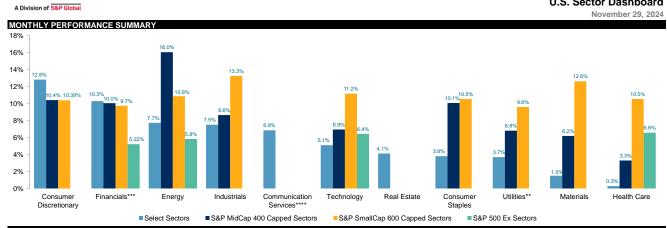
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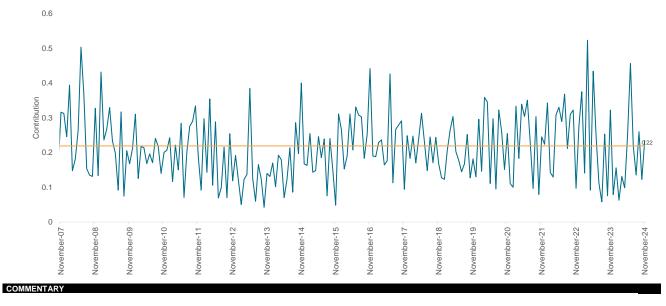
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**U.S. Sector Dashboard** 



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	MTD	YTD	12M	MTD	YTD	12M	MTD	YTD	12M	MTD	YTD	12M
Consumer Discretionary	12.82%	25.19%	32.90%	10.41%	14.97%	26.78%	10.39%	14.05%	31.65%			
Consumer Staples	3.81%	18.01%	21.18%	10.07%	22.62%	30.17%	10.55%	6.68%	18.24%			
Energy	7.73%	16.76%	16.88%	16.05%	20.61%	21.05%	10.87%	3.63%	4.16%	5.83%	28.52%	34.61%
Financials***	10.28%	38.06%	45.51%	10.05%	29.09%	41.41%	9.74%	26.49%	45.03%	5.22%	26.92%	32.37%
Real Estate	4.12%	15.12%	25.14%	10.05%	29.09%	41.4170	9.74%	20.49%	45.05%			
Health Care	0.28%	9.37%	14.08%	3.30%	10.69%	19.98%	10.54%	12.41%	29.10%	6.57%	30.74%	36.72%
Industrials	7.51%	27.61%	36.56%	8.65%	25.86%	37.63%	13.25%	28.25%	43.42%			
Materials	1.51%	12.32%	17.43%	6.19%	12.35%	23.24%	12.63%	16.01%	30.89%			
Technology	5.10%	22.14%	27.26%	6.94%	26.06%	37.51%	11.16%	5.14%	18.02%	6.44%	25.27%	31.32%
Utilities**	3.69%	34.07%	36.64%	6.81%	29.01%	38.20%	9.59%	22.20%	33.16%			
Communication Services	6.85%	36.67%	42.72%	0.0170	20.0170	00.2070	5.5570	22.2070	00.1070			

CONTRIBUTION OF SECTORS TO S&P 500 DISPERSION\*

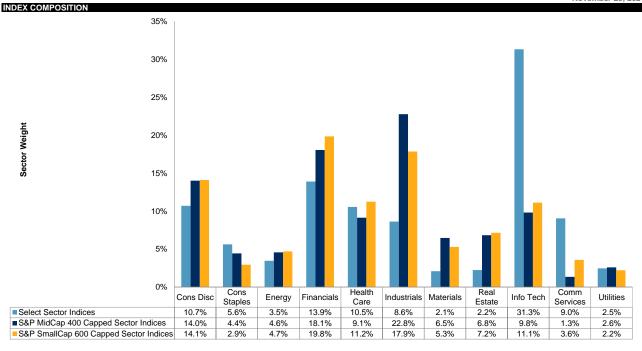


· All sectors posted gains in November as Consumer Discretionary and Financials led among Select Sectors.

• The contribution of cross-sector effects to total S&P 500® dispersion moved above its long-term average, indicating strengthening relative rewards for sector allocation decisions.

\*See pages 11-13 of "Sector Effects in the S&P 500<sup>®</sup>: The Role of Sectors, in Risk, Pricing, and Active Returns" for details on the strength of sector-level effects in the S&P 500. \*\*Utilities MidCap and SmallCap Capped Sectors include constituents of the GICS<sup>®</sup> Utilities and Communication Services sectors.

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# KEY TO FACTOR SCORINGS FOR INDICES

## **Factor Definitions**

Each constituent of the S&P 1500 index is provided with a factor "score" for each of Beta, Volatility, Momentum, Dividend, Size, Value and Quality.



### Index Factor Ranking and Factor Diagram Scaling

#### Index Scores

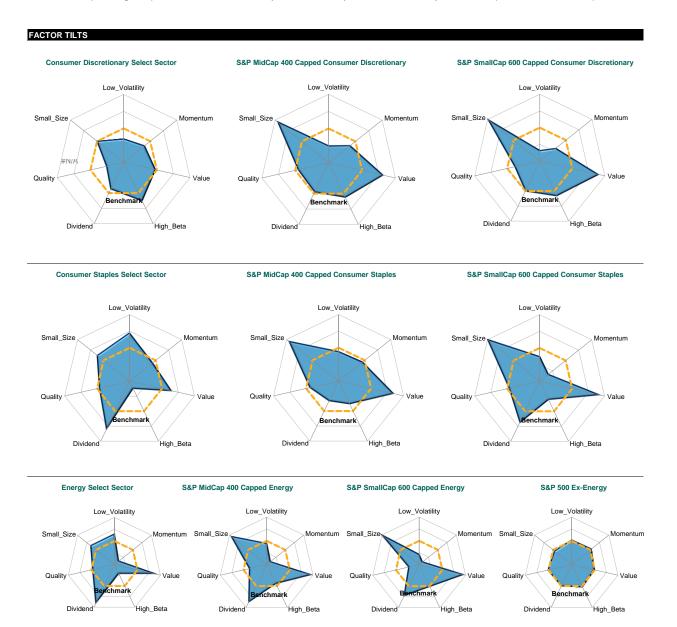
Each index is provided a score in each factor from -100% to +100% based on how much of the total capitalization of the benchmark must be excluded in order to provide a portfolio of stocks with similar exposure to that factor. This is done by examining a ranked series of hypothetical cap-weighted portfolios, including or excluding an increasing number of the stocks with the highest or lowest scores. An illustration of the process may be found at this link.

#### Factor Diagram Axis



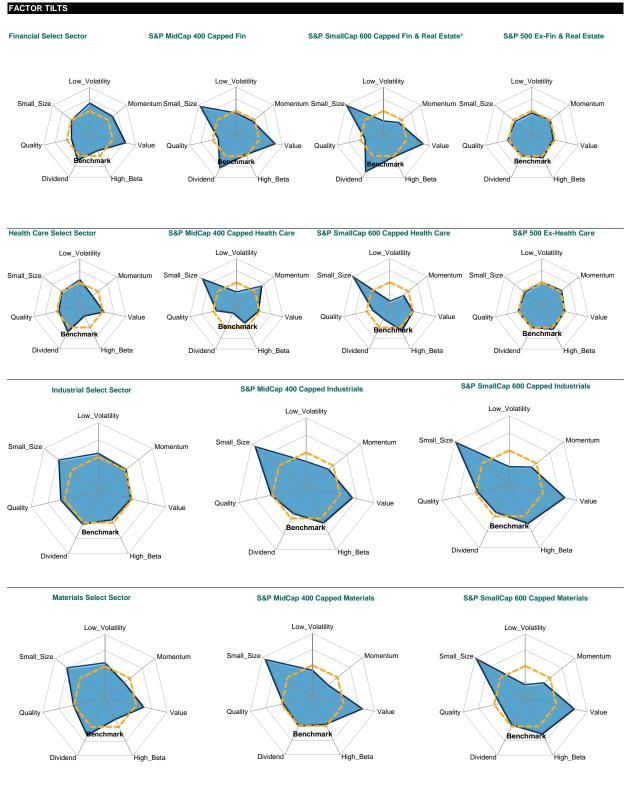
### COMMENTARY

- The diagrams below illustrate factor exposures relative to the S&P 1500 across sectors, from large to small-caps.
- · For example, large-cap Consumer Discretionary has a tilt away from Low Volatility, which deepens at the small-cap level.



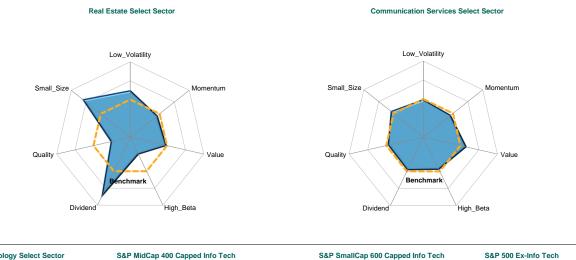
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# **U.S. Sector Dashboard** November 29, 2024



Low\_Volatility Low\_Volatility Small Size Momentum Small Size Momentum

Quality

Dividend

Value

High\_Beta



Technology Select Sector

Dividend

Quality

S&P MidCap 400 Capped Info Tech

S&P 500 Ex-Info Tech



S&P MidCap 400 Capped Utilities & Comm Services \*\*

S&P SmallCap 600 Capped Utilities & Comm Services \*\*



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# FACTOR TILTS

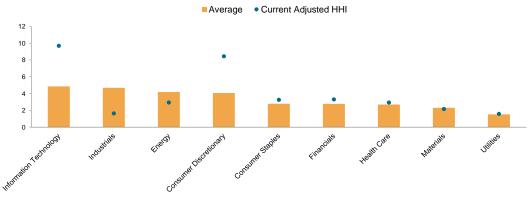
METRICS	DIV YIELD	P/E	P/B	P/S	BETA	CONSTITUENT VOLATILITY	RSI - 30 DAY	VALUE SCORE	GROWTH SCORE
Communication Services	1.1%	41.9	3.2	2.1	0.92	28.3%	73.9	0.01	0.18
Consumer Discretionary	0.9%	27.8	9.3	2.3	1.23	32.6%	72.7	-0.14	0.42
Consumer Staples	2.6%	25.2	5.3	1.4	0.27	20.8%	58.1	0.00	-0.13
Energy	3.5%	14.7	2.3	1.3	0.45	22.4%	66.0	0.18	0.33
Financials	1.6%	17.2	2.4	2.4	0.71	21.9%	71.6	0.29	0.24
Health Care	1.6%	39.9	5.1	1.7	0.47	24.8%	45.0	-0.08	0.03
Industrials	1.4%	28.2	6.5	2.6	0.88	25.1%	65.1	-0.09	0.12
Materials	1.8%	32.9	3.0	2.2	0.70	25.2%	49.3	0.04	0.07
Real Estate	3.1%	42.5	3.2	6.9	0.56	23.0%	57.8	-0.08	-0.09
Technology	0.7%	43.4	9.9	6.8	1.51	33.6%	54.3	-0.26	0.44
Utilities	2.8%	21.7	2.4	2.7	0.34	23.8%	56.6	0.11	-0.10

SELECTED KEY METRICS - So		IUU CAPPE	DSECTOR	5					
METRICS	DIV YIELD	P/E	P/B	P/S	BETA	CONSTITUENT VOLATILITY	RSI - 30 DAY	VALUE SCORE	GROWTH SCORE
Consumer Discretionary	1.1%	18.5	3.6	1.0	1.11	36.5%	68.8	0.02	0.29
Consumer Staples	0.4%	25.0	3.7	0.7	0.72	29.7%	75.4	0.19	0.17
Energy	3.2%	12.6	1.2	1.2	0.83	29.5%	70.9	0.21	0.41
Financials	2.4%	17.4	1.8	1.8	0.94	28.8%	71.8	0.10	-0.03
Health Care	0.1%	66.6	3.3	2.8	0.78	37.1%	56.0	-0.18	-0.03
Industrials	0.8%	24.9	4.0	1.5	1.15	31.0%	67.7	-0.08	0.22
Information Technology	0.2%	49.8	4.1	1.7	1.49	37.5%	58.0	-0.14	0.17
Materials	1.3%	27.4	2.4	1.1	0.99	30.1%	62.6	0.10	0.13
Utilities & Comm Services**	2.9%	23.0	1.9	2.1	0.47	25.8%	55.3	0.05	-0.18

## SELECTED KEY METRICS - S&P SMALLCAP 600 CAPPED SECTORS

METRICS	DIV YIELD	P/E	P/B	P/S	BETA	CONSTITUENT VOLATILITY	RSI - 30 DAY	VALUE SCORE	GROWTH SCORE
Consumer Discretionary	1.2%	22.6	2.2	0.7	1.14	41.5%	71.1	0.14	0.23
Consumer Staples	1.8%	26.2	1.9	0.7	0.60	31.7%	69.1	0.09	0.09
Energy	2.1%	14.8	1.4	0.9	1.01	37.5%	63.0	0.10	0.43
Financials & Real Estate*	3.1%	26.7	1.4	1.8	1.02	33.2%	66.5	0.05	-0.07
Health Care	0.4%	n/m	3.0	2.1	1.12	46.3%	62.8	-0.27	0.12
Industrials	0.9%	30.5	2.1	1.1	1.23	35.5%	71.7	0.02	0.20
Information Technology	0.3%	n/m	2.9	1.6	1.54	42.3%	61.8	-0.22	0.15
Materials	1.1%	27.1	2.5	1.1	1.25	37.6%	66.1	-0.10	0.22
Utilities & Comm Services**	1.6%	n/m	1.9	1.3	0.90	36.4%	70.9	-0.04	-0.07

SELECTED KET METRICS - S	&P 500 EX 5	ECTORS							
METRICS	DIV YIELD	P/E	P/B	P/S	BETA	CONSTITUENT VOLATILITY	RSI - 30 DAY	VALUE SCORE	GROWTH SCORE
Ex-Energy	1.2%	29.7	5.4	3.1	1.03	27.9%	62.6	-0.09	0.28
Ex-Financials & Real Estate	1.2%	32.0	6.6	3.0	1.07	28.8%	59.9	-0.14	0.30
Ex-Health Care	1.3%	27.8	5.2	3.2	1.07	28.1%	64.8	-0.08	0.31
Ex-Information Technology	1.6%	24.9	4.1	2.3	0.77	25.3%	69.1	0.01	0.18



Current and Average Adjusted HHI for S&P 500 GICS Sectors\*\*\*

# COMMENTARY

Communication Services had the highest relative strength among large-cap sectors.

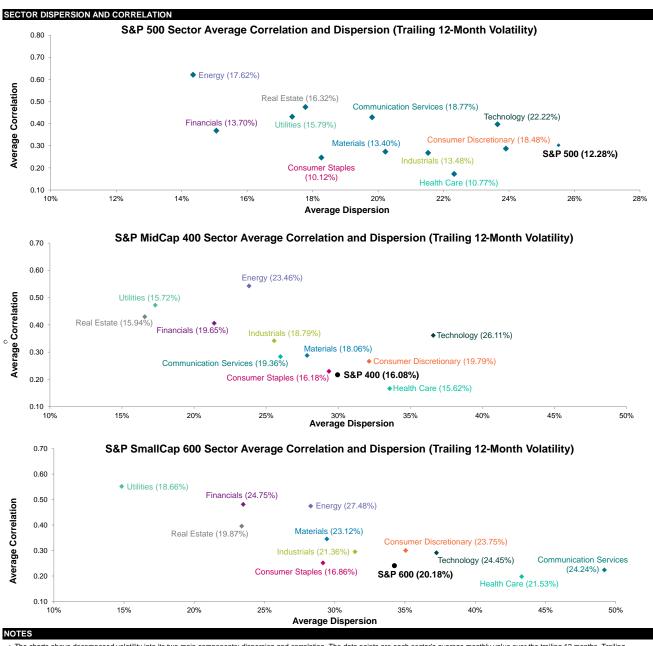
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### COMMENTARY

- Dispersion increased within most sectors, particularly for small-cap Information Technology and large-cap Consumer Discretionary.
- Correlations increased across most sectors, especially for small-cap Materials and mid-cap Financials.



• The charts above decomposed volatility into its two main components: dispersion and correlation. The data points are each sector's average monthly value over the trailing 12 months. Trailing annualized volatility is included in parentheses. Index dispersions shown based on stock-level index-weighted dispersion over the calendar month. Index correlation based on single stock daily total returns during each calendar month. See "Implications of Sector Dispersion" for more information.

· See "At the Intersection of Diversification, Volatility and Correlation" for details on the relationship between correlation and dispersion.

· See "Dispersion: Measuring Market Opportunity" for the definition of index dispersion and more information on the uses of dispersion.

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RSI - 30 Day	RSI is an indicator of the speed and change of price movements and oscillates between zero and 100. RSI is considered overbought when above 70 and oversold when below 30. RS is the average gain divided by average loss over the past 30 days. Then RSI is equal to 100 minus 100 divided by 1+RS.