



## February 2022 Stock-Picking Accolades: #1 All-Time, #1 in Long, #1 in Short, #1 in Value, #1 in Large Cap, & More

Our [uniquely rigorous research](#)<sup>1</sup> earned us the [#1 All-Time ranking, again](#), on *SumZero* for February 2022. This ranking means our stock picks beat all other competitors on all measures. We also ranked highly in the following categories:

- [#1 Last Twelve Months](#)
- [#1 in Long](#)
- [#1 in Short](#)
- [#1 in Value](#)
- [#1 in Large Cap](#)
- [#1 in Small Cap](#)
- [#1 in Consumer Discretionary](#)
- [#1 in North America](#)
- [#4 in Consumer Staples](#)
- [#6 in Healthcare](#)
- [#7 in Energy](#)
- [#9 in Western Europe](#)

Our stock picks ranked #1 [last month](#) too. More stock-picking accolades [here](#).

Our *SumZero* stock picks come from our [Focus List Stocks: Long](#) and [Focus List Stocks: Short](#) Model Portfolios, which feature the “best of the best” of our stock picks.

The Focus List Stocks: Long outperformed the S&P 500<sup>2</sup> by 35% in 2021 and the Focus List Stocks: Short outperformed the S&P 500 stock by 36% in 2021.

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**Figure 1: Performance of Select Long Ideas on SumZero – Through 2/3/22**

Company	Ticker	Publish or Close Date	Outperformance as a Long Vs. S&P 500
Simon Property Group	SPG	<a href="#">11/16/21</a>	143%*
Williams-Sonoma	WSM	<a href="#">9/14/16</a>	120%
HCA Healthcare	HCA	<a href="#">6/22/20</a>	101%
MasTec Inc.	MTZ	<a href="#">6/10/20</a>	62%
D.R. Horton	DHI	<a href="#">4/27/20</a>	54%

Sources: New Constructs, LLC

Performance represents price performance and is not adjusted for dividends.

\*Performance measured through date position was closed

<sup>1</sup> Our reports utilize our [Core Earnings](#), a more reliable measure of profits, as proven in [Core Earnings: New Data & Evidence](#), a paper published by the [Journal of Financial Economics](#).

<sup>2</sup> Stocks are in the Focus List Model Portfolios for different periods of time as we open and close positions during the year. When measuring outperformance of the Focus List Model Portfolios, we compare each stock’s return to the S&P 500’s return for the time each is in the Focus List Model Portfolios. This approach provides more of an apples-to-apples comparison of how each stock performed vs. the S&P 500.



**Figure 2: Performance of Select Danger Zone Picks on SumZero – Through 2/3/22**

Company	Ticker	Publish Date	Outperformance as a Short Vs. S&P 500
Eventbrite	EB	<a href="#">9/24/18</a>	114%
Peloton Interactive	PTON	<a href="#">9/21/20</a>	111%
Beyond Meat	BYND	<a href="#">9/2/20</a>	80%
Koss Corp	KOSS	<a href="#">5/3/21</a>	64%
GameStop	GME	<a href="#">4/5/21</a>	57%

Sources: New Constructs, LLC  
Performance represents price performance and is not adjusted for dividends.

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- “A final source of differences [between New Constructs’ and S&P Global’s data] is due to data collection oversights...we identified cases where Compustat did not collect information relating to firms’ income that is useful in assessing core earnings.” – pp. 16, 2<sup>nd</sup> para.

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