

>> Fund Objective

This exchange-traded fund seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield (before the fund's fees and expenses) of an equity index called the Nasdaq AlphaDEX® Large Cap Core Index.

>> Fund Facts

Fund Ticker	FEX
CUSIP	33734K109
Intraday NAV	FEXIV
Fund Inception Date	5/8/07
Gross Expense Ratio [^]	0.59%
Net Expense Ratio	0.59%
Rebalance Frequency	Quarterly
Primary Listing	Nasdaq

>> Index Facts

Index Ticker	NQDXUSLCT
Index Inception Date	1/11/16

>> Index Description According to the Index Provider

- >> The Nasdaq AlphaDEX® Large Cap Core Index is an “enhanced” index created and administered by Nasdaq, Inc. (“Nasdaq”) which employs the AlphaDEX® stock selection methodology to select stocks from the Nasdaq US 500 Large Cap Index™ that meet certain criteria.
- >> Nasdaq constructs the Nasdaq AlphaDEX® Large Cap Core Index by ranking the eligible stocks from the Nasdaq US 500 Large Cap Index™ on growth factors including 3-, 6- and 12- month price appreciation, sales to price and one year sales growth, and separately on value factors including book value to price, cash flow to price and return on assets. All stocks are ranked on the sum of ranks for the growth factors and, separately, all stocks are ranked on the sum of ranks for the value factors. A stock must have data for all growth and/or value factors to receive a rank for that style.
- >> Each stock receives either its growth or value score as its selection score based on its style designation as determined by Nasdaq.
- >> The top 375 stocks based on the selection score determined in the previous step comprise the “selected stocks”. The selected stocks are divided into quintiles based on their rankings and the top ranked quintiles receive a higher weight within the index. The stocks are equally-weighted within each quintile.
- >> The index is reconstituted and rebalanced quarterly.

>> Performance Summary (%)¹

	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Fund Inception
Fund Performance*							
Net Asset Value (NAV)	-4.74	-21.00	-14.20	7.14	6.97	10.58	7.17
After Tax Held	-4.93	-21.34	-14.68	6.60	6.41	9.97	6.65
After Tax Sold	-2.80	-12.42	-8.38	5.29	5.20	8.42	5.66
Market Price	-4.75	-20.97	-14.14	7.16	6.98	10.58	7.17
Index Performance**							
Nasdaq AlphaDEX® Large Cap Core Index	-4.64	-20.72	-13.75	7.79	7.61	—	—
Nasdaq US 500 Large Cap Index	-4.58	-24.74	-17.04	8.03	9.20	—	—
S&P 500 Index	-4.88	-23.87	-15.47	8.16	9.24	11.70	7.96

>> Calendar Year Total Returns (%)¹

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	YTD
FEX	14.39	35.77	12.34	-3.87	14.11	21.52	-9.80	27.02	14.13	26.78	-21.00
Nasdaq US 500 Large Cap Index	—	—	—	—	—	21.99	-4.75	32.04	21.42	26.48	-24.74
S&P 500 Index	16.00	32.39	13.69	1.38	11.96	21.83	-4.38	31.49	18.40	28.71	-23.87

>> 3-Year Statistics¹

	Standard Deviation (%)	Alpha	Beta	Sharpe Ratio	Correlation
FEX	21.87	-0.96	1.04	0.40	0.96
S&P 500 Index	20.30	—	1.00	0.46	1.00

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results and current performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate and shares when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. You can obtain performance information which is current through the most recent month-end by visiting www.ftportfolios.com.

[^]Expenses are capped contractually at 0.70% per year, at least through November 30, 2022. The Investment Advisor has implemented fee breakpoints, which reduce the fund's investment management fee at certain assets levels. Please see the fund's SAI for full details.

¹On April 8, 2016, the fund's underlying index changed from the Defined Large Cap Core Index to the Nasdaq AlphaDEX® Large Cap Core Index. Therefore, the fund's performance and historical returns shown for the periods prior to this date are not necessarily indicative of the performance that the fund, based on its current index, would have generated.

*NAV returns are based on the fund's net asset value which represents the fund's net assets (assets less liabilities) divided by the fund's outstanding shares. **After Tax Held** returns represent return after taxes on distributions. Assumes shares have not been sold. **After Tax Sold** returns represent the return after taxes on distributions and the sale of fund shares. Returns do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. **Market Price** returns are determined by using the midpoint of the national best bid offer price (“NBBO”) as of the time that the fund's NAV is calculated. Returns are average annualized total returns, except those for periods of less than one year, which are cumulative. The fund's performance reflects fee waivers and expense reimbursements, absent which performance would have been lower. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. The after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

**Performance information for each listed index is for illustrative purposes only and does not represent actual fund performance. Indexes do not charge management fees or brokerage expenses, and no such fees or expenses were deducted from the performance shown. Indexes are unmanaged and an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

» Portfolio Information

Number Of Holdings	374
Maximum Market Cap.	\$2,220.98 Billion
Median Market Cap.	\$30.44 Billion
Minimum Market Cap.	\$2.15 Billion
Price/Earnings	11.67
Price/Book	2.09
Price/Cash Flow	8.19
Price/Sales	1.33

» Top Holdings (%)

Cheniere Energy, Inc.	0.58
CF Industries Holdings, Inc.	0.53
ConocoPhillips	0.53
Enphase Energy, Inc.	0.53
United Rentals, Inc.	0.52
Devon Energy Corporation	0.51
Lennar Corporation	0.50
Occidental Petroleum Corporation	0.49
D.R. Horton, Inc.	0.48
EOG Resources, Inc.	0.48

» Top Sector Exposure (%)

Financials	17.71
Information Technology	12.21
Industrials	12.15
Health Care	12.13
Consumer Discretionary	9.92
Energy	8.83
Consumer Staples	7.18
Utilities	6.72
Materials	6.33
Communication Services	3.98
Real Estate	2.84

You should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses carefully before investing. Contact First Trust Portfolios L.P. at 1-800-621-1675 or visit www.ftportfolios.com to obtain a prospectus or summary prospectus which contains this and other information about the fund. The prospectus or summary prospectus should be read carefully before investing.

Risk Considerations

You could lose money by investing in a fund. An investment in a fund is not a deposit of a bank and is not insured or guaranteed. There can be no assurance that a fund's objective(s) will be achieved. Investors buying or selling shares on the secondary market may incur customary brokerage commissions. Please refer to each fund's prospectus and SAI for additional details on a fund's risks. The order of the below risk factors does not indicate the significance of any particular risk factor.

Unlike mutual funds, shares of the fund may only be redeemed directly from a fund by authorized participants in very large creation/redemption units. If a fund's authorized participants are unable to proceed with creation/redemption orders and no other authorized participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, fund shares may trade at a premium or discount to a fund's net asset value and possibly face delisting and the bid/ask spread may widen.

A fund is susceptible to operational risks through breaches in cyber security. Such events could cause a fund to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss.

Equity securities may decline significantly in price over short or extended periods of time, and such declines may occur in the equity market as a whole, or they may occur in only a particular country, company, industry or sector of the market.

Stocks with growth characteristics tend to be more volatile than certain other stocks and their prices may fluctuate more dramatically than the overall stock market.

A fund may be a constituent of one or more indices or models which could greatly affect a fund's trading activity, size and volatility.

There is no assurance that the index provider or its agents will compile or maintain the index accurately. Losses or costs associated with any index provider errors generally will be borne by a fund and its shareholders.

Large capitalization companies may grow at a slower rate than the overall market.

Market risk is the risk that a particular security, or shares of a fund in general may fall in value. Securities are subject to market fluctuations caused by such factors as general economic conditions, political events, regulatory or market developments, changes in interest rates and perceived trends in securities prices. Shares of a fund could decline in value or underperform other investments as a result. In addition, local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, spread of infectious disease or other public health issues, recessions, or other events could have significant negative impact on a fund. In February 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine which has caused and could continue to cause significant market disruptions and volatility within the markets in Russia, Europe, and the United States. The hostilities and sanctions resulting from those hostilities could have a significant impact on certain fund investments as well as fund performance. The COVID-19 global pandemic and the ensuing policies enacted by governments and central banks have caused and may continue to cause significant volatility and uncertainty in global financial markets. While the U.S. has resumed "reasonably" normal business activity, many countries continue to impose lockdown measures. Additionally, there is no guarantee that vaccines will be effective against emerging variants of the disease.

There can be no assurance that the securities held by a fund will stay within a fund's intended market capitalization range.

A fund faces numerous market trading risks, including the potential lack of an active market for fund shares due to a limited number of market makers. Decisions by market makers or authorized participants to reduce their role or step away in times of market stress could inhibit the effectiveness of the arbitrage process in maintaining the

relationship between the underlying values of a fund's portfolio securities and a fund's market price.

An index fund's return may not match the return of the index for a number of reasons including operating expenses, costs of buying and selling securities to reflect changes in the index, and the fact that a fund's portfolio holdings may not exactly replicate the index.

A fund and a fund's advisor may seek to reduce various operational risks through controls and procedures, but it is not possible to completely protect against such risks. The fund also relies on third parties for a range of services, including custody, and any delay or failure related to those services may affect the fund's ability to meet its objective.

A fund that invests in securities included in or representative of an index will hold those securities regardless of investment merit and the fund generally will not take defensive positions in declining markets.

High portfolio turnover may result in higher levels of transaction costs and may generate greater tax liabilities for shareholders.

The market price of a fund's shares will generally fluctuate in accordance with changes in the fund's net asset value ("NAV") as well as the relative supply of and demand for shares on the exchange, and a fund's investment advisor cannot predict whether shares will trade below, at or above their NAV.

A fund with significant exposure to a single asset class, country, region, industry, or sector may be more affected by an adverse economic or political development than a broadly diversified fund.

Trading on an exchange may be halted due to market conditions or other reasons. There can be no assurance that a fund's requirements to maintain the exchange listing will continue to be met or be unchanged.

Value characteristics of a stock may not be fully recognized for a long time or a stock judged to be undervalued may actually be appropriately priced at a low level.

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Definitions

Standard Deviation is a measure of price variability (risk). **Alpha** is an indication of how much an investment outperforms or underperforms on a risk-adjusted basis relative to its benchmark. **Beta** is a measure of price variability relative to the market. **Sharpe Ratio** is a measure of excess reward per unit of volatility. **Correlation** is a measure of the similarity of performance. The **S&P 500 Index** is an unmanaged index of 500 companies used to measure large-cap U.S. stock market performance. The **Nasdaq US 500 Large Cap Index™** is a float modified market capitalization weighted index that contains the top 500 securities from the Nasdaq US Benchmark Index.

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