Q4 2017 LOOK AHEAD

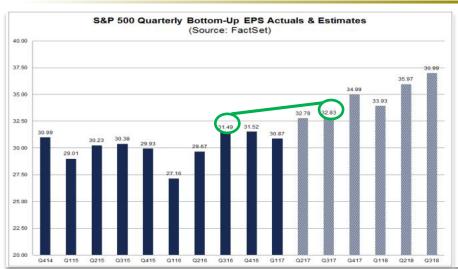


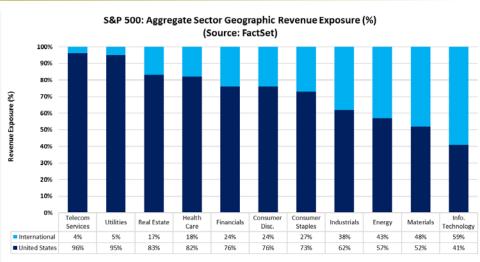
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Earnings Growth Moderates YoY







- ☐ Earnings are moderating; growth is projected to remain positive:
 - **□** Q2 EPS Growth: 10.3%
 - □ Q3 Expected EPS Growth: 4.2%
 - □ Q4 Expected EPS Growth: 11.2%
- ☐ A weaker U.S. dollar may fuel a resurgence in earnings based on export growth
- □ 30% of S&P 500 companies have revenue exposure from outside of the United States



U.S. Consumer Strength

Average Hourly Earnings

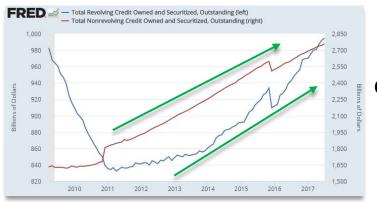




Personal Savings Rate

Median Household Income



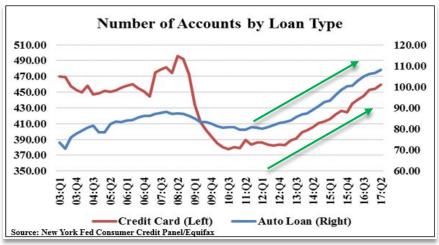


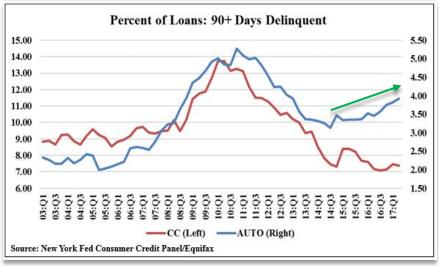
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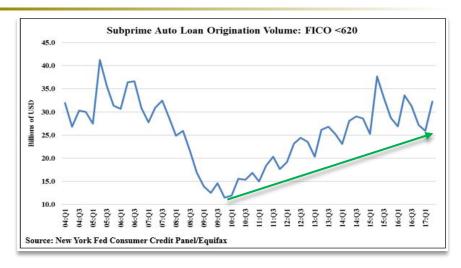
- ☐ Steady uptrends in Average Hourly Earnings, Median Household Income, and Credit has put more money in the pockets of consumers
- ☐ Personal Savings Rate continues to decline which indicates that consumers have increased spending



Fueling Animal Spirits



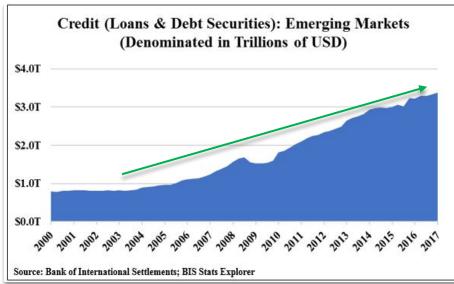


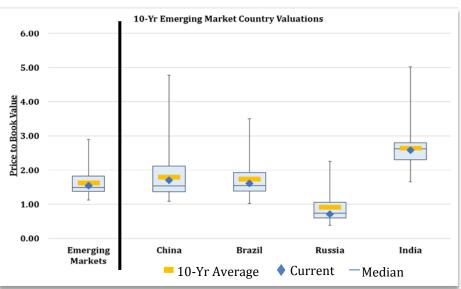


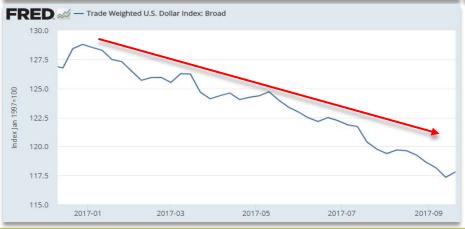
- ☐ Credit is expanding, but showing some early signs of strain
- □ Volumes in subprime auto loan issuance have been trending upward since 2009, despite a rising delinquency rate
- ☐ Credit card delinquency remains above 7%, which may trend higher alongside rising auto loan delinquencies.



Emerging Markets (EM)





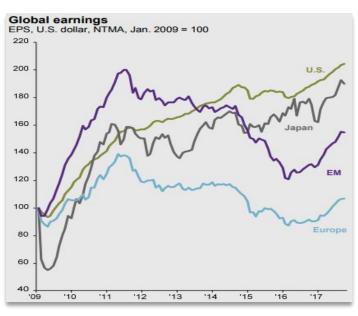


- ☐ Increasing U.S. dollar denominated debt by EM companies
- ☐ Declining U.S. dollar relative to other major currencies may provide a tailwind in earnings and revenue growth for EM companies
- ☐ EM sector and country valuations are showing fair to slightly undervalued relative to 10-year averages

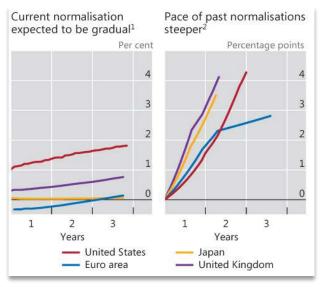


Developed Markets

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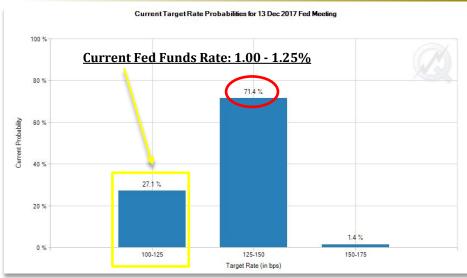
Policy rate normalization: Will this time be different?

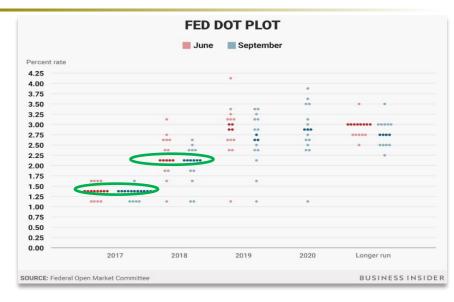


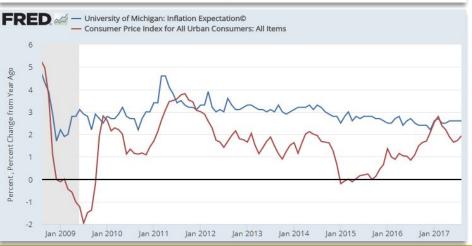
- ☐ Threat of deflation appears to be receding
- ☐ Earnings growth continues to accelerate throughout developed markets (U.S., Japan, and Europe)
- ☐BOJ and ECB may begin to normalize monetary policy



Interest Rates



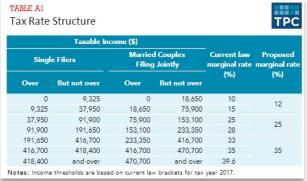




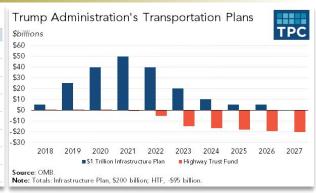
- ☐ Projected probability of a Fed Funds Rate increase during Q4 is 71.4%
- ☐ The current Fed Dot Plot suggests one more rate increase in December of 2017 and three rate increases throughout 2018
- ☐ Inflation continues to post results below expectations

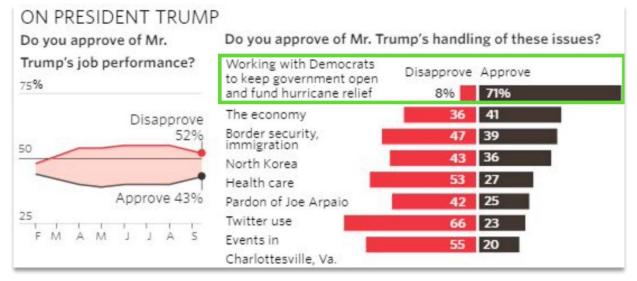


Trump Trade – Bonus Boost



Company ‡	Ticker #	Overseas cash (\$B) #	As pct of market cap #
Cisco	csco	68	37
NetApp	NTAP	5	36
QUALCOMM	QCOM	30	35
Apple	AAPL	216	25
Amgen	AMGN	36	24
Oracle	ORCL	48	22
Microsoft	MSFT	128	20
Ralph Lauren	RL	1	20





- ☐ Likelihood improves that Trump may take a more bipartisan approach to moving his agenda forward
- ☐ Many corporations stand to gain from a repatriation of overseas profits as a result of corporate tax reform



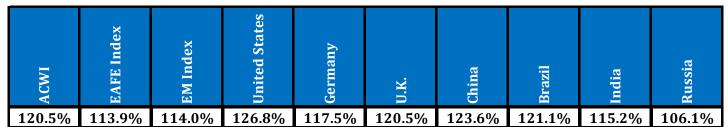
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Mean Reversion Dashboard

Style Current P/E as a % of 15-Yr Avg. P/E

	Value	Blend	Growth
Large	120.9%	122.5%	123.5%
Mid	116.3%	115.7%	116.7%
Small	116.0%	125.3%	138.3%

Regional Fwd P/E as a % of 10-Yr Avg. Fwd P/E

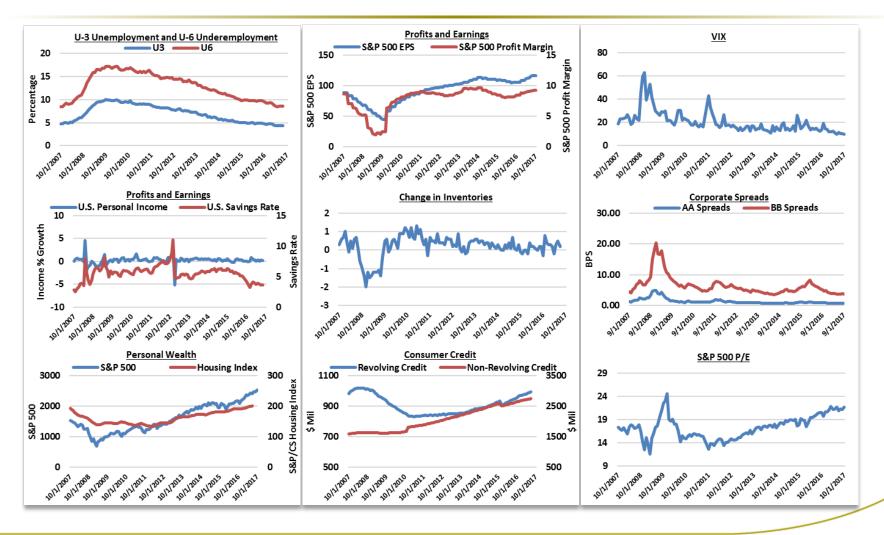


Sector Fwd P/E as a % of 20-Yr Avg. P/E

	Financials	Technology	Health Care	Industrials	Energy	Cons. Discr.	Cons. Staples	Telecom	Utilities	Real Estate	Materials
Į	102.3%	90.4%	89.3%	109.2%	151.7%	109.4%	121.1%	78.3%	130.7%	117.1%	129.7%



Economic Dashboard

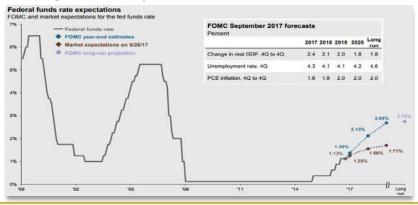




Summary & Recommendations

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- ☐ We expect a stronger U.S. dollar amid increased discussions about global central banks normalizing monetary policy
- U.S. consumers remain a driving force for global growth; expansion of credit and decreased savings is likely to continue
- ☐ Earnings growth remains strong; declines in estimates will likely increase the opportunity for companies to surprise to the upside
- ☐ Increased probability for one more rate increase in 2017; however, the market remains in a "lower for longer" mentality



Recommendations

- ☐ Continue making slight increases to fixed income duration beyond the benchmark
- ☐ Normalize allocation weightings in Emerging Markets and Developed International Markets
- ☐ Evaluate the addition of High Yield Municipals to appropriate portfolios
- □ Realign return expectations to factor in a normalized correction which will likely be driven by a more difficult YoY earnings comparison in 2018

Decline	Average Frequency ¹	Average Length ²	Last Occurrence
-5% or more	About 3 times a year	47 days	August 2015
-10% or more	About once a year	115 days	August 2015
-15% or more	About once every 2 years	215 days	October 201
-20% or more	About once every 3½ years	341 days	March 2009



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