

Build Your Own ETF With Our Superior Fundamental Research

Why pay fees to an ETF issuer just to bundle some stocks together?

It's not like any issuers are putting together a magical list of stocks in an ETF that is dramatically outperforming the market over any meaningful amount of time.

Unspoken Truth

ETFs are charging you a fee for a service that adds no value and that you can easily perform on your own.

So, I'll ask again – why pay fees to ETFs for something you can do on your own and do with better research?

Our Do-It-Yourself ETF

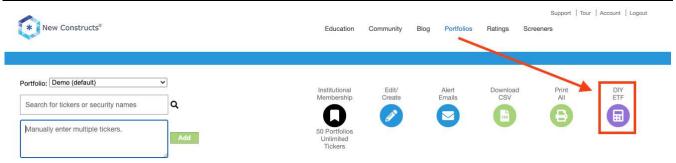
We think the days of paying fees for ETF issuers or mutual fund managers to pick stocks are ending because

- 1. investors do not get any value for the fees they pay and
- 2. new technology makes it easy for investors to build their own ETF, without fees and based on <u>proven superior research</u>.

This idea isn't hypothetical. Pro and Institutional members already have access to this technology on the Portfolios page. We call it the <u>DIY ETF</u>. See Figure 1.

The DIY ETF tool gives clients the ability to create a custom basket of stocks, ETFs and/or mutual funds and weight them according to our alpha-generating data and metrics.

Figure 1: New Constructs DIY ETF Tool



Sources: New Constructs, LLC and company filings.

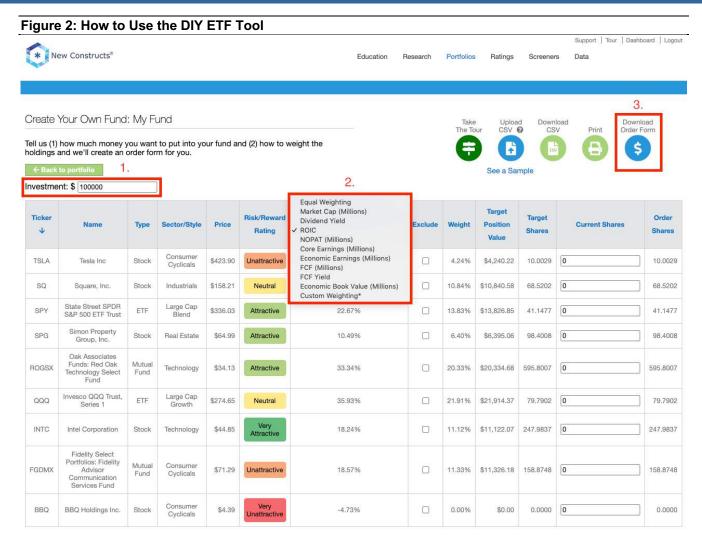
Once clients have finalized the stocks they want in their fund and how their want to weight the stocks, they can, with one click, download a standard order form for any broker to buy the stocks to create their custom fund.

Figure 2 shows where to access key features on the DIY ETF page:

- 1. Enter any investment amount our system automatically adjusts your order form for the amount of money you wish to allocate.
- 2. Choose the weighting methodology we offer 10+ metrics, including market cap, dividend yield, our proprietary Core Earnings or return on invested capital (ROIC), and your own custom weightings.
- 3. Download Order Form get a CSV file with every order needed to create the portfolio on the page. Click here for a sample.



DILIGENCE PAYS 8/4/25



Sources: New Constructs, LLC and company filings.

Why DIY ETF?

Why would investors want to create their own ETF? Outperformance, of course.

When it comes to outperformance, we can deliver, and we can prove that we can deliver.

Three live-traded indices based on our Stock Ratings and Core Earnings research have outperformed the S&P 500 in 1H25 and over the past 5 years. These indices are provided by Bloomberg's Index Licensing Group. Below are details on how you can look them up and see the outperformance for yourself.

Is there a better way to prove the alpha in our research than live, actively-traded indices that beat the market?

- Bloomberg New Constructs Core Earnings Leaders Index (ticker: BCORET:IND)
- 2. Bloomberg New Constructs Ratings VA-1 Index (ticker: BNCVA1T:IND)
- 3. Bloomberg New Constructs 500 Index (ticker: B500NCT:IND)

The Bloomberg New Constructs Core Earnings Leaders Index, which allocates based on Earnings Capture and Core Earnings, beat the S&P 500 by over 36% over the past five years. The Index (ticker: BCORET:IND) was up 125% while the S&P 500 was up 89%.



Figure 3: Bloomberg New Constructs Core Earnings Leaders Index Outperforms S&P 500: Last 5 Years



Sources: Bloomberg as of August 1, 2025

Note: Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

The "Very Attractive Stocks" Index, which allocates to stocks that get a Very Attractive rating by our AI Agent for Investing, beat the S&P 500 by 66% over the last five years. Bloomberg's official name for the index is Bloomberg New Constructs Ratings VA-1Index (ticker: BNCVAT1T:IND). Figure 4 shows it was up 155% while the S&P 500 was up 89%.

-25.00%

100.00%

2025



Bloomberg New Constructs Ratings VA-1 Total Return Index Following BNCVA1T:IND The Very Attractive Stocks Index (USD) · Market open beats the S&P 500 by 66% over the last 5 years. 3,279.19 \(\bar{7}\)35.80 -1.08% As of 11:16 AM EDT 08/01/25. Related News Index Info Summary 1D 1M 6M YTD 5Y Q SPX:IND ■ BNCVA1T:IND +155.09% SPX:IND +89.16% × Aug 1, 2025 125.00% 50.00%

Figure 4: Very Attractive-Rated Stocks Strongly Outperform the S&P 500: Last Five Years

Sources: Bloomberg as of August 1, 2025

Note: Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

2021

2022

Our "Core-Earnings Weighted S&P 500" Index, which weights the largest 500 U.S. companies by Core Earnings instead of market cap, beat the S&P 500 by 27% over the past five years. Bloomberg's official name for the index is Bloomberg New Constructs 500 Total Return Index (ticker: BNCVAT1T:IND). Figure 5 shows it was up 117% while the S&P 500 was up 89%.

2024

2023



Bloomberg New Constructs 500 Following **Total Return Index** B500NCT:IND **Bloomberg New Constructs 500** (USD) · Market open Index beats the S&P 500 by 27% over the last 5 years. 4,469.28 **v**68.09 -1.50% As of 11:18 AM EDT 08/01/25. Summary Related News Index Info 1D 1M 6M YTD 5Y Q SPX:IND ■ B500NCT:IND +116.60% SPX:IND +89.16% × Aug 1, 2025 200.00% 25.00% 50.00% -25.00% 100.00%

2024

2025

Figure 5: Bloomberg New Constructs 500 Index Strongly Outperforms the S&P 500: Last Five Years

Sources: Bloomberg as of August 1, 2025

Note: Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

2021

Please contact us at support@newconstructs.com if you have any questions.

2022

This article was originally published on August 4, 2025.

Disclosure: David Trainer, Kyle Guske II, and Hakan Salt receive no compensation to write about any specific stock, sector, style, or theme.

2023

Questions on this report or others? Join our online community and connect with us directly.



It's Official: We Deliver the Best Fundamental Data in the World

Many firms claim their research is superior, but none of them can prove it with independent studies from highly-respected institutions as we can. Three different papers from both the public and private sectors show:

- 1. The stock market is missing footnotes and only we have that critical data.
- 2. Legacy fundamental datasets suffer from significant inaccuracies, omissions, and biases.
- 3. Our proprietary drives novel alpha. Our measures of <u>Core Earnings</u> and <u>Earnings Distortion</u> materially improve stock picking and forecasting of profits.

Best Fundamental Data in the World

In <u>The Journal of Financial Economics</u>, a top peer-reviewed journal, <u>Core Earnings: New Data & Evidence</u> proves our Robo-Analyst technology overcomes material shortcomings in legacy firms' data collection processes to provide superior <u>fundamental data</u>, <u>earnings</u> models, and <u>research</u>. More <u>details</u>.

Key quotes from the paper:

- "[New Constructs'] *Total Adjustments* differs significantly from the items identified and excluded from Compustat's adjusted earnings measures. For example... 50% to 70% of the variation in *Total Adjustments* is not explained by *S&P Global's* (*SPGI*) *Adjustments* individually." pp. 14, 1st para.
- "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, 2nd para.

Superior Models

Ernst & Young features the superiority of our ROIC, NOPAT and Invested Capital research to Capital IQ & Bloomberg's in Getting ROIC Right. See the Appendix for direct comparison details.

Key quotes from the paper:

- "...an accurate calculation of ROIC requires more diligence than often occurs in some of the common, off-the-shelf ROIC calculations. Only by scouring the footnotes and the MD&A [as New Constructs does] can investors get an accurate calculation of ROIC." – pp. 8, 5th para.
- "The majority of the difference...comes from New Constructs' machine learning approach, which leverages technology to calculate ROIC by applying accounting adjustments that may be buried deeply in the footnotes across thousands of companies." pp. 4, 2nd para.

Superior Stock Ratings

Robo-Analysts' stock ratings outperform those from human analysts as shown in this <u>paper</u> from Harvard Business School. Bloomberg features the paper <u>here</u>.

Key quotes from the paper:

- "the portfolios formed following the buy recommendations of Robo-Analysts earn abnormal returns that are statistically and economically significant." pp. 6, 3rd para.
- "Our results ultimately suggest that Robo-Analysts are a valuable, alternative information intermediary to traditional sell-side analysts." pp. 20, 3rd para.

Our mission is to provide the best fundamental analysis of public and private businesses in the world and make it affordable for all investors, not just Wall Street insiders.

We believe every investor deserves to know the whole truth about the profitability and valuation of any company they consider for investment. More details on our cutting-edge technology and how we use it are here.



DILIGENCE PAYS 8/4/25

DISCLOSURES

New Constructs®, LLC (together with any subsidiaries and/or affiliates, "New Constructs") is an independent organization with no management ties to the companies it covers. None of the members of New Constructs' management team or the management team of any New Constructs' affiliate holds a seat on the Board of Directors of any of the companies New Constructs covers. New Constructs does not perform any investment or merchant banking functions and does not operate a trading desk.

New Constructs' Stock Ownership Policy prevents any of its employees or managers from engaging in Insider Trading and restricts any trading whereby an employee may exploit inside information regarding our stock research. In addition, employees and managers of the company are bound by a code of ethics that restricts them from purchasing or selling a security that they know or should have known was under consideration for inclusion in a New Constructs report nor may they purchase or sell a security for the first two days after New Constructs issues a report on that security.

DISCLAIMERS

The information and opinions presented in this report are provided to you for information purposes only and are not to be used or considered as an offer or solicitation of an offer to buy or sell securities or other financial instruments. New Constructs has not taken any steps to ensure that the securities referred to in this report are suitable for any particular investor and nothing in this report constitutes investment, legal, accounting or tax advice. This report includes general information that does not take into account your individual circumstance, financial situation or needs, nor does it represent a personal recommendation to you. The investments or services contained or referred to in this report may not be suitable for you and it is recommended that you consult an independent investment advisor if you are in doubt about any such investments or investment services.

Information and opinions presented in this report have been obtained or derived from sources believed by New Constructs to be reliable, but New Constructs makes no representation as to their accuracy, authority, usefulness, reliability, timeliness or completeness. New Constructs accepts no liability for loss arising from the use of the information presented in this report, and New Constructs makes no warranty as to results that may be obtained from the information presented in this report. Past performance should not be taken as an indication or guarantee of future performance, and no representation or warranty, express or implied, is made regarding future performance. Information and opinions contained in this report reflect a judgment at its original date of publication by New Constructs and are subject to change without notice. New Constructs may have issued, and may in the future issue, other reports that are inconsistent with, and reach different conclusions from, the information presented in this report. Those reports reflect the different assumptions, views and analytical methods of the analysts who prepared them and New Constructs is under no obligation to insure that such other reports are brought to the attention of any recipient of this report.

New Constructs' reports are intended for distribution to its professional and institutional investor customers. Recipients who are not professionals or institutional investor customers of New Constructs should seek the advice of their independent financial advisor prior to making any investment decision or for any necessary explanation of its contents.

This report is not directed to, or intended for distribution to or use by, any person or entity who is a citizen or resident of or located in any locality, state, country or jurisdiction where such distribution, publication, availability or use would be contrary to law or regulation or which would be subject New Constructs to any registration or licensing requirement within such jurisdiction.

This report may provide the addresses of websites. Except to the extent to which the report refers to New Constructs own website material, New Constructs has not reviewed the linked site and takes no responsibility for the content therein. Such address or hyperlink (including addresses or hyperlinks to New Constructs own website material) is provided solely for your convenience and the information and content of the linked site do not in any way form part of this report. Accessing such websites or following such hyperlink through this report shall be at your own risk.

All material in this report is the property of, and under copyright, of New Constructs. None of the contents, nor any copy of it, may be altered in any way, copied, or distributed or transmitted to any other party without the prior express written consent of New Constructs. All trademarks, service marks and logos used in this report are trademarks or service marks or registered trademarks or service marks of New Constructs. Copyright New Constructs, LLC 2003 through the present date. All rights reserved.