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# Investment Case: International High-Yield Corporate Bonds

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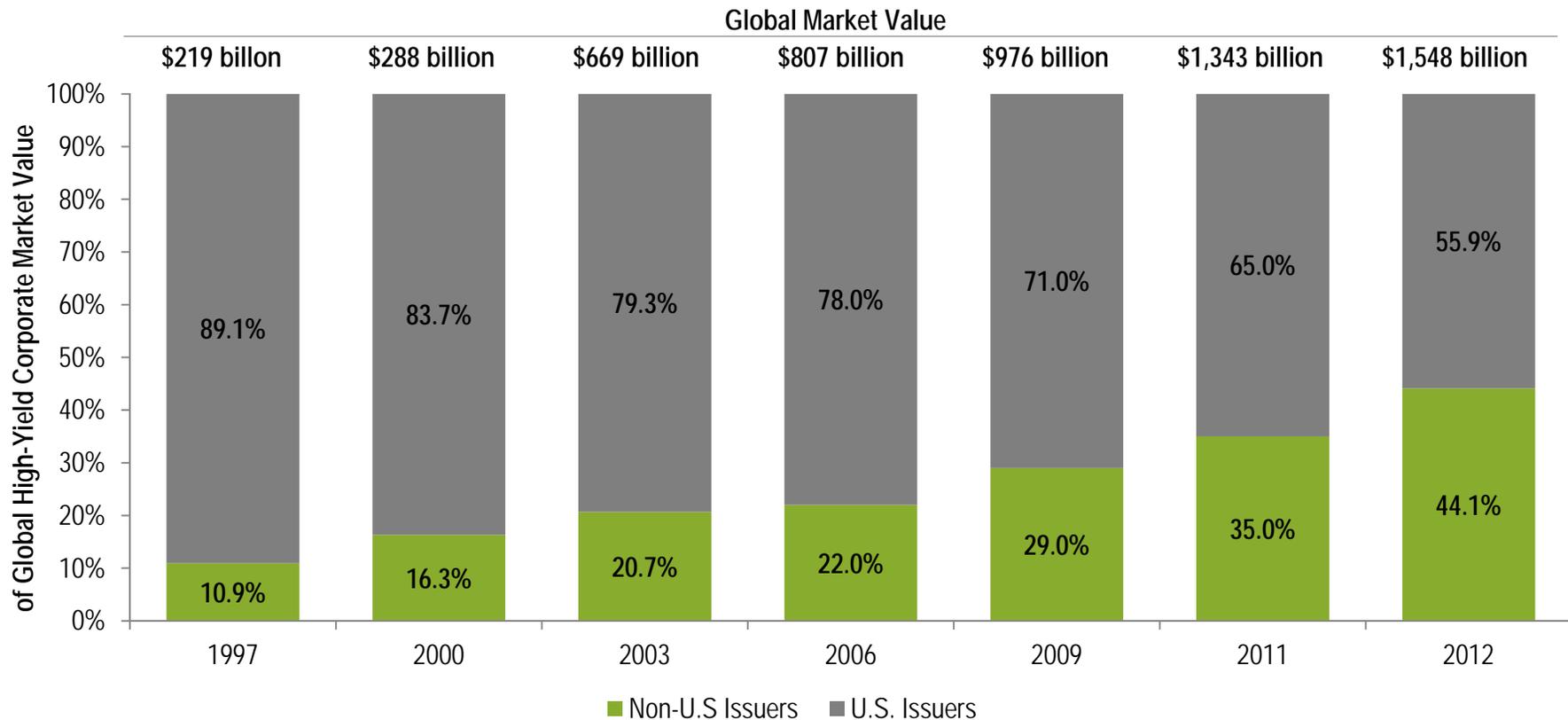
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# International High-Yield Credit Market Growth

The international segment of the global high-yield corporate bond market has grown from approximately 10% in 1997 to 44% in 2012. Investors who are allocated to only U.S. high-yield corporate bonds may be missing a significant portion of the global corporate high-yield market.



## Growth of International Corporate High-Yield Market



Source: Bank of America Merrill Lynch

Figures based on market value of high-yield corporate bonds in the BofA Merrill Lynch Global High Yield Index which encompasses below investment-grade corporate debt publicly issued in major domestic or Eurobond markets. Indexes are unmanaged and are not securities in which an investment can be made.

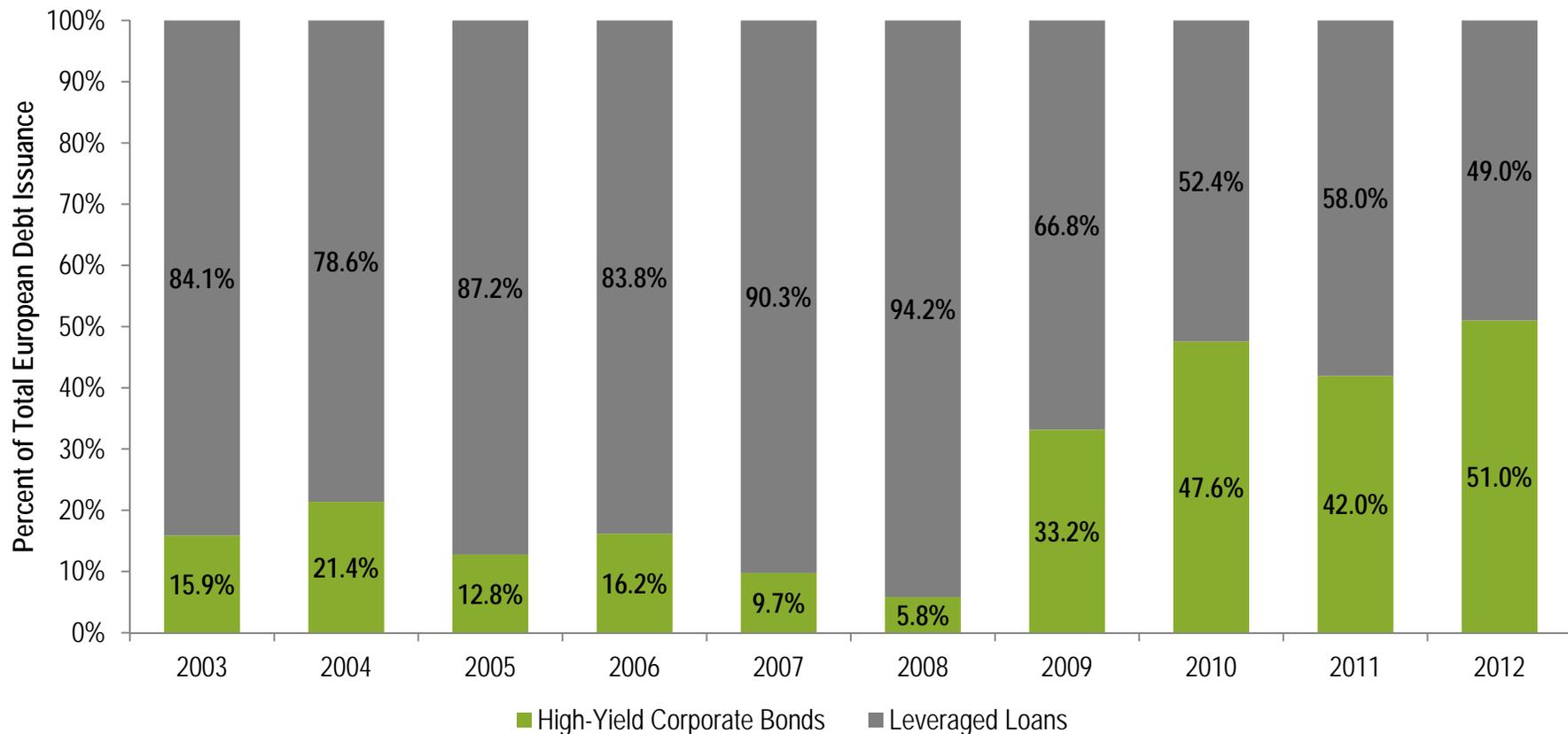
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# Europe's Shift from Leveraged Loans to High-Yield Debt

One factor contributing to the growth of the international high-yield market has been a shift in financing sources. Since 2008, European companies have increased their use of debt issuance and reduced their use of leveraged loans to finance operations.



### European Leveraged Issuance by Percentage



Source: Dealogic, SIFMA/AFME; European High Yield & Leveraged Loan Report, 2011 4Q  
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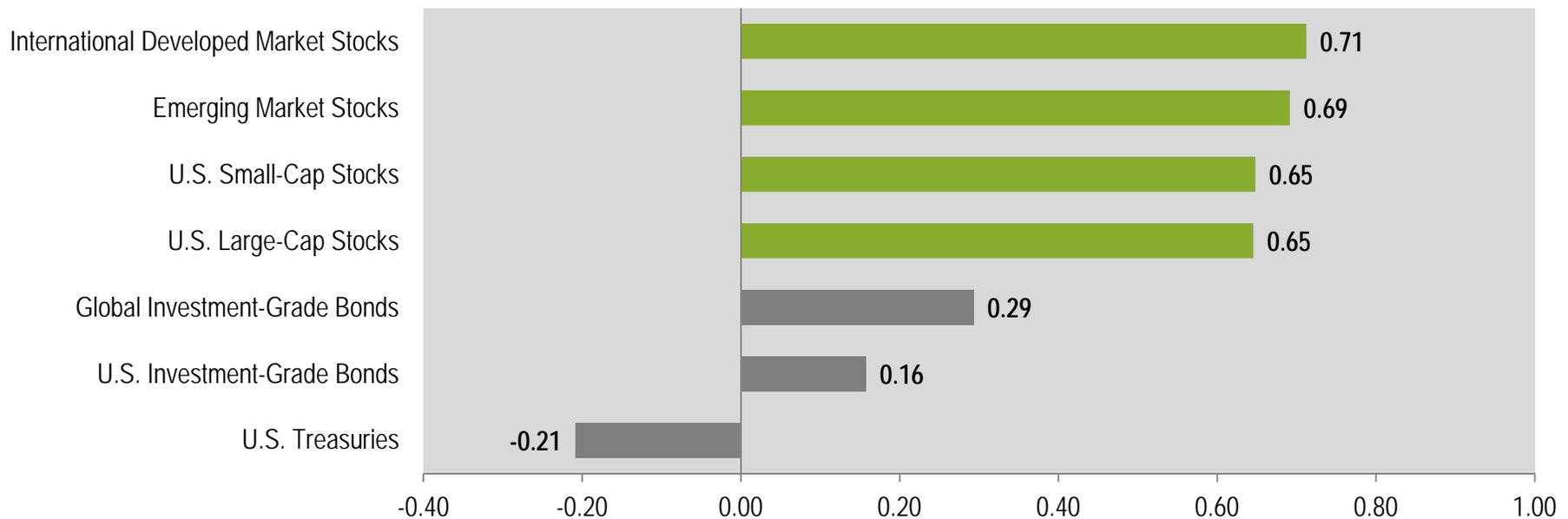
# Unconventional Correlation

Global high-yield corporate bonds have had low or negative correlation to other bond asset classes. In fact, they have historically been more correlated to equities which may provide an opportunity to diversify bond portfolios.



## Correlation to Global High-Yield Corporate Bonds

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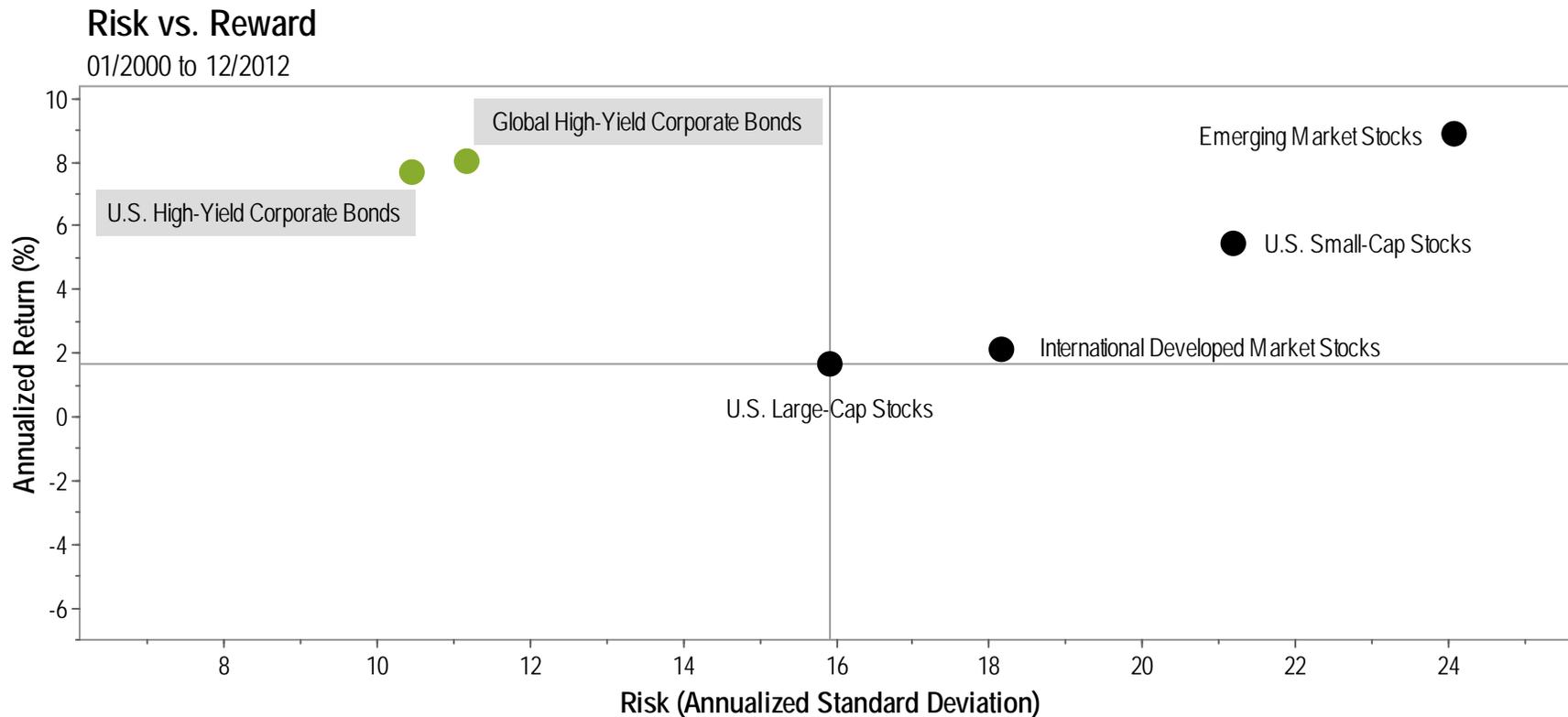


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Source: FactSet. Fixed income investments have interest rate risk, which refers to the risk that bond prices generally fall as interest rates rise. U.S. government bonds, such as Treasuries, are guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States government. High-yield and investment-grade bonds are not guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States and carry the credit risk of the issuer. U.S. Treasuries are exempt from state and local taxes, but subject to federal taxes. Other securities listed are subject to federal, state and local taxes. Prices of equity securities change in response to many factors, including the historical and prospective earnings of the issuer, the value of its assets, general economic conditions, interest rates, investor perceptions and market liquidity. Prices of bonds change in response to factors such as interest rates and issuer's credit worthiness, among others. Foreign securities have additional risks, including exchange rate changes, political and economic upheaval, relative lack of information, relatively low market liquidity and the potential lack of strict financial and accounting controls. Investing in smaller companies involves risks not associated with investing in more established companies such as business risk, stock price fluctuations and illiquidity. **Correlation** is a statistical measure of how two investments move in relation to one another. A correlation of +1.00 indicates the securities will move in lockstep. A correlation of -1.00 indicates the securities will move in opposite directions. A correlation of 0.00 indicates the securities movements are random. For illustrative purposes only. Historical information is not indicative of future results; current data may differ from data quoted. Indexes are unmanaged and are not securities in which an investment can be made. Diversification does not assure a profit nor protect against loss. See index descriptions on page 10. See disclaimers on pages 2 and 3.

# Potential Long-Term Return with Less Risk than Equities

Historically, global and U.S. high-yield corporate bonds have outperformed many equity asset classes with significantly less risk.



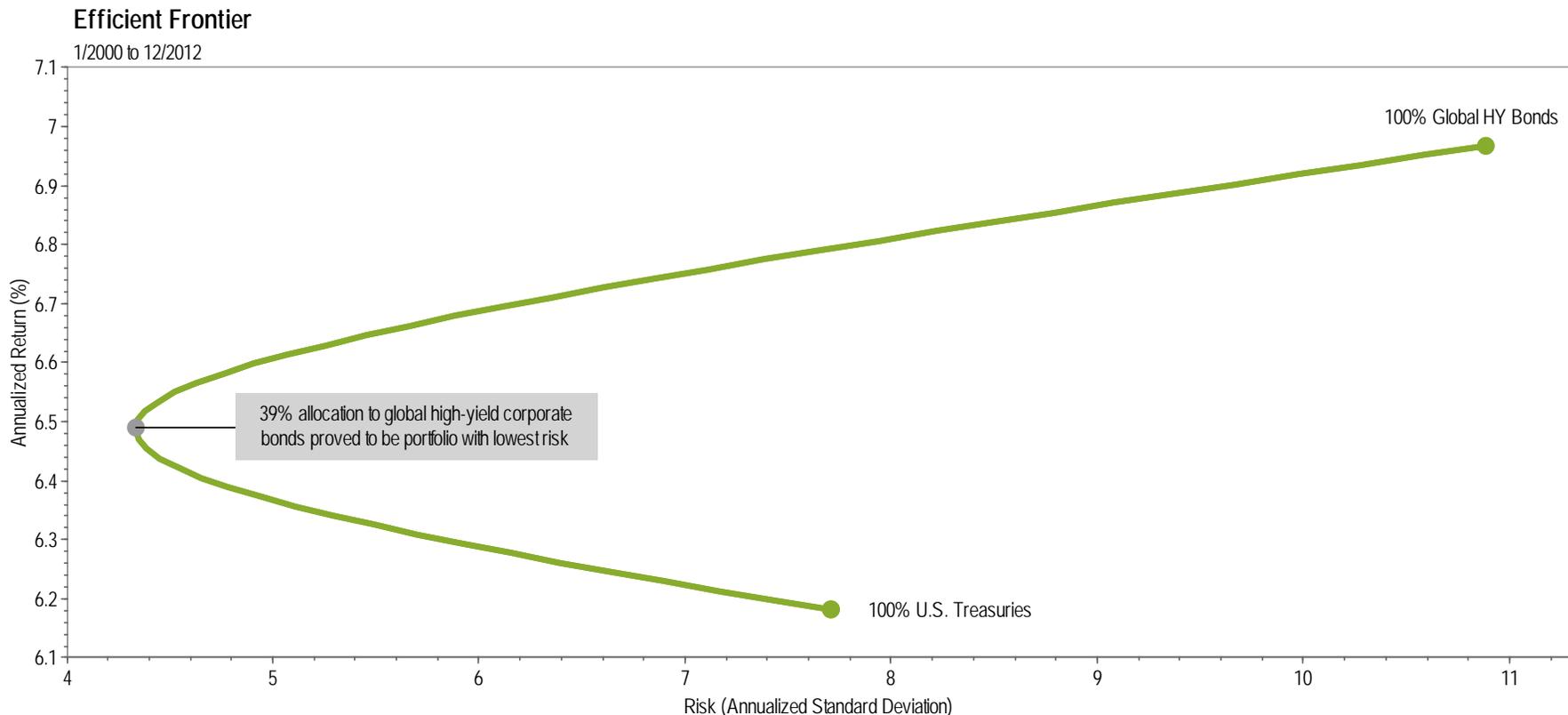
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**Standard deviation** is the statistical measure of the historical volatility of a portfolio. For illustrative purposes only. Historical information is not indicative of future results; current data may differ from data quoted. Indexes are unmanaged and are not securities in which an investment can be made. See index descriptions on page 10. See disclaimers on pages 2 and 3.

# Potential to Increase Efficiency in Portfolio of U.S. Treasuries

Historically, allocating global high-yield corporate bonds to a cash portfolio holding U.S. Treasuries has improved the potential performance while reducing portfolio volatility.



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Source: FactSet. The chart displays the return and standard deviation of various portfolios allocations of global high yield bonds and 10-Year U.S. Treasuries as measured by The BofA Merrill Lynch Global High Yield Index and The BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. Treasuries Current 10Y Index. Portfolios range from 100 global high yield bonds to 100 U.S. Treasuries.

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# Lower Default Rates than U.S. High-Yield Bonds

European and emerging market corporate high-yield bonds have historically had lower default rates than comparable U.S. high-yield bonds.



Median Annual High-Yield Corporate Default Rate 1981-2011	
Region	Default Rate
U.S. and Tax Havens	3.64%
Europe	1.75%
Emerging Markets	1.55%
Other Developed	4.17%

Sources: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research and Standard & Poor's CreditPro®; 2011 Annual Global Corporate Default Study and Rating Transitions. Study includes over 12,000 bond issuers. **U.S. and Tax Havens:** U.S., Bermuda, and the Cayman Islands. **Europe:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Channel Islands, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the U.K. **Emerging Markets:** Argentina, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Fiji, Georgia, Gibraltar, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Israel, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Republic of, Kuwait, Latvia, Lebanon, Liberia, Lithuania, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands Antilles, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Helena, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Vanuatu, and Venezuela. **Other Developed:** Australia, Canada, Japan, and New Zealand.

# Index Descriptions

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**Global High-Yield Corporate Bonds:** BofA Merrill Lynch Global High Yield Index tracks the performance of USD, CAD, GBP and EUR denominated below investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the major domestic or eurobond markets.

**International High-Yield Corporate Bonds:** BofA Merrill Lynch Global ex-US Issuers High Yield Constrained Index (HXUS). The Index is comprised of below investment-grade debt issued by corporations located throughout the world (which may include emerging market countries) excluding the United States, denominated in euros, U.S. dollars, Canadian dollars or British pound sterling issued in the major domestic or Eurobond markets.

**U.S. High-Yield Corporate Bonds:** BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. High Yield Master II Index tracks the performance of US dollar denominated below investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the US domestic market.

**Global Investment Grade Bonds:** BofA Merrill Lynch Global Broad Market Index tracks the performance of investment grade debt publicly issued in the major domestic and eurobond markets, including sovereign, quasi-government, corporate, securitized and collateralized securities.

**U.S. Investment Grade Bonds:** BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. Broad Market Index tracks the performance of US dollar denominated investment grade debt publicly issued in the US domestic market, including US Treasury, quasi-government, corporate, securitized and collateralized securities.

**U.S. Treasuries:** BofA Merrill Lynch Current 10-Year US Treasury Index is a one-security index comprised of the most recently issued 10-year US Treasury note. The index is rebalanced monthly. In order to qualify for inclusion, a 10-year note must be auctioned on or before the third business day before the last business day of the month.

**U.S. Large-Cap Stocks:** S&P 500 Index consists of 500 widely held common stocks covering industrial, utility, financial and transportation sectors.

**U.S. Small-Cap Stocks:** Russell 2000 Index measures the performance of U.S. small cap stocks: the 2000 smallest companies in the Russell 3000 index, a broad based index that represents approximately 98% of the value of the investable U.S. equity market.

**International Developed Market Stocks:** MSCI EAFE Index (Europe, Australasia, Far East) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the US & Canada. The MSCI EAFE Index consists of the following 22 developed market country indices: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

**Emerging Market Stocks:** MSCI Emerging Markets Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance of emerging markets. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index consists of the following 21 emerging market country indices: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Russia, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, and Turkey.

**Leveraged Loans:** Leveraged loan data are from Dealogic and are defined primarily as coming from a leveraged or highly leveraged European deal; loan tranches must have sub-investment grade ratings, or, if unrated, a margin spread minimum of 125 basis points over a benchmark (e.g., Euribor, LIBOR). Under these guidelines, sub-investment grade-rated loans with a margin spread of less than 125 basis points are included. Deals must be European and are inclusive of both developed and emerging market Europe as defined in high yield criteria in Section 3. Deals must also be marketed either in Europe or in the United States. Loans not EUR-denominated are converted to EUR as of credit date for purposes of aggregation. Aggregates include new money as well as non-new money deals.