

Horizons S&P/TSX 60™ Index ETF (HXT; HXT.U)

ETF Snapshot

Name:

Horizons S&P/TSX 60™ Index ETF

Launch Date:

September 15, 2010

Ticker:

HXT; HXT.U¹

Management Fee:²

0.07%

Investment Manager:

Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc.

Underlying Index:

S&P/TSX 60™ Index (Total Return)

Bloomberg Index Ticker:

TX60AR

Currency Hedged:

No

Eligibility:

All registered and non-registered investment accounts

¹ Available in U.S. dollars.

² Rebate to the Management Fee expired on December 31, 2022. Effective January 1, 2023, the Annual Management Fee of HXT will be 0.07%, plus applicable sales tax.

Get the Index Advantage with the S&P/TSX 60™ Index ETF

The Horizons S&P/TSX 60™ Index ETF ("HXT") seeks to replicate, to the extent possible, the performance of the S&P/TSX 60™ Index (Total Return) (the "Index"), net of expenses.

As at January 2, 2023, HXT has over \$3.8 billion in assets under management.

Key Features of HXT

- **The Total Return Index Advantage:** HXT is part of the Horizons Total Return Index family of ETFs ("Horizons TRI ETFs"). HXT uses a total return swap contract to replicate the performance of the Index. This structure typically reduces tracking errors associated with replicating an index and increases tax-efficiency
- **Tax Efficiency:** HXT is not expected to make taxable distributions
- **Automatic Reinvestment:** The reinvestment of Index constituent distributions are reflected in HXT's net asset value ("NAV") on their ex-date – which can result in more efficient compounding than ETFs that compound only quarterly or monthly
- **Low Tracking Error:** The tracking error of HXT to its underlying Index is expected to only be the management fee plus HST

Total Return Index Structure[†]

HXT does not physically hold the underlying constituent securities of the Index. Instead, its return is delivered via swap agreements with acceptable counterparties: Schedule 1 Canadian banks with a minimum A credit rating. The swap agreement is a binding contractual obligation to deliver the daily returns of the Index to the ETF, which is marked-to-market each day based on the change of the Index. Counterparties are legally obligated to deliver the exact Index returns, before fees.

Corporate Class ETFs - Tax Efficiency

HXT shares are a series of shares within a corporate class structure that allows the ETF to deliver its returns in a tax-efficient manner. Combined with the total return swap-based portfolio, investors are only expected to receive the total return of the Index, which is reflected in the ETF's unit price. Investors are not expected to receive any taxable distributions directly. This makes the ETF particularly advantageous if its shares are held in a taxable account, where tax on Canadian eligible dividend distributions could potentially be in excess of 30%, depending on the marginal tax rate of the investor. With this ETF structure, investors can potentially defer incurring a tax liability until they sell the ETF, at which point proceeds from the sale of ETF shares would likely be taxed as a capital gain.



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Taxation on Canadian Equity ETFs

The following hypothetical example shows the tax impact on the returns of a Canadian equity ETF that earns annual dividends of 3%. This example does not take into account any management or operating fees, or expenses that would be associated with an ETF purchase. Both ETFs are held by an Ontario resident investor in the third-highest marginal tax bracket, who would have an income tax rate of 53.53% in 2023.

It is important to note that neither HXT, nor any other Horizons TRI ETFs, re-characterizes investment income as capital gains.

	Physically-Replicated ETF	HXT
Principal Investment	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
Market Return (0%)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dividend Received (3%)	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Pre-Tax Total Portfolio Value	\$103,000.00	\$103,000.00
Taxes on Dividends (39.34%)**	\$1,180.20	\$0.00
Total Tax Payable	\$1,180.20	\$0.00
Total After Tax Portfolio Return	\$101,819.80	\$103,000.00
Difference in Return	\$1,180.20	

Return Lost to Tax on Distributions

1.18%

FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES ONLY. The above illustrative example highlights the expected after-tax performance benefits of holding HXT versus another Canadian domiciled physically replicated Canadian Equity ETF in a non-registered account, assuming both ETFs earned/reflected a net 3% dividend (eligible Canadian Dividends) and track the exact same universe of stocks. This example does not take into account any fees or expenses of the ETFs, or any commissions, fees or expenses that would be associated with the purchase or sale of the ETF units/shares. The example also does not contemplate any sale of the ETF units/shares or any tax liability that would result.

** Both ETFs are held by an Ontario resident investor in the highest tax bracket, who would have a marginal tax rate of 53.53%, and an effective tax rate of 39.34% on eligible Canadian Dividends, in 2023. It also assumes no change in the market value of the index constituents.

To learn more, please visit www.HorizonsETFs.com/HXT



*Horizons Total Return Index ETFs ("Horizons TRI ETFs") are generally index-tracking ETFs that use an innovative investment structure known as a Total Return Swap to deliver index returns in a low-cost and tax-efficient manner. Unlike a physical replication ETF that typically purchases the securities found in the relevant index in the same proportions as the index, most Horizons TRI ETFs use a synthetic structure that never buys the securities of an index directly. Instead, the ETF receives the total return of the index through entering into a Total Return Swap agreement with one or more counterparties, typically large financial institutions, which will provide the ETF with the total return of the index in exchange for the interest earned on the cash held by the ETF. Any distributions which are paid by the index constituents are reflected automatically in the net asset value (NAV) of the ETF. As a result, the Horizons TRI ETF receives the total return of the index (before fees), which is reflected in the ETF's share price, and investors are not expected to receive any taxable distributions. Certain Horizons TRI ETFs (Horizons Nasdaq-100® Index ETF and Horizons US Large Cap Index ETF) use physical replication instead of a total return swap.

Commissions, management fees and applicable sales taxes all may be associated with an investment in the Horizons S&P/TSX 60™ Index ETF (the "ETF") managed by Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. The ETF is not guaranteed, its values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated. The prospectus contains important detailed information about the ETF.

Please read the prospectus before investing.

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