Berkshire
DIVIDEND GROWTH STRATEGY

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Dividend Growth Fact Sheet
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Berkshire Asset Management, LLC (Berkshire) is a fee-based, SEC registered advisory firm serving the portfolio management needs of high net worth and institutional clients. Our guiding principle is a belief that success can be achieved by combining rigorous, well crafted investment processes with an exceptional level of client service and attention to detail. Berkshire Asset Management, Inc. was formed in 1986 as a SEC registered investment adviser. In 1999 the company was sold to Legg Mason. In 2007, senior leadership repurchased the firm, forming Berkshire Asset Management, LLC, the company built to serve you today. In December 2022, iM Global Partner, a leading global asset management network, made a strategic, non-controlling investment in Berkshire.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Berkshire Dividend Strategy's primary goal is to generate a growing stream of income through investments in a diversified portfolio of equities. We seek companies with a stable, high and growing dividend. Capital appreciation is a secondary goal and a risk profile below the S&P 500 is desirable.

STRATEGY RATIONALE

Dividends can play a significant role in investor returns over time. They can be seen as an indicator of a company's financial strength and potential for growth. Furthermore, high-quality dividend stocks can mitigate the risk of the increasing costs of inflation. By carefully selecting stocks with a seasoned team in a discerning market, investors can find value surpassing that of passive strategies or those solely based on static criteria of sorting and ranking. We firmly believe that a well-chosen holding can become a permanent fixture in an investor's portfolio, much like real estate or a family business.

A COMPREHENSIVE, FORWARD LOOKING INVESTMENT PROCESS:

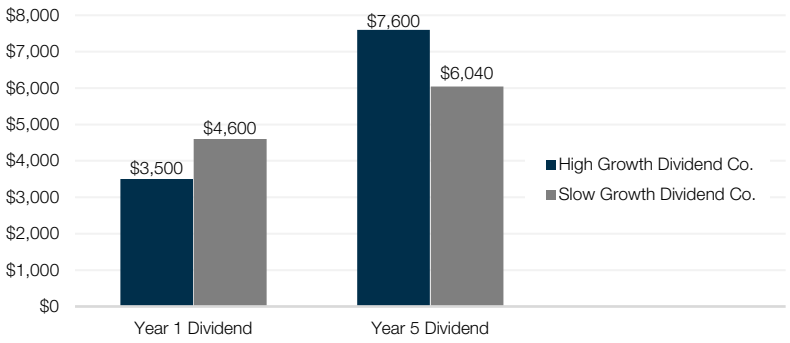
Intelligent dividend investing is much more than simply selecting stocks with high dividend yields or screening for past dividend increases. With an eye to a company's future, we carefully consider three major variables when investing:

CURRENT DIVIDEND
- Attractive dividend yield relative to major U.S. indices
- Current yield + dividend growth
- Potential for stock buybacks

CONSISTENCY OF DIVIDEND
- Strong balance sheet: low debt to equity ratios and high interest coverage ratios
- Sustainable operating margins
- Credit spreads on underlying debt

GROWTH OF DIVIDEND
- Future sales and earnings growth
- High return on equity
- Management's commitment to dividend growth
- Potential future return

IMPORTANCE OF A GROWING DIVIDEND



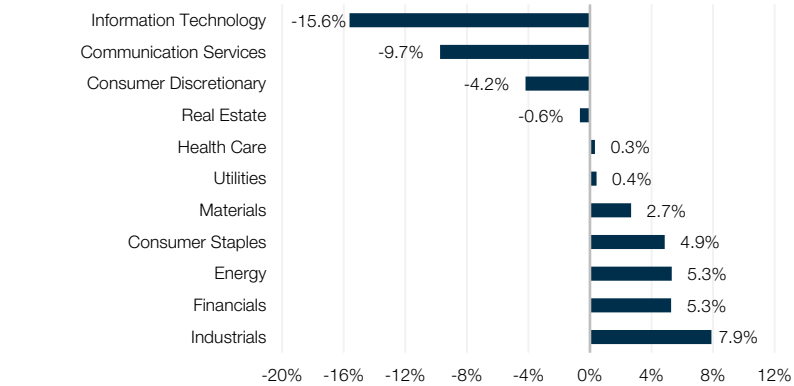
Assumptions: $100,000 invested in 2 companies:
"High Dividend Growth Company": 3.5% current yield and 20% annual dividend growth
"Slow Dividend Growth Company": 4.6% current yield and 5% annual dividend growth

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS (as of 6/30/2026)

	S&P 500	Portfolio
Number of Issues	504	38
Return on Equity	20.30%	15.62%
Beta	1.00	0.82
Current Yield	1.28%	2.18%
LT Debt to Capital	32.79%	42.97%
Forward P/E	20.18	16.53
Payout Ratio	32.05%	61.60%
Average Market Cap ($ bill.)	$1,428 bill	$484 bill

See page 2 for performance of the Berkshire Dividend Growth Strategy.

RELATIVE SECTOR WEIGHT (% vs. SP 500)



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TOP HOLDINGS (as of 6/30/2026)

*Holdings are subject to change. A full list is available upon request. Portfolio characteristics should not be viewed as a statement of strategy performance.

Company Name	Ticker	% of Portfolio	Dividend Yield %	P/E Next 4 Qtrs	Beta	ROE %	Dividend Payout Ratio %
Dell Technologies	DELL	5.39%	0.58%	23.21	1.75	28.21%	12.72%
Cisco	CSCO	4.67%	1.43%	24.92	0.95	26.18%	36.23%
Nucor	NUE	4.33%	1.01%	12.86	1.16	28.53%	12.81%
JPMorgan	JPM	4.23%	1.83%	14.57	1.05	16.75%	26.65%
Abbvie	ABBV	4.09%	2.75%	17.23	0.41	68.01%	47.86%
Apple	AAPL	4.01%	0.37%	31.51	1.06	164.74%	14.23%
Chevron	CVX	3.54%	4.30%	9.96	0.51	13.44%	33.95%
Bank Of America	BAC	3.39%	1.97%	12.43	1.10	10.56%	24.93%
Norfolk Southern	NSC	2.95%	1.72%	25.02	0.79	19.77%	41.84%
Qualcomm	QCOM	2.79%	1.99%	18.71	1.47	61.53%	41.23%
Total Portfolio			**2.18%**	**16.53**	**0.82**	**15.62%**	**61.60%**
S&P 500			1.28%	20.18	1.00	20.30%	32.05%

PORTFOLIO MANAGER PERSPECTIVE

If 2026 has proved anything so far, it's that headlines create plenty of noise for investors — the 'SaaSpocalypse,' an Iran flare-up, a speculative rally in low-quality chip names — while high-quality dividend growers at reasonable valuations continue to make the case for a permanent allocation in portfolios. Our holdings kept raising payouts through it all, held up in the first-quarter selloff, and have the strategy up double digits year-to-date.

	Berkshire Dividend Strategy (Gross)	S&P 500	Berkshire – S&P 500 Difference	Morningstar Large Value	Berkshire – Morningstar Large Value Difference	Berkshire Dividend Strategy (Net)
2009 Inception 5/31/2009	23.24%	22.58%	0.67%	22.33%	0.91%	21.74%
2010	11.62%	15.06%	-3.44%	16.65%	-5.03%	8.62%
2011	10.04%	2.11%	7.94%	0.92%	9.13%	7.04%
2012	14.18%	15.99%	-1.81%	14.19%	-0.01%	11.18%
2013	31.26%	32.37%	-1.12%	32.04%	-0.79%	28.26%
2014	13.88%	13.68%	0.20%	9.75%	4.13%	10.88%
2015	2.27%	1.37%	0.90%	-2.16%	4.43%	-0.73%
2016	15.29%	11.95%	3.34%	20.79%	-5.50%	12.29%
2017	16.95%	21.82%	-4.87%	14.23%	2.72%	13.95%
2018	-5.15%	-4.39%	-0.76%	-7.51%	2.36%	-8.15%
2019	26.78%	31.48%	-4.69%	25.09%	1.69%	23.78%
2020	4.01%	18.39%	-14.38%	-1.31%	5.33%	1.01%
2021	23.52%	28.68%	-5.17%	23.98%	-0.46%	20.52%
2022	-2.48%	-18.12%	15.64%	-0.72%	-1.76%	-5.48%
2023	6.10%	26.26%	-20.16%	11.98%	-5.87%	3.10%
2024	12.32%	25.00%	-12.68%	13.77%	-1.45%	9.32%
2025 (Est. Not GIPS Verified)	14.89%	17.86%	-2.97%	17.24%	-2.35%	11.89%
2026 (Est. Not GIPS Verified)	12.30%	10.19%	2.11%	8.74%	3.56%	10.80%
Total Return	725.28%	1016.80%	-291.53%	634.33%	90.95%	369.00%
Annualized	13.22%	15.25%	-2.03%	12.44%	0.77%	10.18%
1 Year	20.82%	22.29%	-1.47%	20.46%	0.36%	17.82%
3 Years	14.75%	20.57%	-5.82%	15.98%	-1.24%	11.75%
5 Years	10.34%	13.38%	-3.05%	11.30%	-0.97%	7.34%
7 Years	11.25%	16.06%	-4.81%	11.67%	-0.43%	8.25%
10 Years	11.08%	15.49%	-4.41%	11.30%	-0.22%	8.08%

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All information provided is supplemental to its attached GIPS compliant presentation which can be found here.

Definitions: The S & P 500 Index is a market capitalization weighted index of the largest 500 U.S. stocks. It is a market-value weighted index (stock price times # of shares outstanding), with each stock's weight in the index proportionate to its market value. The Morningstar Large Value Index measures the performance of stocks issued by large capitalization companies that have exhibited 'value' characteristics as determined by Morningstar's proprietary index methodology. You cannot invest directly in an index. Beta is a measure of volatility vs. an index. Current yield is the mean estimated annual dividend amount based on current calendar year, divided by the current stock price. Dividend Payout ratio is the fraction of net income a firm pays to its shareholders in dividends, in percentage. Forward Price Earnings Ratio (P/E) is the ratio of the price of a stock and the company's projected earnings per share. Return on equity (ROE) measures profitability by dividing dollars of profit by shareholders' equity.

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