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Monthly Valuation Analysis

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- 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

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Wilshire Consulting CASH AND TREASURY BONDS

- Real yield on cash is again below zero
 - 3-month Treasury = 0.14%;
 Breakeven inflation = 1.16%
 - Yield on 10-year TIPS is negative (-0.51%); low for the past decade was in 2012 (-0.87%)

- Spread between the broad Treasury market index and cash is again positive (0.37%)
- Although yields have fallen dramatically in 2020, the curve is at least upward sloping across most maturities





Wilshire Consulting RELATIVE FIXED INCOME YIELDS

 Spread versus Treasuries on the investment grade index spiked during the first quarter but has since tightened; currently at the 63%-percentile outcome versus its 15-year history

 Spread on high yield bonds has exhibited a similar pattern and is currently at the 74%-percentile outcome





Wilshire Consulting U.S. EQUITY VALUATIONS

- Distribution of historical dividend yield is tight; current observation at the 32%percentile outcome
- Spread (discount) between the dividend yield and Treasuries has decreased as yields have fallen through the years







Wilshire Consulting DEVELOPED MARKET VALUATIONS

- Dividend yield is above the 15-year median; at the 45%-percentile outcome
- Spread between Developed Equity and the 10-Year Treasury has been narrowing



Data source: Bloomberg





Wilshire Consulting EMERGING MARKET VALUATIONS

- Current dividend yield is above its 15-year median; at the 80%-percentile outcome
- Spread between Emerging Market Equity and the 10-Year Treasury has been narrowing









Wilshire Consulting RELATIVE U.S. EQUITY: SIZE



Data source: Bloomberg



Wilshire Consulting RELATIVE U.S. EQUITY: STYLE



Data source: Bloomberg







Wilshire Consulting GLOBAL EQUITY: DEVELOPED







Wilshire Consulting GLOBAL EQUITY: EMERGING







Wilshire Consulting RELATIVE YIELD ON REAL ASSETS

- REIT yields typically run higher than the earnings yield for the broad equity market
- Current relative yield at the 60%-percentile outcome

- MLP prices have been quite volatile for the past few years and are down big in 2020, although delivered a strong rebound in April and May
- Current relative yield is at the 100%percentile outcome



Wilshire Consulting SUMMARY

- Real yield on cash is negative
- Credit spreads are above their 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	-1.02	-1.28	0.17	57%	
U.S. TREASURIES	Relative Yield to Cash	0.37	1.05	(1.04)	15%	
U.S. IG CORPORATE	Spread to Treasuries	174	141	0.34	63%	
U.S. HIGH YIELD	Spread to Treasuries	637	471	0.64	74%	
U.S. EQUITY	Dividend Yield	1.82	1.93	(0.48)	32%	
NON-U.S. DEV EQUITY	Dividend Yield	3.19	3.26	(0.13)	45%	
NON-U.S. EMRG MRKT	Dividend Yield	2.99	2.64	0.86	80%	
U.S. REITs	Relative Yield to Eqty	2.02	1.78	0.27	60%	
MLPs	Relative Yield to Eqty	12.22	4.35	3.51	100%	
SMALL V LARGE	Relative Yield	-0.28	-0.50	1.52	94%	
VALUE V GROWTH	Relative Yield	1.95	1.10	1.94	97%	
NON-U.S. DEV V U.S.	Relative Yield	1.37	1.30	0.21	58%	
EMRG MRKT V U.S.	Relative Yield	1.17	0.72	1.79	96%	



Wilshire Consulting 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 -0.8%, above its median of -0.9%
 - » Spread is tighter than normal (with 52% 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	ASSET CLASS RELATIONSHIP RELATIVE TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:										
MAY 31, 2020	INFLATION	CASH	TREASURY	CORE	HIGH	REITs	MLPs	U.S. STOCKS	NON-U.S.	EMRG	
				BONDS	YIELD				DEV	MRKT	
CASH	57%		85%	77%	41%	42%	0%	51%	49%	35%	
TREASURY	26%	15%		52%	29%	17%	0%	18%	24%	11%	
CORE BONDS	31%	23%	48%		26%	14%	0%	18%	21%	10%	
HIGHYIELD	59%	59%	71%	74%		36%	0%	44%	46%	37%	
REITs	77%	58%	83%	86%	64%		0%	60%	54%	33%	
MLPs	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		100%	100%	100%	
U.S. STOCKS	89%	49%	82%	82%	56%	40%	0%		42%	4%	
NON-U.S. DEV	81%	51%	76%	79%	54%	46%	0%	58%		5%	
EMRG MRKT	95%	65%	89%	90%	63%	67%	0%	96%	95%		