

# ATHENA GLOBAL TACTICAL ETFS

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## KEY TAKEAWAYS

- ◆ The portfolio decreased -6.4% in Q1 versus its Morningstar Global Markets benchmark decrease of -5.5%.
- ◆ Our small-cap and large-cap barometers continued to decline during the quarter while the international developed barometer was stable.
- ◆ There were no position changes in the quarter and the portfolio remains invested in a 100% international developed position (EFA).

Positive Impacts	Negative Impacts
Avoided Large Cap Growth exposure.	Volatile equity markets amid Geopolitical and economic uncertainty.

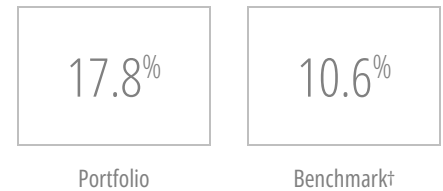
## ECONOMIC AND MARKET PERSPECTIVE

- The federal reserve began increasing rates and war broke out in Ukraine. The pandemic waned, with many locales dropping mask and vaccine mandates.
- Markets were extremely volatile and performed poorly in Q1, with large-caps down -3.8%, small-caps down -5.1%, and the tech-dominated large-growth index down -12.1%.
- The economy weakened, but remains relatively healthy, as indicated by the PMI Manufacturing and Services indices, both registering in the high 50's at the end of the quarter. The job market also remains strong with the unemployment rate at 3.6%, near an all-time low and employers continue to be plagued by a shortage of skilled workers.
- A major concern is high inflation. It is hard to know when it will begin to abate. The Treasury yield curve has risen due to recent Fed actions and additional rate hikes are expected. Encouraging news is that money supply growth (M2 and Monetary Base) is moderating.
- The largest jolt during the quarter was Russia's invasion of Ukraine. The world has watched in horror as Russian troops pound Ukrainian cities. As horrific as the situation is, history tells us that since WWII, wars have limited impact on longer term market returns.
- Our market indicators weakened during the quarter, with economic measures dropping from strong to normal, technical measures dropping from strong to normal, valuation measures improving to normal from caution, and behavioral measures remaining unchanged at normal.

The Global Tactical portfolio's long-term performance profile remains attractive with 11 out of 12 years positive and periodic outsized returns of 20% or greater in 6 of those years.

## PERFORMANCE<sup>A</sup>

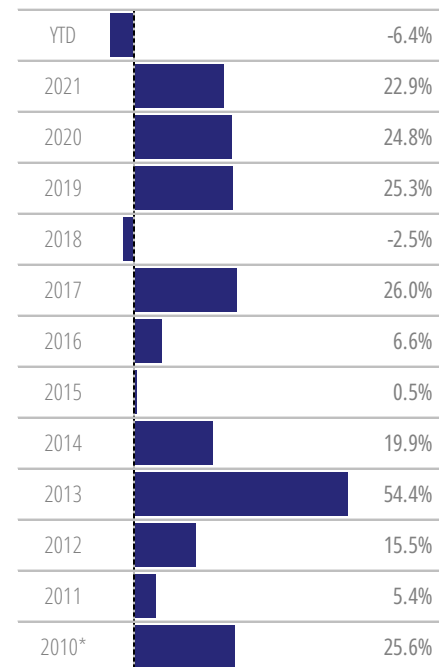
Annualized Since Inception (9/1/2010)



△ All performance figures are based on composite portfolio performance on a pre-tax basis with reinvestment of dividends and is net of all trading, custodial, and management fees.

† Portfolio benchmark is the Morningstar Global Markets Index.

## Calendar Year Performance



\* 2010 return is Sep 1 – Dec 31 and is not annualized.

## % ANNUALIZED TRAILING PERFORMANCE AS OF 3/31/2022

	Q1 2022	YTD	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	10 YEARS	INCEPT
Global Tactical ETFs (Net)	-6.4	-6.4	-7.3	17.9	15.8	16.3	17.8
Morningstar Global Markets NR Index	-5.5	-5.5	6.2	13.3	11.3	9.9	10.6

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