



# Financial Commodity Investments (FCI)

Press Release

## FCI - Continues 2009 with Positive Returns

WASHINGTON DC - May 7, 2009 - Financial Commodity Investments, (FCI), a registered Commodity Trading Advisor (CTA), announced today that it is reporting positive returns with our FCI programs

Returns with each program for the month of April, 2009 and YTD returns are as follows:

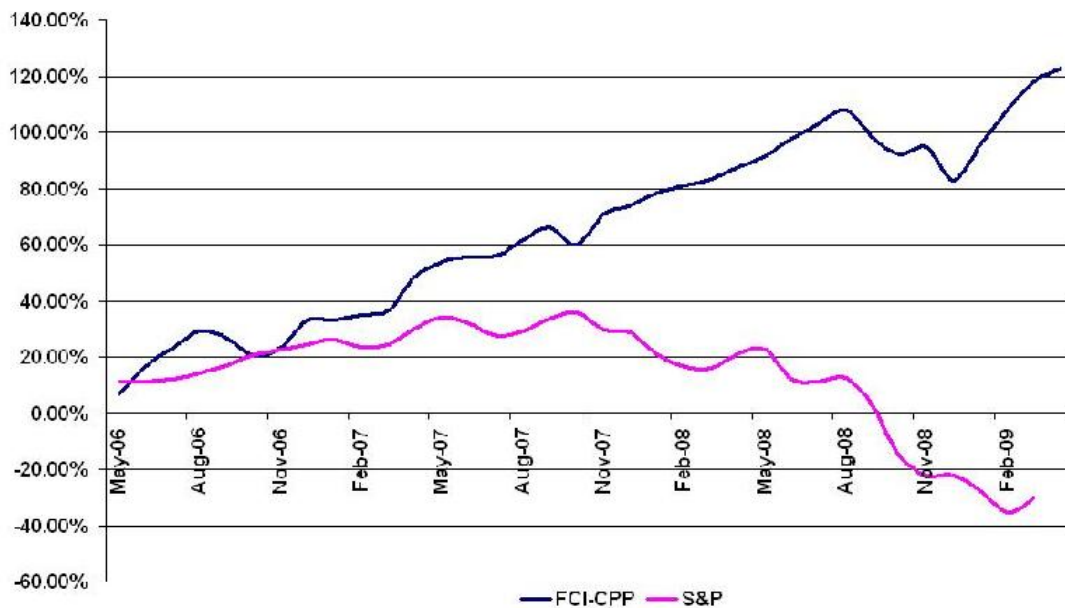
	April 2009	YTD
FCI-Option Selling Strategy (OSS)	+2.2%	+20.6%
FCI-Credit Premium Program (CPP)	+2.4%	+21.9%

(Past performance is no indication of future results)  
(Returns are net of all fees)

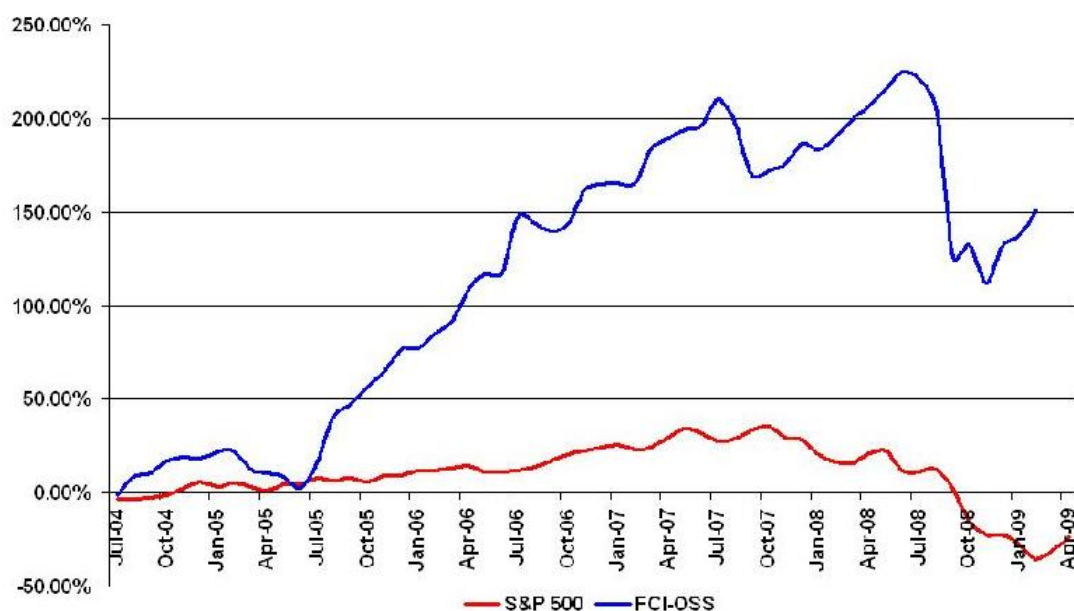
**S& P 500 Index** 9.3%      -3.4%

In comparison, the S&P 500 recognized a positive 9% for the month and is now down 3% for the year. FCI's mission, philosophy, and investment strategy is "Absolute Returns in an Uncommon Market".

**Cumulative Return FCI-CPP vs S&P 500 through April, 2009 (net of fees)**



## Cumulative Return FCI-OSS vs S&P 500 through April, 2009 (net of fees)



### FCI Gains recognition by Independent National Tracking Firms

FCI is proud to report that our CPP (Credit Premium Program) has been ranked by Autumn Gold, the national CTA tracking and reporting firm, as the top performing CTA for 2009. This report has been composed based on those CTAs reporting with 12 months or more of historical return data. As reported by Autumn Gold, FCI is the diversified Credit Premium Program.

For a complete report about the Autumn Gold results, see [www.autumngold.com](http://www.autumngold.com). Complete listings of all CTAs and their results by strategy, AUM, and returns is also located here.

Blog information is located at <http://www.autumngold.com/blog/?p=76>

FCI has also released its new and improved website. For complete information about our products and services, be sure to review our updated websites at [www.financialcii.com](http://www.financialcii.com) and [www.financialii.com](http://www.financialii.com).

### Positive Multiple Year Annualized Returns with the FCI Program

The FCI-OSS program has generated a **positive** annualized yearly return of **10%** for the three years ending April, 2009, and the FCI-CPP program has generated a **positive** annualized yearly return of **31%** since inception. Yet the equity markets have a **negative** annualized return of **13%** for the three years ending April, 2009. How have we done this? One might think our results are directly related to rising values in the equity and commodity markets. **They Are Not.** Our strategy of "Absolute Returns" aims to make money for our investors irrespective of the direction of the equity and/or the commodity markets. Our predominate strategy is to sell short term dated options. The majority of investors purchase options to hedge their underlying positions. This bias towards buying options, rather than selling them, inflates the price of option in comparison to their theoretical value. One can take advantage of this pricing disparity and, as a result, can generate potentially consistent positive returns with little or no correlation to the markets.

Note: A buyer of options does limit his risk to the amount of the investment in the option. The writer, or seller of options, takes on unlimited risk. There is no limit on how large the loss can be. Losses can and will be the amount that the option is "in-the-money" at the time of expiration, should the option actually expire in the money.

The FCI programs execute our strategies only in liquid markets, such as the grains, the currencies, and the energies commodity markets. Additionally, we enter into contracts where there is sufficient volume and liquidity, such that our contracts are not a significant portion of the total open interest at a certain strike price.

**About Financial Commodity Investments (FCI):** FCI and its related entity, FII, is a unique, customer-driven, results-oriented registered investment management firm. FII is devoted to providing the highest levels of customer service to its valuable clients. FCI has consistently exceeded the S&P 500 over the last three years and is focused on providing its clients unique alternative investment options. (Past performance is no indication of future results.)

To learn more about Financial Investments, Inc. (FII) and Financial Commodity Investments (FCI), visit [www.financialii.com](http://www.financialii.com) and/or [www.financialcii.com](http://www.financialcii.com) or call 703 435-2777.

FCI is a commodity trading advisor (CTA) service registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). FCI executes investment strategies on behalf of an investor directly in the investor's own account. FCI trades options in a diversified range of commodities including energies, grains, softs, metals, and financial commodities. FCI is open to non accredited investors with a minimum of \$50,000. Participants in FCI have unlimited risk. You can learn more about FCI at [www.financialcii.com](http://www.financialcii.com)

#### Risk Disclosure

There are substantial risks involved in trading options on futures and equities. The high degree of leverage that is often obtainable in options trading can work against you as well as for you. The volatile nature of the futures and high degree of leverage used in options may result in clients losing more than their original investment. Please consider carefully whether options are appropriate to your financial situation. Only risk capital should be used when trading options on futures and equities. Past results are not necessarily indicative or a guarantee of future results. Security futures/options products are not suitable for all individuals.

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