## TRADE UPDATE On Sale vs. Expensive

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## **Trade Update**

On June 20th, we made several changes within the Verecan Global Equity Fund portfolio. We trimmed 2.5% from the iShares Minimum Volatility Canada ETF and added the proceeds to the EdgePoint Global Portfolio. In addition, we sold our position in the BMO World High Quality ETF and added the proceeds to the Mawer Global Equity Fund.

For some reason, investing is one discipline in which everyone wants to buy more as the price goes up and sell when the price goes down. Human nature is such that we want to avoid discomfort, and seeing investments go down in price is never comfortable. That said, sometimes investments fluctuate in price for no good reason, which means investments that increase in price can be too expensive and those that go down in price may be on sale. We like chicken **and** pork. If pork goes down in price and chicken goes up but our preferences haven't changed, we'll start buying more pork.

We sold the BMO World High Quality ETF because it has done exceptionally well over the past couple years, but its current focus on high-growth technology stocks means it looks expensive. Mawer's and EdgePoint's global stock funds have underperformed in 2024, but have very good long-term track records, so we think there is a good opportunity today.

Trimming the iShares Minimum Volatility Canada ETF moves a small piece of the portfolio from Canadian stocks to global stocks. The Canadian economy appears to be weakening quicker than others around the world, so we think this reduces some Canadian-centric risk and better diversifies your investments.

The Verecan Global Equity Fund portfolio as of June 20th is listed here.



## Current Verecan Global Equity Fund Portfolio

Holdings*	Weight
Mawer Global Equity	22.2% (+2.05%)
Capital Group Global Equity	21.1%
EdgePoint Global Portfolio	14.8% (+2.5%)
Vanguard FTSE Global All Cap ex Canada ETF	9.4%
NBI Active Global Equity	8.1%
iShares MSCI Minimum Volatility Canada ETF	7.2% (-2.5%)
TD Canadian Small Cap	4.9%
Generac	1.6%
Skechers	1.3%
Shopify	1.3%
Baxter International	1.3%
American Tower	1.2%
Intel	1.0%
Algonquin	1.0%
Paylocity	1.0%
Hanesbrands	0.8%
Saputo	0.7%
Pfizer	0.6%
IBM	0.5%
Cash	0.2%
BMO MSCI World High Quality ETF	0.0% (-2.05%)



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