

Top Dividend Yielding Stocks for October

10 Large/Mid Cap and 10 Small Cap Stocks

- Figure 1 shows the initial 20 stocks that we include in our new model portfolio.
- The stocks in this model portfolio earn an Attractive or Very Attractive rating and have some of the highest dividend yields in the market.

Figure 1: Initial Model Portfolio Constituents

Large/Mid Cap Additions			Small Cap Additions		
Ticker	Company Name		Ticker	Company Name	
CIM	Chimera Investment Corp		CMRE	Costamare Inc.	
MFA	MFA Financial, Inc.		WDR	Waddell & Reed Financial	
BXMT	Blackstone Mortgage Trust		CMO	Capstead Mortgage Corp	
ERIC	Ericsson ADR		RWT	Redwood Trust	
F	Ford Motor Company		NRCIB	National Research Corp	
KSS	Kohl's Corp		BKE	The Buckle	
МО	Altria Group, Inc.		EBF	Ennis Inc.	
CSCO	Cisco Systems		ARII	American Railcar Industries	
QCOM	QUALCOMM Inc.		IQNT	Inteliquent Inc.	
CHL	China Mobile Limited		UVV	Universal Corporation	

Sources: New Constructs, LLC

This model portfolio helps investors find high quality dividend yielding stocks. As more investors search for yield, we think it is important to distinguish between high and low quality dividend yields. Companies with strong free cash flow provide higher quality dividend yield because we know they have the cash flow to support the dividend. Dividend yields from companies with low or negative free cash flow cannot be trusted as much because they may not be able to sustain their dividend for much longer.

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The 10 Top Dividend Yield Large/Mid Cap Stocks for October

We recommend that investors equal-weight holdings in all 10 stocks.

Figure 2: 10 Top Dividend Yield Large/Mid Cap Stocks for October

			High-Quality Earnings As of Last Twelve Months		Cheap Valuation As of 10/17/16			
Ticker	Company Name	Dividend Yield	Positive Economic EPS	Return On Invested Capital (ROIC)	Positive Free Cash Flow Yield	Low Price-to-Economic Book Value	Short Market- Implied GAP (years)	Market Value (\$mm)
CIM	Chimera Investment Corp	12%	\$0.58	10%	25%	0.7	Less than 1	\$2,869
MFA	MFA Financial, Inc.	11%	\$0.35	11%	10%	0.5	Less than 1	\$2,665
BXMT	Blackstone Mortgage Trust	9%	\$1.18	10%	8%	0.6	Less than 1	\$2,700
ERIC	Ericsson ADR	5%	\$0.31	13%	9%	0.6	Less than 1	\$17,713
F	Ford Motor Company	5%	\$1.00	12%	47%	0.4	Less than 1	\$46,360
KSS	Kohl's Corp	5%	\$2.09	7%	12%	0.5	Less than 1	\$7,762
МО	Altria Group, Inc.	4%	\$2.37	20%	4%	1.3	10	\$121,979
CSCO	Cisco Systems	3%	\$1.25	18%	7%	0.8	Less than 1	\$151,534
QCOM	QUALCOMM Inc.	3%	\$2.52	31%	3%	1.1	Less than 1	\$96,067
CHL	China Mobile Limited	3%	\$2.11	17%	7%	0.9	Less than 1	\$243,945

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The 10 Top Dividend Yield Small Cap Stocks for October

We recommend that investors equal-weight holdings in all 10 stocks.

Figure 3: 10 Top Dividend Yield Small Cap Stocks for October

			J	ality Earnings t Twelve Months				
Ticker	Company Name	Dividend Yield	Positive Economic EPS	Return On Invested Capital (ROIC)	Positive Free Cash Flow Yield	Low Price-to-Economic Book Value	Short Market- Implied GAP (years)	Market Value (\$mm)
CMRE	Costamare Inc.	16%	\$0.36	8%	15%	0.3	Less than 1	\$446
WDR	Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc.	11%	\$1.58	27%	6%	0.6	Less than 1	\$1,398
CMO	Capstead Mortgage Corp	10%	\$0.23	7%	11%	0.5	Less than 1	\$875
RWT	Redwood Trust, Inc.	8%	\$0.39	9%	19%	0.7	Less than 1	\$1,064
NRCIB	National Research Corp	5%	\$2.24	27%	8%	0.7	Less than 1	\$262
BKE	The Buckle, Inc.	5%	\$2.09	23%	14%	0.5	Less than 1	\$1,043
EBF	Ennis Inc.	4%	\$0.07	7%	46%	0.8	2	\$407
ARII	American Railcar Industries	4%	\$1.33	10%	3%	0.9	9	\$758
IQNT	Inteliquent Inc.	4%	\$0.64	21%	1%	1.1	Less than 1	\$572
UVV	Universal Corporation	4%	\$0.34	6%	15%	0.7	Less than 1	\$1,264

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Top Dividend Yield Stocks: Methodology

Stocks make our Top Dividend Yield List because they have:

- 1. Attractive or Very Attractive rating
- 2. Dividend Yield >3%
- 3. Positive Free Cash Flow and Economic Earnings

To support sector diversification, we limit the number of stocks per sector on each list to three.

This model portfolio offers a well-screened group of stocks that also delivers yields greater than the market (S&P 500 yields \sim 2%), safety in the sustainability of the yield because of strong free cash flow, and the potential for upside as each stock is currently undervalued.

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Explanation of Risk/Reward Rating System

Our Risk/Reward Rating System assigns a rating to every stock under our coverage according to what we believe are the 5 most important criteria for assessing the risk versus reward of stocks. See table that follows for details.

Overall Risk/Reward Ranking	The Overall Risk/Reward Ranking provides a final rating based on the equal-weighted average rating of each criterion.
Very Dangerous	FCF Yield is not included in the average.
Dangerous	FCF Yield is not included in the average.
Neutral	All criteria are equal-weighted in the average calculation.
Attractive	All criteria are equal-weighted in the average calculation.
Very Attractive	All criteria are equal-weighted in the average calculation.

Economic vs Reported EPS	Rates stocks based on how their Economic Earnings compare to their Reported Earnings. Values based on Latest Fiscal Year.
Very Dangerous	Negative and declining Economic Earnings despite positive and rising Reported Earnings
Dangerous	Same as above except Reported Earnings are not rising or Reported Earnings are not positive
Neutral	Negative Economic and Reported Earnings
Attractive	Economic Earnings are positive
Very Attractive	Economic Earnings are positive and rising

Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)	Rates stocks based on their ROIC. Values based on Latest Fiscal Year.
Bottom Quintile	Very Dangerous = the bottom 20% of Russell 1000 companies
4th Quintile	Dangerous = the bottom 40% of Russell 1000 companies
3rd Quintile	Neutral = the middle 20% of Russell 1000 companies
2nd Quintile	Attractive = the top 40% of Russell 1000 companies
Top Quintile	Very Attractive = the top 20% of Russell 1000 companies

FCF Yield	Rates stocks based on their Free Cash Flow Yield. Values based on Latest Closing Stock price and Latest Fiscal Year.
<-5%	Very Dangerous = less than or equal to -5%
-5%<-1%	Dangerous = more than -5% but less than or equal to -1%
<mark>-1%<3%</mark>	Neutral = more than -1% but less than or equal to +3%
3%<10%	Attractive = more than +3% but less than or equal to +10%
>10%	Very Attractive = more than +10%



Price-to-EBV Ratio	Rates stocks based on their Price-to-Economic Book Value Ratio. Values based on Latest Closing Stock price and Latest Fiscal Year.
>3.5 or -1>0	Very Dangerous = greater than or equal to 3.5 or less than 0 but greater than -1
2.4>3.5 or <-1	Dangerous = greater than or equal to 2.4 but less than 3.5 and less than or equal to -1
1.6>2.4	Neutral = greater than or equal to 1.6 but less than 2.4
1.1>1.6	Attractive = greater than or equal to 1.1 but less than 1.6
0>1.1	Very Attractive = greater than or equal to 0 but less than 1.1
Growth	Rates stocks based on their Market-Implied Growth
Appreciation	Appreciation Period. Values based on Latest Closing
Period (yrs)	Stock price and Default Forecast Scenario.
>50	Very Dangerous = greater than or equal to 50 years
20>50	Dangerous = at least 20 years but less than 50
10>20	Neutral = at least 10 years but less than 20
3>10	Attractive = at least 3 years but less than 10
0>3	Very Attractive = at least 0 years but less than 3



Appendix A – Additions and Deletions

Top Dividend Yield Large/Mid Cap Stocks

Deletions:

None

Additions (initial selections):

- CIM Chimera Investment Corp
- MFA- MFA FinancialBXMT- Blackstone Mortgage TrustERIC- Ericsson ADRF- Ford Motor CompanyKSS- Kohl's CorpMO- Altria GroupCSCO- Cisco Systems
- QCOM QUALCOMM Inc.
- CHL China Mobile Limited

Top Dividend Yield Small Cap Stocks

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Additions (initial selections):

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- RWT Redwood Trust
- NRCIB National Research Corp
- BKE The Buckle
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