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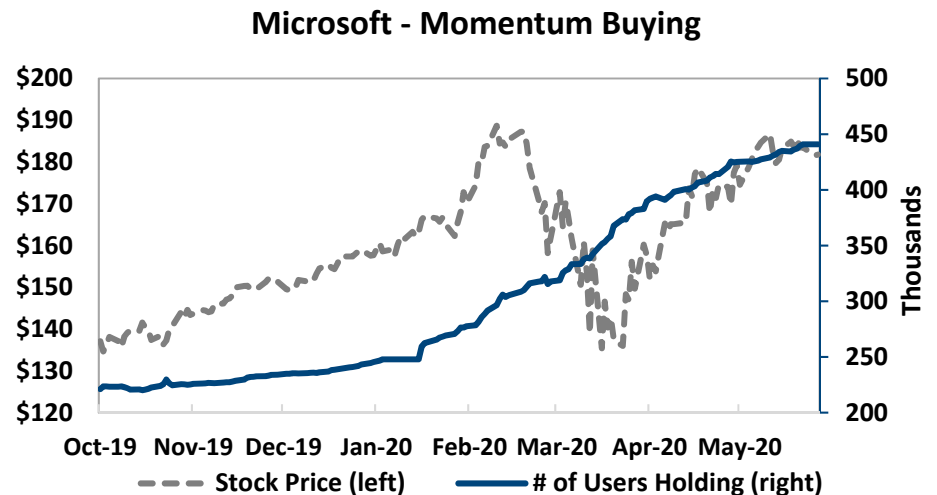
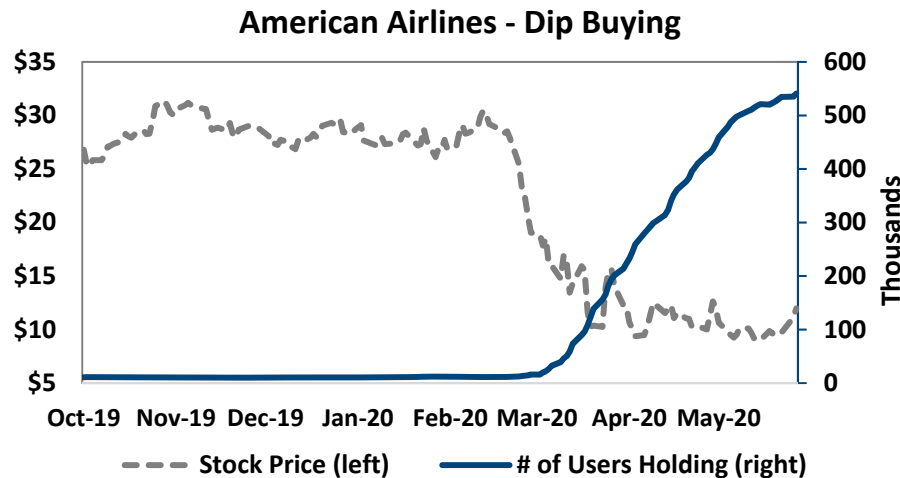
## Commentary: “Retail Trading Revival”



The coronavirus lockdown continues to change peoples’ behavior. In stock markets, one of the more interesting changes is the revival of day trading. TD Ameritrade reported a remarkable 270% increase in trading volume from December 2019 to April 2020. Stimulus checks, zero trading commissions, and low interest rates are contributing to the resurgence of online trading. However, the most entertaining theory for the uptick in day trading is that people are not able to bet on sports; so, they turned to betting on the market.

Some of the trading actually does more resemble gambling than investing, as movements in price seem to be the decisive factor driving much of the individual stock trading activity. For example, retail investors (i.e. individual investors) have been pouring into battered stocks. The chart below shows American Airlines, but similar charts could have been shown for the entire airline industry, cruise lines, Ford, and GE. On the other end of the extreme, momentum stocks have also been popular. Microsoft, Apple, Tesla, Alibaba, and Amazon have all seen large increases in retail investor interest.

Broader participation in stock markets is a welcome development but would be better if the increased participation came without the speculation. The retail buying has been a contributing factor for the quick market recovery, and it shows people are confident in the future, a good thing to see right now.



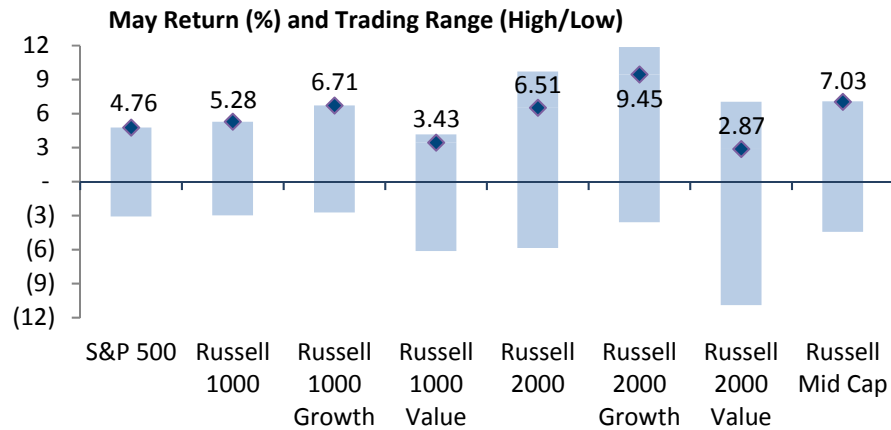
Source Robintrack.net “# of Users” represents number of users on the Robinhood Trading Platform with positions in the security.

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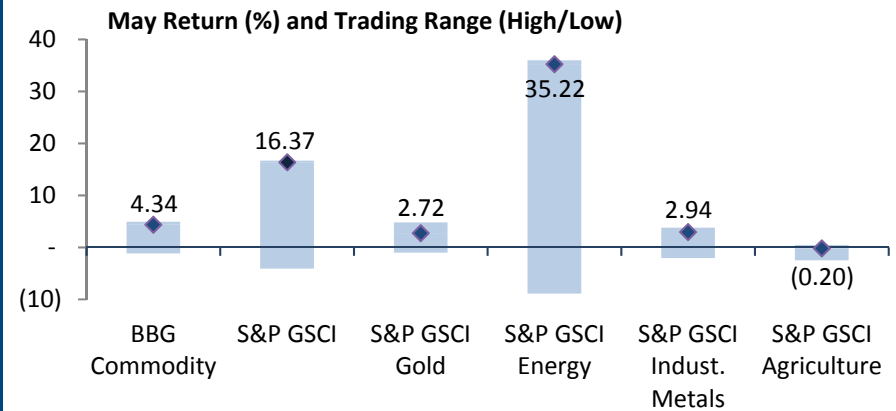
## Monthly Charts



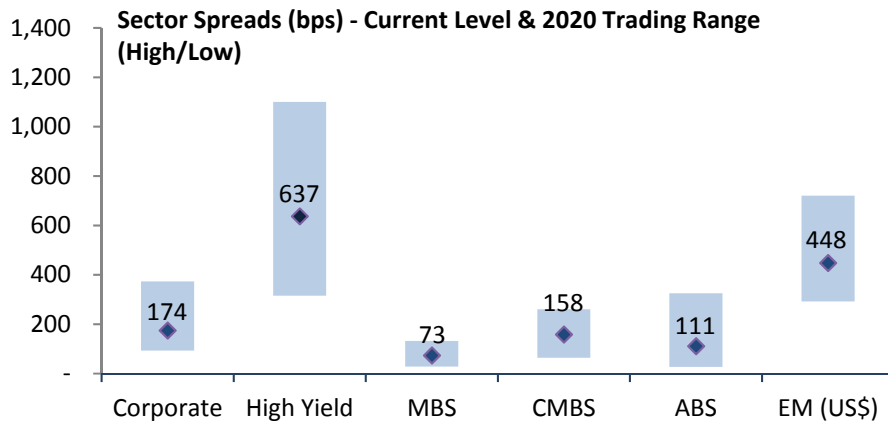
**U.S. Equities:** U.S. markets ended May in positive territory, driven by a re-opening of local economies following the global shut-down, and a record injection of stimulus from the Fed.



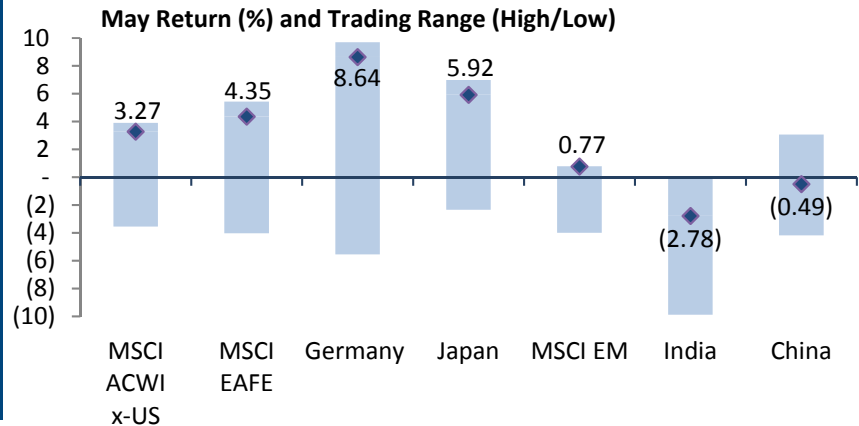
**Commodities:** Broad commodities prices rebounded in May, led by a strong recovery in the Energy sector, particularly in the oil market.



**Fixed Income:** Interest rates were stable, with the exception of long bonds, where rates modestly increased. Credit sectors outperformed, as stress in credit markets continued to ease.



**International Equities:** Actual monetary and expected fiscal stimulus caused European stocks to lead the advance in developed markets. Emerging markets participated in the gains but to a lesser extent.

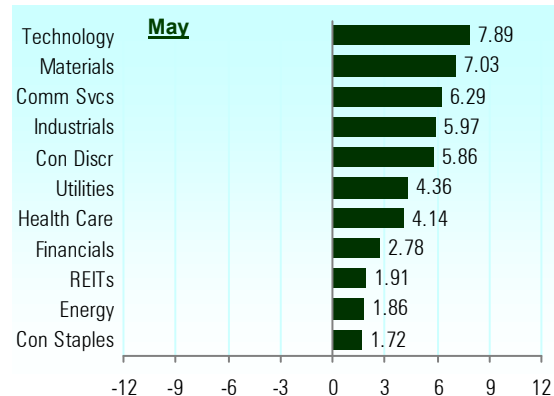


# Concord Advisory Group: May 2020 Market Performance

## Equity Markets

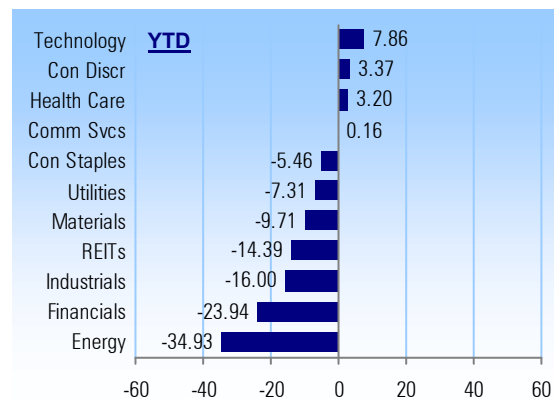
	Past Month	Past 3 Months	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
S&P 500	4.76%	3.59%	-4.97%	12.85%	10.24%	9.86%
Russell 1000	5.28%	3.44%	-4.91%	12.54%	10.09%	9.58%
Russell 1000 Growth	6.71%	10.45%	5.24%	26.26%	17.22%	14.50%
Russell 1000 Value	3.43%	-4.61%	-15.70%	-1.63%	2.61%	4.36%
Russell MidCap	7.03%	-1.45%	-10.73%	2.63%	5.52%	5.94%
Russell 2000	6.51%	-5.18%	-15.95%	-3.44%	1.98%	3.72%
Russell 2000 Growth	9.45%	1.74%	-6.65%	7.33%	7.73%	6.34%
Russell 2000 Value	2.87%	-12.95%	-25.65%	-14.69%	-4.16%	0.71%
MSCI ACWI	4.35%	-0.07%	-9.15%	5.44%	5.19%	5.29%
MSCI World	4.83%	0.89%	-8.20%	6.79%	5.91%	5.84%
MSCI ACWI Ex-US	3.27%	-4.99%	-14.85%	-3.44%	-0.24%	0.79%
MSCI EAFE	4.35%	-3.73%	-14.26%	-2.82%	-0.37%	0.79%
MSCI EM	0.77%	-6.95%	-15.96%	-4.38%	-0.15%	0.88%
Bloomberg Commodity	4.34%	-10.42%	-21.20%	-17.06%	-6.90%	-7.79%

## Equity Sector Returns (%)



## Equity Style Returns (%)

	Value	Core	Growth
<b>Large</b>	3.43	5.28	6.71
<b>Mid</b>	4.64	7.03	10.05
<b>Small</b>	2.87	6.51	9.45

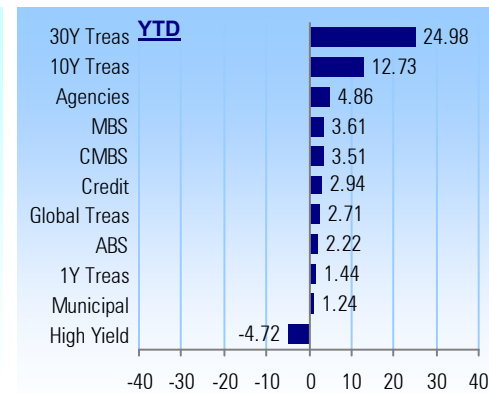
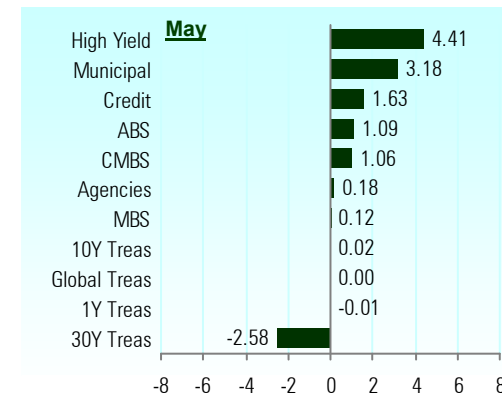


	Value	Core	Growth
<b>Large</b>	-15.70	-4.91	5.24
<b>Mid</b>	-19.00	-10.73	1.78
<b>Small</b>	-25.65	-15.95	-6.65

## Fixed Income Markets

	Past Month	Past 3 Months	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
Barclays Capital Aggregate	0.47%	1.65%	5.47%	9.42%	5.07%	3.95%
Barclays Capital Global Aggregate	0.44%	0.12%	2.08%	5.60%	3.45%	3.28%
Barclays Capital Intermediate Aggregate	0.56%	1.68%	4.24%	7.18%	4.05%	3.17%
Barclays Capital Universal	0.93%	0.94%	4.29%	8.49%	4.83%	4.01%
Barclays Capital Government	-0.24%	3.24%	8.51%	11.25%	5.45%	3.85%
Barclays Capital Credit	1.63%	-0.77%	2.94%	9.55%	5.60%	4.80%
Barclays Capital Municipal	3.18%	-1.81%	1.25%	3.99%	3.82%	3.75%
Barclays Capital High Yield	4.41%	-3.39%	-4.73%	1.32%	3.04%	4.27%
Barclays Capital Mortgage	0.12%	1.82%	3.60%	6.52%	3.86%	3.09%
Barclays Capital 1-3 Yr Gov/Credit	0.33%	1.28%	2.67%	4.58%	2.80%	2.06%
FTSE 3-Month Treasury Bill	0.04%	0.25%	0.51%	1.74%	1.74%	1.14%
FTSE World Govt Bond	0.20%	0.77%	3.42%	6.36%	3.72%	3.51%
Barclays Capital U.S. TIPS	0.30%	1.28%	4.84%	8.02%	4.33%	3.32%
BofAML Invest Grade Convertible	1.84%	-4.92%	-6.72%	5.47%	8.58%	9.27%

## Fixed Income Sector Returns (%)



## Treasury Yield Curve

