



Brinker Capital quarterly:

A look at the markets 2Q 2019

Brinker Capital Market Barometer

SHORT-TERM FACTORS (< 6 months)

	CHANGE	NEGATIVE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	
Momentum				●	Market momentum still strong
Trend	→			●	Global equity market indices above 200-day moving averages
Investor sentiment			●		Survey data in optimism territory; equity fund flows neutral
Seasonality	→			●	Seasonality more supportive in second quarter

INTERMEDIATE-TERM FACTORS (6-36 months)

	CHANGE	NEGATIVE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	
Fiscal policy				●	Fiscal stimulus in 2019; watching trade
Monetary policy	→			●	Fed on an extended pause and will end balance sheet reduction
Inflation			●		Few signs of broad-based inflation
Interest rate environment					Longer-term rates have fallen; yield curve inversion at short end
Macroeconomic				●	Global growth moderating but still positive; strong US labor market
Business sentiment			●		Decline in CEO confidence; small business confidence off record high
Consumer sentiment				●	Measures slightly higher in February; levels still supportive
Corporate earnings				●	US earnings growth still solid; softer outside US
Credit environment				●	Credit spreads still behaved; few signs of credit market stress

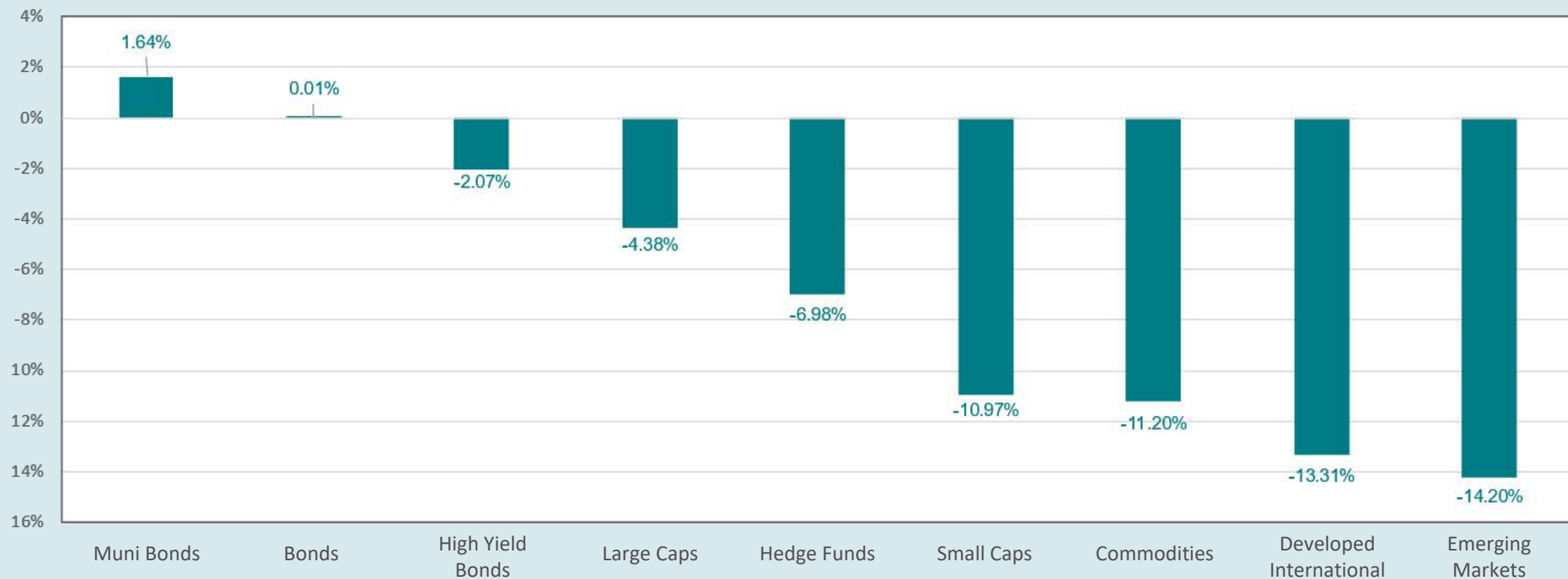
LONG-TERM FACTORS (36+ months)

	CHANGE	NEGATIVE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	
Valuation			●		US equity valuations at long-term averages; more attractive ex-US
Business cycle				●	Long recovery but has been muted; few signs point to recession
Demographics			●		Mixed (US and emerging markets positive; developed intl negative)

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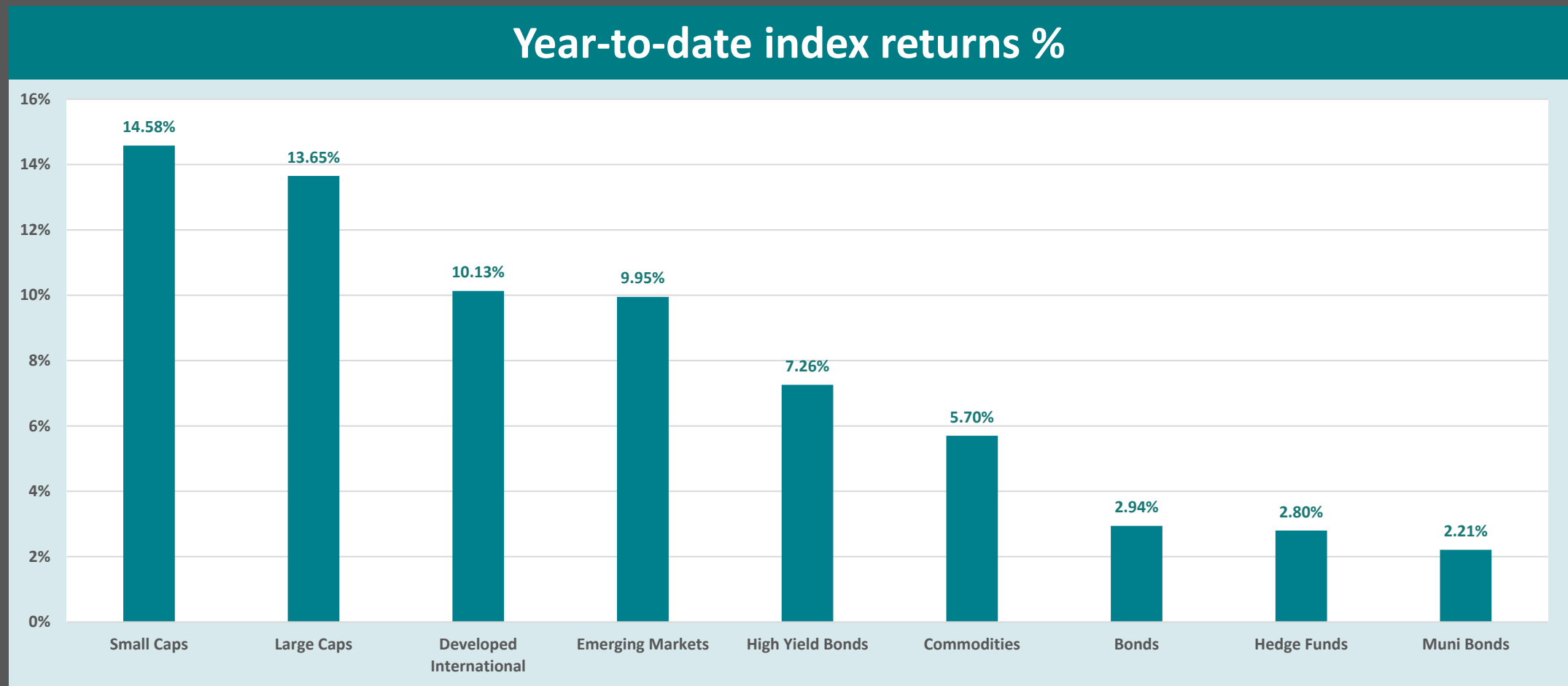
2018 was a forgettable year

Year-to-date index returns %



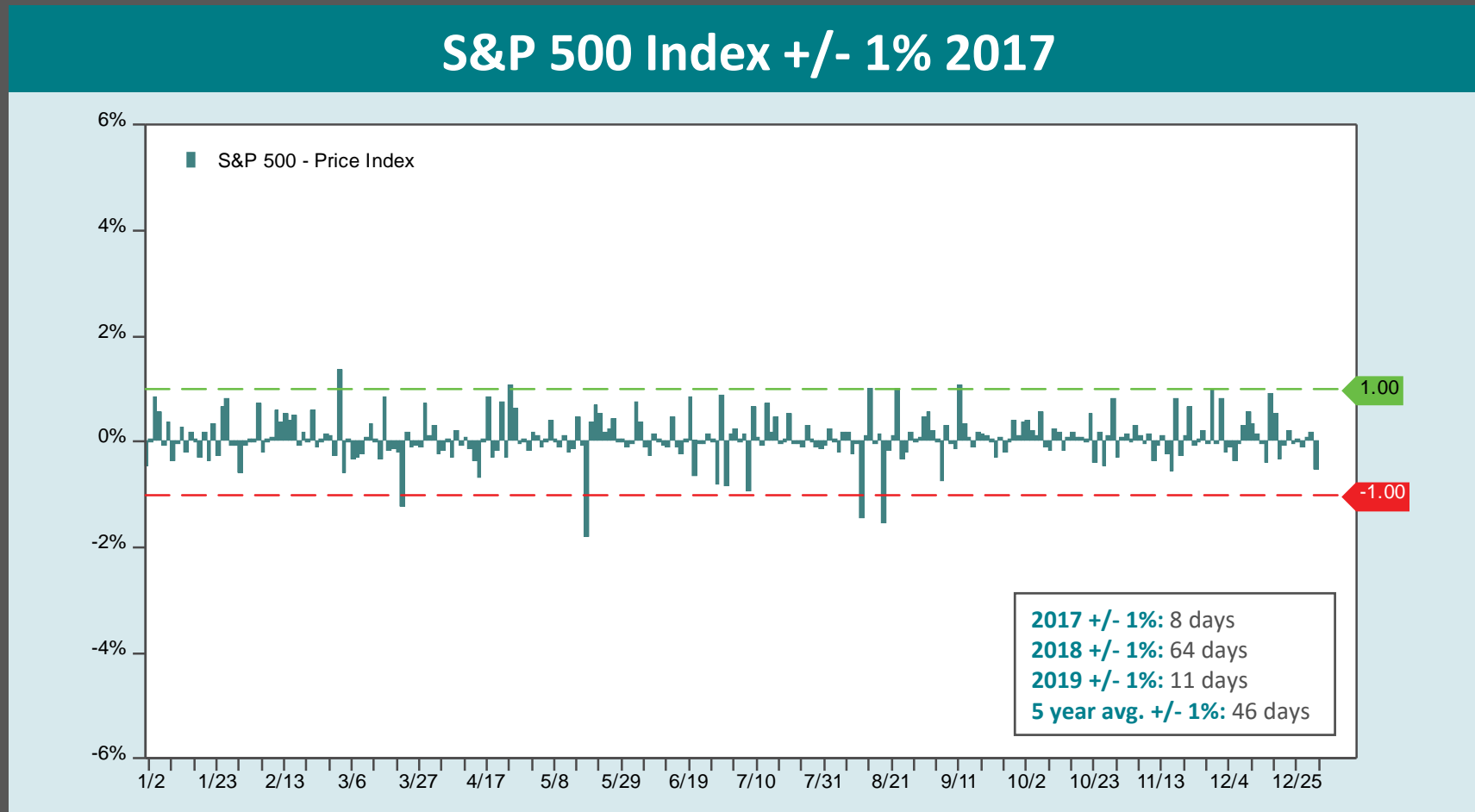
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Q1 2019 risk assets bounce back

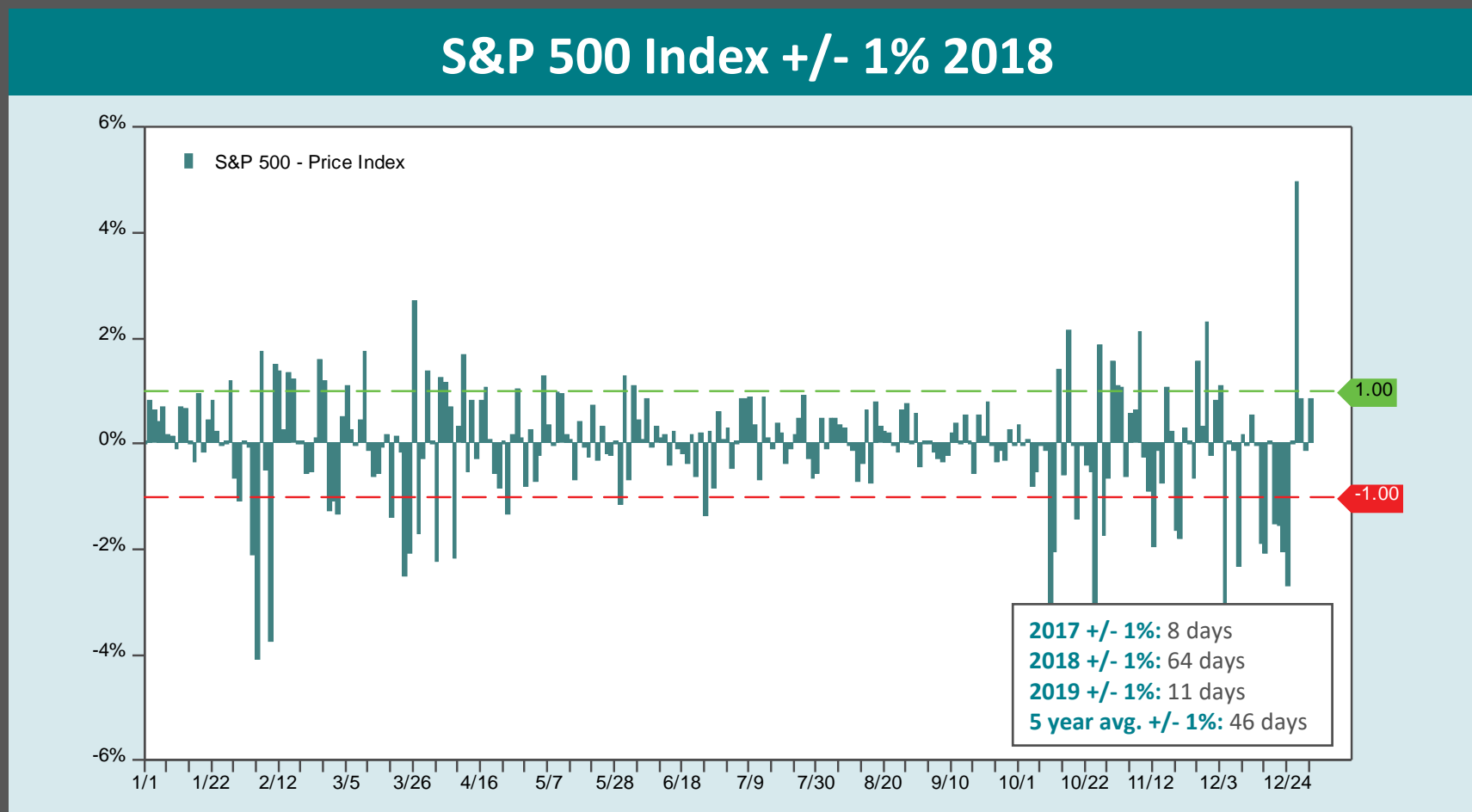


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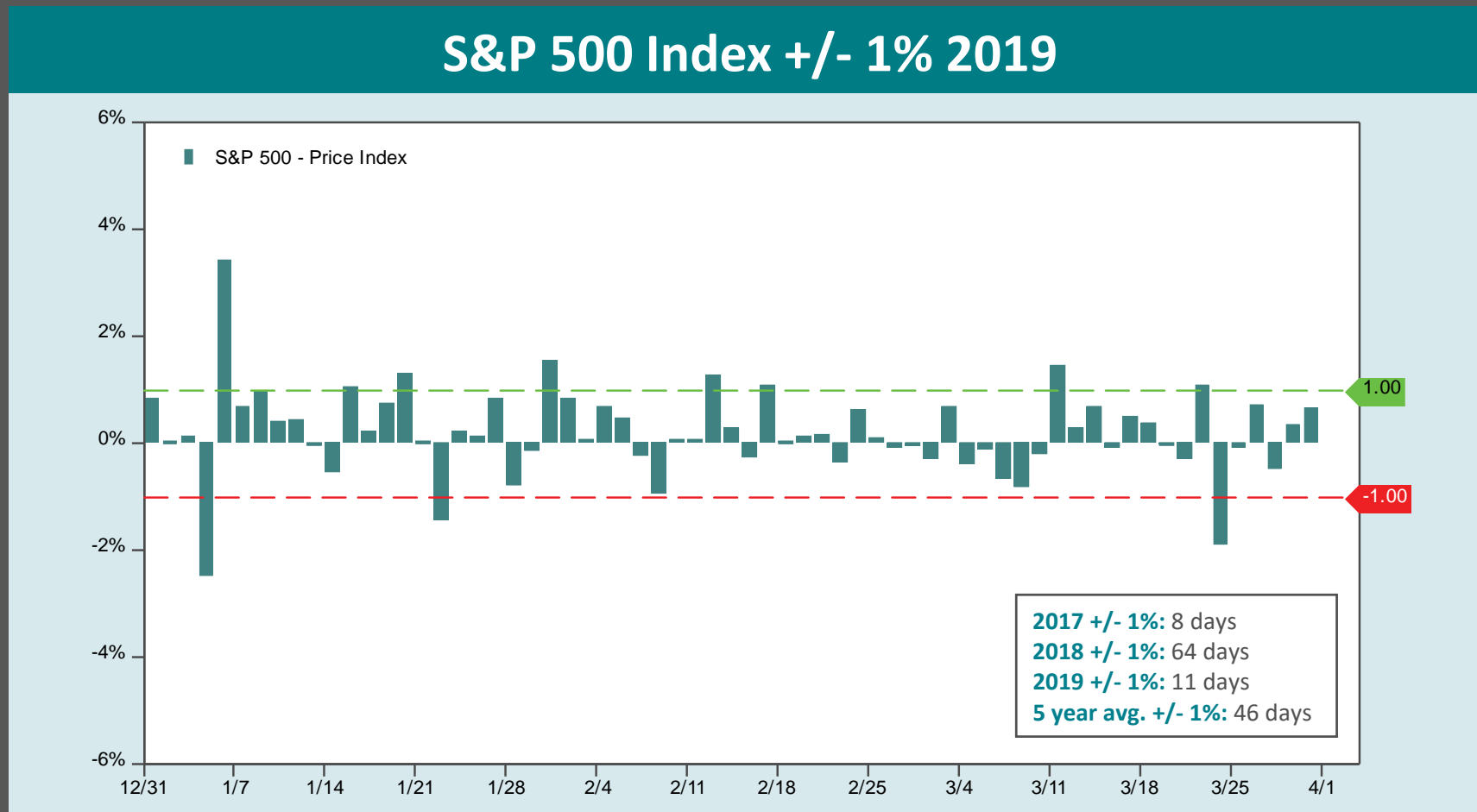
Volatility: 2017, a quiet year



Volatility: 2018, a bumpy year

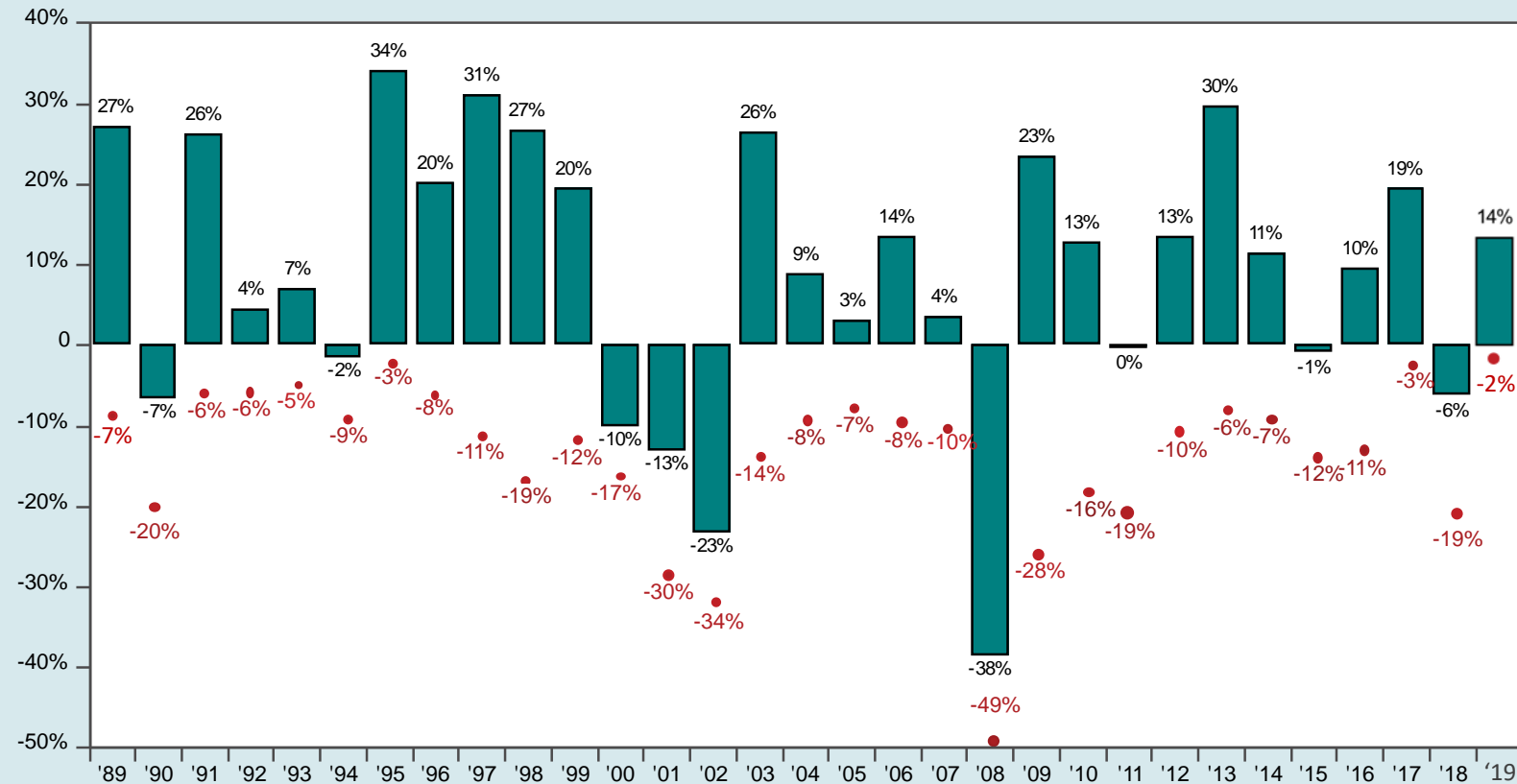


Volatility: 2019, a normal year (so far)

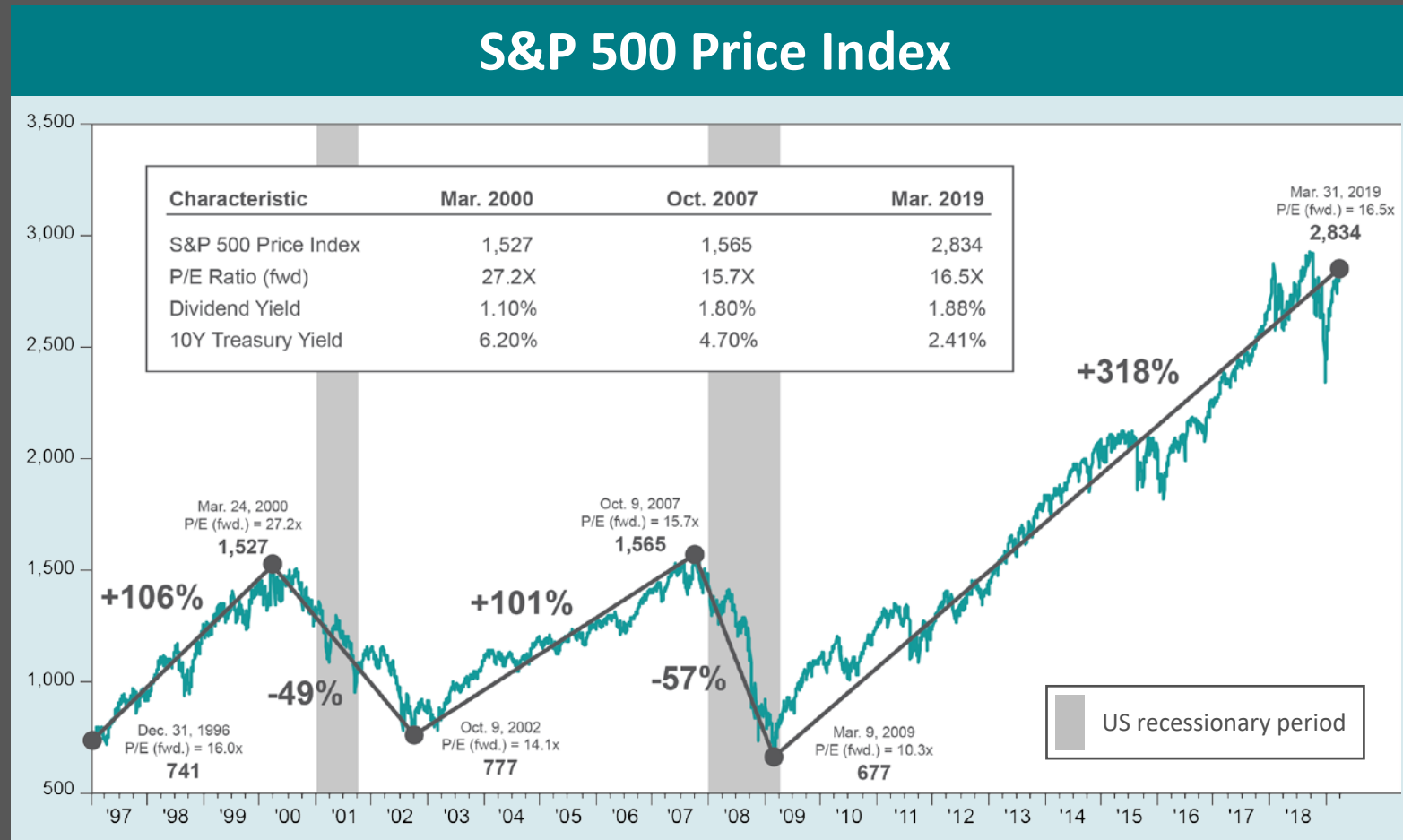


Putting 2018 in perspective

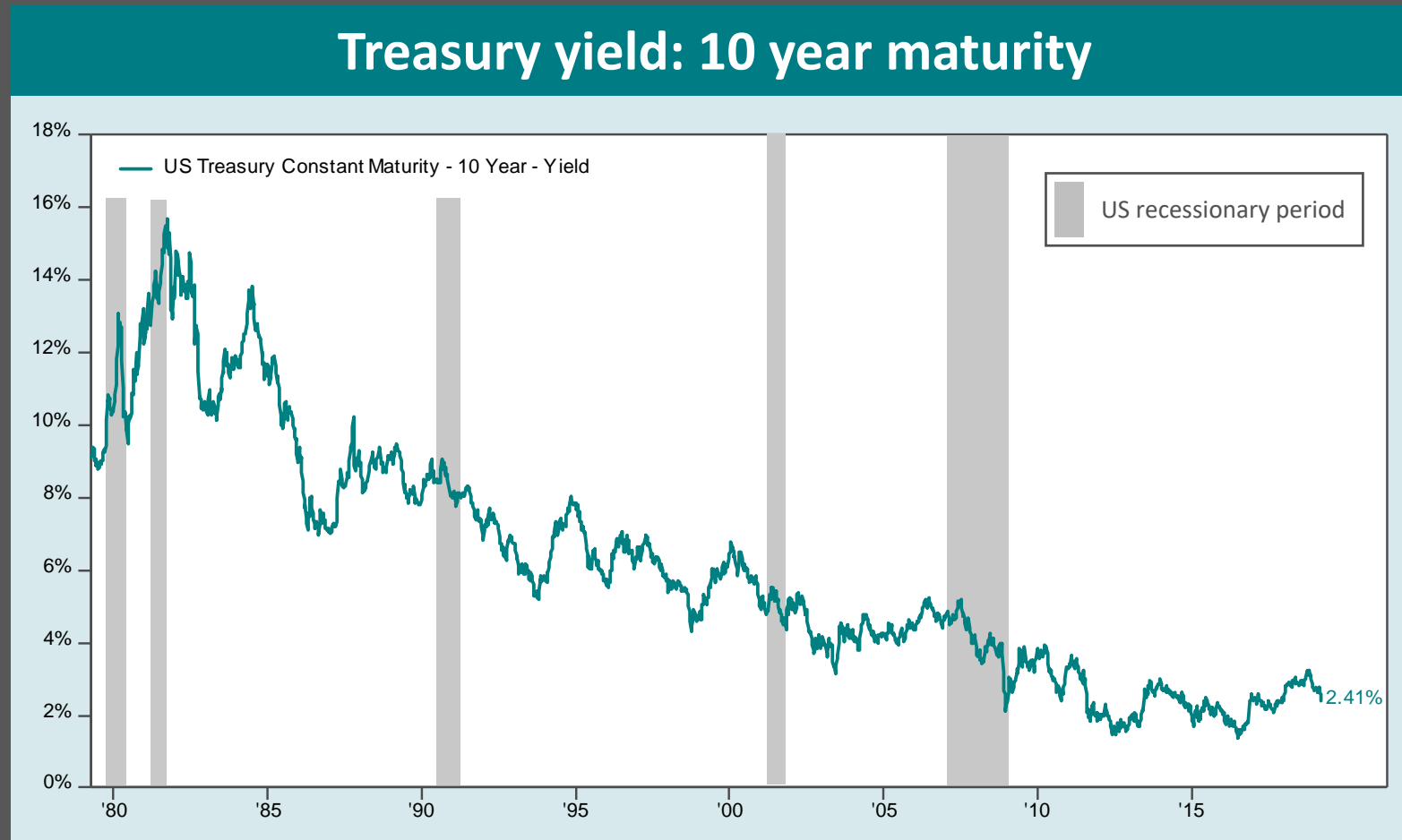
S&P 500 Index intra-year declines vs. calendar year return (price)



S&P 500 Index at inflection points

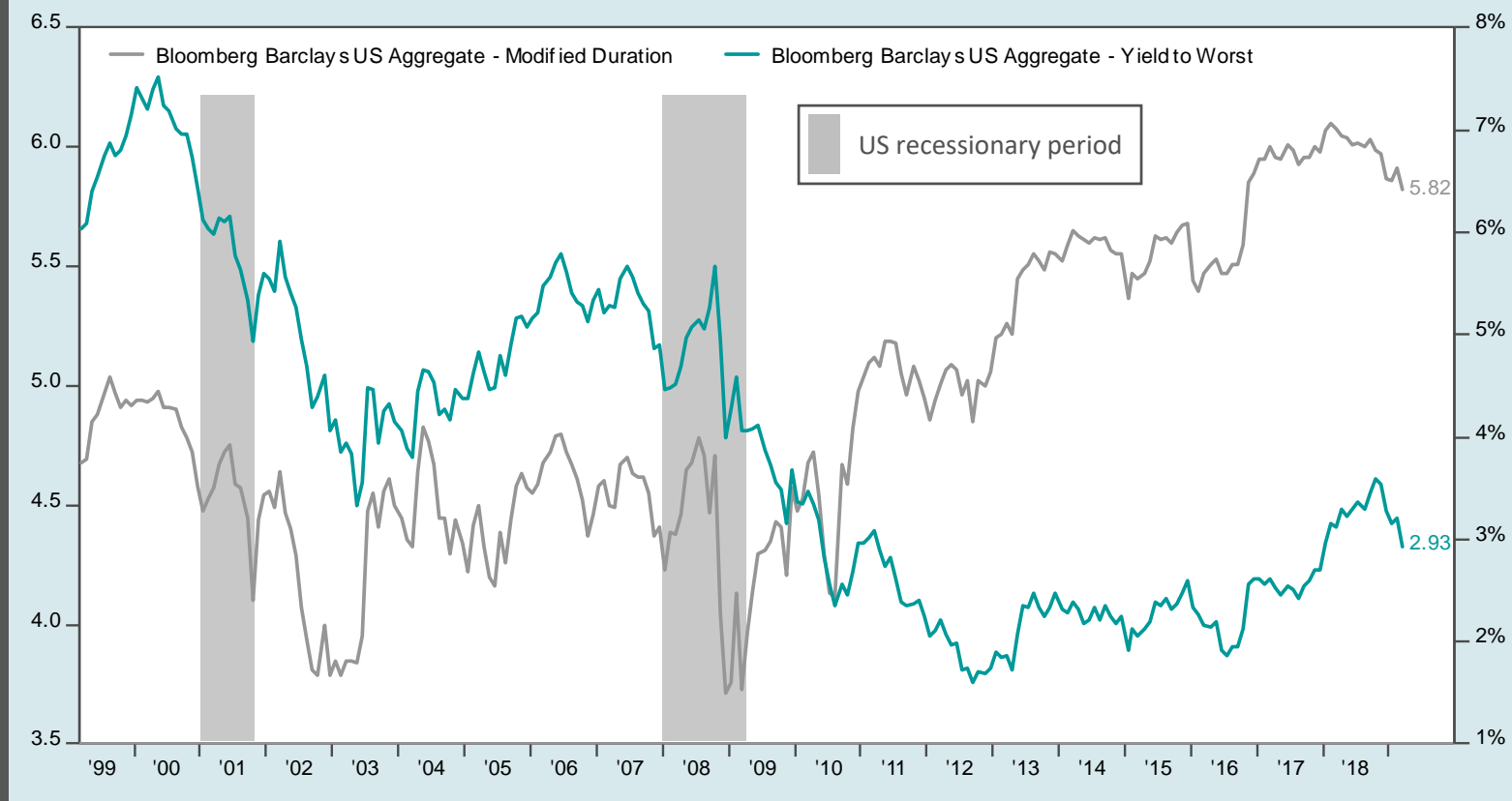


Is the fixed income bull market over?



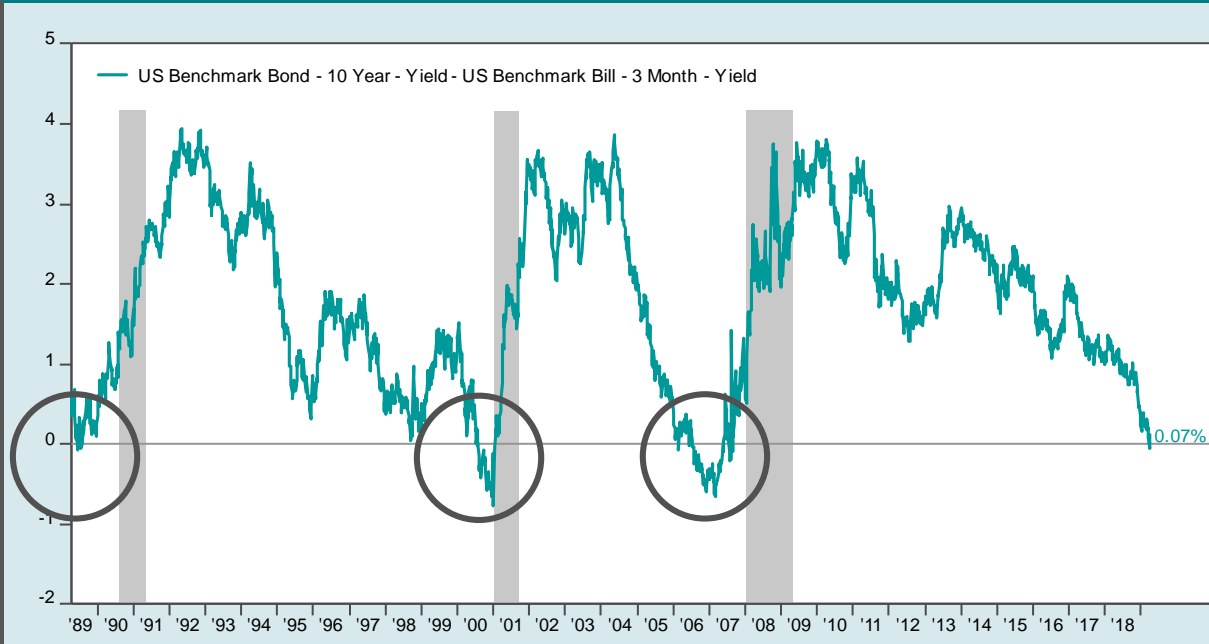
Passive fixed income exposure could be problematic

Bond market duration and yield



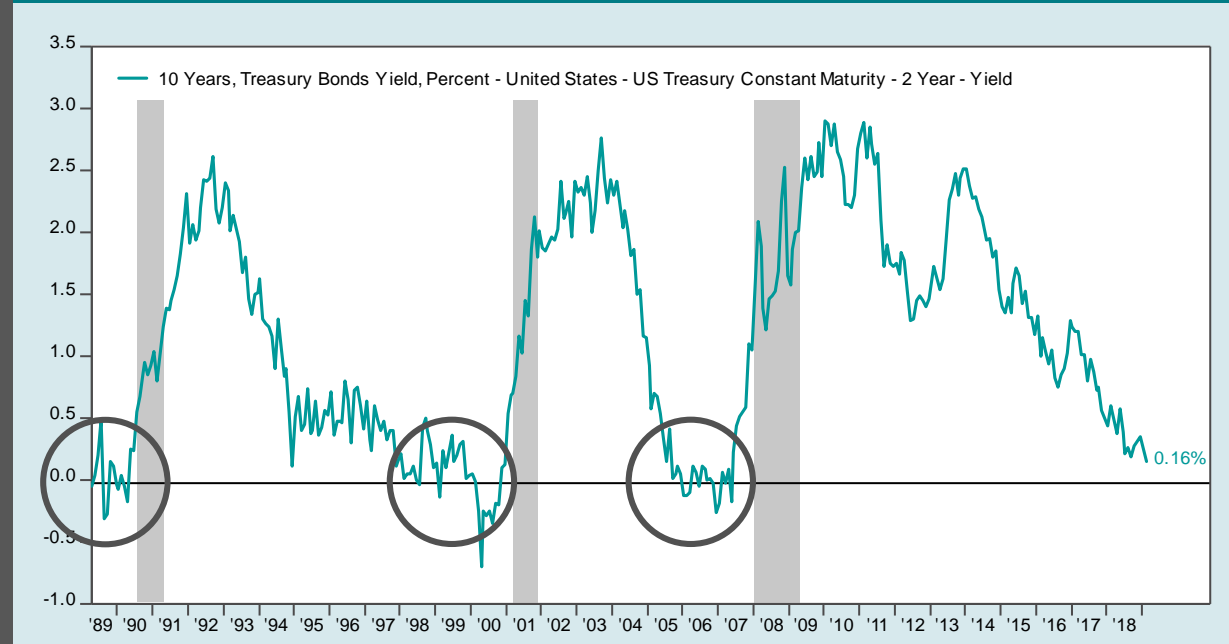
The yield curve is worrisome

US Treasury Spread: 10Y – 3M (bps)

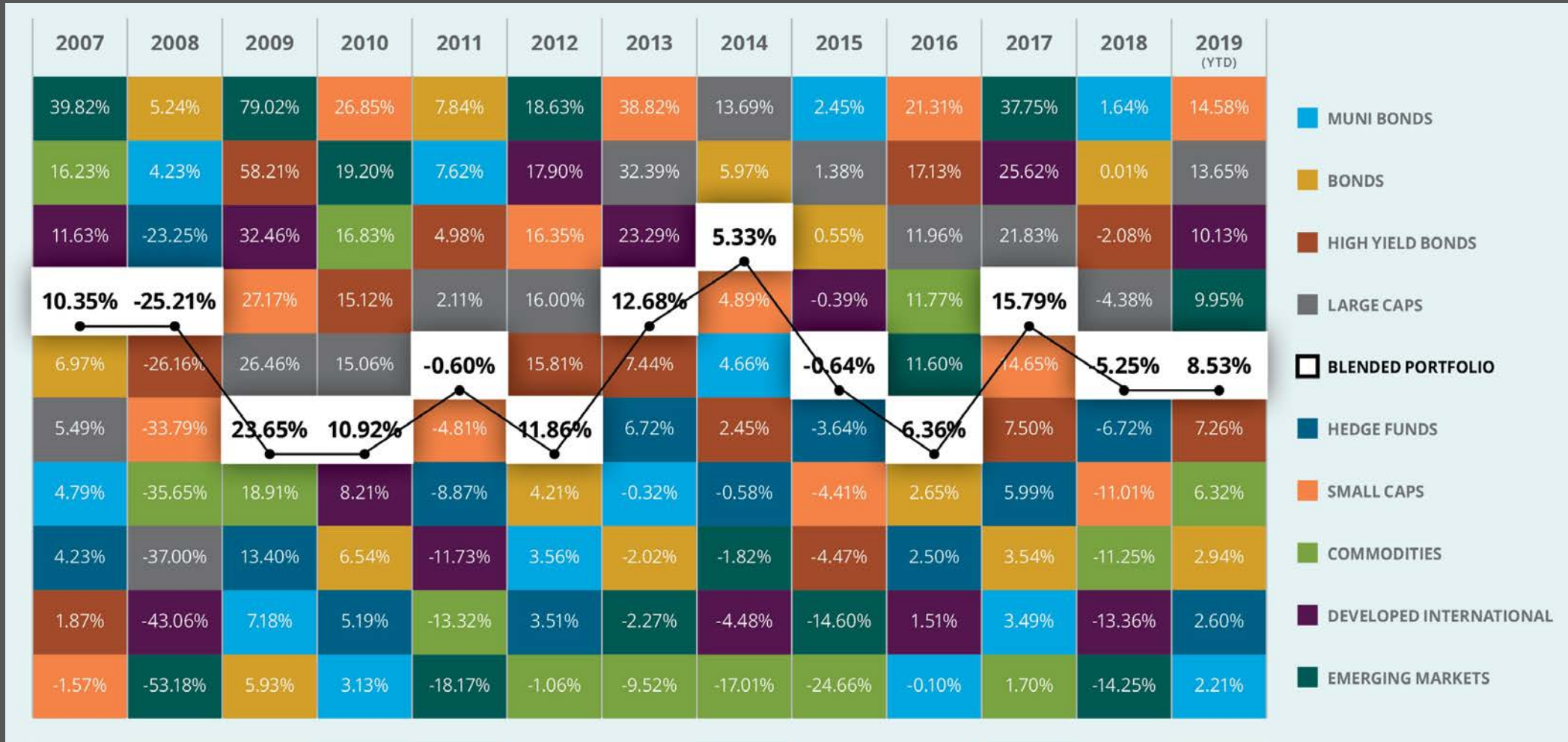


US recessionary period

10/2 Treasury Spread (bps)

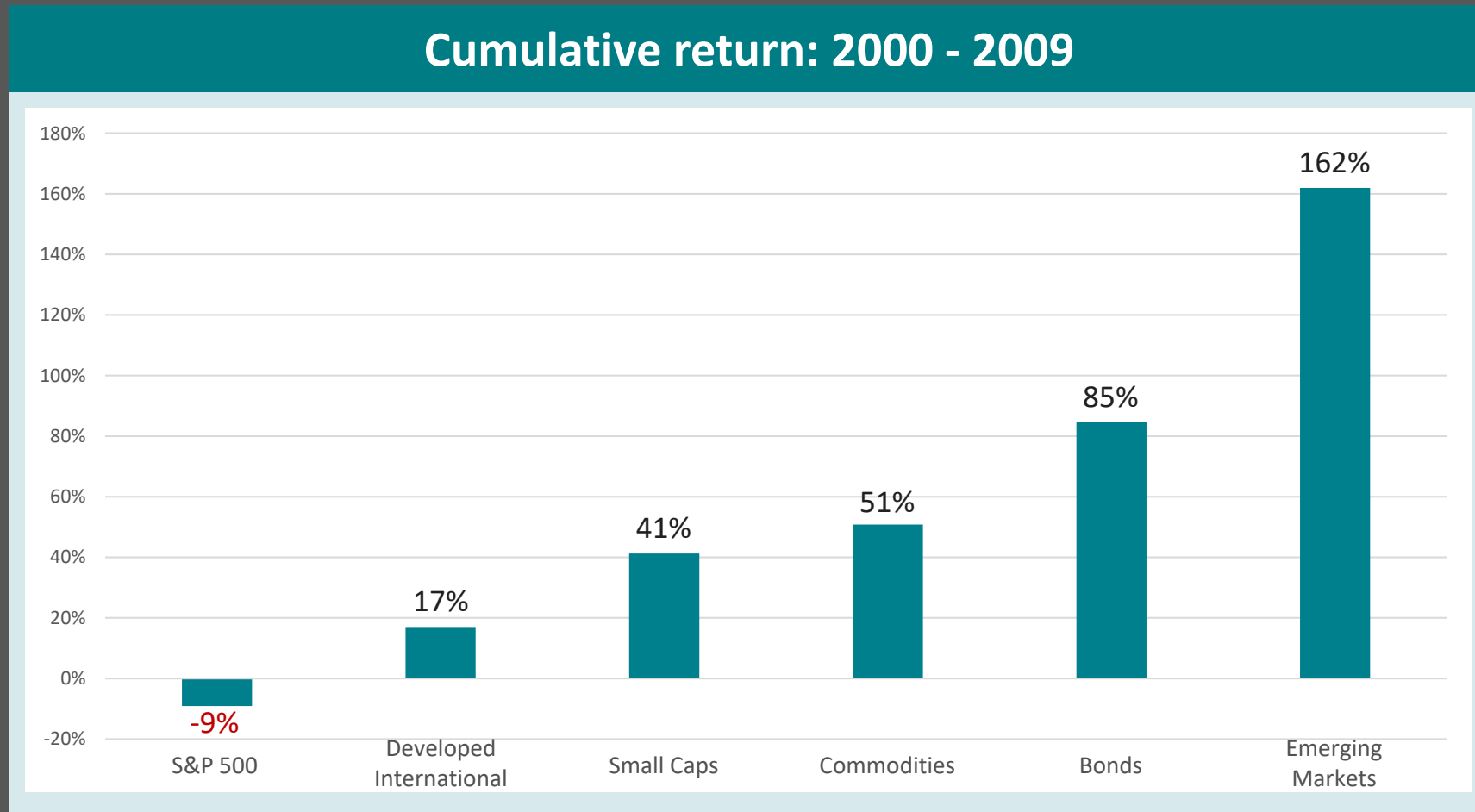


Asset class performance quilt

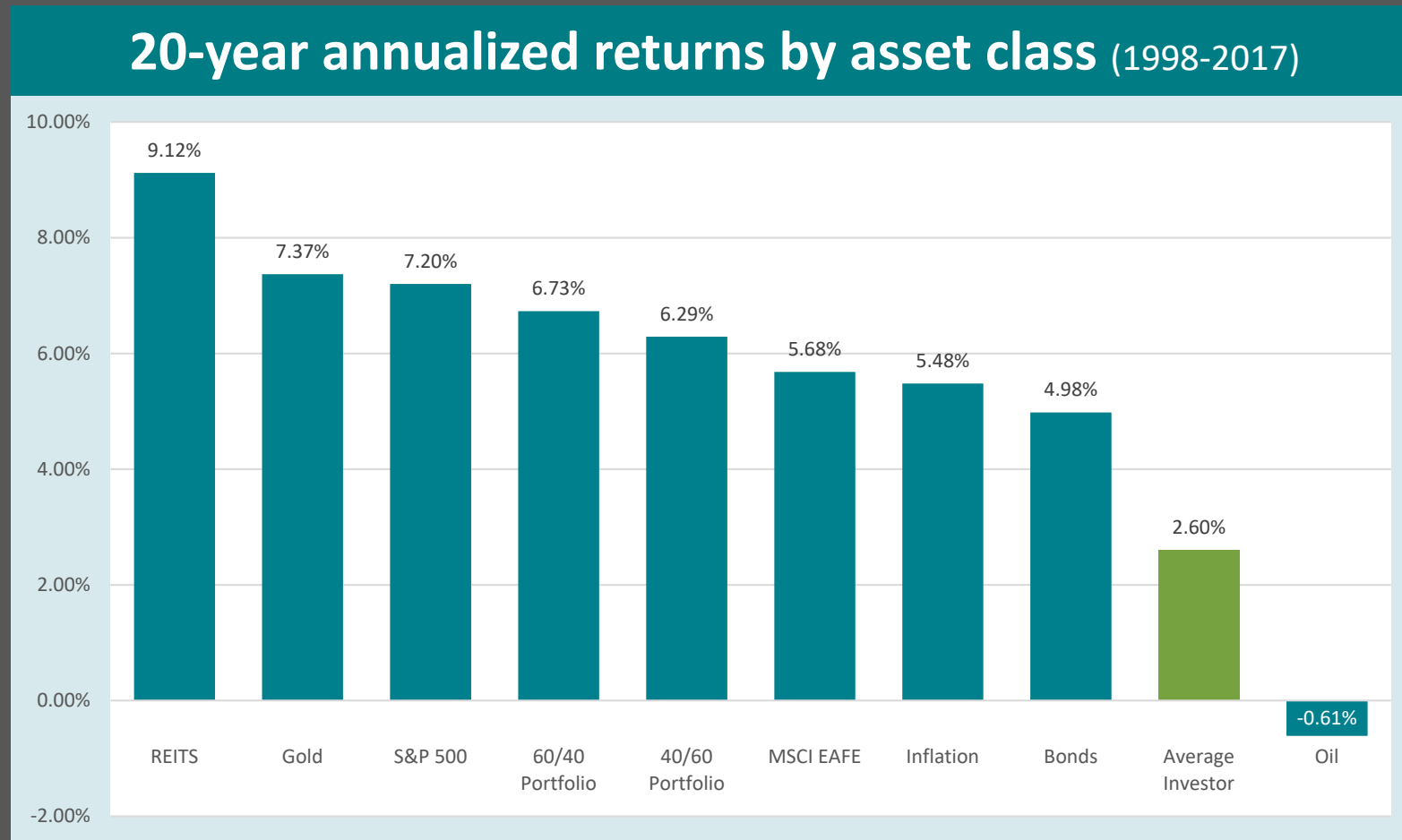


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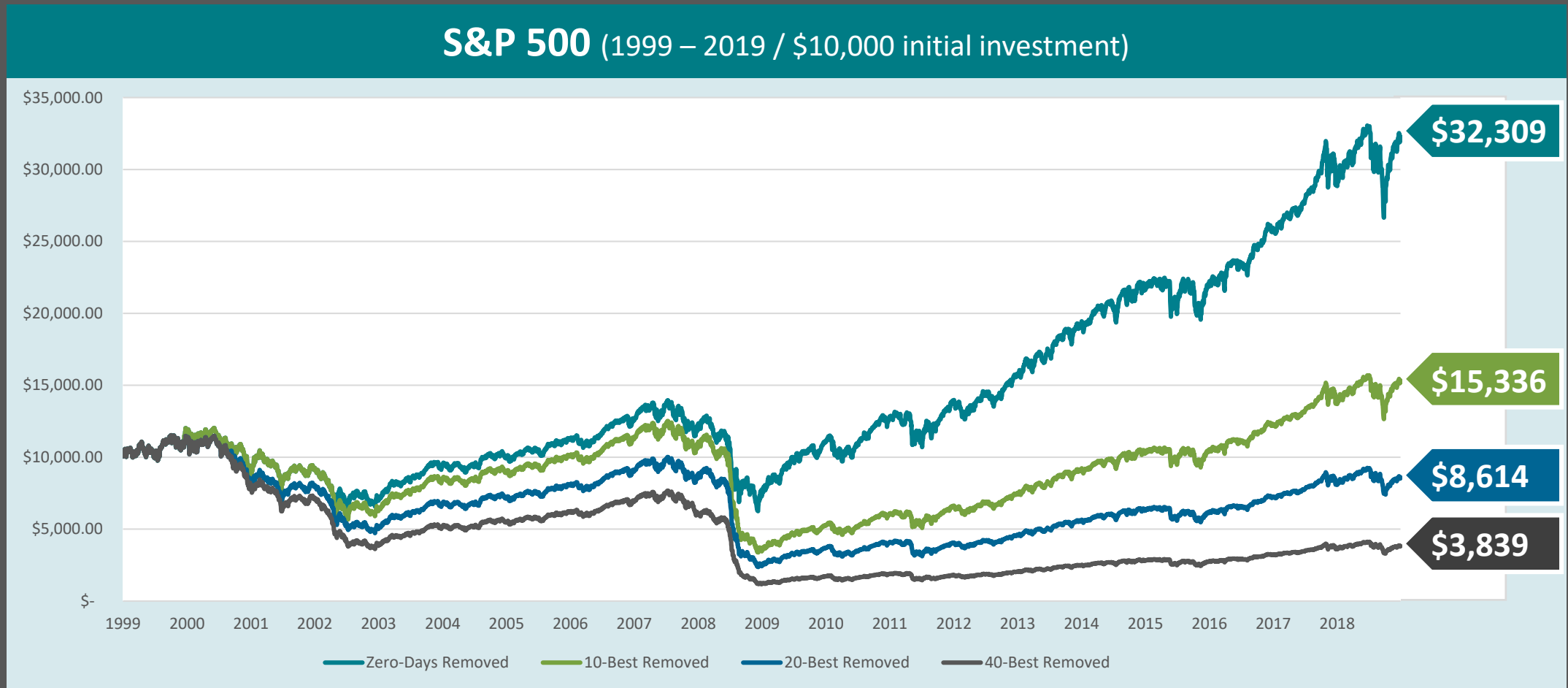
The “lost decade” for the S&P 500



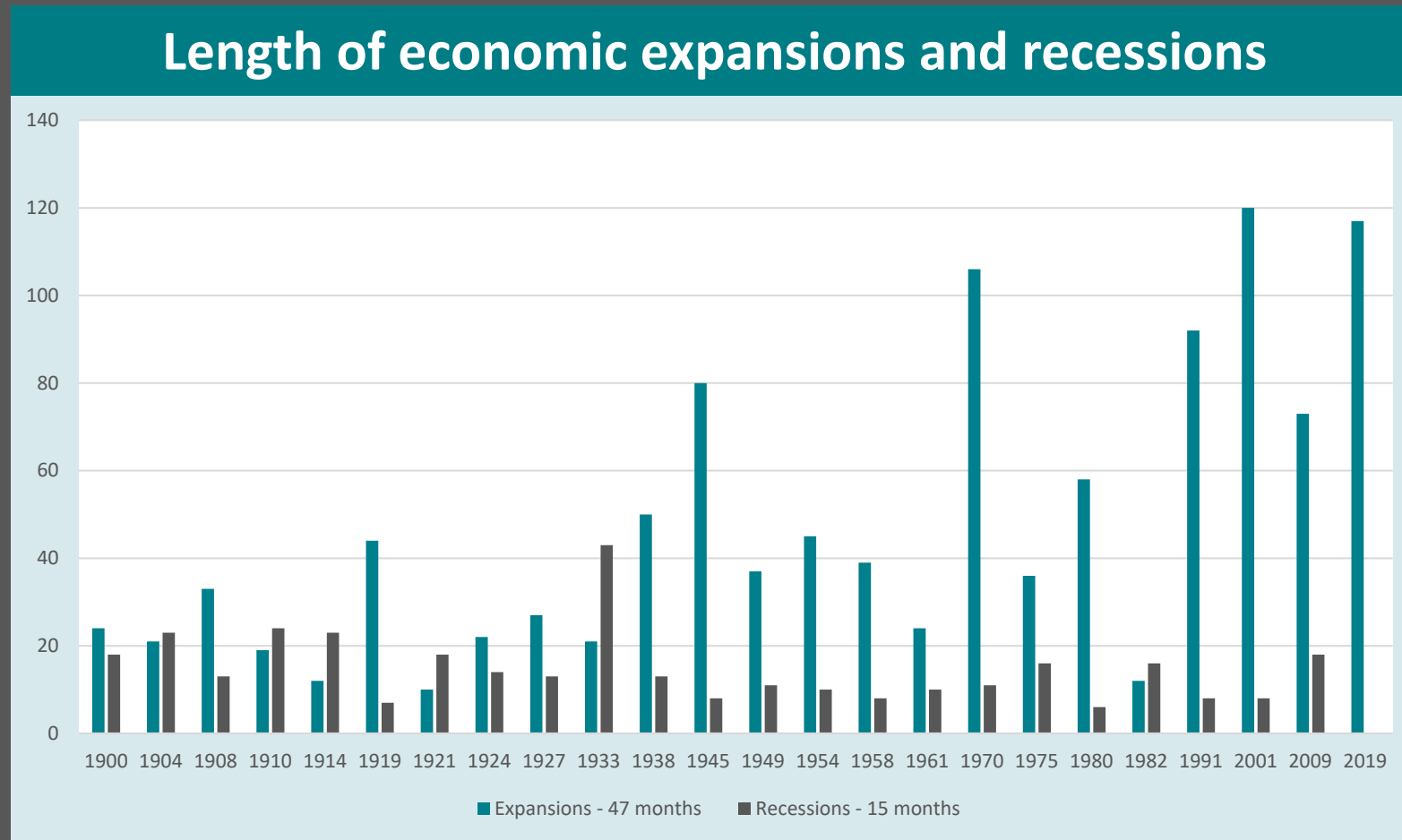
The average investor does not stay invested



Staying invested

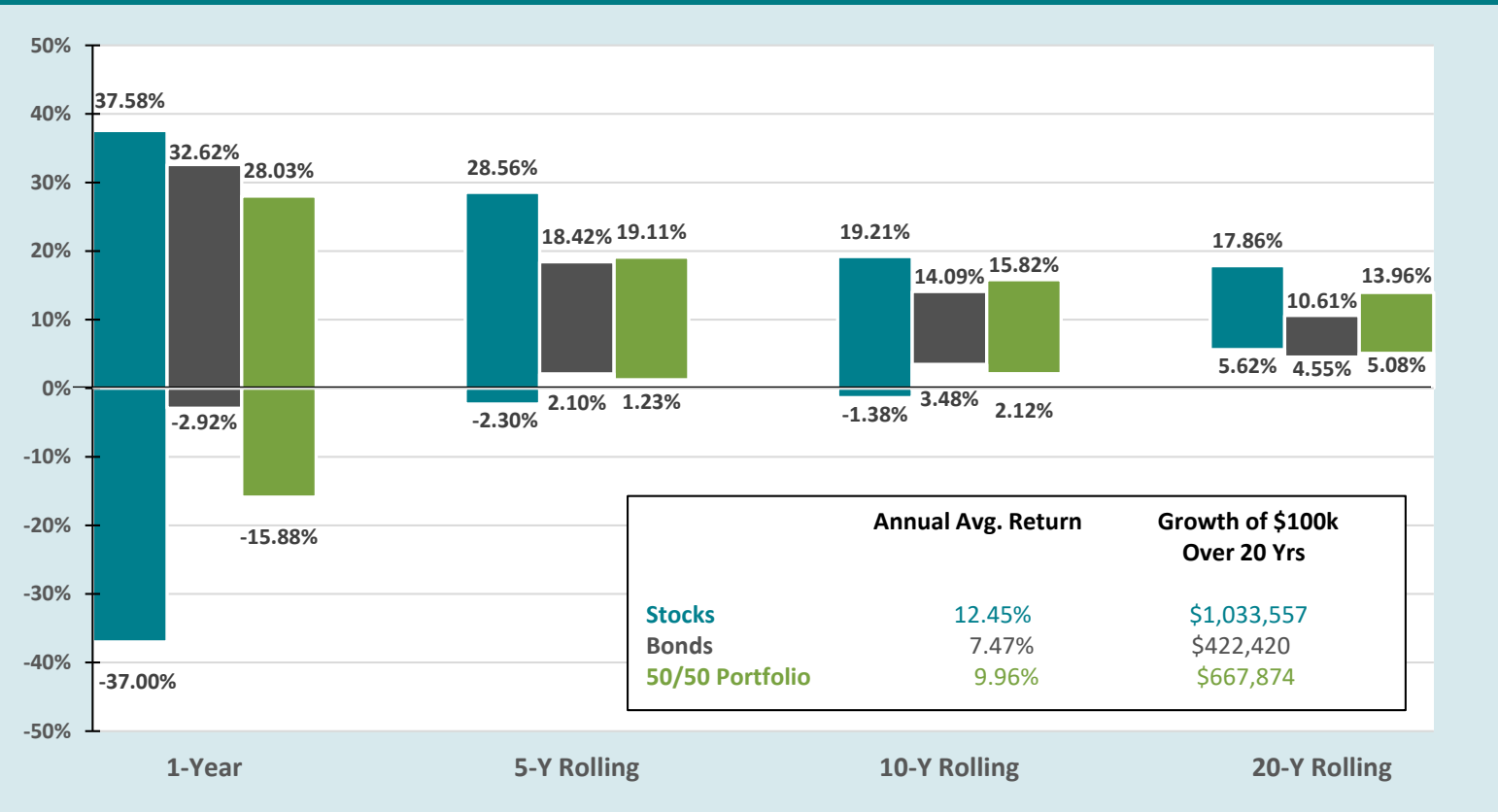


Short-term pain, long-term gain

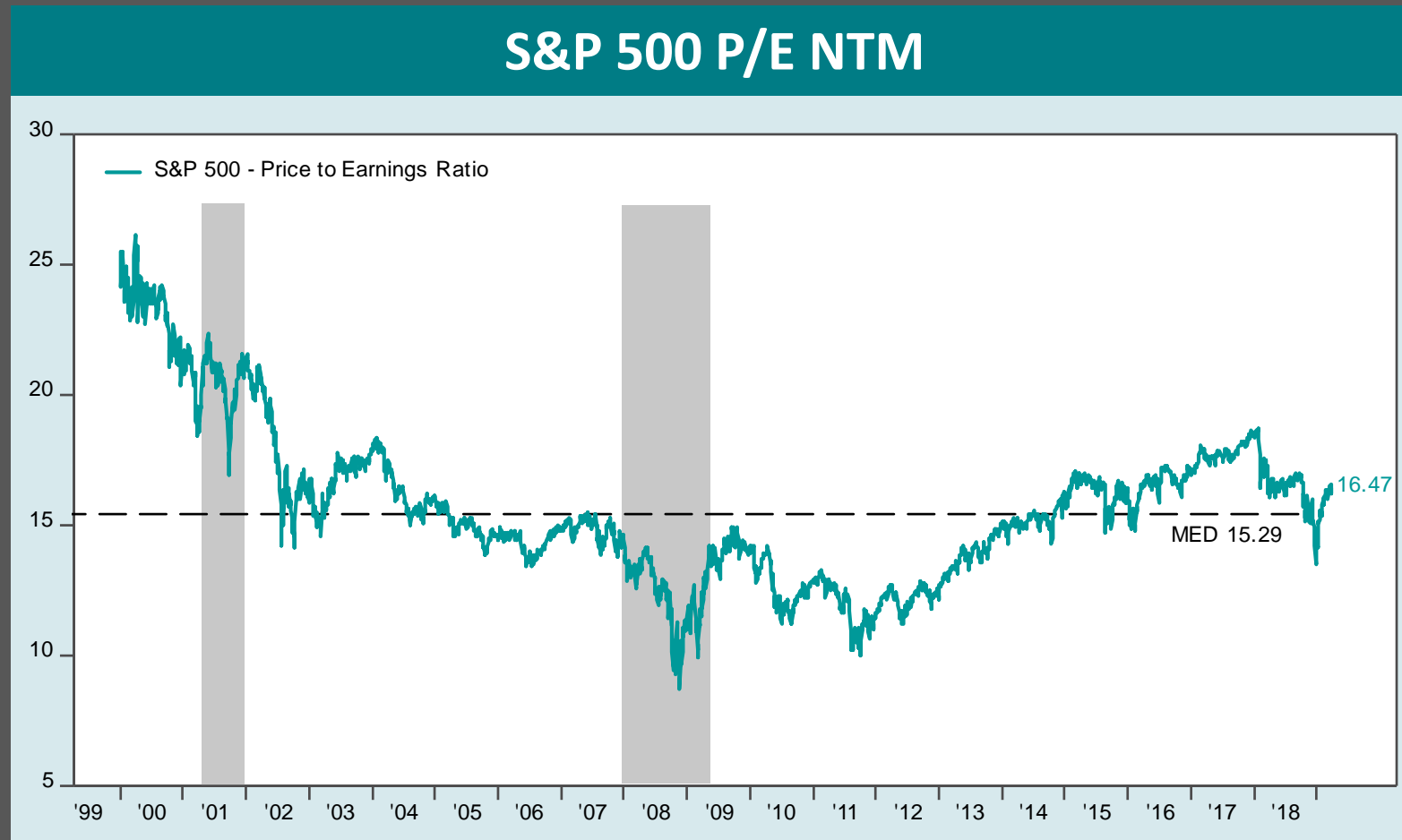


Staying invested increases consistency of returns

Range of stock, bond, and blended total returns (1976 – 2018)



Valuations are fair



Spotting the turn

The market

Bull market top checklist				
	2000	2007	Current	Comments
Blow-off top	✓	✓	X	Equity market expectations remained constrained since the low in 2009. There is no evidence that investors paid peak multiples for peak earnings.
Heavy inflows into equity market funds	✓	✓	X	Net inflows into equity mutual funds and ETFs is underwhelming while inflows into bond funds remains robust.
Big pick-up in M&A activity	✓	✓	✓	M&A activity has picked up significantly from years in the past. In absolute dollar terms, activity is near the historical highs.
IPO activity	✓	✓	X	While IPO activity has been rather lack luster this bull market, the current list of expected IPOs will be an important litmus test as to whether fear will ultimately give way to greed among retail investors.
Rising real interest rates	✓	✓	X	Real rates have declined meaningfully after peaking back in early November.
Weakening upward earnings revisions	✓	✓	X	Earnings revisions have come down more recently, but still remain at safe growth levels. Our main concern will be any changes in our first derivative growth expectations.
Erosion in number of stocks making new highs	✓	✓	X	Breadth has expanded significantly during the current rally.
Shift toward defensive leadership	✓	✓	X	Following the sell-off at the end of last year, Cyclical shares have outpaced defensives.
Widening credit spreads	✓	✓	X	High-yield and investment grade credit spreads have moved higher recently but compared to a longer-term history remain contained.