

## Inside the Zacks Income ETF Portfolio (Ticker: ZINC)

### A Deeper Dive into the Research-Driven Equity Income Strategy from Zacks Investment Management

#### Equity Income Through Active Management

The Zacks Income ETF (ZINC) is an actively managed strategy designed to provide consistent income through a diversified portfolio of dividend-paying equities, targeting approximately 8% in annual distributions. Built for investors who want meaningful yield potential without the complexity or trade-offs of options-based strategies, ZINC combines Zacks' decades of proprietary research with disciplined active portfolio management.

#### The Zacks Advantage: Exploring the ZINC Construction Process

At Zacks, research is at the core of our DNA, so proprietary research and extensive monitoring underly our ZINC portfolio.

The ZINC selection process is designed to identify companies genuinely capable of supporting consistent income over time, rather than chasing high yields that may prove unsustainable. This process features the following highlights:

##### 1 Leveraging Zacks Quantitative Review Process

The Zacks Multi-Factor Model screening process focuses on:

- Earnings estimate revisions as a key driver of future stock performance
- Relative valuation to identify attractively priced opportunities
- Momentum factors that capture price strength and trend persistence
- Earnings quality metrics that assess the durability of reported results

This step ensures the portfolio tilts toward companies with both strong income potential and sound fundamental characteristics.

##### 2 Income Optimization

From a broad universe of liquid, dividend-paying equities, our selection process identifies stocks with attractive yield characteristics, strong and consistent cash flow generation, sustainable payout profiles supported by earnings, and a track record of dividend stability or growth. The final portfolio balances potential yield generation with prudent diversification across sectors and market capitalizations.

##### 3 Ongoing Distributions

Rather than relying on covered calls or other derivatives to manufacture income, ZINC seeks distributions through direct portfolio yield and return of capital, maintaining full participation in equity market upside. The result is a transparent, straightforward approach to equity income that is well-suited to a variety of portfolio construction needs.

## The Zacks Advantage: Exploring the ZINC Construction Process *Continued*

ZINC is designed to serve as a core income allocation within diversified portfolios, particularly for retirement income strategies seeking consistent cash flow, yield enhancement within equity allocations, income sleeves within ETF model portfolios, and investors seeking a straightforward equity income solution without derivatives complexity.

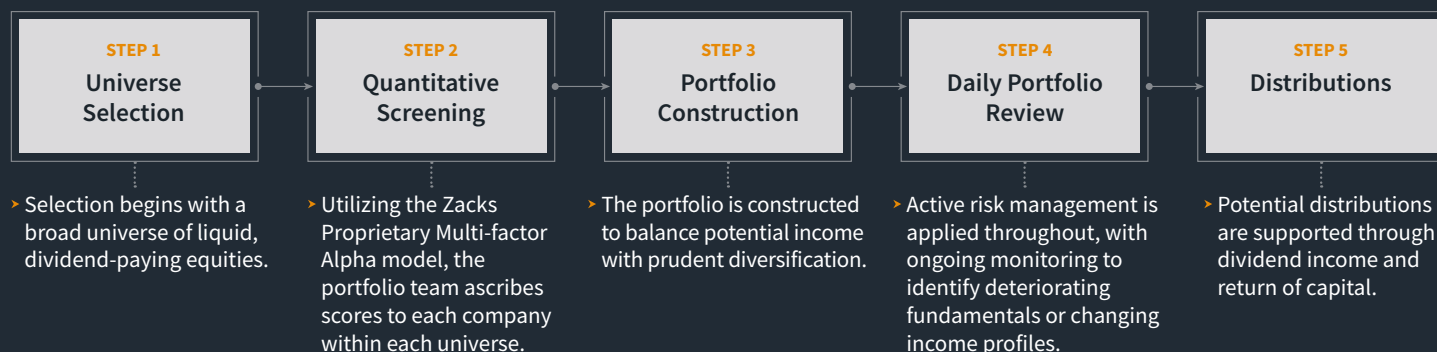


Figure 1: The ZINC Portfolio Construction Process Consists of Numerous Steps Seeking to Optimize Yield and Income Generation

### Ready to invest in the Zacks Income ETF now?

This ETF is now available through most brokerage firms. Simply search for the ticker ZINC to find information about purchasing shares.

To learn more about ZINC, please visit [zacksetfs.com](https://zacksetfs.com).

### Glossary

**Diversification** refers to the process of allocating capital across a variety of assets, sectors, or geographic regions to reduce exposure to any single investment or risk factor.

**Covered call** is an options strategy in which an investor who already owns shares of a stock (or other underlying asset) sells (writes) a call option on those shares, collecting a premium in exchange for agreeing to sell the shares at a set strike price if the option is exercised.

**The Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other important information about the investment company and can be found at [www.zackssetfs.com](http://www.zackssetfs.com). Please read carefully before investing. A hard copy of the prospectuses can also be requested by calling 855-813-3507.**

### **ZINC Fund Specific Risk**

Diversification does not ensure a profit or guarantee against loss.

Investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. As an ETF, the funds may trade at a premium or discount to NAV.

The Fund pays quarterly income and managed distributions on Fund shares at a target rate that seeks to represent an annualized payout of approximately 8.0% on the Fund's per-share NAV on the date of a distribution's declaration (this rate is a target only and actual distributions may reflect a higher or lower annualized rate at the time of any given distribution, and further the target rate may be changed (raised or lowered) without prior notice from time to time depending on the market environment). Shareholders receiving periodic payments from the Fund may be under the impression that they are receiving net profits. However, all or a portion of a distribution may consist of a return of capital. Return of capital is the portion of distribution that is a return of your original investment dollars in the Fund. Shareholders should not assume that the source of a distribution from the Fund is net profit. Shareholders should note that return of capital will reduce the tax basis of their shares and potentially increase the taxable gain, if any, upon disposition of their shares. The Fund will provide disclosures, with each quarterly distribution, that estimate the percentages of the current and year-to-date distributions that represent (1) net investment income, (2) capital gains, and (3) return of capital. At the end of the year, the Fund may be required under applicable law to re-characterize distributions made previously during that year among (1) ordinary income, (2) capital gains, and (3) return of capital for tax purposes.

Shares of any ETF are bought and sold at market price (not NAV) and are not individually redeemed from the Fund.

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