- Astra Natural Resources / Asteria Equity Commodity
- Strategic US Equity / Asteria US Market ETF
- Strategic International / Asteria Developed Markets Equity
- Strategic Bond / Asteria Global Fixed Income

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## Blended Benchmarks

STRATEGY	BLENDED BENCHMARK
Dynamic All-Asset	60% MSCI ACWI Index / 40% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index
adaptCORE Aggressive Growth	85% MSCI ACWI Index / 15% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index
adaptCORE Long-Term Growth	70% MSCI ACWI Index / 30% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index
adaptCORE Balanced Growth	50% MSCI ACWI Index / 50% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index
adaptCORE Conservative Growth	15% MSCI ACWI Index / 85% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index

## Benchmark Descriptions

**MSCI ACWI Index:** a market capitalization weighted index designed to provide a broad measure of equity-market performance throughout the world. The MSCI ACWI is maintained by Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI), and is comprised of stocks from both developed and emerging markets.

**Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index:** comprised of approximately 6,000 publicly traded bonds including U.S. Government, mortgage-backed, corporate, and Yankee bonds with an approximate average maturity of 10 years.

**Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index:** measures the performance of the global investment grade, fixed-rate bond markets. The benchmark includes government, government-related and corporate bonds, as well as asset-backed, mortgage-backed and commercial mortgage-backed securities from both developed and emerging markets issuers.

**Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Bond Index:** measures the USD-denominated, high yield, fixed-rate corporate bond market. Securities are classified as high yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below.

**S&P 1500 Composite Index:** combines three leading indices, the S&P 500, the S&P MidCap 400, and the S&P SmallCap 600, to cover approximately 90% of U.S. market capitalization. It is designed for investors seeking to replicate the performance of the U.S. equity market or benchmark against a representative universe of tradable stocks. **S&P Composite 1500 Growth Index:** measures constituents from the S&P Composite 1500 that are classified as growth stocks based on three factors: sales growth, the ratio of earnings change to price, and momentum. **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.

**S&P GSCI Index:** one of the most widely recognized benchmarks that is broad-based and production weighted to represent the global commodity market beta. The index is designed to be investable by including the most liquid commodity futures, and provides diversification with low correlations to other asset classes.

**MSCI EAFE Index:** designed to represent the performance of large and mid-cap securities across 21 developed markets, including countries in Europe, Australasia and the Far East, excluding the U.S. and Canada. The Index is available for a number of regions, market segments/sizes and covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each of the 21 countries.

## Strategy Descriptions

### DYNAMIC US OPPORTUNITIES

Typically holds anywhere from six to twenty individual U.S. stocks based on the defensive allocation within the strategy. Stocks within the universe are ranked based upon a number of fundamental attributes as well as price momentum characteristics. Once ranked stocks are then graded in three categories; Company Grade, Investment Grade, and Intrinsic Grade. The grading system analyzes a diverse set of fundamental factors to search for companies that demonstrate strong fundamentals relative to their peers and industry. A risk-based overlay is added to seek capital preservation with all or part of the portfolio at times through the use of cash and/or US Treasuries.

### DYNAMIC GLOBAL EQUITY

Tactical global equity strategy seeking long-term capital appreciation with a secondary emphasis on capital preservation. The Strategy is intended to exhibit an aggressive risk profile over a full market cycle. The Strategy will be primarily determined based on our outlook on the financial markets and global economy. Relative strength and other technical analyses may also be used to make asset allocation decisions. The Strategy may consist of a mix of ETF's or Mutual Funds that invest in US equity, foreign equity, real estate investment trust (hereafter "REIT"), commodity, government bond and or cash or equivalent Securities. Equity, government bond and/or cash or equivalent Securities may make up to 100% of the Strategy. The Strategy is non-diversified and will often be concentrated in one or a select number of Securities. The Strategy may at times be invested up to 100% in US Treasury/government bond Securities and/or cash or equivalent Securities.

### DYNAMIC ALL-ASSET

Tactical all-asset strategy seeking long-term capital growth with a secondary emphasis on capital preservation. The Strategy is intended to exhibit a moderately aggressive risk profile over a full market cycle. The Strategy will be primarily determined based on our outlook on the

financial markets and global economy. Relative strength and other technical analyses may also be used to make asset allocation decisions. The Strategy may invest across the entire asset class universe and seeks to provide positive total returns through tactical allocations amongst each of the distinct asset classes. As a result, the Strategy may offer varying levels of risk and does not resemble a traditional, diversified allocation of stocks and bonds. The Strategy may consist of a mix of ETF's or Mutual Funds that invest in US equity, foreign equity, bond, REIT, Commodity, and or cash or equivalent Securities. Equity, government bond and/or cash or equivalent Securities may make up to 100% of the Strategy. The Strategy is non-diversified and will often be concentrated in one or a select number of Securities. The Strategy may at times be invested up to 100% in US Treasury/government bond Securities and/or cash or equivalent Securities.

### DYNAMIC YIELD PLUS

Tactical global fixed income strategy seeking total returns and current income with a secondary emphasis on capital preservation. The Strategy is intended to exhibit moderately conservative risk profile over a full market cycle. The Strategy will be primarily determined based on our outlook on the financial markets and global economy. Relative strength and other technical analyses may also be used to make asset allocation decisions. The Strategy will often invest up to 100% in high yield corporate bond Securities, which typically represents the primary source of return and risk to the Strategy. The Strategy may consist of a mix of ETF's or Mutual Funds that invest in an unconstrained mix of bond Securities (including but not limited to bank loans, global bonds, emerging markets debt, government bonds, and municipal bonds), convertible Securities, REITs, and or cash or equivalent Securities. Target allocations to equity Securities with a positive yield may represent up to 30% of the Strategy. The Strategy is non-diversified and will often be concentrated in one or a select number of Securities. Leveraged Securities may be used in the Strategy. The Strategy may at times be invested up to 100% in US Treasury/government bond and/or cash or equivalent Securities.

### HIGH YIELD LEGACY

Tactical high yield bond strategy seeking positive total returns and current income with a secondary emphasis on capital preservation. The Strategy is intended to exhibit moderately conservative risk profile over a full market cycle. The Strategy's portfolio will be primarily determined based on our outlook on the financial markets and global economy. Relative strength and other technical analyses may also be used to make asset allocation decisions. The Strategy will often invest up to 100% in ETF's or Mutual Funds that invest in high yield corporate bonds, which typically represents the primary source of return and risk to the Strategy. The Strategy is non-diversified and will frequently be 100% invested in high yield bond Securities, government bond Securities, or cash or equivalent Securities. The Strategy may at times be invested up to 100% in US Treasury/government bond and/or cash or equivalent Securities.

### adaptCORE PORTFOLIOS

Multi-strategy portfolios built through allocations to multiple Quartz Strategies to provide a more diversified and targeted total portfolio solution. Each target-risk portfolio offers an all-inclusive portfolio solution which seeks positive total returns within its asset class and risk constraints. Details regarding strategy allocations within the *adaptCORE* Portfolios can be found in the *adaptCORE* Fact Sheet and in our ADV Part 2.

### ASTRA DIVIDEND EQUITY

The Strategy seeks to provide investors with a desirable mix of income and total return through stock dividends and capital appreciation of equity holdings. This strategy explicitly targets stocks believed to be undervalued by fundamental measures. Strong future appreciation potential is emphasized along with current income.

**ASTRA GROWTH EQUITY**

The Strategy seeks to achieve capital appreciation by investing in common stocks of various sized companies that we believe will experience accelerated earnings, strong revenue growth, and/or robust share price appreciation. In assessing and selecting stocks for investment, we analyze economic margin, company valuations, industry economic margin trends, management actions, and pricing momentum. We also seek companies that show persistent growth relative to their peers and industry. In analyzing potential investments we pay particular attention to current valuations versus expected cash flow to minimize the likelihood of overpaying for future earnings.

**ASTRA CORE EQUITY**

The Strategy seeks to provide exposure to both value and growth-oriented positions by hand-selecting individual stocks found in our Dividend and Growth Portfolios and combining them into one portfolio. This strategy serves as a foundational piece to a client's portfolio.

**ASTRA NATURAL RESOURCES**

The Strategy invests in equities of firms operating in the natural resource and commodities markets. This investment approach for commodities can provide participation in long-term commodity price trends because corporate profitability of firms operating in the natural resource sectors are often strongly linked to commodity prices. In addition, this strategy provides investors access to a broad range of soft commodities, such as wheat, and hard commodities, such as metals. Holding equities of operating companies rather than commodities futures contracts or physical commodities also enables investors to potentially benefit from management and company specific value creation. This approach does not invest in commodities futures contracts or physical commodities.

**STRATEGIC US EQUITY**

The Strategy seeks to provide investors with attractive returns for a given level of volatility by investing in various sectors expected to provide strong long-term performance and reduced cross correlation. We expect the combined positions to provide the potential for reduced total portfolio risk. Diversification is targeted by style, size of companies, industry, and other characteristics according to perceived opportunities.

**STRATEGIC INTERNATIONAL**

The Strategy seeks to invest in non-US markets across different regions throughout the world. In addition to allocating by regions, the portfolio also may be diversified by style, size of companies, and other characteristics according to perceived opportunities. The strategy seeks to gain exposure to non-U.S. economic trends, political environments, regulatory regimes, market sentiments, currency movements, and various other international factors.

**STRATEGIC BOND**

The Strategy seeks to provide investors exposure to a diversified fixed income portfolio. Investments are diversified according to multiple different characteristics including average maturity, duration, credit quality, yields, government securities, corporate bonds, and possibly other characteristics. Returns are expected to result primarily or exclusively from interest income rather than growth of principal.



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