

# Model Viewpoints

## T. Rowe Price U.S. Equity Blend ETF Model Portfolio

As of June 30, 2024



T. Rowe Price

The T. Rowe Price U.S. Equity Blend ETF Model Portfolio combines active T. Rowe Price ETFs with third-party passive ETFs with the goal of incorporating multiple sources of value-add through active management and tactical/opportunistic allocations across markets.

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### MARKET PERSPECTIVE

- **Global growth remains broadly resilient** with some signs of cooling along with easing inflationary pressures.
- **Recent data across consumer, labor, and businesses pointing to a moderation in U.S. growth.** European growth stable helped largely by services. Improving growth outlook in Japan albeit still muted, while stimulus measures in China targeted at the housing market help underpin growth outlook.
- **U.S. Fed remains patient as recent data suggests tight policy may finally be weighing on growth.** The European Central Bank has taken the lead on easing policy, with more cuts likely. Despite weaker recent growth, Bank of Japan is still expected to take additional steps toward tightening.
- **Key risks to global markets** include a steeper decline in growth, stubborn inflation, election calendar, central bank policy divergence, geopolitical tensions, and trajectory of Chinese growth.

### TACTICAL ASSET ALLOCATION VIEWS

- **We remain overweight U.S. value equities relative to U.S. growth equities.** Improving economic outlook and further broadening of equity market performance could be supportive for value. Meanwhile, growth stocks face elevated expectations and challenging valuations.
- **We are neutral U.S. small-cap and mid-cap equities** which offer attractive relative valuations but are more challenged by higher-for-longer rates. Profit margins and leverage are also becoming more of a concern, warranting a higher quality bias.

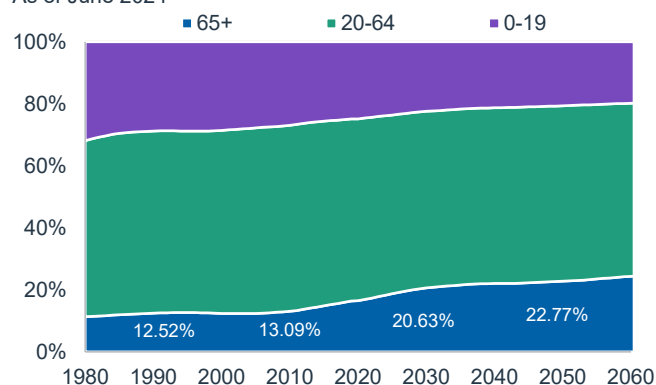
### EARNINGS EXPECTATIONS HAVE RE-ACCELERATED<sup>1</sup>

January 2010 Through June 2024



### THE U.S. POPULATION IS AGING<sup>2</sup>

As of June 2024



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## PORTFOLIO SUMMARY

**Target Asset Mixes:** 1

**Vehicles:** T. Rowe Price Exchange Traded Funds & Third-Party Passive Exchange Traded Funds

**Style:** Active & Passive Exchange-Traded funds

**Gross Expenses<sup>1</sup>:** 0.28%

**Net Expenses<sup>1</sup>:** 0.26%

Tactical Allocation (%)  
+/-:Over/Under (%)

				U.S. EQUITY		
Asset Class	Exchange-Traded Fund	Ticker	Style	Tactical	+/-	Change QoQ
U.S. Equity	TRP Growth ETF	TGRT	Active	18.5	-1.5	
	TRP Capital Appreciation Equity ETF	TCAF	Active	22.5		
	SPDR Portfolio S&P 500 ETF*	SPLG	Passive	18.0	-4.5	↓
	TRP Value ETF	TVAL	Active	21.0	+1.0	
	TRP Small-Mid Cap ETF	TMSL	Active	7.5		
	iShares Core Russell 2500 ETF*	SMMD	Passive	7.5		
	Fidelity MSCI Health Care Index ETF*	FHLC	Passive	5.0	+5.0	+
Total Equity (%):				100.0		
Cash <sup>2</sup>	Cash <sup>2</sup>			-		
Weighted Average Gross Expense Ratio <sup>1</sup> (%):				0.27		
Weighted Average Net Expense Ratio <sup>1</sup> (%):				0.27		

## MODEL PORTFOLIO POSITIONING CHANGES

- +** In June, *we initiated an allocation to healthcare stocks (FHLC) funded from SPLG*. Health care stocks should benefit from the alignment of key tailwinds including increased demand on the backdrop of an aging U.S. population, rapid technological advancement, and innovation surges across industries within the sector. The sector may also capture benefits from the adoption of artificial intelligence, which could drive efficiency and profitability enhancements, re-invent delivery models, and accelerate drug discovery.

The tactical allocation column reflects the current tactical allocation for a given model. Tactical allocations will differ when a cash allocation is utilized.

The over/under column reflects the overweight or underweight of the current tactical allocations relative to the strategic allocations. For example, a +1.0% means a 1.0% overweight position relative to the strategic allocation.

\* Fund is sourced from a third-party provider.

<sup>1, 2</sup> Please see Additional Disclosures for more information.

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## FUND IN FOCUS

- The **Fidelity MSCI Health Care Index ETF (FHLC)** seeks to provide investment returns that correspond, before fees and expenses, generally to the performance of the MSCI USA IMI Health Care 25/50 Index. The ETF invests at least 80% of assets in securities included in MSCI USA IMI Health Care 25/50 Index and uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the fund.
- The MSCI USA IMI Health Care 25/50 Index is a modified market capitalization-weighted index that captures the large-, mid-, and small-cap segments of the USA market. All securities in the index are classified in the Health Care sector according to the Global Industry Classification Standard.
- FHLC is managed by Paul Whitehead, Jennifer Hsui, and Peter Sietsema.

**Overall Morningstar Rating™:** ★★★★★ (of 176 funds) As of June 30, 2024, Category: US Fund Health  
Morningstar Ratings based on risk-adjusted total return.

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## ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES:

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The ISM Manufacturing Index is a monthly indicator of U.S. economic activity based on a survey of purchasing managers at more than 300 manufacturing firms. It is considered to be a key indicator of the state of the U.S. economy.

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<sup>2</sup> These models are also available with a cash allocation to cover typical third-party account fees and expenses. Portfolio expenses will vary based on the vehicle chosen.

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