

First Investors Funds

Equity

First Investors Hedged U.S. Equity Opportunities Fund Investment Process

Ticker symbols:

FHEJX (Class A Shares)

FHEKX (Adviser Class Shares)

FHELX (Institutional Shares)

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About the First Investors Hedged U.S. Equity Opportunities Fund

Investment Objective:

Total return, and secondarily, capital preservation.

Investment Strategy:

The Fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing in a broadly diversified portfolio of U.S. common stocks of any market capitalization, while also investing in derivatives to help manage investment risk.

The First Investors Hedged U.S. Equity Opportunities Fund has several key features and benefits including:

Experienced Portfolio Team:

The Fund is managed by Kent Stahl and Gregg Thomas, who have managed the Fund since its inception. Kent and Gregg each have over ten years experience as Portfolio Managers for multi-manager solutions. Wellington Management Company LLP is the subadviser and an unaffiliated registered investment adviser.

An Equity Fund That May Help Reduce Volatility:

The Fund seeks equity-like returns with lower overall volatility typically experienced in broad U.S. equity markets, along with market upside participation and downside protection.

Active Management:

The Fund invests primarily in individual stocks, and will manage downside risk through buying and selling options on indices and futures through index futures contracts. The result is an equity solution that forgoes a portion of the upside in exchange for some protection against falling markets.

Hedged U.S. Equity Opportunities Fund Investment Process

Highly Liquid Mutual Fund

Seeks Lower Volatility than
Broad U.S. Equity Market

Upside Participation

Downside Protection

Stock Selection

- Portfolio Managers determine investment ideas along with best managers of underlying styles to optimally create portfolio
- Complement with managers with high active share

Beta Management

Futures Used

- Seek to manage to a Beta target over time
- Index futures traded on an exchange are used
- In up markets the portfolio manager will let Beta rise and in down markets Beta will be decreased to reduce market volatility

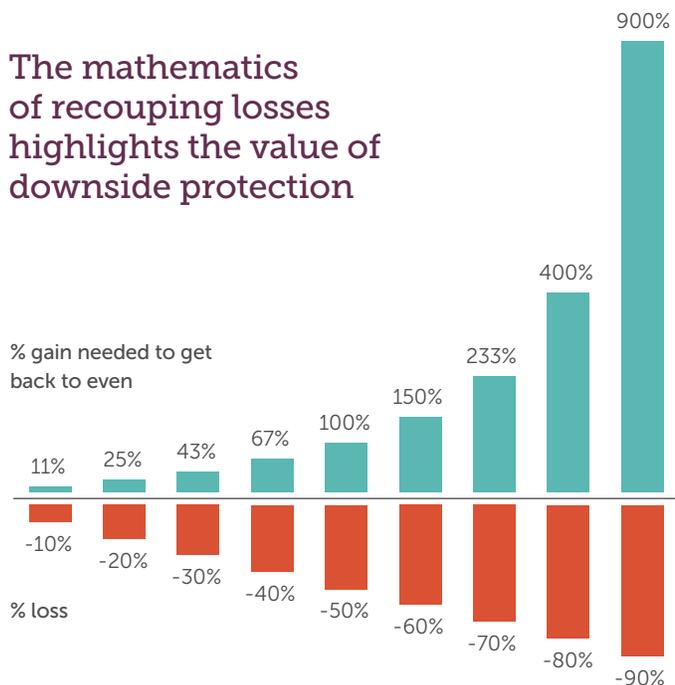
Tail Risk Management

Index Options Used

- Index option based strategy for downside protection in market extremes
- Exchange-traded options (puts and calls) are used
- Long dated options for hedging, not meant to increase returns

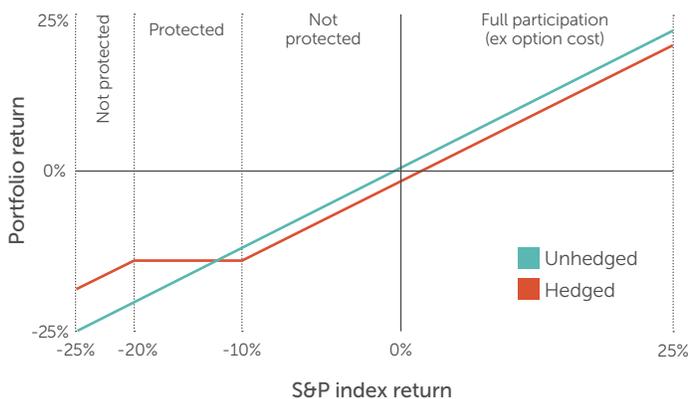
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The mathematics of recouping losses highlights the value of downside protection



Hedged U.S. Equity Opportunities Proposal Tail risk mitigation example

Typical expiration profile of put spread at time of purchase



- Long put 10% out of the money
- Short put 20% out of the money
- Long put contracts \geq short put contracts
- -20% bear market
- Put spread payoff is 10% at expiration
- Typical cost is 1.5%

Payoffs reflect values at expiration. Prior to expiration, option values can vary significantly from expiration values.

This is provided for illustrative purposes only. This is not representative of any actual investment. There can be no assurance a put-spread collar strategy will achieve its objectives.

Investment Team



Kent M. Stahl
CFA®

Senior Managing Director and
Director of Investment Strategy
and Risk

Mr. Stahl has served as Portfolio Manager of the Fund since its inception. As Director of Investments and Risk Management, Mr. Stahl focuses on investment trends and major risks across Wellington's equity, asset allocation, and fixed income products, platforms, and clients.



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Senior Managing Director
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Mr. Thomas has served as Portfolio Manager for the Fund since its inception. As Director of Risk Management, Gregg focuses on investment trends and major risks across Wellington's equity, asset allocation, and fixed income products, platforms, and clients.

About Wellington Management Company LLP

Wellington Management Company LLP is subadviser for the First Investors Hedged U.S. Equity Opportunities Fund. The Firm was founded in 1928 when it launched the first balanced mutual fund in the United States. Wellington Management offers comprehensive investment management capabilities that span nearly all segments of the global capital markets. It's investment solutions draw on a robust body of proprietary research and a collaborative culture that encourages independent thought and healthy debate. As a private partnership, its ownership structure fosters a long-term view that aligns its perspectives with those of its clients.

About Foresters Financial

At Foresters Investment Management Company, Inc., (FIMCO) registered investment adviser for the First Investors Funds, we have a dedicated team of experienced portfolio managers and investment analysts who employ a top-down, bottom-up approach to investing through rigorous analysis in the disciplined selection of securities for our portfolios.

While no investment is guaranteed, our goal is to produce solid, long-term performance for our clients, while effectively managing risk.

The exceptional combination of broad investment capabilities, asset allocation expertise, conservative risk management and a personal approach to clients, is what gives Foresters Financial its competitive edge.

Foresters Investment Management Company, Inc. also works with third-party unaffiliated subadvisers who specialize in specific market sectors. Their expertise, knowledge and experience collectively broadens the scope of the products that are offered by the First Investors family of funds.

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