Desjardins Alt Long/Short Equity Market Neutral ETF Fund

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CIFSC CATEGORY*:

Alternative Market Neutral

Following a strong second quarter, the Canadian and U.S. stock markets continued to advance over the summer, posting the following total returns: S&P/TSX: +3.9%, S&P 500: +8.5% and NASDAQ: +11%. Due to its heavy index concentration, the surge in Apple (AAPL) stock of nearly 27% helped the U.S. market set itself apart.

Despite this market growth, the quarter was marked by major investment style changes, primarily between the value and momentum styles. However, due to diversification across all economic sectors, the strategy generated a positive performance.

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