

RYE - Dangerous Rating

Rydex S&P Equal Weight Energy ETF



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| ★★☆☆☆ | Predictive Rating | Dangerous |
| Business Strength | | |
| ★★★★☆ | Quality of Earnings | Neutral EE |
| ★★☆☆☆ | Size of the Moat (ROIC) | 7.18% |
| Valuation | | |
| ☆☆☆☆☆ | Free Cash Flow Yield | -5.22% |
| ★★☆☆☆ | Price to Economic Book Value | 3.13 |
| ★★☆☆☆ | Market-Implied Duration of Moat | 30 years |

- We recommend investors avoid Rydex S&P Equal Weight Energy ETF (RYE).
- RYE ranks in the 2nd percentile of the 400+ ETFs we cover.
- Neutral EE means that economic earnings are negative but moving in the same direction as GAAP EPS.
- The Price to Economic Book Value ratio compares market expectations for future cash flows to existing cash flows. When the ratio is greater than one, the market predicts cash flows will increase, and vice versa.
- Market-Implied Duration of Moat measures the number of years of future profit growth implied by the stock price.

ETF Details

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| Net Asset Value (\$MM) | \$42.48 |
| Issuer | Rydex |
| Category | Energy Equities |
| Index | S&P Equal Weight Energy |
| Management Style | Passive |
| Exposure | Long |
| Inception Date | 11/01/06 |
| Number of Holdings | 42 |
| Premium (Discount) | 0.02% |
| Avg. Daily Volume (3 Mo.) | 12,595 |
| Geography | U.S. |

Predictive Rating Methodology

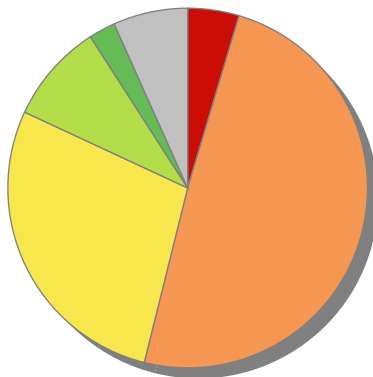
Our rating is based on the aggregation of our financial models for the ETF's holdings, which enables us to assess the profitability and valuation of the ETF just like a stock.

Our predictive ETF rating system is the same as our stock rating system, consistently top-ranked by Barron's.

Expense Analysis

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| Expense Ratio | 0.50% |
| Rank (percentile) | 33.69% |
| 10-Year Cost | \$1,268.08 |

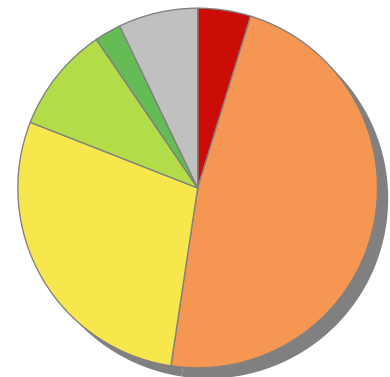
RYE's fees will cost an investor \$1,268.08 over 10 years assuming a \$10,000 investment and 10% returns.



Allocations

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| 4.62% | Very Dangerous ☆☆☆☆ | 2 |
| 49.27% | Dangerous ★★☆☆ | 20 |
| 28.05% | Neutral ★★★☆☆ | 12 |
| 8.97% | Attractive ★★★★☆ | 4 |
| 2.39% | Very Attractive ★★★★★ | 1 |
| 6.70% | Unrated | 3 |

Holdings



Top 5 Holdings

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| Range Resources Corp (RRC) | 3.14% |
| Cabot Oil & Gas Corp (COG) | 3.01% |
| EQT Corporation (EQT) | 3.01% |
| Tesoro Corporation (TSO) | 2.97% |
| Chesapeake Energy Corp (CHK) | 2.86% |

Capitalization Exposure

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| Large Cap | 61.99% |
| Mid Cap | 38.01% |
| Small Cap | 0.00% |

Explanation of Predictive ETF Rating System

Our ETF research aggregates results from our Company Valuation models for each of the companies held by an ETF. Our rating system grades ETFs according to the 5 most important criteria for assessing the risk versus reward of an ETF. Our analysis results in the 5 ratings: Very Attractive corresponds to a "Strong Buy" rating, Attractive to "Buy", Very Dangerous to a "Sell or Short", and everything in-between to a "Hold" rating.

| Predictive Risk/Reward Rating | Business Strength | | Valuation | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | Quality of Earnings | Size of Moat (ROIC) | FCF Yield | Price to Economic Book Value | Market-Implied Duration of Moat |
| Very Dangerous ☆☆☆☆ | Misleading Trend | Bottom Quintile | < -5% | > 3.5 or -1 < 0 | > 50 |
| Dangerous ☆☆☆☆ | False Positive | 4th Quintile | -5% < -1% | 2.4 < 3.5 or < -1 | 20 < 50 |
| Neutral ☆☆☆☆ | Neutral EE | 3rd Quintile | -1% < 3% | 1.6 < 2.4 | 10 < 20 |
| Attractive ☆☆☆☆ | Positive EE | 2nd Quintile | 3% < 10% | 1.1 < 1.6 | 3 < 10 |
| Very Attractive ☆☆☆☆ | Rising EE | Top Quintile | > 10% | 0 < 1.1 | 0 < 3 |

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