

AiPEX5

AI Powered US Equity Index 5



Monthly Performance Report - February 2026

About AiPEX5

The AI Powered US Equity Indexes are the first and only rules-based equity strategies to use IBM Watson's Artificial Intelligence ("AI") capabilities to turn data into investment insight. HSBC and San Francisco based asset manager EquBot have developed the AI Powered US Equity Index 5 ("AiPEX5"), a risk controlled, excess return index. AiPEX5 is comprised of approximately 250 U.S. publicly traded companies, selected monthly based on a 3-step equity selection process that utilizes objective artificial intelligence techniques to dynamically select the underlying constituents. The investment process is intended to provide growth through a variety of market conditions.

Index Return Summary: Historical & Simulated*



Index Overview

Website: aipex5.gbm.hsbc.com

Bloomberg Ticker: **None**

Geographical Focus: **United States**

Launch Date: **5/4/2020**

Index Type: **Excess Return**

Index Sponsor: **EquBot, Inc.**

Index Calculation Agent: **None**

Index Fee: **0.85% per year**

Index Performance: Historical & Simulated*

1 Month	-0.29%
YTD	0.04%
1Y	0.94%
3Y	1.95%
5Y	-3.62%
10Y	24.09%
10Y Annualized Volatility	4.93%
10Y Sharpe Ratio	0.00
Cumulative Return	94.77%

Top 10 Holdings: As of 2/27/2026

	Index Weight(%)	Sector
NVIDIA CORP	7.0%	Electronic Technology
APPLE INC	5.5%	Electronic Technology
MICROSOFT CORP	5.5%	Technology Services
AMAZON.COM INC	3.2%	Retail Trade
ALPHABET INC-CL A	2.9%	Technology Services
BROADCOM INC	2.4%	Electronic Technology
ALPHABET INC C-SHARES	2.3%	Technology Services
META PLATFORMS INC	2.2%	Technology Services
TESLA INC	2.0%	Consumer Durables
BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC-CL B	1.5%	Finance
Total	34.5%	

Annual Index Performance: Historical & Simulated*

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
10.1%	7.1%	-0.5%	4.0%	15.8%	4.8%	-0.5%	4.6%	14.0%	-2.1%	4.6%	2.7%	1.9%	-6.4%	0.8%	0.2%	0.8%

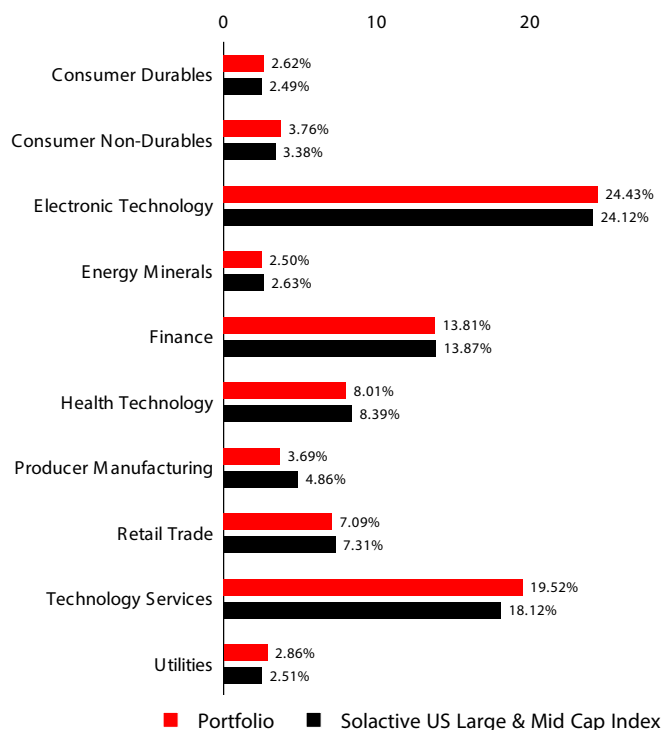
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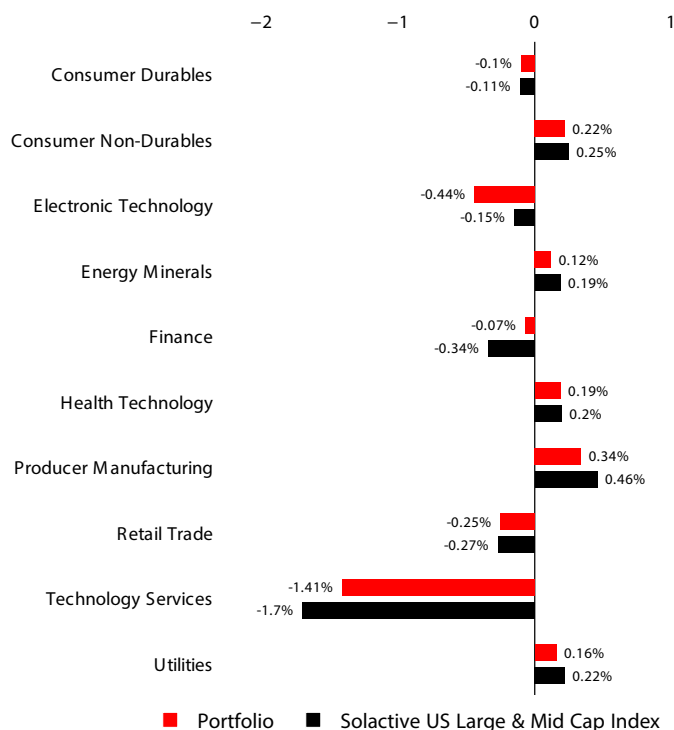
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Top 10 Sector Allocations



Contributions to Return



Daily Risk Control Allocation - Historical & Simulated*

	As of 2/27/2026	3Y Average	5Y Average	10Y Average
Equity Portfolio	37.59%	31.85%	28.84%	33.27%
Cash	62.41%	68.15%	71.16%	66.73%

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