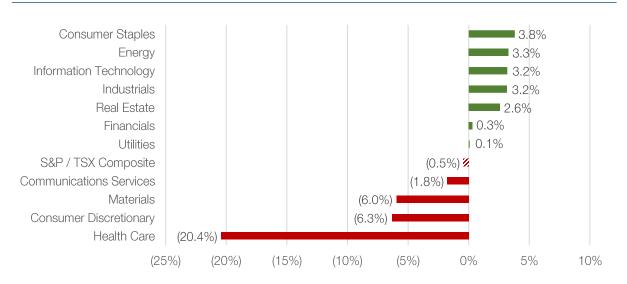
Q3 2021: TSX Composite little changed in quarter

Eight of eleven sectors generate gains or losses of less than 4% in Q3

Q3 2021 Capped Sector Performance



Q3 2021 Highlights

- The S&P/TSX Composite returned -0.5% in Q3. YTD the index has risen +15.1%.
- Of the 239 stocks that were in the TSX Composite at some point during Q3, 109 (46%) recorded a gain.
- For Q3, mid-capitalization (S&P/TSX Completion) performed best, followed closely by large caps (S&P/TSX 60) with small caps (S&P/TSX SmallCap) lagging.
- In Q3, the Canadian market underperformed the US market in home currency terms (US returned +0.2%) and in Canadian dollar terms (US market returned +3.0% in C\$ terms).
- Health Care was the worst performing sector, but its modest weighting in the index meant that its impact on overall index return was minor.
- Consumer Discretionary and Materials ranked second and third among losing sectors in Q3.
- Consumer Staples, Energy, Information Technology and Industrials were the best performing sectors in Q3, delivering similar modest gains.
- YTD, Energy is the best performing sector, generating a +58.9% return, nearly tripling the next best sector (Real Estate at +22.8%).

2021 Index Returns	Q3	YTD
S&P/TSX Composite	-0.5%	+15.1%
S&P/TSX 60 (Large Cap)	-0.5%	+16.3%
S&P/TSX Completion (Mid Cap)	-0.4%	+11.0%
S&P/TSX SmallCap	-3.0%	+15.2%

Q3 Biggest Contributors	Q3 Biggest Detractors
Canadian National Railway	Shopify
Thomson Reuters	Canadian Pacific Railway
Brookfield Asset Management	Magna International
Constellation Software	Toronto-Dominion Bank
Nutrien	Suncor Energy
Loblaw Companies	Barrick Gold
Waste Connections	Canopy Growth Corporation
George Weston	Tilray
Tourmaline Oil	First Quantum Minerals
Nuvei Corporation	Bank of Nova Scotia
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Sector	Q3 Returns	Biggest Impacts
Consumer Staples 4% of S&P/TSX Composite	+3.8%	 Loblaw Companies (+14%), George Weston (+16%) and Alimentation Couche-Tard (+6%) led sector contributors as all benefited from notable analyst upgrades during Q3. Saputo (-13%) led sector detractors as analysts lowered price targets following its virtual investor day.
Energy 13% of S&P/TSX Composite	+3.3%	 A 7% increase in the S&P GSCI Energy commodity price index, driven by a 61% increase in its natural gas component, prompted producers and integrateds Tourmaline Oil (+25%), Cenovus Energy (+8%), Imperial Oil (+6%) and Canadian Natural Resources (+3%) to rank first, second, fourth and fifth, respectively, among contributors from the sector. Enbridge (+2%) traded in a narrow trading range during Q3 but its large market cap caused a small share price gain to translate into the third leading contribution among sector components during Q3. Suncor Energy (-12%) led sector detractors as companies with heavy exposure to gasoline retail (Suncor owns Petro-Canada) tended to underperform the market in Q3.
Information Technology 12% of S&P/TSX Composite	+3.2%	 Constellation Software (+11%), Nuvei Corp (+43%) and Lightspeed Commerce (+18%) were the top three sector contributors, respectively, in Q3. Shopify (-5%) led sector detractors on news that Amazon is developing a new point-of-sale system to better compete with Shopify and PayPal in efforts to attract small business customers.
Industrials 12% of S&P/TSX Composite	+3.2%	 Markets appeared to view the price associated with the acquisition of US railroad Kansas City Southern as too high. After failing to gain US regulatory approval, Canadian National Railway (+12%) dropped its bid for the US railway and then led Q3 sector contributors. Canadian Pacific Railway (-13%) then successfully concluded a merger deal with the US railway, but that led to CP becoming the sector's largest detractor in Q3. Thomson Reuters (+14%), Waste Connections (+8%) and GFL Environmental (+19%) ranked second,
Real Estate 3% of S&P/TSX Composite	+2.6%	 Colliers International (+17%) and FirstService Corp (+8%) led sector contributors as both delivered quarterly earnings exceeding analyst expectations. Allied Properties REIT (-11%) led sector detractors on Covid-related fears of a slower return to offices.
Financials 32% of S&P/TSX Composite	+0.3%	 Brookfield Asset Management (+7%) led sector contributors in Q3. In spite of delivering earnings that universally beat analyst expectations, big banks delivered flat performance in Q3 with National Bank (+5%) and Royal Bank (+0%) ranking fourth and seventh among sector contributors while Toronto-Dominion Bank (-3%), Bank of Nova Scotia (-3%), Bank of Montreal (-0%) and CIBC (-0%) ranked first, second, fifth and ninth among sector detractors. Life insurers contributed to gains as Great-West Lifeco (+5%) and Sun Life Financial (+2%) ranked third and fifth among sector contributors while Manulife Financial (-0%) was essentially flat.
Utilities 5% of S&P/TSX Composite	+0.1%	 Brookfield Infrastructure Partners (+4%) and Fortis (+2%) led sector contributors. Renewable energy firms Northland Power (-6%) and TransAlta Renewables (-9%) led sector detractors on earnings that fell significantly short of analyst estimates.
Communications Services 5% of S&P/TSX Composite	-1.8%	 Rogers Communications (-10%) led sector detractors as attempts to gain regulatory approval of its acquisition of Shaw Communications (+3%) dragged on amidst industry and consumer opposition. BCE (+4%) led sector contributors but there were no obvious catalysts for the share price gains.
Materials 11% of S&P/TSX Composite	-6.0%	 A 1% Q3 drop in gold prices caused gold and precious metals miners Barrick Gold (-11%), Wheaton Precious Metals (-13%), Franco-Nevada (-9%) and Agnico-Eagle Mines (-12%) to respectively rank first, third, fourth and fifth among sector detractors. First Quantum Minerals (-18%) ranked second among sector detractors on speculation that Panama may seek to increase royalties that would affect the company's copper mine in that country. Nutrien (+9%) led sector contributors as the company again increased its full-year earnings guidance. West Fraser Timber (+20%) was the second leading contributor in the sector.
Consumer Discretionary 4% of S&P/TSX Composite	-6.3%	 Magna International (-17%) led sector detractors on negative market reaction to its proposed takeover of Swedish automotive technology developer Veoneer, followed by a so-far unsuccessful attempt by Qualcomm to outbid Magna for the company. Canadian Tire (-10%) was the second leading detractor from the sector.
Health Care 1% of S&P/TSX Composite	-20.4%	 Canopy Growth Corp (-41%), Tilray (-36%) and Cronos (-33%) led sector detractors as proposed US legislation to legalize cannabis at the federal level was met with disappointment by investors. Trillium Therapeutics (+84%) led sector contributors as it accepted a takeover offer from Pfizer.