

# Gateway Index/RA Composite

## **Objective**

Seeks to deliver a majority of the longterm return of the domestic equity market with less than half the risk.

## **Composite Inception Date**

January 1, 1988<sup>1</sup>

# **Composite Assets Under Management**

\$6.93 billion1

### Strategy

Low-volatility equity strategy that invests in a broadly diversified portfolio of common stocks with actively managed written index call and purchased index put options.

## **Driver of Alpha Potential**

Consistent cash flow from options strategy creates potential for returns in excess of those available from other investments comparable in volatility.

#### **Portfolio Application**

- Lower-risk core equity strategy
- Equity risk reduction without bonds
- 3. Component of alternative investment program

### **Firm Overview**

Since 1977, Gateway has provided low-volatility equity strategies to riskconscious investors. The firm specializes in using index options to generate cash flow, reduce risk and potentially enhance risk-adjusted return.

## Headquarters

Cincinnati, OH

### **Assets Under Management**

\$9.42 billion1

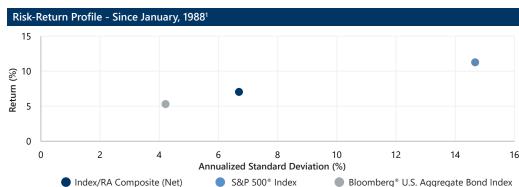
# Firm Philosophy

Gateway's investment philosophy holds that consistency is the key to long-term investment success and that generating cash flow, rather than seeking to predict fluctuations in the prices of securities, can be a lower-risk means to participate in equity markets. Gateway believes that market volatility can be converted into cash flow and risk can be managed effectively using the tools provided by the index options market.

Total Return (%) <sup>1</sup>						
	Q4	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Inception 1/1/1988¹
Index/RA Composite (Net)	2.10	15.48	5.40	7.02	5.97	7.05
S&P 500® Index	2.41	25.02	8.94	14.53	13.10	11.28
Bloomberg® U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	-3.06	1.25	-2.41	-0.33	1.35	5.32

Standard Deviation: Less Risk Relative to the S&P 500° Index (%)¹					
	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Inception 1/1/1988 <sup>1</sup>
Index/RA Composite (Net)	6.44	9.31	9.10	7.40	6.69
S&P 500® Index	10.67	17.40	18.21	15.36	14.67
Bloomberg® U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	5.92	7.83	6.42	5.03	4.21





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	Cal	lls	Puts			
	9/30/2024	12/31/2024	9/30/2024	12/31/2024		
Percent hedged with options	>95%	>95%	>95%	>95%		
Weighted-average moneyness	1.5% ITM - 1.5% OTM	>2.5 OTM	10.0% - 12.5% OTM	5.0% - 7.5% OTM		
Weighted-average days to expiration	41	59	79	69		
Weighted-average call premium to earn	7.5% - 10.0%	<2.5%	N/A	N/A		
Weighted-average	N/A	N/A	2 5% - 5 0%	2 5% - 5 0%		

Holdings Characteristics: Options Portfolio<sup>1</sup>

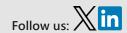
put premium cost

Holdings Characteristics: Equity Portfolio <sup>1, 3</sup>				
	Representative Portfolio	S&P 500° Index		
Total Holdings	190	503		
Total S&P Holdings	131	503		
Total Non-S&P Holdings	59	n/a		
Total ADRs	2	0		
Weighted-Avg Market Cap, \$B	1,104.8	1,060.4		
Weighted-Avg P/E Ratio	27.42	26.81		
Weighted-Avg P/B Ratio	5.15	5.11		

2.5% - 5.0% 2.5% - 5.0%

Past performance does not guarantee future results. Data source: Morningstar Direct<sup>SM</sup> and Bloomberg® Index Services Limited. Please see Important Information section for the full disclosure. **Side one - not valid without side two**.

1: All data as of December 31, 2024 unless noted otherwise. Periods over one-year are annualized. Standard deviation is calculated using monthly returns. The Composite was created in January 1993. Prior to January 1, 1993, not all fully discretionary portfolios were represented in the Composite. Results shown for 1988 through 1992 are those of one representative account. **2**: Weighted-average moneyness: how much an option contract's strike price is in-the-money (ITM) or out-of-the-money (OTM) expressed as a percentage of the price of the option contract's underlying asset. Weighted-average days to expiration: weighted-average time until the expiration date of the options. Weighted-average call premium to earn: Annualized weighted-average potential cash flow to be earned from written call options, calculated as weighted-average price of written call options (whided by the index price on the dates indicated in the table heading). Weighted-average untransmitten to the propriet of the option of the opt of written call options divided by the index price on the dates indicated in the table headings. Weighted-average put premium cost: Annualized weighted-average price of put options owned measured as a percentage of the index price on the dates indicated in the table headings. 3: Represents supplemental information. This representative account was selected as it is the oldest account in the Composite. Tax-exempt investors may prefer an index-replication portfolio.



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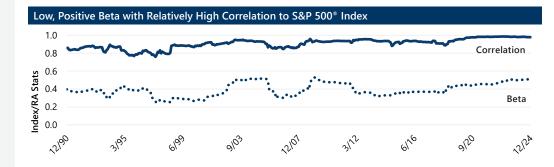
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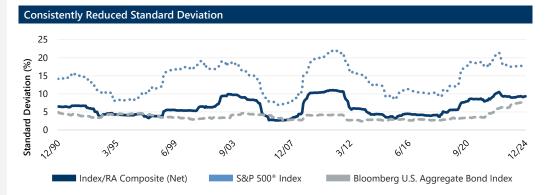
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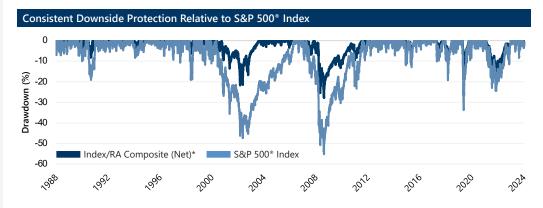
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