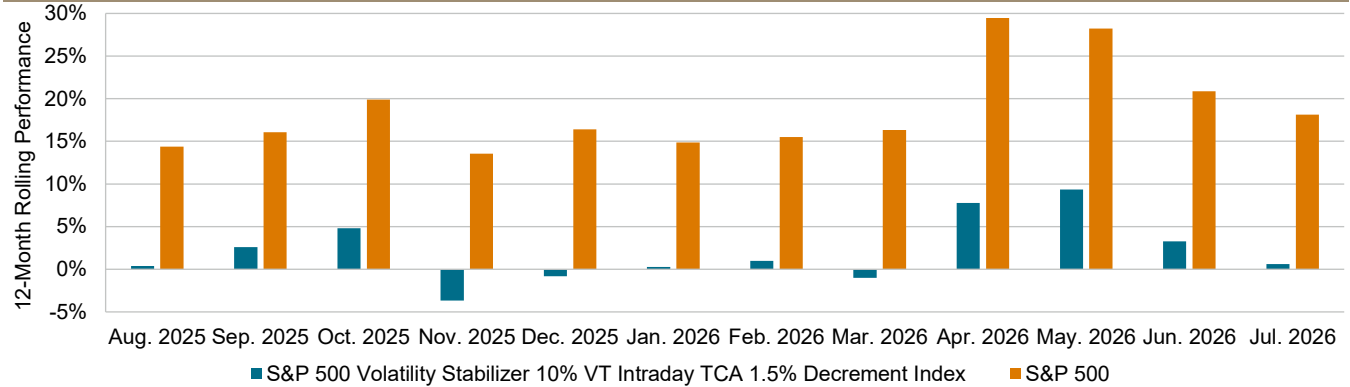


Quarterly Performance Summary

- The S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer 10% VT Intraday TCA 1.50% Decrement Index (S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index) was down 0.95%, compared with -0.13% for the S&P 500® in July. Over the past three months, the S&P Volatility Stabilizer Index posted 1.06%, and the S&P 500 posted 3.89%. The index's risk control framework reduced equity weight during periods of elevated market stress, resulting in a smoother risk profile but lower participation in subsequent market rebounds.
- Market conditions during the quarter were characterized by strong gains in May, followed by heightened volatility in June driven by elevated inflation readings, changing U.S. Federal Reserve expectations, and escalating Middle East tensions. Equity markets later recovered as geopolitical concerns eased, oil prices retraced and corporate earnings remained resilient.
- The index's weighting behavior closely reflected these shifts in market conditions. During May and early June, equity weight remained high, at approximately 80%-99%, allowing broad participation in the market rally. As volatility surged in mid-June, the index reduced weight significantly, reaching a low of approximately 33% on June 12. This defensive positioning helped limit risk during the sell-off but also caused the strategy to lag the sharp market recovery that followed. Weight was subsequently rebuilt through late June and July, reaching approximately 95%-98% for most of the second half of July as realized volatility normalized.
- **Key Market events during the quarter:**
 - May: Strong earnings, easing energy concerns and AI-related optimism supported equities. The index maintained high equity weight, allowing broad participation in the market advance.
 - June 8-17: Elevated inflation readings and geopolitical tensions triggered a sharp increase in volatility. The index reduced equity weight from near 100% to roughly 33%, helping cushion market decline.
 - Late June to July: As volatility subsided and earnings remained supportive, the index progressively rebuilt its weight to the S&P 500, reaching 95% and above, allowing stronger participation in the subsequent market recovery

Exhibit 1: Index Performance and Risk

Index	1-Month	QTD	YTD	12-Month
Index Performance (%)				
S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer 10% VT Intraday TCA 1.5% Decrement Index	-0.95	-0.95	-0.33	0.61
S&P 500	-0.13	-0.13	9.41	18.15
Index Volatility (%)				
S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer 10% VT Intraday TCA 1.5% Decrement Index	10.61	9.59	10.14	9.71
S&P 500	14.61	13.25	13.84	12.49
Risk-Adjusted Performance				
S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer 10% VT Intraday TCA 1.5% Decrement Index	-0.09	-0.10	-0.03	0.06
S&P 500	-0.01	-0.01	0.68	1.45

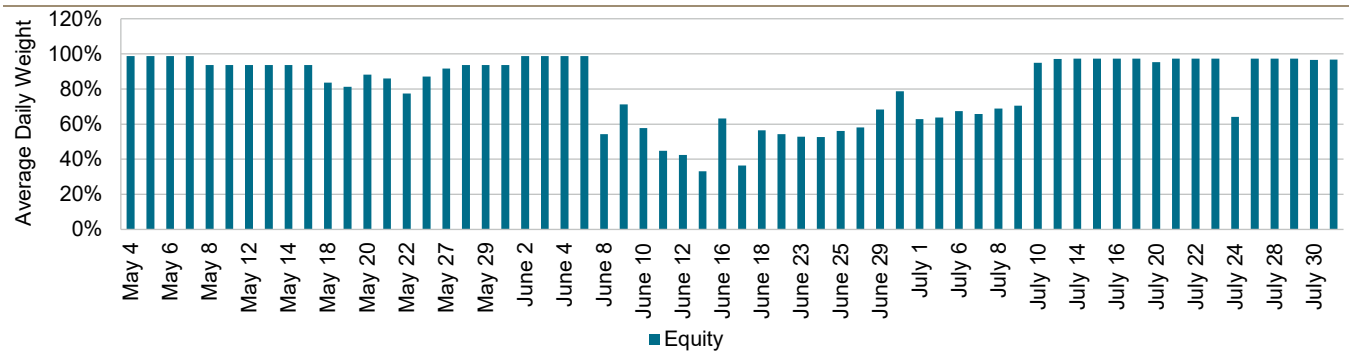


The S&P 500 is a price return index and, as such, may display higher or lower performance due to the rate component not being subtracted while dividends are not included. The S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer 10% VT Intraday TCA 1.5% Decrement Index is an excess return index which subtracts the risk free rate.

Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC. Data as of July 31, 2026. Index performance in USD. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Chart and table are provided for illustrative purposes.

Exhibit 2: Asset Class Weights

Index	3-Month Average (%)	12-Month Average (%)	Month-End (%)
	Equities	Equities	Equities
S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	80.69	77.29%	97.28

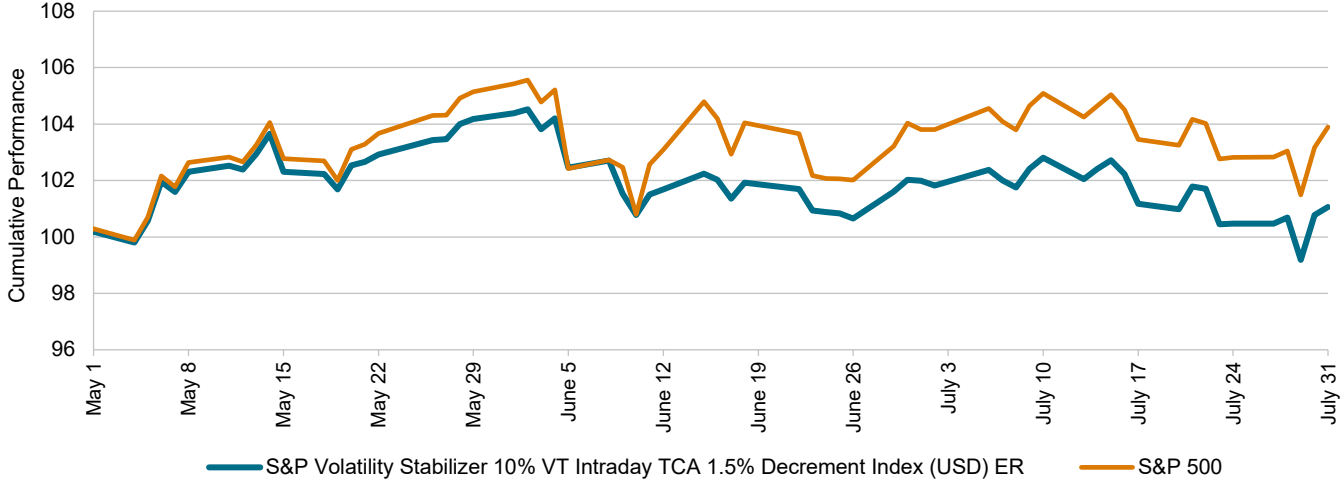


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Exhibit 3: Cumulative Performance



Index levels are rebased to 100 as a starting point at the beginning of the period shown.
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Exhibit 4: Monthly Performance (%)

Year	Index	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Ann.
2016	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	-3.55	0.92	4.30	0.02	1.38	-2.71	1.27	-0.20	0.50	-2.17	3.17	1.46	4.18
	S&P 500	-5.07	0.40	5.73	0.27	1.53	0.09	3.56	-0.12	-0.12	-1.94	3.42	1.82	9.54
2017	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	1.83	4.74	-0.39	0.85	1.90	0.38	2.00	0.46	1.85	2.55	3.34	0.83	22.23
	S&P 500	1.79	3.99	-0.30	0.91	1.16	0.48	1.93	0.05	1.93	2.22	2.81	0.98	19.42
2018	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	6.48	-1.84	-2.64	-0.61	1.11	0.16	3.56	3.20	0.32	-5.44	0.34	-4.58	-0.57
	S&P 500	5.62	-2.82	-3.77	0.27	2.16	0.48	3.60	3.03	0.43	-6.94	1.79	-9.18	-6.24
2019	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	4.22	2.74	0.84	3.45	-6.81	4.29	1.39	-2.81	1.19	-0.30	4.02	2.52	15.09
	S&P 500	7.87	3.26	1.50	3.93	-6.58	6.89	1.31	-1.81	1.72	2.04	3.40	2.86	28.88
2020	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	0.25	-2.53	-0.64	3.17	1.89	2.50	2.49	7.10	-1.07	-1.04	2.80	2.85	18.86
	S&P 500	-0.16	-7.65	-13.23	12.68	4.53	1.84	5.51	7.01	-3.92	-2.77	10.75	3.71	16.26
2021	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	-0.75	-0.52	0.25	4.61	-1.04	2.09	0.76	2.74	-3.77	4.54	-0.43	0.94	9.48
	S&P 500	-1.11	2.61	4.24	5.24	0.55	2.22	2.27	2.90	-4.76	6.91	-0.83	4.36	26.89
2022	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	-7.41	-2.62	1.42	-3.74	2.02	-3.89	3.96	-2.94	-3.69	4.12	1.70	-3.43	-14.22
	S&P 500	-5.26	-2.90	3.32	-8.80	0.01	-8.39	9.11	-4.24	-9.34	7.99	5.38	-5.90	-19.44
2023	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	3.20	-1.80	0.72	0.77	0.06	5.55	2.42	-2.99	-4.81	-3.05	4.85	3.90	8.54
	S&P 500	6.18	-2.31	3.19	1.46	0.25	6.47	3.11	-1.77	-4.87	-2.20	8.92	4.42	24.23
2024	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	0.76	3.90	2.52	-4.15	2.64	2.81	0.90	0.73	0.65	-0.99	5.09	-3.36	11.66
	S&P 500	1.59	4.80	3.47	-4.16	4.80	3.47	1.13	2.28	2.02	-0.99	5.73	-2.50	23.31
2025	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	-0.16	-3.11	-2.10	-4.16	2.69	3.70	1.66	0.92	2.88	1.16	-3.42	-0.51	-0.81
	S&P 500	2.70	-2.96	-4.26	-0.76	6.15	4.96	2.17	1.91	3.53	2.27	0.13	-0.05	16.39
2026	S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index ER	0.92	-1.49	-4.92	4.34	4.17	-2.06	-0.95						
	S&P 500	1.37	-0.87	-5.09	10.42	5.15	-1.06	-0.13						

Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC. Data as of July 31, 2026. Index performance in USD. The S&P 500 Volatility Stabilizer Index was launched July 14, 2025. All data prior to such date is back-tested hypothetical data. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Table is provided for illustrative purposes and reflects hypothetical historical performance. Please see the Performance Disclosure at the end of this document for more information regarding the inherent limitations associated with back-tested performance.

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