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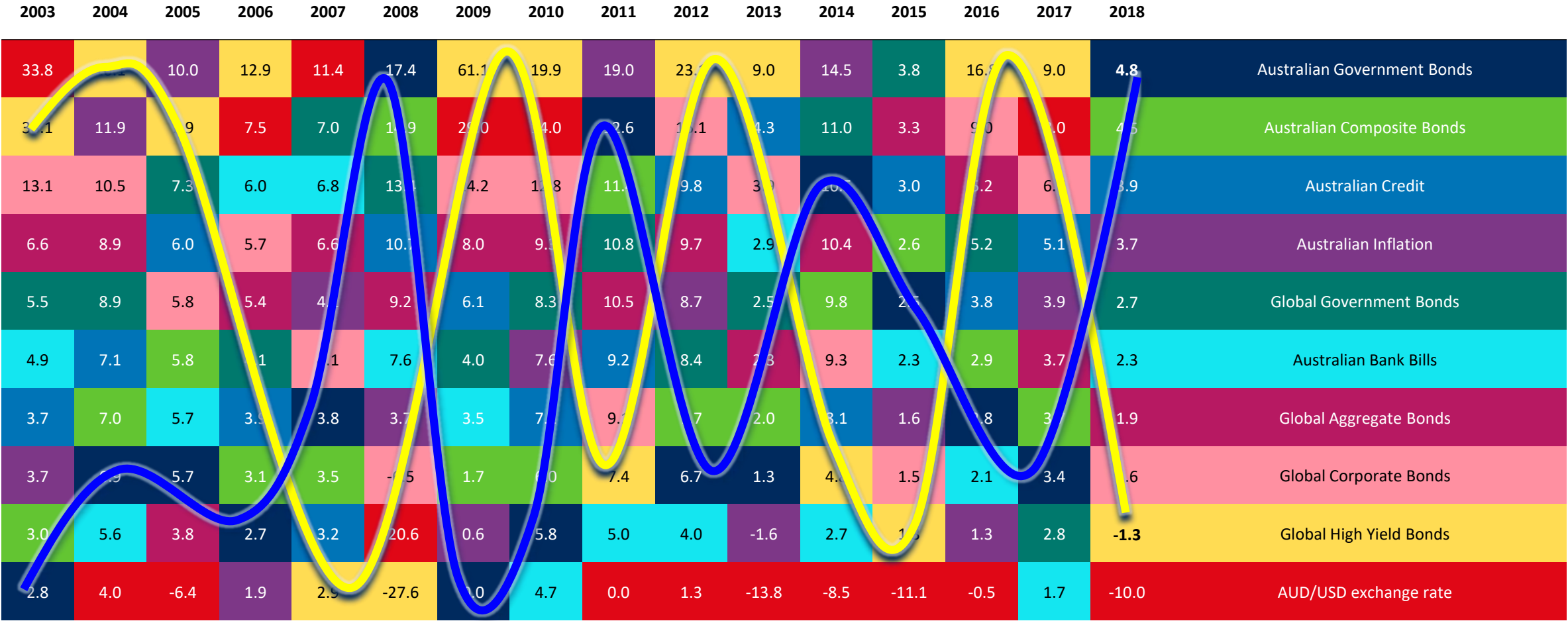
# Agenda

-  Asset class review
-  Market outlook
-  What is Schroders doing about it?

## Asset class review

# Mixed returns across the fixed income spectrum

Asset allocation is key

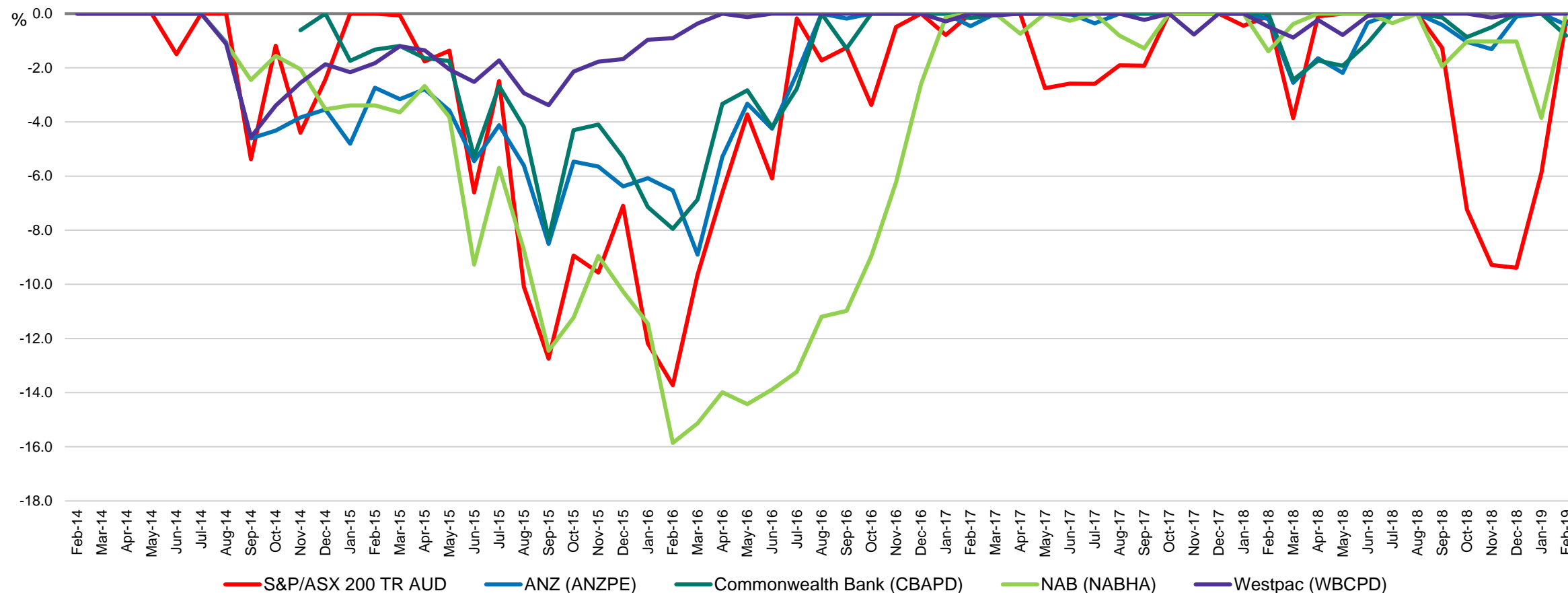


Source: Morningstar as at 31 December 2018. Index returns are gross of fees. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Australian bond indices are the Bloomberg Ausbond 0+ TR indices. Global bond indices are the Bloomberg Barclays Global TR Hedged indices.

# Hybrids behave more like equities than bonds

Volatile and lacking in diversification during risk off scenarios

## The potential for equity-like large drawdowns

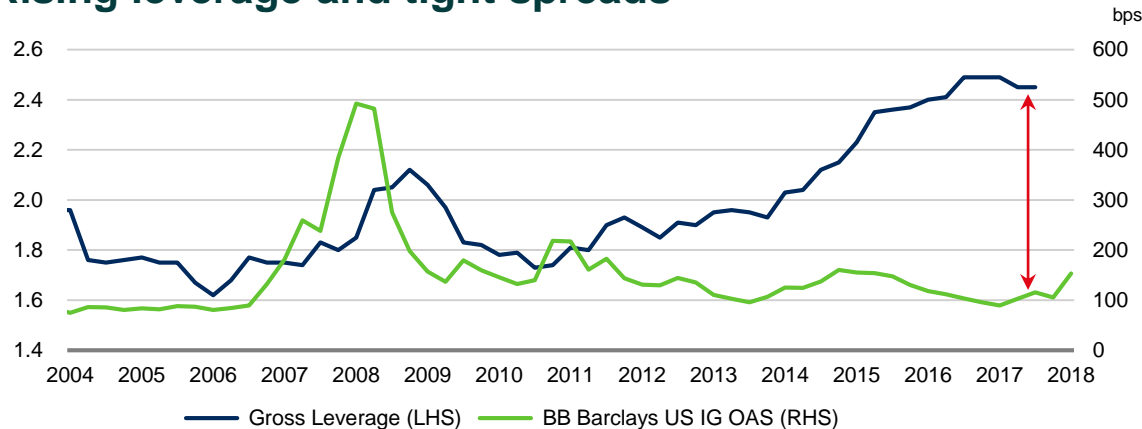


Source: Morningstar Direct

# I'm having a **BBB** time

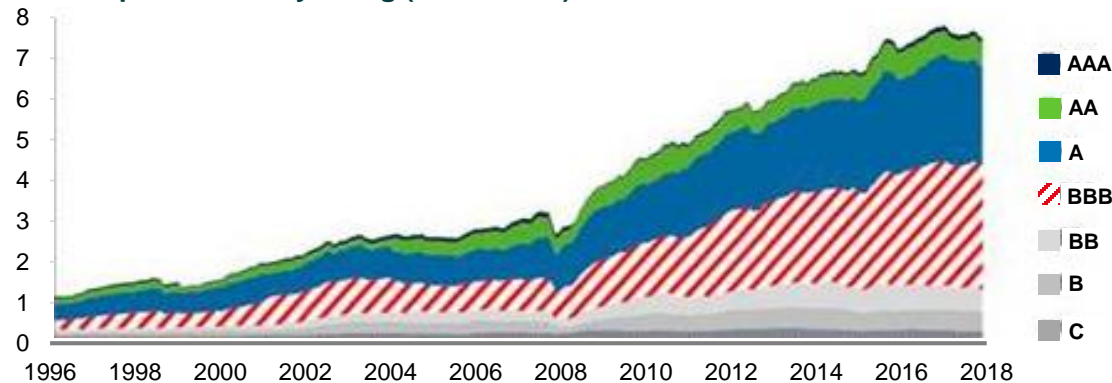
Beware the rising risks

## Rising leverage and tight spreads



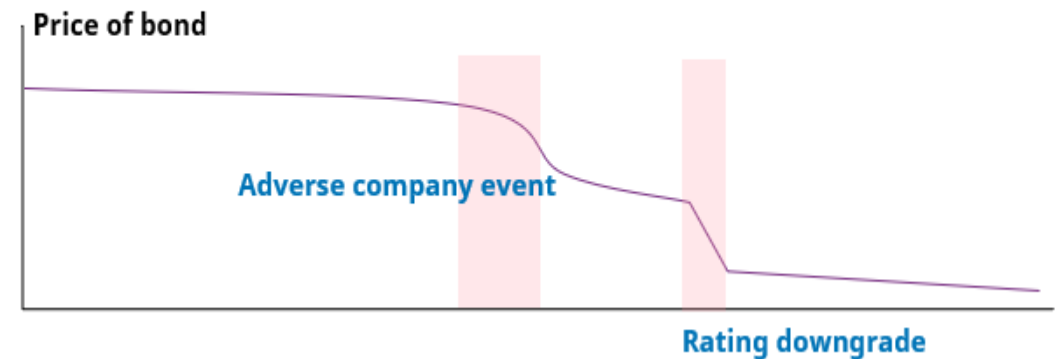
## BBB negative migration risk

Value of corporate debt by rating (in \$trillions)



Source: Schroders, Bloomberg as at 31 December 2018

## Negative migration market versus index returns



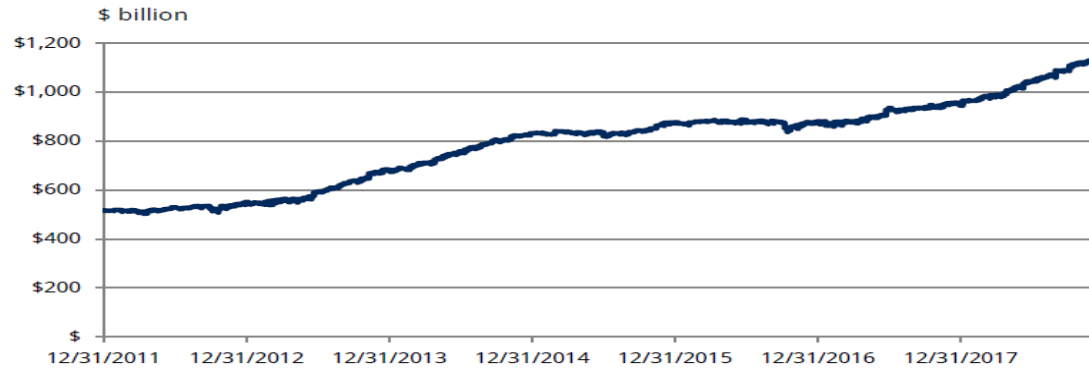
- Not all BBBs are the same
- Use fundamental credit research to avoid problematic BBBs and focus on valuations
- Avoid passive management or static allocations. Overweight the lowest quality, most vulnerable companies issuing most debt

Schroders

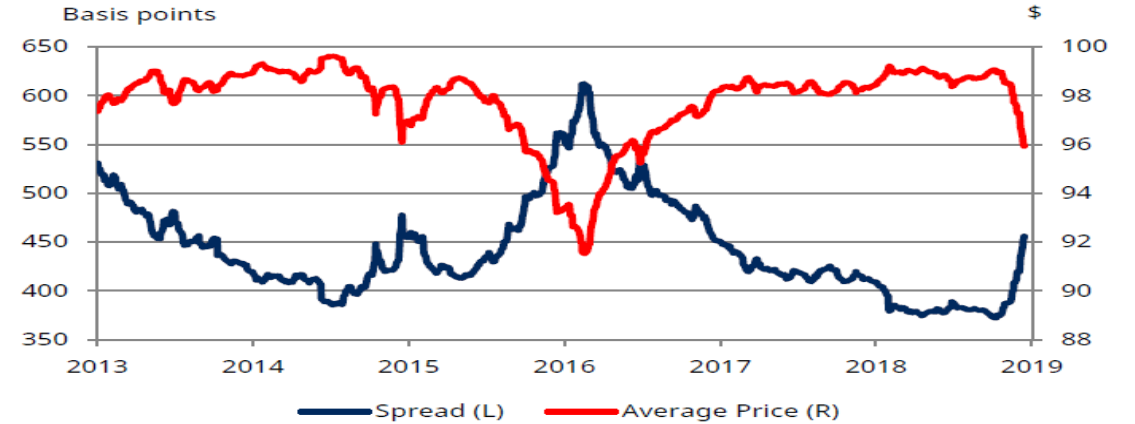
# Leveraged Loans

Beware the risks in this sub investment grade market

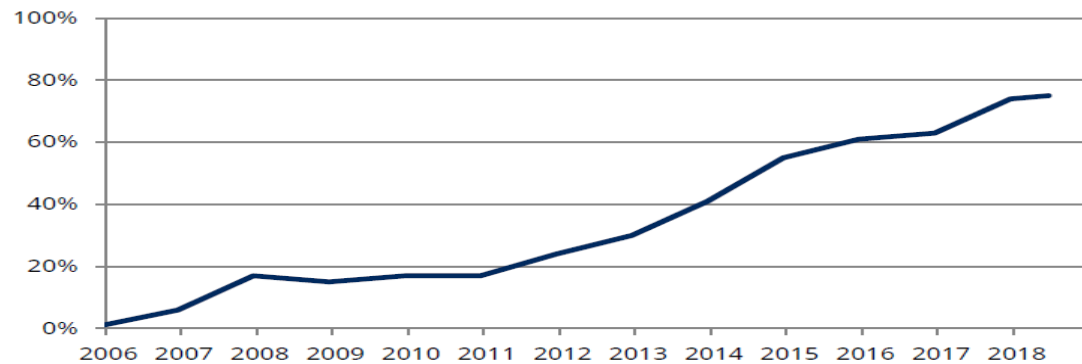
## Market has grown significantly



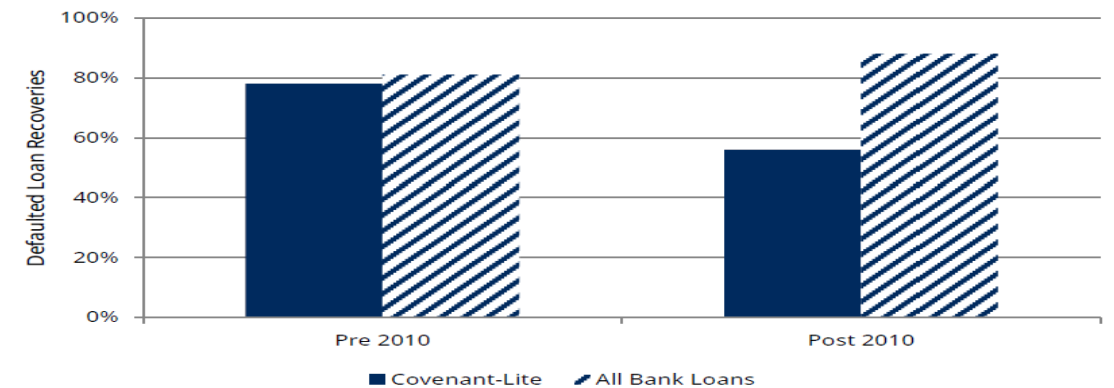
## Not immune from volatility



## Covenant Lite now the norm



## Covenant Lite Loans recoveries already lower



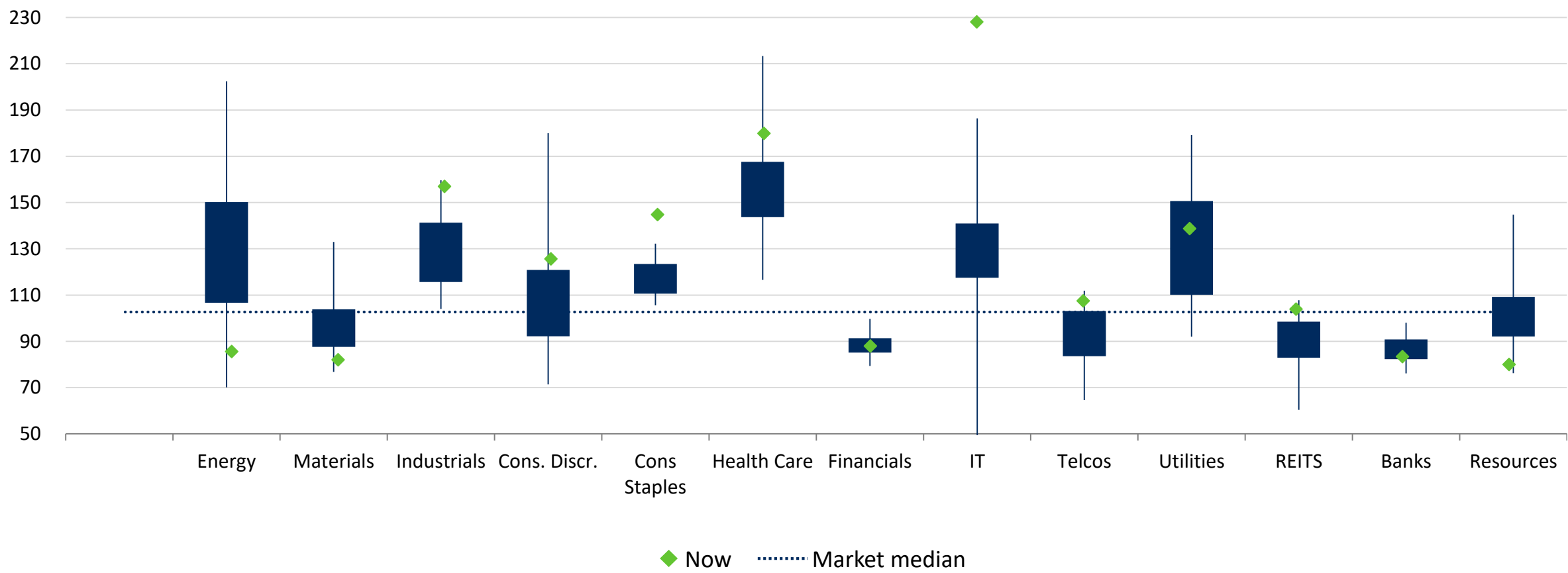
Source: S&P Global to 14 Dec 2018 (top left), JP Morgan to 14 Dec 2018 (top right), LCD (bottom charts)



# Sector PE ratios have bifurcated to extremes

Continuing to bet on yesterday's winners looks increasingly unwise

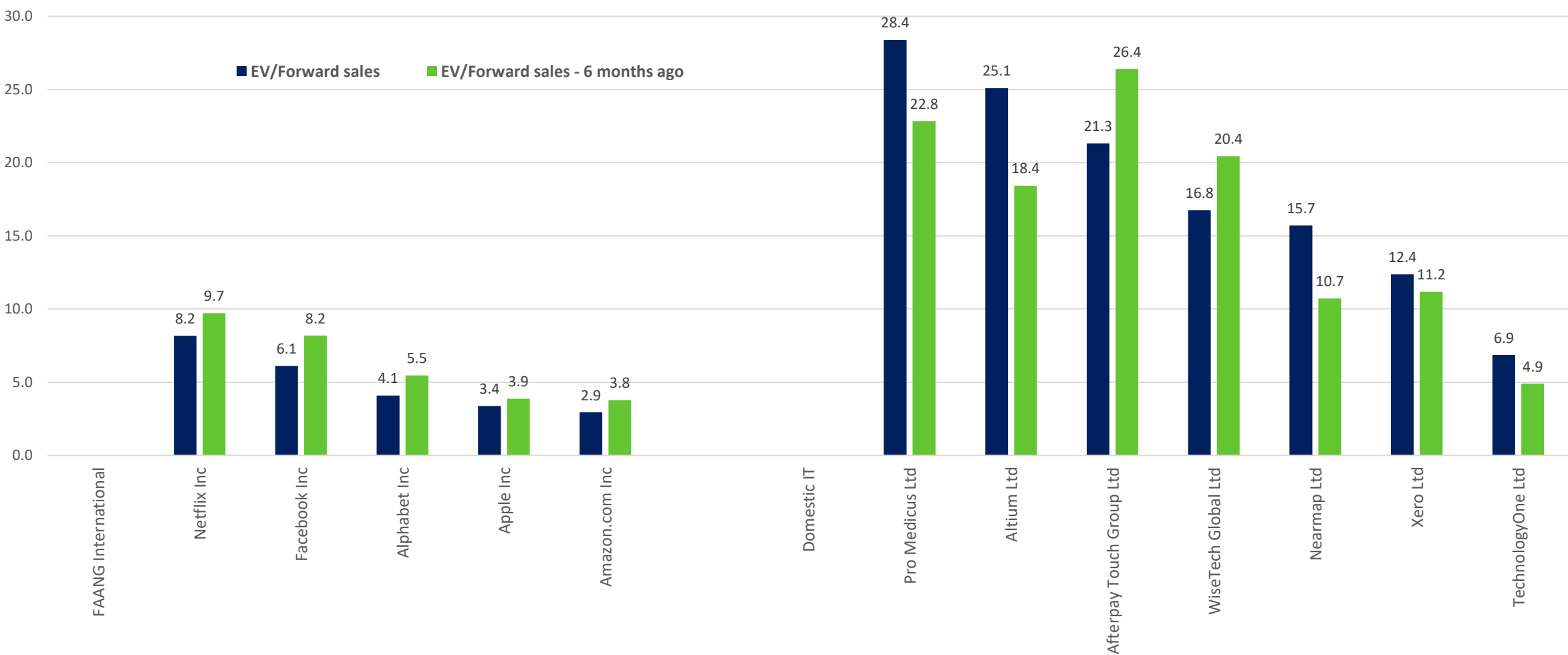
ASX200 = 100



5<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> %-tile shown.  
Source: FactSet. Sector PE ratios relative to index PE ratio (ASX200 = 100). Historical ranges over 10 years. To 30 Apr 2019

# Local tech stocks are expensive, even by global standards

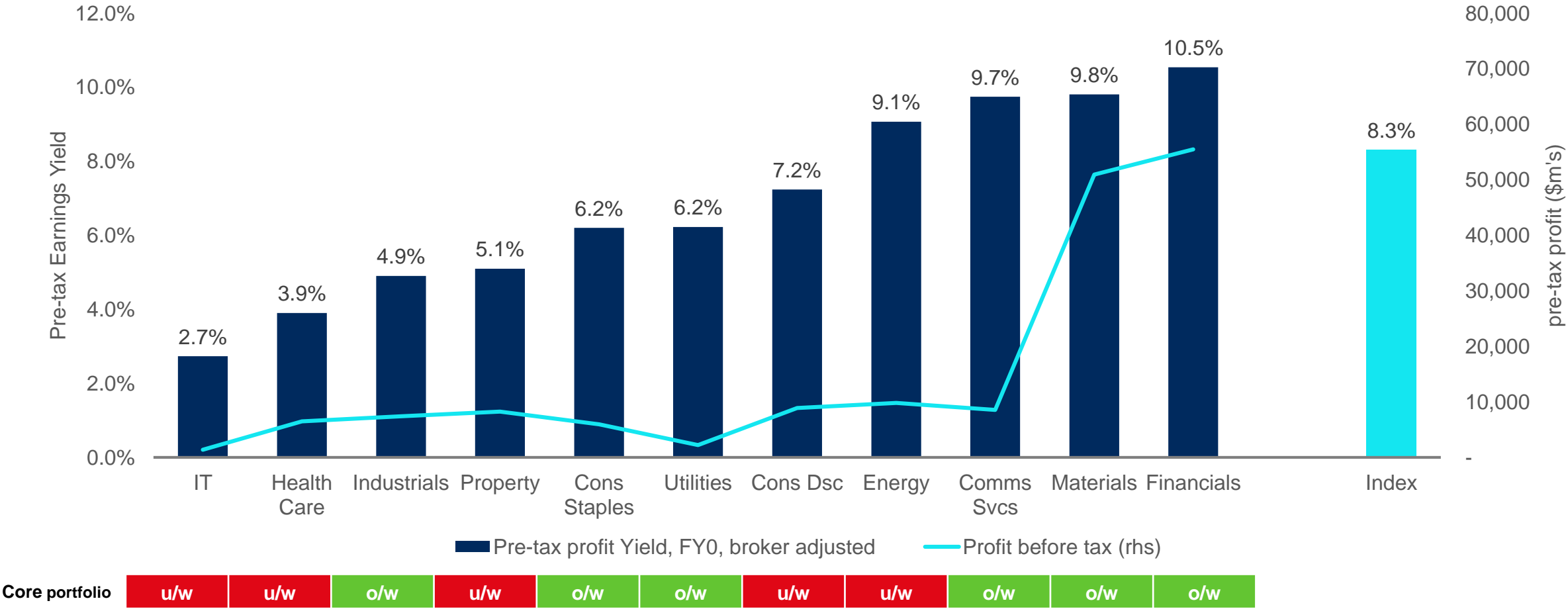
EV to forward sales



Source: Thomson Reuters . Based on latest reported results. For illustrative purposes only, not a recommendation to buy/sell

# Earnings yields – differentials are extremely wide

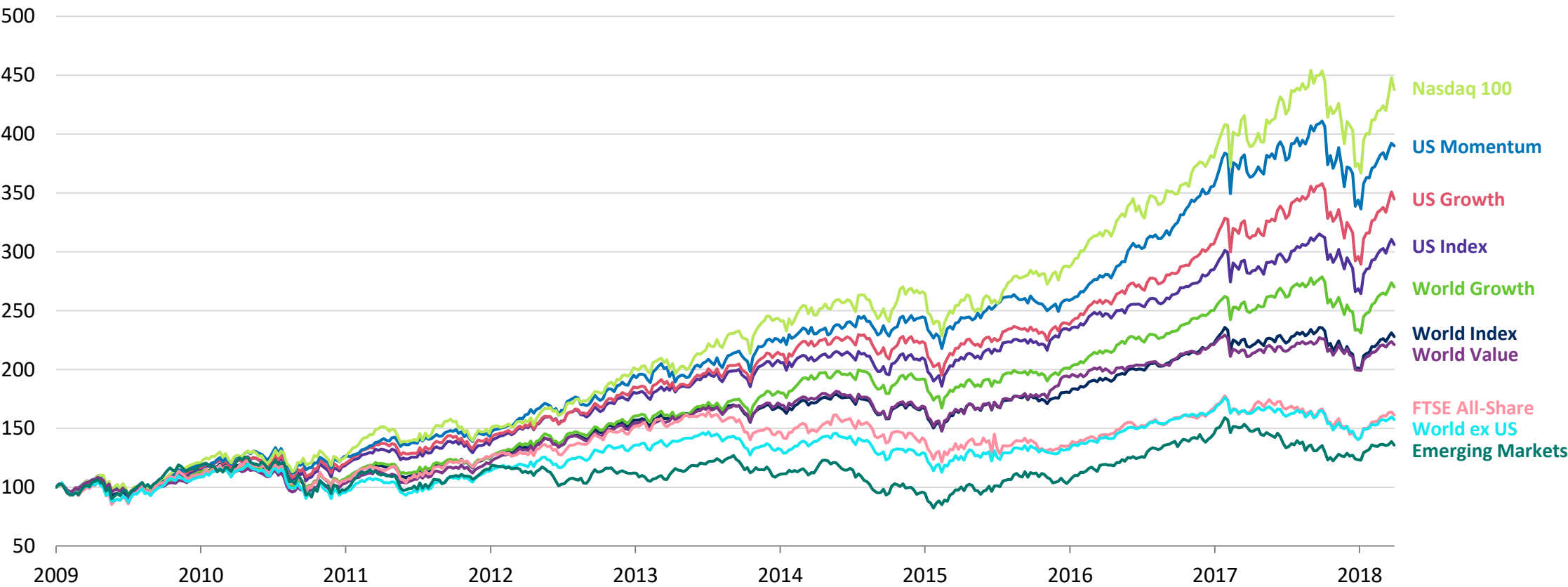
‘Jam tomorrow’ remains far more highly prized than yield today



Source: Factset. Property have been adjusted for revaluations.

# Understanding what is driving the US market

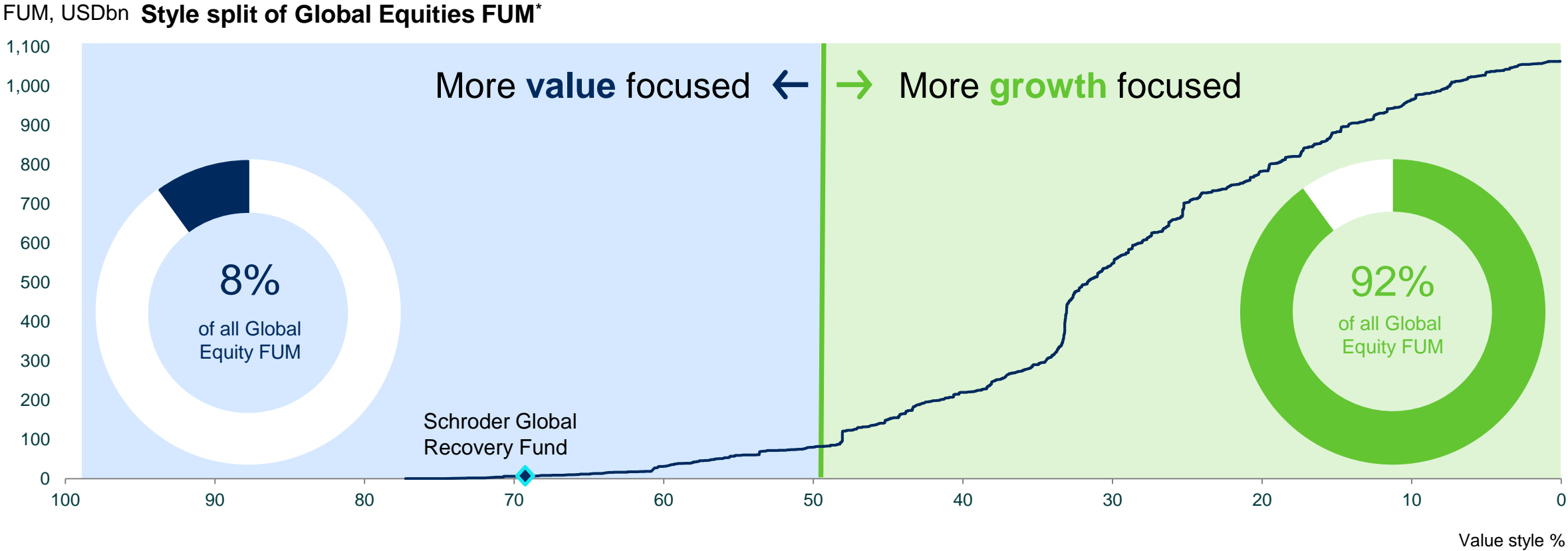
A handful of stocks, sectors and countries



**Result: US is now 62% of the index**

Source: Schroders, Thomson Reuters Datastream in USD as at 28 March 2019. MSCI indices are Net Dividend Re-invested. The sectors, securities, regions and countries shown above are for illustrative purposes only and are not to be considered a recommendation to buy or sell.

# Very few investors have diversified their growth exposure

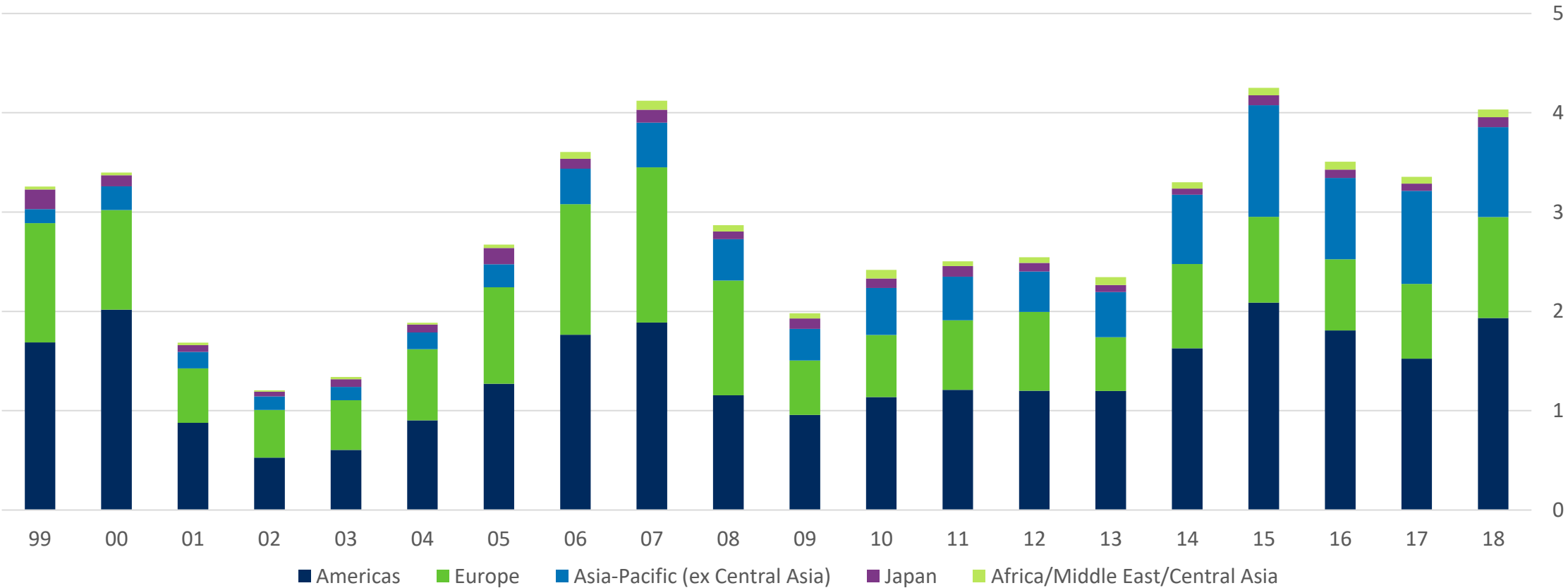


Source: Schroders, Morningstar Direct, report date: January 2019, data as at 30 September 2018 (most recent date with largest populated group available).  
\*Morningstar Global Category: Global Equity Large Cap, excludes funds with no style score or no fund size available at 30 September 2018. Based on 2,575 Global Equity Funds.

# If it looks like a bubble and feels like a bubble

History suggests deal timing could be better!

Global M&A US\$tn

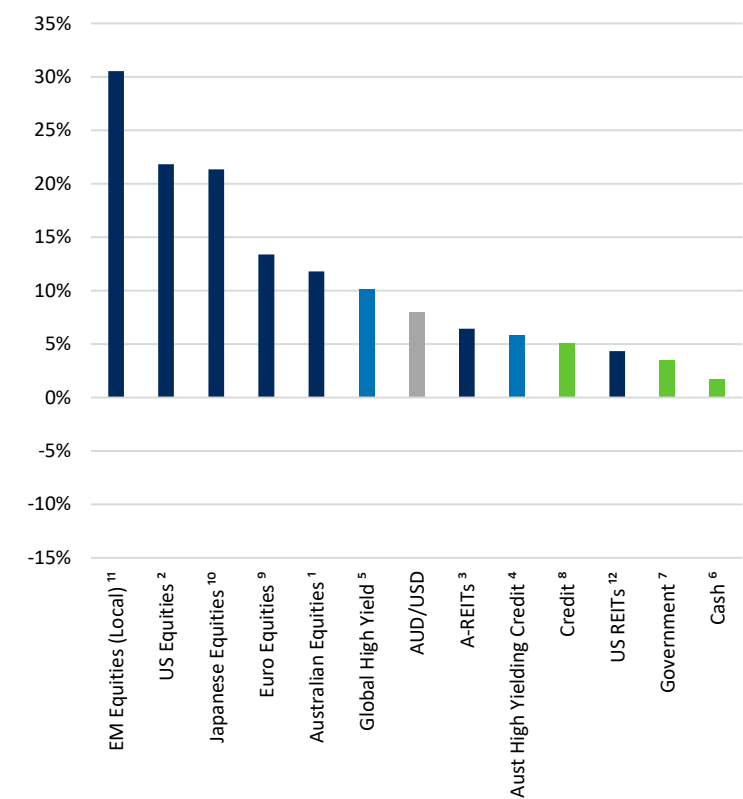


Source: Thomson Reuters Deals Intelligence, rolling CY

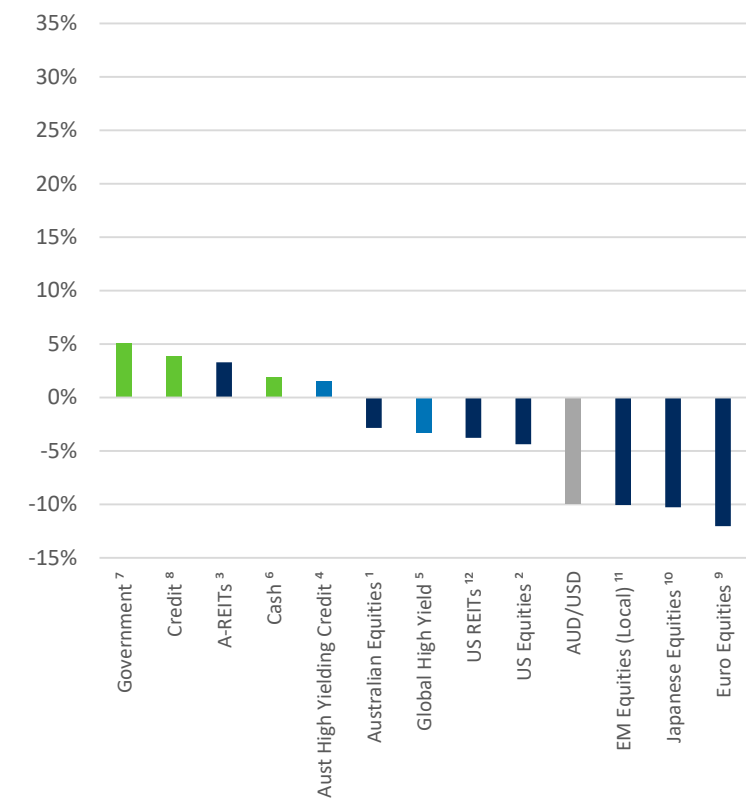
# Recent market performance

## Gross returns by asset class

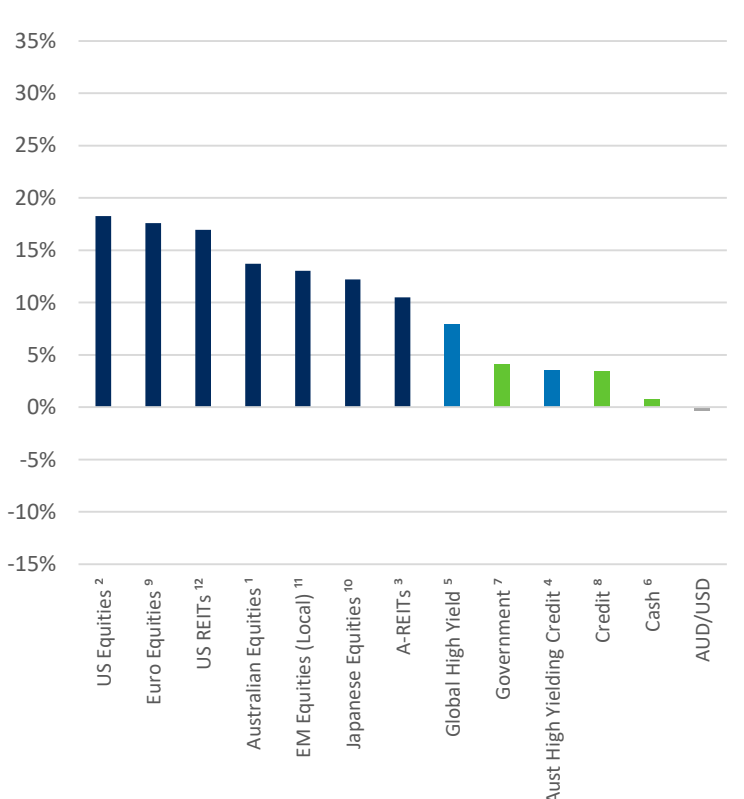
### 2017



### 2018



### 2019 (so far)



Source: Schroders/Datastream/Bloomberg as at 13 May 2019. 1. S&P ASX 200 Acc; 2. S&P 500 TR; 3. S&P ASX300 A-REIT Acc; 4. Schroder Higher Yielding Credit Pool; 5. Merrill Lynch Global High Yield Index (USD); 6. Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index; 7. Bloomberg AusBond Treasury Index; 8. Bloomberg AusBond Credit Index; 9. Euro Stoxx TR; 10. Nikkei TR; 11. MSCI EM Net TR (Local); 12. S&P US REIT TR. \* Past Performance is not a reliable indicator for future performance.

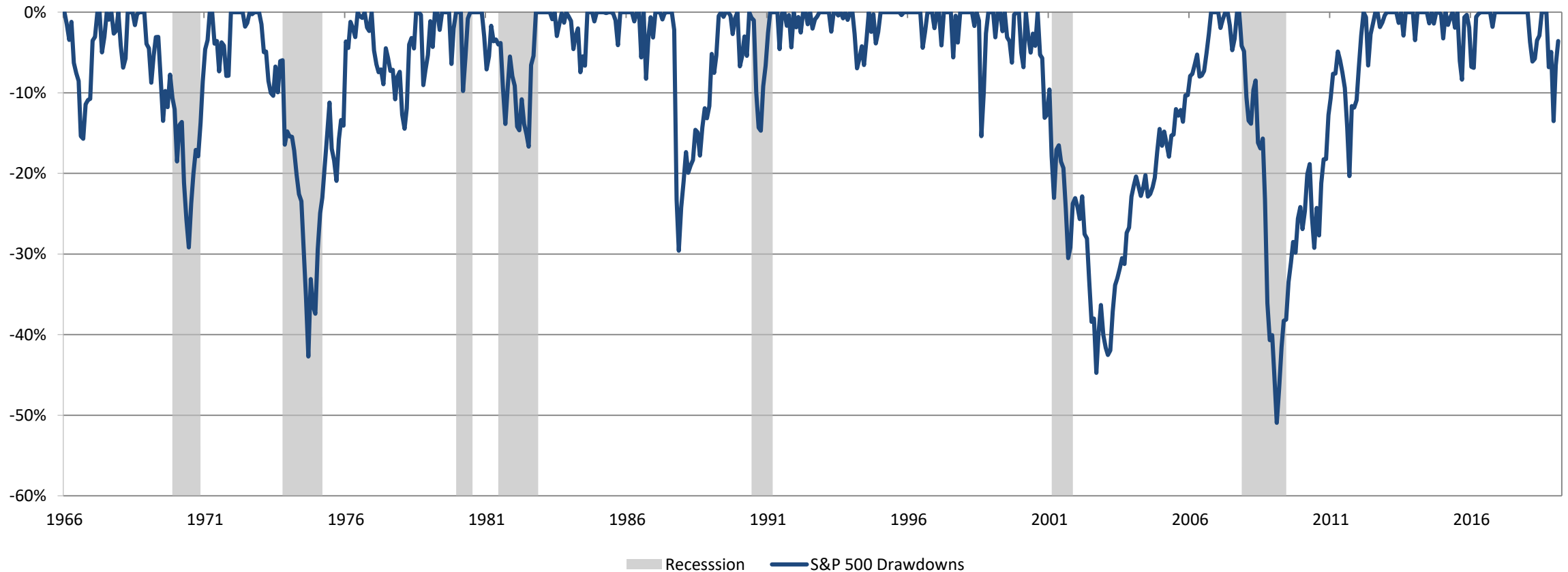
Market outlook



# Recessions kill bull markets

Q4'18 was only the trailer

## S&P 500 Drawdowns and Recessions

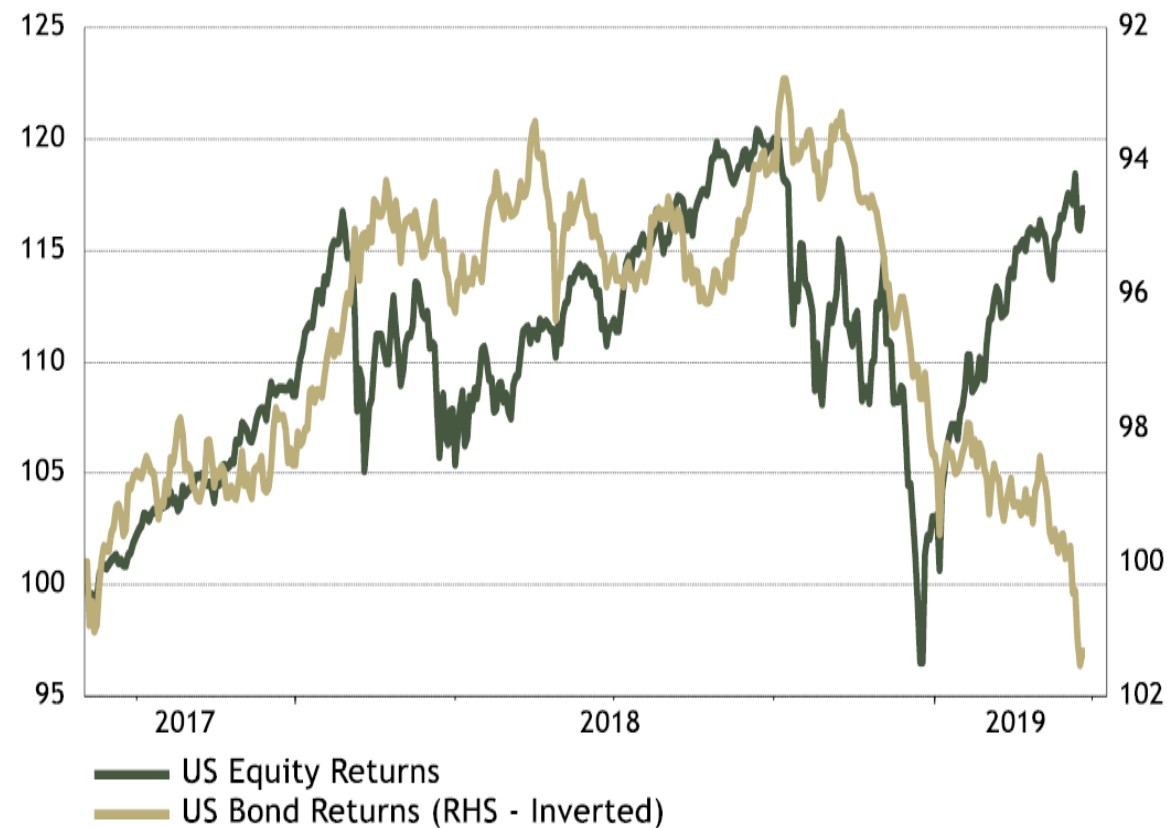


Source: Datastream

# Bonds v Equities

Can both be right?

## Equity vs Bond Returns



### Equities

- Global economy growing
- Inflation low, rates low, the “Fed Put”
- Valuations full but not extreme



### Bonds

- Global growth slowing
- Recession risk rising
- No more tightening

# US Recession

The countdown is still ticking...

		Area Under Receiver Operating Characteristic (AUROC) Curve																												
		Indicator		Critical threshold		Latest value	Months before start of recession																							
							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
12-24 month	Economic indicators	Truck sales	>	0.4	0.6	0.36	0.39	0.42	0.44	0.46	0.47	0.49	0.52	0.54	0.56	0.58	0.60	0.60	0.62	0.63	0.64	0.64	0.66	0.67	0.69	0.70	0.71	0.71	0.72	
		Initial jobless claims	<	314.3	211.0	0.29	0.33	0.37	0.40	0.44	0.47	0.51	0.54	0.57	0.59	0.61	0.63	0.63	0.64	0.66	0.67	0.67	0.68	0.68	0.69	0.69	0.70	0.70	0.70	
		Capacity utilisation	>	80.9	79.1	0.49	0.53	0.57	0.60	0.62	0.65	0.67	0.69	0.71	0.73	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.75	0.75	
		Output gap	>	-0.6	0.8	0.41	0.46	0.51	0.55	0.59	0.63	0.66	0.69	0.71	0.73	0.74	0.75	0.75	0.76	0.77	0.79	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.79	0.80	0.80	0.80	
		Unemployment gap	<	-0.4	-0.8	0.52	0.56	0.60	0.63	0.65	0.67	0.68	0.70	0.71	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.73	0.73	0.72	0.72	0.71	0.71	0.70	0.70	0.69	
6- 12 month	Monetary indicators	S&P GS spot commodity index, 12m %	>	11.6	-3.6	0.56	0.60	0.63	0.65	0.66	0.68	0.70	0.73	0.75	0.76	0.77	0.78	0.78	0.78	0.78	0.77	0.77	0.76	0.75	0.74	0.71	0.70	0.68	0.65	
		Yield curve (10yr minus bills)	<	0.3	0.2	0.62	0.67	0.70	0.73	0.76	0.79	0.82	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.86	0.86	0.85	0.84	0.83	0.81	0.80	0.78	0.76	0.74	0.72	0.70	0.69	0.67	
		Fed funds rate, 2yr chg	>	1.9	1.6	0.63	0.67	0.70	0.73	0.75	0.77	0.79	0.81	0.82	0.82	0.83	0.82	0.81	0.80	0.79	0.78	0.77	0.76	0.74	0.72	0.71	0.69	0.67	0.65	
		Fed fund rate relative to cycle low	>	3.5	2.3	0.73	0.76	0.79	0.81	0.83	0.85	0.86	0.87	0.88	0.88	0.87	0.86	0.85	0.84	0.83	0.82	0.81	0.79	0.78	0.76	0.73	0.71	0.69	0.67	
		Real money base, 12m % chg	<	-2.9	-14.5	0.74	0.76	0.78	0.80	0.81	0.82	0.82	0.83	0.83	0.81	0.79	0.77	0.74	0.71	0.69	0.68	0.66	0.64	0.63	0.61	0.59	0.58	0.57	0.56	
0-6 month	Short term indicators	Real M1, 12m % chg	<	-2.0	2.3	0.77	0.79	0.80	0.80	0.81	0.81	0.82	0.82	0.81	0.80	0.79	0.78	0.77	0.75	0.73	0.72	0.71	0.70	0.69	0.68	0.67	0.66	0.65	0.64	
		Real M2, 12m % chg	<	2.3	2.7	0.74	0.75	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.77	0.77	0.76	0.75	0.73	0.72	0.70	0.68	0.67	0.65	0.64	0.62	0.61	0.60	0.58	0.57	0.56	0.54	0.53	
		ISM new orders, 6m % chg	<	-8.0	-6.7	0.70	0.72	0.73	0.74	0.75	0.74	0.71	0.68	0.64	0.61	0.59	0.58	0.57	0.56	0.56	0.53	0.51	0.49	0.46	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.46	
		Private house permits, 12m % chg	<	-20.8	-7.8	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.88	0.87	0.86	0.86	0.84	0.82	0.81	0.79	0.79	0.77	0.75	0.73	0.71	0.70	0.69	0.68	0.66	0.63	0.61	0.58	0.56	
		S&P500, 6m % chg	<	-7.0	-2.7	0.89	0.88	0.87	0.85	0.82	0.81	0.77	0.74	0.70	0.67	0.63	0.59	0.55	0.52	0.50	0.47	0.45	0.42	0.41	0.41	0.40	0.41	0.42	0.44	
		ISM new orders	<	48.4	57.4	0.89	0.87	0.84	0.82	0.80	0.77	0.74	0.70	0.65	0.61	0.57	0.54	0.52	0.50	0.49	0.47	0.46	0.44	0.43	0.42	0.41	0.41	0.41	0.43	
		VIX index	>	24.1	14.5	0.86	0.83	0.83	0.82	0.80	0.77	0.73	0.69	0.67	0.66	0.62	0.59	0.56	0.53	0.50	0.48	0.46	0.45	0.42	0.40	0.37	0.34	0.32	0.32	
		MFG average weekly hours, 12m % chg	<	-1.0	-0.9	0.80	0.77	0.73	0.70	0.67	0.63	0.59	0.57	0.54	0.51	0.48	0.47	0.46	0.44	0.44	0.43	0.44	0.44	0.45	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.45	0.45	
		Chicago Fed national activity index, 3m	<	-0.8	-0.2	0.90	0.87	0.84	0.81	0.77	0.73	0.69	0.64	0.59	0.55	0.51	0.49	0.46	0.44	0.42	0.42	0.40	0.38	0.37	0.35	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.34	
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- The AUROC is ratio of times an indicator correctly captures recession compared to when it incorrectly calls recession. A perfect score would be 1.0 and would capture all recession periods with no false calls.
- These curves are run for each time horizon (1 to 24 months ahead) and the indicator threshold that gives the best trade-off between correct and incorrect calls is provided in the table.
- Ratios shaded green are those that the ability of the indicator to call recessions is significantly better than random.
- The dark green shaded number is the best fit and is used to provide the “critical threshold”. Indicators that have breached their critical thresholds are highlighted in red.

Key:

AUROC statistically significant

Maximum AUROC

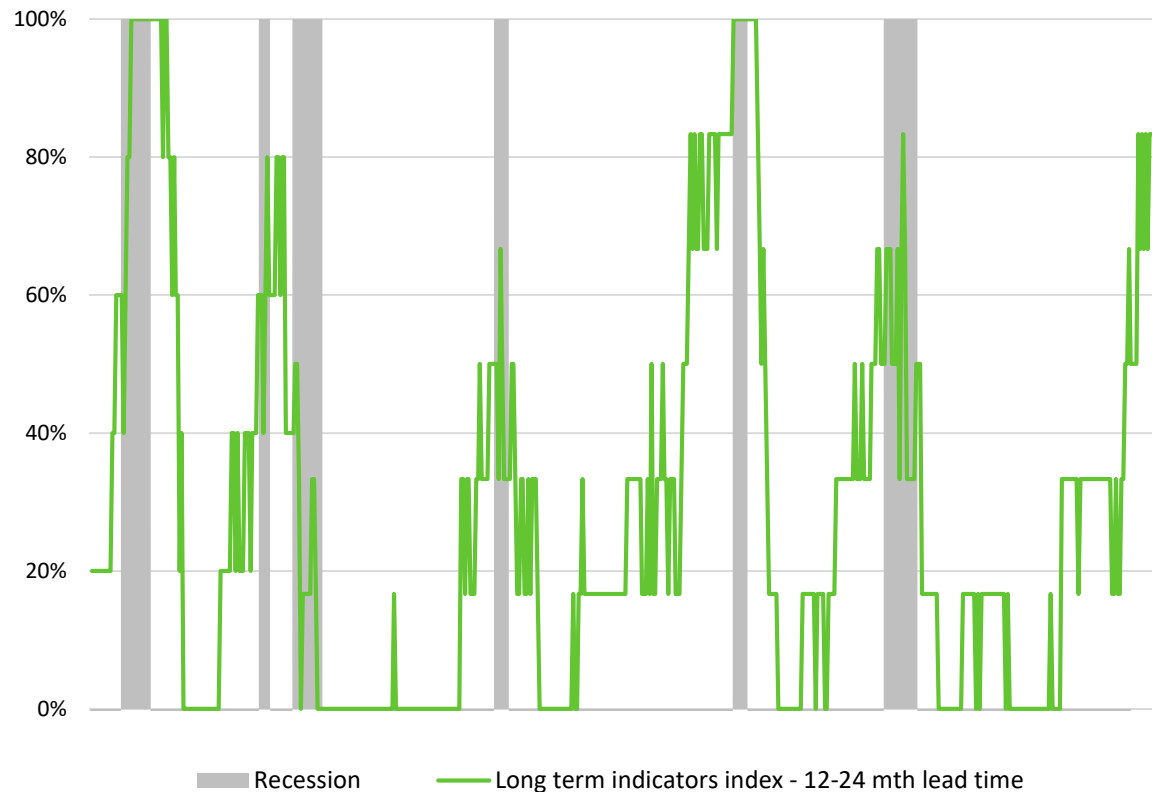
Latest value exceeds threshold

Source: Datastream, Schroders.

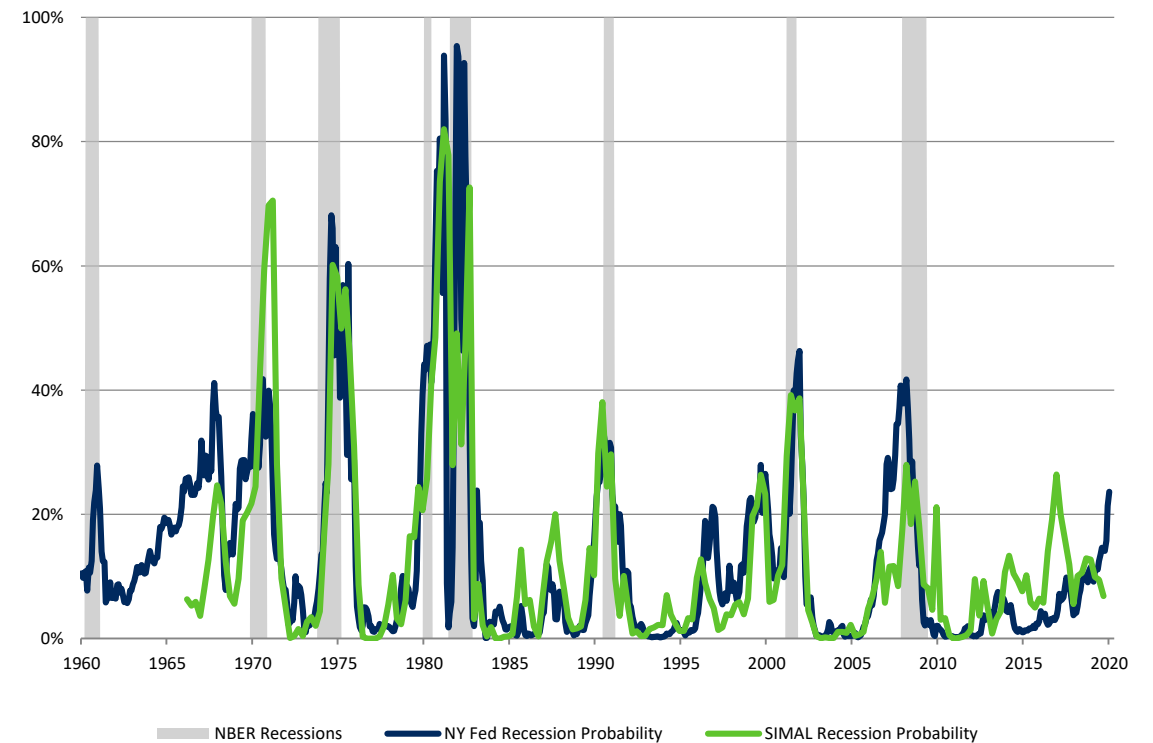
# The Fed has paused because risks are rising

Recession is the big risk

## US Recession Risk on a 1-2 year horizon



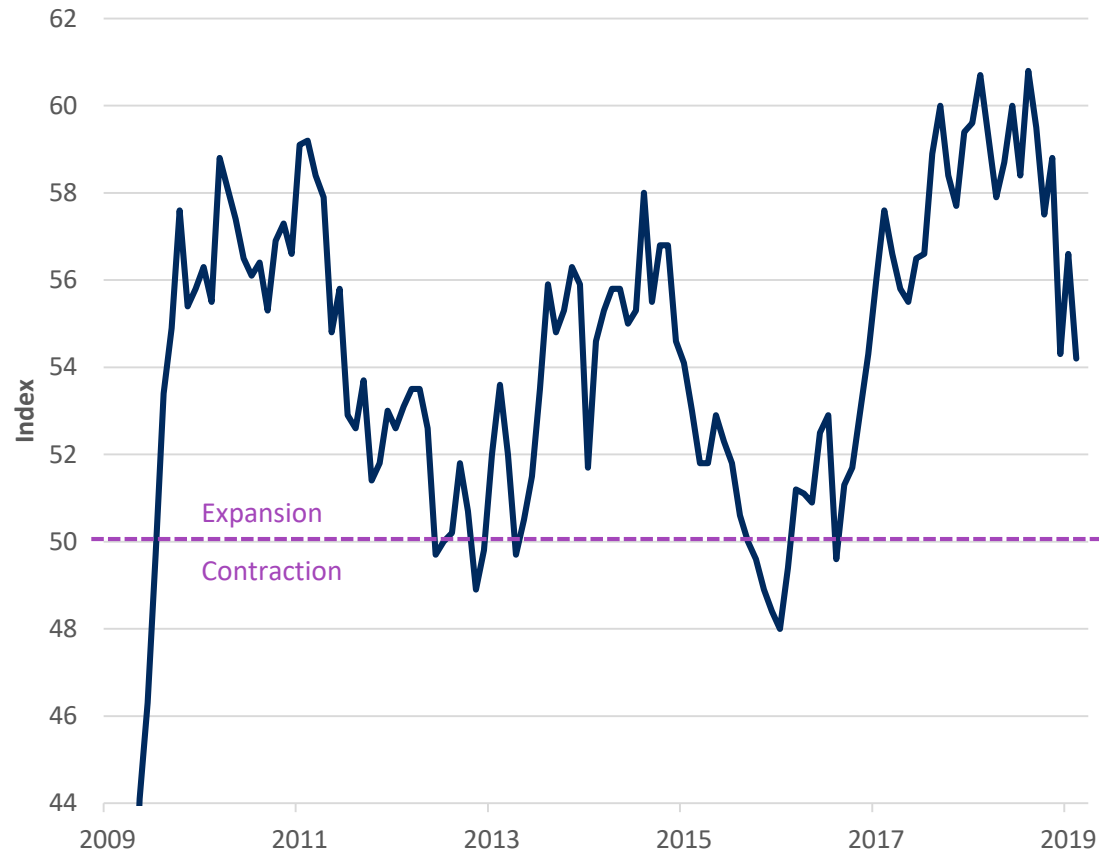
## NY Probit Model



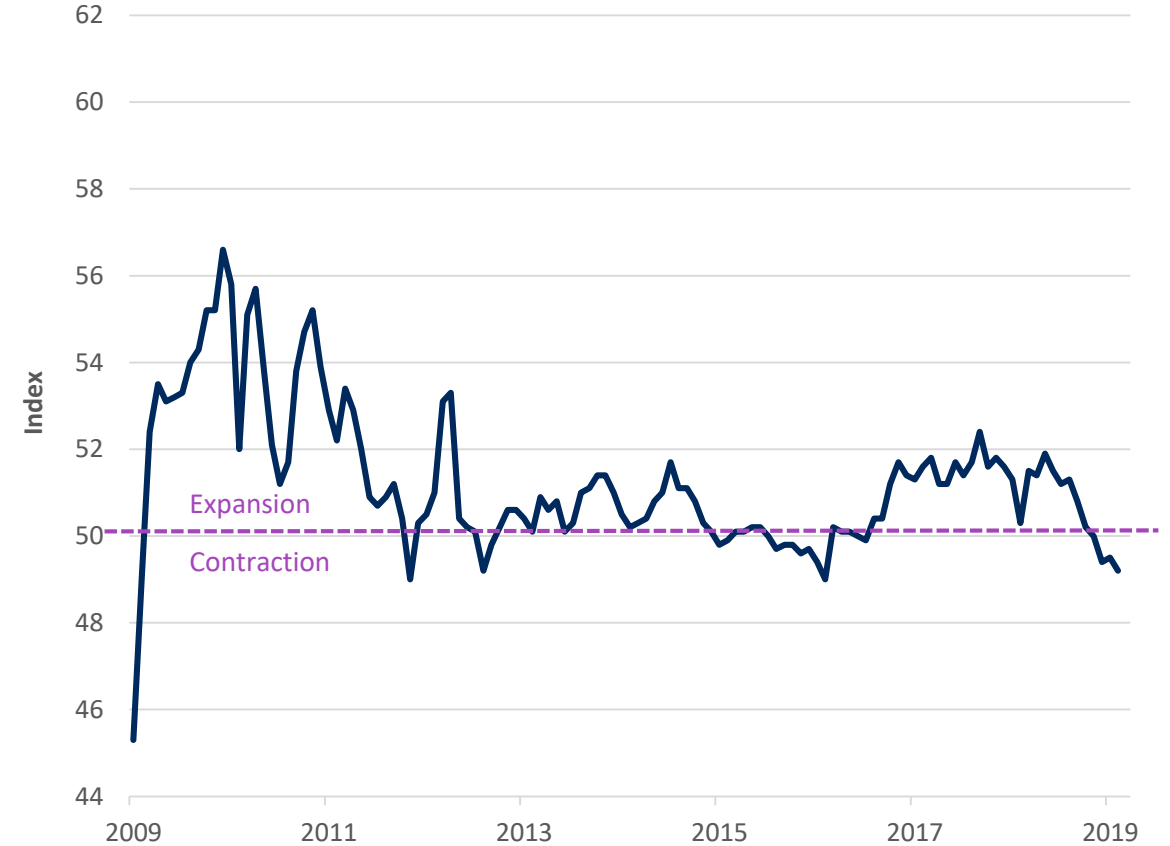
# US and China Manufacturing PMIs

Trade War starting to have an economic impact

## USA



## China

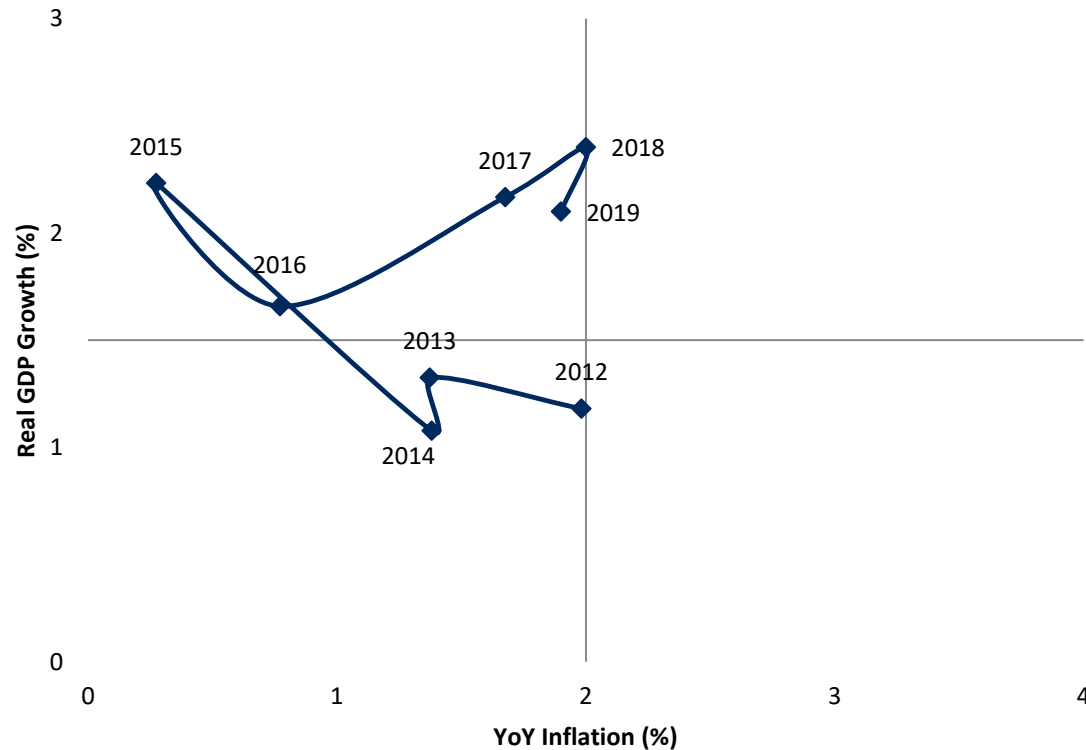


Source: Schroders, Datastream

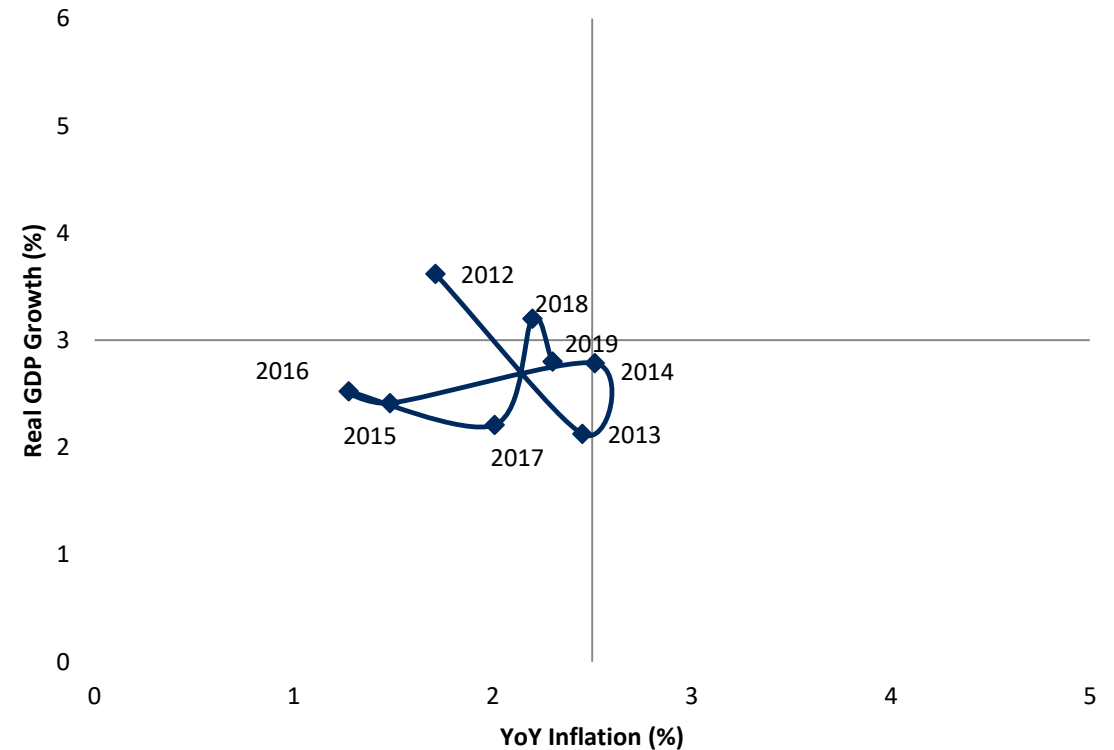
# Cycle = Not quite Goldilocks in the US any more

Growth mixed, inflation rising, rates rising, profits peaking

## Advanced Economies GDP & Inflation



## Australia GDP & Inflation



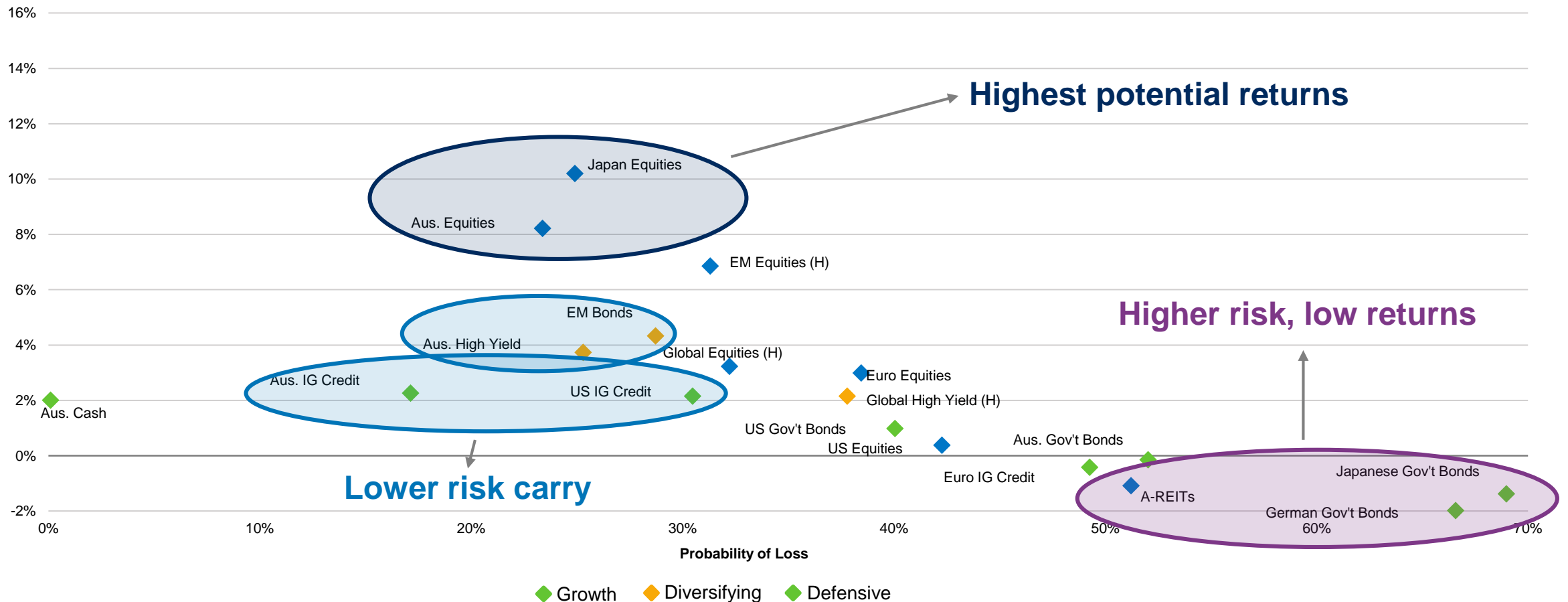
Source: IMF, IMF estimates for 2019

What is Schroders doing about it?

# Investment forecasts process

## Expected return vs probability of loss – March 2019

Expected Return p.a. over 3 years



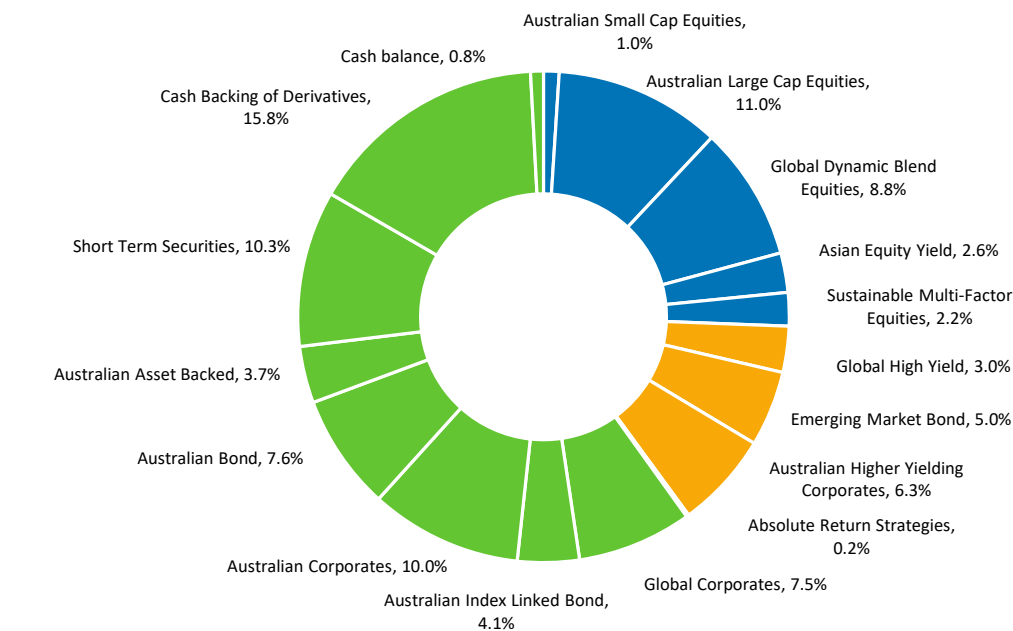
Source: Schroders as at 31 March 2019. Countries, stocks and sector weightings and returns are mentioned for illustrative purposes only and should not be viewed as a recommendation to buy/sell



# How we are invested

## Schroder Real Return CPI Plus 5% Fund as at 30 April 2019

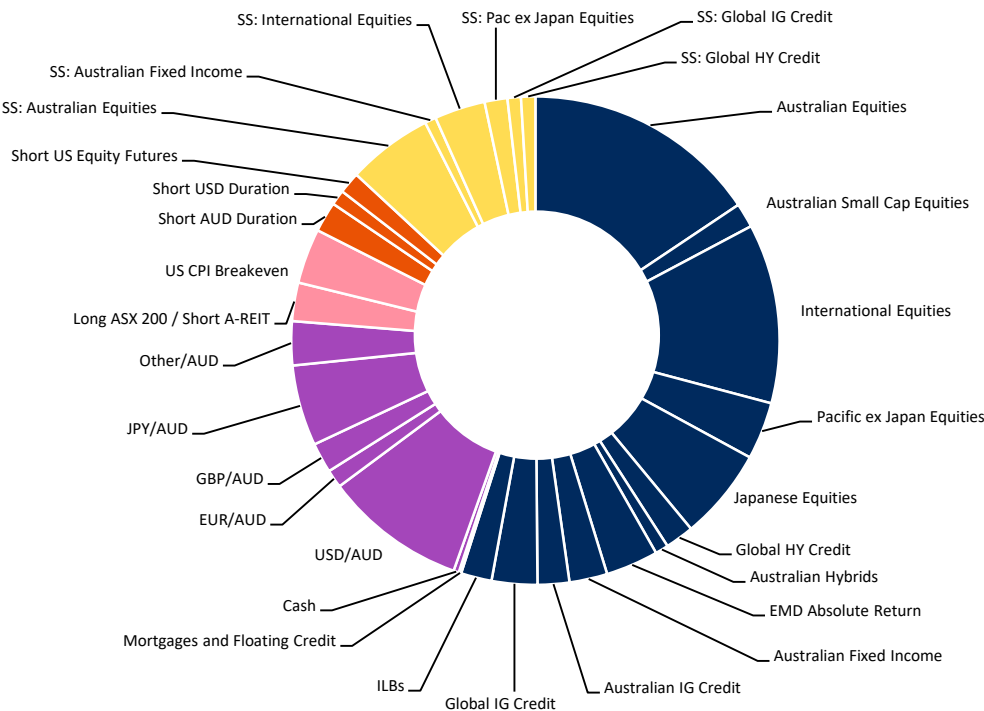
Portfolio – Capital Weights



Additional Portfolio Information

FX Exposure:	17.7%	Duration:	1.2 yrs
USD (weighted):	7.8%		
EUR:	1.2%		
GBP:	1.5%	Implementation	
JPY:	4.0%	Internal Funds / Pools	75.8%
Other	3.3%	Direct	24.2%

Portfolio – Risk Weights

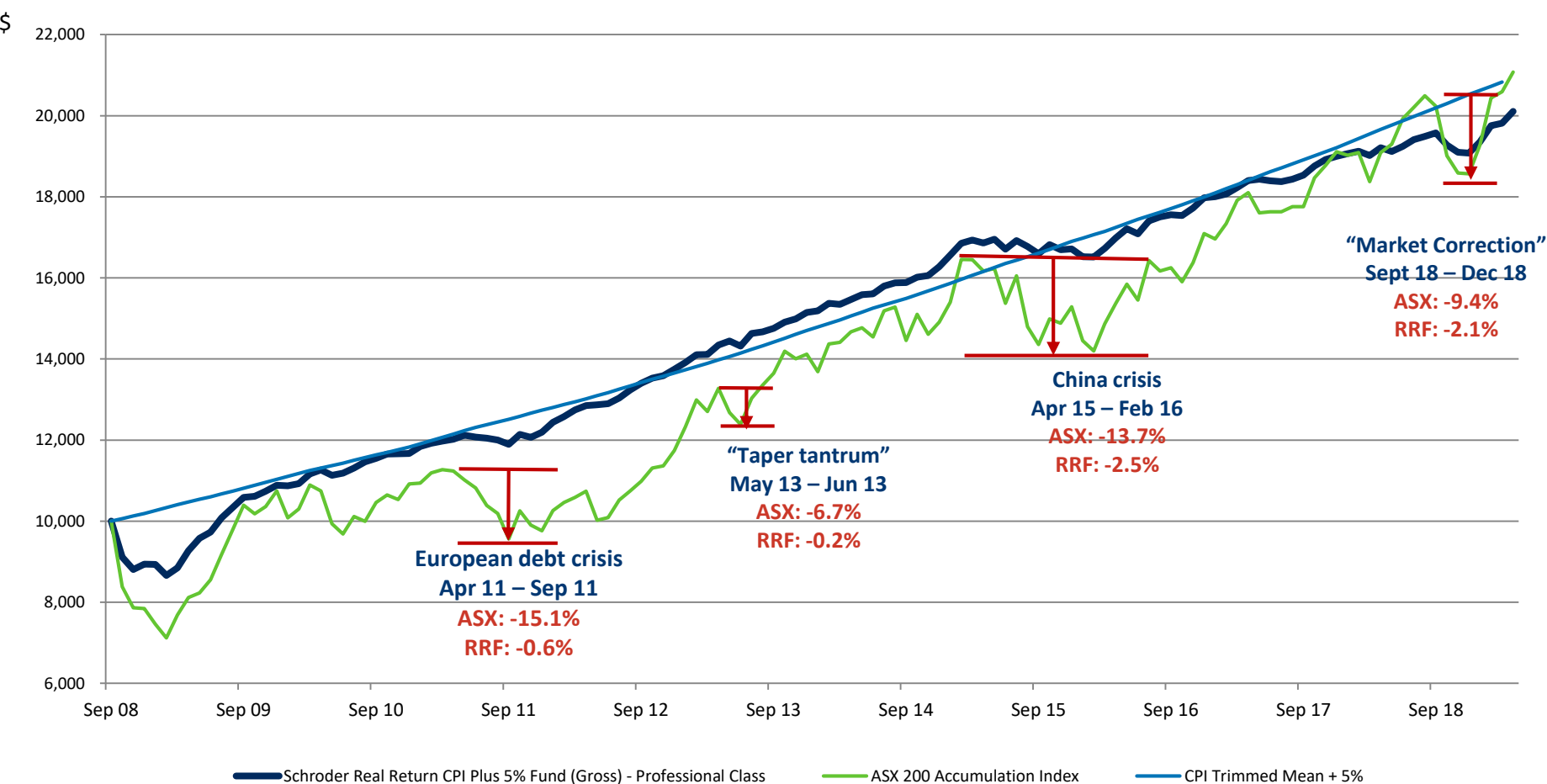


Risk Contribution

Market Exposure	55.4%	Bond and Equity Overlays	4.4%
FX	20.8%	Stock Selection	13.1%
RV Trades	6.2%		

# Performance since inception

Delivering capital growth whilst managing volatility and drawdowns



Since inception returns (p.a.)	
RRF CPI +5%	6.1% Vol: 4.8%
ASX 200	7.5% Vol: 13.3%
CPI +5%	7.4%

Source: Schroders, Datastream, ABS. Cumulative performance shown for the Schroder Real Return CPI+5% strategy (gross of fees) since inception to 30 April 2019. Past Performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. CPI is measured by the RBA Trimmed Mean as published by the ABS. Performance of the Unlisted Fund is shown to illustrate how a comparable managed fund using the same strategy has performed over longer time periods. Performance of the Schroder Real Return Fund (ASX:GROW) may vary due to differences such as market making activities, variations in implementation strategy and inflows/outflows. Cumulative performance of Schroder Real Return CPI+5% applying wholesale class fee of 0.90%.

# Investment process - Opportunities



## Markets

Equities: Australia, Japan & Asia  
Credit: Australian Investment Grade,  
RMBS (AAA)



## Currencies

Sterling  
Japanese Yen  
USD (vs AUD)



## Themes / Style

Liquidity  
Value > Growth  
Active > Passive  
Volatility  
Active Asset Allocation  
Inflation Surprise



## Downside Protection

Conservative (but not bearish)  
Risk stance  
Maintain duration (especially long  
duration US Treasuries)  
Volatility hedges like USD, JPY

# Summary



Where we have been



Where are we going



What are we doing about it

# Questions?

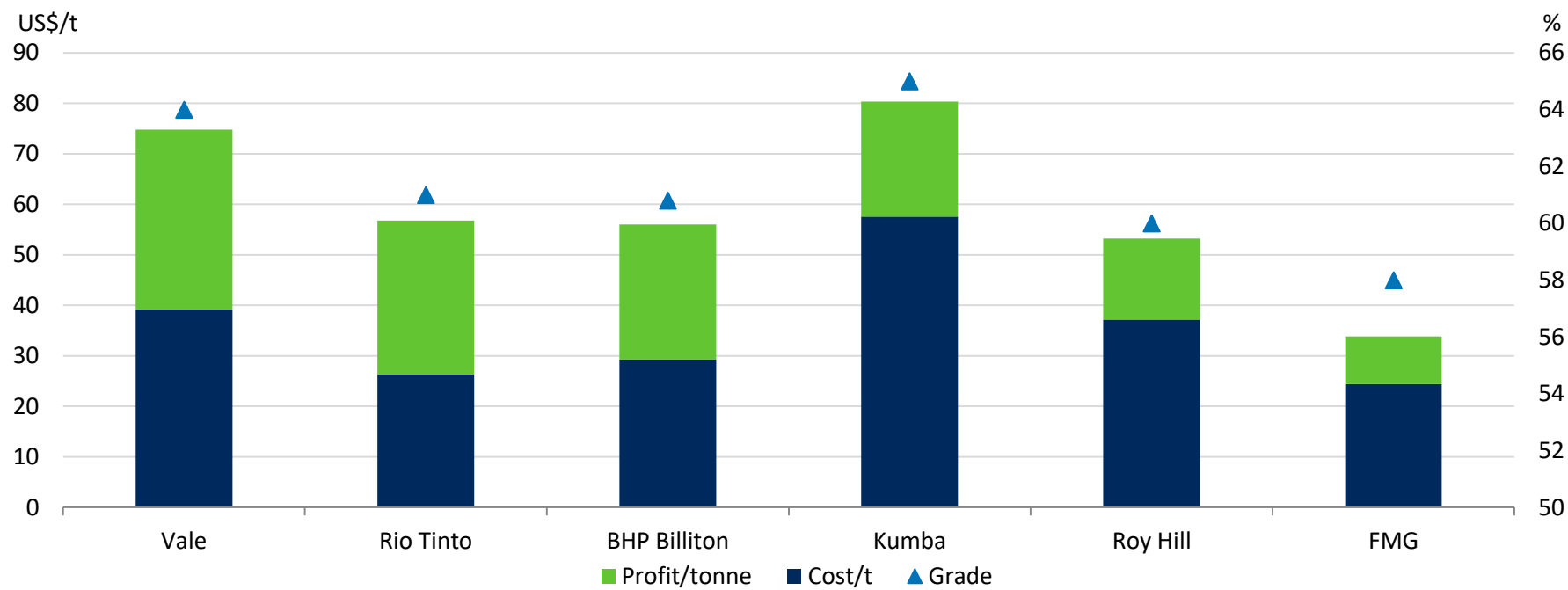


# Appendix

# Iron ore - the Landscape at \$61/t

Cash costs are only half of the story

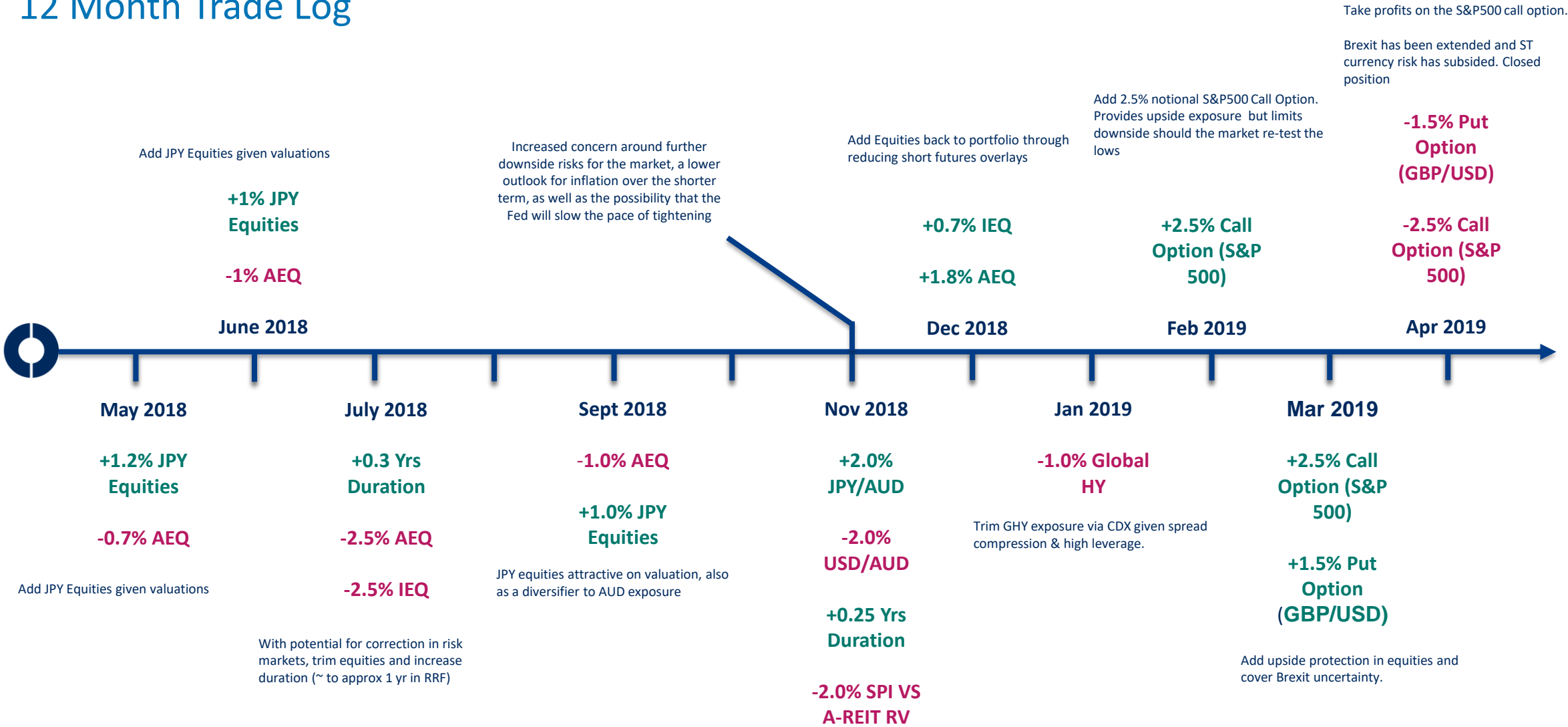
Total sale price (sorted: profit – highest to lowest)



Source: City research (May 2018).

# Key position changes

## 12 Month Trade Log





# Objective is threefold

Return important but is not the only thing that matters



Performance<sup>3</sup>



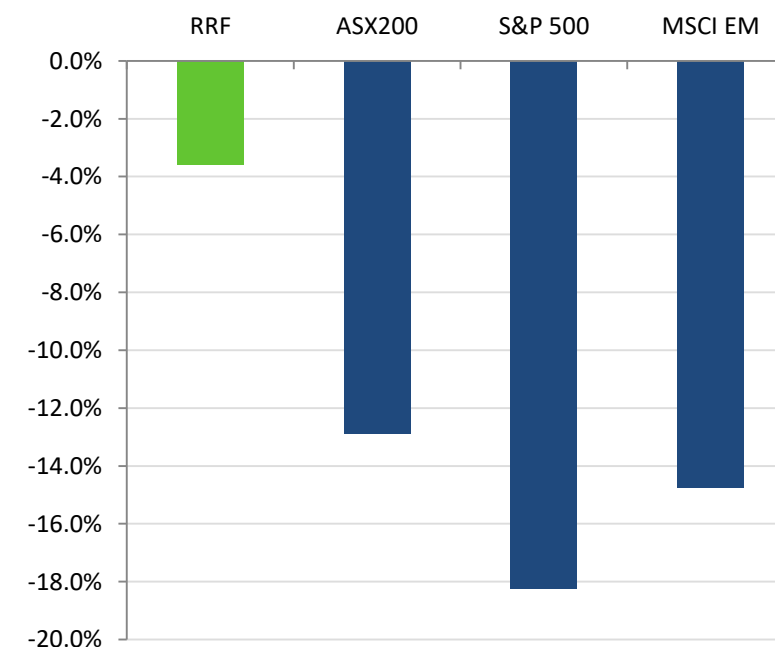
Volatility



Worst drawdown Q4 2018

	Returns (post fee)	CPI <sup>4</sup>	Return above CPI (post fee)
2011	3.6%	2.8%	0.8%
2012	11.7%	2.2%	9.5%
2013	9.2%	2.6%	6.6%
2014	6.5%	2.2%	4.3%
2015	1.8%	2.1%	-0.3%
2016	6.6%	1.6%	5.0%
2017	4.8%	1.8%	2.9%
2018	-0.5%	1.8%	-2.3%
1 yr	3.7%	1.6%	2.1%
3 yrs (p.a.)	4.8%	1.7%	3.1%
5 yrs (p.a.)	4.4%	1.8%	2.6%
SI (p.a.)	6.0%	2.2%	3.7%

Volatility	ASX 200 Volatility
3.1%	11.8%
1.8%	10.2%
2.8%	11.9%
1.8%	11.4%
4.0%	14.9%
3.3%	12.6%
1.5%	6.4%
2.7%	9.8%
3.6%	10.8%
2.7%	9.3%
3.0%	11.2%
2.8%	13.3%



Source: Schroders. Investment objectives are targets only and not guaranteed. Expected volatility and beta are an internal objective only.

<sup>1</sup> Return objective is per annum gross of fee over rolling three year periods. <sup>2</sup> Up to 8% p.a. <sup>3</sup> Returns are displayed for the Schroder Real Return CPI Plus 5% Fund (Wholesale Class) as at 30 April 2019. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. <sup>4</sup> CPI is measured by the RBA Trimmed Mean as published by the ABS until 31 March 2019