

## TRADE RATIONALE

December 2025

# State Street Active Asset Allocation ETF Portfolios

## State of the Market Regime Indicator (MRI)



▼ Current ---- Previous MRI plotted as an estimate.

# **Key Takeaways**

- Our Market Regime Indicator (MRI) remained almost unchanged over the past month.
- Although market sentiment deteriorated in the middle of November amidst interest rate concerns and fears of
  exuberance related to Al stocks, overall market conditions improved toward the tail end of the month and our
  evaluation of the risk environment finished mostly unchanged month over month.
- Our multi-asset portfolios maintained their target allocations with a healthy overweight to equities, an underweight in fixed income and overweight positions in broad commodities and gold.

Increase	Decrease		
No trades were made	No trades were made		

Source: State Street Investment Management as of 12/8/2025.

# Portfolio Positioning

Our portfolio views remain mostly unchanged from our November trade rationale. Our regional equity outlook stays broadly strong, with improvements across most regions and only a slight decline in US small-cap forecasts—which still trend positive. The US continues to rank as our top region, supported by strong signals across nearly all factors except valuations. Outside the US, emerging markets maintain a positive outlook, supported by improved price, momentum, and stronger sentiment indicators.

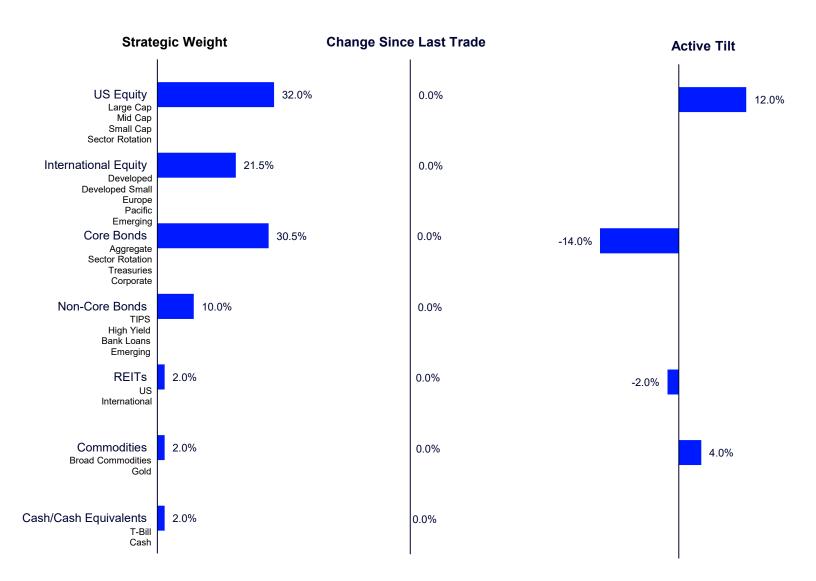
Within fixed income, bond forecasts remain positive. Our outlook continues to favor long-dated government bonds and long grade investment grade credit, reflecting our conviction that extending duration and improving credit quality positions the portfolio to capture attractive return potential. These changes underscore our commitment to balancing risk and opportunity in a shifting rate environment.



# **Positioning Update**

State Street Active Asset Allocation ETF Portfolio — Moderate

Asset Class						
Equity	Fixed Income	Real Assets	Cash & Cash Equivalents 2.0%			
65.5%	26.5%	6.0%				



Source: State Street Investment Management, as of 12/8/2025. Allocation changes are only shown for the Moderate Portfolio. Allocation changes, active weights and benchmark weights may vary for other portfolios. The benchmark is a custom Active Asset Allocation Benchmark. Model portfolio positions are as of the date indicated, are subject to change, and should not be relied upon as current thereafter. The model portfolio positions presented above are representative of ISG's market views and our positioning for our active portfolio as of the date given. The results shown were achieved by means of a mathematical formula, and are not indicative of actual future results which could differ substantially. This information should not be considered a recommendation to invest in a particular sector or to buy or sell any security shown. It is not known whether the sectors or securities shown will be profitable in the future.



## **Current Holdings**

Ticker	Fund	Conservative (%) 20/80	Moderate Conservative (%) 40/60	Moderate (%) 60/40	Moderate Growth (%) 75/25	Growth (%) 90/10	Maximum Growth (%) 98/2
	US Equity	21.5%	32.5%	44.0%	52.0%	56.5%	59.0%
<u>SPY</u>	SPDR® S&P 500® ETF Trust	13.8%	18.8%	23.5%	26.3%	26.0%	24.5%
XLSR	State Street® US Sector Rotation ETF	3.8%	8.8%	13.5%	16.3%	19.5%	21.0%
SPMD	State Street® SPDR® Portfolio S&P 400® Mid Cap ETF	1.0%	1.5%	2.5%	3.8%	4.5%	6.0%
SPSM	State Street <sup>®</sup> SPDR <sup>®</sup> Portfolio S&P 600 <sup>®</sup> Small Cap ETF	3.0%	3.5%	4.5%	5.8%	6.5%	7.5%
	International Equity	6.0%	14.0%	21.5%	28.5%	34.5%	36.0%
SPDW	SPDR® Portfolio Developed World ex-US ETF	2.0%	5.5%	11.0%	15.0%	18.5%	18.0%
<u>GWX</u>	SPDR® S&P® International Small Cap ETF	0.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%
SPEM	SPDR <sup>®</sup> Portfolio Emerging Markets ETF	4.0%	6.5%	8.5%	10.5%	12.5%	14.0%
	Fixed Income	64.5%	45.5%	26.5%	11.5%	1.0%	0.0%
SPAB	State Street® SPDR® Portfolio Aggregate Bond ETF	9.5%	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
FISR	State Street® Fixed Income Sector Rotation ETF	29.5%	22.3%	10.5%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%
TIPX	State Street® SPDR® Bloomberg 1-10 Year TIPS ETF	6.0%	4.5%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<u>SPTL</u>	State Street® SPDR® Portfolio Long Term Treasury ETF	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	1.0%	0.0%
SRLN	State Street® Blackstone Senior Loan ETF	4.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%
EBND	SPDR <sup>®</sup> Bloomberg Emerging Markets Local Bond ETF	2.5%	2.0%	1.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
EMHC	State Street® SPDR® Bloomberg Emerging Markets USD Bond ETF	4.5%	3.5%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<u>SPLB</u>	State Street® SPDR® Portfolio Long Term Corporate Bond ETF	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<u>JNK</u>	State Street® SPDR® Bloomberg High Yield Bond ETF	2.0%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Real Assets	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	3.0%
CERY	SPDR <sup>®</sup> Bloomberg Enhanced Roll Yield Commodity Strategy No K-1 ETF	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%
GLD®	SPDR® Gold Shares	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	1.0%
	Cash/Cash Equivalents	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
N/A	Cash	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%

Source: State Street Investment Management as of 12/8/2025. Allocations may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

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### Glossary

**Commodities** Basis goods used in commerce that are interchangeable, or "fungible," with other commodities of the same type. Commodities are most often used as inputs in the production of other goods or services. For example, crude oil is a commodity that is used to make motor fuels, and heating oil and lubricants.

**Emerging Markets** Developing countries where the characteristics of mature economies, such as political stability, market liquidity and accounting transparency, are beginning to manifest. Emerging market investments are generally expected to achieve higher returns than developed markets but are also accompanied by greater risk, decreasing their correlation to investments in developed markets.

**High Yield** A company or bond that is rated 'BB' or lower is known as junk grade or high yield, in which case the probability that the company will repay its issued debt is deemed to be speculative.

**Real Assets** Physical or tangible assets that have value and often are investable. Real assets include precious metals, commodities, real estate, agricultural land and oil, and their inclusion in most diversified portfolios is considered appropriate.

TIPS or Treasury Inflation Protected Securities Treasury securities that are indexed to inflation in order to protect investors from the negative effects of inflation. TIPS are backed by the US government and are thus considered an extremely low-risk investment. The par value of TIPS rises with inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, while the interest rate remains fixed.

**Developed Markets** Refers to countries or market areas with relatively high levels of economic growth, market liquidity and transparency as well as political stability, rule of law and safety.

**Treasuries** The debt obligations of a national government. Also known as "government securities," Treasuries are backed by the credit and taxing power of a country, and are thus regarded as having relatively little or no risk of default.

**Small Cap Stocks** Stocks with a relatively small market capitalizations — generally companies with market values of between \$300 million and \$2 billion. Small-cap stocks are more volatile than mid- or large-cap stocks, but tend to deliver higher returns over longer time periods.

Yield Curve A graph or line that plots the interest rates or yields of bonds with similar credit quality but different durations, typically from shortest to longest duration. When the yield curve is said to be "flat," it means the difference in yields between bonds with shorter and longer durations is relatively narrow. When the yield curve is said to be "steep," it means the difference in yields between bonds with shorter and longer durations is relatively wide.

**REITs or Real Estate Investment Trust** Companies that own and operate commercial properties, such as office buildings and apartment complexes.

**Bond** A debt investment in which an investor loans money to an entity — typically a corporate or governmental entity — that borrows the funds for a defined period of time at a variable or fixed interest rate. Bonds are used by companies, municipalities, states and sovereign governments to raise money and finance a variety of projects and activities. Owners of bonds are debtholders, or creditors, of the issuer.

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