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- Create the stock (equity) side of your portfolio
- Handle risk control, diversification, and modern portfolio theory
- Manage small, large, sector, and international investments
- Add bonds, REITs, and other ETFs
- Invest smartly in precious metals
- Work non-ETFs into your investment mix
- Revamp your portfolio to fit life changes
- Fund your retirement years

Plus, you'll get answers to commonly asked questions about ETFs and advice on how to avoid mistakes that many investors—even the experienced ones—make. It provides forecasts of the future for ETFs and personal spending and also provides a complete list of ETFs and Web resources to assist your investment. With *Exchange-Traded Funds For Dummies*, you'll soon discover what makes ETFs the hottest investment on the market.

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The fast and easy way to get a handle on ETFs

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- The ABCs of ETFs — find out everything from what makes ETFs so sleek and economical to what goes into actually buying, holding, and selling them
- Don't put all your eggs in one basket — discover how to mix and match your stock ETFs to build a diversified portfolio that will serve you well in both good times and bad
- Put the "I" in diversification — meet a bevy of bond, real estate, and commodity ETFs you can massage into your portfolio for maximum diversification
- Sample the menu — take a look at sample portfolios and find one that fits like a glove, or tinker around and make one that suits your personal tastes, preferences, and goals
- Find your zen — every good portfolio needs a cool head and steady hands to maintain and tweak it, and that's just what you'll learn to do

Open the book and find:

- The differences between ETFs and mutual funds
- The ETF players: Who creates, sells, and manages the funds
- Risk control, diversification, and other things you need to know
- Lots of options for investing in stocks of small, large, growth, and value companies
- Advice for adding international investments to your mix
- ETFs that allow you to invest in industry sectors
- Ten mistakes most investors (even smart ones) make

Learn to:

- Navigate the ETF marketplace
- Make informed investments
- Grasp the latest ETF products, providers, and strategies

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