

Technical: Seasonality Trends

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eResearch Corporation is pleased to provide a graphic (next page) showing the seasonality trends of market indexes, sectors, and sub-sectors. This chart was compiled from data provided on the website of **Equity Clock**. Each morning, *e*Research posts a report on its website that has links to that day's **Equity Clock** report as well as that of its sister publication, **Tech Talk**. *e*Research strongly recommends that investors visit the respective websites, which feature the work of Don and Jon Vialoux. <u>www.equityclock.com and http://www.timingthemarket.ca/techtalk/</u>.

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Seasonality: The following information regarding seasonality has been taken from the **Equity Clock** website:

Seasonality refers to particular time frames when stocks/sectors/indices are subjected to and influenced by recurring tendencies that produce patterns that are apparent in the investment valuation. Tendencies can range from weather events (temperature in winter vs. summer, probability of inclement conditions, etc.) to calendar events (quarterly reporting expectations, announcements, etc.). The key is that the tendency is recurring and provides a sustainable probability of performing in a manner consistent to previous results.

A seasonality study preferably uses at least 10 years of data. Most of our studies use 10-20 years of data; however, data may not always be available for periods greater than 10 years in length. Studies using less than ten years of data can be used, but they tend to be less reliable. Results of shorter-term studies have a higher chance of being skewed by a single data point.

The chart on the next page shows the periods of seasonal strength for each market segment. Each bar will indicate a buy and sell date based upon the optimal holding period for each market sector/index.

SECTORS IN FAVOUR IN JULY (3 starting and 6 ending this month):

Adding this month: VIX, Real Estate, and Gold **Deleting this month**: NASDAQ, Health-Care, Financials, Technology, Bio-techs, and Copper

NASDAQ	From:	April 15	-	Until:	July 17
VIX	From:	July 18	-	Until:	October 12
Health-Care	From:	March 5	-	Until:	July 17
Financials	From:	June 28	-	Until:	July 15
Technology	From:	April 15	-	Until:	July 17

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Real Estate	From:	July 1	-	Until:	September 19
Bio-techs	From:	June 10	-	Until:	July 31
Gold	From:	July 27	-	Until:	October 10
Silver	From:	June 28	-	Until:	August 4
Copper	From:	June 15	-	Until:	July 31
Oil	From:	February 7	-	Until:	September 22

	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
S&P/TSX Composite						5				28		
S&P 500 Index					5					28		
Dow Jones Industrials					17					11		
NASDAQ	5			15			17			9		
Russell 2000		1		30						6		31
DJ Transports		3		16						2		8
VIX						2.0	18			12		
US Dollar Index	1		8		1	30		2	8	15	22	
Energy		1		30					26			22
Materials	20				5					1		22
Industrials			1		5					8		22
C. Discretionary		10		30						7		22
C. Staples			12		31					1		22
Health-Care			5				17			8		4
Financials			1	30		28	15			7		22
Technology				15			17			9		22
Utilities			12	30							14	22
Real Estate	20				5		1		19			
Banks		21		30	5					8		22
Biotechs		24				10	31			4		
Gas Utilities			1		9					7		22
Retail	18			27						1		22
Metals & Mining	20				5					3		22
Gold		28					27			10		15
Silver		28		200		28		4				15
Copper Oil		7		28		15	31		22			15
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source: Equity Clock												

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