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CIBC WISDOMTREE SIEGEL STRATEGIC VALUE INDEX™

An advanced value investing strategy



Ideas into impact

The CIBC WisdomTree Siegel Strategic Value Index™ was developed by some of the brightest minds in capital markets today.

This innovative quantitative investment strategy leverages decades of experience and insight, leading index construction, and objective asset allocation processes from three prominent industry leaders. Backed by the highly-acclaimed work of Professor Jeremy J. Siegel, Senior Investment Strategy Advisor, WisdomTree Investments Inc., the CIBC WisdomTree Siegel Strategic Value Index™ seeks to provide excess returns through a unique set of proprietary volatility controls.

The team behind the index



Jeremy Siegel is the Russell E. Palmer Professor of Finance at The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, where he has taught since 1976. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1971.

Prof. Siegel is the author of numerous professional articles and two books. His bestselling book, *Stocks for the Long Run*, now in its fifth edition, has been named by the *Washington Post* and *Business Week* as one of the ten-best investment books of all time. Prof. Siegel has received many awards and citations for his research and excellence in teaching including the Distinguished Leadership Award by the Securities Industry Association and the prestigious Nicholas Molodovsky Award by the Chartered Financial Analysts Institute. Prof. Siegel also serves as the Academic Director of the Securities Industry Institute and the Senior Investment Strategy Advisor of WisdomTree Investments, Inc.



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*\$54 billion in assets under management provided by WisdomTree as of December 19, 2018.



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Proven methodologies backed by rigorous academic research

Systematically leverage proven investment strategies with the aim to provide excess returns through volatility controls.



Value investing

Based on the latest value investing research by Professor Jeremy Siegel, the Index seeks to systematically identify undervalued U.S. market sectors.



Trend analysis

The Index attempts to use trend analysis to predict future market movements based on historical data in order to capitalize on momentum when the markets are moving higher and reduce exposure when markets are declining.



Company valuation

As defined by Professor Siegel, rather than using traditional valuation metrics like book value, or price-to-earnings ratios, the Index focuses on the use of operating earnings and total enterprise value as more reliable measures of valuation.



Risk management

The Index utilizes a risk management strategy which enables a shift to a more conservative allocation when equity markets become volatile in an effort to reduce the impact of market declines.

A new way to look at time-tested practices

As opposed to using traditional valuation metrics like book value or price-to-earnings ratios, the Index bases its investment approach on the ratio of operating earnings and total enterprise value as more reliable measures of valuation.



- Valuation based on operating earnings avoids the potential for significant earnings swings due to changes in accounting principles



- By using operating earnings and total enterprise value (TEV), rather than market capitalization on earnings (or price-to-earnings ratio (P/E ratio)), this formula creates more accurate comparisons for companies with different capital structures



- The methodology also leverages Professor Siegel's research on aggregation bias, which addresses cases where a few companies with very large losses can result in an artificially high P/E ratio at an aggregate level

The CIBC WisdomTree Siegel Strategic Value Index.™
Seeking excess returns through volatility controls.

How it works:

1. Evaluate

The Index evaluates 500 of the largest publicly traded U.S. companies by market capitalization across 10 industry sectors for fundamental factors including operating earnings and total enterprise value



2. Select

The Index selects the four best valued U.S. market sectors and invests quarterly



3. Rebalance

Each month, the selected market sectors are rebalanced to capture potential gains



A strategic way to hedge against potential market declines

Proprietary volatility controls



Trend analysis leverages long- and short-term trends to capitalize on momentum when markets are moving higher and to reduce exposure when markets are declining



The Index also includes a **risk management strategy** that combines a 100% long equity strategy (the selected equity market sectors) with a 100% short position in a broad equity market index in an effort to hedge against market risk when the broad market is declining

Navigate the complexities of an evolving market with financial solutions based on proven methodologies and accredited analysis.

These innovative volatility controls built into the Index construction seek to maximize value while minimizing downside risk across market conditions.

When the trend analysis is positive, the Index is always in some combination of the equity strategy and risk management strategy to seek a balanced return



When the trend analysis is negative, the Index allocates all assets into the risk management strategy



When Index volatility is low, the Index allocates up to a maximum of 150% to the strategy; as Index volatility increases, a cash allocation is added to maintain the volatility target



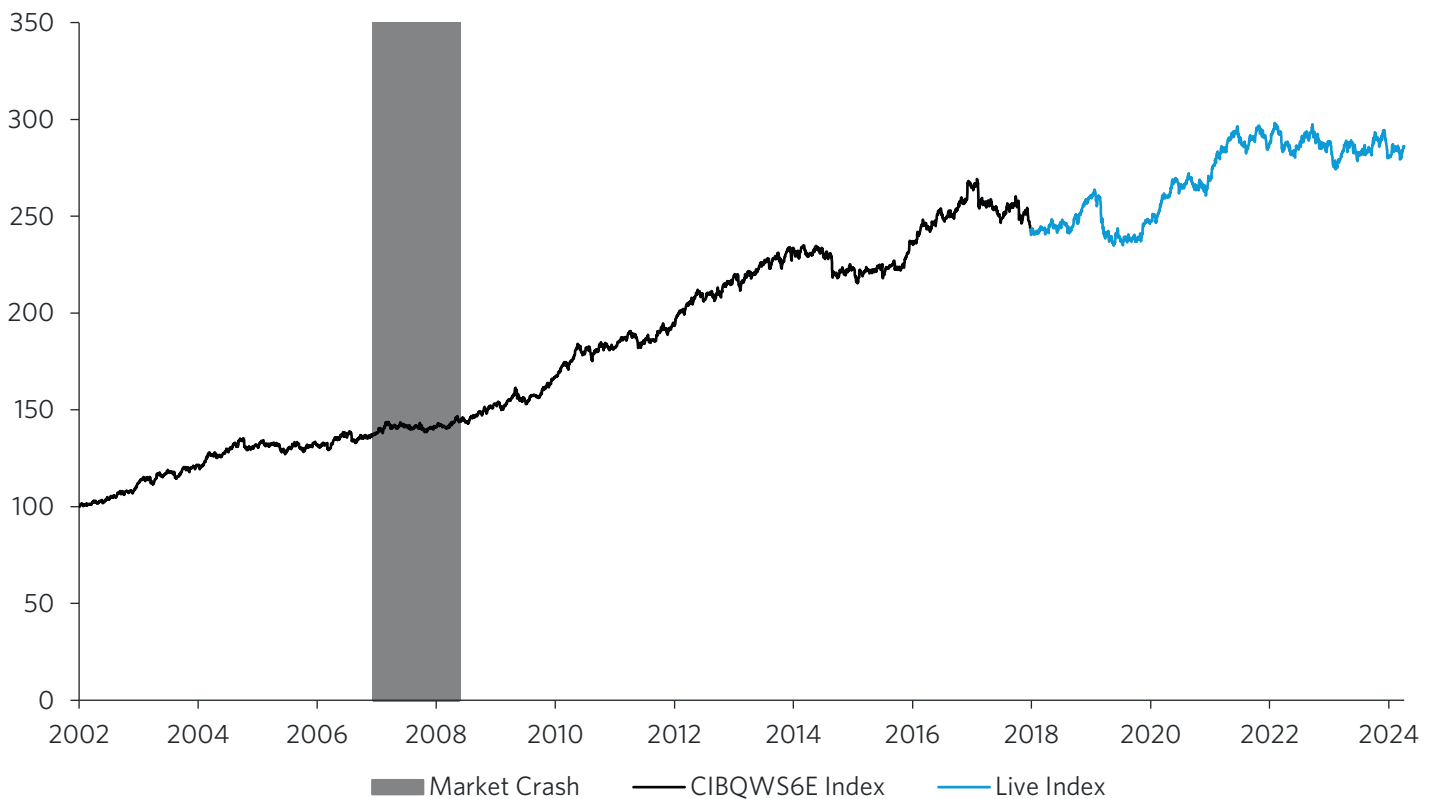
The end result?

Whether it's a bull market or a bear market, the Index automatically seeks exposure to equities within a predefined volatility target.

Key features

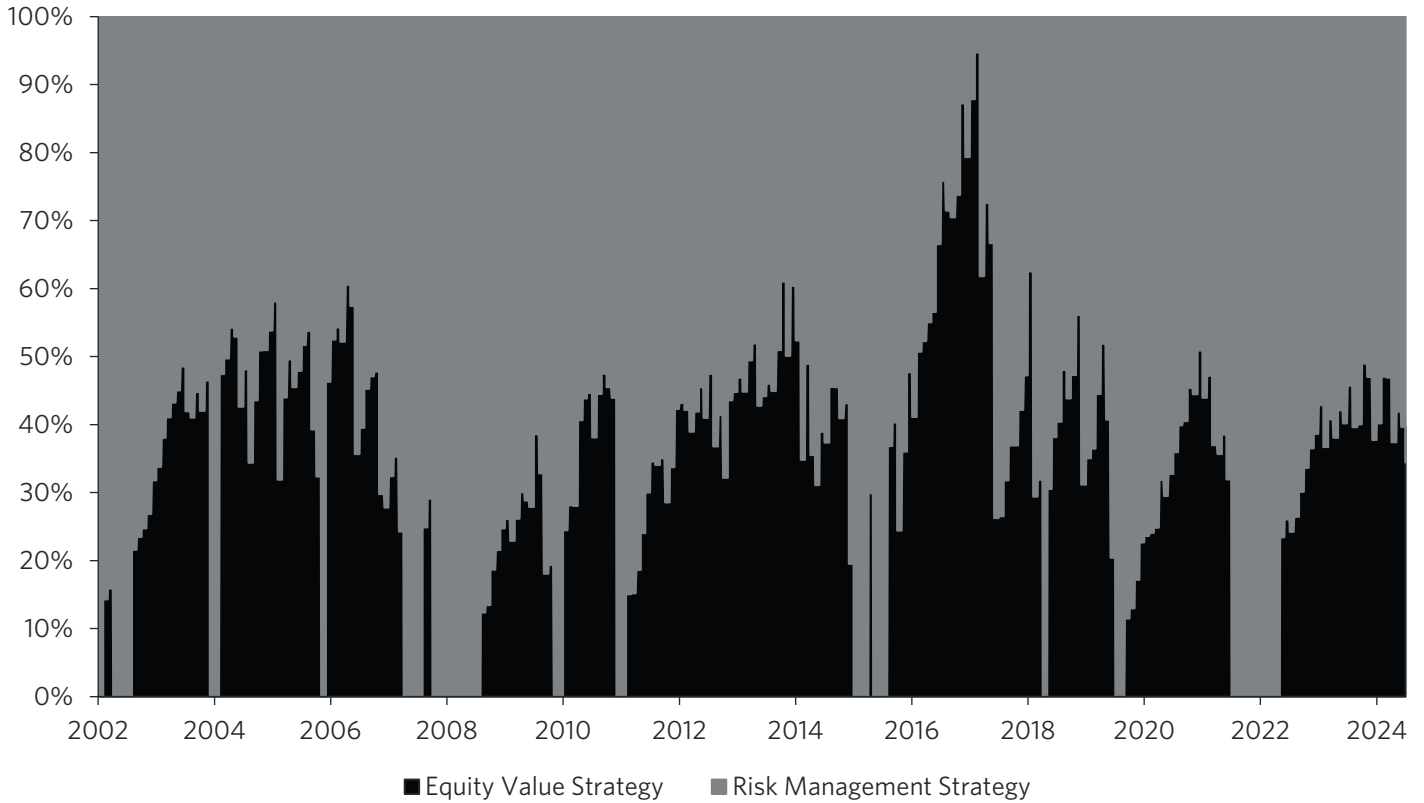
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| Bloomberg ticker | CIBQWS6E Index |
| Asset class | Equity, cash |
| Geographical focus | US |
| Launch date | December 19, 2018 |
| Type of return | Excess return |
| Index sponsor | CIBC Capital Markets |
| Calculation agent | Bloomberg |
| Maintenance fees | 0.20% per annum |
| Website | wtsiegelindex.cibccm.com |

Historical and current performance¹



Source: Bloomberg (as of March 31, 2025).
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Historical allocation¹



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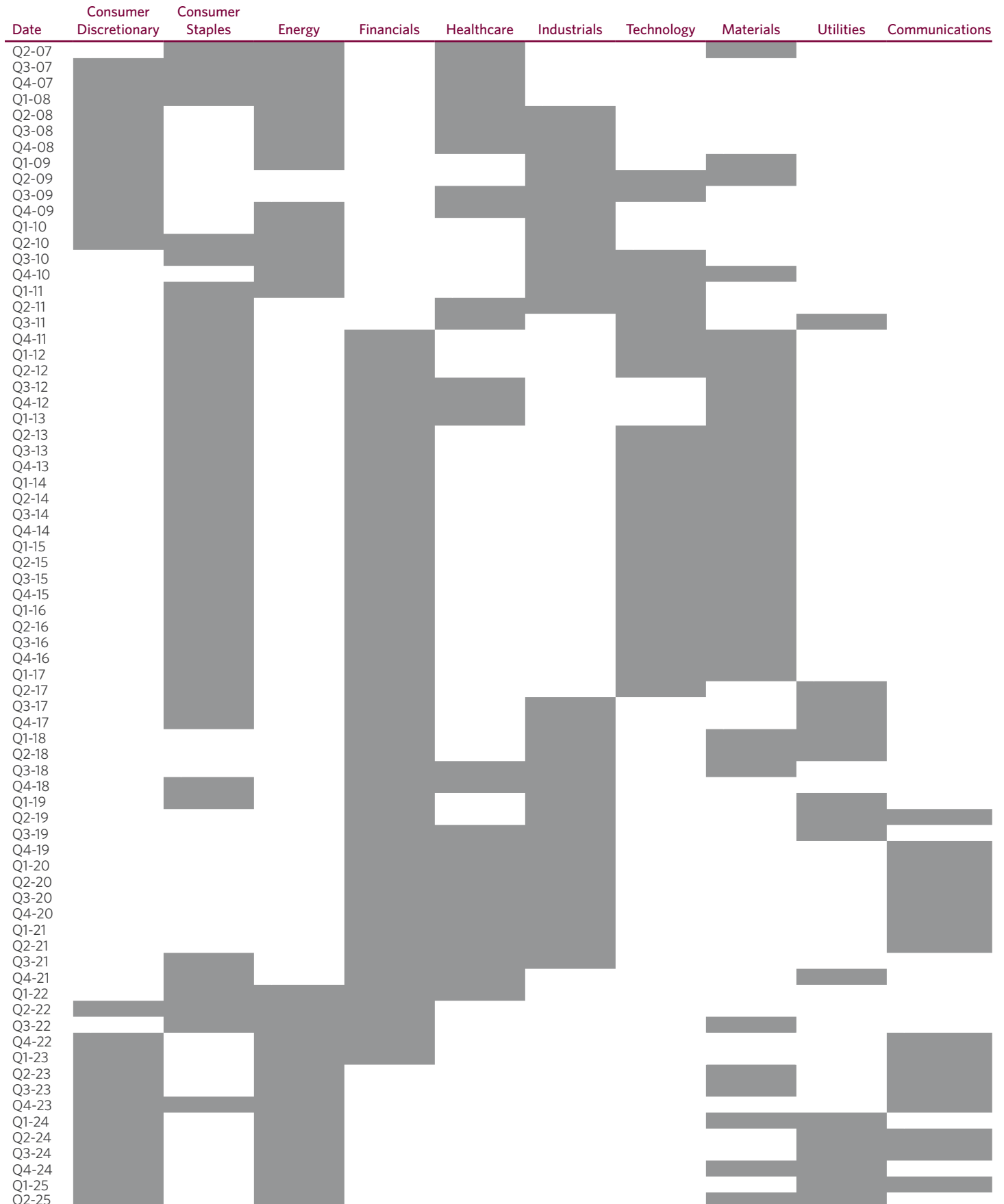
Return analysis

CIBC WisdomTree Siegel Strategic Value Index™

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| Asset class | Equity |
| BBG ticker | CIBQWS6E |
| Beta / alpha | Beta |
| MTD | 0.63% |
| QTD | 1.83% |
| YTD | 1.83% |
| 1Y | -0.18% |
| 2Y | -0.24% |
| 5Y | 18.50% |
| CAGR | 186.20% |
| Annualized Return | 4.83% |
| Annualized Volatility | 6.02% |
| Risk/Reward Ratio ² | 80.24% |

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Historical sector allocation¹



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Index performance¹

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual Return |
|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|
| 2002 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 0.92% | 0.68% | 0.52% | 0.60% | 0.20% | 1.10% | 1.36% | 1.71% | -1.07% | 1.69% | 0.34% | 3.87% | 12.50% |
| 2004 | 1.24% | 0.71% | -1.57% | 3.38% | -0.54% | 2.05% | -0.38% | -1.65% | 3.43% | -1.01% | 1.80% | 0.25% | 7.81% |
| 2005 | 0.62% | 4.05% | 0.08% | -0.92% | 1.27% | 0.49% | 2.83% | 1.21% | 1.39% | -3.50% | -0.22% | 0.16% | 7.53% |
| 2006 | 2.83% | -2.03% | 0.60% | -0.44% | -1.68% | 0.73% | 1.48% | -0.02% | -1.45% | 0.65% | 1.40% | -0.81% | 1.16% |
| 2007 | 0.60% | -1.96% | 1.73% | 1.87% | 2.03% | -0.55% | -1.91% | 0.52% | 0.97% | -0.16% | 1.04% | 0.34% | 4.50% |
| 2008 | 0.23% | 3.65% | -1.05% | -0.74% | 1.11% | -0.15% | -1.42% | 1.20% | -1.11% | 0.08% | 0.51% | 0.57% | 2.82% |
| 2009 | 0.06% | -0.44% | 0.65% | 3.05% | -1.17% | -0.46% | 1.61% | 0.25% | 1.23% | -0.29% | 1.94% | 0.66% | 7.25% |
| 2010 | -1.33% | 1.78% | 1.95% | 2.58% | -2.50% | -1.59% | 2.38% | 0.05% | 1.14% | 1.82% | 1.25% | 2.61% | 10.42% |
| 2011 | 2.04% | 1.97% | 0.44% | 3.16% | 1.20% | -1.21% | -0.50% | 0.56% | 1.96% | -0.65% | -0.45% | -0.23% | 8.51% |
| 2012 | 2.20% | 0.46% | 1.50% | -0.67% | -2.41% | 1.31% | -0.32% | 0.11% | 2.10% | 0.86% | 0.54% | 0.98% | 6.77% |
| 2013 | 3.03% | 0.24% | 2.47% | 1.30% | 0.60% | -1.44% | 1.47% | -1.43% | 1.23% | 2.27% | 1.05% | 1.82% | 13.25% |
| 2014 | -2.75% | 1.83% | 1.45% | -0.04% | 1.50% | 0.50% | -1.13% | 2.43% | 0.22% | -0.12% | 2.34% | -0.95% | 5.27% |
| 2015 | -1.48% | 2.65% | -2.09% | 0.86% | 0.63% | -1.78% | 0.35% | -3.66% | -1.09% | 1.18% | 0.54% | 0.07% | -3.92% |
| 2016 | -1.99% | 1.18% | 0.41% | 0.24% | 0.59% | -1.21% | 1.13% | 1.18% | -1.06% | 0.87% | 2.63% | 1.62% | 5.61% |
| 2017 | 1.97% | 2.19% | -0.26% | 0.55% | 2.07% | -0.80% | 0.64% | 0.06% | 1.20% | 1.27% | 4.14% | -0.66% | 12.97% |
| 2018 | 0.60% | -3.77% | -0.04% | -0.75% | -1.20% | -1.17% | 3.07% | -0.73% | -0.05% | -2.53% | 2.42% | -4.17% | -8.24% |
| 2019 | -0.85% | 1.18% | -0.72% | 2.17% | -2.56% | 2.02% | -0.54% | -0.34% | 2.47% | 0.92% | 2.29% | 0.30% | 6.38% |
| 2020 | -1.56% | -3.30% | -2.14% | -1.26% | 0.41% | -0.99% | 0.14% | 0.01% | -0.06% | 0.36% | 3.59% | 0.56% | -4.33% |
| 2021 | -0.39% | 3.19% | 1.98% | 1.49% | 2.18% | -1.60% | 0.79% | 0.55% | -2.06% | 1.40% | -2.42% | 3.81% | 9.07% |
| 2022 | 2.63% | 1.67% | 0.59% | 2.04% | 1.22% | -1.37% | -0.74% | 1.23% | 0.32% | 0.61% | -1.02% | -0.57% | 6.70% |
| 2023 | 3.02% | -1.57% | -2.00% | -0.09% | -2.19% | 2.67% | 1.87% | -0.24% | 0.02% | -2.12% | -0.18% | 0.40% | -0.59% |
| 2024 | -3.23% | 0.60% | 2.62% | -0.42% | 0.50% | -1.67% | 1.66% | -0.58% | 1.82% | -0.68% | 2.13% | -4.57% | -2.06% |
| 2025 | 1.15% | 0.04% | 0.63% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1.83% |

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