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Summary

- US equities have soared on the back of Trump's victory and are up 27% YTD. In contrast, Europe ex UK equities are up 5% YTD in USD terms (slides 5-6).
- Performance has broadened out with many sectors performing well (slide 7).
- US small caps are now beating large caps (slide 8). Smaller companies are:
 - cheaper in valuation terms, within the US and internationally (slides 30-31),
 - more domestically focussed than large caps, so stand to benefit from Trump's domestic priority (slide 9)
 - have more floating rate debt, the cost of which falls as the Fed cuts rates
- Small caps have also particularly enjoyed the current 1-3% inflation environment in the past. This range of outcomes has been wide, however, and much wider than large caps (slides 13-16). Small caps are riskier.
- The narrative that the Magnificent-7* are the sole driver of stock market returns has passed its use-by date. But, if you track the global market, you get a lot of exposure to them, less to the wider opportunities (slides 10-11).

Other than the intro slides, which capture the post-US-election market moves to 8 November, all other slides are as at 31 October, unless clearly stated otherwise.

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* The Magnificent-7 is the name given to Nvidia, Meta Platforms, Amazon, Apple, Alphabet, Microsoft, Tesla. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47



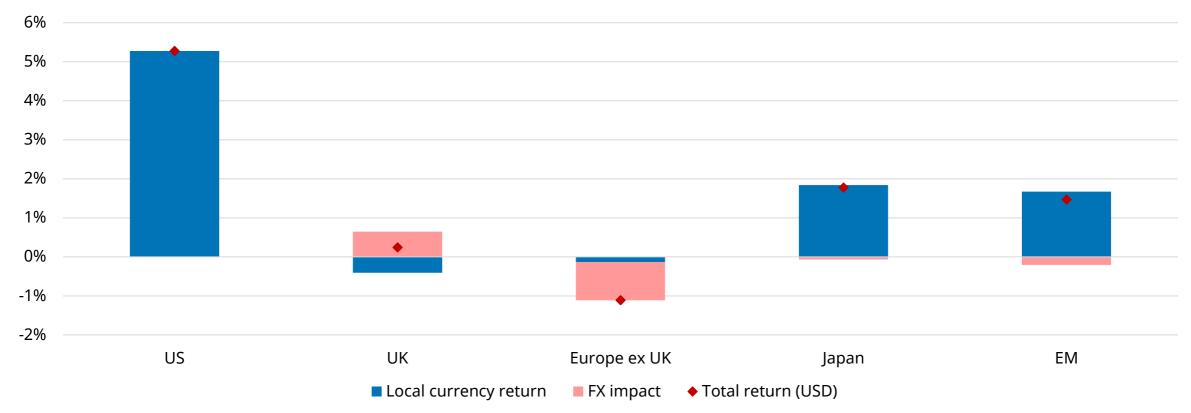


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Global equities Charts of the month

The Trump-effect: US equities have surged further ahead since month-end

Decomposition of drivers of returns since month-end to 8 November, USD terms



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Following the post-election surge, US equities have a commanding lead over the rest of the world in 2024

Total \$ return, 2024 YTD to 8 November 2024, %

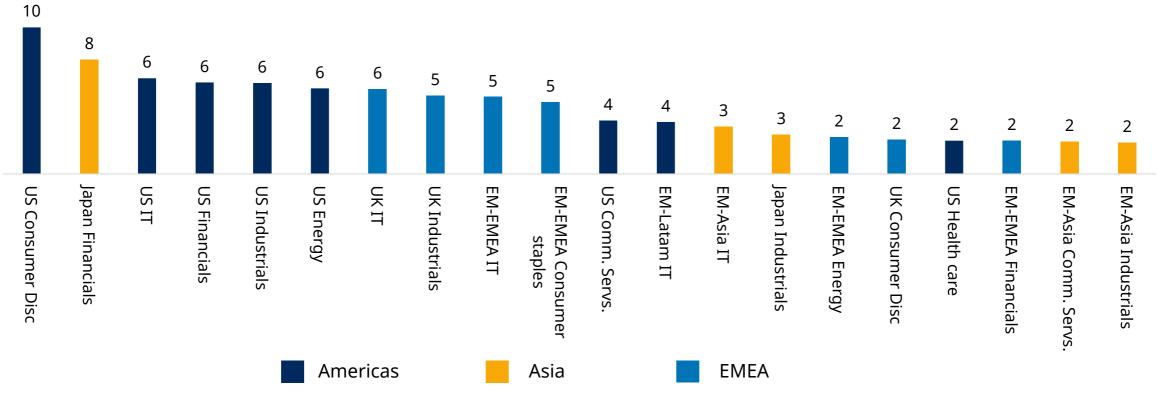
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31	7	33	5	23	24	25	31	62	-12		-10	44	22	26	33	17	-37	43	16	-3	19	29	-2	1	12	28	-13	26	19	19	-16	23	14
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Source: LSEG Datastream, MSCI and Schroders Strategic Research Unit. Data to 8 November 2024 in US dollars. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47 Europe = Europe ex UK.

The Trump-effect: strong performance across several US sectors since month-end

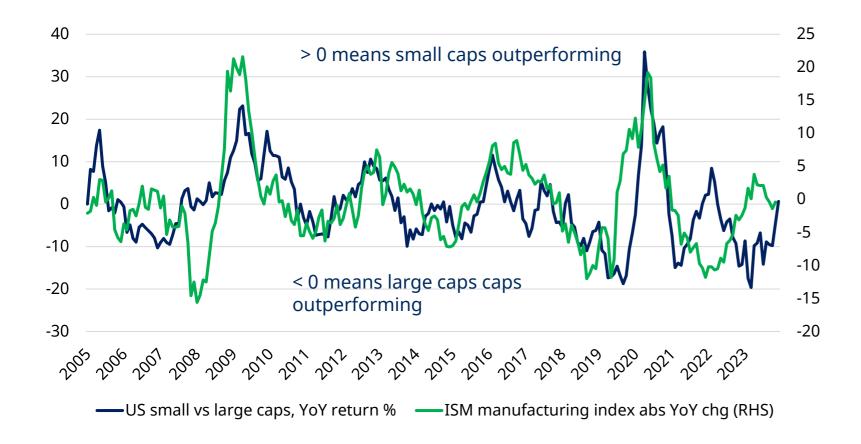
Top 20 performing sectors across US, Europe ex UK, UK, Japan, EM Asia, EM Latam, EM EMEA: MTD total return in USD terms, %



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EMEA = Europe, Middle-East and Africa., Latam = Latin America. Consumer disc – consumer discretionary, Comm. Servs. = communication services. Note: even before the recent bounce in EM Asian stocks, the top performing sectors were dominated by non-US sectors. As at 31 October, the top three performing sectors were Japanese financials, UK health care, and Japanese energy. Source: LSEG Datastream, MSCI and Schroders. Data 31 October-8 November 2024 in US dollars. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47

The Trump effect: US small caps have bounced and 12-month returns now exceed large caps (just)



Smaller companies are:

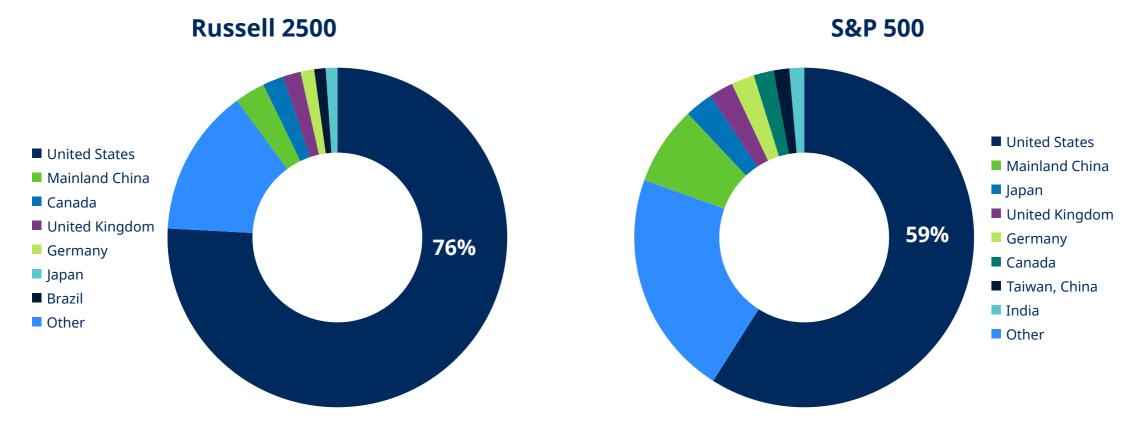
- cheaper in valuation terms
- more domestically focussed vs international large caps
- have more floating rate debt, the cost of which falls as the fed cuts rates

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Small and mid caps are positioned to benefit from Trump's focus on domestic growth

Exposure of geographic revenues



Source: FactSet as of 30 September 2024. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47

The Trump-effect: Tesla has soared recently but YTD many global companies have outperformed the Magnificent-7

Magnificent-7 vs MSCI ACWI peers, total returns in USD terms

Company	MTD return %	YTD return %	YTD MSCI ACWI ranking	% of companies that outperformed Mag-7 member YTD
Nvidia	11	198	12	<1
Meta	4	67	141	5
Amazon	12	37	483	18
Tesla	29	29	697	26
Alphabet	4	28	745	28
Apple	1	18	1,096	41
Microsoft	4	13	1,275	47
MSCI ACWI	5	27		

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But, if you track the global market, you get a lot of exposure to seven past US winners and less to the wider opportunities

Weight in MSCI ACWI, %



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What are Trump's policy proposals?



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Republican proposals

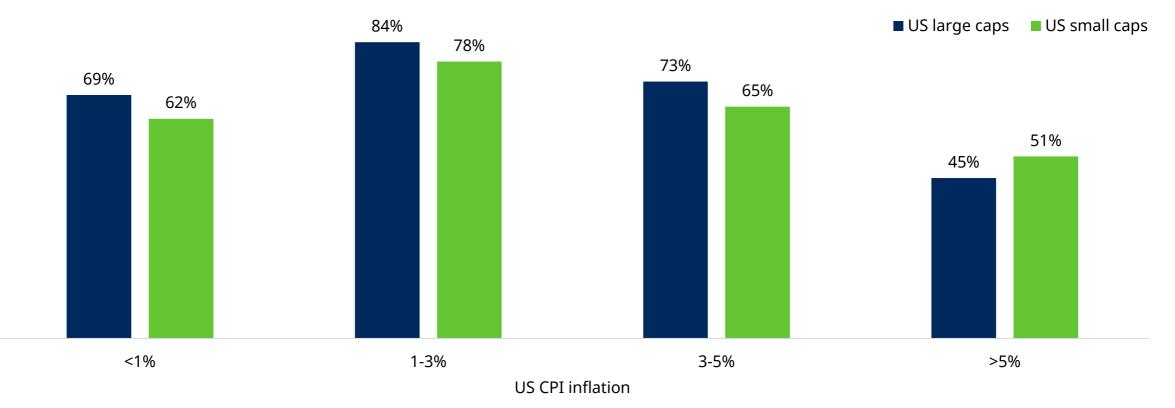
Taxes	Make the tax cuts permanent. Also, propose replacing personal income taxes with increased tariffs.
Trade	Impose a universal baseline tariff on all US imports. Impose a 60% tariff on US imports from China
Immigration	Much stricter immigration measures and efforts to deport asylum seekers to other countries.
Energy	Greater domestic production of oil and gas and less investment in clean energy.
Defense	More self reliance and pressure on allies to bolster defense spending.
Monetary policy	More interventionist approach to Fed policy.
Regulation	Less regulation of energy and financial services but increased regulation of Big Tech.

Source: Schroders. 24 September 2024

The following slides have been repeated from last time as they remain relevant

Headline US inflation has fallen below 3%, the historical sweet spot for equities

% of rolling 12-month periods when equities have outperformed inflation, 1926-2023

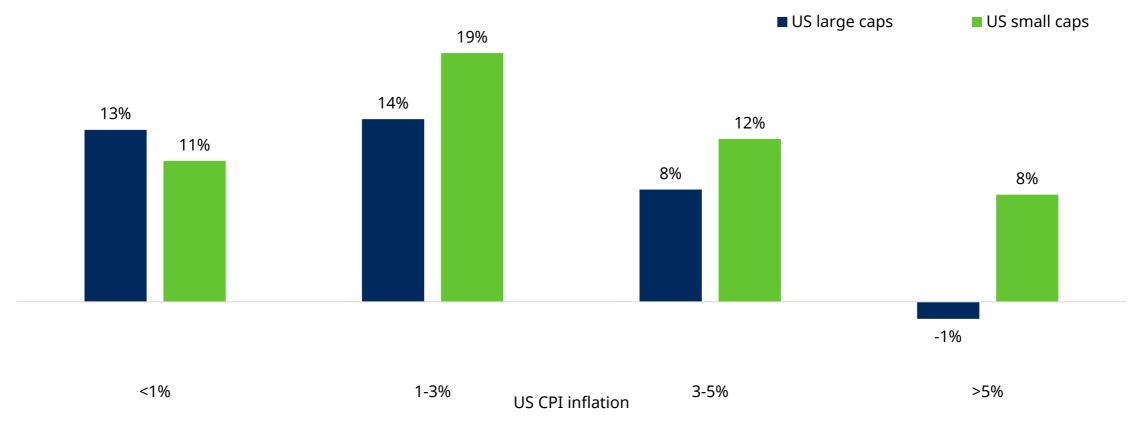


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Average small cap returns have been particularly strong when inflation has been 1-3%

Average 12-month return in excess of inflation, 1926-2023

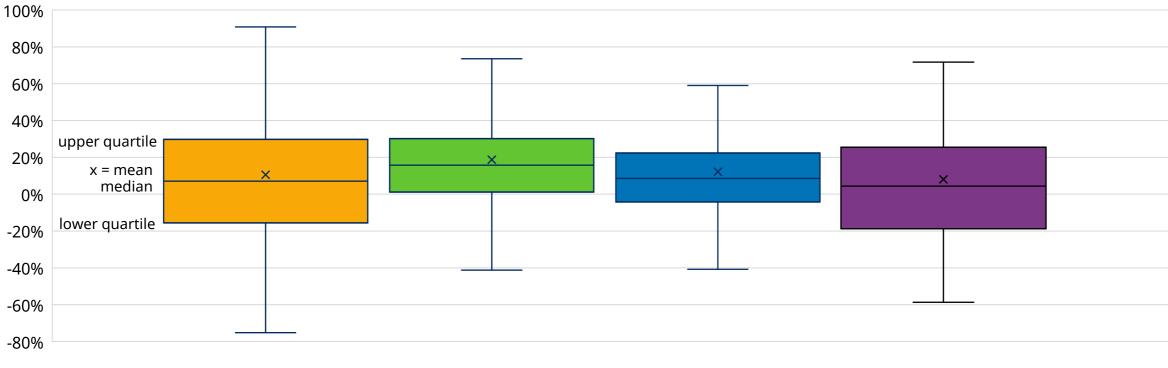


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Lower quartile, median, mean, and upper quartile small cap performance have all been best in 1-3% environment – but the range is wide

12-month small cap returns in excess of inflation, in different inflation environments, 1926-2023



□ <1% □ 1-3% □ 3-5% □ >5%

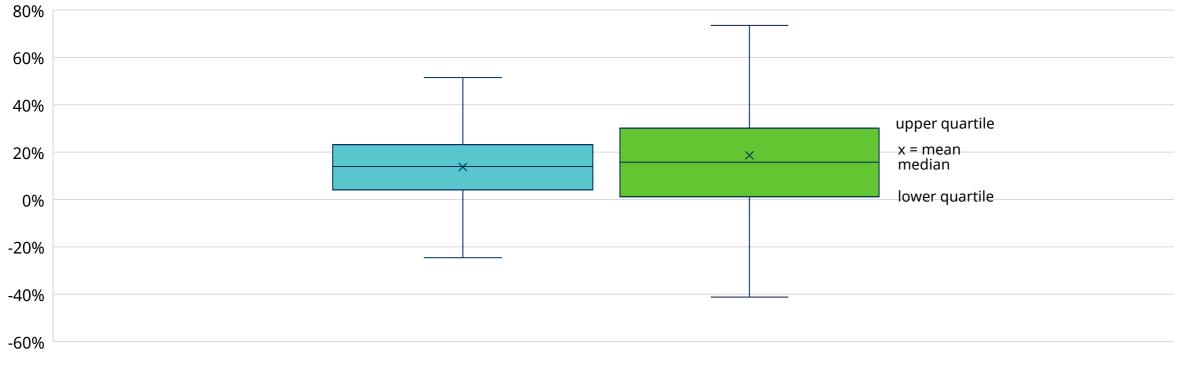
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The range of outcomes for small cap much wider than large caps – small caps are higher risk

12-month small cap returns in excess of inflation, in different inflation environments, 1926-2023



Large Small

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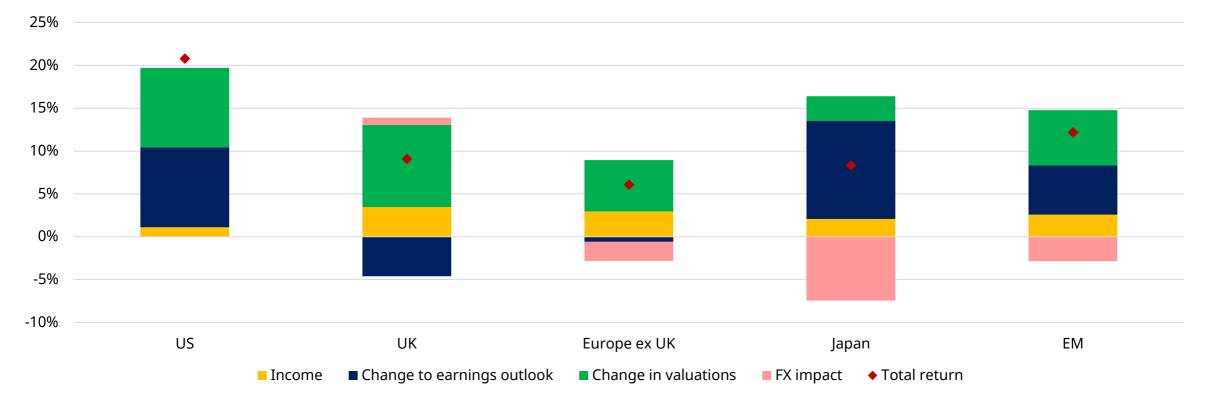


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Global equities Regional performance

Return drivers have varied substantially between markets this year

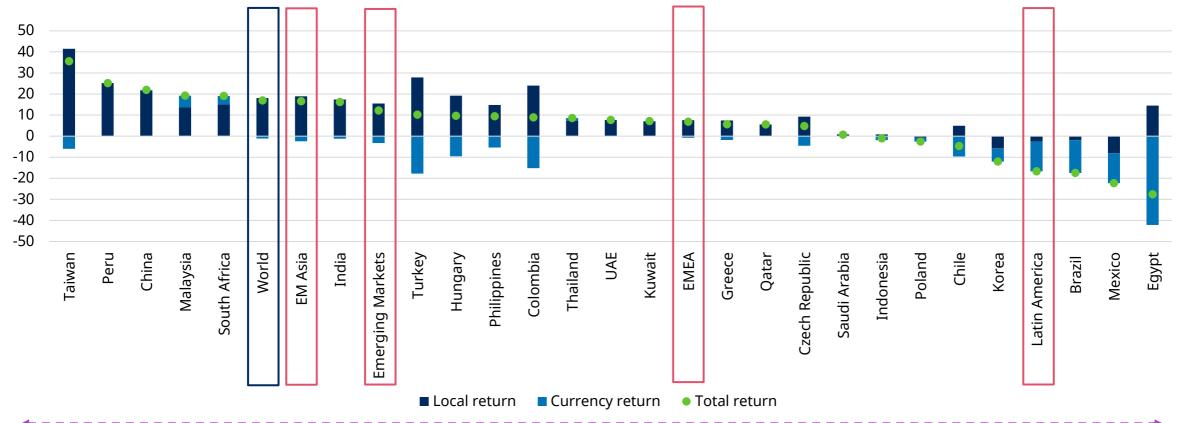
Decomposition of drivers of YTD returns, USD terms



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Figures do not sum exactly as the total return is the compound return of the individual components. Analysis is now based on change in 12-month forward earnings and change in 12-month forward price/earnings multiple. Previously this was shown based on trailing valuations and earnings. Markets are forward looking so earnings expectations ultimately matter more as a driver of returns than trailing earnings, which can also be prone to distortions. Source: LSEG Datastream, MSCI and Schroders Strategic Research Unit. Data to 31 October 2024 in US dollars. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47

Asia underpins YTD gains; Latin America remains the laggard



Year-to-date returns, as at 31 October 2024 (USD, %)

Wide EM return dispersion

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Note: EMEA is Europe, the Middle East and Africa. World is developed market only. Total return, USD.

Source: Schroders, LSEG Datastream, MSCI, Schroders Strategic Research Unit. Data as at 31 October 2024. Please see relevant disclaimers on page 40.

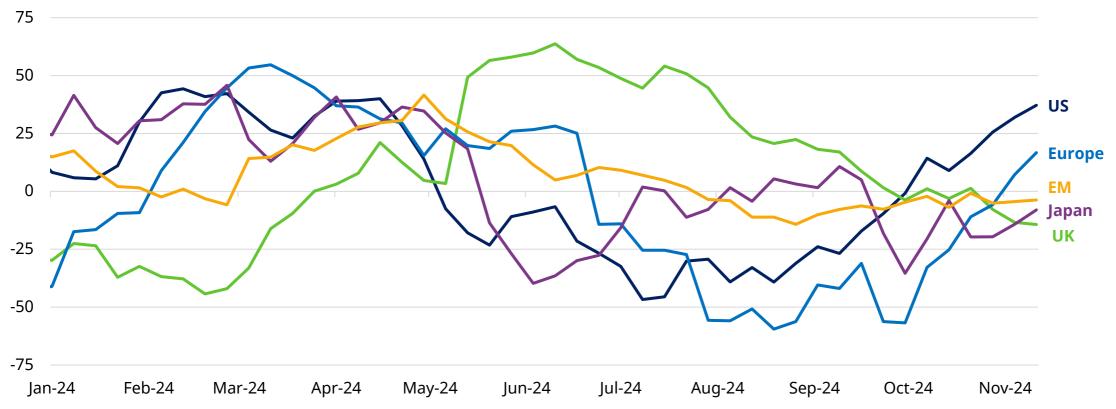


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Global equities Fundamentals and valuations

Economic surprises have been most encouraging in the US. Europe has also improved markedly

Citi Economic Surprise index

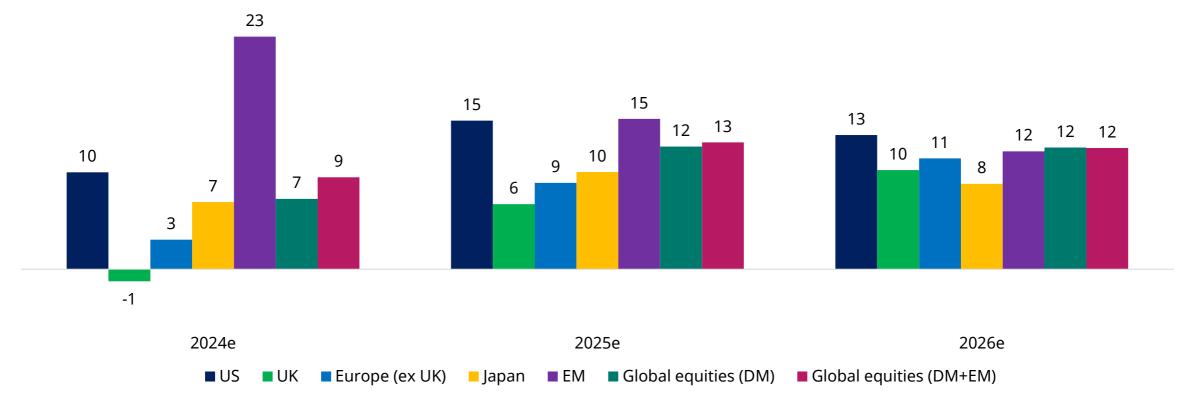


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Source: LSEG Datastream and Schroders Strategic Research Unit. Data to 11 November 2024. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47

Consensus expectations are for strong global earnings growth in 2025-26. EM growth is coming off a weak 2023

Corporate earnings: Consensus YoY EPS growth forecasts, %



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Source: LSEG Datastream and Schroders Strategic Research Unit. Data to 31 October 2024. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47 Notes: Japan EPS is 4 quarter sum until 30 June of next calendar year, e.g. 2024 = 31/03/2024 – 31/03/2025.

Diverging profit margins: US/Japan have picked up; others still falling

Net profit margins, %



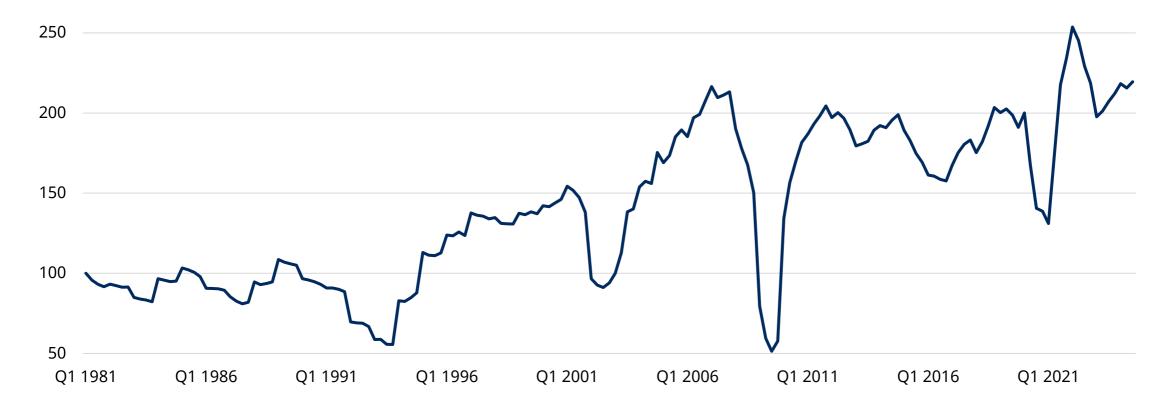
Japan

EM



Real profits/employee have risen over time

Real profits/employee, indexed to 100: US public companies

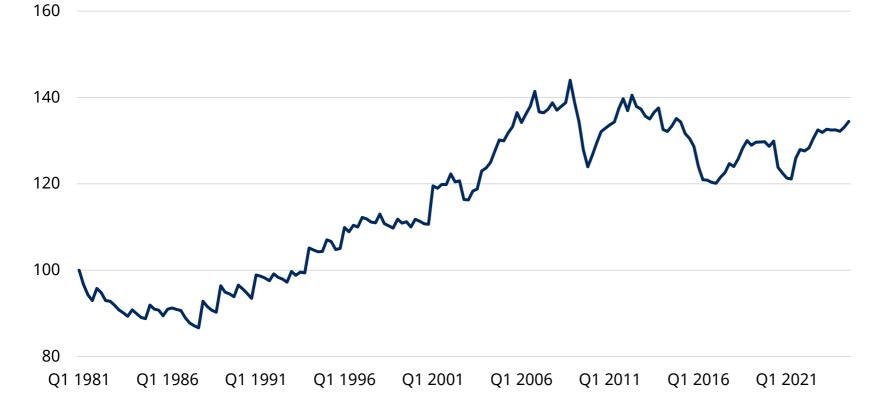


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Based on Datastream Total Market index. Source: LSEG Datastream and Schroders. Data to Q3 2024. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47

...driven by cost management: real revenues per employee are well below pre-GFC peak. Has an upturn started?

Real revenues/employee, indexed to 100: US public companies



fallen/flat-lined across all major sectors of the US stock market

Revenues/employee have also

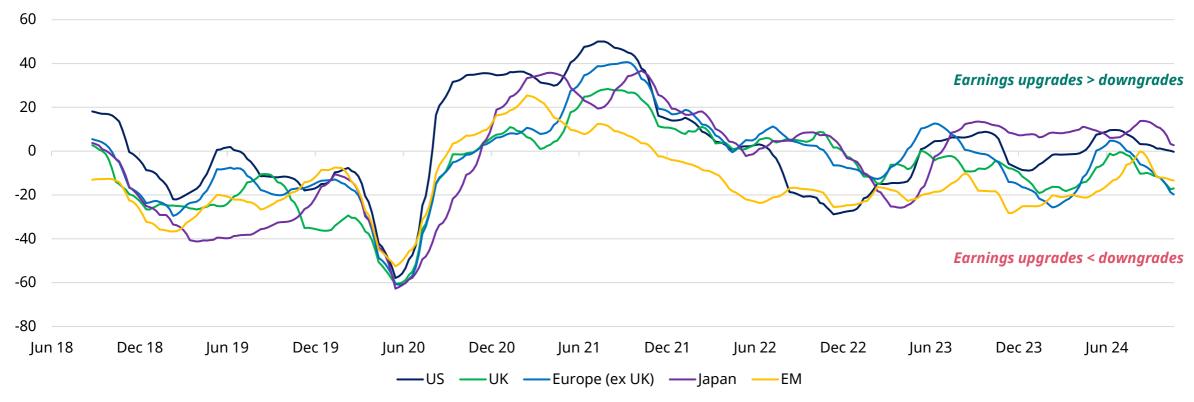
And across UK, European, Japanese and emerging stock markets

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Earnings downgrades continue in Europe, UK and EM, while upgrades come through in Japan, US broadly flat

13-week earnings revisions ratio %, (upgrades – downgrades) / total revisions



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US outperformance has pushed valuations deeper into the red. Non-US valuations are mostly closer to historical norms

Valuation as at 31 October vs 15-year median (% above or below)

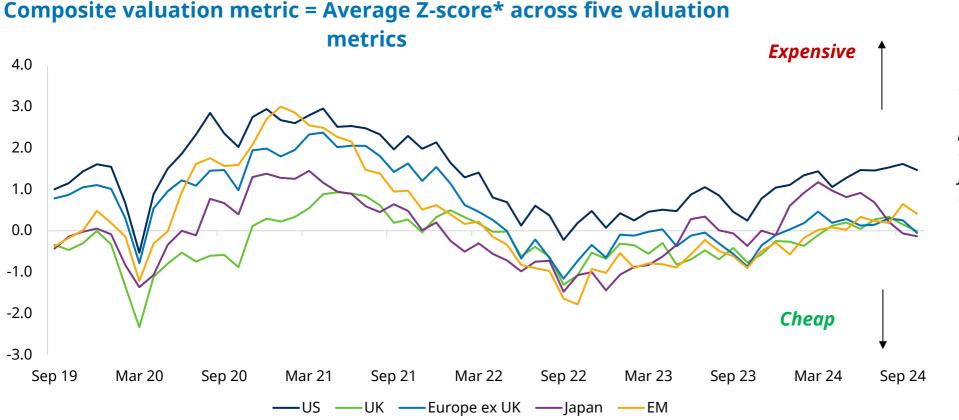
Equity market	CAPE	Forward P/E	Trailing P/E	P/B	Dividend yield
US	35	22	27	5.0	1.3
03	(37%)	(27%)	(28%)	(65%)	(49%)
UK	14	11	13	1.8	3.8
UK	(8%)	(-6%)	(-11%)	(3%)	(0%)
Europo ov LIK	19	14	15	2.1	3.1
Europe ex. UK	(11%)	(0%)	(-8%)	(18%)	(1%)
lanan	22	14	15	1.5	2.2
Japan	(1%)	(3%)	(-6%)	(11%)	(-6%)
	13	12	16	1.8	2.6
EM	(-4%)	(4%)	(16%)	(12%)	(5%)

Key:	<-25%	-25% to -15%	-15% to -5%	-5% to 0%	0% to 5%	5% to 15%	15% to 25%	>25%	
		Cheap		Neu	tral	Expensive			

Source: LSEG Datastream, MSCI and Schroders Strategic Research Unit. Data to 31 October 2024. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47 Figures are shown on a rounded basis. Assessment of cheap/expensive is relative to 15-year median.

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US outperformance has led to a widening valuation gap vs rest of the world

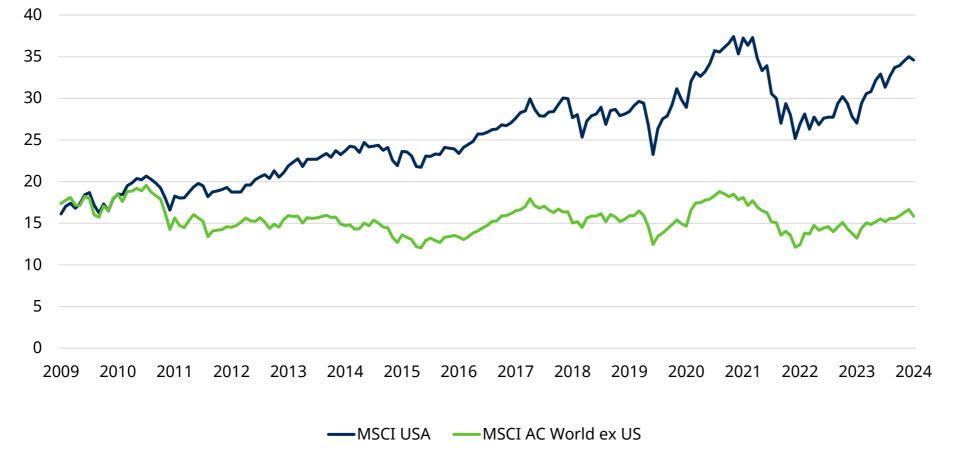


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US CAPE is stretched versus rest of world

Cyclically adjusted price-to-earnings ratio



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Smaller companies are cheaper vs history than large

And international smaller companies are cheaper than US ones

Valuation vs median since 2012 (when valuation data is available for all six indices)

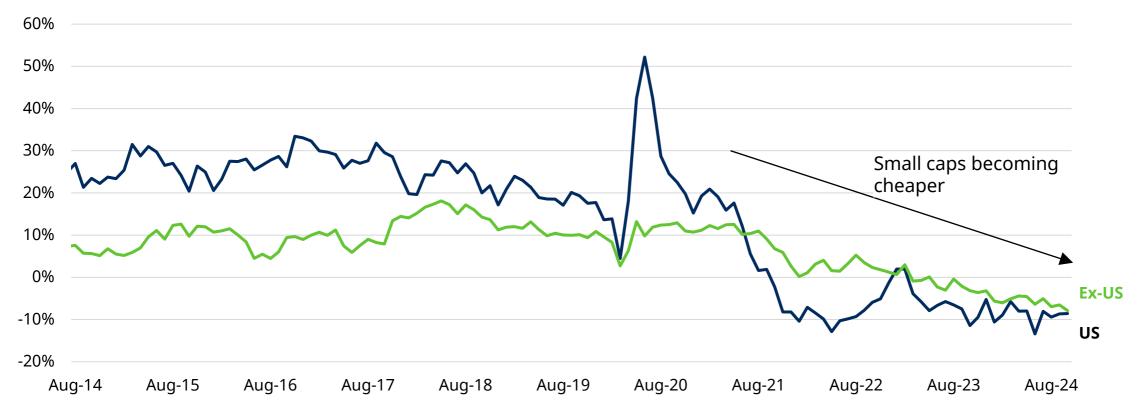
Equity market	Forward P/E	Trailing P/E	P/B	Dividend yield
US large caps	22	27	5.0	1.3
	(25%)	(24%)	(53%)	(49%)
US equal weighted	18	23	3.2	1.7
	(5%)	(5%)	(19%)	(5%)
US small caps	20	32	2.3	1.5
	(-3%)	(7%)	(2%)	(4%)
World ex-US	14	16	1.9	3.0
	(0%)	(-4%)	(12%)	(1%)
World ex-US equal weighted	14	16	1.5	3.1
	(-8%)	(-12%)	(2%)	(-9%)
World ex-US small caps	13	17	1.4	3.0
	(-16%)	(-19%)	(-8%)	(-17%)

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Non-US small caps are trading at a growing discount to large caps, US small caps have been cheap for some time

Forward price/earnings multiple: small caps divided by large caps



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Global sector valuations are heavily influenced by elevated **US sector valuations**

MSCI ACWI: End of month valuation vs 15-year median (% above or below)

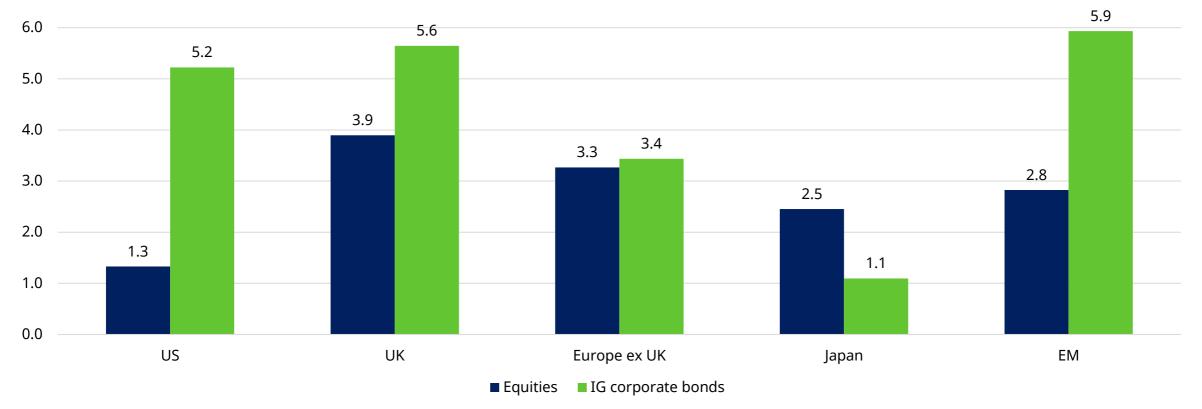
Sector	САРЕ	Forward P/E	Trailing P/E	P/B	Dividend yield
Cons stap	-10%	0%	-2%	10%	1%
Energy	36%	0%	-17%	9%	-12%
Health care	2%	9%	7%	19%	14%
Materials	1%	15%	23%	9%	5%
Utilities	18%	5%	-2%	22%	11%
Financials	16%	8%	5%	34%	7%
Cons disc	5%	14%	9%	29%	38%
Industrials	25%	22%	24%	38%	23%
IT	60%	52%	71%	115%	74%
Comm Svcs	55%	24%	24%	68%	219%

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	Cheap			Neu	tral	Expensive			

Real estate has been excluded due to data only being available since 2016. Note that the dividend yield on the communication services sector is very low vs history. This is down to compositional changes over time e.g. Alphabet is now the biggest constituent by a long way, with Meta the next biggest. These are very different to the higher yielding companies in the sector in the past. Source: LSEG Datastream, MSCI and Schroders Strategic Research Unit. Data to 31 October 2024. Please see relevant disclaimers on slide 47 Schroders

Dividend yields and bond yields are now the same in Europe ex UK, while bonds yield much more in US, UK and EM

Forward 12-month equity dividend vs corporate bond yield, %



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Until October, corporate bonds' yields advantage over dividend yields had been falling back, apart from in the UK

IG corporate bond yield – forward dividend yield, %



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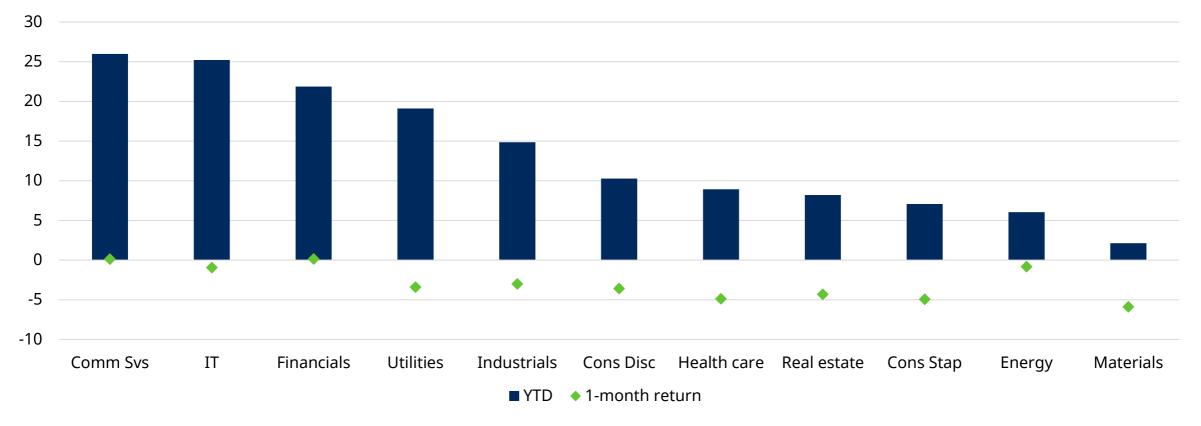


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Global equities Sectors & Styles

It's not all about tech: strong YTD performance from the utilities and financial sectors

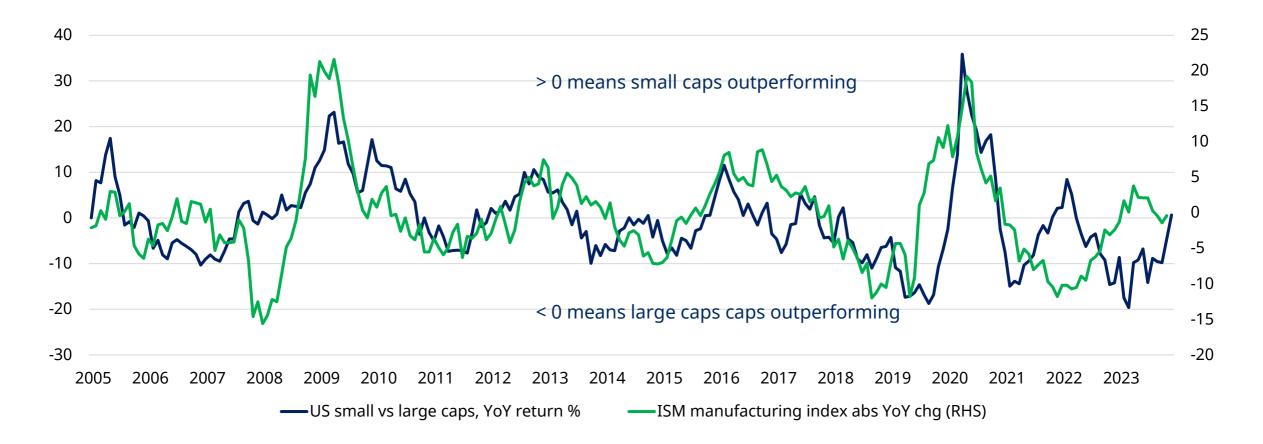
YTD global \$ sector return, %



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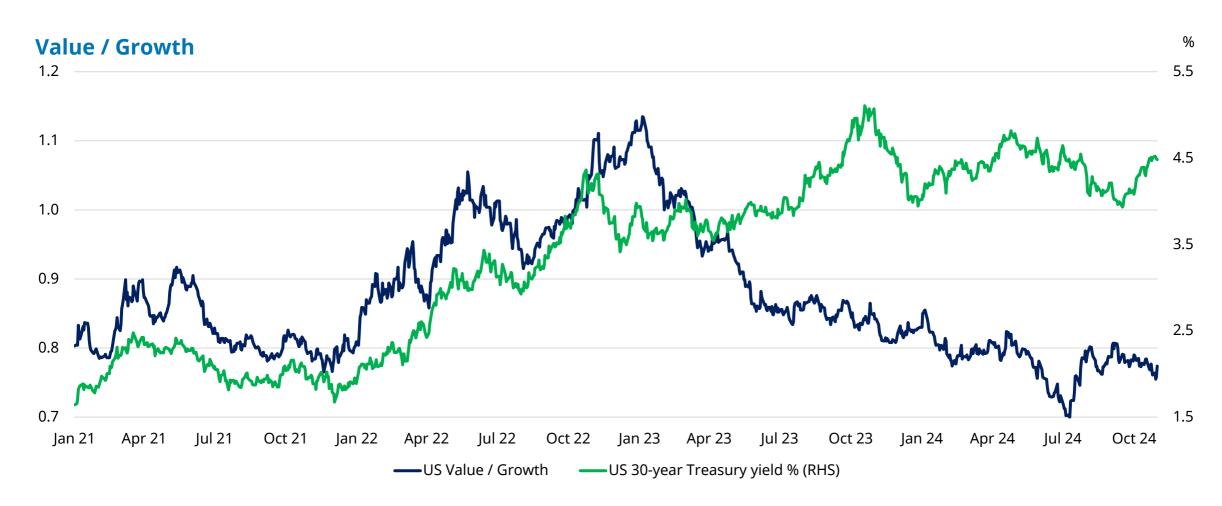
US small cap 12-month returns have recently overtaken large caps



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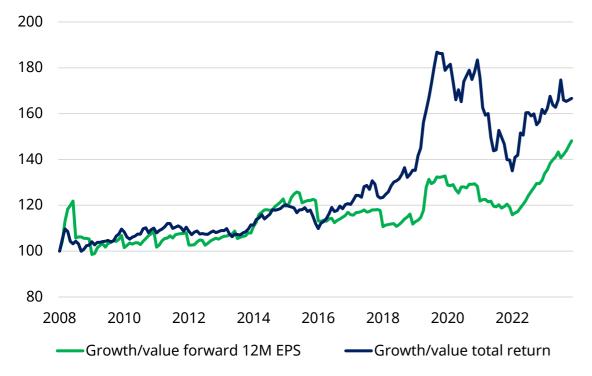
Value's summer resurgence has stalled



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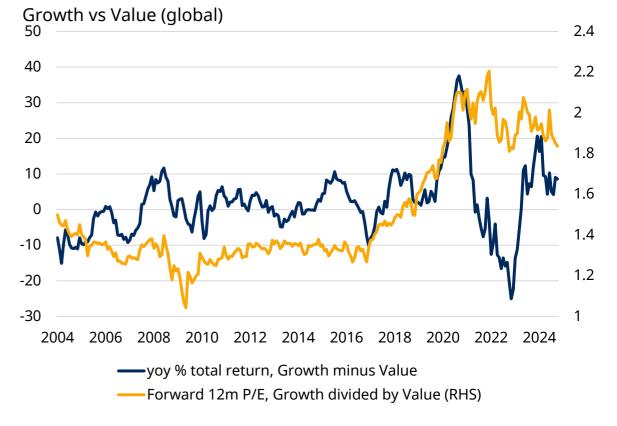
Expectations for global growth company earnings have soared vs value

Earnings expectations for growth companies have risen strongly



Growth / Value, rebased to 100

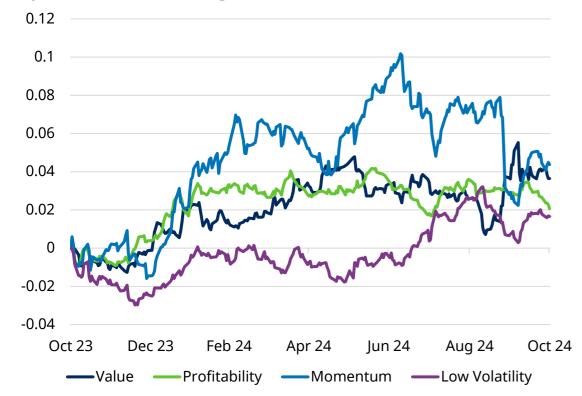
Relative valuations remain high by historical standards



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The momentum style is on top this year

1-year cumulative long short return



	Value	Profitability	Momentum	Low Volatility
YTD	3.8%	1.7%	5.9%	4.2%
1 year	3.5%	2.0%	3.8%	1.7%
5 yr pa	3.3%	1.4%	1.7%	2.5%
10 yr pa	1.7%	2.0%	2.0%	2.5%

Returns are based on factor-mimicking, long-short, global equity portfolios that are scaled to target a volatility of 2.2% per year. The factor mimicking portfolios calculate the factor score on an industry basis. These portfolios aim to capture the returns attributable to specific fundamental characteristics within each industry.

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Global equities

Index composition

Regional market composition

UK is more defensive than ACWI, while Europe, Japan and EM are more cyclical

				Sec	tor Group	Index Weig		Sector Group Index Weight vs ACWI					
Sector	Beta*	Cyclical/ defensive	US	UK	EMU	Japan	EM	ACWI	US	UK	EMU	Japan	EM
IT	1.2	Cyclical	31%	1%	13%	15%	24%	25%	6%	-24%	-12%	-10%	-1%
Cons disc	1.1	Cyclical	10%	6%	14%	18%	14%	11%	0%	-5%	3%	7%	3%
Financials	1.1	Cyclical	13%	21%	21%	15%	24%	17%	-3%	4%	4%	-2%	7%
Industrials	1.1	Cyclical	9%	14%	18%	24%	7%	11%	-2%	3%	8%	13%	-4%
Energy	1.1	Cyclical	4%	12%	4%	1%	5%	4%	-1%	8%	0%	-3%	1%
Materials	1.1	Cyclical	2%	8%	5%	4%	7%	4%	-2%	4%	1%	0%	3%
Real estate	1.1	Cyclical	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%	-1%	-1%	-1%	-2%
Comm Servs	0.9	Defensive	9%	3%	5%	7%	9%	8%	1%	-5%	-3%	-1%	1%
Cons stap	0.6	Defensive	6%	18%	7%	6%	5%	6%	-1%	12%	1%	-1%	-1%
Utilities	0.7	Defensive	2%	5%	6%	1%	3%	3%	0%	2%	3%	-2%	0%
Health care	0.7	Defensive	11%	13%	8%	9%	4%	11%	1%	2%	-3%	-2%	-7%
% cyclical			69%	61%	74%	77%	79%	71%	-1%	-11%	2%	5%	7%

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Style market composition

Min. vol., quality and value have defensive sector biases vs ACWI

			Sector Group Index Weight							Sector Group Index Weight vs Benchmark*					
Sector	Beta vs ACWI	Cyclical/ defensive	Value	Growth	Quality	Momentum	Min Vol*	US small caps*	Value	Growth	Quality	Momentum	Min Vol*	US small caps*	
IT	1.2	Cyclical	10%	39%	35%	26%	20%	14%	-15%	14%	10%	1%	-5%	-17%	
Cons disc	1.1	Cyclical	7%	14%	6%	3%	6%	11%	-3%	3%	-5%	-7%	-5%	1%	
Financials	1.1	Cyclical	26%	8%	7%	16%	17%	16%	9%	-9%	-9%	0%	1%	2%	
Industrials	1.1	Cyclical	12%	10%	11%	10%	8%	18%	1%	-1%	1%	0%	-3%	9%	
Energy	1.1	Cyclical	7%	1%	1%	2%	2%	4%	3%	-3%	-4%	-2%	-2%	1%	
Materials	1.1	Cyclical	5%	3%	2%	3%	2%	6%	1%	-1%	-2%	-1%	-2%	4%	
Real estate	1.1	Cyclical	4%	0%	0%	2%	0%	7%	2%	-1%	-1%	1%	-2%	5%	
Comm Servs	0.9	Defensive	4%	11%	12%	9%	13%	4%	-4%	3%	4%	1%	5%	-5%	
Cons stap	0.6	Defensive	8%	4%	10%	10%	11%	4%	2%	-2%	4%	4%	4%	-2%	
Utilities	0.7	Defensive	5%	0%	0%	5%	6%	5%	2%	-2%	-3%	2%	3%	3%	
Health care	0.7	Defensive	12%	10%	15%	13%	15%	11%	1%	-1%	5%	2%	4%	-1%	
% cyclical			71%	74%	62%	63%	55%	76%	-2%	2%	-10%	-9%	-17%	5%	

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Seven US companies have about the same weight in MSCI ACWI as the next seven biggest countries combined

Weight in MSCI ACWI, %



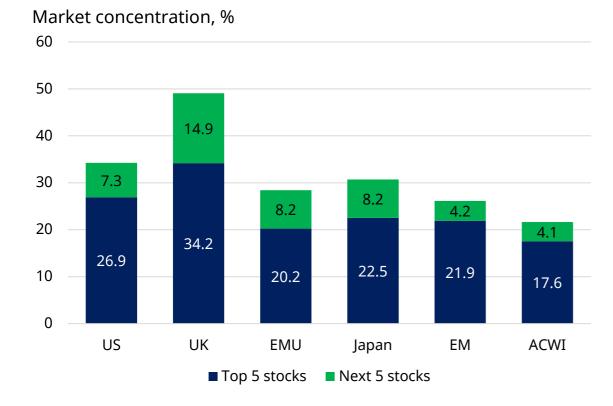
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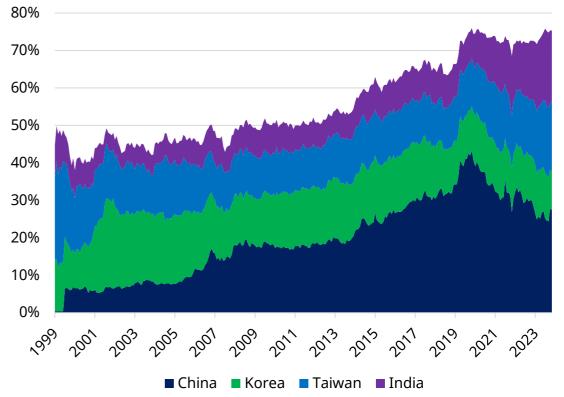
Market concentration is global phenomenon

Top constituents by market share

UK equities heavily weighted towards top 10 stocks



China's weight has fallen but India and Taiwan have risen, keeping overall EM exposure to Asia very high



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Large cap equities

US – MSCI USA Index, or S&P 500 Index where specified UK – MSCI UK Index Europe ex UK – MSCI Europe ex UK Index Japan – MSCI Japan Index Developed markets – MSCI World Index Emerging markets – MSCI EM Index Global – MSCI All Country World Index Rest of world – MSCI All Country World ex US Index Slide 7 shows profit margins for Datastream total market equity indices, due to longer data history

Small cap equities

US – MSČI UŠA Small Cap Index UK – MSCI UK Small Cap Index Europe ex UK – MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap Index Japan – MSCI Japan Small Cap Index Emerging Markets – MSCI EM Small Cap Index World ex-US – MSCI World ex-US Small Cap Index

Factor and sector indices

US Value – MSCI USA Value Index US Growth – MSCI USA Growth Index US Cyclical – MSCI USA materials, industrials, consumer discretionary, energy, financials, IT US Defensive – MSCI USA utilities, consumer staples, health care, communication services Global Value – MSCI All Country World Value Index Global Growth – MSCI All Country World Growth Index

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Bond indices

US Treasuries – ICE BofA US Treasury Index Euro government bonds – ICE BofA Euro Government Index US IG Corps – ICE BofA US Corporate Index UK IG Corps – ICE BofA Sterling Corporate Index Europe IG Corps - ICE BofA Euro Corporate Index Japan IG Corps - ICE BofA Japan Corporate Index EM IG Corps - ICE BofA Emerging Markets Corporate Plus Index

Other

Economic surprises – Citigroup Economic Surprise Index, USA, UK, Eurozone, Japan, Emerging Markets



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