WEBs Defined Volatility℠ Sector ETFs Celebrate One Year of Helping Investors Navigate Volatile Markets

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The 11-fund suite delivered systematic volatility management across S&P 500 sectors during turbulent market conditions

PARK CITY, Utah, July 27, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- One year ago, WEBs Investments launched its Defined Volatility℠ Sector ETF suite into a market environment that would quickly test its core premise. Over the past 12 months, investors navigated sharp volatility spikes, rapid sector rotations, and the kind of whipsaw conditions that can challenge traditional buy-and-hold sectors. The WEBs Defined Volatility℠ Sector ETFs were built for exactly that environment: seeking to reduce portfolio risk when markets deteriorate and to increase equity exposure when markets stabilize.

Launched on July 23, 2025, the 11 Defined Volatility℠ Sector ETFs expanded the firm's Defined Volatility℠ ETF lineup beyond broad market exposure, joining the flagship WEBs Defined Volatility℠ SPY ETF (Nasdaq: DVSP) and WEBs Defined Volatility℠ QQQ ETF (Nasdaq: DVQQ). For advisors seeking sector exposure with built-in risk management, the Defined Volatility℠ funds offer a rules-based alternative to traditional sector ETFs, one designed to adjust equity exposure systematically as market conditions evolve.

"The past year reminded investors why volatility management matters and why timing the market manually is so difficult," said Ben Fulton, CEO of WEBs ETFs. "What we've learned in our first year is that advisors are drawn to the systematic nature of the approach. They don't have to make a judgment call about when to dial up or pull back risk. The methodology does it for them, rules-based and transparently. As market volatility becomes a more permanent feature of the landscape, we believe dynamic risk management is only going to become more important for advisors building portfolios for clients who can't afford to sit through the full brunt of a drawdown."

Each fund employs a transparent, systematic methodology that dynamically adjusts equity exposure based on realized market volatility. When volatility falls below a target level, the strategy increases exposure to the underlying sector ETF. When volatility rises above that threshold, exposure is reduced and assets shift to U.S. Treasuries and cash equivalents, seeking to preserve capital without requiring an investor to sell their position or realize a gain. When conditions normalize, the strategy moves back in, again systematically and without triggering a taxable event. The result is a portfolio tool designed to help investors stay invested in sectors they want exposure to, with a built-in shock absorber for periods of elevated volatility.

Liquidity is a foundational feature of the Defined Volatility℠ Sector ETF suite. With a creation basket size of 5,000 shares and each fund linked to some of the most actively traded sector ETFs in the market, advisors and their clients can access and exit positions efficiently, even during periods of elevated market stress. The funds' direct linkage to high-volume, well-established sector ETFs provides meaningful transparency into how the strategy trades in practice.
Despite significant market volatility and sharp sector rotations during the past year, the Defined Volatility Sector ETFs delivered positive returns in 8 of 11 sectors since inception on July 23, 2025, led by Technology, Energy, Industrials and Health Care.

Fund	Gross Expense Ratio	1-Year (NAV) *As of 7/22/26*	Since Inception (NAV) *As of 6/30/26*	Since Inception (Market Price) *As of 6/30/26*
WEBs Defined Volatility XLB ETF (Nasdaq: DVXB)	0.89%	9.94%	10.09%	9.34%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLC ETF (Nasdaq: DVXC)	0.89%	-5.56%	-8.26%	-9.08%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLE ETF (Nasdaq: DVXE)	0.89%	60.91%	38.93%	35.66%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLF ETF (Nasdaq: DVXF)	0.89%	8.92%	0.40%	-1.06%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLK ETF (Nasdaq: DVXK)	0.89%	51.10%	56.99%	55.29%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLI ETF (Nasdaq: DVIN)	0.89%	20.34%	25.43%	21.11%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLRE ETF (Nasdaq: DVRE)	0.89%	1.16%	-1.53%	-2.03%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLU ETF (Nasdaq: DVUT)	0.89%	11.36%	8.94%	11.51%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLY ETF (Nasdaq: DVXY)	0.89%	-11.13%	-7.93%	-8.64%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLP ETF (Nasdaq: DVXP)	0.89%	2.33%	0.39%	0.39%
WEBs Defined Volatility XLV ETF (Nasdaq: DVXV)	0.89%	28.31%	28.09%	24.67%

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WEBs' focus going forward is deepening advisor education and continuing to demonstrate how these funds work across a full market cycle. Visit the WEBs Learning Hub for more.

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