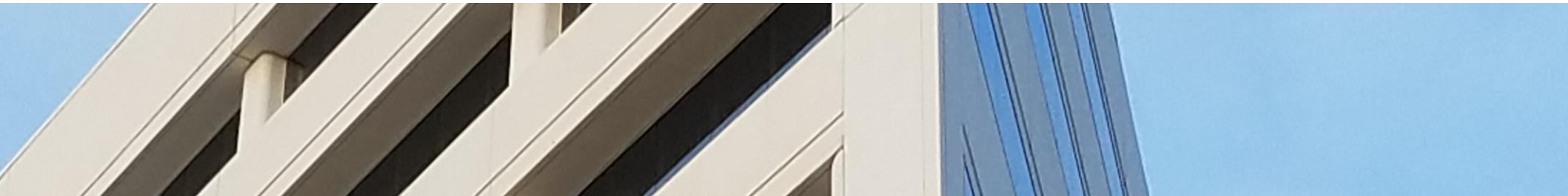




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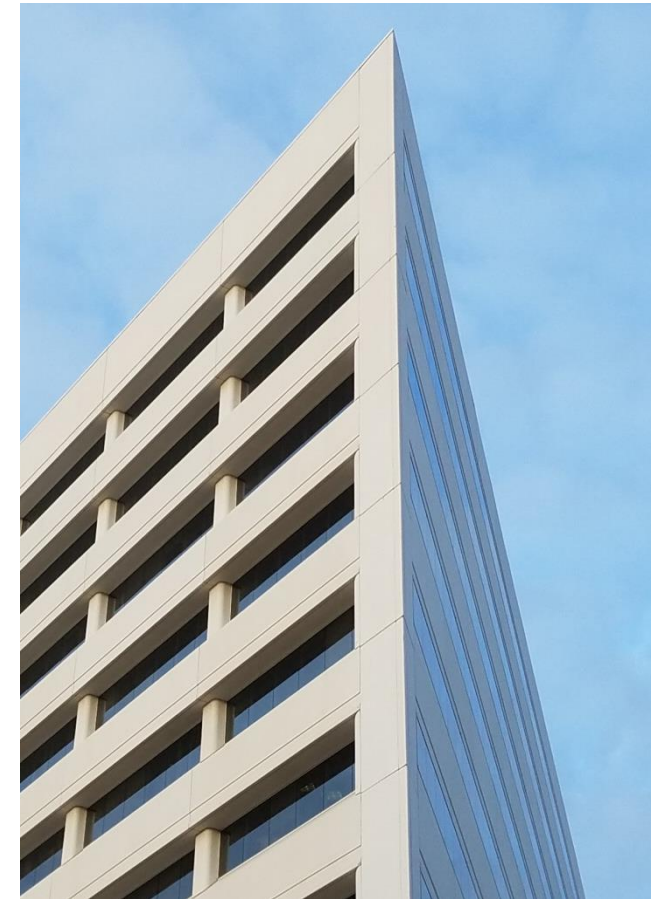


## Monthly Valuation Analysis

January 31, 2020

# INTRODUCTION

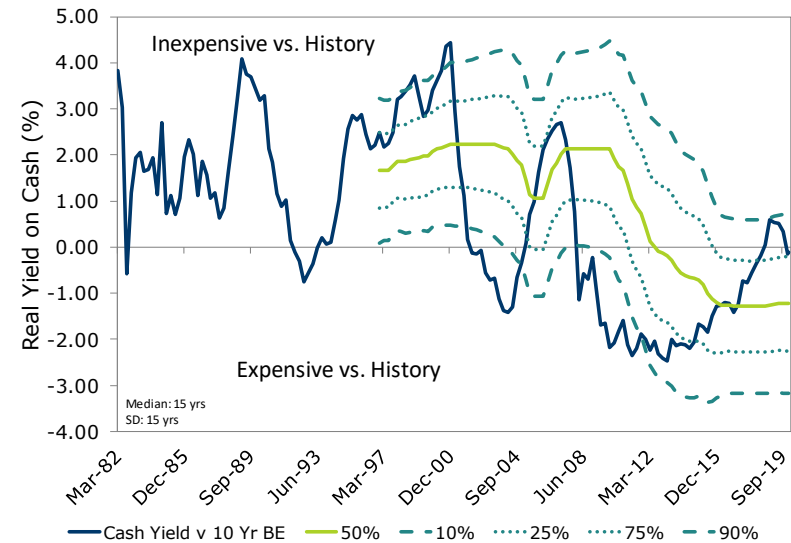
- Analysis includes current valuation levels versus historical norms within and among various asset classes
- Results rely on historical data (i.e. current price levels are compared to historical observations)
- Historical time period used to calculate average observation is the past 15 years ending the most recent quarter-end
- Most exhibits include a ‘median’ line along with breakpoints calculated assuming a normal distribution of outcomes:
  - Conditions are expressed as probabilities with the low end (1%) implying an “expensive” situation and the high end (99%) as “inexpensive” versus history
  - +/- 0.67 standard deviations represents the 75/25% outcomes
  - +/- 1.28 standard deviations represents the 90/10% outcomes
- Yields, including dividend yield for equities, have been used throughout to create a consistent comparison when comparing one asset class to another



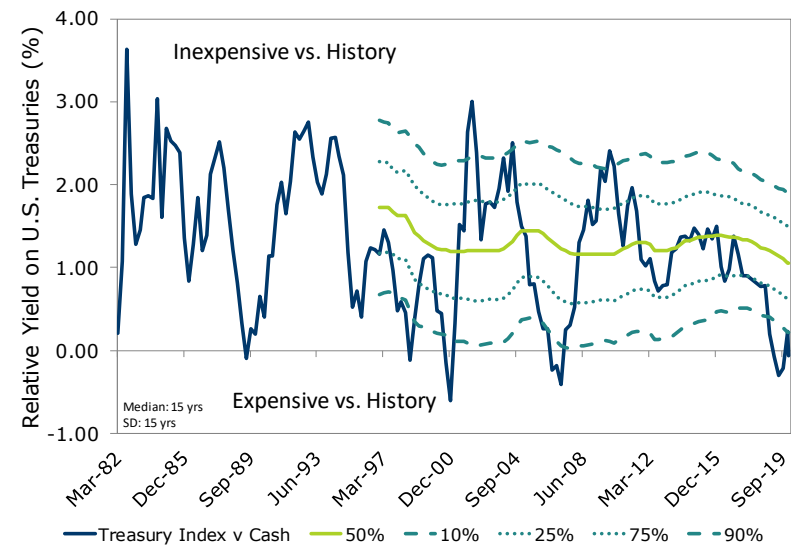
# CASH AND TREASURY BONDS

- Real yield on cash is again below zero
  - 3-month Treasury = 1.55%; Breakeven inflation = 1.65%
  - Yield on 10-year TIPS is negative (-0.14%) but has generally been positive since 2013
  
- Spread between the broad Treasury market index and cash is again negative (-0.06%)
  
- After briefly correcting its inversion, the yield curve is downward sloping from the short-term to the 5-year maturity

CASH YIELD VS 10-YEAR BREAKEVEN



TREASURY INDEX VS CASH

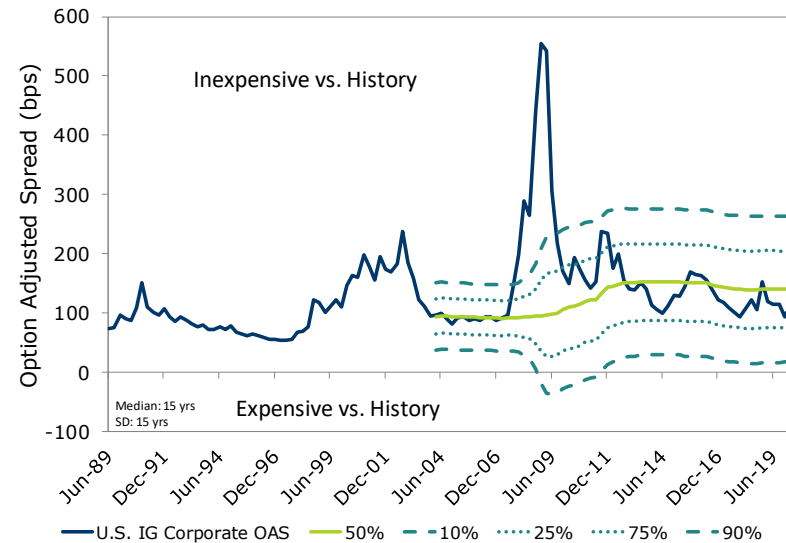


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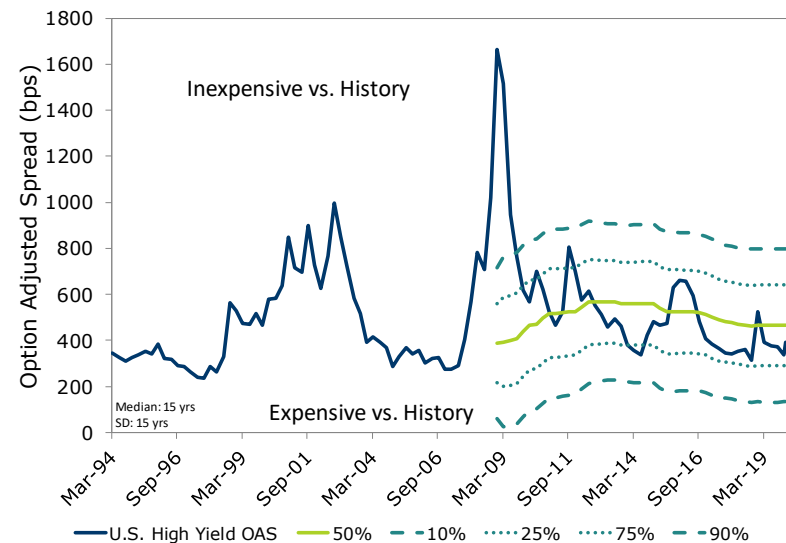
# RELATIVE FIXED INCOME YIELDS

- Spread versus Treasuries on the investment grade index is below its 15 year historical median, at the 35%-percentile outcome
  
- Spread on high yield bonds is below the historical median, currently at the 39%-percentile outcome

INVESTMENT GRADE CORPORATE OAS



HIGH YIELD OAS

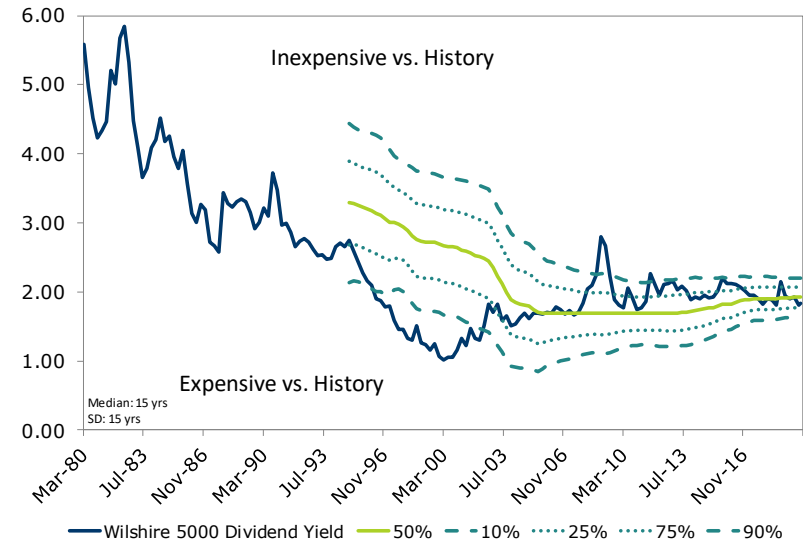


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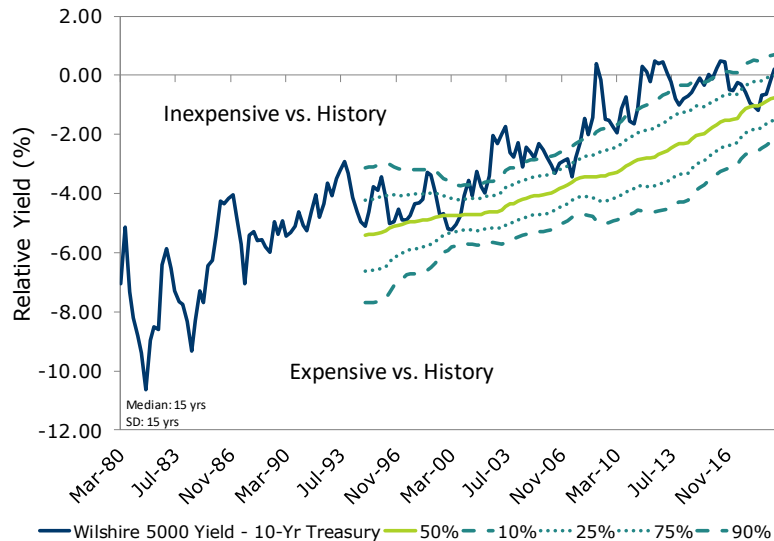
# U.S. EQUITY VALUATIONS

- Distribution of historical dividend yield is tight; current observation at the 34%-percentile outcome
- Spread (discount) between the dividend yield and Treasuries has decreased as yields have fallen through the years

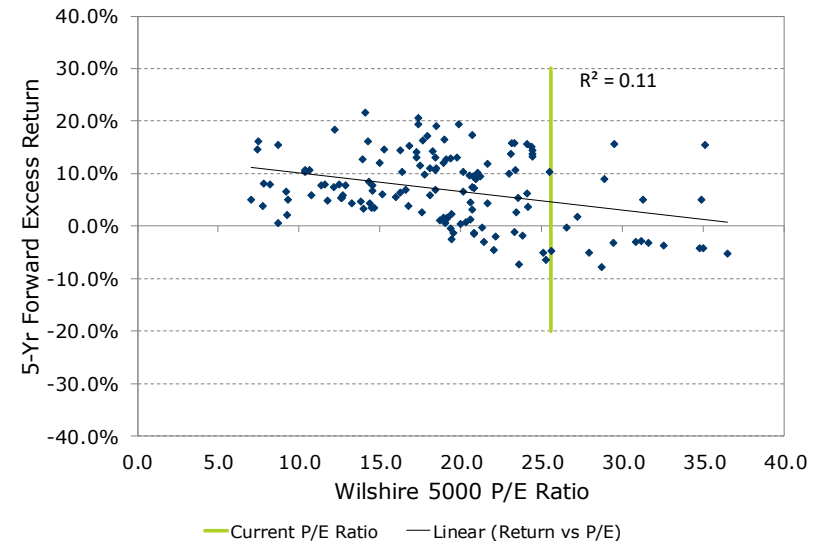
WILSHIRE 5000 DIVIDEND YIELD %



EQUITY TO TREASURY YIELD SPREAD



P/E RATIO & SUBSEQUENT EXCESS RETURN (OVER CASH)

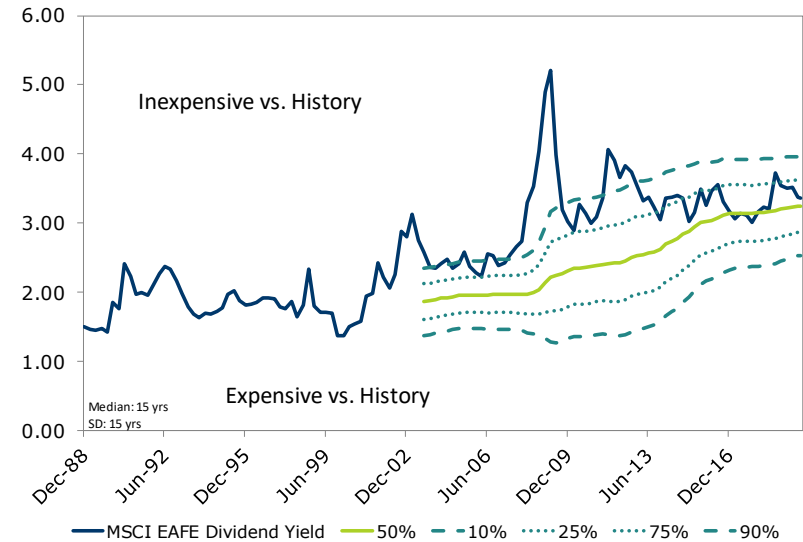


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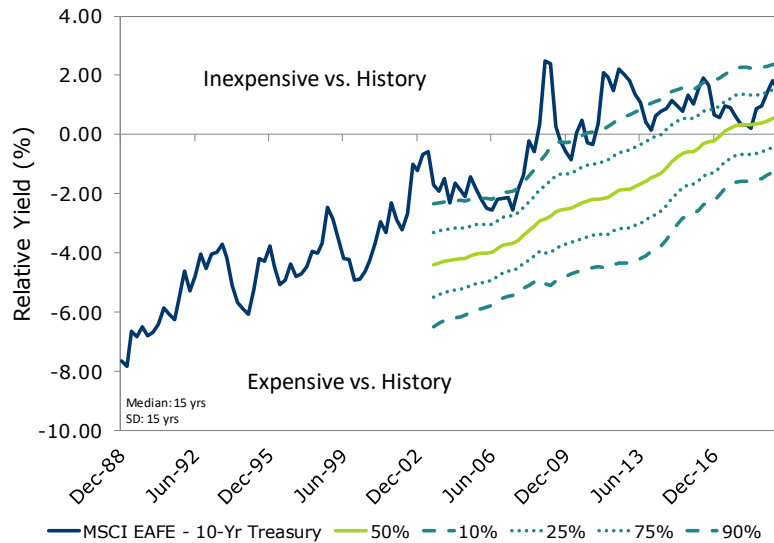
# DEVELOPED MARKET VALUATIONS

- Dividend yield is above the 15-year median; at the 58%-percentile outcome
- Spread between Developed Equity and the 10-Year Treasury has been narrowing

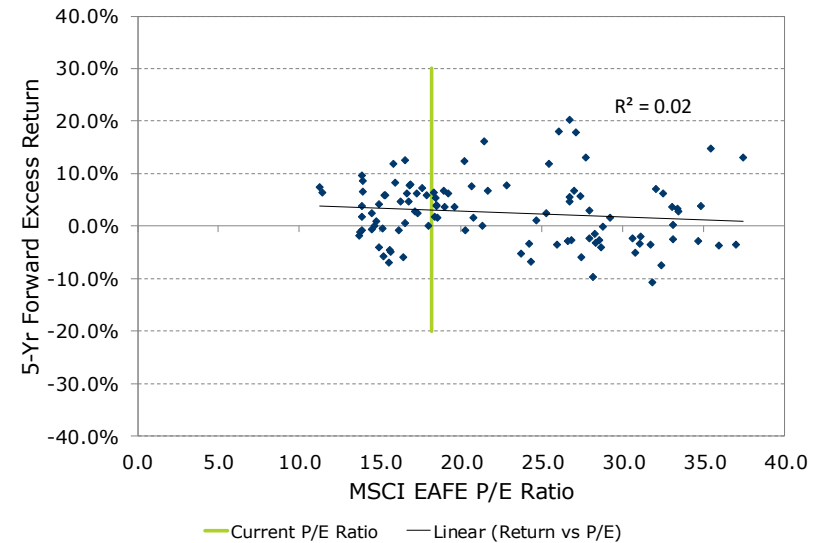
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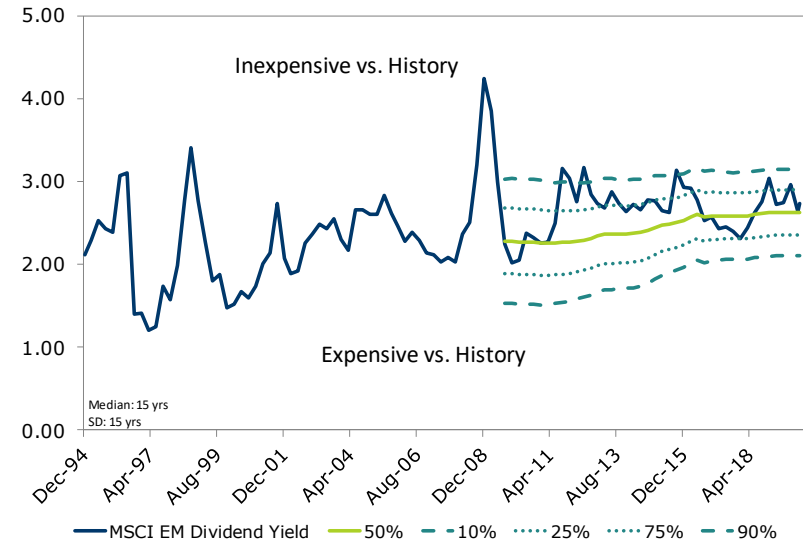


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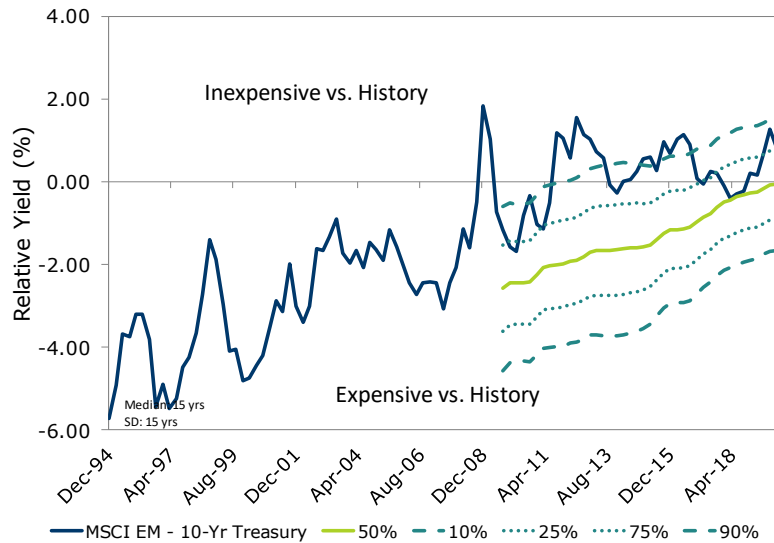
# EMERGING MARKET VALUATIONS

- Current dividend yield above its 15-year median; at the 61%-percentile outcome
- Spread between Emerging Market Equity and the 10-Year Treasury has been narrowing

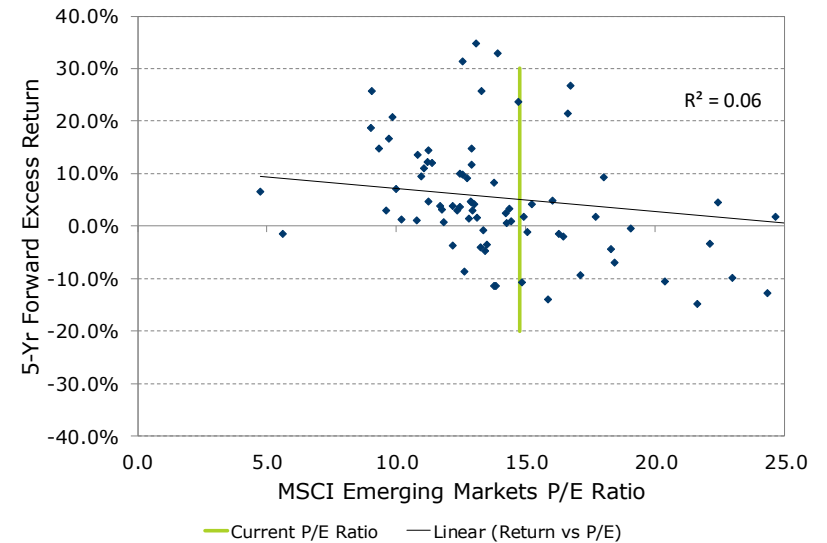
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EQUITY TO TREASURY YIELD SPREAD



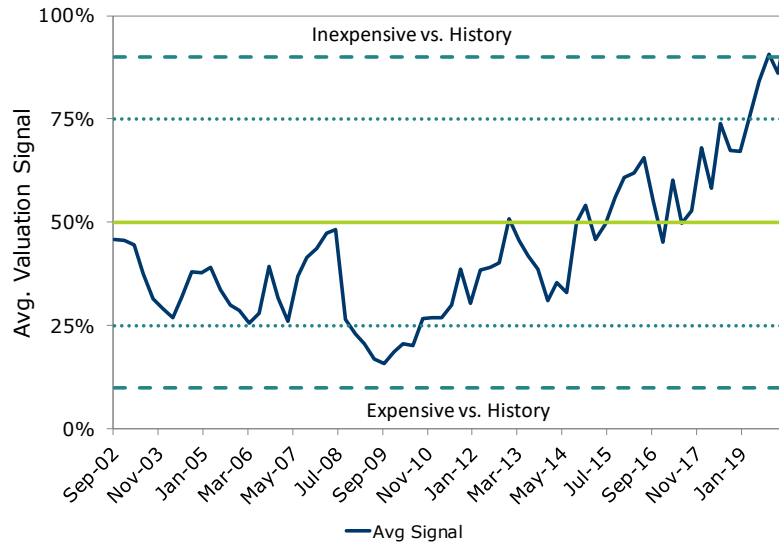
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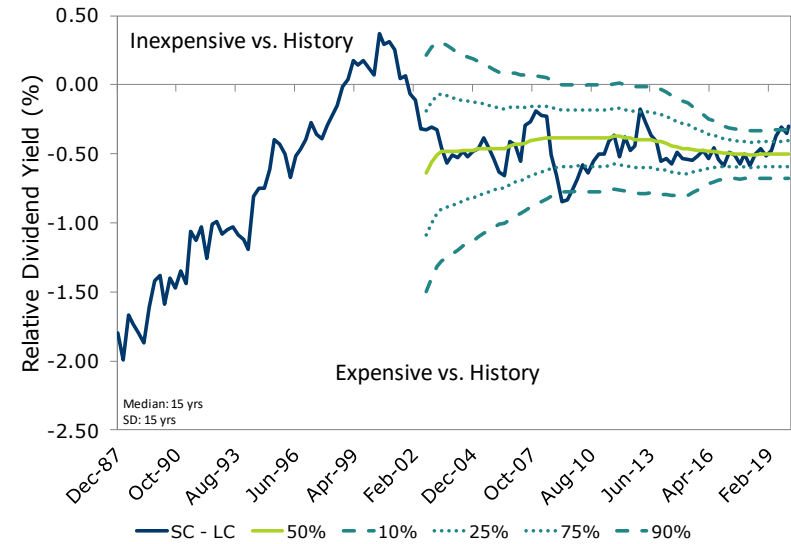
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# RELATIVE U.S. EQUITY: SIZE

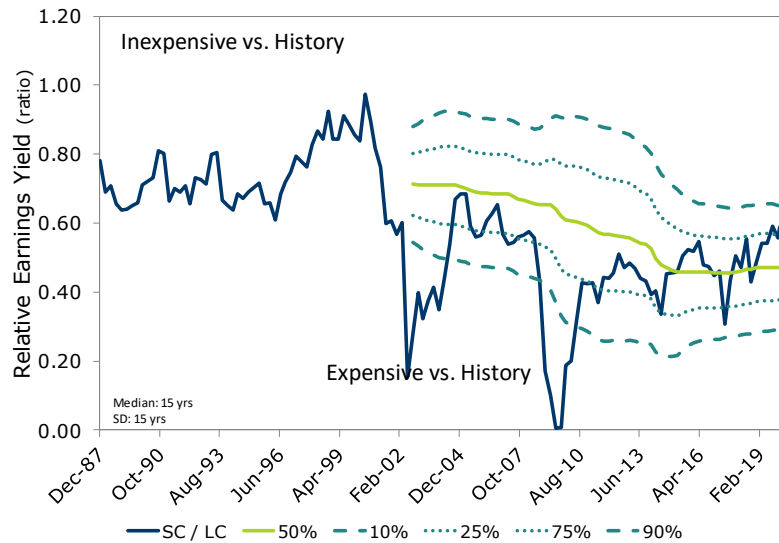
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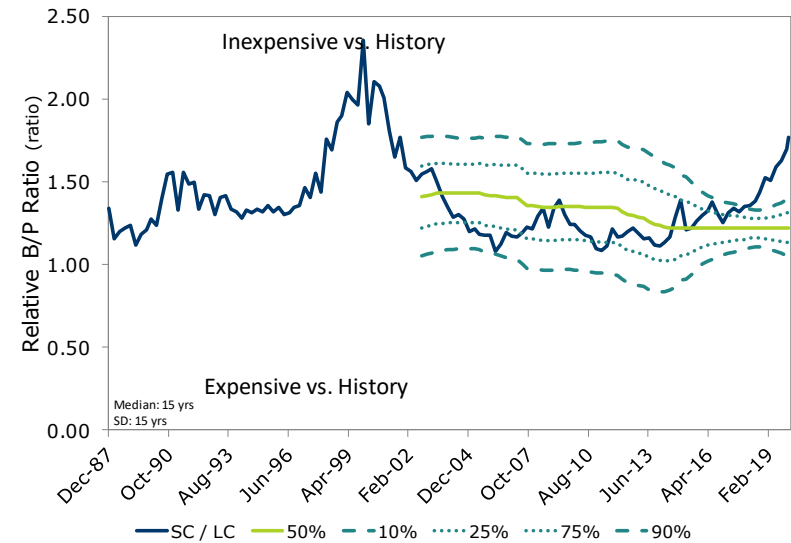
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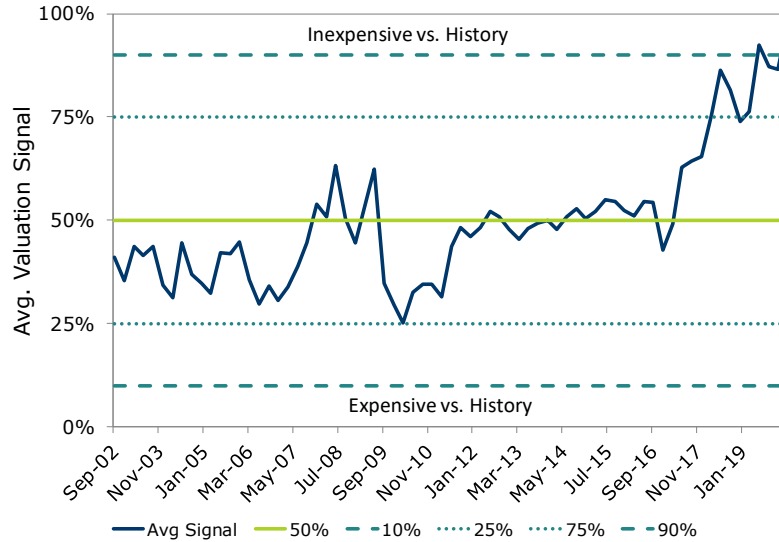
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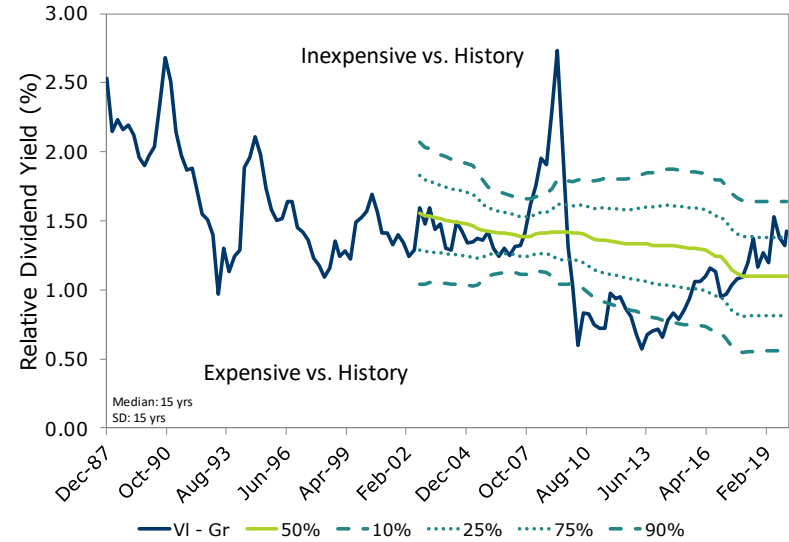


# RELATIVE U.S. EQUITY: STYLE

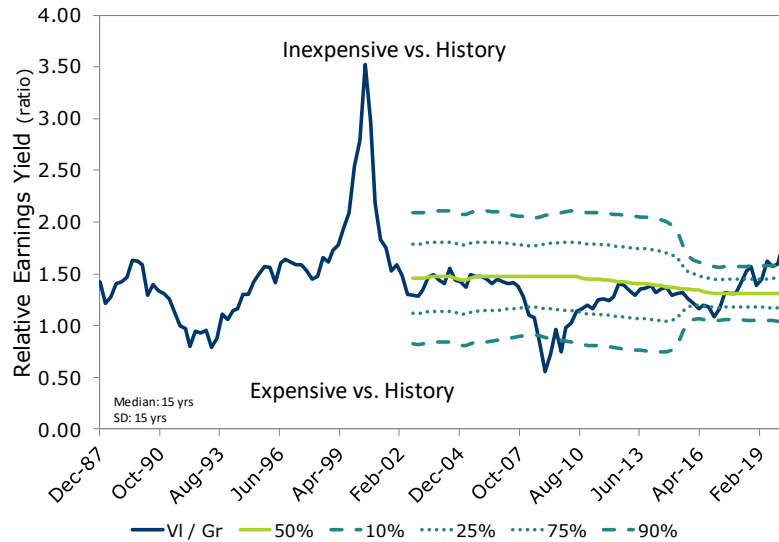
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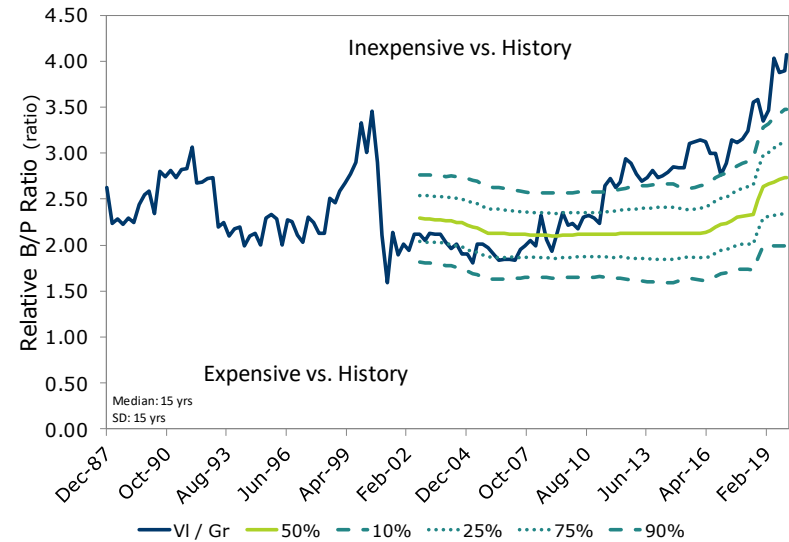
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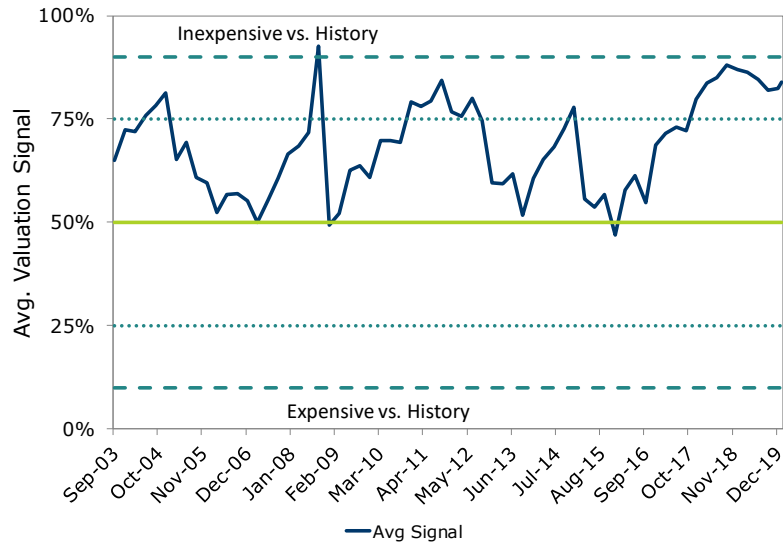
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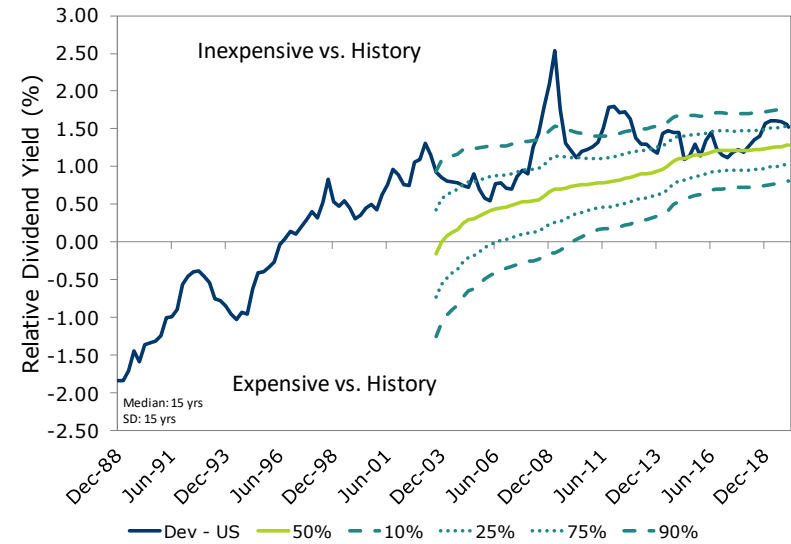
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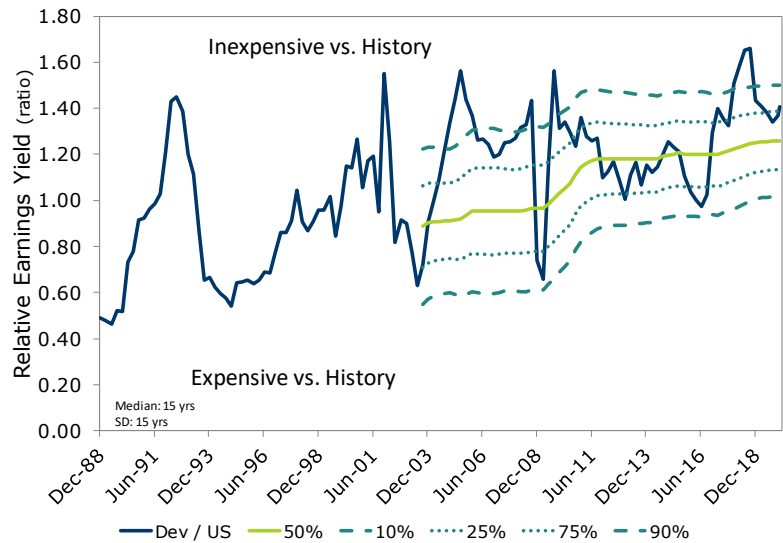
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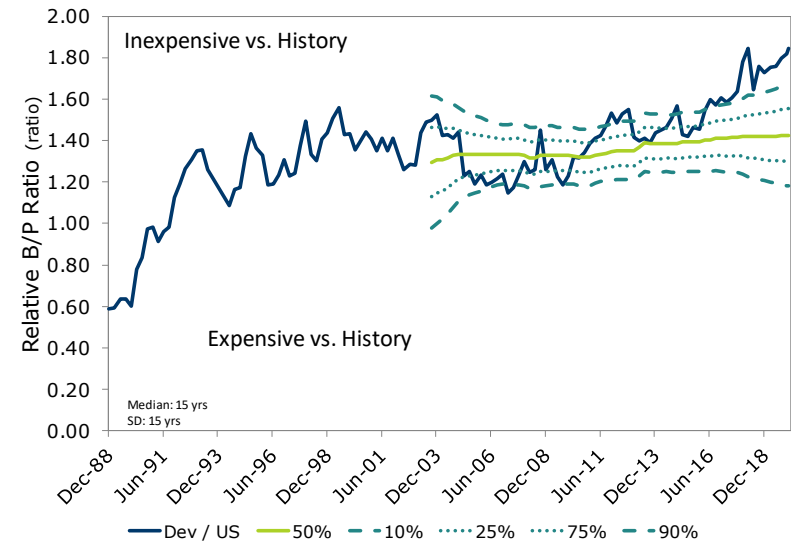
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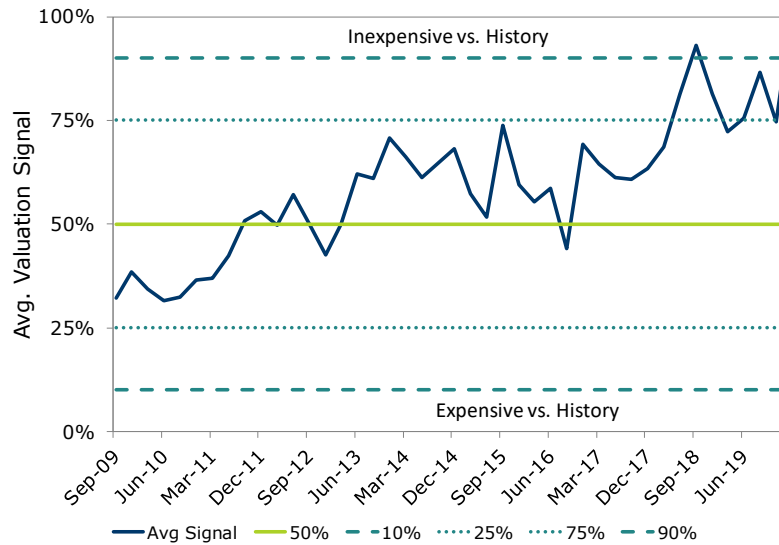
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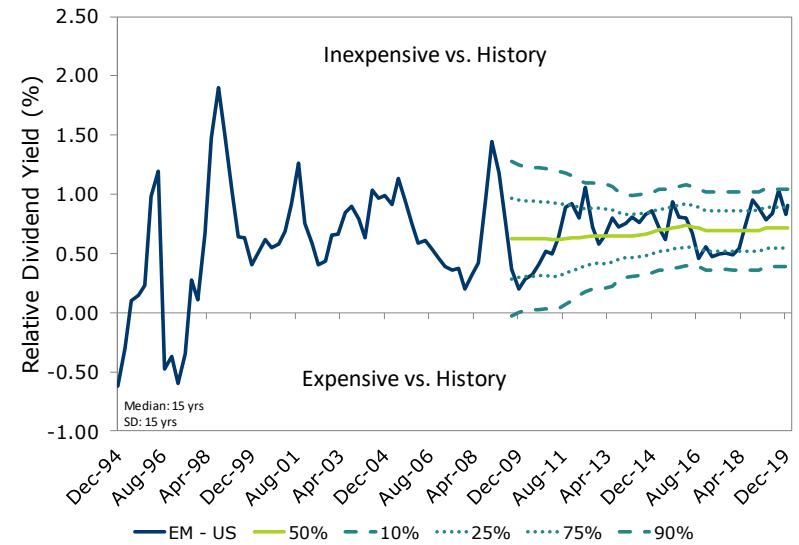
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# GLOBAL EQUITY: EMERGING

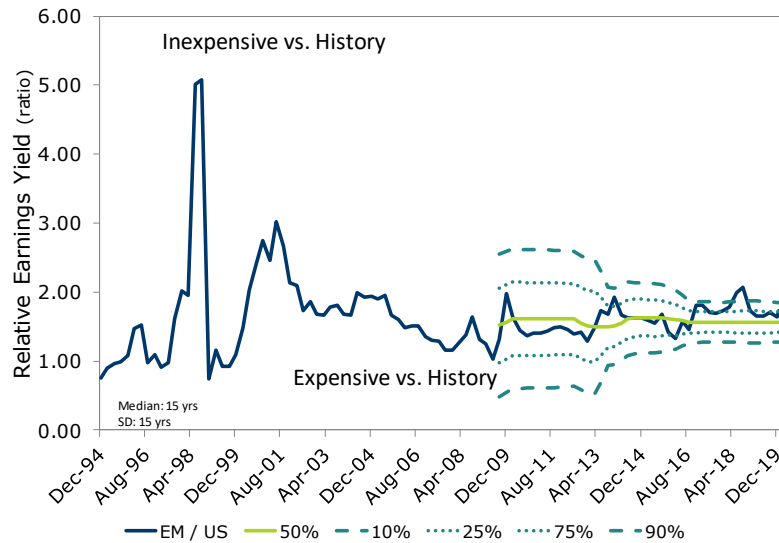
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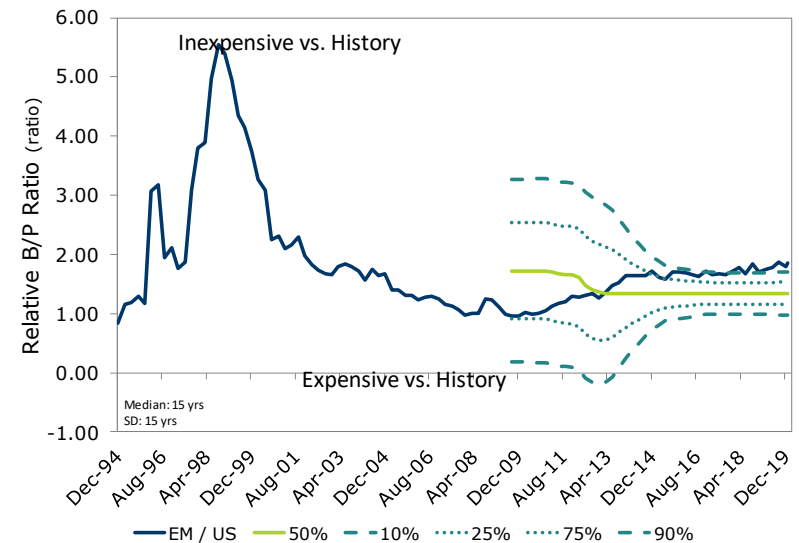
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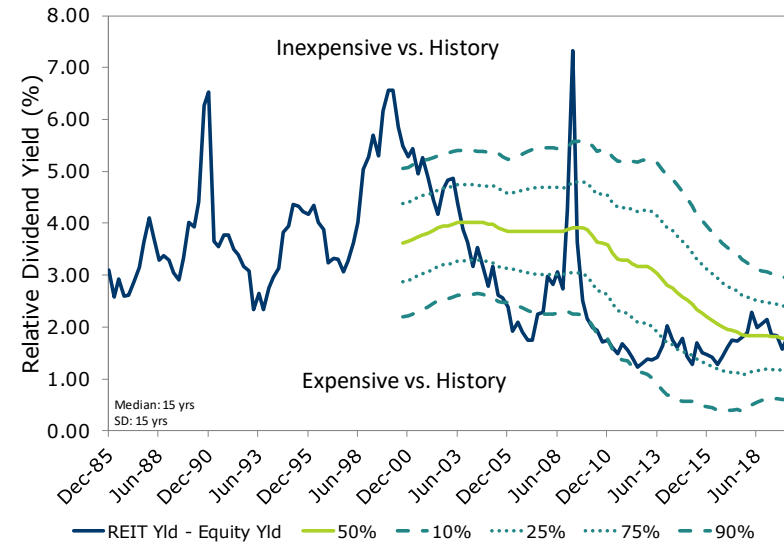
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# RELATIVE YIELD ON REAL ASSETS

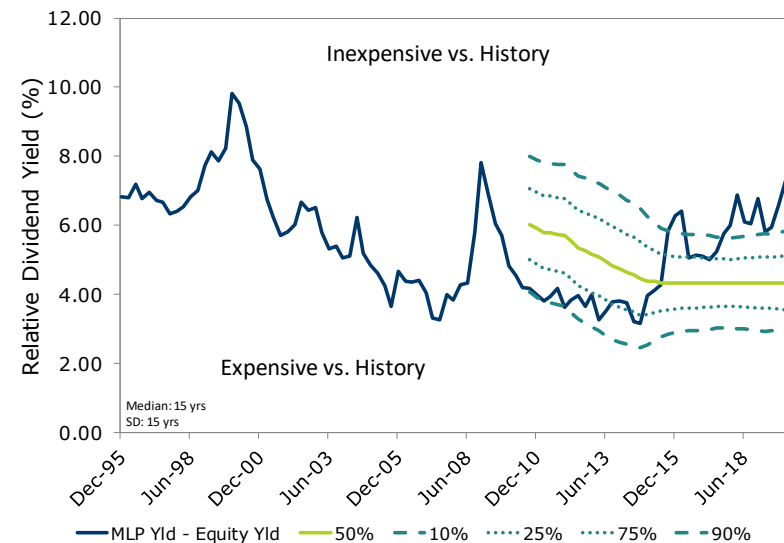
- REIT yields typically run higher than the earnings yield for the broad equity market
- Current relative yield at the 48%-percentile outcome

- MLP prices have been quite volatile for the past few years
- Current relative yield is at the 100%-percentile outcome after a -5.6% sell-off in January

REIT YIELD RELATIVE TO U.S. EQUITY



MLP YIELD RELATIVE TO U.S. EQUITY



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SUMMARY



- Yield spread on the broad Treasury index is negative versus 3-month Treasuries
- Credit spreads are below the historical medians
- Equity signals are yield-based only in the following exhibit
- Non-U.S. equity is Inexpensive versus U.S. stocks

ASSET CLASS	FACTOR	CURRENT	HISTORICAL MEDIAN	CURRENT FROM MEDIAN (SD)	CURRENT VALUATION %
CASH	Real Yield	-0.10	-1.23	0.75	77%
U.S. TREASURIES	Relative Yield to Cash	-0.06	1.06	(1.70)	4%
U.S. IG CORPORATE	Spread to Treasuries	102	140	(0.40)	35%
U.S. HIGH YIELD	Spread to Treasuries	390	466	(0.29)	39%
U.S. EQUITY	Dividend Yield	1.83	1.92	(0.41)	34%
NON-U.S. DEV EQUITY	Dividend Yield	3.36	3.25	0.20	58%
NON-U.S. EMRG MRKT	Dividend Yield	2.74	2.63	0.27	61%
U.S. REITs	Relative Yield to Eqty	1.74	1.78	(0.04)	48%
MLPs	Relative Yield to Eqty	7.97	4.35	3.11	100%
SMALL V LARGE	Relative Yield	-0.30	-0.50	1.43	92%
VALUE V GROWTH	Relative Yield	1.43	1.10	0.78	78%
NON-U.S. DEV V U.S.	Relative Yield	1.53	1.28	0.67	75%
EMRG MRKT V U.S.	Relative Yield	0.91	0.72	0.75	77%

# CROSS-ASSET CLASS VALUATION

- Methodology: matrix below summarizes relative relationships among asset classes
  - 15 years of yield data is used for each AC
  - The difference in yield is calculated and the resulting percentile of each outcome is included in the matrix, for example:
    - » Current Treasuries to Core Bonds spread is -0.5%, above its median of -0.9%
    - » Spread is tighter than normal (with 77% probability) meaning that Treasuries are getting “inexpensive” relative to Core Bonds (which are getting “expensive”)
- Relative yields on Non-U.S. markets are attractive versus U.S. Equity

AS OF JANUARY 31, 2020	ASSET CLASS RELATIONSHIP RELATIVE TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:									
	INFLATION	CASH	TREASURY	CORE BONDS	HIGH YIELD	REITs	MLPs	U.S. STOCKS	NON-U.S. DEV	EMRG MRKT
CASH	77%		96%	94%	75%	74%	14%	78%	71%	69%
TREASURY	39%	4%		77%	63%	43%	3%	41%	39%	33%
CORE BONDS	35%	6%	23%		59%	36%	1%	31%	31%	25%
HIGH YIELD	32%	25%	37%	41%		17%	1%	23%	22%	20%
REITs	56%	26%	57%	64%	83%		0%	48%	34%	32%
MLPs	99%	86%	97%	99%	99%	100%		100%	100%	100%
U.S. STOCKS	70%	22%	59%	69%	77%	52%	0%		25%	23%
NON-U.S. DEV	71%	29%	61%	69%	78%	66%	0%	75%		43%
EMRG MRKT	79%	31%	67%	75%	80%	68%	0%	77%	57%	