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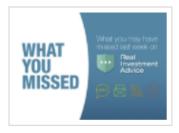
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## **Catch Up On What You Missed Last Week**



## #WhatYouMissed On RIA This Week: 06-04-21

Written by Lance Roberts | Jun 4, 2021

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#### Market Review & Update

Over the last few week's we discussed the ongoing "buy signals" suggesting the market could retest all-time highs. That occurred this week. However, as **stated last week**:

"The good news is that we did indeed get the rally we were expecting. **The not-so-good news is that the rally already consumed a majority of the 'buy signal.'** Such does not mean the market is about to correct; it does suggest that upside remains limited near term."



As shown in the bottom panel, the <u>*RIA PRO "Money Flow"*</u> signal is now into overbought territory. While the markets could undoubtedly break out to new highs next week, the upside remains limited. **Such is due to the weekly signal, which is very close to triggering.** 

"Our more significant concern remains the weekly "sell signal." **Historically, these weekly signals typically denote periods of more significant volatility swings or corrections.** The biggest correction risk comes when the daily and weekly signals align."



I will lay out the case for a summer "sell-off" momentarily, but let me recap what these signals do and don't mean.

#### **Technical Analysis In A Mania**

On Friday, I received an email asking an essential question:

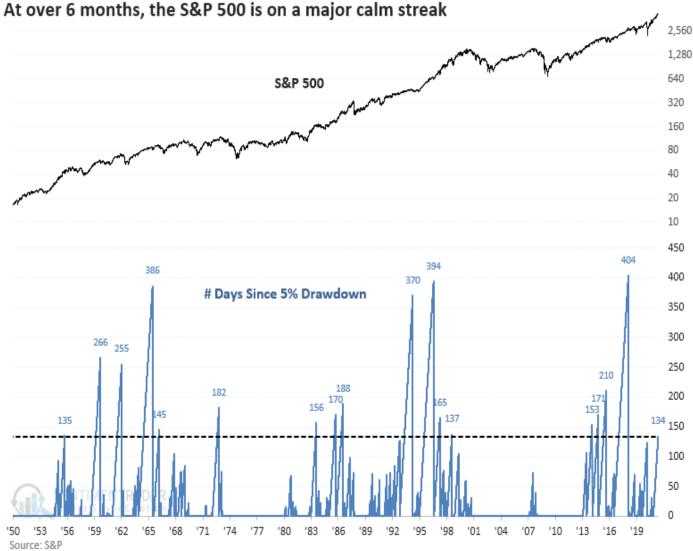
"I enjoyed your piece this week on <u>Sell Signals Are Useless In A Mania</u>. I am starting to believe the Fed has achieved a '**Permanently High Plateau**' for asset prices because there seems to be nothing to derail the endless risk appetite for any asset. **However, in the futile exercise of trying to stay disciplined I don?t want to abandon valuations and technicals.**"

The biggest problem is that technical indicators do not distinguish between a consolidation, a correction, or an outright bear market. As such, if you ignore the signals as they occur, by the time you realize it's a deep correction, it is too late to do much about it. Therefore, we must treat each signal with the same respect and adjust risk accordingly. The opportunity costs of doing so are minimal. If we reduce risk and the market continues to rise, we can quickly increase our exposures. Yes, we sacrifice some short-term performance. However, if we reduce risk and the market decline but have the cash to deploy at lower price levels. Such is the biggest problem with "buy and hold" strategies. Yes, you will perform in line with the market, but given that you didn't "sell high," there is no cash available with which to "buy low" in the future. While I agree you can not "time the markets," you can "manage risk" to improve your long-term outcomes.

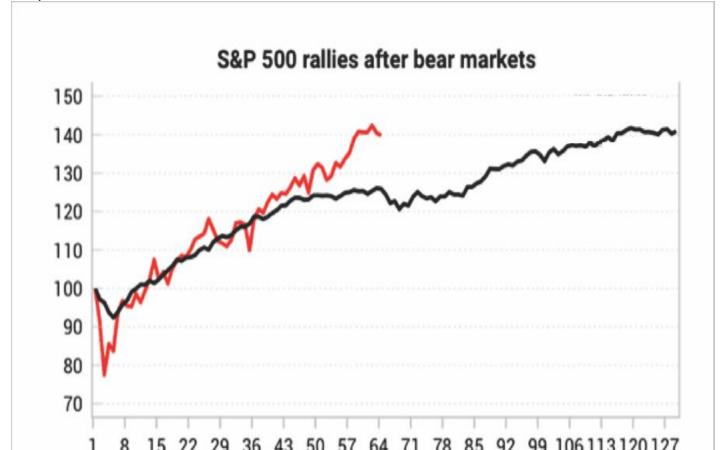


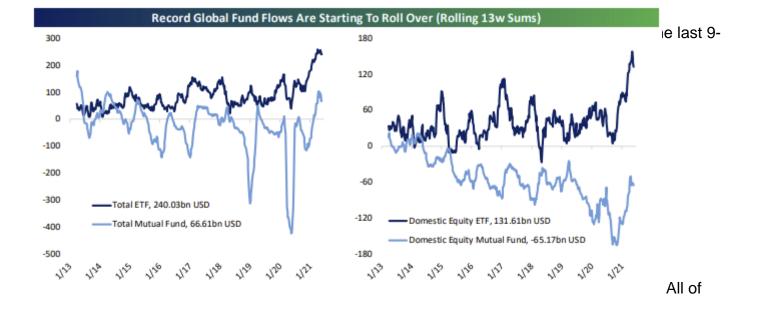
#### **Risk Of A Summer Selloff**

Over the last three weeks, we have discussed that while we had added exposure to portfolios in anticipation of a short-term rally, we still expect a more significant correction this summer. There are several reasons for this. The first is that a 5% correction is likely one or more times in any given year. Given the last correction was in the summer of 2020, such makes the current stretch of a low volatility advance one of the longer ones on record.



Secondly, as noted by Variant Perception recently, the market has been tracking the postcorrection/bear market rally analog. Such also suggests a pause given the strength of the rally from the previous lows.





these signposts suggest a risk of a correction in the near term. However, as stated above, technical analysis does not differentiate between a 5% pullback, a 10% correction, and a 20% decline. You will only find that out once it begins. Risk management is much like driving a car. If there is a blind spot ahead, and you don't tap on the brakes to control your speed, you are unlikely to avoid the hazard ahead. Yes, tapping on the brakes to provide more control over the car will slow your arrival time to your destination. However, being late is a much better option than not getting there at all.

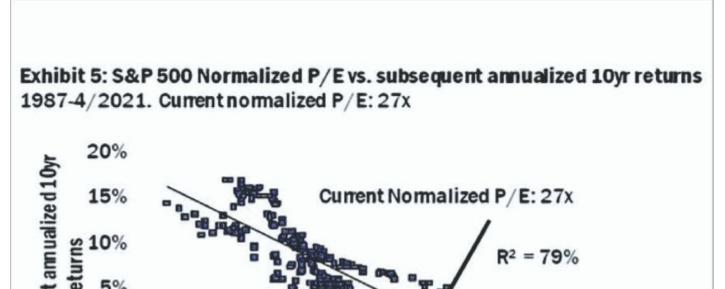


#### **Risk Is Evident**

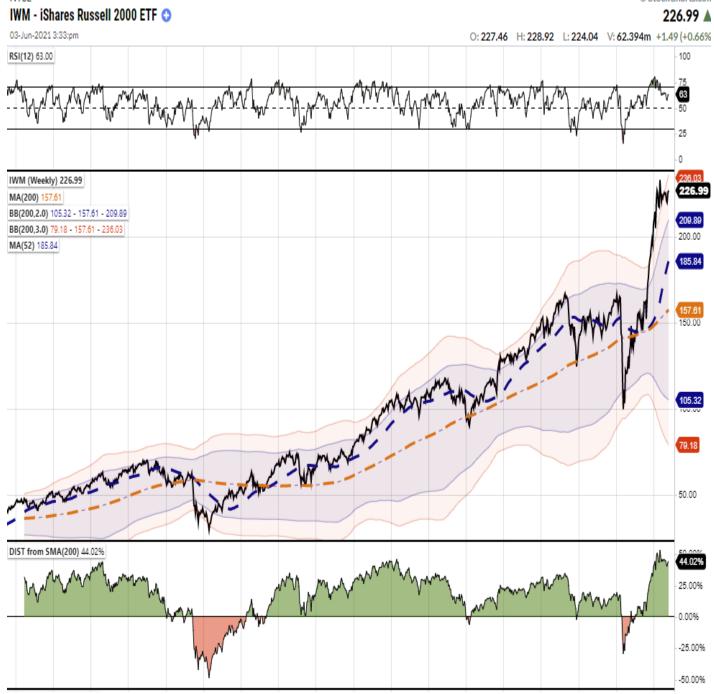
A recent note from Doug Kass summed up the current market environment well.

"**Stocks and bonds are richly priced**. It makes no sense to say, as many do, that equities are inexpensive against an overpriced asset class (fixed income). Most traditional metrics indicate that stocks are at least in the 95th percentile - a non-trivial amount of indicators of valuation are in the 99th percentile."

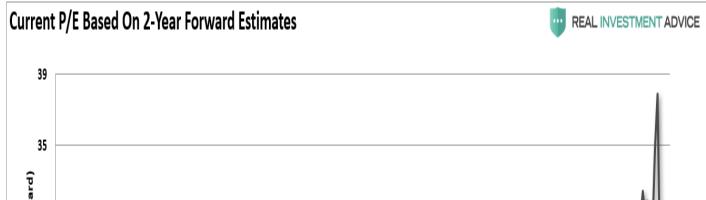
Even using always overly estimated forward earnings, valuations remain extremely rich, suggesting lower returns in the future.



Of course, such **DOES NOT** mean the market is about to crash, and you should hide in cash. However, the elevation in valuations, combined with the chase in *"Meme"* stocks like AMC, and cryptocurrencies are just the latest manifestations of risk-taking by investors. A look at smallcapitalization companies *(which are the riskiest of stocks)* and their deviation from long-term means also is representative of *"speculation" (The 200-week moving average has been consistent support for small-caps since 2008. The current deviation is unprecedented.)* 



Even with the expected surge in earnings, the Russell 2000 index is still trading at more the 28x earnings based on estimates 2-years into the future. Such means that expected returns over the next 24-months for small-cap stocks are now close to zero.



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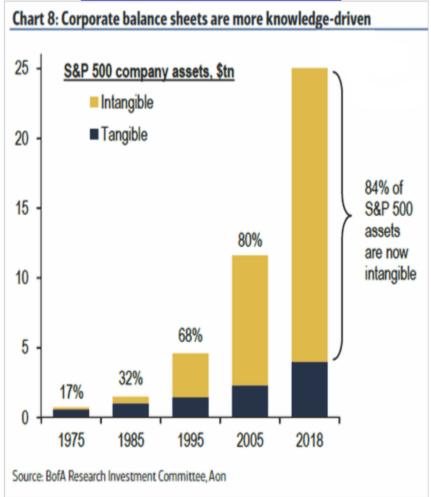
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#### The Lack Of Value In Value

Over the years, "value" has been the cornerstone of investing. The reason is that during "bear markets," the speculative excesses get wrung out, and investors search for "value" as a store of safety. The problem is that since there hasn't been an actual <u>"bear market" since 2008</u>, there is relatively little value in "value stocks."

"The popular and 'cool guys,' value stocks, are now extended. That (arguably) includes banks, industrials and 'opening' stocks." - Doug Kass

An excellent example is the **Momentum ETF (MTUM) that switched from growth stocks to** value stocks. The same is occurring in other factor-based ETFs. For instance, the two top holdings of IWN, the iShares Russell 2000 Value ETF, are GameStop (GME) and AMC Entertainment (AMC) which are about as far from value as one can imagine. The problem will be whether the *"economic expansion"* will allow earnings growth to justify current valuations. However, three massive rounds of stimulus *"pulled forward"* several years of sales, which will become problematic as economic growth slows. As noted, there is little *?value?* in the "value trade. As discussed in *?The Astonishing Lack Of Value:?* 



"Book value analysis and buying companies with low 'price-to-book' ratios have historically been profitable ventures. Companies with machinery, inventory, and equipment, and financial assets tend to have large book values. Significantly, these types of investments are easily valued and liquidated in the event of financial stress or bankruptcy."

However, today, such is no longer the case. Items such as patents, licenses, human capital, etc., now make up a significant portion of a company?s ?*value*.? These types of assets are hard to value and more difficult to liquidate. So, how many NON-FINANCIAL companies in the S&P 500 currently have a price-to-book ratio below 1.5x? How about 18.

Ticker	Price/ Book
ТАР	1.02
CTVA	1.36
KHC	1.07
CCL	1.47
DISCA	1.33
DISCK	1.25
VIAC	1.39
VTRS	0.87
PRGO	1.14
WRK	1.41
HPE	1.26
Т	1.15
FANG	1.34
HFC	1
MPC	1.44
MRO	1.03
KMI	1.3
MOS	1.45
	Ticker TAP CTVA KHC CCL DISCA DISCK VIAC VTRS PRGO WRK HPE T FANG HFC MRO KMI

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#### **Portfolio Update**

With our weekly "sell" signal now triggered on the S&P 500, and the daily signals back to very overbought levels, we liquidated the rest of our QQQ index trading position. The sell locked in the recent gains and raised our cash levels to buffer our overall portfolio allocations. The rest of the portfolio remains balanced between the "inflation" and "deflation" trade to lower overall volatility. The "barbell" approach to the reopening trade has worked well given the rapid rotations between the two "schools" over the last few months. We certainly don?t profess to have all the answers, but there is no argument we will see robust short-term growth and rising inflationary pressures. Such suggests the ?value trade? may persist for a while longer. Those sectors remain energy, financials, industrials, and materials for now. However, we also continue to add to "deflationary" holdings opportunistically as economic growth will return to its 2%ish long-

term trend. Technology, Staples, and Healthcare remain increasingly recession-proof due to the changing workforce, demographic trends, and living standards. We are firm believers in *?value investing.?* However, after years of artificial interventions, accounting gimmicks, share buybacks, and massive balance sheet leveraging, there is little *?real?* value in the markets currently. Given that the markets have not reset, speculators are now simply chasing whatever is moving higher. For now, we have to continue to navigate markets for what they are rather than what we *?hope?* they could be. We suspect that this year could wind up disappointing both economists and investors alike.

## The MacroView



## #MacroView: Yellen & The Big Push To Offshore US Labor

Written by Lance Roberts | Jun 4, 2021

Janet Yellen's latest commitment to support the Biden progressive agenda from higher taxes, to unionization, will not lead to increased economic prosperity. Instead it will lead to more outsourcing and offshoring of U.S. Labor.

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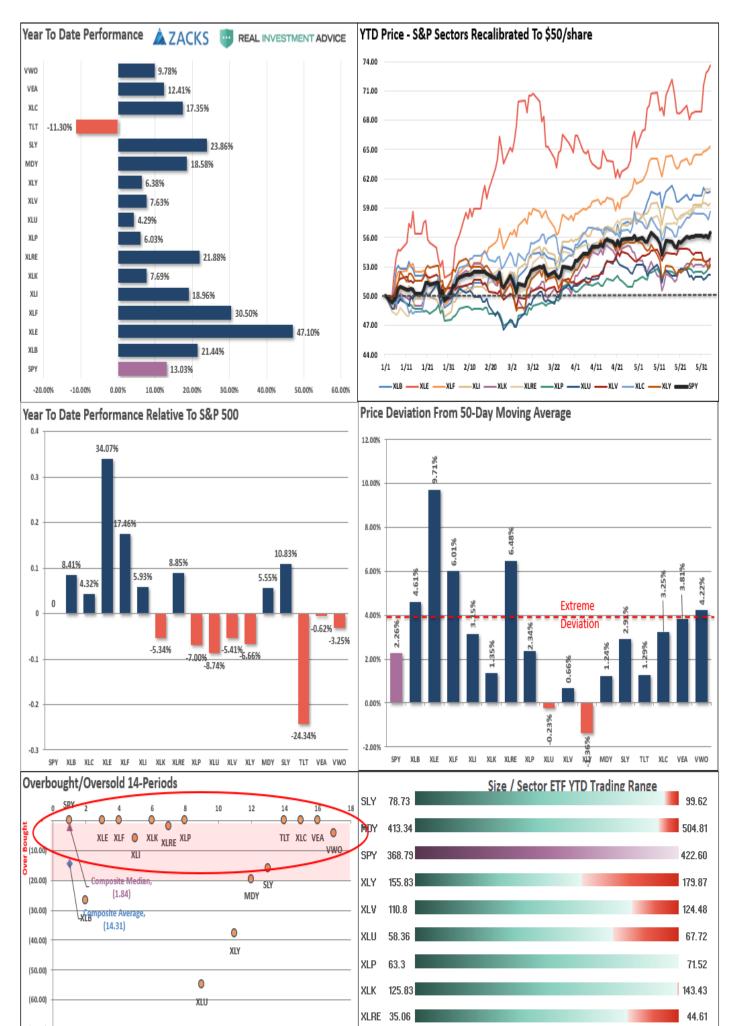
## **Market & Sector Analysis**

#### Analysis & Stock Screens Exclusively For RIAPro Members

#### ZACKS REAL INVESTMENT ADVICE SPY RISK INFO **3 Month SPY Price** % Diff 430 Item T 2-Yr T1-Yr. YTD YTD/T1-YR 420 Price Return 50.64% 35.73% 13.03% (63.53%) 410 Max Drawdown (35.63%) (10.86%) (5.65%) (47.92%) 400 Sharpe 0.98 2.27 2.46 0.09 Sortino 1.07 2.77 3.42 0.23 390 Volatility 25.37 16.93 14.18 (0.16)380 Daily VaR-5% (12.69)11.60 11.63 0.00 370 Mnthly VaR-5% (9.06)23.52 24.78 0.05 360 S&P 500 Market Cap Analysis 1 Yr % % From % From 2 years 1 year 5 Year 5 year 12-M Item Current Item Current % Chg Change High Low High Low Ago ago ago Dividend Yield 1.81% 1.91% 1.29% (47.52%) 2.14% 1.29% (39.76%) 0.13% Shares 3,080.4 2,988.7 (2.98%) P/E Ratio 17.68 20.23 27.92 27.53% 2735% 1606% 2.1% 73.88% Sales 71,605 71,587 (0.03%)P/S Ratio 3.93 3.64 5.22 30.24% 5.16 3.24 1.11% 61.31% SPS 23.2 24.0 3.04% Earnings P/B Ratio 5.14 5.08 7.03 27.68% 6.95 4.19 1.11% 67.90% 11,113 11,758 5.80% 29.51% EPS TTM ROE 21.32% 22.80% 22.80% 17.60% 0.00% 4.5 21.73% 6.47% 4.5 0.11%

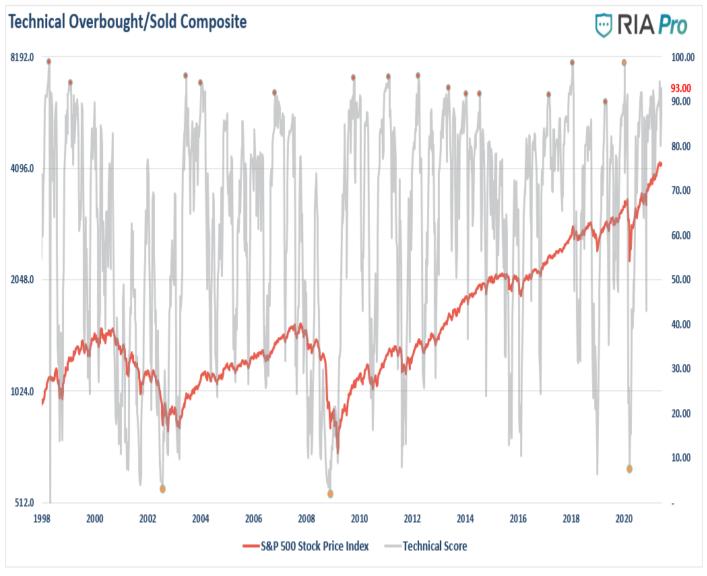
## S&P 500 Tear Sheet

## **Performance Analysis**



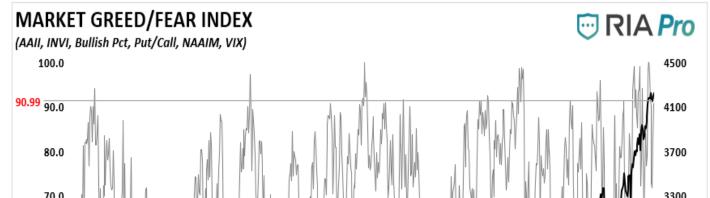
## **Technical Composite**

The technical overbought/sold gauge comprises several price indicators (RSI, Williams %R, etc.), measured using "weekly" closing price data. Readings above "80" are considered overbought, and below "20" are oversold. **The current reading is 84.70 out of a possible 100.** 



## Portfolio Positioning "Fear / Greed" Gauge

The "Fear/Greed" gauge is how individual and professional investors are "positioning" themselves in the market based on their equity exposure. From a contrarian position, the higher the allocation to equities, to more likely the market is closer to a correction than not. The gauge uses weekly closing data. NOTE: The Fear/Greed Index measures risk from 0-100. It is a rarity that it reaches levels above 90. The current reading is 90.99 out of a possible 100.



## Sector Model Analysis & Risk Ranges

#### How To Read This Table

- The table compares each sector and market to the S&P 500 index on relative performance.
- "MA XVER" is determined by whether the short-term weekly moving average crosses positively or negatively with the long-term weekly moving average.
- The risk range is a function of the month-end closing price and the "beta" of the sector or market.
- Table shows the price deviation above and below the weekly moving averages.

RELAT	IVE PERFORMANCE	Current	PE	RFORMANC	E RELATIVE T	TO S&P 500 IN	DEX	SHORT	LONG	MONTH	REL S&P	RISK R/	ANGE	% DEV -	% DEV -	M/A XVER
Ticker	ETF NAME	Price	1 Week	4 Week	12 Weeks	24 Weeks	52 Weeks	WMA	WMA	END PRICE	BETA	HIGH	LOW	Short M/A	Long M/A	SIGNAL
IVV	ISHARS-SP500	424.24	0.61	0.12	7.24	14.51	32.38	410.11	385.06	421.65	0.99	432.19	411.11 🕛	3%	10%	BULLISH
XLB	SPDR-MATLS SELS	87.91	0.13	(0.07)	4.48	7.23	14.56	82.69	75.69	87.26	1.06	90.37	84.15 🌔	6%	16%	BULLISH
XLC	SPDR-COMM SV SS	79.19	(0.11)	1.04	(1.21)	3.49	10.28	76.24	70.31	78.79	0.99	81.54	76.04 🌖	4%	13%	BULLISH
XLE	SPDR-EGY SELS	55.75	6.17	3.83	(3.17)	26.99	(8.05)	50.88	43.56	52.21	1.75	54.43	49.99 🔇	10%	28%	BULLISH
XLF	SPDR-FINL SELS	38.47	0.65	1.71	3.40	20.52	14.23	35.82	31.54	37.99	1.20	39.40	36.58 🌖	7%	22%	BULLISH
XLK	SPDR-TECH SELS	140.02	0.56	0.59	(0.68)	(5.33)	5.70	136.57	130.54	138.40	1.04	143.29	133.51 🌔	3%	7%	BULLISH
XLI	SPDR-INDU SELS	105.34	(0.41)	(0.13)	1.62	4.06	8.47	100.79	92.27	105.12	1.19	109.00	101.24 🌖	5%	14%	BULLISH
XLP	SPDR-CONS STPL	71.52	0.39	1.13	0.88	(9.22)	(14.00)	69.10	67.11	70.81	0.62	73.02	68.60 🌔	4%	7%	BULLISH
XLRE	SPDR-RE SELS	44.56	2.39	5.05	6.93	7.78	(12.11)	41.15	38.35	43.26	0.68	44.64	41.88 🌖	8%	16%	BULLISH
XLU	SPDR-UTIL SELS	65.39	(0.26)	(1.10)	(2.46)	(9.53)	(25.51)	64.82	63.54	65.16	0.35	67.02	63.30 🌔	1%	3%	BULLISH
XLV	SPDR-HLTH CR	122.09	(1.84)	(1.72)	(0.70)	(6.46)	(14.08)	119.83	115.12	123.60	0.77	127.64	119.56 🌔	2%	6%	BULLISH
XLY	SPDR-CONS DISCR	171.03	(1.66)	(3.83)	(4.68)	(7.61)	(2.07)	171.67	164.44	172.84	1.14	179.13	166.55 🌔	0%	4%	BULLISH
XTN	SPDR-SP TRANSPT	89.01	(2.70)	(2.88)	(6.42)	9.23	21.57	88.73	77.81	90.91	1.40	94.46	87.36 🌔	0%	14%	BULLISH
SDY	SPDR-SP DIV ETF	126.96	0.62	(0.16)	(0.58)	6.03	(3.91)	121.76	111.67	125.41	0.91	129.69	121.13 🌖	4%	14%	BULLISH
RSP	INVS-SP5 EQ ETF	152.26	0.14	0.29	0.29	5.34	5.49	146.03	133.38	151.12	1.12	156.59	145.65 🌔	4%	14%	BULLISH
SLY	SPDR-SP6 SC	98.52	0.25	0.75	(8.34)	10.07	21.46	95.77	85.64	97.68	1.26	101.35	94.01 🌔	3%	15%	BULLISH
MDY	SPDR-SP MC 400	497.94	(0.58)	(1.48)	(4.04)	5.18	10.52	487.89	443.02	497.76	1.19	516.13	479.39 🌔	2%	12%	BULLISH
EEM	ISHARS-EMG MKT	55.99	1.43	2.26	(3.53)	(4.70)	4.45	53.89	52.40	54.87	0.80	56.68	53.06 🌔	4%	7%	BULLISH
EFA	ISHARS-EAFE	81.68	0.44	1.46	(0.16)	(2.11)	(4.39)	78.23	74.13	80.83	0.84	83.53	78.13 🌔	4%	10%	BULLISH
IAU	ISHARS-GOLD TR	36.04	(1.22)	3.15	2.37	(14.01)	(20.17)	34.06	34.83	36.26	0.08	37.20	35.32 🌔	6%	3%	BEARISH
GDX	VANECK-GOLD MNR	38.68	(2.49)	3.25	9.69	(8.77)	(13.21)	35.67	35.86	39.42	0.69	40.68	38.16 🌖	8%	8%	BEARISH
UUP	INVS-DB US\$ BU	24.24	(0.53)	(0.24)	(9.06)	(14.59)	(39.89)	24.57	24.61	24.22	(0.11)	24.80	23.64 🌖	-1%	-1%	BEARISH
BOND	PIMCO-TOT RETRN	110.25	(0.67)	(0.35)	(6.64)	(16.82)	(31.81)	110.03	111.37	110.31	0.08	113.16	107.46 🌖	0%	-1%	BEARISH
TLT	ISHARS-20+YTB	139.90	0.44	0.36	(4.41)	(25.02)	(42.76)	137.89	147.95	138.44	(0.26)	141.54	135.34 🌖	1%	-5%	BEARISH
BNDX	VANGD-TTL INT B	56.99	(0.51)	0.00	(7.47)	(17.17)	(32.62)	57.04	57.77	56.93	0.03	58.37	55.49 🌔	0%	-1%	BEARISH
HYG	ISHARS-IBX HYCB	87.27	(0.51)	(0.19)	(6.30)	(13.83)	(29.05)	86.97	86.64	87.18	0.37	89.68	84.68 🌔	0%	1%	BULLISH
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## **Weekly Stock Screens**

Currently, there are four different stock screens for you to review. The first is S&P 500 based companies with a "*Growth*" focus, the second is a "*Value*" screen on the entire universe of stocks, and the last are stocks that are "*Technically*" strong and breaking above their respective 50-dma. We have provided the yield of each security and a Piotroski Score ranking to help you find

fundamentally strong companies on each screen. (For more on the Piotroski Score - read this report.)

### S&P 500 Growth Screen

Ticker	Company	Current Price	Next 3-5 Yr Est EPS Gr rate	5 yr Hist Sales Gr	Div Yield	P/E using 12 mo EPS	Score
AMAT	Appld Matls Inc	136.38	17.97	9.73	0.70	25.59	9.00
DE	Deere & Co	358.91	20.15	9.08	1.00	24.74	9.00
IDXX	Idexx Labs Inc	550.30	19.61	10.90	0.00	70.82	9.00
KLAC	Kla Corp	308.78	14.03	17.32	1.17	24.03	9.00
TGT	Target Corp	229.18	13.27	6.37	1.19	18.29	9.00
TSCO	Tractor Supply	177.96	9.03	10.75	1.17	23.08	9.00
AMD	Adv Micro Dev	80.28	35.01	20.18	0.00	57.34	8.00
CDW	Cdw Corp	165.28	13.10	7.52	0.97	23.92	8.00
GNRC	Generac Holding	316.40	6.50	14.89	0.00	39.65	8.00
INTU	Intuit Inc	450.56	14.82	12.64	0.52	58.67	8.00
IQV	Iqvia Holdings	233.34	12.85	13.13	0.00	35.46	8.00
п	Gartner Inc -A	233.04	13.50	14.66	0.00	40.88	8.00
JBHT	Hunt (Jb) Trans	169.51	15.00	10.71	0.71	33.04	8.00
LOW	Lowes Cos	190.30	13.75	7.11	1.26	18.53	8.00
MLM	Martin Mrt-Matl	359.56	12.40	6.26	0.63	29.55	8.00
MXIM	Maxim Intg Pdts	100.19	10.00	0.41	0.00	35.15	8.00
SHW	Sherwin William	282.57	10.96	11.56	0.78	31.80	8.00
SNPS	Synopsys Inc	250.59	14.65	10.75	0.00	48.66	8.00
TER	Teradyne Inc	128.32	13.75	12.75	0.31	27.19	8.00
TXN	Texas Instrs	186.00	9.33	1.51	2.19	28.18	8.00
WMT	Walmart Inc	141.60	5.50	3.18	1.55	23.68	8.00
WST	West Pharm Svc	332.77	25.79	8.70	0.20	57.47	8.00
Α	Agilent Tech	136.37	13.00	6.57	0.57	35.98	7.00
AAPL	Apple Inc	123.54	12.50	7.22	0.71	27.73	7.00
ALLE	Allegion Plc	137.94	5.67	5.94	1.04	26.13	7.00
AVY	Avery Dennison	219.25	7.90	3.71	1.24	27.93	7.00
BBY	Best Buy	115.56	8.28	3.32	2.42	12.19	7.00
CDNS	Cadence Design	123.94	14.41	9.66	0.00	52.97	7.00
CRL	Charles Rvr Lab	331.70	14.00	15.96	0.00	37.56	7.00
DOV	Dover Corp	152.04	11.50	-0.85	1.30	24.97	7.00
DVA	Davita Inc	121.13	14.38	-6.81	0.00	16.13	7.00
FB	Facebook Inc-A	326.04	20.13	33.80	0.00	27.89	7.00
HCA	Hca Holdings	213.26	12.35	5.44	0.90	18.24	7.00
HD	Home Depot	311.43	11.44	7.77	2.12	22.57	7.00
J	Jacobs Engin Gr	141.72	12.72	6.91	0.59	23.78	7.00
KEYS	Keysight Tech	145.03	10.96	11.08	0.00	27.89	7.00
LRCX	Lam Research	635.78	32.80	13.48	0.82	26.52	7.00
NDAQ	Nasdaq Inc	168.06	5.75	9.22	1.17	25.35	7.00
NLOK	Norton Lifelock	28.06	7.00	-10.00	1.78	20.94	7.00
NXPI	Nxp Semiconduct	200.75	10.00	-0.48	1.12	32.22	7.00
	O Reilly Auto Parker Hannifin	528.30	13.36	7.39	0.00	19.84	7.00
PH	Trane Tech Plc	309.25	11.78	4.65	1.33	23.48 26.45	7.00
TT UPS	Utd Parcel Srvc	183.36	21.50 8.72	0.89 7.87	1.29	36.45	7.00 7.00
		211.98			1.92	21.54	
WRB	Berkley (Wr) Cp Archor Daniols	77.25 69.25	9.00	1.43	0.62	28.51	7.00
ADM	Archer Daniels	68.25	6.20	1.17	2.17	15.73	6.00

## Low P/B, High-Value Score, High Dividend Screen

Ticker	Company	Current Price	Price/ Book	ROE 5 Yr Avg	Div Yield	Score
AGNC	Agnc Investment	18.60	1.00	12.61	7.74	8
BSRR	Sierra Bancorp	27.57	1.22	10.55	3.05	8
CMTV	Commnty Bcp Vt	19.50	1.35	12.88	4.51	8
FNCB	Fncb Bancorp	7.44	0.97	12.84	3.23	8
LOMA	Loma Negra Cia	6.85	1.35	21.10	3.71	8
NHTC	Natural Hith Tr	7.60	1.33	34.80	10.53	8
NRIM	Northrim Bcp	44.82	1.20	10.34	3.30	8
UBCP	Utd Bancorp -Oh	15.17	1.32	10.26	3.76	8
ABR	Arbor Rity Trst	18.42	1.56	11.02	7.38	7
AINV	Apollo Inv Cp	14.58	0.92	10.35	8.50	7
CAC	Camden Ntl Corp	47.79	1.34	11.42	3.01	7
CIM	Chimera Invest	14.49	0.94	12.70	8.28	7
CZFS	Citizens Fin Sv	61.00	1.20	12.21	3.05	7
FCBP	First Choice Bc	32.31	1.33	11.93	3.10	7
FLIC	First Long Is	22.26	1.30	10.79	3.41	7
FNF	Fnf Group	46.90	1.65	15.41	3.07	7
FNLC	First Bancp Inc	31.84	1.53	11.71	3.89	7
GSBD	Goldman Sac Bdc	19.90	1.24	11.48	9.05	7
IBCP	Indep Bk Mich	23.26	1.31	12.02	3.61	7
NMFC	New Mountn Fin	13.29	1.02	10.26	9.03	7
PFG	Principal Finl	65.72	1.16	11.97	3.71	7
PRK	Park National	127.26	1.99	12.10	3.24	7
TRTN	Triton Intl Ltd	52.94	1.64	12.80	4.31	7
UVE	Univl Insur Hld	13.82	0.95	19.48	4.63	7
WAYN	Wayne Svgs Bcsh	25.25	1.20	10.09	3.33	7

Fundamental Growth Screen

Ticker	Company	Current Price	Next 3-5 Yr Est EPS Gr rate	5 yr Hist Sales Gr	Div Yield	P/E using 12 mo EPS	Score
DE	Deere & Co	358.91	20.15	9.08	1.00	24.74	9.00
IDXX	Idexx Labs Inc	550.30	19.61	10.90	-	70.82	9.00
AMAT	Appld Matls Inc	136.38	17.97	9.73	0.70	25.59	9.00
KLAC	Kla Corp	308.78	14.03	17.32	1.17	24.03	9.00
AMD	Adv Micro Dev	80.28	35.01	20.18	-	57.34	8.00
WST	West Pharm Svc	332.77	25.79	8.70	0.20	57.47	8.00
JBHT	Hunt (Jb) Trans	169.51	15.00	10.71	0.71	33.04	8.00
INTU	Intuit Inc	450.56	14.82	12.64	0.52	58.67	8.00
SNPS	Synopsys Inc	250.59	14.65	10.75	-	48.66	8.00
TER	Teradyne Inc	128.32	13.75	12.75	0.31	27.19	8.00
LOW	Lowes Cos	190.30	13.75	7.11	1.26	18.53	8.00
LRCX	Lam Research	635.78	32.80	13.48	0.82	26.52	7.00
π	Trane Tech Plc	183.36	21.50	0.89	1.29	36.45	7.00
FB	Facebook Inc-A	326.04	20.13	33.80	-	27.89	7.00
CDNS	Cadence Design	123.94	14.41	9.66	-	52.97	7.00
DVA	Davita Inc	121.13	14.38	(6.81)	-	16.13	7.00
CRL	Charles Rvr Lab	331.70	14.00	15.96	-	37.56	7.00
РТС	Ptc Inc	129.58	25.99	6.88	-	55.38	6.00
MPWR	Monolithic Pwr	335.94	25.00	20.00	0.71	93.06	6.00
CTLT	Catalent Inc	100.61	20.92	14.41	-	39.61	6.00
GOOG	Alphabet Inc-C	2,404.61	18.13	19.82	-	32.01	6.00
GOOGL	Alphabet Inc-A	2,347.58	18.13	19.82	-	31.25	6.00
ODFL	Old Dominion Fl	264.18	17.23	8.38	0.30	42.13	6.00
MCHP	Microchip Tech	151.71	15.33	16.92	1.09	25.76	6.00
MTB	M&T Bank Corp	163.01	15.19	3.95	2.70	14.20	6.00
NVDA	Nvidia Corp	678.79	17.56	21.54	0.09	69.33	5.00
RHI	Robt Half Intl	90.07	15.54	1.41	1.69	31.06	5.00
TDY	Teledyne Tech	421.36	18.29	9.54	-	37.86	4.00
FRC	First Rep Bk Sf	194.12	15.70	18.27	0.45	30.33	4.00
SCHW	Schwab(Chas)	76.01	14.09	12.04	0.95	28.90	1.00

## Aggressive Growth Strategy

Ticker	Company	Current Price	Next 3-5 Yr Est EPS Gr rate	5 yr Hist Sales Gr	Div Yield	P/E F1/ LT EPS Gr	Score
IDXX	Idexx Labs Inc	550.30	19.61	10.90	-	3.46	9
FICO	Fair Isaac Inc	479.76	#N/A	9.98	-	#N/A	8
INTU	Intuit Inc	450.56	14.82	12.64	0.52	4.19	8
MXIM	Maxim Intg Pdts	100.19	10.00	0.41	-	3.20	8
TXN	Texas Instrs	186.00	9.33	1.51	2.19	2.70	8
WST	West Pharm Svc	332.77	25.79	8.70	0.20	1.80	8
CDNS	Cadence Design	123.94	14.41	9.66	-	3.59	7
FFIN	First Fin Bk-Tx	51.59	#N/A	11.75	1.01	#N/A	7
STAA	Staar Surgical	140.12	#N/A	20.15	-	#N/A	7
VICR	Vicor Corp	91.93	#N/A	9.45	-	#N/A	7
WING	Wingstop Inc	137.55	11.00	29.56	0.41	8.96	7
CPRT	Copart Inc	123.62	#N/A	14.92	-	#N/A	6
EXPO	Exponent Inc	88.22	#N/A	7.13	0.91	#N/A	6
JYNT	Joint Corp/The	72.00	#N/A	31.99	-	#N/A	6
MPWR	Monolithic Pwr	335.94	25.00	20.00	0.71	3.01	6

## Portfolio / Client Update

With the daily "buy signal" getting back to an oversold condition, we took our remaining profits in the QQQ index trading position. Such raised our current cash levels to buffer portfolios against an expected decline this summer. We still expect a mild correction of 5% or so during the summer, which will "feel worse" than it is. The goal will be to use that correction to rebalance equity risk for the remainder of the year. The goal is to continue to manage risk accordingly. With the weekly "sell" signal triggered on the S&P 500 index, we will reduce risk further as needed to maintain the current outperformance over the benchmark index. One of the biggest challenges ahead will be the shift back into longer-duration bonds as economic growth slows later this year. Likely, we will not get much of a signal before yields drop sharply. We monitor bonds closely as we hold an extremely short duration in our bond allocations. This short duration limits our ability to hedge risk currently. However, at the moment, there are no "big red flags" that suggest we become significantly more

active. But, should they appear, we assure you we will take action as needed. Portfolio

## Changes

During the past week, we made minor changes to portfolios. We post all trades in real-time at *RIAPRO.NET*.

#### \*\*\* Trading Update ? Equity and Sector Models \*\*\*

"We closed out the remainder of our QQQ position as our indicators are now aligning for the next sell signal. We should begin to see technology underperform relative to the broad index over the next couple of weeks." - 06/03/21

#### **Both Models**

• Sell 100% of remaining position in QQQ

"With our ?money flow? buy signal now getting fairly elevated we trimmed off another 1% of our QQQ position this morning in both models. We will likely exit the entire position by the end of the week. In the Equity model, we also reduce Ford (F) by 1.5% (down to 2% of the portfolio) to take profits after a strong price surge last week." - 06/01/21

#### **Equity Model**

- Reduce QQQ from 3% to 2% of the portfolio.
- Reduce F to 2% of the portfolio.

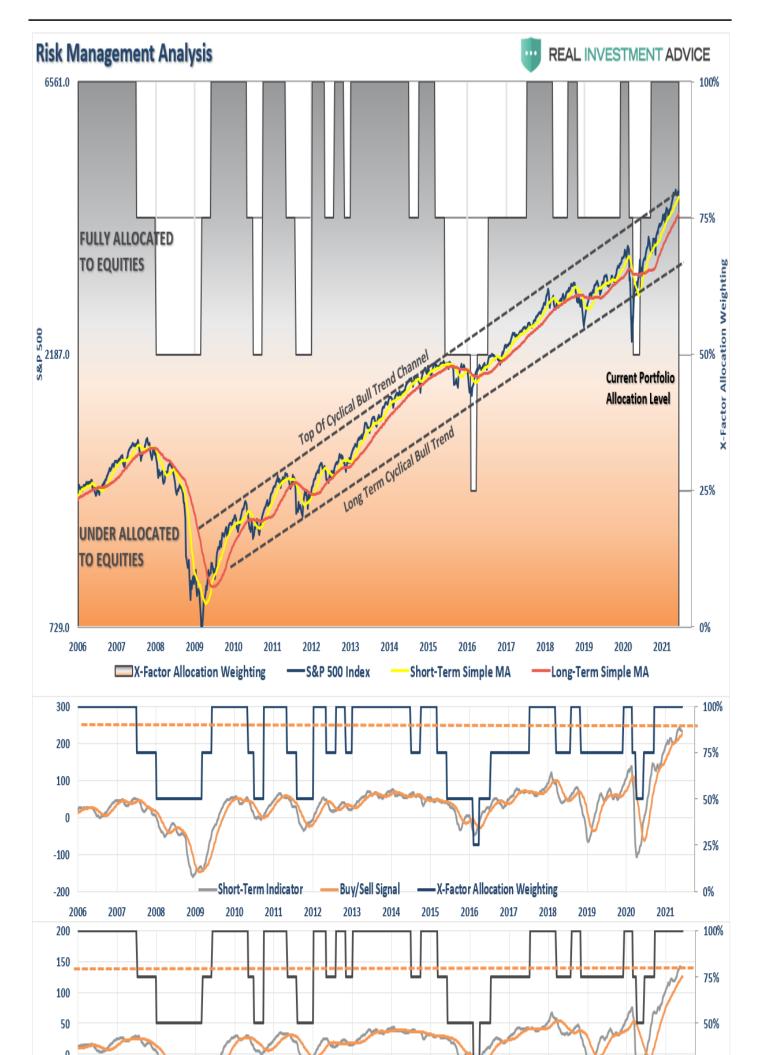
#### ETF Model

• Reduce QQQ from 3% to 2% of the portfolio.

As always, our short-term concern remains the protection of your portfolio. We have shifted our focus from the election back to the economic recovery and where we go from here. *Lance Roberts CIO* 

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#### A Conservative Strategy For Long-Term Investors



<b>Current Portfolio Weighting</b>	Current 401k Allocation Model
Sonds 35% LOO% Of Target Equity 60%	<ul> <li>5.00% Cash + All Future Contributions <ul> <li>Primary concern is the protection of investment capital</li> <li>Examples: Stable Value, Money Market, Retirement Reserves</li> </ul> </li> <li>35.00% Fixed Income (Bonds) <ul> <li>Bond Funds reflect the direction of interest rates</li> <li>Examples: Short Duration, Total Return and Real Return Funds</li> </ul> </li> <li>60.00% Equity (Stocks) <ul> <li>The vast majority of funds track an index.</li> <li>Therefore, select on ONE fund from each category.</li> <li>Keep it Simple.</li> </ul> </li> <li>20% Equity Income, Balanced or Conservative Allocation</li> <li>30% Large Cap Growth (S&amp;P 500 Index)</li> <li>5% International</li> <li>5% Mid-Cap</li> </ul>

<b>Portfolio Instructions:</b>		
Allocation Level To Equities	Recommendation	When To Take Action
Less Than Target Allocation	Hold Current Exposure	Hold Exposure
Equal To Target Allocation	Hold Current Exposure	Hold Exposure
Over Target Allocation	Hold Current Exposure	Hold Exposure

## Commentary

After registering a buy signal two weeks ago, the Nasdaq rallied back to its previous lower high. The S&P 500 also confirmed the bullish advance by issuing a buy signal as well.

However, as stated last week, market action remains weak, and the buy signals won't last long if performance doesn't begin to improve soon. Breadth is narrowing and technical indications are getting more extremely overbought.

We did pare back some of our holdings this week just to realign our portfolios with the model. We suggest you do the same. Take profits in areas where you are overweight due to the recent advance. HOWEVER, do NOT buy holdings that have been declining or lagging the recent rally. Just hold extra cash for now.

There is no need to be aggressive here. There isn't likely a lot of upside to the market as we head into summer, so we would recommend not being overly aggressive.

If you need help after reading the alert, do not hesitate to contact me.

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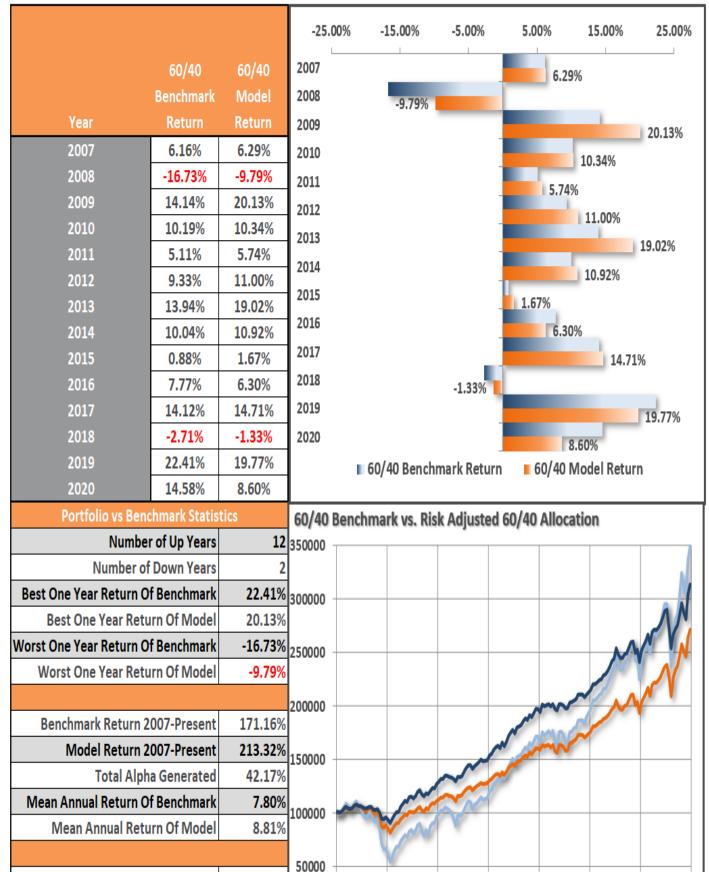


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Have a great week!