

## **Market Prices Contain Relevant Information**

Prices reflect the aggregate expectations of market participants.

Fairly priced securities can have different expected returns.

Efficiently capturing higher expected returns requires the rational use of information contained in security prices.



## **Dimensions of Expected Returns**

Expected returns are driven by prices investors pay and cash flows they expect to receive

## DIMENSIONS POINT TO SYSTEMATIC DIFFERENCES IN EXPECTED RETURNS

Market Equity premium-stocks vs. bonds **Company Size** Small cap premium—small vs. large companies EQUITIES **Relative Price<sup>1</sup>** Value premium—value vs. growth companies Profitability<sup>2</sup> Profitability premium—high vs. low profitability companies To be considered a dimension of expected return, a premium must be:

- Sensible
- Persistent
- Pervasive
- Robust
- Cost-effective

<sup>1.</sup> Relative price as measured by the price-to-book ratio; value stocks are those with lower price-to-book ratios.

<sup>2.</sup> Profitability is a measure of current profitability, based on information from individual companies' income statements.

Diversification does not eliminate the risk of market loss.



## **Dimensions of Expected Returns**

Historical premiums and returns (annualized): US, Developed ex US, and Emerging Markets



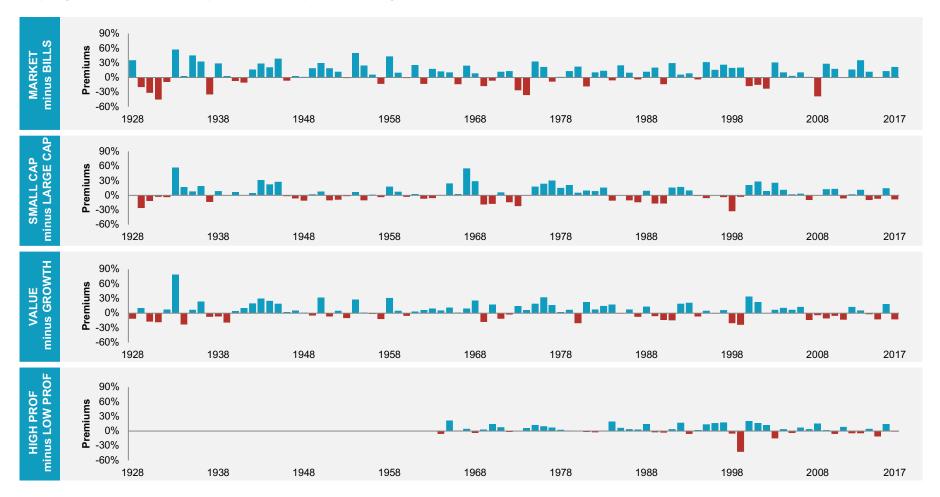
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## Yearly Observations of Premiums

Equity, size, relative price, and profitability: US Markets



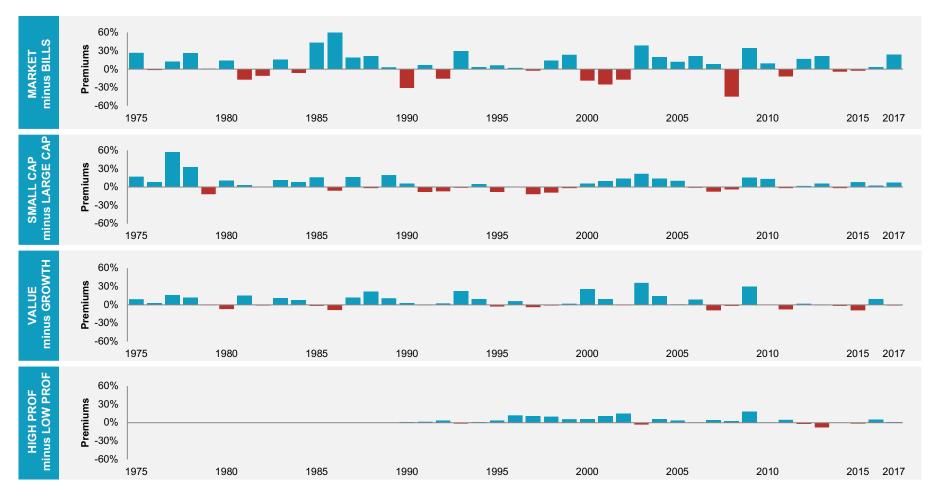
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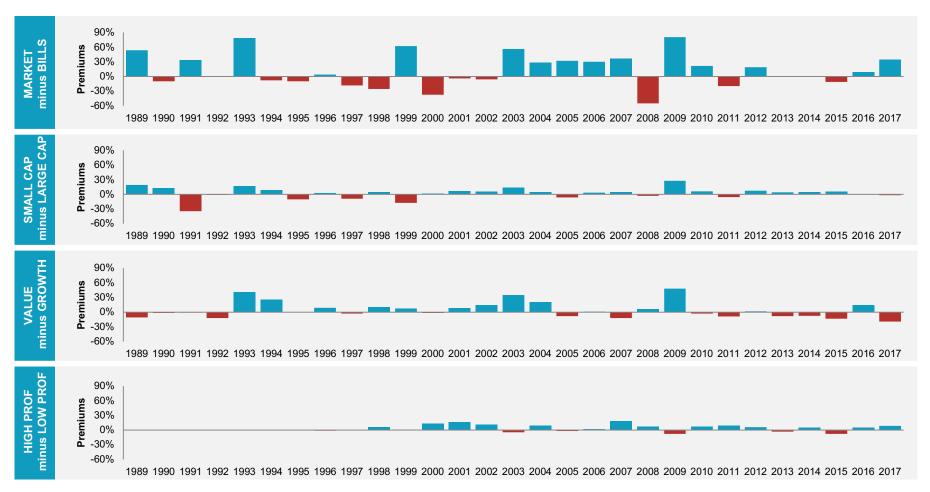
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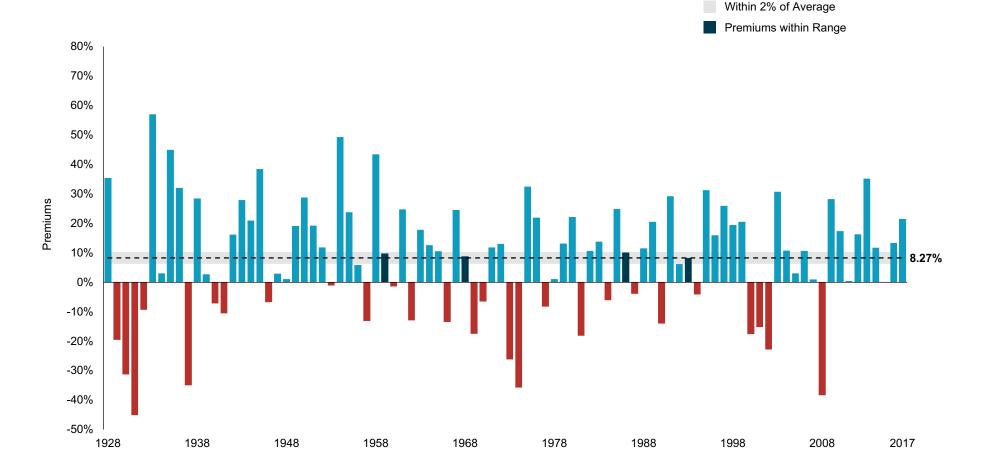
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Market minus one-month Treasury bills: US Markets 1928–2017



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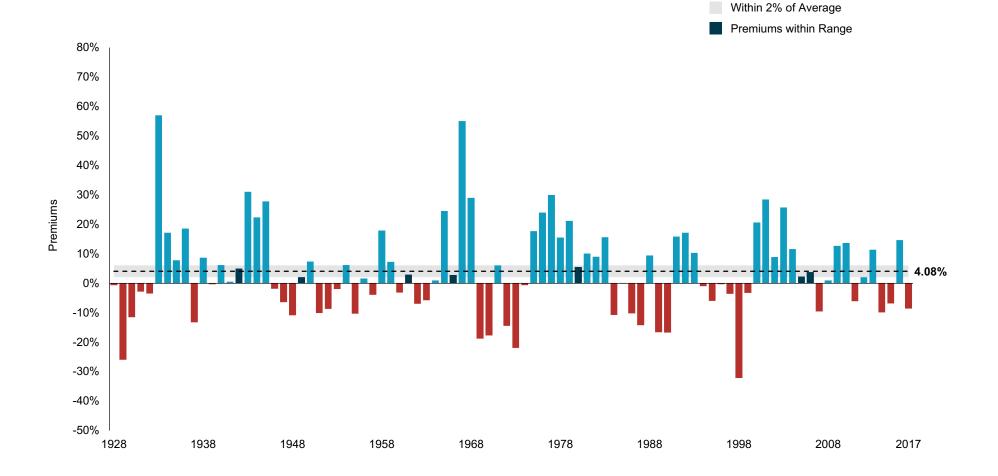
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Small cap minus large cap: US Markets 1928–2017



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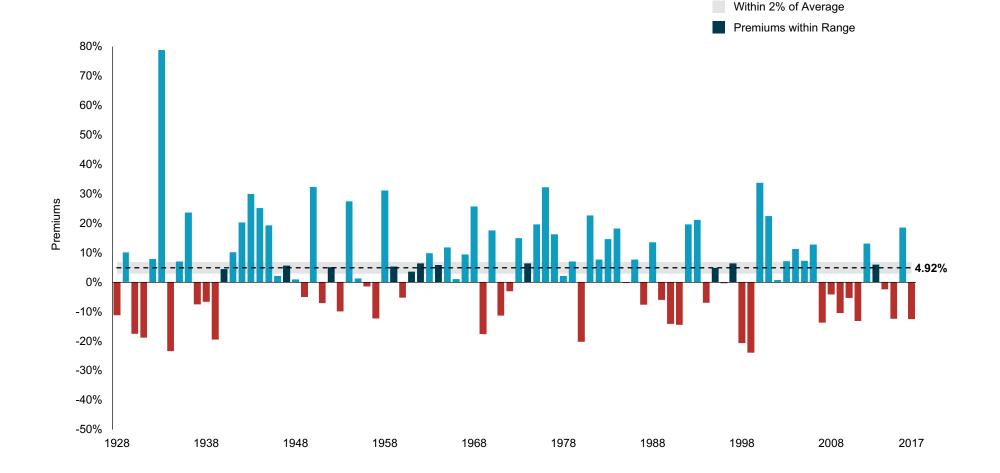
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Value minus growth: US Markets 1928–2017



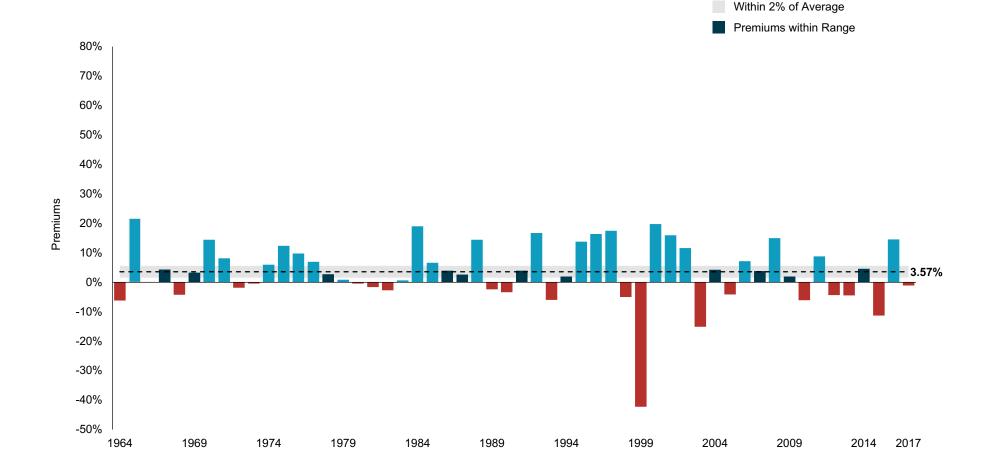
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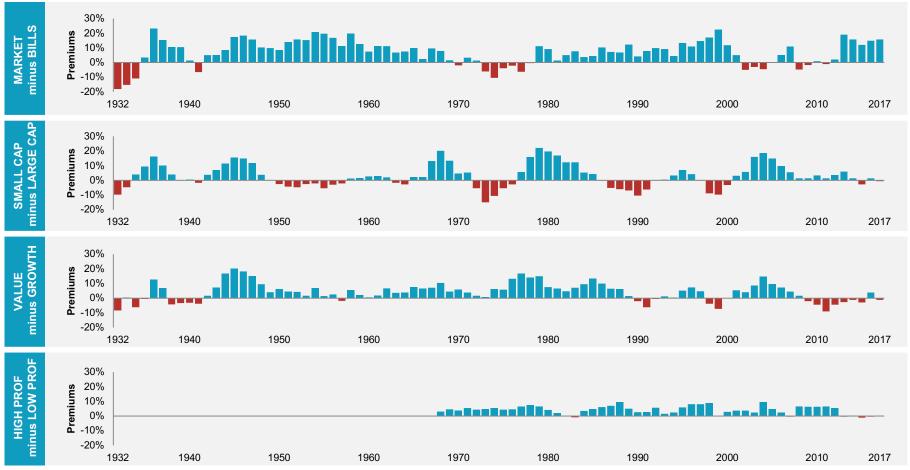


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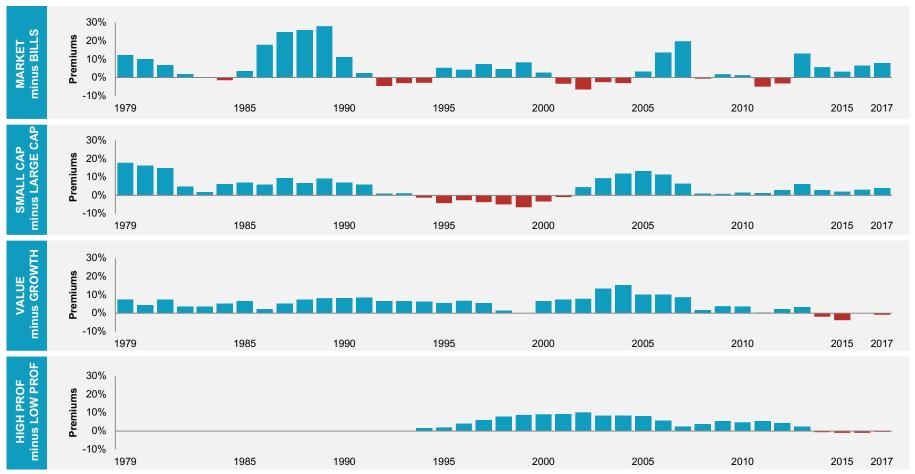


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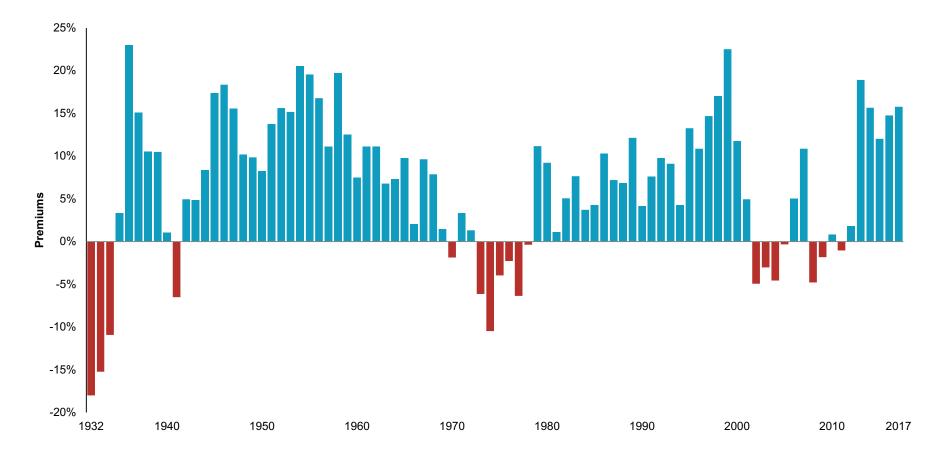
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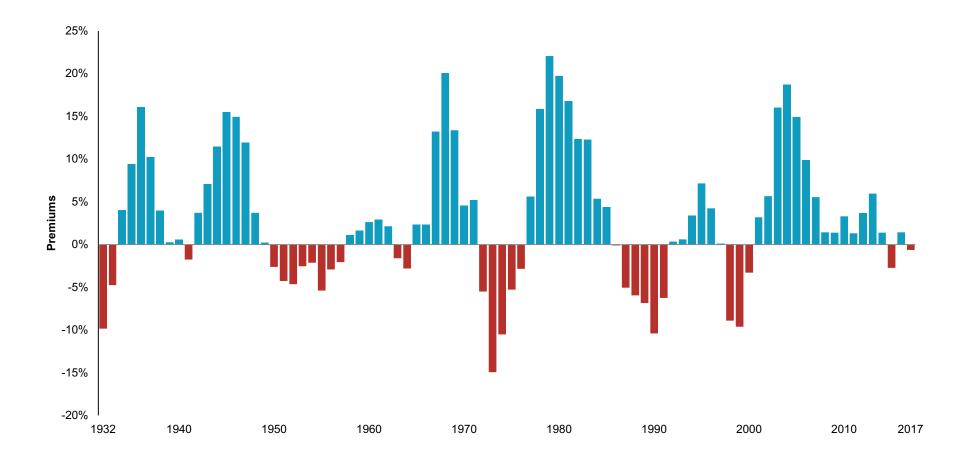
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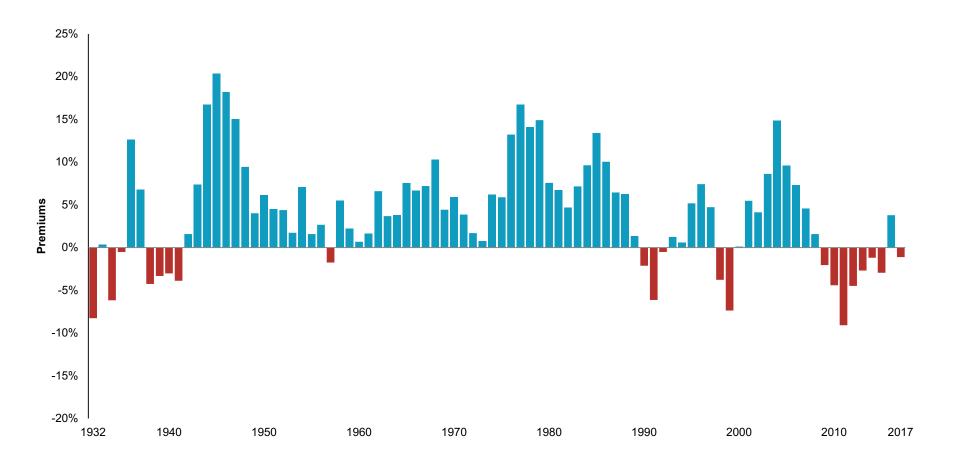


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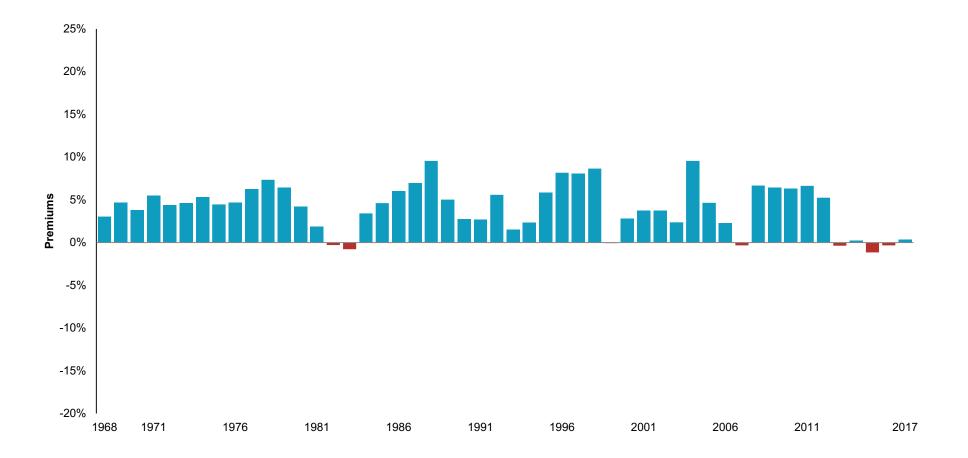
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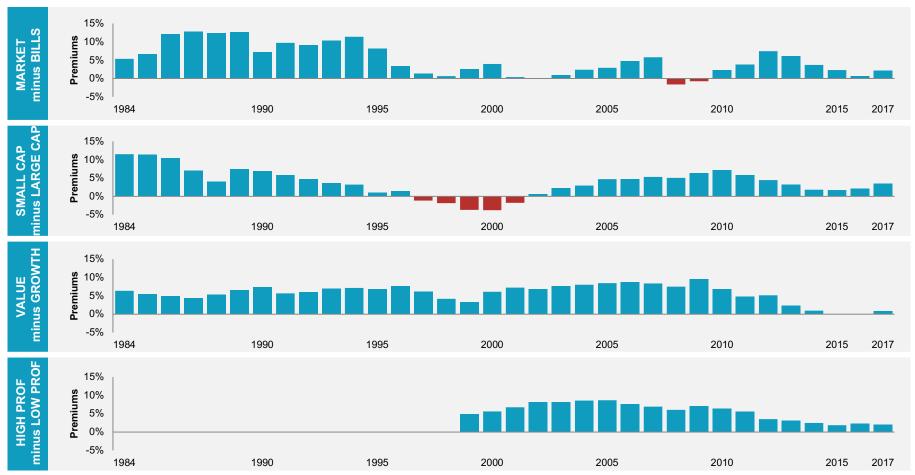
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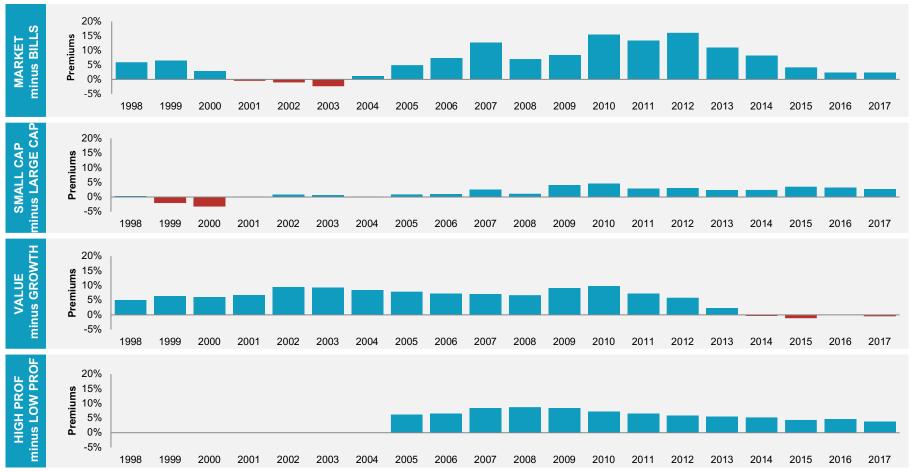
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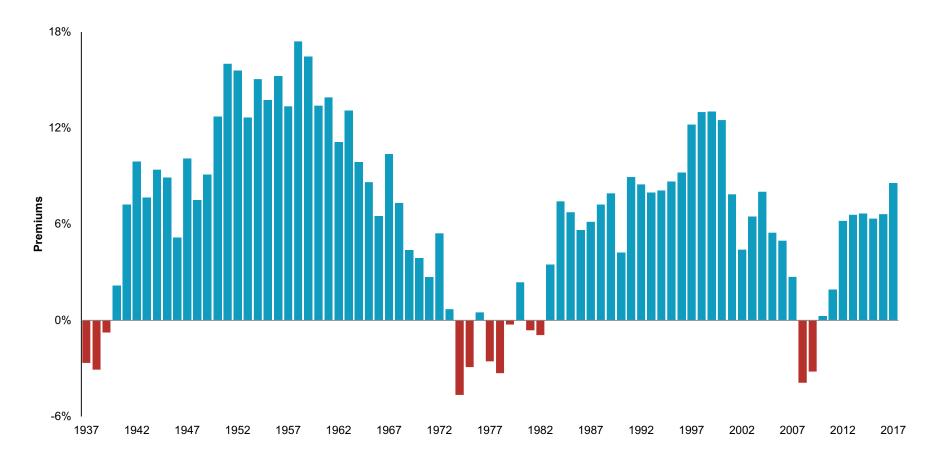
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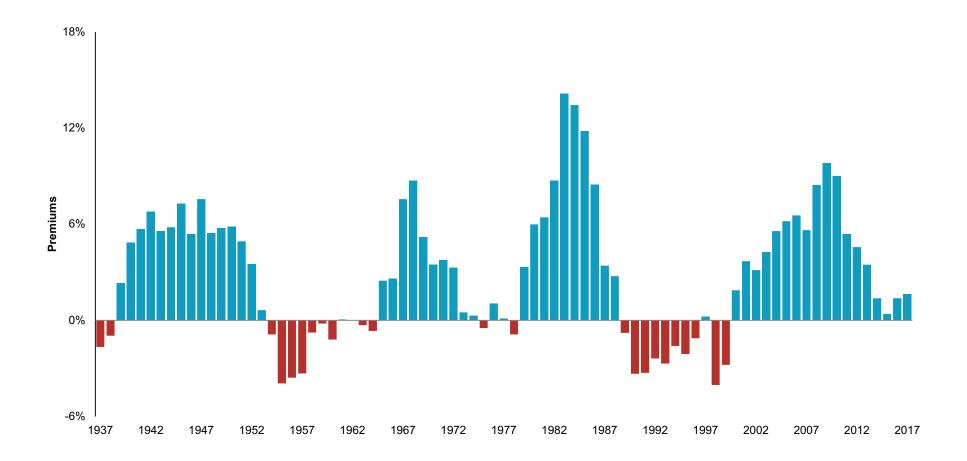
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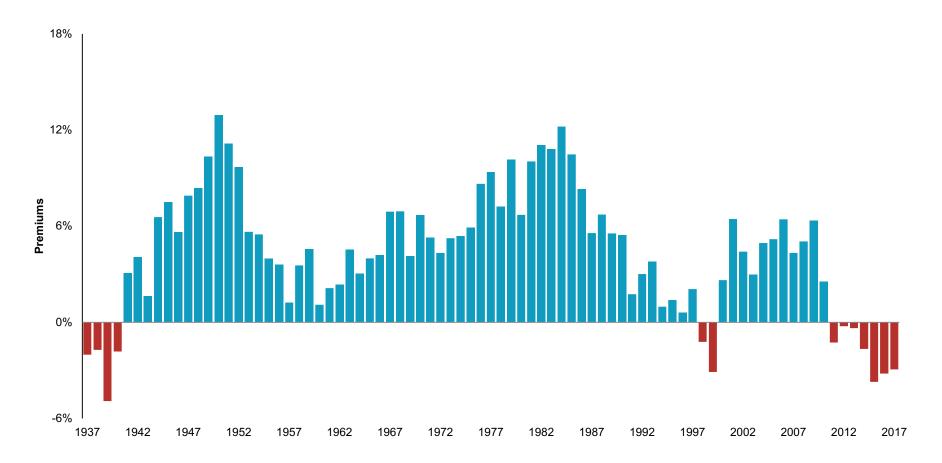
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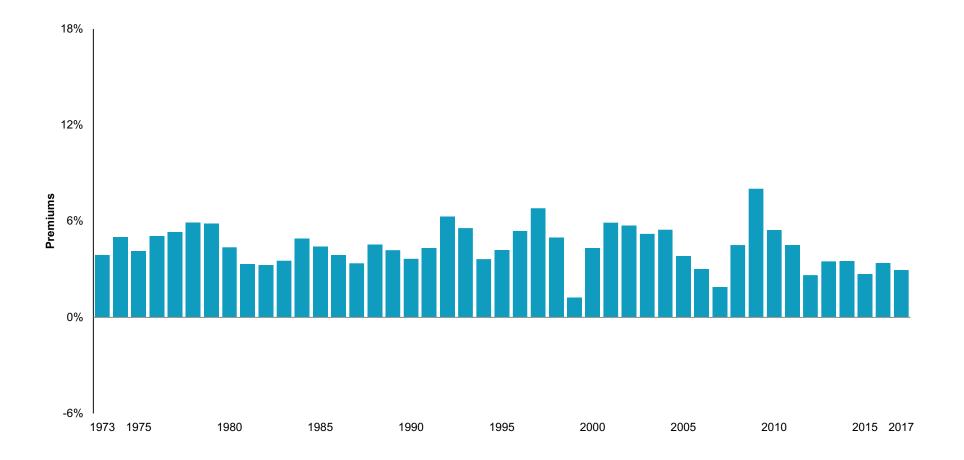


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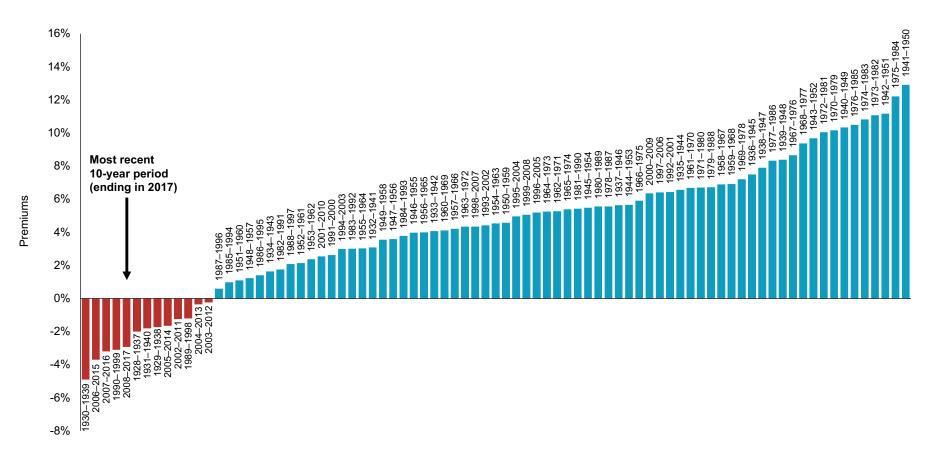
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10-year annualized premiums (2008–2017): US Markets



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In US dollars. US size premium is computed as the 10-year annualized compound return on the Dimensional US Small Cap Index minus the 10-year annualized compound return on the S&P 500 Index. US relative price premium is computed as the 10-year annualized compound return on the Fama/French US Value Research Index minus the 10-year annualized compound return on the Fama/French US Growth Research Index. US profitability premium is computed as the 10-year annualized compound return on the Dimensional US High Profitability Index minus the 10-year annualized compound return on the Dimensional US Low Profitability Index. Profitability is measured as operating income before depreciation and amortization minus interest expense, scaled by book. Index descriptions available upon request. S&P data copyright 2018 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a division of S&P Global. All rights reserved. Indices are not available for direct investment. Their performance does not reflect the expenses associated with the management of an actual portfolio. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Index returns are not representative of actual portfolios and do not reflect costs and fees associated with an actual investment. Actual returns may be lower. Eugene Fama and Ken French are members of the Board of Directors of the general partner of, and provide consulting services to, Dimensional Fund Advisors LP.



## **Dimensions of Expected Returns**

10-year annualized premiums (2008–2017): US, Developed ex US, and Emerging Markets



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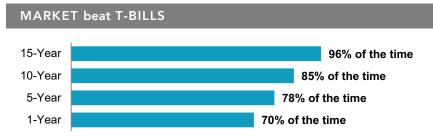
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## Historical Performance of Premiums over Rolling Periods

## **US Markets**

## Overlapping Periods: July 1926–December 2017

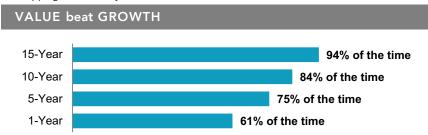


Market is Fama/French Total US Market Research Index.

T-Bills is One-Month US Treasury Bills.

There are 919 overlapping 15-year periods, 979 overlapping 10-year periods, 1,039 overlapping 5-year periods, and 1,087 overlapping 1-year periods.

#### Overlapping Periods: July 1926–December 2017

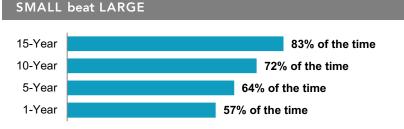


Value is Fama/French US Value Research Index.

Growth is Fama/French US Growth Research Index. There are 919 overlapping 15-year periods, 979 overlapping 10-year periods,

1,039 overlapping 5-year periods, and 1,087 overlapping 1-year periods.

## Overlapping Periods: June 1927–December 2017



Small is Dimensional US Small Cap Index.

Large is S&P 500 Index.

There are 908 overlapping 15-year periods, 968 overlapping 10-year periods, 1,028 overlapping 5-year periods, and 1,076 overlapping 1-year periods.

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## In US dollars.

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## Overlapping Periods: July 1963–December 2017



High is Dimensional US High Profitability Index.

Low is Dimensional US Low Profitability Index.

There are 475 overlapping 15-year periods, 535 overlapping 10-year periods, 595 overlapping 5-year periods, and 643 overlapping 1-year periods.



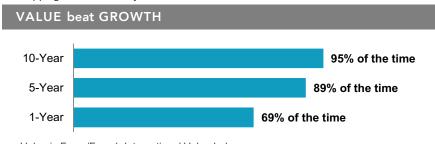
# Historical Performance of Premiums over Rolling Periods

## Developed ex US Markets

# Overlapping Periods: January 1970–December 2017 MARKET beat T-BILLS 10-Year 5-Year 68% of the time 1-Year 64% of the time Market is MSCI World ex USA Index (gross div.).

T-Bills is One-Month US Treasury Bills. There are 457 overlapping 10-year periods, 517 overlapping 5-year periods, and 565 overlapping 1-year periods.

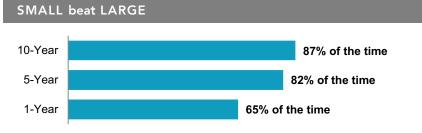
## Overlapping Periods: January 1975–December 2017



Value is Fama/French International Value Index.

Growth is Fama/French International Growth Index. There are 397 overlapping 10-year periods, 457 overlapping 5-year periods, and 505 overlapping 1-year periods.

## Overlapping Periods: January 1970–December 2017



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Large is MSCI World ex USA Index (gross div.).

There are 457 overlapping 10-year periods, 517 overlapping 5-year periods, and 564 overlapping 1-year periods.

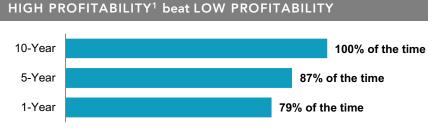
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## Overlapping Periods: January 1990–December 2017



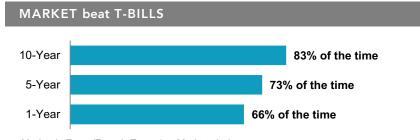
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# Historical Performance of Premiums over Rolling Periods

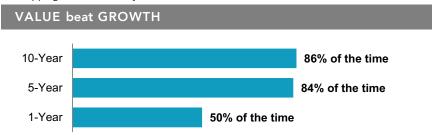
## **Emerging Markets**

## Overlapping Periods: January 1989–December 2017



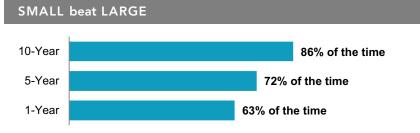
Market is Fama/French Emerging Markets Index. T-Bills is One-Month US Treasury Bills. There are 229 overlapping 10-year periods, 289 overlapping 5-year periods, and 337 overlapping 1-year periods.

## Overlapping Periods: January 1989–December 2017



Value is Fama/French Emerging Markets Value Index. Growth is Fama/French Emerging Markets Growth Index. There are 229 overlapping 10-year periods, 289 overlapping 5-year periods, and 337 overlapping 1-year periods.

## Overlapping Periods: January 1989–December 2017



Small is Dimensional Emerging Markets Small Index.

Large is MSCI Emerging Markets Index (gross div.).

There are 229 overlapping 10-year periods, 289 overlapping 5-year periods, and 337 overlapping 1-year periods.

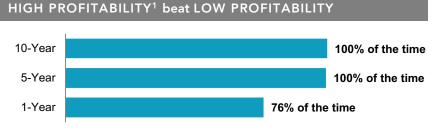
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## Overlapping Periods: July 1995–December 2017



High is Dimensional Emerging Markets High Profitability Index. Low is Dimensional Emerging Markets Low Profitability Index. There are 151 overlapping 10-year periods, 211 overlapping 5-year periods, and 259 overlapping 1-year periods.



## **Index Descriptions**

**Dimensional US Small Cap Index** was created by Dimensional in March 2007 and is compiled by Dimensional. It represents a market-capitalization-weighted index of securities of the smallest US companies whose market capitalization falls in the lowest 8% of the total market capitalization of the Eligible Market. The Eligible Market is composed of securities of US companies traded on the NYSE, NYSE MKT (formerly AMEX), and Nasdaq Global Market. Exclusions: Non-US companies, REITs, UITs, and investment companies. From January 1975 to the present, the index also excludes companies with the lowest profitability and highest relative price within the small cap universe. Profitability is measured as operating income before depreciation and amortization minus interest expense scaled by book. Source: CRSP and Compustat. The index monthly returns are computed as the simple average of the monthly returns of 12 sub-indices, each one reconstituted once a year at the end of a different month of the year. The calculation methodology for the Dimensional US Small Cap Index was amended on January 1, 2014, to include profitability as a factor in selecting securities for inclusion in the index.

**Dimensional US High Profitability Index** was created by Dimensional in January 2014 and represents an index consisting of US companies. It is compiled by Dimensional. Dimensional sorts stocks into three profitability groups from high to low. Each group represents one-third of the market capitalization. Similarly, stocks are sorted into three relative price groups. The intersections of the three profitability groups formed on profitability and relative price. The index represents the average return of the three high-profitability subgroups. It is rebalanced twice per year. Profitability is measured as operating income before depreciation and amortization minus interest expense scaled by book. Source: CRSP and Compustat.

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**Dimensional International Small Cap Index** was created by Dimensional in April 2008 and is compiled by Dimensional. July 1981–December 1993: It Includes non-US developed securities in the bottom 10% of market capitalization in each eligible country. All securities are market capitalization weighted. Each country is capped at 50%. Rebalanced semiannually. January 1994–Present: Market-capitalization-weighted index of small company securities in the eligible markets excluding those with the lowest profitability and highest relative price within the small cap universe. Profitability is measured as operating income before depreciation and amortization minus interest expense scaled by book. The index monthly returns are computed as the simple average of the monthly returns of four sub-indices, each one reconstituted once a year at the end of a different quarter of the year. Prior to July 1981, the index is 50% UK and 50% Japan. The calculation methodology for the Dimensional International Small Cap Index was amended on January 1, 2014, to include profitability as a factor in selecting securities for inclusion in the index.

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**Fama/French International Value Index:** 2008–present: Provided by Fama/French from Bloomberg securities data. Simulated strategy of MSCI EAFE + Canada countries in the lower 30% price-to-book range. 1975–2007: Provided by Fama/French from MSCI securities data.

**Fama/French International Growth Index:** 2008–present: Provided by Fama/French from Bloomberg securities data. Simulated strategy of MSCI EAFE + Canada countries in the higher 30% price-to-book range. 1975–2007: Provided by Fama/French from MSCI securities data.

**Fama/French Emerging Markets Value Index**: 2009–present: Provided by Fama/French from Bloomberg securities data. Simulated strategy using IFC investable universe countries. Companies in the lower 30% price-to-book range; companies weighted by float-adjusted market cap; countries weighted by country float-adjusted market cap; rebalanced monthly. 1989–2008: Provided by Fama/French from IFC securities data. IFC data provided by International Finance Corporation. **Fama/French Emerging Markets Growth Index** : 2009–present: Provided by Fama/French from Bloomberg securities data. Simulated strategy using IFC investable universe countries. Companies in the higher 30% price-to-book range; companies weighted by float-adjusted market cap; countries weighted by country float-adjusted market cap; rebalanced monthly. 1989–2008: Provided by Fama/French from IFC securities data. IFC data provided by International Finance Corporation.

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