# **Most Dangerous Stocks for June 2014**

20 Large/Mid Cap and 20 Small Cap Stocks

- Figure 1 shows 12 new stocks that make our June lists.
- FREE Company Valuation Reports for 2 of the new stocks are in the Free Archive on our website.
- The Dangerous Stocks (+0.8%) rose less than the S&P 500 (+2.1%) and outperformed as a short portfolio last month.
- Figure 4 shows the 21 stocks from May's report that outperformed as shorts.
- Most Dangerous Stocks have misleading earnings, which means reported earnings are rising while true economic earnings are declining.
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## Figure 1: Additions for June

Large Cap Additions		
Ticker	Company Name	
AXLL	Axiall Corporation	
BG	Bunge Ltd.	
DDR	Ddr Corp	
ICON	Iconix Brand Group, Inc.	
LAD	Lithia Motors, Inc.	

Small Cap Additions		
Ticker Company Name		
GOV	Government Properties Income Trust	
GPI	Group 1 Automotive, Inc.	
LOJN	Lojack Corporation	
NUVA	Nuvasive, Inc.	
QDEL	Quidel Corporation	
TNGO	Tangoe, Inc.	
TPC	Tutor Perini Corp	

Sources: New Constructs, LLC

Please see Appendix B for explanations of additions and deletions to the large and small cap lists.

# The 20 Most Dangerous Large/Mid Cap Stocks for June

We recommend that investors equal-weight holdings in all 20 Large/Mid Cap Most Dangerous Stocks.

Figure 2: 20 Most Dangerous Large/Mid Cap Stocks for June

				Misleading Earnings	3		Expensive Valuation	on	
				As of Last Fiscal Year			as of 06/02/14		
	Ticker	Company Name	Rising GAAP Earnings (\$mm)	Declining Economic Cash Flows (\$mm)	Low-Ranking ROIC (by Quintile)	Low or Negative Free Cash Flow Yield	High or Negative Price-to-Economic Book Value	Long Market-Implied GAP (years)	Market Value (\$mm)
1	DLR	Digital Realty Trust, Inc.	\$99.92	(\$104)	Bottom Quintile	-3%	169.9	Greater than 100	\$7,864
2	PEB	Pebblebrook Hotel Trust	\$11.69	(\$21)	Bottom Quintile	-7%	17.7	Greater than 100	\$2,268
3	POL	Polyone Corporation	\$171.90	(\$52)	4th	-9%	13.1	Greater than 100	\$3,771
4	BXP	Boston Properties, Inc.	\$452.10	(\$60)	4th	-7%	12.0	Greater than 100	\$18,503
5	EXR	Extra Space Storage, Inc.	\$54.20	(\$14)	4th	-5%	10.9	Greater than 100	\$6,080
6	CRS	Carpenter Technology Corp	\$25.20	(\$11)	Bottom Quintile	0%	9.2	Greater than 100	\$3,313
7	PDM	Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc.	\$5.52	(\$27)	Bottom Quintile	-4%	8.9	Greater than 100	\$2,908
8	LAD*	Lithia Motors, Inc.	\$25.64	(\$19)	4th	-3%	8.1	Greater than 100	\$2,030
9	0	Realty Income Corp	\$89.10	(\$138)	4th	-28%	6.8	Greater than 100	\$9,631
10	DWA	Dreamworks Animation	\$91.51	(\$55)	Bottom Quintile	-5%	6.8	48	\$2,362
11	HIW	Highwoods Properties, Inc.	\$45.86	(\$5)	4th	-3%	6.6	Greater than 100	\$3,677
12	ICON*	Iconix Brand Group, Inc.	\$18.64	(\$23)	4th	-4%	5.6	Greater than 100	\$2,058
13	STZ	Constellation Brands, Inc.	\$1,555.30	(\$66)	4th	-23%	4.5	29	\$15,920
14	AXLL*	Axiall Corporation	\$45.36	(\$224)	4th	-61%	4.3	60	\$3,271
15	RLJ	RLJ Lodging Trust	\$71.43	(\$6)	4th	-2%	4.2	Greater than 100	\$3,409
16	WYN	Wyndham Worldwide Corp	\$32.00	(\$114)	4th	-9%	4.2	42	\$9,528
17	В	Barnes Group, Inc.	\$175.28	(\$44)	4th	-2%	4.1	Greater than 100	\$2,008
18	BG*	Bunge, Ltd.	\$202.00	(\$250)	Bottom Quintile	-3%	3.1	76	\$11,337
19	USM	United States Cellular Corp	\$29.03	(\$358)	Bottom Quintile	1%	-1.0	Greater than 100	\$3,514
20	DDR*	DDR Corp	\$16.88	(\$34)	Bottom Quintile	-11%	-1.8	Greater than 100	\$6,278

<sup>\*</sup> Addition to the Large/Mid Cap Most Dangerous list in June

Most Dangerous Stocks are Ranked by Price-to-Economic Book Value in Descending Order

Sources: New Constructs, LLC

# The 20 Most Dangerous Small Cap Stocks for June

We recommend that investors equal-weight holdings in all 20 Small Cap Most Dangerous Stocks.

Figure 3: 20 Most Dangerous Small Cap Stocks for June

				Misleading Earnings	1		Expensive Valuation	on	[
_				As of Last Fiscal Year			as of 06/02/14		
	Ticker	Company Name	Rising GAAP Earnings (\$mm)	Declining Economic Cash Flows (\$mm)	Low-Ranking ROIC (by Quintile)	Low or Negative Free Cash Flow Yield	High or Negative Price-to-Economic Book Value	Long Market-Implied GAP (years)	Market Value (\$mm)
1	CHFN	Charter Financial Corp	\$1.28	(\$4)	Bottom Quintile	-47%	188.2	Greater than 100	\$245
2	QDEL*	Quidel Corporation	\$2.41	(\$5)	Bottom Quintile	-4%	38.8	Greater than 100	\$777
3	LOJN*	Lojack Corporation	\$11.55	(\$1)	Bottom Quintile	-9%	25.2	Greater than 100	\$104
4	TNGO*	Tangoe, Inc.	\$1.92	(\$2)	Bottom Quintile	1%	18.6	Greater than 100	\$564
5	HOS	Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc.	\$74.38	(\$11)	4th	-7%	9.5	44	\$1,632
6	RP	Real Page, Inc.	\$15.51	(\$2)	4th	-2%	9.5	Greater than 100	\$1,660
7	PATR	Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc.	\$7.58	(\$1)	Bottom Quintile	-1%	9.4	Greater than 100	\$314
8	ASGN	On Assignment, Inc.	\$41.86	(\$23)	4th	-1%	8.1	Greater than 100	\$1,950
9	NUVA*	Nuvasive, Inc.	\$4.76	(\$23)	Bottom Quintile	2%	7.5	Greater than 100	\$1,541
10	GPI*	Group 1 Automotive, Inc.	\$14.09	(\$18)	4th	-13%	6.4	28	\$1,958
11	OKSB	Southwest Bancorp, Inc.	\$4.85	(\$14)	Bottom Quintile	0%	5.9	Greater than 100	\$338
12	CHSP	Chesapeake Lodging Trust	\$12.68	(\$15)	4th	-12%	4.8	75	\$1,467
13	KVHI	KVH Industries, Inc.	\$0.95	(\$1)	Bottom Quintile	-5%	4.7	Greater than 100	\$207
14	TPC*	Tutor Perini Corp	\$352.70	(\$38)	Bottom Quintile	1%	4.4	Greater than 100	\$1,482
15	KFRC	Kforce, Inc.	\$24.49	(\$2)	4th	-2%	4.1	Greater than 100	\$745
16	NGS	Natural Gas Services Group, Inc.	\$1.71	(\$2)	4th	-3%	4.1	Greater than 100	\$372
17	ABG	Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.	\$26.90	(\$7)	4th	-2%	4.1	Greater than 100	\$1,974
18	GOV*	Government Properties Income Trust	\$4.66	(\$9)	Bottom Quintile	0%	3.6	Greater than 100	\$1,393
19	AF	Astoria Financial Corp	\$6.03	(\$1)	Bottom Quintile	-10%	2.8	Greater than 100	\$1,276
20	POWR	PowerSecure International, Inc.	\$1.33	(\$1)	Bottom Quintile	-28%	2.6	Greater than 100	\$171

<sup>\*</sup> Addition to the Small Cap Most Dangerous list in June
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Sources: New Constructs, LLC

## Most Dangerous Stocks: Monthly Updates

The Dangerous Stocks (+0.8%) rose less than the S&P 500 (+2.1%) and outperformed as a short portfolio last month. 21 stocks from our May Most Dangerous Large Cap and Small Cap lists outperformed the S&P 500 as shorts, and 16 stocks had negative returns. See Figure 4 for details. For updates on the performance of all of last month's Most Dangerous stocks, see Appendix A. We measure our May performance based on closing prices from May 05, 2014 to June 02, 2014. We published last month's report to subscribers on May 05, 2014 and to the general public, for purchase, on May 12, 2014.

Figure 4: 21 Stocks that Outperformed as Shorts From May's Report

Large Cap			
Ticker	Company Name	Change From 05/05/14	
UNT	Unit Corporation	-2.9%	
В	Barnes Group, Inc.	-2.7%	
CRS	Carpenter Technology	-2.2%	
USM	United States Cellular Corp	-0.9%	
TDS	Telephone & Data Systems	-0.5%	
0	Realty Income Corp	-0.1%	
DCT	DCT Industrial Trust, Inc.	0.9%	
HIW	Highwoods Properties, Inc.	1.1%	
EXR	Extra Space Storage, Inc.	1.6%	
S&P 500	S&P 500	2.1%	

	Small Cap			
Ticker	Company Name	Change From 05/05/1 4		
POWR	PowerSecure International, Inc.	-62.3%		
SHEN	Shenandoah Telecommunications	-4.9%		
BGCP	BGC Partners, Inc.	-2.8%		
PATR	Patriot Transportation Holding	-2.7%		
AF	Astoria Financial Corp	-1.9%		
NGS	Natural Gas Services Group, Inc.	-1.6%		
FCZA	First Citizens Banc Corp	-1.5%		
KVHI	KVH Industries, Inc.	-1.1%		
OSBC	Old Second Bancorp, Inc.	-0.8%		
KFRC	Kforce, Inc.	-0.4%		
CMRE	Costamare, Inc.	1.4%		
CHFN	Charter Financial Corp	2.0%		
S&P 500	S&P 500	2.1%		

Sources: New Constructs, LLC

Note: Gain/Decline performance analysis excludes transaction costs, dividends and rebates.

# Most Dangerous Stocks: Methodology

Stocks make our Most Dangerous list because they have:

### 1. Poor-Quality Earnings based on:

- a. Misleading earnings: rising and positive GAAP earnings while economic earnings are negative and falling; and
- b. Low Returns on Invested Capital (ROIC).

#### AND

### 2. Expensive Valuations based on:

- a. Free-Cash Flow Yields<sup>1</sup> that are very low or negative;
- b. *Price-to-Economic Book Value* (EBV) <sup>2</sup> ratios that are relatively high; and
- c. Growth Appreciation Periods<sup>3</sup> (GAP) that are relatively high.

Only stocks that earn an Overall Rating of Very Dangerous are allowed on our Most Dangerous Stocks lists. The above characteristics also qualify stocks for a 'Very Dangerous' or 'Dangerous' Rating, according to our Risk/Reward Rating system. Figure 4 shows our Risk/Reward Rating analysis, which we apply to the 3000+companies that we cover. Stocks get a grade of 1 to 5 for each criterion, 5 being the worst and 1 being the best score. The Overall score is based on the average score of all five criteria. Stocks must get an average score of 4.25 or above to be rated Very Dangerous. For the most part, only Very Dangerous stocks qualify for our Most Dangerous Stocks lists.

Figure 5: New Constructs Risk/Reward Rating for Stocks

Overall Risk/Reward Rating	Quality of Earnings		Valuation		
	Economic vs Reported EPS	Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)	FCF Yield	Price-to-EBV Ratio	Growth Appreciation Period (yrs)
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 EP	3rd Quintile	-1%<3%	1.6 > 2.4	10 > 20
Attractive	Positive EP	2nd Quintile	3%<10%	1.1 > 1.6	3 > 10
Very Attractive	Rising EP	Top Quintile	>10%	0 > 1.1	0 > 3

Sources: New Constructs, LLC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Free-Cash Flow Yields measure the % of the total value of the firm for which the Free Cash Flows of the firm account. The formula is FCF/Current Enterprise Value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Economic Book Value (EBV) measures the no-growth value of the business based on its annual after-tax cash flow. The Formula for EBV is: (NOPAT / WACC) + Excess Cash + Non-operating assets – Debt (incl. Operating Leases) - Value of Outstanding Stock Options – Minority Interests.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Growth Appreciation Period measures the number of years, implied by the market-price, that a company will grow its economic earnings. This measure assigns a numerical value to the width of the moat around a firm's business.

# Explanation of Risk/Reward Rating System

Our Risk/Reward Rating System assigns a rating to every stock under our coverage according to what we believe are the 5 most important criteria for assessing the risk versus reward of stocks. See table that follows for details.

Overall Risk/Reward Ranking	The Overall Risk/Reward Ranking provides a final rating based on the equal-weighted average rating of each criterion.
Very Dangerous	FCF Yield is not included in the average.
Dangerous	FCF Yield is not included in the average.
Neutral	All criteria are equal-weighted in the average calculation.
Attractive	All criteria are equal-weighted in the average calculation.
Very Attractive	All criteria are equal-weighted in the average calculation.

Economic vs Reported EPS Rates stocks based on how their Economic Earning compare to their Reported Earnings. Values based on Latest Fiscal Year.	
Very Dangerous  Negative and declining Economic Earnings despite positive and rising Reported Earnings	
Dangerous	Same as above except Reported Earnings are not rising or Reported Earnings are not positive
Neutral Negative Economic and Reported Earnings	
Attractive Economic Earnings are positive	
Very Attractive Economic Earnings are positive and rising	

Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)	Rates stocks based on their ROIC. Values based on Latest Fiscal Year.
Bottom Quintile	Very Dangerous = the bottom 20% of Russell 1000 companies
4th Quintile	Dangerous = the bottom 40% of Russell 1000 companies
3rd Quintile	Neutral = the middle 20% of Russell 1000 companies
2nd Quintile	Attractive = the top 40% of Russell 1000 companies
Top Quintile	Very Attractive = the top 20% of Russell 1000 companies

FCF Yield	Rates stocks based on their Free Cash Flow Yield. Values based on Latest Closing Stock price and Latest Fiscal Year.
<-5% Very Dangerous = less than or equal to -5%	
-5%<-1%	Dangerous = more than -5% but less than or equal to -1%
-1%<3%	Neutral = more than -1% but less than or equal to +3%
3%<10%	Attractive = more than +3% but less than or equal to +10%
>10%	Very Attractive = more than +10%

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Price-to-EBV Ratio	Rates stocks based on their Price-to-Economic Book Value Ratio. Values based on Latest Closing Stock price and Latest Fiscal Year.
>3.5 or -1>0	Very Dangerous = greater than or equal to 3.5 or less than 0 but greater than -1
2.4>3.5 or <-1	Dangerous = greater than or equal to 2.4 but less than 3.5 and less than or equal to -1
1.6>2.4	Neutral = greater than or equal to 1.6 but less than 2.4
1.1>1.6	Attractive = greater than or equal to 1.1 but less than 1.6
0>1.1	Very Attractive = greater than or equal to 0 but less than 1.1

Growth Appreciation Period (yrs)	Rates stocks based on their Market-Implied Growth Appreciation Period. Values based on Latest Closing Stock price and Default Forecast Scenario.
>50	Very Dangerous = greater than or equal to 50 years
20>50	Dangerous = at least 20 years but less than 50
10>20	Neutral = at least 10 years but less than 20
3>10	Attractive = at least 3 years but less than 10
0>3	Very Attractive = at least 0 years but less than 3

# Appendix A – Performance of Stocks on May's Report

Figure 6: Performance of All Stocks from May's Report

Large Cap			
Ticker	Company Name	Change From 05/05/14	
UNT	Unit Corporation	-2.9%	
B	Barnes Group, Inc.	-2.7%	
CRS	Carpenter Technology Corp	-2.2%	
USM	United States Cellular Corp	-0.9%	
TDS	Telephone & Data Systems	-0.5%	
0	Realty Income Corp	-0.1%	
DCT	DCT Industrial Trust, Inc.	0.9%	
HIW	Highwoods Properties, Inc.	1.1%	
EXR	Extra Space Storage, Inc.	1.6%	
SPX	S&P 500	2.1%	
STZ	Constellation Brands, Inc.	2.6%	
BXP	Boston Properties, Inc.	2.6%	
PEB	Pebblebrook Hotel Trust	2.9%	
PDM	Piedmont Office Realty Trust	2.9%	
POL	Polyone Corporation	3.6%	
WYN	Wyndham Worldwide Corp	4.0%	
BMR	Biomed Realty Trust, Inc.	4.4%	
RLJ	RLJ Lodging Trust	4.6%	
R	Ryder System, Inc.	6.4%	
DLR	Digital Realty Trust, Inc.	7.2%	
DWA	Dreamworks Animation	15.7%	
Large Cap Portfolio Return		2.6%	
Combo (Large and Small Cap) Return		0.8%	

Small Cap			
Ticker	Company Name	Change From 05/05/14	
POWR	PowerSecure International, Inc.	-62.3%	
SHEN	Shenandoah Telecommunications	-4.9%	
BGCP	BGC Partners, Inc.	-2.8%	
PATR	Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc.	-2.7%	
AF	Astoria Financial Corp	-1.9%	
NGS	Natural Gas Services Group, Inc.	-1.6%	
FCZA	First Citizens Banc Corp	-1.5%	
KVHI	KVH Industries, Inc.	-1.1%	
OSBC	Old Second Bancorp, Inc.	-0.8%	
KFRC	Kforce, Inc.	-0.4%	
CMRE	Costamare, Inc.	1.4%	
CHFN	Charter Financial Corp	2.0%	
SPX	S&P 500	2.1%	
ABG	Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.	2.6%	
DIOD	Diodes, Inc.	3.2%	
LAD	Lithia Motors, Inc.	3.3%	
OKSB	Southwest Bancorp, Inc.	3.6%	
ASGN	On Assignment, Inc.	3.8%	
CHSP	Chesapeake Lodging Trust	4.5%	
HOS	Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc.	15.3%	
RP	Real Page, Inc	19.8%	
Small C	-1.0%		

Sources: New Constructs, LLC

Note: Gain/Decline performance analysis excludes transaction costs, dividends and rebates.

# Appendix B – Additions and Deletions

### Most Dangerous Large/Mid Cap Stocks

#### **Deletions:**

UNT - Stock price decreased 2.9% since May report.

BMR - Displaced by decrease in rank of other stocks.

DCT - Displaced by decrease in rank of other stocks.

R - Displaced by decrease in rank of other stocks.

TDS - Displaced by decrease in rank of other stocks.

### Additions:

LAD - Stock price increased 3.3% since May report.

BG - Stock price increased 1.9% since May report.

DDR - Stock price increased 1.7% since May report.

ICON - Stock price increased 1.0% since May report.

AXLL - Stock price increased 0.6% since May report.

## **Most Dangerous Small Cap Stocks**

#### **Deletions:**

SHEN
 Stock price decreased 4.9% since May report.
 Stock price decreased 2.8% since May report.
 Stock price decreased 1.5% since May report.
 OSBC
 Stock price decreased 0.8% since May report.
 CMRE
 Displaced by decrease in rank of other stocks.
 Displaced by decrease in rank of other stocks.
 Displaced by decrease in rank of other stocks.

#### Additions:

LOJN - Stock price increased 15.9% since May report.
 GPI - Stock price increased 11.2% since May report.
 QDEL - Stock price increased 8.0% since May report.
 TPC - Stock price increased 4.7% since May report.
 GOV - Stock price increased 1.3% since May report.
 NUVA - Addition by improved rank of other stocks.
 TNGO - Addition by improved rank of other stocks.

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