# TrimTabs Quarterly Webinar

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# Goals for Today's Webinar

- Macro Overview
- Free Cash Flow Research Update
- TrimTabs Portfolio Layers
- Under the Radar: Global Consumer Trend
- Performance Review for Q1 2019
- Q&A



Investment Elements: What is Driving Equity Markets?

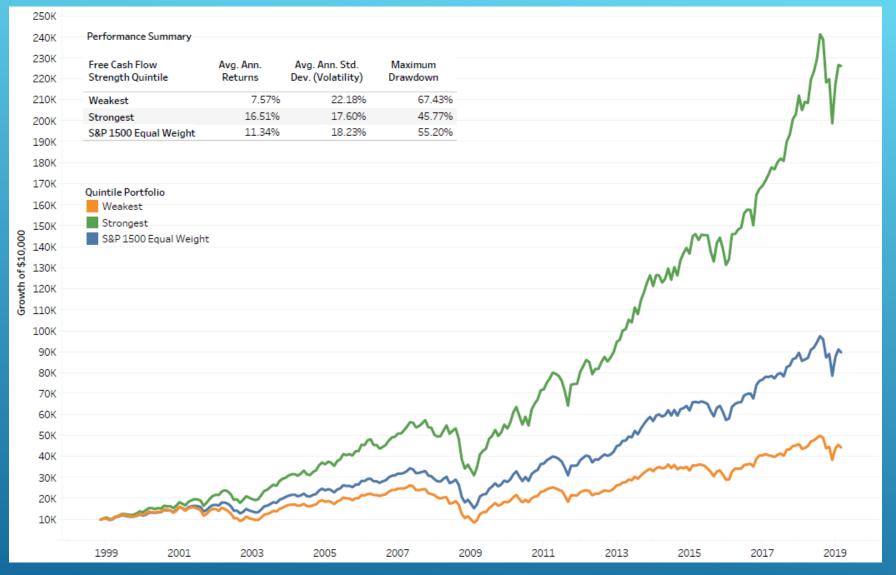
Federal Reserve Policy ("Pause")
Europe (Brexit)
China (Trade)



## Cumulative Growth of \$10K - Strongest vs Weakest Based on Free Cash Flow Strength Quintile S&P 1500 Universe, 11/30/1998 to 03/31/2019

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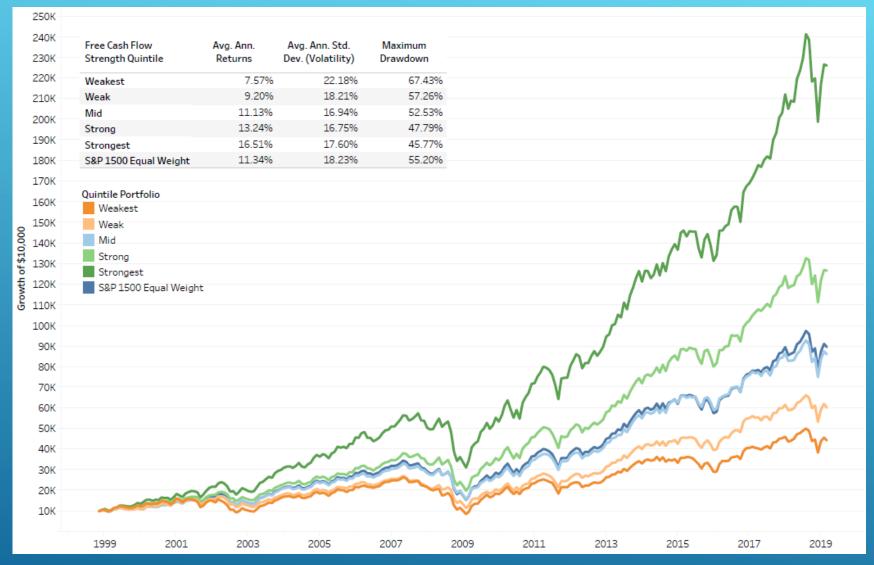


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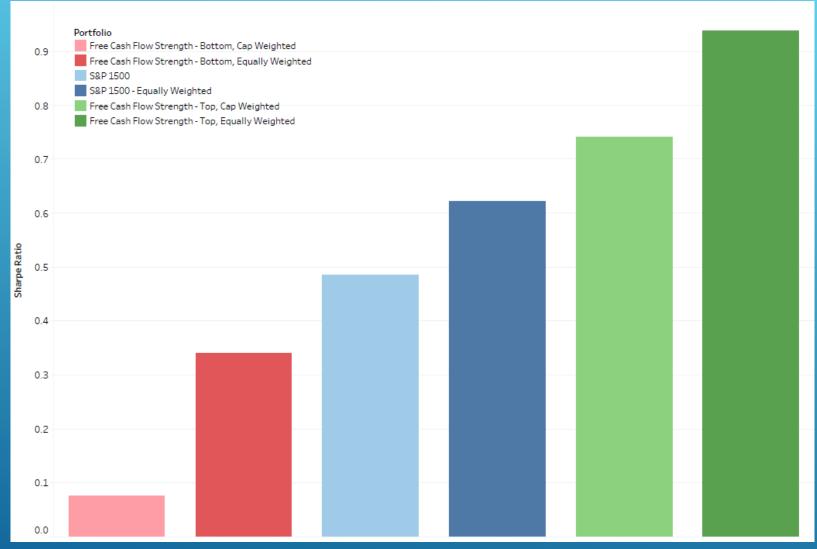


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Risk Adjusted Return (Sharpe Ratio) - Equally Weighted and Cap Weighted Quintile Portfolio by Free Cash Flow Strength S&P 1500 Universe, 11/30/1998 to 03/31/2019

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## **Portfolio Layers**

 Free-Cash-Flow Growth + Strong Balance Sheets = High Quality

- Strong Balance Sheets + Share Count Reduction = Organic Growth
- Discipline + Seasoned Active Management = Smart Alpha



### Growth of \$1: US Stocks and World Ex-US Stocks

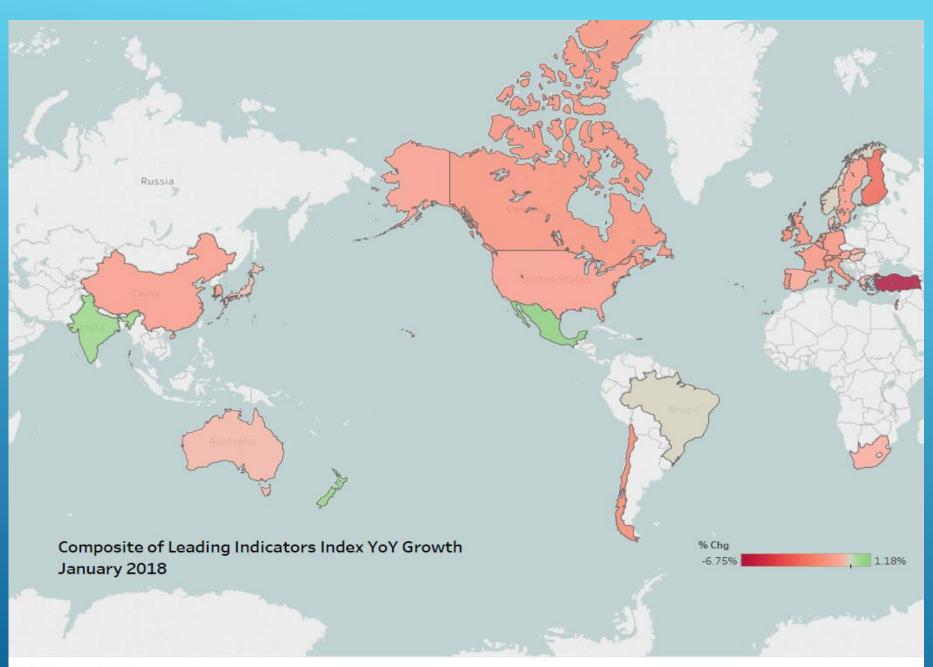


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Data Source: OECD

# **Consumer Trends**

- US unemployment at historically low levels
- Rising wages in the US
- Continued high levels of consumer confidence
- More cash in hand due to refinancing
- Best US consumer balance sheets in 40 years
- Chinese consumer continues to be a strong buyer of global brands



# **Consumer Plays**

### <u>TTAC</u>

- Amazon (AMZN)
- Nike Inc. (NKE)
- Estee Lauder (EL)
- Starbucks (SBUX)
- LuLulemon (LULU)
- Yum China (YUMC)

### TTAI

- Alibaba (BABA)
- Oriental Land (4661 JP)
- Adidas (ADS GR)
- Diageo PLC (DEO US)
- Kering (KER FP)
- Fast Retailing Co. (9983 JP)
- LuLulemon (LULU)
- Yum China (YUMC)



### Standardized Performance

Quarter End Performance (%) (As of 3/31/2019)

|                     |         |        |        | Inception 9/27/2016 - |
|---------------------|---------|--------|--------|-----------------------|
|                     | Quarter | 1 Year | 2 Year | 3/31/2019             |
| TTAC NAV            | 12.89   | 4.10   | 12.16  | 15.62                 |
| TTAC Market Price   | 12.91   | 3.47   | 11.97  | 15.53                 |
| Russell 3000 TR USD | 14.04   | 8.77   | 11.26  | 13.38                 |

Gross Expense Ratio 0.59%

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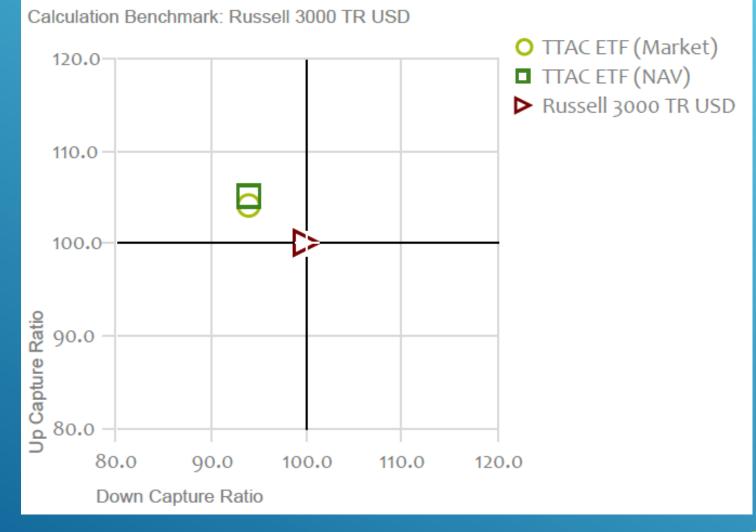
|                         | Quarter | 1 Year | 2 Year | 3/31/2019 |
|-------------------------|---------|--------|--------|-----------|
| TTAI NAV                | 11.54   | -5.30  | N/A    | 0.20      |
| TTAI Market Price       | 12.43   | -5.85  | N/A    | 0.59      |
|                         |         |        |        |           |
| S&P Developed Ex US BMI | 10.17   | -4.60  | 10.27  | 3.62      |

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### TrimTabs All Cap US Free Cash Flow ETF (TTAC) Upside – Downside Capture

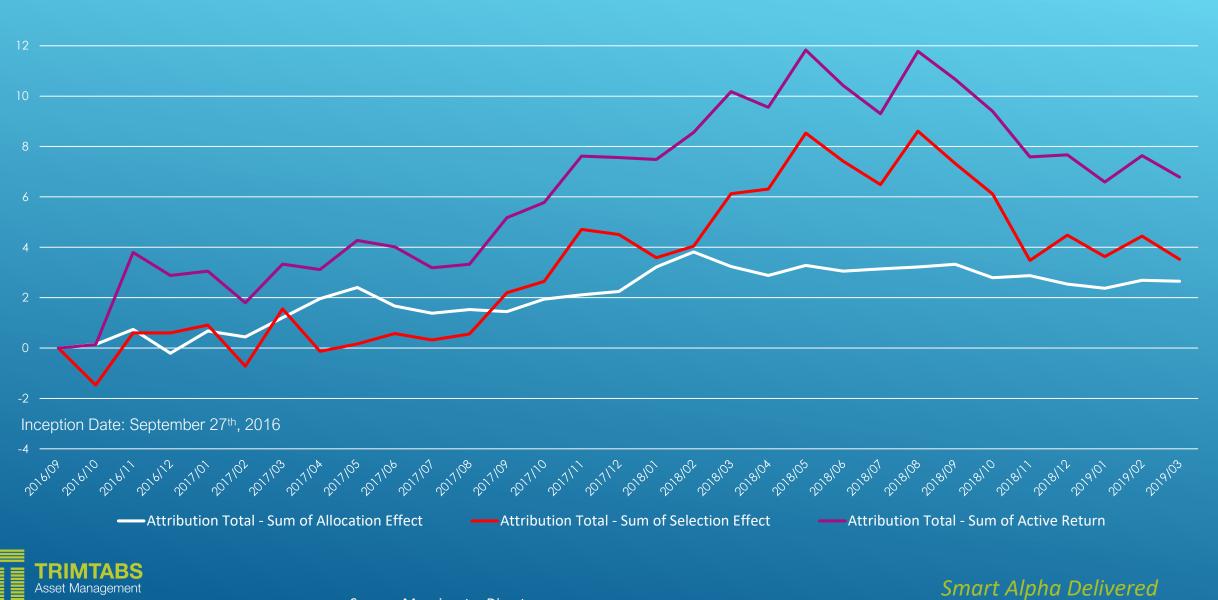




Source: Morningstar Direct

#### Smart Alpha Delivered

### **TTAC Cumulative Attribution**



Source: Morningstar Direct

# TrimTabs All Cap US Free-Cash-Flow ETF (TTAC)

Inception Date: September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 TTAC: ~\$130 million AUM (as of 3/31/19)

- TTAC \$AUM increased by 185% in 2018
- TTAC \$AUM at \$39 million at year-end 2017, \$AUM \$111 million as of year end 2018
- TTAC continues to experience asset growth across all channels, including independent RIAs and large regional B/Ds



# TrimTabs All Cap International Free-Cash-Flow ETF (TTAI)

Inception Date: June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TTAI: ~\$12 million AUM

TTAI seeks to generate long-term returns in excess of the S&P Developed EX US BMI Index. Through quantitative analysis and active management, TTAI seeks to identify companies that are:

- Generating strong free cash flow
- Reducing share count
- Maintaining high quality balance sheets

For the first quarter of 2019, TTAI was up 11.54% (NAV) and 12.43% (MKT), versus a gain of 10.17% for the S&P Ex US Index.

Investable universe includes all developed countries outside of the United States (Europe, Far East, Asia + Canada)

TTAI follows a similar investment methodology of TTAC, adjusted for foreign market dynamics





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There is no guarantee that TTAI and TTAC will achieve their investment objectives. Investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal. Because the Fund is an ETF (rather than a mutual fund), shares are bought and sold at market price (not NAV), may trade at a discount or premium to NAV, and are not individually redeemable. Owners of the shares may acquire those shares from the Fund and tender those shares for redemption to the Fund in Creation Unit aggregations only, consisting of 25,000 shares. Brokerage commissions will reduce returns. Investments in the Fund include risks associated with small-and mid-cap securities, which involve limited liquidity and greater volatility than large-cap securities. Returns on investments in foreign securities could be more volatile than investments in domestic securities.

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Free Cash Flow (FCF) represents the cash that a company is able to generate after accounting for capital expenditures.

The price/earnings ratio (often shortened to the P/E ratio or the PER) is the ratio of a company's stock price to the company's earnings per share.

The Standard & Poor's 500, often abbreviated as the S&P 500, or just the S&P, is an American stock market index based on the market capitalizations of 500 large companies having common stock listed on the NYSE or NASDAQ.

Standard Deviation is a measure that is used to quantify the amount of variation or dispersion of a set of data values.

Alpha is a measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis.

Capture ratio helps you to identify robustness of the mutual fund across different phases of market rally and slump.

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#### Principal loss is possible. TTAC and TTAI are distributed by Quasar Distributors, LLC.

The Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Index measures the performance of the 3,000 largest publicly traded U.S. companies, based on market capitalization. The Index measures the performance of approximately 98% of the total market capitalization of the publicly traded U.S. equity market. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

The S&P Developed Ex-U.S. BMI Index is a market capitalization weighted index that defines and measures the investable universe of publicly traded companies domiciled in developed countries outside the U.S. The Developed Index is float adjusted, meaning that only those shares publicly available to investors are included in the Developed Index calculation.

The equity universe is constructed using securities in the S&P 1500 Composite by excluding financials companies. Financials companies are defined as companies in the following FactSet RBICS Industries: Investment Services, Insurance, Banking, Financially Operative Institutions, Real Estate.



#### Morningstar Categories

The Morningstar Large Growth Index measures the performance of large-cap stocks that are expected to grow at a faster pace than the rest of the market as measured by forward earnings, historical earnings, book value, cash flow and sales.

Large-blend portfolios are fairly representative of the overall U.S. stock market in size, growth rates, and price. Stocks in the top 70% of the capitalization of the U.S. equity market are defined as large-cap. The blend style is assigned to portfolios where neither growth nor value characteristics predominate. These portfolios tend to invest across the spectrum of U.S. industries, and owing to their broad exposure, the portfolios' returns are often similar to those of the S&P 500 Index.

The Morningstar Large Value Index measures the performance of large-cap stocks with relatively low prices given anticipated per-share earnings, book value, cash flow, sales and dividends.

The Morningstar Mid Growth Index measures the performance of mid-cap stocks that are expected to grow at a faster pace than the rest of the market as measured by forward earnings, historical earnings, book value, cash flow and sales.

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The Morningstar Mid Cap Index tracks the performance of U.S. mid-cap stocks that fall between 70th and 90th percentile in market capitalization of the investable universe.

| Ticker | Security Description  | % of Net Assets |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| FTNT   | FORTINET INC          | 1.41            |
| ILMN   | ILLUMINA INC          | 1.41            |
| MTCH   | MATCH GROUP INC       | 1.38            |
| NSP    | INSPERITY INC         | 1.35            |
| ULTA   | ULTA BEAUTY INC       | 1.33            |
| AZPN   | ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC  | 1.31            |
| DECK   | DECKERS OUTDOOR CORP  | 1.31            |
| ZTS    | ZOETIS INC            | 1.30            |
| MSCI   | MSCLINC               | 1.29            |
| NSC    | NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP | 1.26            |

TTAC Top 10 Holdings

#### TTAI Top 10 Holdings

| Ticker   | Security Description         | % of Net Assets |
|----------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| EWY      | ISHARES INC MSCI STH KOR ETF | 3.84            |
| DSY FP   | DASSAULT SYSTEMES            | 1.39            |
| 8985 JP  | JAPAN HOTEL REIT I           | 1.38            |
| PUM GR   | PUMA SE                      | 1.38            |
| SIKA SW  | SIKA AG                      | 1.38            |
| WKL NA   | WOLTERS KLUWER               | 1.37            |
| PGHN SW  | PARTNERS GROUP HLG           | 1.36            |
| GIB/A CN | CGI GROUP INC                | 1.32            |
| REY IM   | REPLY SPA                    | 1.32            |
| 4911 JP  | SHISEIDO CO LTD              | 1.30            |

