

# Dividend Harvesting: Building The Portfolio Brick By Brick On \$100 A Week, Week 11 Update

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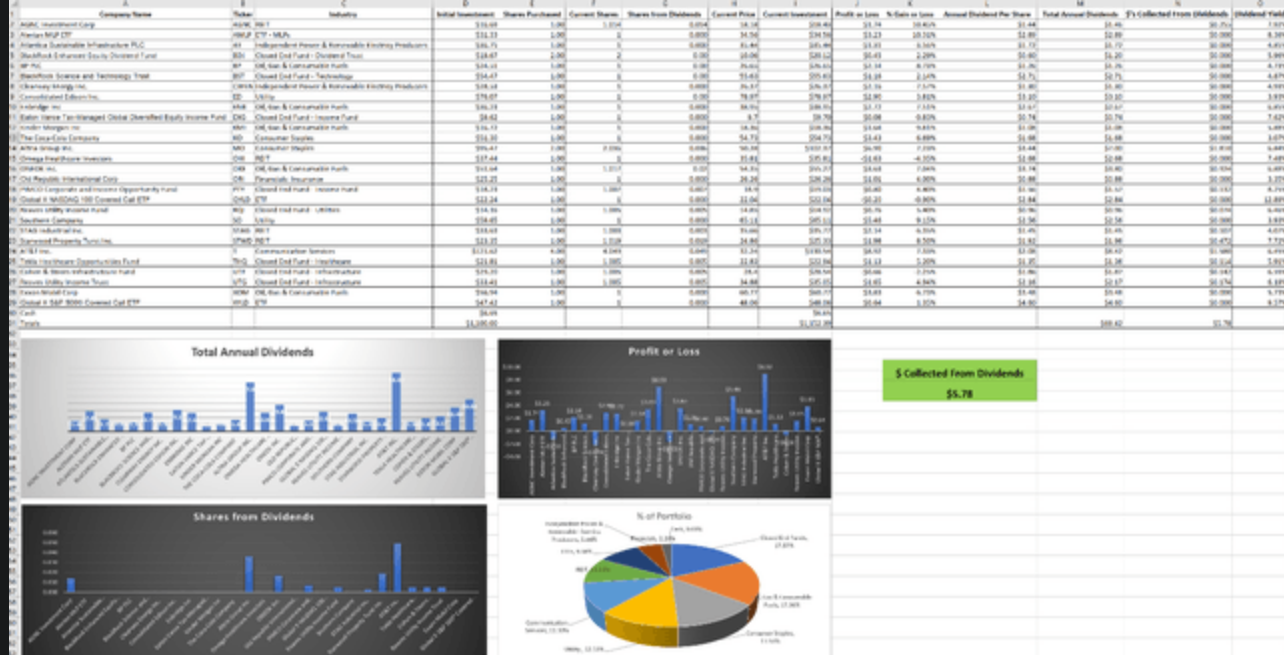
## Summary

- After 11 weeks and \$1,100, the Dividend Harvesting Portfolio is generating \$68.74 in estimated annual income and \$5.73 in monthly estimated income.
- I added the Global X S&P 500 Covered Call ETF and the BlackRock Science and Technology Trust in week 11.
- The Dividend Harvesting portfolio is now generating over 200 dividends on an annual basis with 13 dividends being paid for the remainder of May and 20 are expected in June.



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In week 11, the markets experienced a period of volatility as the major indices had the rug pulled out from them only to recover most of the ground they lost on Friday. In week 11, I took advantage of the volatility and added 1 share of the BlackRock Science and Technology Trust ([BST](#)) and 1 share of the Global X S&P 500 Covered Call ETF ([XYLD](#)). There are now 28 positions within the Dividend Harvesting portfolio, creating a level of diversity that helped shrug off the turbulence that shook the markets. At the end of week 11, I had allocated \$1,100 to the Dividend Harvesting portfolio, and it finished week 11 at \$1,152.39. Through diversification, what I consider to be quality investments and dividends, the capital I have invested has generated a return of 4.76% (\$52.39). So far, in May 2021, 4 of my positions have paid a dividend. There will be 13 more dividends flowing into this account across the remainder of the month. Looking forward to June, I will have 20 positions paying dividends before any investments I make in the following weeks.



(Source: Steven Fiorillo)

## A look inside the Dividend Harvesting portfolio after \$1,100 of investments

After 11 weeks and investing \$100 per week here is an overview of the Dividend Harvesting portfolio's composition:

- Closed-End Funds \$205.95 (17.87%)
- Oil, Gas & Consumable \$200.04 (17.36%)
- Consumer Staples \$156.21 (13.56%)
- Utilities \$144.35 (12.53%)
- Communication Services \$130.22 (11.30%)
- REITs \$117.05 (10.16%)
- ETFs \$104.66 (9.08%)
- Independent Power & Renewable Electricity Producers \$62.72 (5.44%)
- Financials \$26.08 (2.26%)
- Cash \$6.65 (0.58%)

The rate of change in the markets is a perfect example of why diversification is essential to the overall health of a portfolio. Putting all of your eggs in one basket or one sector could provide huge gains, but it could also create large losses if it doesn't work. At the beginning of this investment series Altria Group ([MO](#)) was on fire as it was my largest percentage gainer; then, at one point, Starwood Property Trust ([STWD](#)) took the number 1 spot, followed by Southern Company ([SO](#)). At the close of week 11, MO, STWD, and SO weren't in the top 3 performing positions, and all 3 of them had dropped below the double-digit percentage gain points. AGNC Investment Corp. ([AGNC](#)) has taken the top spot as my initial investment has increased by 10.45%, followed by the Alerian MLP ETF ([AML](#)P), which is up 10.31%. Kinder Morgan ([KMI](#)), which had mixed emotions from the readers, has claimed the number 3 slot as it has increased by 9.81%, and SO has dropped to number 4, retracing to a 9.15%.

In one of the previous weeks, every position was profitable, and I said this was an anomaly, and eventually, some would be in the red. At the close of week 11, there were 5 positions in the red. I am building this portfolio to generate income and withstand volatility as the objective isn't focused on growth. Through a well-diversified portfolio, I should be able to mitigate downside risk and benefit from an upward trajectory in the markets.

In week 11, I added BST and XYLD, which increased my estimated annual income by 11.41% (\$7.04) to \$68.74 from \$61.70. My monthly average dividend income jumped by 11.48% (\$0.59) from \$5.14 to \$5.73. Since this portfolio started producing dividends in April, I have collected \$5.78. There are still 13 positions set to pay dividends for the remainder of May, and I will be collecting an additional \$3.07. The month of June is currently set to generate \$5.99 in dividend income from 20 dividends before any additional investments are made. The dividend income produced by the Dividend Harvesting portfolio is growing quite nicely. In week 1, I made 3 investments which were estimated to generate \$7.44 in annual dividends with an average monthly income of \$0.62 from \$100. After an additional \$1,000 and 25 positions over the last 10 weeks, the dividend stats have changed drastically:

- Estimated Annual Dividend Income
  - \$7.44 to \$68.74 an increase of \$61,30 or 823.92%
- Estimated Monthly Dividend Income
  - \$0.62 to \$5.73 an increase of \$5.11 or 824.19%
- Annual Dividends Generated
  - 12 to 208
- Weekly Dividends
  - 9 weeks to 44 weeks

# Income Estimator



List populated from

Positions

Start over

Estimated Annual Income

Estimated Income Pay Dates

\$68.74

28 of 28

Investments That Pay Dividends

\$5.73

Estimated Average Monthly Income

6.03%

Average Dividend Yield for Populated List



Income calculated from 05/17/2021 to 05/16/2022

Income-Paying Investments



All

Add symbol(s)

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Calculate Income

Symbol	Name	Next Pay Date	Dividend Yield	Div per Share	Dividend Frequency	Quantity	Market Value	Estimated Annual Income ▲
<b>I</b>	AT&T Inc	08/03/21	6.45%	\$0.520	Quarterly	4	\$128.96	\$8.32 ⓘ
<b>MO</b>	Altria Group Inc	07/12/21	6.84%	\$0.860	Quarterly	2	\$100.56	\$6.88 ⓘ
<b>XYLD</b>	Global X S&P 500® Cov...	05/27/21	9.14%	\$0.207	Monthly	1	\$48.06	\$4.39 ⓘ
<b>OKE</b>	ONEOK Inc	08/16/21	6.88%	\$0.935	Quarterly	1	\$54.35	\$3.74 ⓘ
<b>XOM</b>	Exxon Mobil Corp	06/10/21	5.73%	\$0.870	Quarterly	1	\$60.77	\$3.48 ⓘ
<b>ED</b>	Consolidated Edison Inc	06/15/21	3.93%	\$0.775	Quarterly	1	\$78.97	\$3.10 ⓘ
<b>AML</b>	Alerian MLP ETF	05/20/21	8.16%	\$0.680	Quarterly	1	\$34.56	\$2.82 ⓘ
<b>ENB</b>	Enbridge Inc	06/01/21	7.08%	\$0.690	Quarterly	1	\$38.95	\$2.76* ⓘ
<b>BST</b>	BlackRock Science and...	05/28/21	4.88%	\$0.226	Monthly	1	\$55.63	\$2.71 ⓘ
<b>OHI</b>	Omega Healthcare Inv...	05/17/21	7.48%	\$0.670	Quarterly	1	\$35.81	\$2.68 ⓘ
<b>QYLD</b>	Global X NASDAQ 100 ...	05/27/21	11.99%	\$0.204	Monthly	1	\$22.04	\$2.64 ⓘ
<b>SO</b>	Southern Co	06/07/21	4.05%	\$0.660	Quarterly	1	\$65.11	\$2.64 ⓘ
<b>UTG</b>	Reaves Utility Income ...	05/28/21	6.19%	\$0.180	Monthly	1	\$34.88	\$2.16 ⓘ
<b>STWD</b>	Starwood Property Tru...	07/15/21	7.72%	\$0.480	Quarterly	1	\$24.86	\$1.92 ⓘ
<b>UTF</b>	Cohen & Steers Infrast...	05/28/21	6.55%	\$0.155	Monthly	1	\$28.40	\$1.86 ⓘ
<b>AY</b>	Atlantica Sustainable L...	06/15/21	4.85%	\$0.430	Quarterly	1	\$35.44	\$1.72 ⓘ
<b>KO</b>	Coca-Cola Co	07/01/21	3.07%	\$0.420	Quarterly	1	\$54.73	\$1.68 ⓘ
<b>PTY</b>	PIMCO Corporate and ...	06/01/21	8.25%	\$0.130	Monthly	1	\$18.90	\$1.56 ⓘ
<b>STAG</b>	STAG Industrial Inc	05/17/21	4.07%	\$0.121	Monthly	1	\$35.66	\$1.45 ⓘ
<b>AGNC</b>	Agnc Investment Corp	06/09/21	7.92%	\$0.120	Monthly	1	\$18.18	\$1.44 ⓘ
<b>THQ</b>	Tekla Healthcare Oppo...	05/28/21	5.91%	\$0.113	Monthly	1	\$22.83	\$1.35 ⓘ
<b>CWEN</b>	Clearway Energy Inc	06/15/21	4.99%	\$0.329	Quarterly	1	\$26.37	\$1.32 ⓘ
<b>BP</b>	BP PLC	06/18/21	4.73%	\$0.315	Quarterly	1	\$26.65	\$1.26 ⓘ
<b>BDJ</b>	BlackRock Enhanced E...	05/28/21	5.96%	\$0.050	Monthly	2	\$20.12	\$1.20 ⓘ
<b>KMI</b>	Kinder Morgan Inc	05/17/21	5.88%	\$0.270	Quarterly	1	\$18.36	\$1.08 ⓘ
<b>RQI</b>	Cohen & Steers Qualit...	05/28/21	6.46%	\$0.080	Monthly	1	\$14.85	\$0.96 ⓘ
<b>ORI</b>	Old Republic Internati...	06/15/21	3.35%	\$0.220	Quarterly	1	\$26.26	\$0.88 ⓘ
<b>EXG</b>	Eaton Vance Tax-Mana...	05/28/21	7.62%	\$0.062	Monthly	1	\$9.70	\$0.74 ⓘ

Total Market Value & Estimated Annual Income: \$1,139.96

\$68.74

(Source: TD)

My side project of collecting a dividend each week is once again stuck at 44 weeks of dividend income. I think it's pretty amazing that after 11 weeks, I got to 44 weeks of dividend income organically without making strategic purchases. I assume 50 weeks will occur in the fall, if not sooner.

Weekly Projected Dividends For 2021									
2021 Q1									
Month	January			February			March		
Week 1	3rd to 9th	PTY / QYLD		7th to 13th	AGNC / OHI / OKE		7th to 13th	AGNC / XOM	
Week 2	10th to 16th	STWD / MO / AGNC / STAG / UTG		14th to 20th	STAG / SO / AMLP		14th to 20th	STAG / CWEN / ED / ORI	
Week 3	17th to 23rd			21st to 27th	THQ / BDI / EXG / BST		21st to 27th	BP / AY	
Week 4	24th to 30	THQ / BDI / QYLD / EXG / BST XYLD		28th to 6th	PTY / UTG / QYLD / XYLD		28th - 3rd	KO / ENB / PTY / UTG / THQ / BDI / QYLD / EXG / BST / XYLD	
Week 5	31st to 6th	T / PTY							
2021 Q2									
Month	April			May			June		
Week 1	4th to 10th	AGNC		2nd to 8th	PTY / T		6th to 12th	AGNC / XOM	
Week 2	11th to 17th	STWD / STAG		9th to 15th	AGNC / STAG / AMLP / OKE		13th to 19th	STAG / CWEN / BP / ED / ORI / AY	
Week 3	18th to 24th			16th to 22nd	SO		20th to 26th		
Week 4	25th to 1st	MO / UTG / THQ / OHI / BDI / QYLD / EXG / BST /XYLD		23rd to 29th	QYLD / EXG / BST / XYLD		27th to 3rd	KO / ENB / PTY / UTG / THQ / BDI / QYLD / EXG /BST / XYLD	
Week 5				30th to 5th	PTY / UTG / THQ / BDI				
2021 Q3									
Month	July			August			September		
Week 1	4th to 10th	MO / AGNC		1st to 7th	T / PTY		5th to 11th	AGNC / XOM	
Week 2	11th to 17th	STWD / STAG		8th to 14th	AGNC / OKE		12th to 18th	STAG / CWEN / ED / ORI / AY	
Week 3	18th to 24th			15th 21st	STAG / SO / AMLP		19th to 25th	BP	
Week 4	25th to 31st	UTG / THQ / OHI / BDI / QYLD / EXG / BST / XYLD		22nd to 28th			26th to 2nd	KO / ENB / PTY / UTG / THQ / BDI / QYLD / EXG / BST / XYLD	
Week 5				29th 4th	PTY / UTG / THQ / BDI / QYLD / EXG / BST / XYLD				
2021 Q4									
Month	October			November			December		
Week 1	3rd to 9th	AGNC		7th to 13th	AGNC / OKE		5th to 11th	AGNC / XOM	
Week 2	10th to 16th	STWD / MO / STAG		14th to 20th	STAG / SO / AMLP		12th to 18th	KO / ENB / STAG / CWEN / BP / ED / ORI / AY	
Week 3	17th to 23rd			21st to 27th			19th to 25th		
Week 4	24th to 30th	QYLD / EXG / BST		28th to 4th	PTY / UTG / THQ / BDI / QYLD / EXG /BST / XYLD		26th to 31st	UTG / THQ / BDI / EXG / BST / XYLD	
Week 5	31st - 6th	T / PTY / UTG / THQ / OHI / BDI / XYLD							

(Source: Steven Fiorillo)

## Week 11 additions

In week 11, I added BST, another closed-end fund, and XYLD, an ETF. BST is an equity closed-end fund from BlackRock focused on technology. It has \$1.26 billion in net assets with 124 holdings. As technology got hit this week, I decided to add BST as I like what the fund's objectives are and love their holdings. With Apple ([AAPL](#)), Amazon ([AMZN](#)), and Google ([GOOGL](#)) selling off after earnings, BST becomes more appealing as these 3 companies are all in BST's top 5 holdings. BST pays an annual dividend of \$2.71 which is distributed every month and is currently yielding 4.88%. This is definitely one of the closed-end funds I will be keeping an eye on and will add shares when opportunities present themselves.



# Holdings

Top

as of Apr 30, 2021

Name	Weight (%)	Name	Weight (%)
APPLE INC	3.76	MASTERCARD INC	2.16
MICROSOFT CORPORATION	3.56	SQUARE INC	2.08
AMAZON.COM INC	2.67	PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC	1.98
ALPHABET INC	2.61	KAKAO CORP	1.98
PROJECT KAFKA ORDINARY	2.32	TWILIO INC	1.97

## Exposure Breakdowns

Geography

Sector

Market Cap

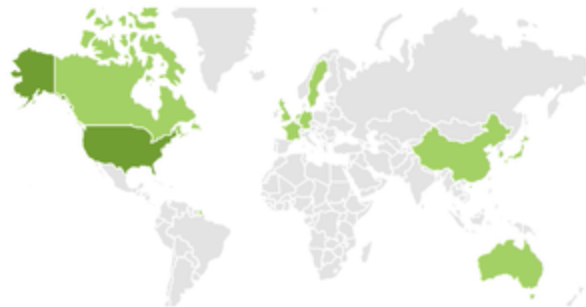
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% of Market Value

Locations

Regions

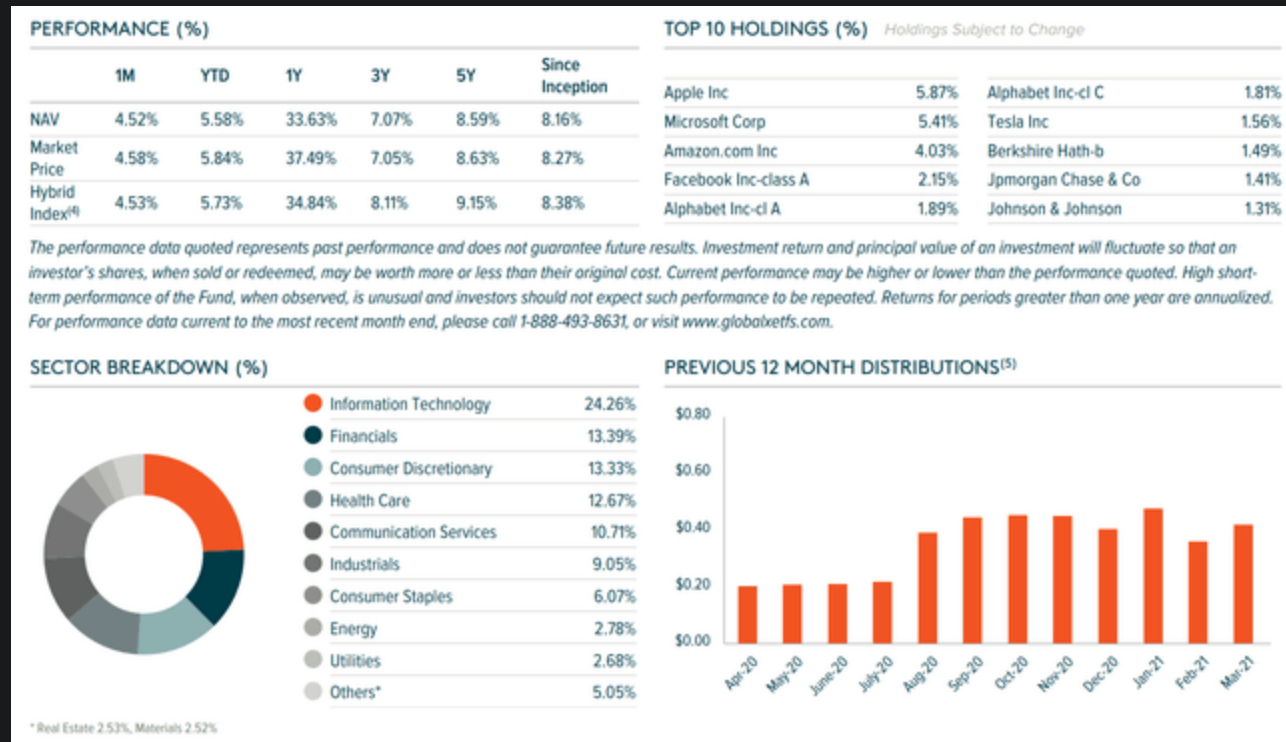
Type	▲	Fund ▶
United States		69.36
China		7.03
Korea (South)		2.78
Netherlands		2.77
Sweden		2.32
France		1.80
Japan		1.63
Germany		1.61
United Kingdom		1.55
Australia		1.47
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(Source: BlackRock)



In the prior week, I had invested in the Global X Nasdaq 100 Covered Call ETF ([QYLD](#)), and some of the other ETFs from [Global X](#) had caught my eye. One of the ones that stood out to me was XYLD, their S&P 500 Covered Call ETF. These funds are not for everyone, but since I write covered calls on some of my positions in other accounts, these were right up my alley. XYLD follows a covered call strategy where they write calls on positions in the S&P 500 index. XYLD generates a \$4 dividend paid every month, which is a yield of 8.33%. QYLD has a good mix of holdings across their top 10 and overall portfolio. I like the portfolio's diversification, strategy, and potential to generate a return in addition to dividend income.



(Source: Global X)

## Week 12 thoughts

After reviewing the Dividend Harvesting portfolio after week 11, I noticed one of my long-term holds was in the red. I have owned Omega Healthcare Investors ([OHI](#)) in another account for years, and it has been a great position in my overall dividend investments. Last week I wrote a detailed [article about OHI](#) and why I feel it's a compelling dividend investment looking forward. OHI is a REIT that operates in the Skilled Nursing Facility and Senior Living industry. OHI works with 70 operators and has over 950 properties within its portfolio. OHI provides investors with a 7.7%-yielding dividend with 17 years of consecutive dividend increases and a dividend CAGR of 8.8%. After noticing that OHI is currently down -4.35% in the Dividend Harvesting portfolio, I am considering adding a share in week 12. This is a great long-term position, in my opinion, and one that I would add to over time in this portfolio. I think I will expedite the timetable as I can get another share a bit cheaper than when I started the position.

Week 12 feels like it's going to be a REIT week. I have read several articles from Monopoly Man @Brad Thomas himself on Realty Income Corporation ([O](#)), but it never made its way into any of my accounts. He wrote an article the other week that was very compelling. After going to their website and conducting some additional research, this is a position I am looking to add not just in the Dividend Harvesting portfolio but in my main account. [O](#) has a real estate portfolio of over 6,600 locations, has paid 609 monthly dividends, and provided 94 consecutive quarterly dividend increases to its shareholders. O's top 20 clients have 2,921 leases which cover 51.2% of their portfolio. I am very interested in it with companies such as Walgreens (NASDAQ:[WBA](#)), 7-Eleven, Dollar General (NYSE:[DG](#)), FedEx (NYSE:[FDX](#)), Walmart (NYSE:[WMT](#)), CVS Pharmacy, and Home Depot (NYSE:[HD](#)) in their top 20 clients.



## MONTHLY DIVIDENDS / STRONG SHAREHOLDER RETURNS

**15.2%**

Compound Average Annual Total  
Return Since 1994 NYSE Listing

**609**

Consecutive Monthly  
Dividends Paid

**4.4%**

Compound Annualized Dividend  
Growth Since 1994 NYSE Listing

**94**

Consecutive  
Quarterly Increases

## DIVERSIFIED REAL ESTATE PORTFOLIO

**6,600+**

Properties Under Long-term  
Net Lease Agreements

**50**

States, Puerto Rico  
and the United Kingdom

**~600**

Different  
Clients

**56**

Retail and  
Other Industries

(Source: Realty Income)

## Conclusion

I want to say thank you to everyone who continues to read and comment on the Dividend Harvesting series. I am looking forward to engaging with everyone in the comments section and gaining perspectives and ideas for new investments. I am pleased with the progress that's been made and hope this series has shown that you can start investing with a small amount of capital and eventually grow a portfolio into an income-producing monster. After 11 weeks, the Dividend Harvesting portfolio generates more than 200 dividends annually, and the snowball effect is about to start. I am excited to document the progress for years to come and hope that this series can help make dividend investing exciting and fun for investors of all ages.

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