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Which ETF, DIA, SPY, QQQ or IWM is less risky to trade now and why?

Anyone has a preference out of these four ETFs in the recent market?

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trading etf

asked Sep 19 '11 at 17:40

 dreamtalk
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1 I am not going to give trading advice (even though you are asking for it) but here is a technical idea ... start with a performance chart and begin to answer your own question ... here is a starter chart for you.

<http://stockcharts.com/h-sc/ui?s=SPY&p=D&b=9&g=0&id=p46383016776&listNum=6&a=244171011>

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answered Sep 19 '11 at 19:37

 Anonymous
2.7k • 2 • 8

How do you want to trade it? Long / short, day trade, pops & drops, swing trade or position trade?

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There are a lot of ways to make money in the market.

I trade SPY, QQQ & IWM (plus EEM) because you never know which is going to be the strongest. But IMHO it is usually a good sign when QQQ & IWM lead the market. It shows that traders are willing to take on risk. So today we have a bit of a mixed message.

Cheers :)


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edited Sep 19 '11 at 18:19

answered Sep 19 '11 at 18:00

 Love_To_Trade
3.9k • 2 • 16

Let's say swing trade. These ETFs today changed DIA -0.99%, QQQ +0.04%, SPY -1.00% and IWM -1.79%. So today there is a big difference between QQQ and IWM, which one would you pick and why?


 dreamtalk (Sep 19 '11 at 18:18)

I wouldn't pic any of them for a swing trade because the swing started a week ago. I'm only into low risk / high reward swing trades.

Cheers :)

 Love_To_Trade (Sep 19 '11 at 18:33)

I was just curious what do you think about the divergence between QQQ and IWM. It looks like QQQ was hanging on AAPL (for how long?).

 dreamtalk (Sep 19 '11 at 19:51)

Initially, I thought Anonymous had given you my answer until I looked at the link.

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While I agree that this isn't the place to provide trading advice, you ask a question that gives a great excuse to make

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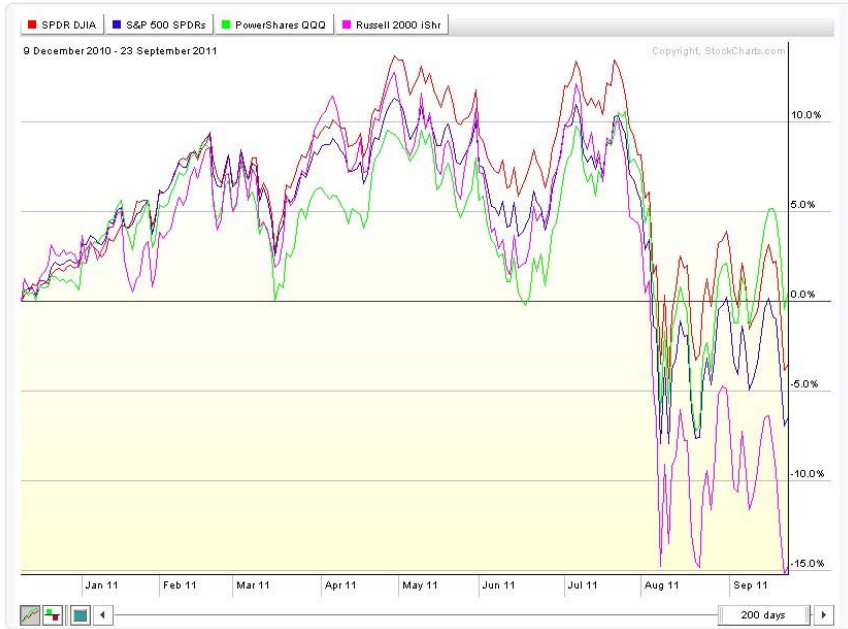
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