

>> Fund Objective

This exchange-traded fund seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield (before the fund's fees and expenses) of an equity index called the StrataQuant® Materials Index.

>> Fund Facts

Fund Ticker	FXZ
CUSIP	33734X168
Intraday NAV	FXZIV
Fund Inception Date	5/8/07
Gross Expense Ratio [^]	0.65%
Net Expense Ratio	0.65%
Rebalance Frequency	Quarterly
Primary Listing	NYSE Arca

>> Index Facts

Index Ticker	STRQMTR
Index Inception Date	4/11/07

>> Index Description

- >> The StrataQuant® Materials Index is an "enhanced" index developed, maintained and sponsored by ICE Data Indices, LLC or its affiliates ("IDI") which employs the AlphaDEX® stock selection methodology to select stocks from the Russell 1000® Index.
- >> IDI constructs the StrataQuant® Materials Index by ranking the stocks which are members of the Russell 1000® Index on growth factors including three, six and 12-month price appreciation, sales to price and one year sales growth, and, separately, on value factors including book value to price, cash flow to price and return on assets.
- >> Stocks which Russell has classified solely as growth or value, receive their score using the above growth or value factors respectively.
- >> Stocks which Russell allocates between both growth and value receive their best score between the growth and value factors.
- >> IDI then ranks those stocks contained in the materials sector according to their score. The bottom 25% is eliminated and the top 75% is selected for the StrataQuant® Materials Index.
- >> The selected stocks are divided into quintiles based on their rankings and the top ranked quintiles receive a higher weight within the index. The stocks are equally-weighted within each quintile.
- >> The index is reconstituted and rebalanced quarterly.

>> Performance Summary (%)

	Quarter	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Fund Performance*							
Net Asset Value (NAV)	-0.71	-4.89	3.63	16.74	8.72	10.95	8.02
After Tax Held	-0.82	-5.16	3.19	16.14	8.14	10.33	7.47
After Tax Sold	-0.42	-2.89	2.14	12.88	6.58	8.73	6.27
Market Price	-0.71	-4.89	3.68	16.75	8.71	10.53	8.02
Index Performance**							
StrataQuant® Materials Index	-0.55	-4.40	4.35	17.55	9.46	11.79	8.82
Russell 1000® Materials and Processing Index	0.87	-2.87	4.09	16.25	9.21	9.07	—
Russell 1000® Index	7.42	10.49	17.76	17.07	13.67	12.09	8.30
S&P 500 Materials Index	0.36	-2.73	4.01	15.53	8.79	8.47	5.76

>> Calendar Year Total Returns (%)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	YTD
FXZ	-44.61	59.95	28.15	-10.11	25.11	26.73	-0.98	-9.83	29.17	23.68	-4.89
Russell 1000® Materials and Processing Index	—	46.72	24.68	-7.21	17.69	25.15	5.48	-7.57	19.96	23.87	-2.87
Russell 1000® Index	-37.60	28.43	16.10	1.50	16.42	33.11	13.24	0.92	12.05	21.69	10.49
S&P 500 Materials Index	-45.66	48.59	22.20	-9.75	14.97	25.60	6.91	-8.38	16.69	23.84	-2.73

>> 3-Year Statistics

	Standard Deviation (%)	Alpha	Beta	Sharpe Ratio	Correlation
FXZ	14.56	2.10	0.93	1.08	0.93
S&P 500 Materials Index	14.54	—	1.00	1.01	1.00

Overall Morningstar Rating™



Among 123 funds in the Natural Resources category.

This fund was rated 4 stars/123 funds (3 years), 4 stars/118 funds (5 years), 4 stars/82 funds (10 years).§

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results and current performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate and shares when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. You can obtain performance information which is current through the most recent month-end by visiting www.ftportfolios.com.

[^]Expenses are capped contractually at 0.70% per year, at least until November 30, 2018.

*NAV returns are based on the fund's net asset value which represents the fund's net assets (assets less liabilities) divided by the fund's outstanding shares. **After Tax Held** returns represent return after taxes on distributions. Assumes shares have not been sold. **After Tax Sold** returns represent the return after taxes on distributions and the sale of fund shares. Returns do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. **Market Price** returns are based on the midpoint of the bid/ask spread on the stock exchange on which shares of the fund are listed for trading as of the time that the fund's NAV is calculated. Returns are average annualized total returns, except those for periods of less than one year, which are cumulative. The fund's performance reflects fee waivers and expense reimbursements, absent which performance would have been lower. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. The after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

**Performance information for the StrataQuant® Materials Index is for illustrative purposes only and does not represent actual fund performance. Indexes do not charge management fees or brokerage expenses, and no such fees or expenses were deducted from the performance shown. Indexes are unmanaged and an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

>> Portfolio Information

Number Of Holdings	50
Maximum Market Cap.	\$46.22 Billion
Median Market Cap.	\$7.53 Billion
Minimum Market Cap.	\$2.99 Billion
Price/Earnings	12.74
Price/Book	2.59
Price/Cash Flow	8.38
Price/Sales	1.06

>> Top Holdings (%)

Olin Corporation	4.42
LyondellBasell Industries N.V.	4.25
Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co.	4.15
Nucor Corporation	4.14
Steel Dynamics, Inc.	4.12
Eastman Chemical Company	4.01
WestRock Company	3.99
Acuity Brands, Inc.	3.93
Westlake Chemical Corporation	3.63
United States Steel Corporation	3.53

>> Top Industry Exposure (%)

Chemicals	39.83
Metals & Mining	19.15
Containers & Packaging	19.12
Machinery	5.16
Construction Materials	4.05
Electrical Equipment	3.47
Building Products	3.21
Trading Companies & Distributors	2.04
Aerospace & Defense	1.96
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	1.40

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ETF Characteristics

The fund lists and principally trades its shares on the NYSE Arca, Inc.

The fund's return may not match the return of the StrataQuant® Materials Index. Securities held by the fund will generally not be bought or sold in response to market fluctuations.

Investors buying or selling fund shares on the secondary market may incur customary brokerage commissions. Market prices may differ to some degree from the net asset value of the shares. Investors who sell fund shares may receive less than the share's net asset value. Shares may be sold throughout the day on the exchange through any brokerage account.

However, unlike mutual funds, shares may only be redeemed directly from the fund by authorized participants, in very large creation/redemption units. If the fund's authorized participants are unable to proceed with creation/redemption orders and no other authorized participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, fund shares may trade at a discount to the fund's net asset value and possibly face delisting.

Risk Considerations

The fund's shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the fund. One of the principal risks of investing in the fund is market risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular stock owned by the fund, fund shares or stocks in general may fall in value. There can be no assurance that the fund's investment objective will be achieved.

The fund may invest in small capitalization and mid capitalization companies. Such companies may experience greater price volatility than larger, more established companies.

Materials and processing companies are subject to certain risks, including the general state of the economy, consolidation, domestic and international politics and excess capacity. Materials companies may also be significantly affected by volatility of commodity prices, import controls, worldwide competition, liability for environmental damage, depletion of resources and mandated expenditures for safety and pollution control devices.

First Trust Advisors L.P. is the adviser to the fund. First Trust Advisors L.P. is an affiliate of First Trust Portfolios L.P., the fund's distributor.

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Definitions

Standard Deviation is a measure of price variability (risk). **Alpha** is an indication of how much an investment outperforms or underperforms on a risk-adjusted basis relative to its benchmark. **Beta** is a measure of price variability relative to the market. **Sharpe Ratio** is a measure of excess reward per unit of volatility. **Correlation** is a measure of the similarity of performance. The **Russell 1000® Index** is an unmanaged index used to measure the large-cap U.S. equity universe. The **Russell 1000® Materials and Processing Index** is an unmanaged index which includes the stocks in the materials & processing sector of the Russell 1000® Index. The **S&P 500 Materials Index** is an unmanaged index which includes the stocks in the materials sector of the S&P 500 Index.

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