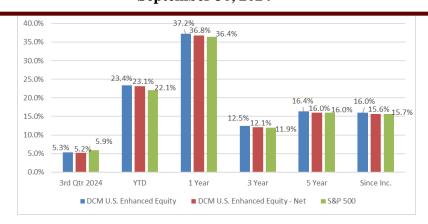
The View from Decatur

3rd Qtr. 2024

Chart 1: DCM US Enhanced Composite Trailing Performance September 30, 2024

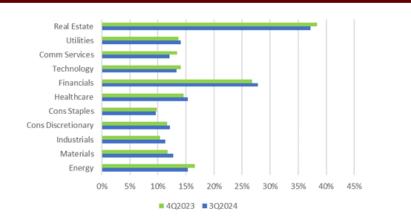


I. U.S. Enhanced Equity is comprised of 200-3-- equity securities with market capitalization of \$5 Billion or more that pass our quantitative selection process and can be acquired at a easonable price. The strategy has a positive allocation to those firms with higher profitability, valuation and expectations characteristics. The minimum account size for this composite asonable proce. the same of the benchmark, the S&P 500 index. Portfolio characteristics are similar to the benchmark, the S&P 500 index.

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7. The U.S. Enhanced Equity Composite was created on March 2019 and a complete listing and description of all composites is available on request.

Chart 2: Performance Attribution by Economic Sectors, 3rd Qtr. 2024 Consumer Staples Information Technology Health Care Materials Energy Utilities Consumer Discretional Cash & Equin -0.30 -0.25 -0.20 -0.15 -0.10 0.05 0.10 -0.05 0.00





DCM Strategy: U.S. Enhanced

The DCM U.S. Enhanced composite is comprised of 200-300 equity securities with market capitalization similar to the S&P 500 Index and uses the Decatur Alpha Rank allocation methodology. The strategy has a positive allocation to those firms with higher profitability, valuation and expectations characteristics.

Portfolio Manager Commentary

For the quarter, U.S. Enhanced return, net of fees, was 5.20% compared to the S&P 500 of 5.90%. For the year to date, U.S. Enhanced return, net of fees was 23.10% compared to the index return of 22.10%

Performance Analysis

Our allocation and selections within the majority of sectors resulted in lagging performance. The model allocated 33.2% to technology compared to the benchmark allocation at 31.7%. In technology, the model avoided exposure to Super Micro Computer (SMCI) which declined 49% during the quarter. Our model ranked SMCI in the bottom third for performance.

The sector that lagged the most in performance was industrials. The strategy's industrials allocation was 6.6% compared to the benchmark at 8.5%. This allocation and selection weighting resulted in -0.23% lag in performance. The model allocation to 3M(MMM), a global conglomerate company, was 0.14% compared to the benchmark weighting of 0.15%, a slight underweight. This contributed to some of the underperformance during the quarter.

Factor Analysis

Chart 4 shows the average US forecasted 2024 profit margin which provides a measure of market sentiment on the direction of profits. The forecasted profit margin measures forecast of earnings scaled by the forecast of revenues.

The outlook for the overall market's projected profit margin has slightly decreased since the end of 2023. The sectors with lower forecasts are energy, consumer staples, communication services, real estate, and technology.

In 2024, we have seen mega cap growth stocks lead the market. The market sentiment will continue to be positive but at a slower pace.

Outlook

The surge in growth stocks continues. The Federal Reserve has started the easing cycle with the 50 basis point reduction in September. We believe that this will be positive for stocks in the coming months.

We are evaluating our risk exposure and continue to be positive on the markets. Our enhanced model lagged slightly during the quarter while still maintaining its year to date positive performance. The reason for the positive performance during the year is due to the allocation methodology based on the model's quality, valuation and expectations factors.

Note: Returns are measured in U.S. dollars net of fees. Decatur Capital Management, Inc. (DCM) is a registered investment advisor specializing in quantitative growth oriented investment management. The benchmark is the Russell 1000 Growth which is designed to measure the large cap growth firms within the U.S. The benchmark is market cap weighted. DCM claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS). GIPS® is a registered trademark of CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does warrant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein. To receive a list of composite descriptions of DCM and/or GIPS Composite Report, contact Ralph J. Bryant, CPA at (404) 270-9838 or ralphb@decaturcapital.com or write to DCM, 160 Clairemont Avenue, Suite 200, Decatur, GA 3003