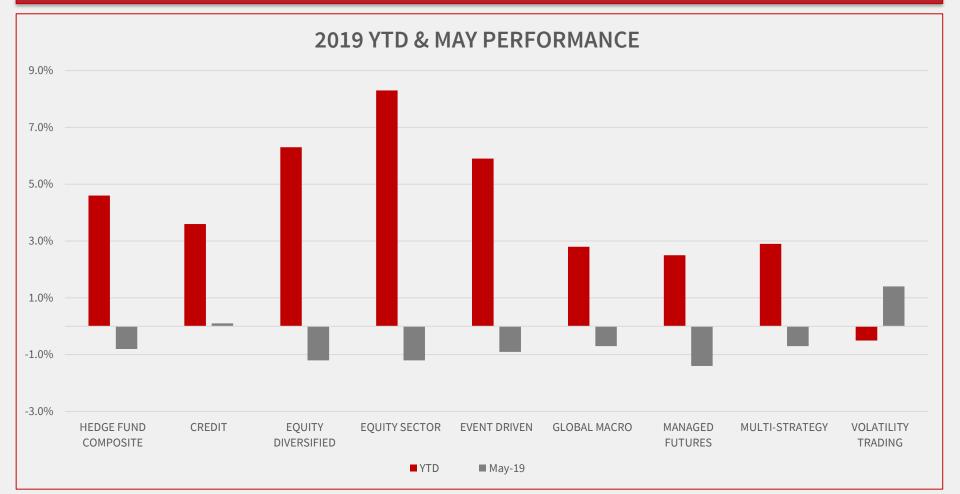
## PIVOTAL INDICES

PivotalPath tracks over **170,00 data points** across more than **1,700 hedge funds** and **40+ different strategies**. Our monthly report includes year-to-date hedge fund performance, as well as 12-month rolling alpha across nine core hedge fund strategies. This month, we also determined the average monthly performance of funds within eight separate AUM bands.

Key takeaway: May 2019 was bad across the board, but funds between \$500M-\$1B fared best.

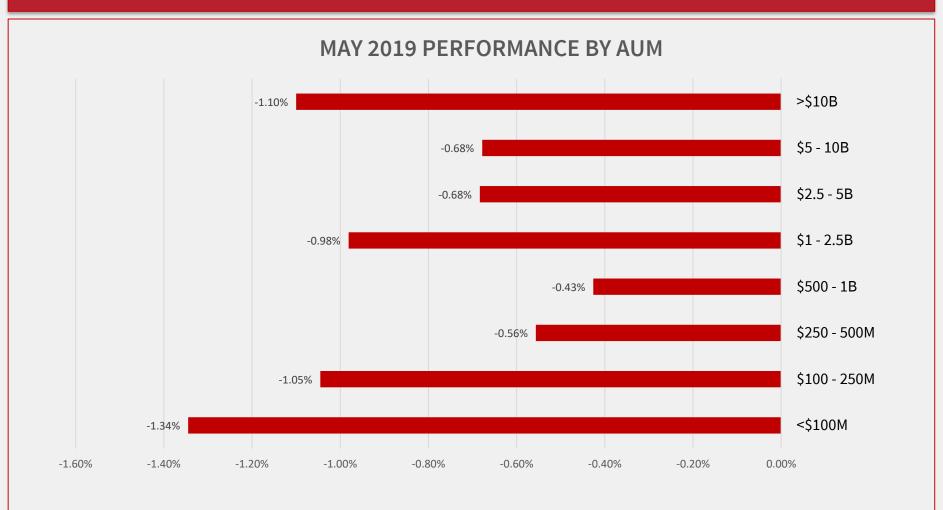
Strategy Scoreboard: Equity Sector strategies have outpaced the rest through May 2019.



Managed Futures continued its 3-month streak, topping our alpha generation chart, while Equity Diversified continued its 3-month streak of ranking last among hedge fund strategies.

12M ROLLING ALPHA OVER S&P 500 (TR)								
JAN 2019	FEB 2019	MAR 2019	APR 2019	MAY 2019		2018	2017	2016
2.1% Equity Sector	1.8% Credit	3.0% Managed Futures	2.5% Managed Futures	2.0% Managed Futures		2.1% Credit	11.9% Equity Sector	7.1% Credit
2.0% Credit	1.6% Equity Sector	2.4% Event Driven	1.4% Event Driven	1.9% Credit		1.7% Volatility Trading	11.6% Equity Diversified	5.9% Global Macro
1.2% Event Driven	1.1% Event Driven	1.2% Credit	0.5% Multi-Strategy	1.5% Event Driven		1.3% Equity Sector	9.2% Event Driven	5.9% Volatility Trading
1.1% Volatility Trading	0.5% Multi-Strategy	0.9% Multi-Strategy	0.9% Credit	0.5% Multi-Strategy		1.1% Multi-Strategy	6.6% Multi-Strategy	5.4% Managed Futures
0.0% Multi-Strategy	0.2% Volatility Trading	-0.1% Composite	-0.5% Composite	0.4% Volatility Trading		-0.4% Event Driven	5.9% Composite	2.9% Multi-Strategy
-1.0% Composite	-0.1% Composite	-0.5% Equity Sector	-0.8% Global Macro	0.1% Composite		-0.6% Composite	4.3% Credit	2.9% Event Driven
-1.5% Equity Diversified	-1.2% Equity Diversified	-1.0% Global Macro	-1.1% Volatility Trading	-0.1% Global Macro		-1.6% Managed Futures	-0.7% Global Macro	2.4% Composite
-3.7% Global Macro	-1.3% Managed Futures	-1.1% Volatility Trading	-1.6% Equity Sector	-0.1% Equity Sector		-2.4% Equity Diversified	-0.8% Volatility Trading	-1.8% Equity Sector
-7.9% Managed Futures	-1.5% Global Macro	-2.4% Equity Diversified	-3.2% Equity Diversified	-2.4% Equity Diversified		-2.6% Global Macro	-7.2% Managed Futures	-3.2% Equity Diversified

Funds in all AUM bands experienced negative performance in May. The smallest funds (<\$100M) performed the worst, while mid-tier funds (\$500M-\$1B) realized the best average performance.



## THE PIVOTAL POINT OF VIEW

Here is what the data means for hedge funds, institutional investors, and markets overall...

May proved a tough month for managers across the 40 sub-strategies PivotalPath tracks -

- only Credit Relative Value, Structured Credit & MBS, Global Macro Discretionary and Multi-Manager proved (slight) exceptions.
- ✓ While the 1<sup>st</sup> 4 months of 2019 saw a "junk rally" in hedge funds, where managers with high beta to leveraged companies outperformed, May was a difficult month for managers and risk assets across the board. The 10 Yr. UST yield tightened by 38bps the largest monthly decline since January of 2015 on global trade policy concerns and disappointing Chinese manufacturing data.
- ✓ When we look back at where managers were positioned this time last year long momentum, growth and volatility, short value and dividend yield we see similarities to how managers are positioned today. Will YE 2019 look like YE 2018? We'll be keeping an eye on risk factor exposure and alpha generation across the 1,700+ managers in PivotalBase throughout the summer, to see which direction our proprietary indicators are pointing.

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