

High Conviction ETFs

Exemplifying the Value of ETF Investing & Why They Belong in Your Portfolio

Most of the largest and most common ETFs in the world are missing something; conviction. Rather than invest in top-ranked investments, they invest in all, or a large subset, of an investment universe.

We believe high-conviction ETFs are rare. They invest in only the most highly-ranked investments (i.e. top 1%) rather than a large subset (i.e. 50%) of an investment universe. We believe a high-conviction approach maximizes the benefits of the ETF structure, provide exposure not available in broad ETFs or mutual funds and provides pure and timely exposure to specific research or factor.

Benefits of High Conviction ETFs

- » Maximize structural benefits offered by ETFs
- » Add purity to tactical investing through concentration
- » Tax-efficient
- » Alternative to active management

Take the Innovator IBD[®] 50 ETF (FFTY) as an example. FFTY seeks to track the IBD[®] 50 Index, which is based on a fully rules-based stock list first calculated by Investor's Business Daily (IBD) in 2003. It rebalances each week, averages more than 1000% turnover on an annual basis, only selecting the top 50 growth stocks out of a universe of more than 8,000. It has never made a cap gains distribution, is fully transparent¹, liquid², and lower-cost than active management³. It provides exposure not available in some of the broadest and largest U.S. Growth or Momentum Indexes and ETFs.

ATTRIBUTE	INNOVATOR IBD [®] 50 ETF (FFTY)	TRADITIONAL ETFS	INVESTOR BENEFIT
Conviction	High – Only selects the top 50 growth stocks out of all U.S.-listed stocks (8,000+)	Low – Typically a broad index, or large subset of a broad index or universe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only selects the most highly-ranked investments (i.e. top 1%) versus a large subset (i.e. top 50%). • Low overlap to traditional ETFs and mutual funds • Clear & precise exposure to a factor/investment view
Turnover	Very High – Turnover averages 20% each week, more than 1,000% annually	Low – Typically turnover is minimal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adapt to evolving market more quickly • Turnover handled for you in tax-efficient ETF
Rebalance Frequency	High – Weekly	Very Low – Typically quarterly or annually	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay on top of quickly evolving markets • Timely exposure to a factor/investment view
Tax-Efficiency	High – Has never made a capital gains distribution	High – Most have never made a capital gains distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regardless of turnover or rebalance frequency ETF shareholder can potentially defer all capital gains until they sell their shares • More tax-efficient than active mutual funds

Why High Conviction ETFs Belong in your Portfolio

- » **Simplify Your Investing** – High-turnover strategies can be time consuming, incur high trading costs and be less tax-efficient to manage on your own instead of using an ETF.
- » **Replacement for Active** – An ETF like FFTY is likely more active and has higher turnover than active mutual funds yet is likely more cost-effective and tax-efficient.
- » **Pure & Timely** – High-conviction ETFs provide exposure not available in traditional growth or momentum ETFs. FFTY may be a more compelling way to own the growth or momentum factor.

OVERLAP ANALYSIS	S&P 500 GROWTH INDEX	RUSSELL 1000 GROWTH INDEX	RUSSELL 2000 GROWTH INDEX
% weight overlap to FFTY	9%	9%	3%

As of Feb. 22nd, 2018. Subject to change.

ETFs have always provided exposures to targeted areas of the market. We expect the use of high-conviction ETFs to grow because they offer exposures not currently available in many mainstream indexes and ETFs.

To learn more about high-conviction investing including the IBD[®] 50 and IBD[®] ETF Leaders ETFs call us at 800.208.5212 or email us at info@innovatoretfs.com.

1. FFTY’s holdings are disclosed daily at innovatoretfs.com/ffty.
2. FFTY is exchange traded and its shares can be bought or sold throughout the day.
3. Source: CFA Institute Research Foundation, 2015, https://www.cfainstitute.org/learning/foundation/research/Documents/exchange_traded_funds.pdf

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