

	Performance % April 2025						
HAC	-3.0						
S&P 500	-0.8						
S&P/TSX 60 Index	-0.3						

Please visit <a href="https://www.globalx.ca/product/">https://www.globalx.ca/product/</a> <a href="hac#performance">hac#performance</a> of HAC.

Source data: Bloomberg as at April 30, 2025.

# Portfolio Performance/Transactions/ End of Month Holdings<sup>1,2,3,4</sup>

Ticker	Market/ Sector	% Beginning of Month Holdings	% End of Month Holdings⁴	
XLI	Industrials	7	0	
XLB	Materials	7	0	
HBNK	Canadian Banks	2	0	
UTIL	Canadian Utilities	5	6	
MART	Canadian Groceries and Staples	5	6	
RING	Canadian Telecommunications	5	5	
HUG	Gold	9	4	
XLU	Utilities	5	3	
USSX	U.S. Stock Market	19	11	
XME	Metals & Mining	6	0	
NRGY	Canadian Energy	3	0	
XLE	U.S. Energy	6	0	
CNDX	Canadian Stock Market	16	16	
EMMX	Emerging Markets	5	0	
XHB	Homebuilders		-3	
IYT	Transportation		-1	
UBIL.U	0-3 Months U.S. T-Bills		27	
CBIL	0-3 Month T-Bills		10	
HTB	7-10 Year Treasury Bonds		16	
CASH			0	

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#### **Portfolio/Market Comments**

In April, the S&P 500 was negative. On average, April tends to be a positive month of the year on a seasonal basis. In April, the S&P 500 started on a weak note due to increasing tariff tensions. The trend reversed when the U.S. backed-off its strong stance on tariffs.

A lot of uncertainty remains around tariffs and countertariffs, particularly with China. The tariff war is not over and the uncertainty is likely to weigh on the markets in the future.

On a seasonal basis, the stock market is entering into its six-month weak seasonal period from May 5 to October 28. On average, over the long-term, this six month period tends to be weaker than the other six months of the year.

Last month, HAC made changes to its portfolio. Below are some of the major changes.

Entered into positions in:

- · 0-3 Month U.S. T-Bills
- 0-3 Month T-Bills
- 7-10 Year Treasury Bonds
- Homebuilders (short sell)
- Transportation (short sell)

Increased its positions in:

- Canadian utilities
- · Canadian Groceries and Staples

Decreased its position in:

- · gold
- utilities
- U.S. stock market

Exited its positions in:

- industrials
- materials
- · Canadian banks
- · metals and mining
- Canadian energy
- · U.S. energy
- · emerging markets

## Industrials— (XLI)

The industrials sector has a strong seasonal period from January 23 to May 5. The industrial sector outperformed the S&P 500 in April and is set to end its strong seasonal period in early May.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Transactions and End of Month Holdings are % of portfolio

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on price from a sell/buy during the month where applicable

Buy/Sell may not be equal due to use of cash

<sup>4</sup> Includes trades on last day of month



## Materials – (XLB)

The materials sector has a strong seasonal period from January 23 to May 5. The materials sector underperformed the S&P 500 in April, and is set to end its strong seasonal period in early May.

### Canadian Banks- (HBNK)

The Canadian banking sector has a strong seasonal period from late January to mid-April. Canadian banks performed well in April as markets advanced. The Canadian banking sector benefited from investors being attracted to the relatively high dividends generated by the sector.

## Canadian Energy- (NRGY)

The Canadian energy sector has a strong seasonal period from February 25 to May 9. The Canadian energy sector performed poorly in April as global demand for oil declined.

# U.S Energy- (XLE)

The U.S energy sector has a strong seasonal period from February 25 to May 9. The U.S. energy sector performed poorly in April as global demand for oil declined.

# Metals & Mining-(XME)

The metals and mining sector has a strong seasonal period from January 23 to May 5. The metals and mining sector performed relatively well compared to the S&P 500 as investors shifted to some of the cyclical sectors.

#### Gold-(HUG)

Gold has a strong seasonal period from mid-March to mid-April. Gold continued to perform well in April as central bank purchases continued. In addition, investors continued to seek the safety of gold, due to market and geopolitical uncertainty. In April, Chinese retail investors were large buyers of gold, helping to support a higher gold price.

### Homebuilders- (XHB) Short Sell

On average, the homebuilders sector performs poorly from April until June. The homebuilders sector performed poorly in April as some of the homebuilding companies in the U.S. expressed concern for future growth.

#### Transportation— (IYT) Short Sell

On average, the transportation sector early May to late June. The transportation sector performed poorly in April as the sector suffered on the expectation of tariffs disrupting the shipment of products.

## **Utilities**– (XLU)

In April, the utilities sector outperformed the S&P 500. Investors were attracted to the sector due to its defensive nature.

### **Emerging Markets- (EMMX)**

Emerging markets have a strong seasonal period from November into April. In April, the emerging markets sector underperformed the S&P 500.

### U.S. Stock Market- (USSX)

The U.S. stock market has a strong seasonal period from late October to early May.

## Canadian Stock Market – (CNDX)

The Canadian stock market has a strong seasonal period from late October to early May.

# Canadian Utilities – (UTIL)

The Canadian utilities sector tends to perform well in April. The Canadian utilities sector performed relatively well in April as investors were attracted to the defensive sectors of the economy.

#### Canadian Telecommunications – (RING)

The Canadian telecommunications sector tends to perform well in April. The Canadian telecommunications sector was negative in April.

### **Canadian Groceries and Staples (MART)**

The Canadian groceries and staples sector tends to perform well in April. The Canadian groceries and staples sector performed relatively well in April as investors were attracted to the defensive sectors of the economy.

#### 7-10 Year Treasury Bonds (HTB)

U.S government bonds have a strong seasonal period from early May to early October. U.S. bonds performed poorly from early 2025 into April as foreign investors have been selling U.S. Treasury bonds to remit money back to their home countries in uncertain times.





#### **ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE AS AT APRIL 30, 2025 (%).**

	1 Mo	3 Мо	6 Mo	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5YR	10 YR	SIR	Inception Date
Global X Seasonal Rotation ETF (HAC)	-2.99	-5.83	-2.17	-2.90	1.46	6.80	9.63	6.43	7.48	2009-NOV-19
Global X Gold ETF (HUG)	5.42	16.42	18.53	24.00	39.90	17.41	11.62	8.25	6.03	2009-JUN-24
Global X Equal Weight Canadian Banks Index ETF (HBNK)	2.59	-3.43	2.86	-1.37	21.23	-	-	-	16.93	2023-JUL-05
Global X Equal Weight Canadian Utilities Index ETF (UTIL) <sup>1</sup>	2.70	7.99	5.24	9.16	23.63	-	-	-	1.22	2022-AUG-09
Global X 0-3 Month T-Bill ETF	0.21	0.68	1.56	0.95	3.85	-	-	-	4.33	2023-APR-12
Global X 0-3 Month U.S. T-Bill ETF	0.34	1.01	2.13	1.38	4.78	-	-	-	5.00	2023-APR-12
Global X US 7-10 Year Treasury Bond Index Corporate Class ETF	-3.27	-1.25	2.40	0.49	8.97	2.99	-2.88	2.15	1.68	2025-APR-15

Source: Global X, as at April 30, 2025.

The indicated rates of return are the historical annual compounded total returns, including changes in share/unit value and reinvestment of all distributions and do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or optional charges, or income taxes payable by any securityholder that would have reduced returns. The rates of return above are not indicative of future returns. Investment funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently, and past performance may not be repeated. Only the returns for periods of one year or greater are annualized returns.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Effective March 4, 2025, the investment objectives of the Global X Equal Weight Canadian Utilities Index ETF ("UTIL") (formerly Global X Canadian Utility Services High Dividend Index ETF), were changed following receipt of the required unitholder and regulatory approvals, to seek to replicate, to the extent reasonably possible and net of expenses, the performance of an equal-weighted index designed to provide exposure to the largest Canadian utilities companies (currently, the Mirae Asset Equal Weight Canadian Utilities Index). Previously, the ETF sought to replicate, to the extent possible, the performance of the Solactive Canadian Utility Services High Dividend Index, and this change may impact performance. Had these changes been in effect before this date, the performance of the ETF could have been different. For more information, please refer to the disclosure documents of the ETFs at www.GlobalX.ca.



## **HAC Commentary for April 2025**

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