

BMO Tactical Balanced ETF Fund Highlights

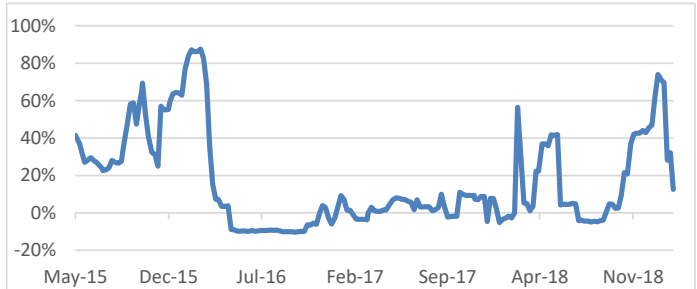
Defense

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Beta (risk) Metrics



As of: Feb 1 2019	02/01/19	01/25/19	Change
FX (USD)	1.5%	1.7%	-0.3%
Beta ²	12.5%	32.1%	-19.6%
Correlation	22.9%	42.5%	-19.6%
Yield ³	2.80%	2.52%	0.28%
ETF Holdings	16	19	-3
Volatility ⁴	6.58%	6.60%	-0.01%
CAD	1.3102	1.3218	-0.9%

Performance Metrics

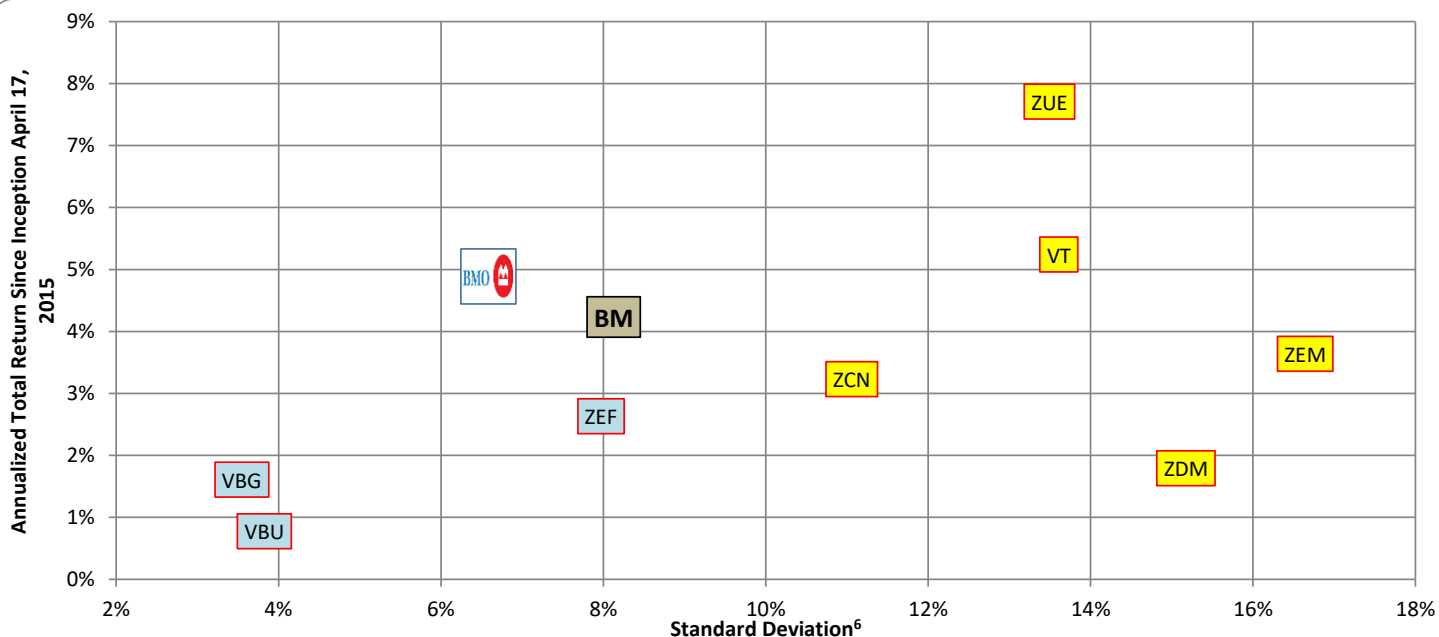
Total Return	Net	Gross	Upside/Downside ⁵
YTD	4.43%	4.61%	Upside 39%
Prev. Month	4.32%	4.48%	Downside 32%
Prev. Quarter	1.03%	1.51%	Months Up 30
Prev. Year	6.05%	7.97%	Months Dn 16
Annualized SI	2.97%	4.89%	
Sharpe Ratio	0.74		

Market Strategy (Risk Management)

DEFENSE: The current beta is 12.5% vs. the benchmark of 56.0% down from 32.1% last week. We are back to defensive positioning in the portfolio. The bond market (and the Fed) is telling us that the strong employment numbers are late cycle margin killing, productivity zapping behaviour. We have lots of cash in the portfolio, but we'll be adding duration to the portfolio in the coming months. We should see some steepening with the Fed's new stance, but so far nada. We are looking to boost yield above 3% and beta back below zero. The stronger C\$ and slight recovery in energy prices should give us the opportunity to add to US\$ exposure. We have been mostly hedged since USMCA. We expect the C\$ will bottom somewhere below 70 cents in the coming recession and there will be 3-4% of potential currency gains available over the next year.

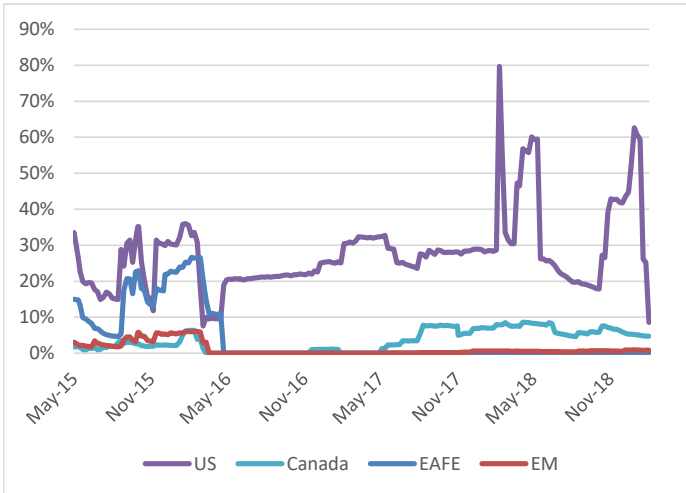
Top Holdings

Ticker	Name	Position
ZST	BMO Ultra Short-Term Bond ETF	19.5%
EMLC	VanEck Vectors J.P. Morgan EM Local Currency Bond ETF	9.6%
FLOT	iShares Floating Rate Bond ETF	9.1%
ZPR	BMO Laddered Preferred Share Index ETF	7.4%
ZGD	BMO Equal Weight Global Gold Index ETF	3.2%
AML	Alerian MLP ETF	2.5%
ZPH	BMO US Put Write Hedged to CAD ETF	2.4%
ZPW	BMO US Put Write ETF	1.9%
ZWU	BMO Covered Call Utilities ETF	1.8%
ZWC	BMO Canadian High Dividend Covered Call ETF	1.6%
GLD	SPDR Gold Shares	0.9%
ZUP	BMO US Preferred Share Index ETF	0.8%
GD	VanEck Vectors Gold Miners ETF	0.8%
ZRR	BMO Real Return Bond Index ETF	0.6%
Total		62.0%



Tactical Asset Allocation

Equity	US	Canada	EAFE	EM
02/01/19	8.6%	4.7%	0.1%	0.8%
01/25/19	25.2%	4.8%	0.1%	0.8%
Change	-16.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%



Sector	02/01/19	01/25/19	Change
Financials	0.66%	3.08%	-2.4%
Energy	4.26%	5.45%	-1.2%
Health Care	0.75%	3.13%	-2.4%
Technology	0.79%	4.56%	-3.8%
Industrials	0.51%	2.21%	-1.7%
Discretionary	0.84%	2.95%	-2.1%
Real Estate	0.00%	0.43%	-0.4%
Staples	0.21%	1.60%	-1.4%
Telecom	0.64%	1.00%	-0.4%
Utilities	0.92%	1.42%	-0.5%
Materials	4.56%	4.97%	-0.4%
Government	10.72%	11.08%	-0.4%
Corporate	27.62%	8.62%	19.0%
C\$ Cash	63.37%	76.80%	-13.4%
U\$ Cash	-24.91%	-36.63%	11.7%
Preferred	8.21%	8.46%	-0.2%
Commodity	0.86%	0.88%	0.0%

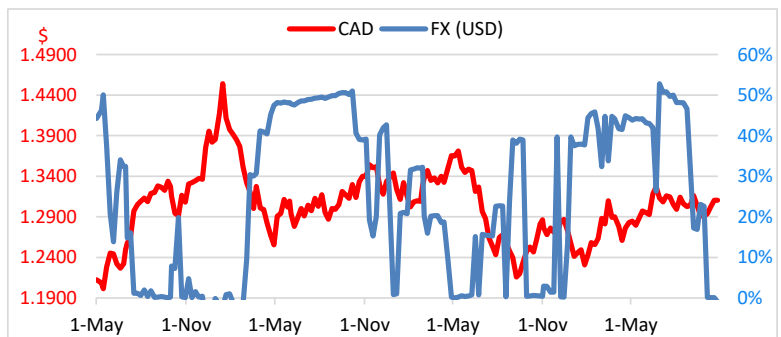
Bonds	Corp.	Govt.	Pref.	Cash	Duration
02/01/19	27.6%	10.7%	8.2%	38.5%	1.20
01/25/19	8.6%	11.1%	8.5%	40.2%	1.26
Change	19.0%	-0.4%	-0.2%	-1.7%	-0.06

Equity Country/Sector Allocation & Trades

We sold our last tranche of S&P 500 exposure as we hit resistance above 2700. The Fed surprised with an extremely dovish statement last week and suggests to us that despite still strong job gains, we may have reached the terminal funds rate and possibly the low end of the Fed's balance sheet unwind too. The global economy is only growing based on leverage and free money. In the long run, we are seeing huge misallocation of capital and the credit bubble that's building has to end badly. China may be at the front of that wave with the credit risk of the S&P 500 flirting with the biggest risk levels in history. To say we are a growth skeptic would be an understatement. For the next several years, tactical asset allocation may be our only real return possibility. Europe is cheap because it's a house of cards. EM is cheap because it's leveraged to Europe. The US is overvalued because it's the only economy that's working, but that's been 100% leverage for the past decade with free money.

Currency Strategy & Trades

Recovering oil prices and a FOMC that may have hit a ceiling has helped the C\$ reach its best levels in months, but make no mistake, in a recession, the C\$ is going sub 70 cents again and WTI back towards \$30 or less. We will use C\$ strength in the coming weeks to months to add US\$ exposure. We doubt we can see 80 cents again this cycle and will add US\$ between 76-78 cents.



Fixed-Income/Commodity Allocation & Trades

The most important consideration in our fixed-income portfolio is interest-rate sensitivity versus the benchmark of 6.21. The duration of the portfolio is 1.20 down -0.06 last week. We increased exposure to emerging market local currency debt (EMLC) where we see 10-15% total returns over the next year. It yields more than 6% and has potential currency gains over the next few years. On the currency front, we like the euro at 1.13 and lower and see a move back to 1.18 so we look to international government debt (IGOV) as a way to play FX gains. With yields so low globally, it's not a duration call. We look to add duration in the US with TLT as yields push higher under the weight of supply and firmer equity markets that we do not expect to last.

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