

Thematic Quality Portfolio

Fourth Quarter 2025

Portfolio Overview

The Thematic Quality portfolio underperformed the S&P 500 Index in the fourth quarter. Poor stock selection in information technology and poor stock selection and an underweight in health care detracted from performance. Good stock selection in real estate and consumer staples contributed positively to performance.

The biggest contributors to performance during the quarter were GigaCloud Technology and BBB Foods.

- Participating in the Digital Economy Theme, GigaCloud Technology provides global end-to-end B2B ecommerce solutions for large parcel merchandise. The company is experiencing rapid growth in its marketplace network effect. During the quarter, the company reported resilient profits despite higher tariff rates between the U.S. and Asia.
- Participating in the Inflation Relief theme, BBB Foods is the largest hard-discount grocery retailer in Mexico. By offering a limited assortment, the company concentrates purchasing power into fewer items, lowering per-unit costs for consumers without sacrificing quality. From our perspective this consumer-value focused approach has resulted in high growth in comparable store sales, new locations, and operating cash flow during the quarter.
- Other top contributors included Fair Isaac, Intapp, and ServiceTitan.

The biggest detractors to performance during the quarter were Pure Storage and Veeva.

- Participating in the Artificial Intelligence + Big Data Theme, Pure Storage's technology roadmap focuses exclusively on flash memory, and improving its price/performance over time to exceed hard disk drives—especially on power consumption, which is increasingly a bottleneck for Generative AI workloads in data centers. During the quarter, the company reported market share gains, but the stock sold off around concerns about cyclically higher flash memory input prices (NAND) and uncertainty about future commercial models with additional Hyperscaler customers beyond Meta.
- Participating in the Life Sciences theme, Veeva is the leading cloud-based software provider to the life sciences industry. The company has built deep, trusted relationships with global pharmaceutical firms by delivering technology tailored to the unique demands of life-sciences workflows. In the quarter, the stock sold off due to Veeva having secured only 14 of the top 20 pharma companies as CRM customers thus far—fewer than investors expected—as Veeva transitions its CRM offering from Salesforce's technology platform to its own Vault platform.
- Other bottom detractors included Hawkins, Endava, and Celsius Holdings.

Purchases and Sales

During the quarter, we purchased Kinsale Capital Group, and Stride. We sold MSCI, and Trade Desk. Kinsale Capital Group provides Excess and Surplus (E&S) insurance to businesses that must maintain commercial coverage to operate legally. When inflation—driven by rising replacement costs and larger court awards—causes Standard Lines insurers to retreat from certain risks, the E&S market fills the gap. We believe Kinsale's exclusive focus on E&S, combined with automation, smaller-ticket policies, and a disciplined cost culture, has supported strong growth and profitability. Participating in the Digital Economy theme, Stride is the largest provider of full-time online K-12 education in the United States, operating under the K12 brand. The company partners with school districts to support families who require an alternative to in-person public schooling to satisfy compulsory K-12 education requirements, often due to issues related to safety, bullying, mental health, athletics, or special-needs services. We initiated a position after the company reported execution challenges tied to re-platforming its learning management technology onto more modern vendors.

Portfolio Strategy

The strategy defines themes as structural changes that have the potential to either create new industries or reshape existing industries. Utilizing a bottom-up, fundamental research approach, the Thematic Quality portfolio seeks to identify the highest quality companies among the leaders within these persistent themes.

Portfolio Highlights

Style: Thematic Quality
Index: S&P 500® Index
Portfolio Inception: 2023
Portfolio Turnover: 25%-35%
Number of Holdings: 20 - 35

Key Features



High Quality Businesses

Search for quality companies that capitalize on industry shifts with market dominant business models, solid balance sheets, attractive investment opportunities and consistent growth



Multi-Thematic Exposure

Seek businesses benefiting from structural trends that transcend the traditional business cycle such as technological advances, demographic shifts, or climate change



High Conviction Portfolio

Focus on 20-35 of what we believe are the strongest investment opportunities, with a long-term, low turnover approach

Investment Management Team

Name	Research Start Date
Adam Xiao, CFA Portfolio Manager + Senior Research Analyst	2013
16 Analysts	17 years of research experience*

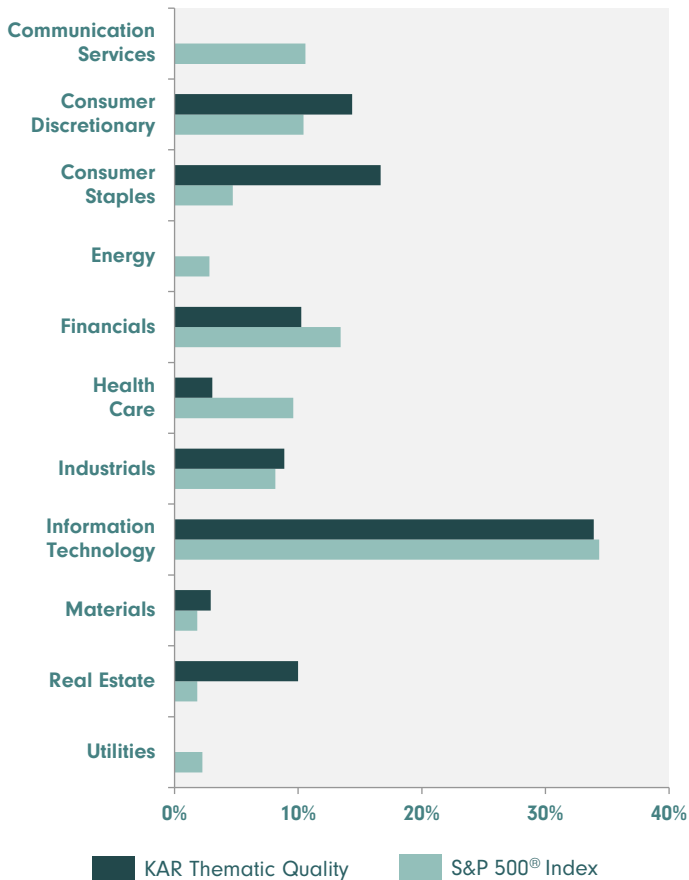
*Average years of research experience.

Investment Process: Discovering Quality

Development of KAR High-Quality Universe	Proprietary Fundamental Research	Portfolio Construction	Sell Discipline
<p>Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company research accumulated since KAR inception Research on existing portfolio holdings Meetings with companies Universe reviews Investment conferences Third-party research <p>Ongoing Surveillance of Major Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company management commentary Consumer purchasing behavior Quantitative screens Industry reports 	<p>Qualitative Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate robustness of business model and assess management's ability to direct capital where it can create further control of its market <p>Financial Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate basis for incremental profitability, long-term growth potential, and ability to reinvest capital appropriately <p>Valuation Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine the current and potential value of the business 	<p>Position Weights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum initial position size is 7.5% (at cost) Maximum position size is 15% (at market) <p>Sector Tolerances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seek broad diversification across themes, but no sector constraints <p>Non-U.S. Holdings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 20% <p>Holding Period</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically 3-to-5 years, but is often longer Portfolio turnover is typically 25% to 35% <p>Cash Levels</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically will not exceed 10% once a portfolio is fully invested; review by CIO triggered if over 10% 	<p>Negative Company or Industry Changes</p> <p>Portfolio Upgrade</p> <p>Acquisition Activity</p> <p>Unattractive Prospective Returns</p>

Sector Diversification

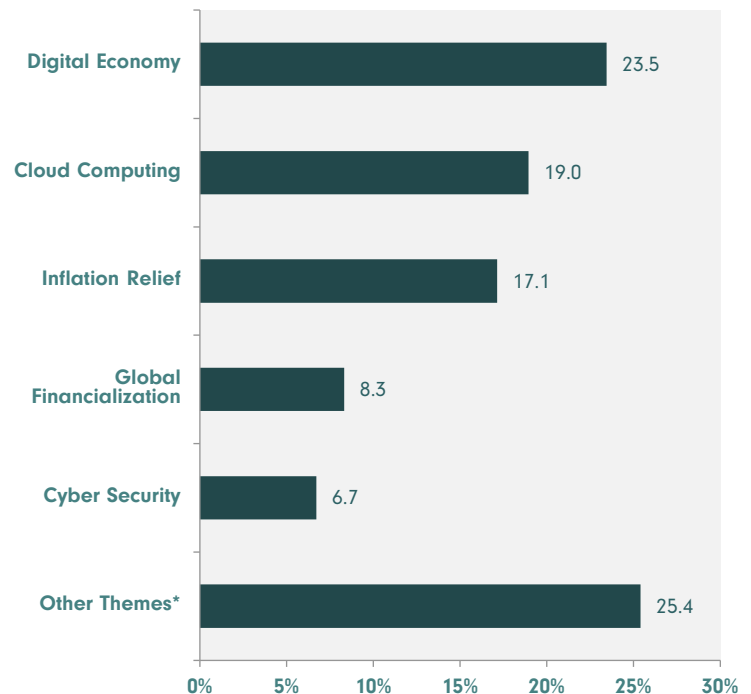
As of December 31, 2025



Holdings are subject to change. Holdings and weightings are based on a representative portfolio. Individual Investors' holdings may differ slightly. The sector information represented above is based on GICS sector classifications. Data is obtained by FactSet Research Systems and is assumed to be reliable.

Portfolio Themes

As of December 31, 2025



*"Other Themes" includes Artificial Intelligence + Big Data, Future Mobility, Consumer, Human Knowledge Capital, Life Sciences and Resource Management. Portfolio themes are defined by the Morningstar taxonomy. Individual securities are categorized within this taxonomy by KAR. In Morningstar's taxonomy, there are 31 total Theme Groupings organized in 4 Broad Themes: Technology, Physical World, Social and Broad Thematic. Portfolio Themes are emergent categorizations to communicate which secular themes the portfolio is participating in through its holdings. These classifications are outputs, and are not inputs for constructing the portfolio. KAR determines which of Morningstar's Theme Groupings a holding falls into, and such determinations as well as Morningstar's Theme Groupings themselves are subject to change by KAR or Morningstar, respectively. Data is assumed to be reliable.

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Top 10 Holdings

As of December 31, 2025

Company	Percent of equity (%)
BBB Foods	10.2
GigaCloud Technology	10.0
Fair Isaac	8.3
Intapp	7.4
Cloudflare	6.7
Pure Storage	6.5
Tesla	6.5
Microsoft	5.9
Goosehead Insurance	5.6
Wingstop	4.9
Total	72.0

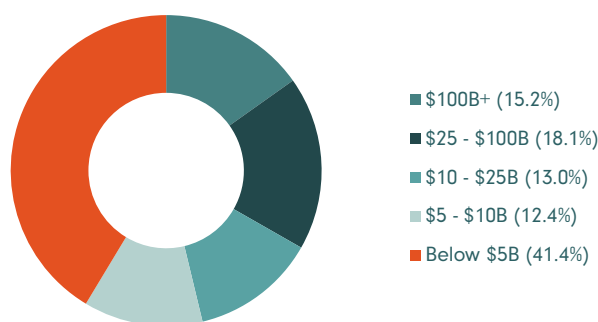
Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2025

	KAR Thematic Quality	S&P 500® Index
Gross Margin—Past 5 Years	49.9%	50.8%
Capital Expenditures (as % of Sales)	5.7%	7.4%
Sales Per Share Growth—Past 2 Years	19.5%	10.1%
Sales Per Share Growth—Past 5 Years	18.6%	12.3%
Debt/EBITDA*	1.0 x	1.0 x

Market Capitalization

As of December 31, 2025



Historical Returns

	KAR Thematic Quality (gross)	KAR Thematic Quality (net)†	S&P 500® Index
Annualized Returns (%)†			
As of December 31, 2025			
4 th Quarter	0.63	0.44	2.66
One Year	19.70	18.82	17.88
Inception§	23.46	22.55	23.01
Annual Returns (%)			
2025	19.70	18.82	17.88
2024	10.90	10.07	25.02
2023	41.77	40.73	26.29

*KAR utilizes the interquartile method when calculating Debt/EBITDA. The interquartile method excludes outliers from an aggregate statistic such as weighted average. The interquartile method does not assume that data from the top or bottom of the distribution are outliers—only the extreme ends are excluded—and that it can be applied consistently as a quantitative method for most fundamental characteristics. Debt/EBITDA utilizes net debt for the calculation.

†All periods less than one year are total returns and are not annualized. Returns are final. Returns could be reduced, or losses incurred, due to currency fluctuations.

‡Net of all fees and expenses. Assumes a 0.75% annual fee. Fees presented on the Disclosure page could vary from the assumed fee in the net-of-fee calculation, as actual fees paid by a particular client account differ depending on a variety of factors including, but not limited to, business unit and size of mandate. The fee used on the Disclosure page utilizes an assumed maximum fee across the firm's business units, which is further detailed on that page. To the extent actual performance results are shown in comparison to an index, the index is not actively managed, does not reflect the deduction of any investment management or other fees and expenses, and is not available for direct investment. While the securities comprising any such index are not identical to those in the composite, KAR believes this comparison may be useful in evaluating performance.

§January 1, 2023

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Thematic Quality Composite

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Disclosure

Year	Composite Gross Return (%)	Composite Net Return (%)	S&P 500® Index Return (%)	Composite 3-Yr Std Dev (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Std Dev (%)	Number of Accounts	Internal Dispersion (%)	Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	Firm Assets (\$ Millions)
2023	41.77	39.98	26.29	N/A	N/A	30	N/A	6	41,186
2024	10.90	9.47	25.02	N/A	N/A	91	0.57	27	45,494

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The composite includes all fully discretionary institutional Thematic Quality Portfolios. Thematic Quality Portfolios are invested in equity securities of all market capitalizations that capitalize on thematic industry shifts with market dominant business models, solid balance sheets, strong economics, and consistent growth. For comparison purposes, the composite is measured against the S&P 500® Index. The S&P 500® Index is a market capitalization-weighted index which includes 500 of the top companies in leading industries of the U.S. economy. The index is calculated on a total-return basis with dividends reinvested, net of withholding taxes. Benchmark returns are not covered by the report of the independent verifiers. The inception date of the composite is January 2023. The composite was created in January 2023. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request. The firm's list of composite descriptions, list of broad distribution pooled fund and the list of limited distribution pooled funds descriptions are available upon request.

The model management fee used for the net returns in this table is 1.30% for all periods presented. The standard Institutional management fee schedule currently in effect is as follows: 0.75% for the first \$25 million; 0.65% on the next \$25 million; 0.55% on the next \$50 million; 0.50% on the balance. The maximum Wealth Advisory Services Fee in effect is 1.30% for all assets, which breaks out as follows: 1.00% for the first \$3 million; 0.80% on the next \$2 million; 0.70% on the next \$5 million; 0.60% on the balance; with an additional

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Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross returns for accounts in the composite for the entire year. For those years when less than five accounts were included for the full year, no dispersion measure is presented. The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation, which measures the variability of the composite (using gross returns) and the benchmark for the 36-month period, is not presented because 36 monthly composite returns are not available.