

## Wutherich & Co. May 2018 Newsletter

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### *Monthly Message*

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The Wutherich & Co. Composite was up 6.6% in May. This compares with the S&P/TSX up 3.1% and the BMO Small Cap Index up 2.3%.

May of 2018 marks the **200<sup>th</sup> month** of the Wutherich & Co. Composite! Clients that stayed with us for this entire period would have made 6.4 times their money. The composite is the combination of client portfolios that have all followed the Wutherich & Company Portfolio throughout their history. May the next 200 months be as much fun and bear as much fruit!

In May, The Wutherich & Co. Portfolio enjoyed broad-based strength across most of our names. This was in response to strong results posted by them in the most recent quarter.

Cash was at a very high level at the end of April due to the elimination of several names from the portfolio. We have plowed much of it into several new ideas. Photon Control (PHO-T) is a Richmond, B.C. based manufacturer of highly precise sensors used in the manufacture of semiconductors. Dirtt Environmental (DRT-T) is a Calgary based manufacturer of customized interiors. Both companies are producing products that are revolutionary in their fields. Both have been side tracked by management and Board issues over the last several years which have now been resolved. This now allows both companies to better focus on the outstanding growth prospects that their products present.

There are other ideas in the hopper and we hope to talk more about these in the near future.

*The following table illustrates the performance of the Wutherich & Co. Composite to the present:*

(Unaudited, since Sep.30/01)\*

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>1YR</u>	<u>3YR</u>	<u>5YR</u>	<u>10YR</u>	<u>15YR</u>	<u>INCEPTION</u>
<u>WUTHERICH &amp; CO.</u>	6.6%	12.8%	3.3%	4.5%	5.1%	10.8%	11.8%
<u>BMOSCI-WTD</u>	2.3%	5.5%	5.1%	6.1%	4.1%	8.5%	8.7%
<u>S&amp;P/TSX</u>	3.1%	7.8%	5.4%	8.0%	3.9%	8.7%	8.0%

Please note that the Wutherich & Co. Composite is reported **AFTER FEES**.

# Wutherich & Co. Factsheet

## Company Objective

Our goal is to seek prosperity for our clients through participation in stable, growing companies in North America, led by strong management teams that we consider our partners for the next five or more years.

## Investment Philosophy

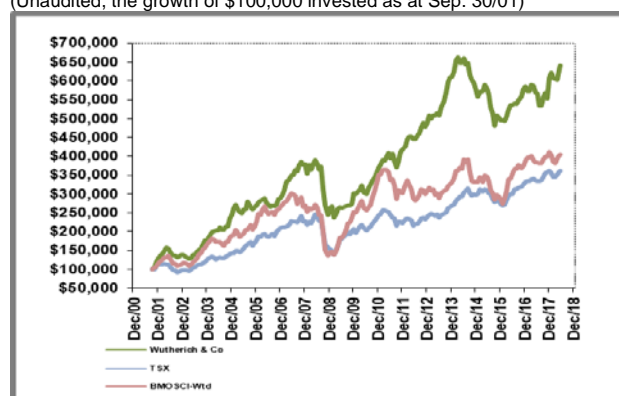
Our style can be described as concentrated, disciplined, long-term growth stock investing. The focus is on established companies that generally have a demonstrated track record in revenue, cash flow or earnings per share growth, with strong managements and solid balance sheets. The current emphasis in the portfolio is on the equity of small to medium capitalization companies, defined roughly as \$50 million to \$5 billion in market capitalization. The portfolio may include large capitalization companies if the right elements are there. Stocks are bought with a keen eye to valuation, so you're not likely to find many high multiple stocks here. The portfolio will likely maintain a significant percentage in foreign securities, providing exposure to investment returns outside of Canada.

## Portfolio Composition

<b>CANADIAN STOCKS</b>	<b>84.16%</b>
• ENERGY	5.80%
• FINANCIALS	16.28%
• INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	15.63%
• COMMUNICATIONS	0%
• CONSUMER	0%
• HEALTHCARE	15.94%
• INDUSTRIALS	23.80%
• MATERIALS	0%
• TELECOM	0%
• UTILITIES	0%
• OTHER	6.68%
<b>U.S. STOCKS</b>	<b>11.68%</b>
• INDUSTRIALS	5.66%
• ENERGY	6.02%
<b>CASH AND OTHERS</b>	<b>4.16%</b>

## Performance

(Unaudited, the growth of \$100,000 invested as at Sep. 30/01)\*



## Your account with us

Wutherich & Company is an independent investment counsellor. We do not hold assets for our clients, but simply exercise trades over your account as per an agreed upon investment policy statement and portfolio management agreement. Your account is held at [National Bank Correspondent Network](#) in your name. Withdrawals from that account can only be sent to you at your designated bank account and/or address of record. Wutherich & Co. may also do withdrawals from your account to satisfy any fees that may apply to your account. All accounts are cash accounts. Unlike hedge funds, we do not use leverage or derivatives to manage your money. Also, we are not a fund company – if you are a private investor with us, your account will mirror the Model Portfolio but your investments are not pooled.

## Other Facts

- Annual fees are 1.5% of assets on a quarterly basis in arrears, plus applicable taxes
- Any commissions, custodial or brokerage fees are in addition to the annual fees
- Clients qualifying for an institutional account would be charged 1.5% for the first \$1 million, 1.0% from over \$1 to 10 million and 0.5% for the next \$40 million
- Fees on any accounts over \$50 million would be subject to negotiation
- Minimum account size is \$250,000
- Investments are 100% RSP eligible

\*The Wutherich & Co. performance shown here (using the Time Weighted Rate of Return method) is of a composite which combines the performance of all of the accounts managed by Wutherich & Co. that have been invested according to the Wutherich & Co. Portfolio throughout their history. These accounts vary greatly in the size of assets that they contain and whether or not fees have been deducted directly from the accounts during their history. BMOSCI-wtd = BMO Small Cap Index, Total Return, weighted. This index is currently the most comparable to the Wutherich & Co. portfolio due to its average market capitalization, though it may differ greatly in its sector weightings; TSX = S&P/TSX Total Return Index. Due to its large capitalization nature and substantially different sector weightings, this index may not be considered comparable to the Wutherich & Co. Portfolio.