



Markets Have Themes

Annual Returns In The S&P 1500 Index

Sector Leadership
2007 - 2016

ICON uses a disciplined valuation process to identify what we believe are attractive industries within the 10 Standard & Poor's sectors in an effort to capture emerging themes. The table below lists the sectors in the Standard & Poor's 1500 Index in order of performance returns for each of the past 10 years.

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
HIGHEST RETURN	Energy 34.56%	Consumer Staples -15.65%	Information Technology 61.02%	Consumer Discretionary 28.57%	Utilities 19.55%	Financials 26.97%	Consumer Discretionary 43.27%	Utilities 27.40%	Consumer Discretionary 7.81%	Energy 27.31%
	Materials 22.64%	Health Care -23.76%	Materials 49.72%	Industrials 27.24%	Consumer Staples 14.18%	Consumer Discretionary 23.83%	Health Care 42.19%	Health Care 24.80%	Health Care 7.41%	Financials 24.28%
	Utilities 16.46%	Utilities -26.69%	Consumer Discretionary 43.45%	Materials 22.89%	Health Care 11.88%	Health Care 18.35%	Industrials 41.19%	Information Technology 18.90%	Consumer Staples 6.15%	Telecom 23.41%
	Information Technology 15.43%	Telecom -30.87%	S&P 1500 27.23%	Energy 21.37%	Telecom 5.81%	Telecom 18.17%	Financials 34.25%	Consumer Staples 16.50%	Information Technology 5.60%	Materials 21.70%
	Consumer Staples 14.03%	Consumer Discretionary -34.80%	Industrials 21.68%	Telecom 18.76%	Consumer Discretionary 5.37%	Materials 16.57%	S&P 1500 32.80%	Financials 14.90%	Telecom 3.25%	Industrials 20.41%
	Industrials 12.80%	Energy -35.82%	Health Care 20.75%	S&P 1500 16.38%	Energy 3.93%	Industrials 16.46%	Information Technology 28.99%	S&P 1500 13.10%	S&P 1500 1.01%	Utilities 17.72%
	Telecom 11.87%	S&P 1500 -36.72%	Energy 16.40%	Consumer Staples 14.59%	S&P 1500 1.77%	S&P 1500 16.17%	Consumer Staples 26.79%	Industrials 8.50%	Financials -0.72%	Information Technology 14.78%
	Health Care 8.02%	Industrials -38.96%	Financials 15.49%	Financials 13.29%	Information Technology 1.13%	Information Technology 14.75%	Materials 26.02%	Materials 6.40%	Industrials -2.71%	S&P 1500 13.03%
	S&P 1500 5.47%	Information Technology -42.90%	Consumer Staples 15.29%	Information Technology 12.13%	Industrials -0.87%	Consumer Staples 10.93%	Energy 25.39%	Consumer Discretionary 5.80%	Utilities -4.49%	Consumer Discretionary 6.66%
LOWEST RETURN	Consumer Discretionary -13.44%	Materials -45.48%	Utilities 12.80%	Utilities 7.10%	Materials -8.16%	Energy 4.34%	Utilities 15.08%	Telecom 3.30%	Materials -10.00%	Consumer Staples 5.84%
	Financials -18.42%	Financials -52.24%	Telecom 8.74%	Health Care 5.20%	Financials -14.97%	Utilities 1.72%	Telecom 11.59%	Energy -9.20%	Energy -22.07%	Health Care -2.05%

Performance data shown represents past performance, and current performance may be higher or lower. Past performance does not guarantee future results. This chart does not represent the performance of any ICON product. The unmanaged Standard & Poor's (S&P) 1500 Sector Indexes track the performance of sectors that comprise the S&P 1500 Index. The unmanaged S&P 1500 Index is market value-weighted index of large-cap common stocks considered representative of the stock market. Total returns for the unmanaged indexes include the reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions but do not reflect deductions for commissions, management fees, and expenses. Individuals cannot invest directly in an index. Source: FactSet Research Systems, Inc.

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The ICON valuation methodology attempts to capture market themes through industry rotation. Listed at right are the eleven sectors that we've identified in our investment universe and the 157 industries* included in each sector, as defined by the Standard & Poor's and MSCI Barra Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS®).

Consumer Discretionary Sector

Advertising
Apparel Retail
Apparel, Accessories & Luxury Goods
Auto Parts & Equipment
Automobile Manufacturers
Automotive Retail
Broadcasting
Cable & Satellite
Casinos & Gaming
Computer & Electronics Retail
Consumer Electronics
Department Stores
Distributors
Education Services
Footwear
General Merchandise Stores
Home Furnishings
Home Improvement Retail
Homebuilding
Homefurnishing Retail
Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines
Household Appliances
Housewares & Specialties
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail
Leisure Facilities
Leisure Products
Motorcycle Manufacturers
Movies & Entertainment
Publishing
Restaurants
Specialized Consumer Services
Specialty Stores
Textiles
Tires & Rubber

Consumer Staples Sector

Agricultural Products
Brewers
Distillers & Vintners
Drug Retail
Food Distributors
Food Retail

Household Products
Hypermarkets & Super Centers
Packaged Foods & Meats
Personal Products
Soft Drinks
Tobacco

Energy Sector

Coal & Consumable Fuels
Integrated Oil & Gas
Oil & Gas Drilling
Oil & Gas Equipment & Services
Oil & Gas Exploration & Production
Oil & Gas Refining & Marketing
Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation

Financials Sector

Asset Management & Custody Banks
Consumer Finance
Diversified Banks
Diversified Capital Markets
Financial Exchanges & Data
Insurance Brokers
Investment Banking & Brokerage
Life & Health Insurance
Mortgage REITs
Multi-line Insurance
Multi-Sector Holdings
Other Diversified Financial Services
Property & Casualty Insurance
Regional Banks
Reinsurance
Specialized Finance
Thriffs & Mortgage Finance

Health Care Sector

Biotechnology
Health Care Distributors
Health Care Equipment
Health Care Facilities
Health Care Services
Health Care Supplies
Health Care Technology
Life Sciences Tools & Services
Managed Health Care
Pharmaceuticals

Industrials Sector

Aerospace & Defense
Agricultural & Farm Machinery
Air Freight & Logistics
Airlines
Airport Services
Building Products

Commercial Printing
Construction & Engineering
Construction Machinery & Heavy Trucks
Diversified Support Services
Electrical Components & Equipment
Environmental & Facilities Services
Heavy Electrical Equipment
Highways & Railroads
Human Resource & Employment Services
Industrial Conglomerates
Industrial Machinery
Marine
Marine Ports & Services
Office Services & Supplies
Railroads
Research & Consulting Services
Security & Alarm Services
Trading Companies & Distributors
Trucking

Information Technology Sector

Application Software
Communications Equipment
Data Processing & Outsourced Services
Electronic Components
Electronic Equipment & Instruments
Electronic Manufacturing Services
Home Entertainment Software
Internet Software & Services
IT Consulting & Other Services
Semiconductor Equipment
Semiconductors
Systems Software
Technology Distributors
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals

Materials Sector

Aluminum
Commodity Chemicals
Construction Materials
Copper
Diversified Chemicals
Diversified Metals & Mining
Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals
Forest Products
Gold
Industrial Gases
Metal & Glass Containers
Paper Packaging
Paper Products
Precious Metals & Minerals
Silver
Specialty Chemicals
Steel

Real Estate Sector

Diversified Real Estate Activities
Diversified REITs
Health Care REITs
Hotel & Resorts REITs
Industrial REITs
Office REITs
Real Estate Operating Companies
Real Estate Development
Real Estate Services
Residential REITs
Retail REITs
Specialized REITs

Telecommunication Sector

Alternative Carriers
Integrated Telecommunication Services
Wireless Telecommunication Services

Utilities Sector

Electric Utilities
Gas Utilities
Independent Power Producers & Energy Traders
Multi-Utilities
Renewable Electricity
Water Utilities

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