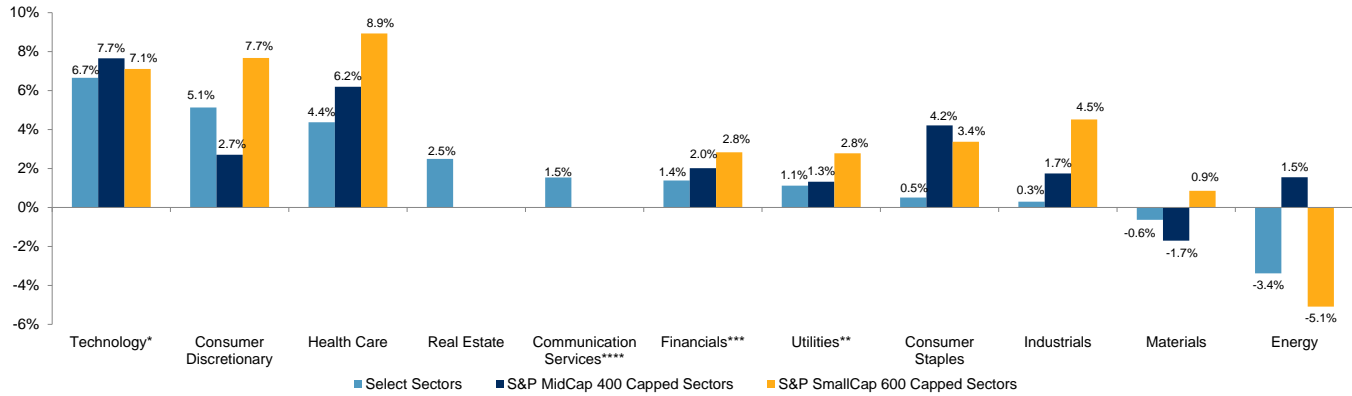
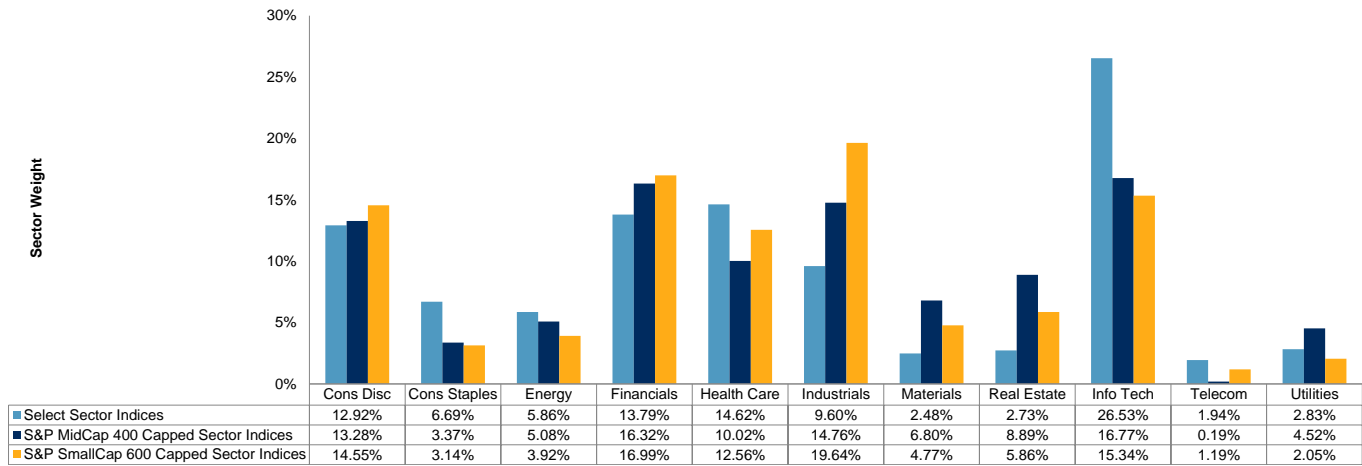


MONTHLY PERFORMANCE SUMMARY



INDEX COMPOSITION



COMMENTARY

| | Select Sectors | | | S&P MidCap 400 Capped Sectors | | | S&P SmallCap 600 Capped Sectors | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| | MTD | YTD | 12M | MTD | YTD | 12M | MTD | YTD | 12M |
| Consumer Discretionary | 5.1% | 19.4% | 32.3% | 2.7% | 2.0% | 18.6% | 7.7% | 18.1% | 39.0% |
| Consumer Staples | 0.5% | -4.0% | 1.1% | 4.2% | 4.2% | 12.6% | 3.4% | 14.6% | 27.1% |
| Communication Services**** | 1.5% | 10.3% | 14.4% | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Energy | -3.4% | 4.7% | 22.4% | 1.5% | 16.1% | 49.9% | -5.1% | 6.3% | 35.7% |
| Financials*** | 1.4% | 2.4% | 16.9% | 2.0% | 3.8% | 17.5% | 2.8% | 11.0% | 22.1% |
| Health Care | 4.4% | 13.3% | 16.0% | 6.2% | 32.5% | 36.7% | 8.9% | 47.4% | 64.7% |
| Industrials | 0.3% | 2.9% | 14.8% | 1.7% | 3.7% | 20.4% | 4.5% | 17.5% | 37.9% |
| Materials | -0.6% | -1.0% | 9.6% | -1.7% | 0.3% | 10.5% | 0.9% | 7.2% | 23.0% |
| Real Estate | 2.5% | 4.4% | 6.3% | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Technology* | 6.7% | 19.3% | 30.6% | 7.7% | 15.9% | 25.0% | 7.1% | 17.8% | 21.3% |
| Utilities** | 1.1% | 3.4% | 0.7% | 1.3% | 7.3% | 6.7% | 2.8% | 6.5% | 4.9% |

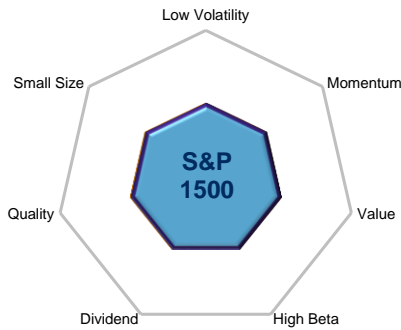
- Technology was the top performing sector across large and mid-caps in August, while Health Care was the leader in small-caps.
- Energy was the weakest performer in large and small-caps, down 3% and 5%, respectively.
- In mid-caps, Materials was the laggard, down 2%.

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KEY TO FACTOR SCORINGS FOR INDICES

Factor Definitions

Each constituent of the S&P 1500 index is provided with a factor "score" for each of Beta, Volatility, Momentum, Dividend, Size, Value and Quality.



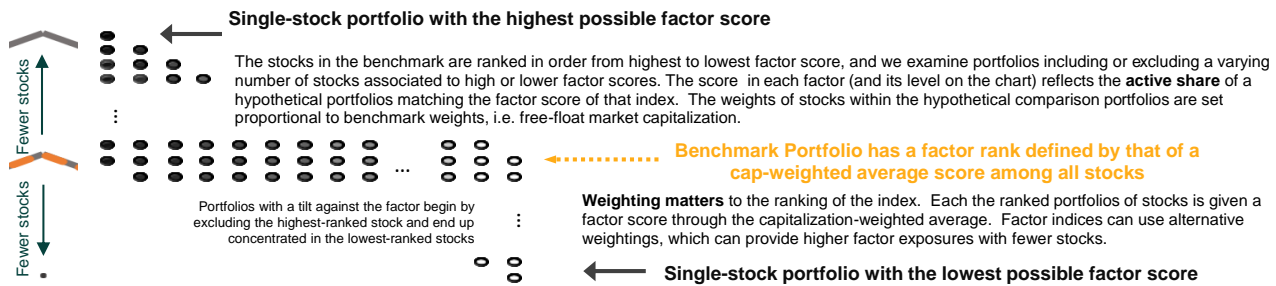
| Factor | Measurement at single-stock level |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Volatility | Trailing 12-month daily return volatility |
| Momentum | Twelve-month price change as of one month ago ("13 minus 1 momentum"), divided by the daily volatility during the twelve-month period that ended one month ago. For more details, see the S&P Momentum methodology |
| Value | The average of (normalized) earnings to price ratio, book to price ratio and sales to price ratio. For more details, see the S&P Value methodology. |
| Beta | Trailing 1 year beta of stock daily returns to the benchmark's return. |
| Dividend | Trailing 12-month dividend |
| Quality | The average of the (normalized) return on equity, the accruals ratio and the financial leverage ratio. For more details, see the S&P Quality methodology. |
| Size | Free-float market capitalization |

Index Factor Ranking and Factor Diagram Scaling

Index Scores

Each index is provided a score in each factor from -100% to +100% based on how much of the total capitalization of the benchmark would must be excluded in order to provide a portfolio of stocks with similar exposure to that factor. This is done by examining a ranked series of hypothetical cap-weighted portfolios, including or excluding an increasing number of the stocks with the highest or lowest scores. An illustration of the process may be found at this [link](#).

Factor Diagram Axis



Notes On Additional Index Statistics

| Statistic | Notes |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Price/Earnings (P/E) | Price per share as of observation date divided by earnings per share, calculated by adding the last twelve calendar months' quarterly reported earnings per share. |
| Price/Book (P/B) | Price per share as of observation date divided by latest annual reported book value per share. |
| Price/Sales (P/S) | Price per share as of observation date divided by sales per share, calculated by adding twelve calendar months' quarterly reported sales per share. |
| Return on Equity (ROE%) | Earnings per share divided by latest annual reported book value per share. |
| Financial Leverage Ratio | A company's total debt divided by its latest annual reported book value, calculated as book value per share multiplied by common outstanding shares. Debt, book value per share, and common outstanding shares are latest annual reported values. |
| RSI - 30 Day | RSI is an indicator of the speed and change of price movements and oscillates between zero and 100. RSI is considered overbought when above 70 and oversold when below 30. RS is the average gain divided by average loss over the past 30 days. Then RSI is equal to 100 minus 100 divided by 1+RS. |

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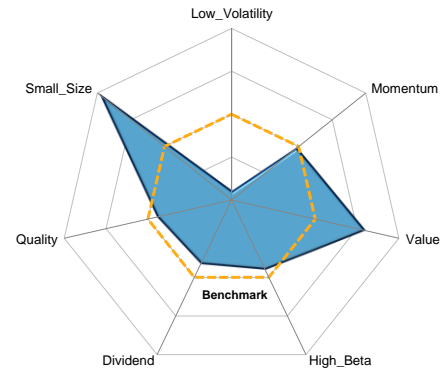
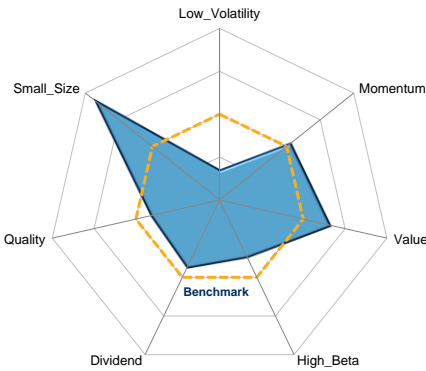
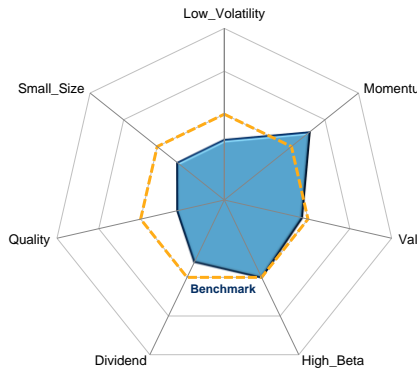
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- The diagrams below illustrate factor exposures relative to the S&P 1500 across sectors, from large to small-caps.
- For example, Consumer Discretionary starts out with more volatility than the S&P 1500, and becomes relatively more volatile at the mid and small-cap levels.

Consumer Discretionary Select Sector

S&P MidCap 400 Capped Consumer Discretionary

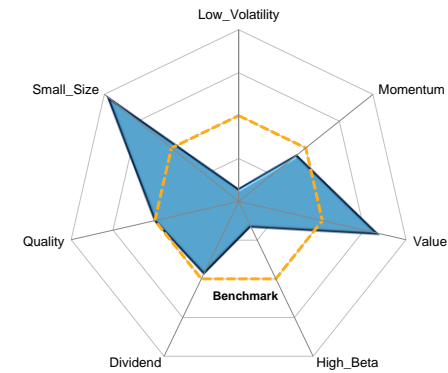
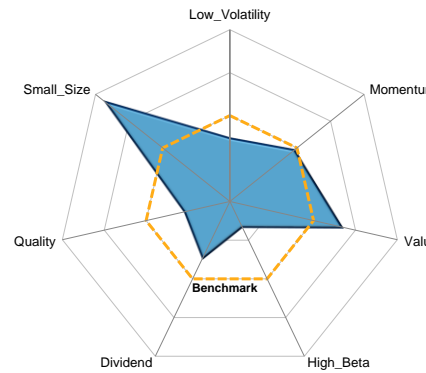
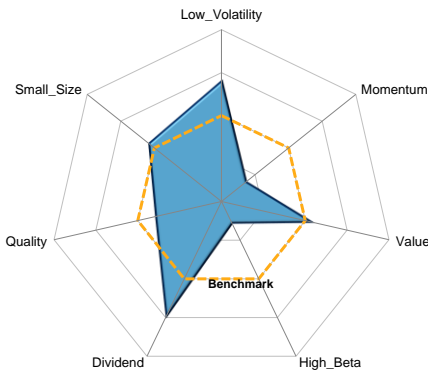
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Consumer Staples Select Sector

S&P MidCap 400 Capped Consumer Staples

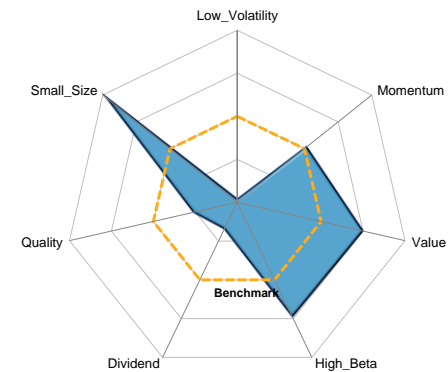
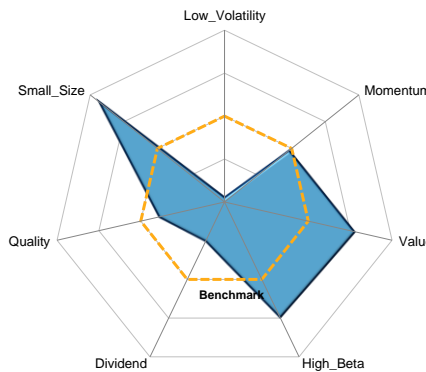
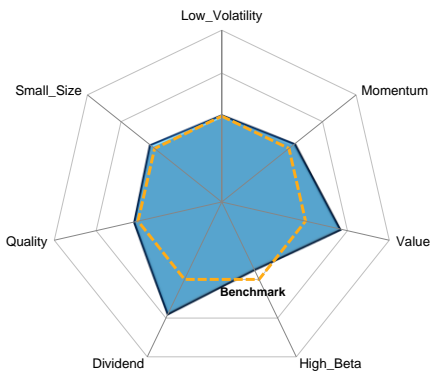
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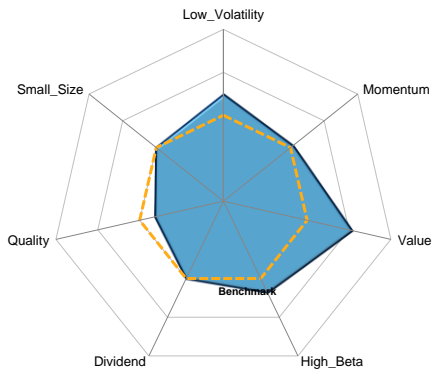
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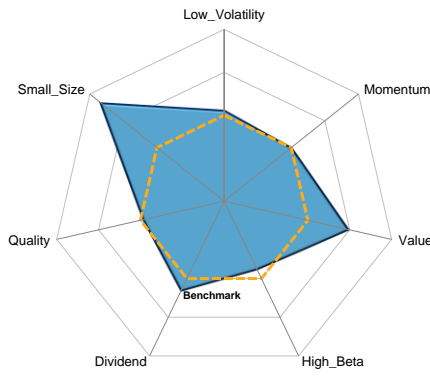
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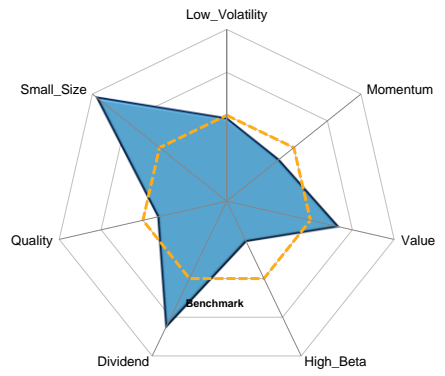
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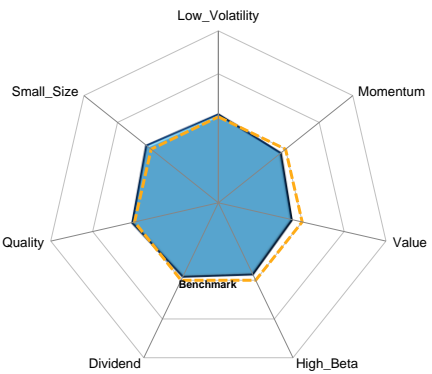
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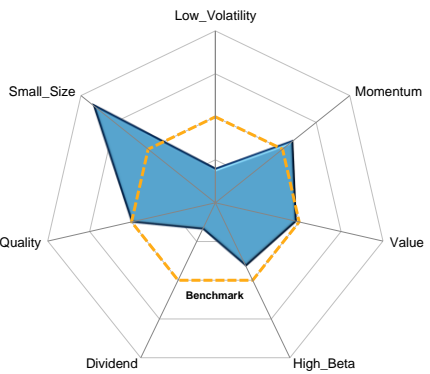
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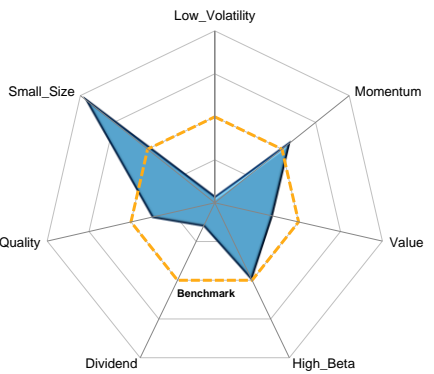
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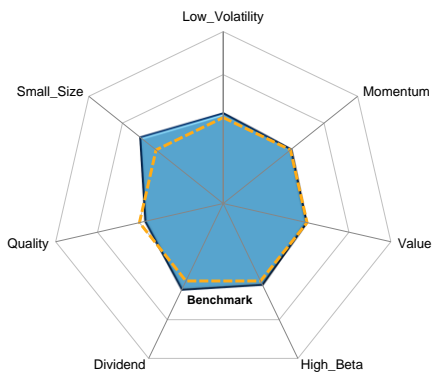
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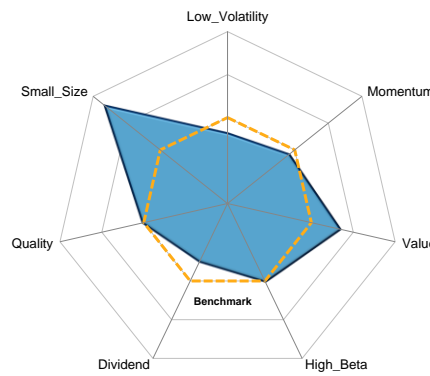
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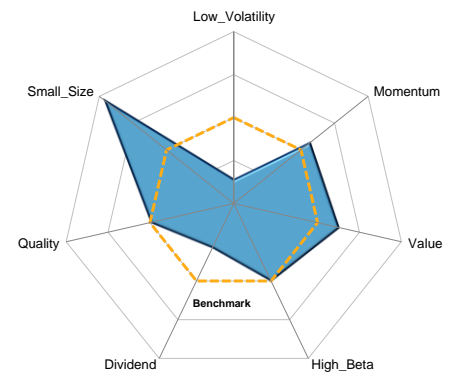
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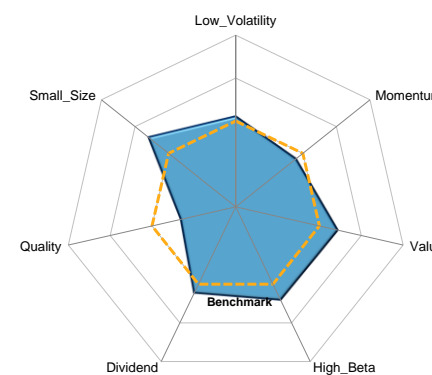
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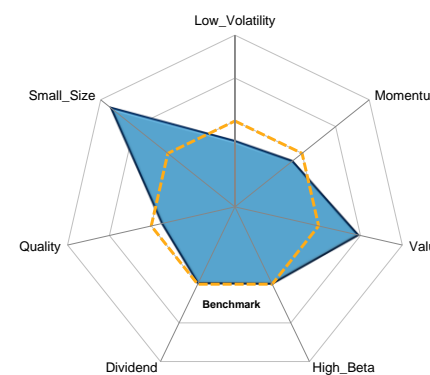
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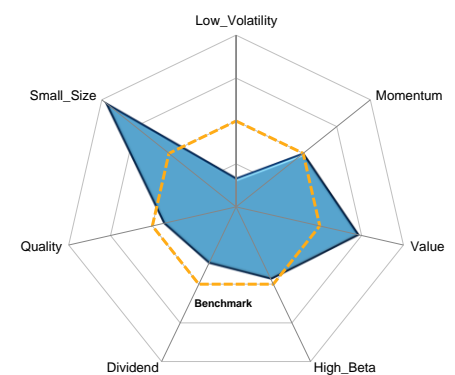
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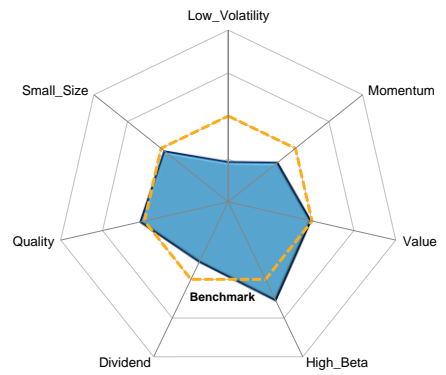
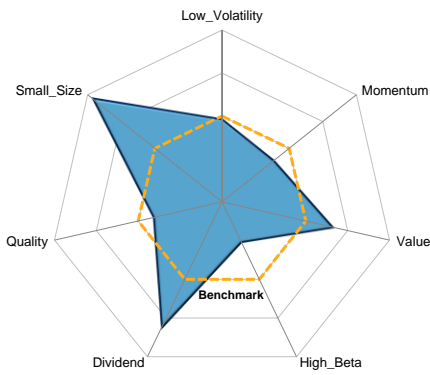
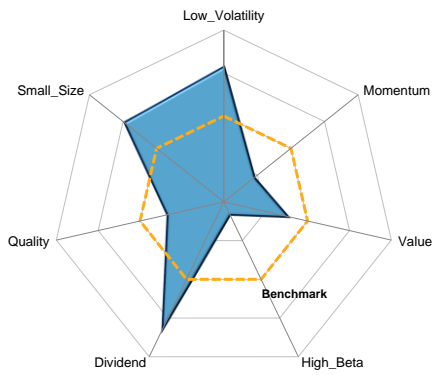
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Real Estate Select Sector

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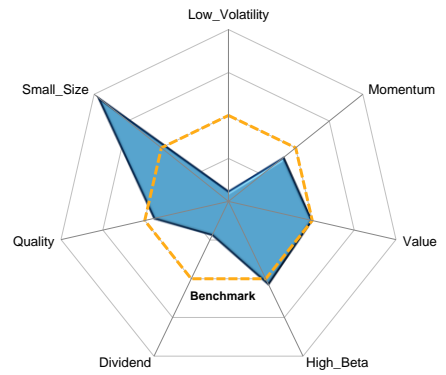
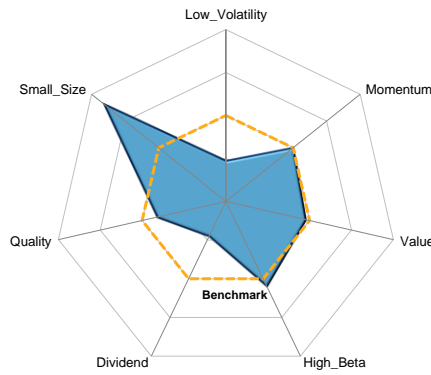
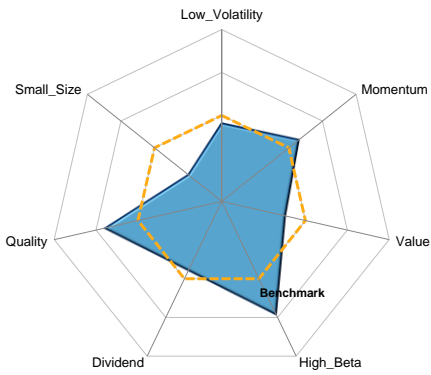
Communication Services Select Sector Index***



Technology Select Sector*

S&P MidCap 400 Capped Information Technology

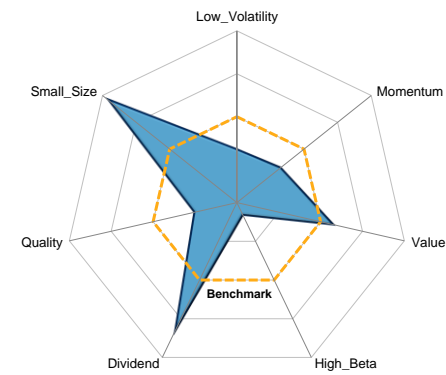
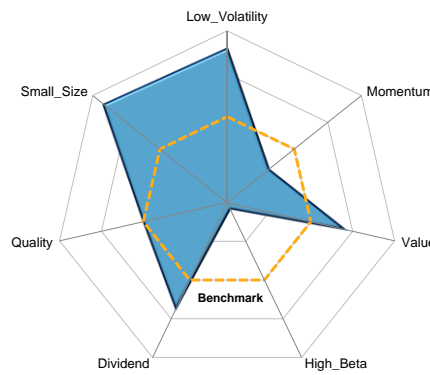
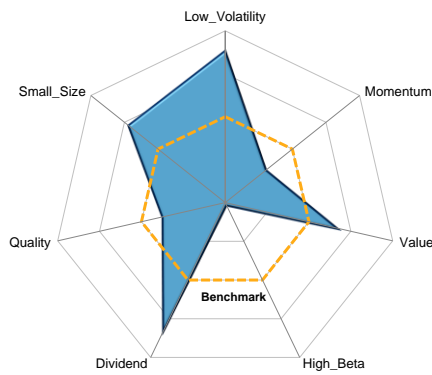
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Utilities Select Sector

S&P MidCap 400 Capped Utilities & Telecom Services **

S&P SmallCap 600 Capped Utilities & Telecom Services **



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U.S. Select Sector Dashboard

August 31, 2018

SELECTED KEY METRICS - SELECT SECTOR INDICES

| METRICS | DIV YIELD | P/E | P/B | P/S | ROE (%) | FINANCIAL LEVERAGE | BETA | CONSTITUENT VOLATILITY | DOMESTIC % OF SALES | RSI - 30 DAY | VALUE SCORE | GROWTH SCORE |
|---------------------------|-----------|------|-----|-----|---------|--------------------|------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Communication Services*** | 1.2% | 19.3 | 4.0 | 3.3 | 21.0% | 0.9 | 1.15 | 28.2% | 74.4% | 42.6 | -0.22 | 0.43 |
| Consumer Discretionary | 1.2% | 24.3 | 6.5 | 1.9 | 26.8% | 1.6 | 1.00 | 25.8% | 74.8% | 63.6 | -0.23 | 0.44 |
| Consumer Staples | 2.8% | 21.5 | 5.2 | 1.4 | 24.2% | 1.2 | 0.62 | 19.5% | 69.8% | 56.8 | -0.13 | -0.10 |
| Energy | 2.8% | 22.3 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 9.0% | 0.5 | 0.93 | 23.1% | 58.8% | 48.8 | 0.15 | -0.68 |
| Financials | 1.7% | 16.5 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 9.5% | 1.4 | 1.11 | 20.5% | 76.4% | 59.4 | 0.40 | 0.18 |
| Health Care | 1.5% | 37.0 | 4.4 | 1.9 | 12.0% | 0.8 | 0.96 | 22.8% | 83.4% | 82.7 | -0.16 | 0.28 |
| Industrials | 2.0% | 22.0 | 4.8 | 1.8 | 21.9% | 1.3 | 1.04 | 22.4% | 61.8% | 59.1 | -0.17 | 0.12 |
| Materials | 2.0% | 20.8 | 2.8 | 1.8 | 13.2% | 0.7 | 1.12 | 22.4% | 51.1% | 54.0 | -0.03 | -0.08 |
| Real Estate | 3.3% | 37.4 | 3.4 | 6.7 | 9.0% | 1.2 | 0.51 | 18.8% | 82.0% | 62.0 | -0.28 | 0.12 |
| Technology* | 1.4% | 25.6 | 6.0 | 4.3 | 23.3% | 0.8 | 1.23 | 24.3% | 51.1% | 61.5 | -0.32 | 0.48 |
| Utilities | 3.4% | 20.4 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 9.8% | 1.6 | 0.22 | 17.3% | 96.0% | 57.2 | 0.05 | -0.07 |

SELECTED KEY METRICS - S&P MIDCAP 400 CAPPED SECTORS

| METRICS | DIV YIELD | P/E | P/B | P/S | ROE (%) | FINANCIAL LEVERAGE | BETA | CONSTITUENT VOLATILITY | DOMESTIC % OF SALES | RSI - 30 DAY | VALUE SCORE | GROWTH SCORE |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------|-----|-----|---------|--------------------|------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Consumer Discretionary | 1.3% | 19.4 | 4.3 | 1.0 | 22.2% | 1.4 | 0.87 | 30.1% | 81.9% | 47.9 | 0.02 | 0.35 |
| Consumer Staples | 1.1% | 24.8 | 3.2 | 1.0 | 12.7% | 1.0 | 0.66 | 25.5% | 82.1% | 54.5 | 0.05 | 0.04 |
| Energy | 0.6% | n/m | 1.1 | 0.8 | -1.3% | 0.8 | 1.25 | 41.4% | 70.0% | 54.1 | 0.31 | -0.96 |
| Financials | 2.1% | 16.9 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 9.4% | 1.2 | 0.94 | 22.4% | 83.1% | 53.5 | 0.17 | 0.17 |
| Health Care | 0.3% | 29.9 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 12.3% | 1.1 | 0.91 | 29.3% | 86.6% | 67.4 | -0.11 | 0.44 |
| Industrials | 1.1% | 19.2 | 3.1 | 1.3 | 16.0% | 0.8 | 1.01 | 24.8% | 63.9% | 59.0 | 0.01 | 0.11 |
| Information Technology | 0.5% | 44.8 | 3.9 | 1.4 | 8.6% | 0.6 | 1.07 | 28.2% | 47.4% | 60.9 | -0.14 | 0.32 |
| Materials | 1.7% | 18.0 | 2.8 | 1.1 | 15.7% | 1.0 | 1.00 | 25.2% | 63.3% | 47.3 | 0.16 | -0.09 |
| Utilities & Telecom Services** | 2.6% | 17.6 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 12.2% | 1.0 | 0.37 | 17.0% | 95.0% | 56.6 | 0.06 | -0.16 |

SELECTED KEY METRICS - S&P SMALLCAP 600 CAPPED SECTORS

| METRICS | DIV YIELD | P/E | P/B | P/S | ROE (%) | FINANCIAL LEVERAGE | BETA | CONSTITUENT VOLATILITY | DOMESTIC % OF SALES | RSI - 30 DAY | VALUE SCORE | GROWTH SCORE |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------|-----|-----|---------|--------------------|------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Consumer Discretionary | 1.2% | 31.8 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 7.8% | 0.9 | 0.95 | 38.5% | 86.4% | 60.9 | 0.31 | 0.18 |
| Consumer Staples | 1.5% | 27.2 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 10.4% | 1.4 | 0.65 | 35.4% | 83.1% | 64.4 | 0.22 | 0.08 |
| Energy | 0.3% | n/m | 1.2 | 1.1 | -2.1% | 0.8 | 1.24 | 45.8% | 84.6% | 46.2 | 0.22 | -0.92 |
| Financials & Real Estate | 3.2% | 23.1 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 7.5% | 1.5 | 0.77 | 23.7% | 65.6% | 58.6 | 0.15 | 0.08 |
| Health Care | 0.2% | n/m | 4.7 | 1.5 | -10.5% | 1.6 | 0.99 | 40.0% | 92.3% | 65.1 | -0.21 | 0.36 |
| Industrials | 0.8% | 28.7 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 10.8% | 0.7 | 1.00 | 31.4% | 78.4% | 64.1 | 0.09 | 0.20 |
| Information Technology | 0.5% | 93.5 | 2.8 | 1.4 | 3.0% | 0.5 | 1.05 | 36.7% | 52.4% | 58.2 | 0.06 | 0.23 |
| Materials | 1.1% | 22.2 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 12.7% | 1.2 | 0.98 | 30.4% | 74.7% | 54.4 | 0.15 | 0.03 |
| Utilities & Telecom Services** | 3.3% | n/m | 1.7 | 0.8 | -13.1% | 3.4 | 0.51 | 26.5% | 96.3% | 59.5 | 0.06 | -0.08 |

- Among large caps, Financials has the highest value score, while Technology has the highest growth score.
- Valuations for small-cap Information Technology continued to increase in August, given its higher P/E.
- The new Communication Services Select Sector is the most volatile sector in large-caps. Meanwhile, Energy continues to be the most volatile sector in mid and small-caps.

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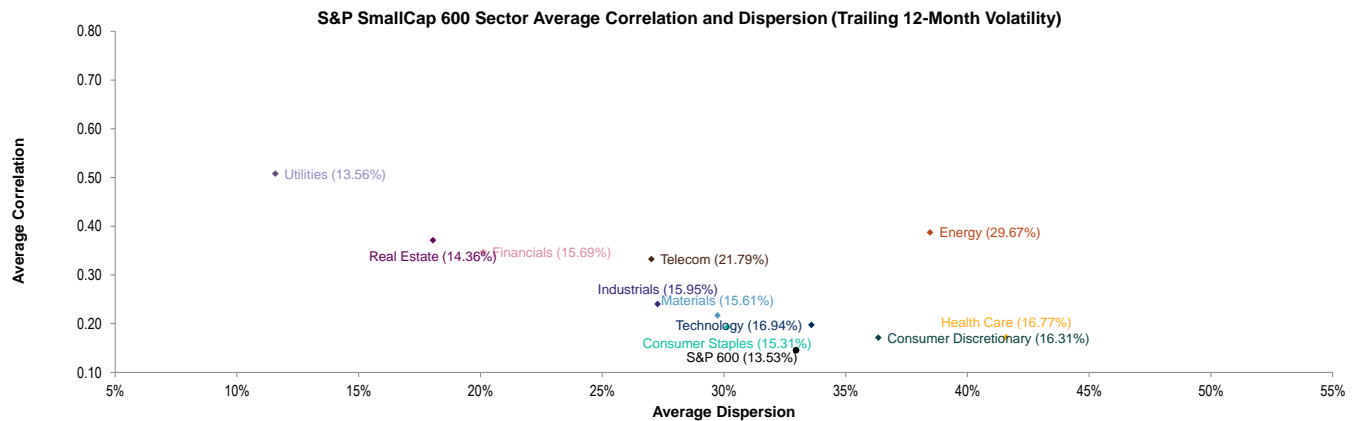
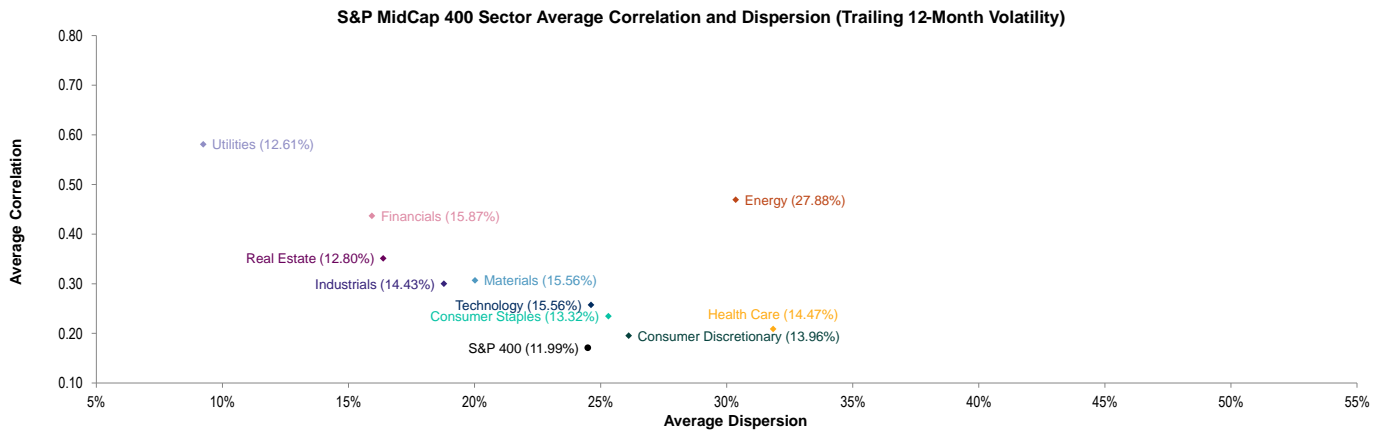
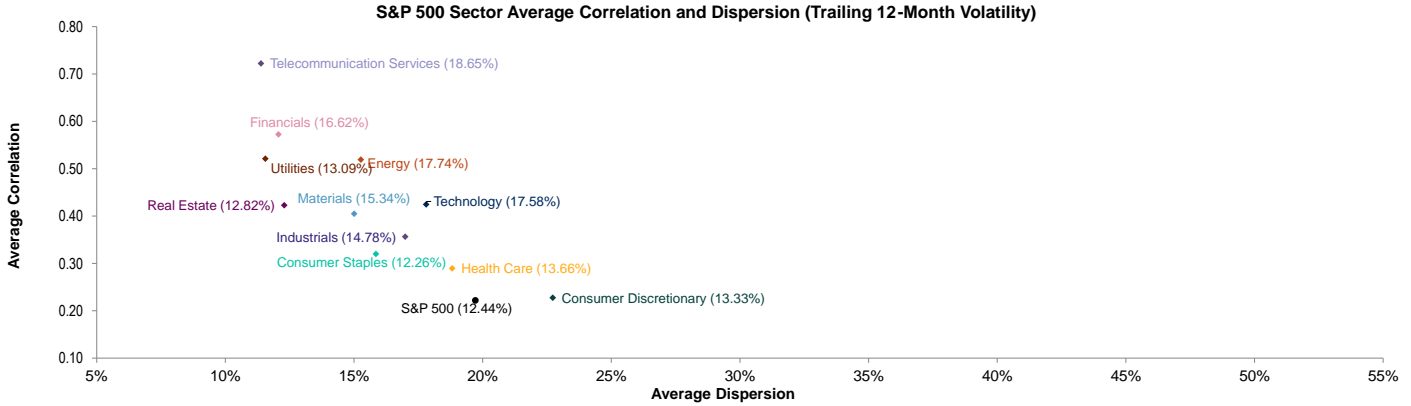
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- Dispersion increased across sectors, with the largest increases in small-cap Consumer Discretionary and small-cap Info Tech.
- Correlations declined for most sectors, with the largest decreases in large and small-cap Utilities.

SECTOR DISPERSION AND CORRELATION



NOTES

- The charts above decomposed volatility into its two main components: dispersion and correlation. The dispersion and correlation data points are each sector's average monthly value over the trailing 12 months. Trailing annualized volatility is included in parentheses. Index dispersions shown based on calendar month stock-level index-weighted dispersion. Index correlation based on single stock daily total returns during each calendar month. See "Implications of Sector Dispersion" for more information.
- See "At the Intersection of Diversification, Volatility and Correlation" for details on the relationship between correlation and dispersion.
- See "Dispersion: Measuring Market Opportunity" for the definition of index dispersion and more information on the uses of dispersion.

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