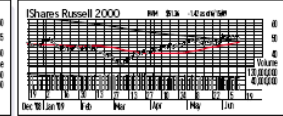
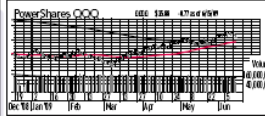
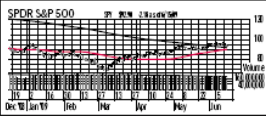


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Biggest ETFs' Upends Waver

SPDR S&P 500, having climbed above its 200-day moving average line three weeks ago, in recent days has fallen to its lowest level in that span. But up to now it's remained above its longer-term trend. iShares Russell 2000 has etched a similar path. PowerShares QQQ has held on to more of its gains.



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Using ETFs To See Market's Warning Signs

Chartered Market Technician

Brandon Wendell explains how to use ETFs to gauge market's direction, health

BY TRANG HO INVESTOR'S BUSINESS DAILY

Studying intermarket relationships helps you understand events in the stock market. Chartered Market Technician Brandon Wendell should know. He chairs the San Diego chapter of the Market Technicians Association.

The nonprofit trade group aims to educate the public about technical analysis. It has 3,000 members—including advisors, portfolio managers and technical analysts—in 70 countries.

In a Q&A with IBD, Wendell explains how he puts this analysis of a handful of ETFs into action.

IBD: How do you use ETFs to conduct intermarket analysis?

Wendell: First, I look for turning points in iPath DJ-UBS Copper Subindex Total ReturnSM, which has a pretty close correlation to copper futures. That will generally lead to turning points in the stock market or at least correlate with moves in the stock market and give me extra confirmation that the market is going to continue in one direction or the other.

Copper is coming up toward a resistance level. If it starts to turn down, I may want to start exiting any kind of equity position.

IBD: How is copper a leading indicator?

Wendell: Copper is pretty much everywhere in the economy. When there's higher demand in copper, there's generally higher demand in construction and expansion in companies.

Copper bottomed out in late December. When the market was going down in the first part of the year, we saw copper trending in a sideways channel. Copper really started breaking out strong to the upside in late February. A couple of weeks after that, the market rallied.

IBD: Your analysis focuses on the U.S. dollar, copper, oil, Treasury yields and gold. Why would looking at all of these be superior to just looking at the price and volume action of the market itself?

Wendell: Let's take for instance the market bottom of Nov. 23,

2008. The market was heading down. People were very panicky. And there was gloom and doom throughout the market.

But one silver lining that I noticed was that the bond market was actually showing a bit of a bubble. I was anticipating a selling of the bonds. When the bond prices started to break to the downside, there was a little relief for the stock prices. And it started to rally through the November low all the way through the beginning of January 2009.

IBD: What's going on with the dollar? How do you find out what's going on in the stock market?

Wendell: Going back to the October 2007 highs, we've had roughly 86% negative correlation to the stock market and the U.S. dollar. That's a bit recently that's allowed U.S. equity prices to rise.

But what's happened recently is that the U.S. dollar has completed a (bullish) technical pattern called the inverse head and shoulders, indicating that the U.S. dollar might start turning positive in the near-term future, therefore putting a lid on the bit of pressure on U.S. equities.

PowerShares DB US Dollar Index BullishSM is down below its 200-day moving average. If you go back six months, on the daily chart, you will see a left shoulder that formed on May 22. There's a head on June 2. And we're forming the right shoulder as of right now.

So that's going to be very negative for the U.S. stock market.

IBD: What do Treasury's tell you?

Wendell: iShares Barclays 7-10 Year TreasurySM is coming into an area of consolidation (or support) that it hit last year in October and November.

It shows that interest rates are skyrocketing on the 10-year Treasuries. And with higher interest will come a slowdown in the U.S. economy as money becomes tighter.

So that's going to be very negative for the U.S. stock market.

If BEF can break through support at 88 and even lower support at 86.50, that's going to be extremely bearish for the stock market.

IBF has been selling off in the month of June. So we would expect to see pressures on the U.S.

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be showing sustained momentum to the upside. Right now it's dying off in relation to the S&P 500.

The Technology Select Sector SPDRSM would be the next sector to rot due to popularity.

During a bearish market, you're going to see Consumer Staples Select Sector SPDRSM, Health Care Select Sector SPDRSM and Utilities Select Sector SPDRSM outperform a little bit. I'm not saying they're going to be positive, I'm just saying they're going to outperform the market.

We go through this rotation in which each sector is the shining star in different environment.

IBD: What do you look at?

Wendell: I keep a chart with iShares Russell 2000 IndexSM, PowerShares QQQSM, SPDR S&P 500SM and the Diamonds TrustSM all transposed on top of each other. (These ETFs track the small caps, Nasdaq 100, the S&P 500 and Dow Jones 30, respectively.)

I do a relative-strength analysis to figure out who's making the higher highs first. When that shows his resistance, all four of the indexes are going to turn. Whenever the weakest index hits support, all four of them will turn back to the upside.

We saw the IVM showing weakness in July 2007. Meanwhile, the large caps didn't fall until October 2007. The move to the downside was halted when the Russell was making higher lows in March and gave us a rally to the upside.

Gold itself, SPDR Gold SharesSM, is going to follow. On a weekly chart, GLD is forming an inverse head-and-shoulders pattern. And an inverse head and shoulders in an uptrend is actually a continuation formation. That means if GLD breaks to the upside, over \$98, gold has the potential to run up to \$1,800 an ounce. And GLD should run up another 30 points to about the \$130 area.

IBD: How do you use the sector SPDR ETFs?

Wendell: I have them all charted in relation to the S&P 500. In September and October 2007, sector rotation was telling me the market was getting ready to crash. That was energy outperforming all of the other market sectors.

We're generally at a market peak when energy is the best performer. It was followed just slightly by SPDR MaterialsSM and SPDR Consumer DiscretionarySM.

When we're hitting the bottom of a recession, XLV should be the strongest ETF. Coming out of a recession, SPDR FinancialSM should

IndexIQ, ProShares Add To Their Lineups

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IndexIQ has launched its second ETF that intends to mimic hedge-fund strategies without investing directly in the highly regulated investment vehicles.

IQ Hedge Macro Strategy Tracker ETFSM aims to track the returns of hedge funds that focus on global macro trends and emerging markets. It's a fund of funds that varies the weightings of a basket of 10 ETFs spread across stocks, bonds, commodities and currencies.

IndexIQ says it uses a proprietary macroeconomic, or top-down, approach to decide how much to invest in each asset class.

The portfolio currently devotes 40% of assets to emerging market ETFs, 33% to short-term bonds, 12% to corporate bonds and 4% to international bonds. It has a 3% short position in real estate. It thinks the worst is yet to come for the embattled sector.

The top holdings are iShares MSCI Emerging MarketsSM, iShares I-3 Year Treasury BondSM, iShares Boxx Emerging-Grade Corporate BondSM, Vanguard Emerging MarketsSM and PowerShares DB IO Currency EurovestSM.

MCRO hedges the long positions with ProShares UltraShort Real EstateSM. That ETF provides double the opposite returns of real estate.

"Ideally the bonds will perform better when the stocks are falling and vice versa," said David Fabian, vice president of Fabian Wealth Strategies. "This fund will do well over time if emerging markets continue to outperform domestic indexes."

Some other assets managers took a more cautious view. "There is little evidence that synthetic hedge fund strategies mimic actual future hedge fund returns," said Richard Ferri, founder and CEO of Portfolio Solutions Inc. "The past regressions used to create the ETF portfolio are outdated by default and do not reflect current hedge fund holdings."

"I would want to see how closely the past performance of this strategy can be replicated going forward, in real time, before making an initial commitment today," said William Koehler, chief investment officer of ETF Portfolio Solutions.

MCRO charges shareholders 1.14% of assets to cover expenses.

ProShares released June 3 four new ETFs that double the daily returns of the most popular foreign indexes: ProShares Ultra MSCI EAFESM, ProShares Ultra MSCI Emerging MarketsSM, ProShares Ultra FTSE/Xinhua China 25SM and ProShares Ultra MSCI JapanSM.

ProShares also offers UltraShort versions, which double the short exposure to their underlying indexes. They carry expense ratios of 0.95%.

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