

Introducing HSBC Vantage+ Index

The next innovation in the HSBC Vantage portfolio

HSBC is dedicated to the smart evolution of our investment solutions to meet client objectives. With this focus, we are launching the next iteration in the Vantage portfolio, the Vantage+ Index. Vantage+ is an excess return index that utilizes the key drivers of the Vantage5 Index, while adding features like smart leverage and a volatility management system to enhance stability and increase performance.

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Vantage Side by Side

Vantage5

Vantage+

Equity Allocation

Vantage5 Index provides a greater maximum allocation to developed and emerging market equity (80%) compared to some other target volatility strategies.

Same – Vantage+ maintains the same maximum allocation, which has historically contributed to index performance.

Allocation to Performing Assets

Vantage5 selects from 13 ETFs and Cash, to come up with the monthly portfolio.

Enhancement – Vantage+ seeks, if possible, to create the monthly portfolio without using cash, a non-performing asset, to further maximize returns.

Monthly Rebalancing

Vantage5 only targets 5% during the monthly rebalancing process.

Same – Like Vantage5, the Vantage+ monthly portfolio composition targets 5%.

Daily Volatility Target

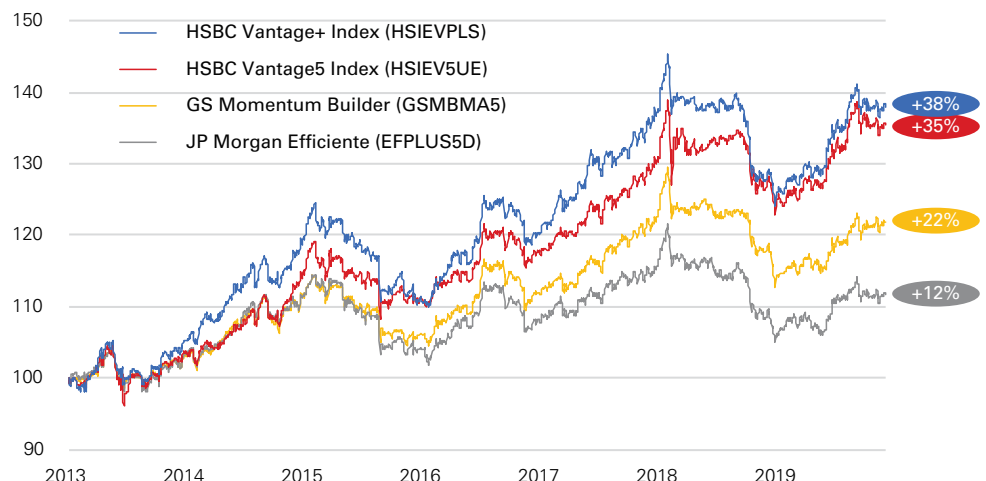
Vantage5 does not impose an intra-month cap on volatility which enables the Index to remain fully invested in the selected portfolio of ETFs for the duration of the month.

Enhancement – Utilizing our Smart Leverage strategy, Vantage+ dynamically reacts to changing market conditions on a daily basis allowing for leverage up to 1.5x in periods of low volatility and providing for reduced exposure in periods of market stress.

Hypothetical Comparative Performance Data

Based on simulated backtested performance, the HSBC Vantage+ Index outperforms other similar indexes.

Source: HSBC and Bloomberg
This graph sets forth the simulated back-tested performance of the Index from January 2013 through November 2019. The Vantage5 Index has only been calculated by S&P Dow Jones LLC since March 15, 2017, and the Vantage+ Index has only been calculated by Solactive AG since November 8, 2019. See "Use of simulated returns"

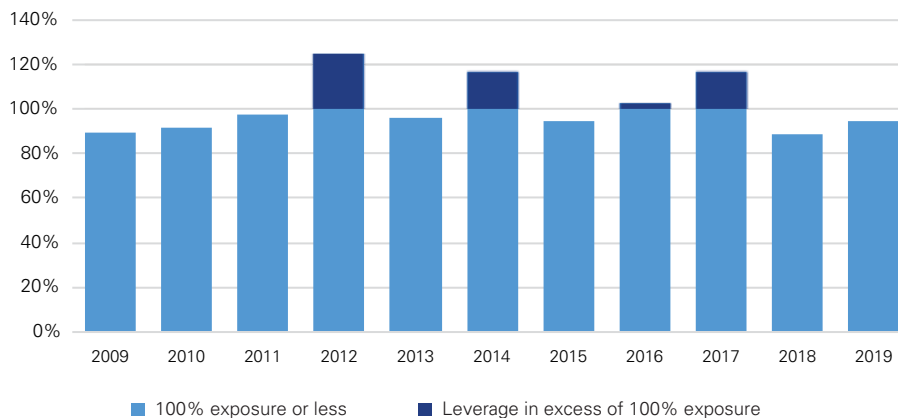
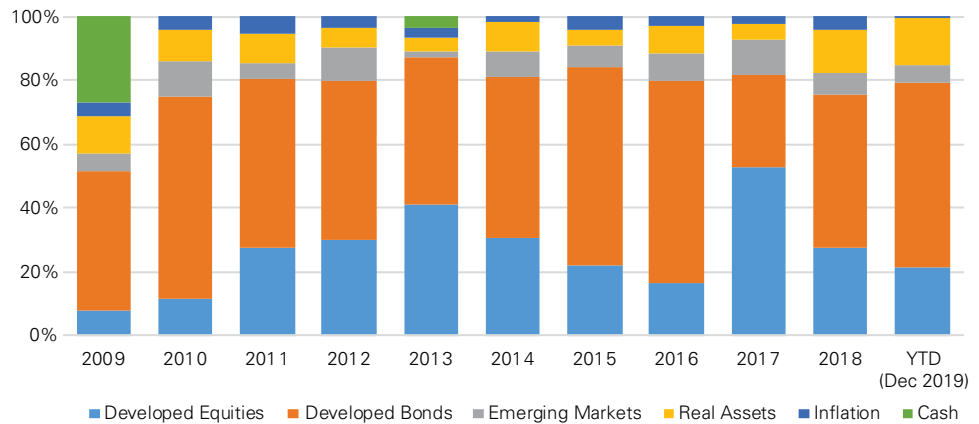


The HSBC Vantage+ Index

Index Evolution

Exposure to Performing Assets – Vantage+ Index is constructed to maximize exposure to performing assets, including US and global equities, fixed income, and real assets, all within volatility and concentration limits seeking to avoid cash, a non-returning asset, if possible.

Source: Bloomberg & HSBC
Simulated and Historical See “Important Information” and “Use of simulated returns”



Volatility Management System – Vantage+ Intra-Month Volatility Management System allows the index to leverage up to 1.5X to increase exposure to performing assets, enabling the index to be up to 150% invested to drive enhanced returns.

Source: Bloomberg & HSBC
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Use of simulated returns

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Hypothetical back-tested performance prior to the launch of the Index provided in this document refers to simulated performance data created by applying the Index's calculation methodologies to historical prices of the underlying constituents and the reference rate. In addition, because certain of the Index Constituents (SPLV, HYG, EEM, EMB, GLD and TIP) were not in existence at the start of the backtested period, adjustments have been made to calculate their performance prior to their inception. Such simulated performance data has been produced by the retroactive application of a back-tested methodology in hindsight, and may give more preference towards underlying constituents that have performed well in the past. The hypothetical back-tested annualized performance and annualized volatility of the Index have inherent limitations. These performance and volatility results were achieved by means of a retroactive application of a back-tested volatility model designed with the benefit of hindsight. Hypothetical back-tested results are neither an indicator nor a guarantor of future results.

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