

Quarterly Performance Review As of 3/31/25 ProShares Nasdaq-100 High Income ETF

## **Market Overview**

U.S. equities pulled back in the first quarter as rising trade-related tensions weighed on risk assets. By mid-February, the administration had designated April 2 as the date to unveil a package of reciprocal tariffs, invoking the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA) to declare a national emergency. Markets reacted unfavorably after a string of soft economic releases weakened, including declines in consumer sentiment and business surveys. Meanwhile, 1-year inflation swaps climbed 72 basis points to 3.25%. The Federal Reserve held policy rates steady throughout the quarter amid elevated uncertainty. However, fed-funds futures shifted to price in three 25-basis-point rate cuts in 2025, up from two at the start of the year.

The market-cap-weighted S&P 500® fell 4.3% in the first quarter, reversing some of last year's outperformance relative to its equal-weight counterpart. Among the eleven sectors, energy (9.3%) and health care (6.1%) led the gains, while consumer discretionary (-14.0%) and information technology (-12.8%) suffered the steepest losses.

# Performance

Powered by a covered call strategy that sells one-day call options each day, IQQQ's index, the Nasdaq-100 Daily Covered Call Index, lagged traditional monthly strategy index, the CBOE Nasdaq-100 BuyWrite V2 Index, by 2.4% during the first quarter (-7.2% vs -4.8%). Over the same period, IQQQ's index outperformed the Nasdaq-100 by 0.9% (-7.2% vs. -8.1%). In terms of income, the annualized index yield\* for the fourth quarter was 19%.

Fund performance and index history	1Q 2025	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	Fund Inception 3/18/23
ProShares Nasdaq-100 High Income ETF						
IQQQ NAV Total Return	-7.30%	-7.30%	4.95%	—	_	6.42%
IQQQ Market Price Total Return	-7.41%	-7.41%	4.75%	—	_	6.37%
Nasdaq-100 Daily Covered Call Index	-7.16%	-7.16%	5.79%	_	_	7.32%

Source: ProShares and Morningstar. Periods greater than one year are annualized. IQQQ gains exposure to the sale of daily call options using swap agreements and does not trade options.

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\*The annualized index yield reflects the dividend and call premium income earned by the Index for the period from 1/1/2025 through 3/31/25, on an annualized basis, as measured by the Nasdaq-100 Daily Covered Call Index - Income Only, a sub-index that measures the cash received by the Index from dividends and call option premiums. The annualized index yield assumes that the income received from 1/1/2025 – 3/31/25 would remain the same, but future income may differ significantly and is not guaranteed. The annualized index yield reflects dividend and call premium income from a short period of time only and does not reflect total returns or other distributions. The index has a very limited performance history, which should not be taken as an indication of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged and do not include the effect of fees. One cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The annualized index yield is for illustrative purposes only does not represent actual performance received by any investor. The index's distribution information may differ from IQQQ's.

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## Performance contribution

IQQQ follows a strategy that consists of a long position in the Nasdaq-100 Total Return Index and a short position in a one-day, out-of-the-money Nasdaq-100 call option. The strategy's performance can be broken into the following components: 1) Nasdaq-100 price return, 2) Nasdaq-100 dividends, 3) daily call premiums, and 4) the payouts required when options sold expire in-the-money.

During the quarter, the strategy saw losses of approximately 8.3% from Nasdaq-100 price return. Net of daily call payouts totaling -3.1%, the strategy's price return contribution for the quarter was -11.4%. As for income, IQQQ's strategy saw gains of 0.2% from Nasdaq-100 dividends and gains of 4.0% from daily call premiums, bringing the total income contribution for the quarter to 4.2%. Combining the contributions of price return and income, the strategy had a loss of 7.2%.



#### 1st Quarter 2025 Contribution Analysis

Price Return equals Nasdaq-100 Price Return plus Daily Call Payouts. Income Return equals Nasdaq-100 Dividends plus Daily Call Premiums. Total Return equals the Price Return total plus the Income Return total.

<sup>1</sup>Market returns are based on the composite closing price and do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. The first trading date is typically several days after the fund inception date. Therefore, NAV is used to calculate market returns prior to the first trading date.

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