



What Most Investors Miss... Until It Costs Them

Over the last two weeks, we've looked at something most investors don't spend enough time on.

First, we talked about earnings. Not just the headline numbers, but *how* those earnings are created. Because two companies can report the same growth yet have a very different economic reality!

Then we talked about risk. Not the kind that shows up in headlines, but the kind that builds *quietly* while everything appears to be working.

That's where most investors get caught with their pants down.

Not because they ignore risk.

Because they can't see it clearly.

The truth is the most important information in the market is rarely found in the headline number. It's not whether a company beat expectations or whether revenue grew this quarter, even though that is the focus of Wall Street analysts. They're not on your side!

It's in the *details behind* those numbers.

It's in the quality of earnings.

It's in the strength of cash flow.

It's in how revenue is recognized.

It's in whether growth is sustainable—or being pulled forward.

That's the difference between what looks strong and what is.

And it's not easy to see.

Most investors don't have the time—or the tools—to go through financial statements, adjust for accounting distortions, and evaluate whether a company's results reflect *real* economic strength. So they rely on summaries. They rely on headlines. They rely on what appears obvious.

But what appears obvious is often where the risk is hiding.

That's the gap.

And that gap is where the opportunity is. You have to seize that opportunity. Wall Street isn't going to do it for you.

There are really only two ways to close it.

The First: Do the Work Yourself

If you want to go down that path, there are a handful of books that shaped how I think about markets and financial statements. These are not light reads while sipping cocktails at the beach, but they will give you a very different way of looking at companies.

My book, *What's Behind the Numbers?*, was written to help investors understand how accounting choices can distort reality. It was named the Book of the Year by *the Stock Trader's Almanac*, a best-seller, and used in university classrooms. It lays out the framework I've used throughout my career. Real case studies, *written in real-time*, for *real* customers, managing over \$2 trillion. Not fluff.

Financial Shenanigans delves into the tricks companies use to make results look better than they are. I had the opportunity to work with Howard Schilit early in my career, and that experience helped me develop my own approach and refine my craft.

Quality of Earnings is another classic. It focuses on understanding whether reported earnings truly reflect the underlying business.

And *What Works on Wall Street* provides a different perspective—one grounded in data and long-term market behavior. I also had the chance to work with James O'Shaughnessy, and his approach to systematic investing had a lasting impact on how I think about building strategies.

Those four books will give you a strong foundation.

But they require time, effort, and consistency. Most investors start down that path and don't follow through.

The Second: Use a System Built for It

That's why there's a second option.

You can use a system that does the heavy lifting *for* you.

That's exactly what I built with the *FAST Model*.

It evaluates companies across a broad universe and ranks them based on what **actually drives long-term performance—earnings quality, cash flow, and capital allocation.**

If you're already receiving *FAST Profits* through a *Dent* subscription, you're seeing only a portion of that work—just the top and bottom 50 stocks.

But that's only a slice of the full picture.

The full *FAST Model* ranks roughly 1,500 stocks. It gives you the ability to go beyond just the highlights and see the entire landscape—what's strong, what's weakening, and what may carry more risk than it appears.

Most investors never see this.

With *FAST*, you can see what most investors miss...in seconds. No accounting degree required!



Forensic Accounting Stock Tracker
“CSI For Your Stock Portfolio”



Rank	Rank Change	Ticker	Stock Name	Overall Rank	Buybacks	Earnings Quality	Momentum	Sentiment
32	87	KLAC	KLA Corp.	A+	D+	A+	B	A+
33	44	TEL	TE Connectivity Plc	A+	C+	A-	B	A
34	176	ENS	EnerSys	A+	B	B-	B	A+
35	266	NDSN	Nordson Corp.	A+	B-	A	B-	A
36	326	CAKE	Cheesecake Factory, Inc.	A+	B	B+	A+	C
37	442	ULTA	Ulta Beauty, Inc.	A+	B	C+	A+	B+
38	6	MIDD	The Middleby Corp.	A+	A	A	C+	B-
39	50	ABBV	AbbVie, Inc.	A+	D	A	A-	A
40	188	GE	GE Aerospace	A+	D	A+	A+	A-
41	-36	TPR	Tapestry, Inc.	A+	B	C+	A+	B+
42	-29	TRMB	Trimble, Inc.	A+	B+	B-	C+	A+
1456	11	SCL	Stepan Co.	F	D-	D-	D-	D+
1457	-100	IIPR	Innovative Industrial Properties, Inc.	F	D-	D	D-	D
1458	25	OGN	Organon & Co.	F	D	D-	F	D+
1459	-68	HTZ	Hertz Global Holdings, Inc.	F	D	F	D	D-
1460	25	PII	Polaris Inc.	F	D-	F	D+	D-
1461	8	ARR	ARMOUR Residential REIT, Inc.	F	F	F	B-	D-
1462	-361	HUM	Humana, Inc.	F	D+	D-	F	D-
1463	-226	OLN	Olin Corp.	F	C	D-	D-	D-
1464	-18	SDGR	Schrödinger, Inc.	F	D-	C-	D-	F
1465	-128	HIW	Highwoods Properties, Inc.	F	D-	D-	D-	D-

Just as important, the model is designed to be easy to use.

You don’t need to dig through filings or understand every accounting rule. The system is color-coded and structured so you can quickly see where a company stands. In a matter of seconds, you can evaluate a stock you already own—or one you’re thinking about buying—and understand the key risk factors beneath the surface.

At a glance, you can see the difference between companies that are truly strong and those that carry hidden risk. Green highlights strength. Red highlights weakness. And the letter grades bring it all together in a way that’s simple, but meaningful.

Think of it like running a quick investigation on a stock.

Not in a complicated way.

In a clear, structured way that shows you what matters—and filters out what doesn’t.

That matters more than most investors realize.

Because in many cases, avoiding just **one** troubled stock—the kind that looks fine on the surface but breaks underneath—can more than pay for the cost of a subscription.

That's not theory.

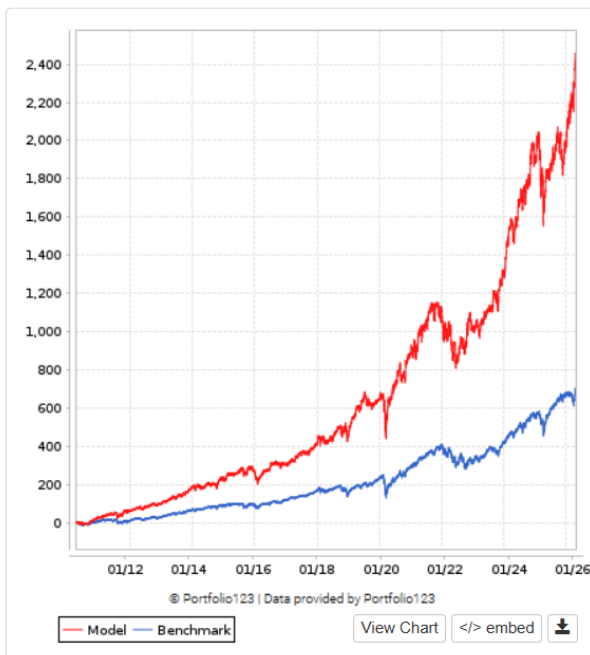
That's how risk actually shows up in portfolios.

For years, this type of work was only available to institutions. I charged \$25,000 or more per year to provide this level of analysis.

Today, the only way to access the full model is as a subscriber through *Dent*.

I launched my business in April, 2010. Here's the performance of the top eight stocks since then that comes along with the model in a newsletter called *FAST Profits*.

The top stocks in the FAST model have produced returns of 2,457% compared with 702% for the S&P 500.



General Info

PDF Report

Total Market Value (inc. Cash)	2,557,074.89
Cash	4,486.74
Number of Positions	8
Last Trades (4)	04/13/26
Period	04/01/10 - 04/20/26
Sizing Method	Static Weight
Next Rebalance (Every Week)	04/25/26 In 4 Days
Mode	Manual
PIT Method - Prelim	Use
Benchmark	S&P 500 (SPY:USA)
Universe	S&P1500 CompositeCap (IVV+IJH+IJR)
Ranking System	FAST Ranking

Quick Stats as of 4/20/2026

Total Return	2,457.07%
Benchmark Return	702.39%
Active Return	1,754.69%
Annualized Return	22.36%
Annual Turnover	1,298.13%
Max Drawdown	-30.94%
Benchmark Max Drawdown	-33.72%
Overall Winners	(1020/1679) 60.00%
Sharpe Ratio	1.21
Correlation with S&P 500 (SPY:USA)	0.81

Return (%)	Model	S&P 500 (SPY:USA)
Total	2,457.07	702.39
Annualized	22.36	13.84
Year To Date	23.67	4.42
Month To Date	9.23	9.20
4 Week	9.71	8.36
13 Week	15.76	2.95
1 Year	44.96	36.45
3 Year	120.52	79.03

The *FAST Profits* newsletter is up over 23% year-to-date in 2026.

That kind of difference doesn't come from reacting to the market.

It comes from seeing it clearly.

Because in the end, investing isn't about knowing everything.

It's about knowing what matters.

And focusing on it consistently, over time.

FAST Profits is currently available at \$597.

On May 1, 2026, the price increases to \$797.

And once you join, you lock in that lower price for as long as you maintain your membership.

P.S.

Most investors don't lose money because they take big risks.

They lose money because they trust what looks right on the surface.

Strong earnings.

Rising prices.

Glossy stories built on hype.

That's what gets people comfortable.

And that's usually when the real risk is already in place.

You can do the work yourself. The books above will show you how.

Or you can use a system built for it—and see the full picture, not just a small slice of it.

FAST Profits is just \$597 today. It goes to \$797 on May 1st.

If you're going to make the shift—and get access to the full model, **now is the time.**

<https://hsdent.com/product/fast-profit/>

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