

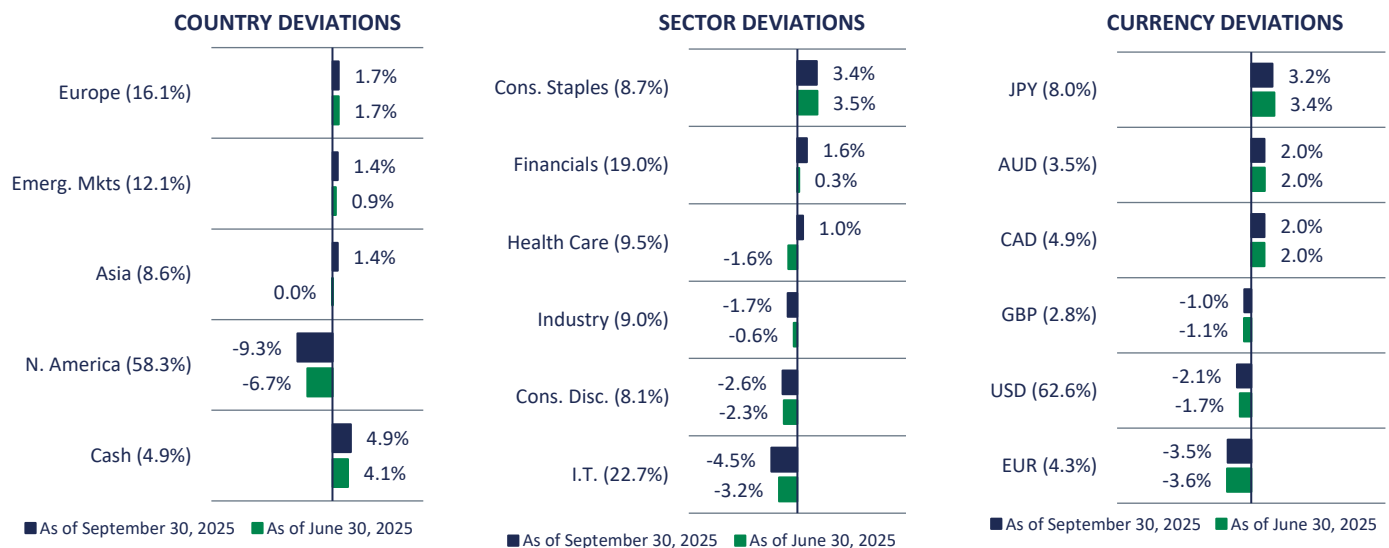
# All-Country Equities

## Performance (CAD)

| Annualized (%)                 | 3 months | YTD   | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years | 10 years | Since inception |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------------|
| Hexavest All-Country Composite | 8.95     | 16.11 | 22.25  | 23.53   | 14.47   | 10.40    | 11.26           |
| MSCI ACWI (net)                | 9.74     | 14.58 | 20.78  | 23.64   | 14.47   | 12.33    | 12.49           |
| VALUE ADDED                    | -0.79    | 1.53  | 1.47   | -0.11   | 0.00    | -1.93    | -1.23           |

| Ten last years (%)             | 2015  | 2016 | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020   | 2021  | 2022   | 2023  | 2024  |
|--------------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| Hexavest All-Country Composite | 18.13 | 8.32 | 8.80  | 0.51  | 13.44 | 0.80   | 12.79 | -5.41  | 16.50 | 28.15 |
| MSCI ACWI (net)                | 17.10 | 4.13 | 15.83 | -1.26 | 20.20 | 14.22  | 17.53 | -12.43 | 18.92 | 28.15 |
| VALUE ADDED                    | 1.03  | 4.19 | -7.03 | 1.77  | -6.76 | -13.42 | -4.74 | 7.02   | -2.42 | 0.00  |

## Positioning (vs MSCI ACWI)



## Market Outlook

### MACROECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

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### VALUATION

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### SENTIMENT

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**MACROECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT:** The economic growth expected for the next 12 months has improved since forecasts bottomed in the spring but remains weak by historical standards. Inflation has eased this year but is showing signs of stabilizing. Moreover, it appears that threats directed at institutions, polarization, unpredictability, and political-financial collusion—hallmarks of Trump's second term—won't be fading anytime soon. Fortunately, the countries in the rest of the world are reorganizing and reviewing their strategic alliances. For these reasons, we are keeping our assessment of the economic environment at single-negative.

**MARKET VALUATION:** At the end of the third quarter, the MSCI World was at the 97<sup>th</sup> percentile of its historical distribution according to our aggregate measure of the most common valuation ratios, while the S&P 500 was at the 100<sup>th</sup> percentile. Such a valuation implies robust growth with no unpleasant surprises, a scenario that is difficult to reconcile with today's economic and political context. Despite the overheating, some market segments remain attractive and aren't pricing in an improbable, extreme scenario. Accordingly, we are keeping our vector at double-negative because of opportunities in some market segments.

**INVESTOR SENTIMENT:** The stock market rally that followed last spring's correction was of a magnitude rarely seen. The craze for AI and data centres is in many ways reminiscent of the speculative bubble caused by excessive expectations when the economy went digital in the late 1990s. Our positioning and risk-appetite indicators confirm that there are far fewer marginal equity buyers left than at the start of the third quarter. In this context, we have lowered our sentiment vector from single-negative to double-negative.

**Our analysis of the three vectors has prompted us to maintain a defensive bias. The stark contrast between macroeconomic risks versus valuation and sentiment vectors call for caution. This bias is tempered by the persistent momentum in the markets, but we are confident that volatility will re-emerge and create attractive opportunities.**

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| Summary                         |                             | Investment Team                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Benchmark</b>                | MSCI ACWI (net)             | <b>Marc C. Lavoie, CPA, CFA</b><br>Vice President and Head of Global Top-down Strategies<br>Experience: 24 years<br>Joined team: 2003        | <b>Jean-Benoit Leblanc, M.Sc., CFA</b><br>Senior Portfolio Manager<br>Experience: 25 years<br>Joined team: 2009 | <b>Frédéric-Bouchard Labonté, M.Sc., CFA</b><br>Senior Analyst<br>Experience: 11 years<br>Joined team: 2024 |
| <b>Value added objective</b>    | 2% (4-year rolling periods) |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
| <b>Active risk</b>              | 3% to 5%                    |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
| <b>Number of holdings</b>       | 375 to 470                  |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
| <b>Currency management</b>      | Active                      | <b>Christian Crête, CFA</b><br>Senior Portfolio Manager and Co-Head Fundamental Equity Research<br>Experience: 25 years<br>Joined team: 2012 | <b>Julien Tousignant, M.Sc., CFA</b><br>Portfolio Manager<br>Experience: 12 years<br>Joined team: 2013          | <b>Aïcha Traoré, M.Fin., M.Sc.</b><br>Analyst<br>Experience: 5 years<br>Joined team: 2022                   |
| <b>Maximum cash exposure</b>    | 10%                         |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
| <b>DEVIATIONS VS. BENCHMARK</b> |                             | <b>Jean-Pierre Couture, M.Sc.</b><br>Economist and Senior Portfolio Manager<br>Experience: 29 years<br>Joined team: 2010                     | <b>Irina Prokopyeva, M.Sc., CFA</b><br>Senior Analyst<br>Experience: 9 years<br>Joined team: 2024               |                                                                                                             |
| Regions:                        | +/- 15%                     |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
| Countries:                      | +/- 15%                     |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
| Currencies:                     | +/- 15%                     |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |
| Sectors:                        | +/- 10%                     |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                             |

| Investment Approach                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Investment Process                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |       |         |           |         |           |         |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Top-down and contrarian approach</li> <li>– Diversified sources of alpha: regions, countries, currencies, sectors, industries, stocks</li> <li>– Strong focus on downside protection</li> <li>– Systematic integration of ESG factors</li> <li>– Experienced and nimble investment team</li> <li>– Clearly defined process, applied for nearly 30 years</li> </ul> | <div> <div> <b>TOP-DOWN DECISIONS</b> <div> <div>REGIONS</div> <div>COUNTRIES</div> <div>CURRENCIES</div> </div> <div> <div>SECTORS</div> <div>INDUSTRIES</div> </div> </div> <div> <b>VECTORS OF ANALYSIS</b> <table> <tr> <td>Macro</td> <td>---/+++</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Valuation</td> <td>---/+++</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sentiment</td> <td>---/+++</td> </tr> </table> </div> </div> <div> <b>PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial universe<br/>~ 2,500 stocks</li> <li>Top-down decisions</li> <li>Top-down portfolio</li> <li>Final portfolio<br/>≈ 400 stocks</li> <li>Currency overlay and derivatives</li> </ol> </div> | Macro | ---/+++ | Valuation | ---/+++ | Sentiment | ---/+++ |
| Macro                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | ---/+++                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |       |         |           |         |           |         |
| Valuation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ---/+++                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |       |         |           |         |           |         |
| Sentiment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ---/+++                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |       |         |           |         |           |         |

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