



The List: Alternative Indices

The performance table, on the following page, is a collection of both traditional and alternative indices for the 1, 5, and 10-year period annualized through June 2019. Both the annualized volatility and draw-down figures are calculated using a 10 year quarterly return series.

Alternative investments have been growing markedly over the past few years, creating a multitude of opportunities for owners and allocators alike. As the number and type of alternative asset classes continue to proliferate, we believe they are playing a more unique role in assisting investors achieve their desired investment outcomes. As we expect this trend to continue, we found it necessary to structure a pure alternative assets portfolio to have visibility in this exciting marketplace.

We set out to strike a balance between available assets in proportion to their market value, and to reflect the average “alternative investor”. We defined the investment opportunity to simply be the following three asset classes: Real Asset, Private Equity/Venture Capital, and Hedge Funds. Real assets are comprised of real estate, commodities, timberland, farmland, and infrastructure; within real asset the weights were structured to reflect the market portfolio¹ within that universe. To arrive at our weights, we researched various endowments and foundations, as well as surveys conducted by Willis Towers Watson and Russell Investments. Based on our research, alternative historical allocations have not had material deviation and therefore we decided to implement a market weight of 1/3 across each of those asset classes. A few of the constituents are not investable, and some may be reported gross or net of fee.

Ending December 2019

	Annualized Returns				Volatility	Max Drawdown	
	1 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	July 2008	10 Yr	10 Yr Max Drawdown	July 2008
MSCI World Free	27.67%	8.74%	9.47%	6.79%	13.01%	-16.61%	-41.61%
Barclays Global Aggregate	6.84%	2.31%	2.48%	2.86%	4.62%	-7.17%	-7.17%
MSCI Emerging Markets	18.42%	5.61%	3.68%	2.68%	17.16%	-23.90%	-47.11%
Barclays Global High Yield	12.56%	5.80%	7.26%	7.80%	6.82%	-8.27%	-26.20%
CISDM Equal-Weight Hedge Fund	11.37%	4.38%	4.62%	4.31%	4.92%	-7.84%	-17.95%
CISDM Equal-Weight CTA	16.87%	3.87%	4.31%	4.25%	7.67%	-7.94%	-7.94%
CISDM Distressed Securities	3.81%	2.59%	5.12%	4.59%	4.04%	-7.08%	-17.97%
CISDM Equity Long/Short	11.71%	4.09%	5.07%	4.68%	5.54%	-8.79%	-11.90%
Cambridge Associates US Private Equity*	17.82%	14.09%	15.07%	12.27%	4.77%	-5.10%	-30.79%
Cambridge Associates US Venture Capital*	29.14%	21.10%	24.83%	19.07%	15.26%	-5.10%	-30.79%
LPX Mezzanine Listed Private Equity	29.14%	7.23%	9.40%	2.50%	15.93%	-40.57%	-74.37%
FTSE NAREIT All Equity REITs	28.66%	8.43%	12.59%	9.04%	14.77%	-31.87%	-58.31%
NCREIF Property	6.42%	8.25%	10.17%	6.24%	1.67%	-16.86%	-23.88%
S&P Global Property	22.96%	6.87%	9.19%	6.59%	13.80%	-19.81%	-50.90%
S&P Global Infrastructure	26.99%	6.57%	7.73%	5.06%	12.10%	-15.95%	-43.75%
Bloomberg Commodity	7.69%	-3.92%	-4.73%	-8.27%	13.64%	-53.55%	-65.91%
NCREIF Timberland	1.29%	3.13%	4.44%	3.75%	3.03%	-5.69%	-5.69%
NCREIF Farmland	4.82%	7.02%	11.01%	10.97%	4.66%	0.00%	0.00%
Alternative Assets Portfolio	13.02%	8.38%	10.03%	7.93%	4.39%	-3.56%	-17.18%
Global 60/40 Portfolio	18.02%	6.42%	7.04%	6.07%	8.41%	-9.52%	-21.96%
60% Alternative / 40% Global 60/40	15.02%	7.59%	8.83%	7.19%	5.49%	-5.95%	-21.20%

NOTE: All returns are calculated using arithmetic mean

*Return Information Is Preliminary Reporting

Source: CAIA, CISDM, HFRI, Cambridge Associates and Bloomberg

1. Global Investment Capital Market by Hewitt EnnisKnupp, an Aon Company



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