# GLOBAL CROSS-ASSET TREND INDEX (USD)



### **Index Facts**

Index Inception Base Index Value

31 December 2001\* 100.00

Number of Constituents

18 ETFs

**Geographical Allocation** 

Global

Index Base Currency Current Index Value

US Dollar 1086.58

Rebalance Frequency

Monthly

Asset Class / Strategy

Multi-Asset / Time-Series Momentum

The GCAT Index (USD) is a US Dollar based index that represents a systematic momentum-driven global dynamic asset allocation strategy. The index provides exposure to the 5 major asset classes (equities, property, commodities, fixed income and cash) by making long only allocations to up to 18 underlying indexes with a core focus on US Dollar assets. The index is quant driven and follows a rigid and predetermined mathematical process or algorithm. All allocation & weighting decisions are systematic i.e. rules-based and are driven by time-series momentum indicators, expected return and expected volatility factors. The allocation percentages are truly dynamic and unconstrained and the index has the option to go to 100% cash in certain market environments. The index is re-weighted and positioned on a monthly basis with allocation weightings skewed towards those with a higher expected return. The index represents a long-only absolute return strategy that seeks to generate enhanced risk-adjusted returns by managing downside risk while participating meaningfully in upward trending markets. The index can be tracked by trading a basket of exchange traded funds (ETFs) thereby creating a liquid alternative strategy in the form of an ETF Managed Portfolio. Broad-based securities indexes cannot be invested in directly, and are not subject to fees and expenses typically associated with managed accounts or investment funds.

## **Index Returns**

	1 Month	3 Month	1 Year	5 Year Ann.	7 Year Ann.	10 Year Ann.	Ann. Since Incep.
Global Cross-Asset Trend Index (USD) Gross	0.68%	4.97%	4.97%	6.86%	7.14%	7.29%	12.40%
HFRI Macro Systematic Diversified Index	n/a	11.53%	12.35%	5.26%	2.81%	2.59%	5.26%
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Index (Gross Acc)	0.64%	-5.86%	-8.22%	1.18%	1.49%	1.71%	3.76%
S&P 500 Index (Gross Acc)	0.18%	-5.16%	-0.30%	13.38%	12.21%	14.40%	8.60%
US BLS CPI + 6% Index	n/a	2.88%	13.26%	9.48%	8.93%	8.40%	8.64%

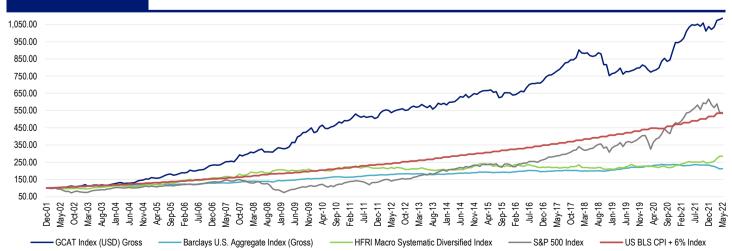
NOTE: All returns greater than 1 year are annualised (Ann.)

### **Index Statistics**

	Volatility	Max Drawdown	Max Gain	Max Loss	Sortino Ratio	Sharpe Ratio
Global Cross-Asset Trend Index (USD) Gross	8.84	-16.61%	27.20%	-8.31%	1.00	1.06
HFRI Macro Systematic Diversified Index	7.68	-13.64%	20.98%	-7.06%	0.36	0.33
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Index (Gross Acc)	3.59	-11.08%	8.98%	-9.74%	0.21	0.21
S&P 500 Index (Gross Acc)	14.75	-50.95%	45.76%	-29.65%	0.33	0.38

NOTE: Statistics (annualised) are measured using monthly returns from 31/12/2001 to last month end and use a risk free rate of 3.0%

## **Index Value Chart**

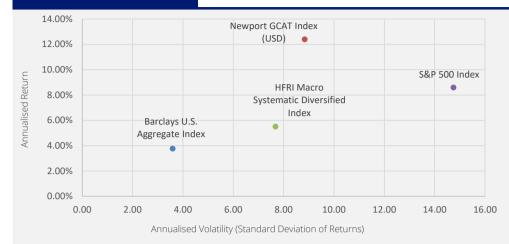


NOTE: Right-hand axis references the bar chart of monthly returns. Left-hand axis references the line charts of index values

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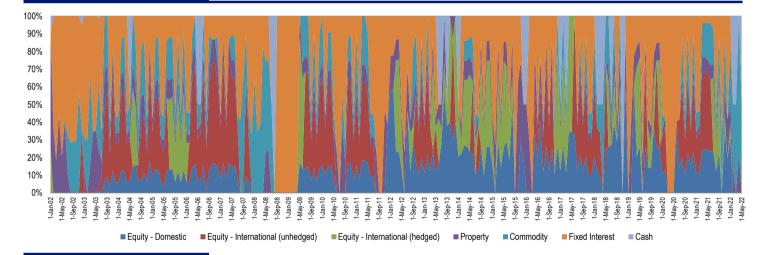


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### Index Constituents

SPDR S&P 500 iShares Russell Mid-Cap Vanguard Small-Cap iShares MSCI Emerging Markets SPDR S&P Emerging Asia Pacific iShares S&P Latin America 40 iShares Currency Hedged MSCI EAFE iShares Currency Hedged MSCI EM iShares DJ U.S. Real Estate Powershares DB Agriculture Powershares DB Base Metals Powershares DB Energy Powershares DB Precious Metals iShares Core Total U.S. Bond iShares Core U.S. Treasury Bond iShares iBoxx Investment Grade Corp. Bond iShares iBoxx High Yield Corp. Bond PIMCO Enhanced Short Maturity

### **Historic Asset Allocation**



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