

Microsoft® Excel® 2010 Formulas

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Column Sparklines

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9	16.6	19.9	14.1	-19.9	11.0
10	21.8	26.1	19.8	-30.6	-0.1
11	27.0	32.5	23.5	-21.5	-31.6
12	32.2	38.8	28.2	9.9	-38.2
13	37.4	45.1	32.9	34.8	-39.5
14	42.6	51.4	37.6	42.0	8.2
15	47.8	57.7	42.3	33.5	57.4
16	53.0	64.0	47.0	-9.2	61.0
17	58.2	70.3	51.7	-62.4	29.3
18	63.4	76.6	56.4	-86.4	20.3
19	68.6	82.9	61.1	-34.2	-60.3
20	73.8	89.2	65.8	47.0	-84.0
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22	84.2	101.8	75.2	46.3	46.3
23	89.4	108.1	79.9	7.4	121.1
24	94.6	114.4	84.6	6.1	99.7
25	99.8	120.7	89.3	-12.0	9.0
26	105.0	127.0	94.0	-63.7	127.8
27	110.2	133.3	98.7	-47.2	-108.9
28	115.4	139.6	103.4	-107.3	-115.0
29	120.6	145.9	108.1	-115.0	-115.0



Win/Loss Sparklines

Fund Number	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Spark
A-13	103.98	98.97	98.12	86.34	75.58	74.2	
C-09	112.74	116.7	202.18	198.56	190.12	181.74	
K-88	75.74	74.68	69.88	80.34	64.92	59.46	
W-91	91.75	95.44	98.1	98.46	98.88	105.86	
M-03	124.38	109.14	117.1	107.52	128.34	120.9	
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A-13	8N/A	-5.06	-16.5	-1.75	-10.75	-4.58	
C-09	8N/A	5.96	-16.74	3.82	8.44	8.28	
K-88	8N/A	-2.06	3.82	8.92	4.58	1446	
W-91	8N/A	3.68	2.66	1.36	0.78	2.18	
M-03	8N/A	-15.84	8.56	-25.28	-11.58	75.34	
Month	X	Actual Y					
1 Jan	1	512	1,200				
2 Feb	2	743					
3 Mar	3	559	1,000				
4 Apr	4	878					
5 May	5	795	800				
6 Jun	6						
7 Jul	7						
8 Aug	8						
9 Sep	9						
10 Oct	10	1,100					
11 Nov	11		300				
12 Dec	12						

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