

HSBC Vantage+ Index

Monthly Report December 2019



PERFORMANCE: HISTORICAL & SIMULATED DATA



As of December 31, 2019	HSBC Vantage+ Performance
YTD Return	10.81%
3 Year Return	16.17%
5 Year Return	17.22%
1 Year Volatility	6.03%
Annualized Volatility*	5.99%

*Data from Jan 2013 thru Dec 2019 calculated on a per annum percentage basis. See "Use of simulated returns."
Source: Bloomberg and HSBC See "Risks relating to the index" and "Important information"

Vantage+ Index includes an 0.85% per annum index maintenance fee, subtracted on a daily basis.

The graph and table above set forth the hypothetical back-tested performance of the Index from January 1, 2013 through November 7, 2019. The Index has only been calculated by Solactive AG since November 8, 2019. The hypothetical back-tested performance of the Index set forth in the graph and table above was calculated using the selection criteria and methodology employed to calculate the Index since its inception on November 8, 2019.

KEY DRIVERS OF PERFORMANCE

- » **Prioritizing Performing Assets** - Minimizing cash in the monthly portfolio by attempting to find a 5% volatility portfolio without it, only turning to cash if unable to achieve the target volatility.
- » **Volatility Management System** – Once the portfolio is selected, the Index applies leverage to bring exposure to 6% volatility, enabling dynamic reaction to changing market conditions, and allowing for exposure greater than 100%.
- » **Higher Equity Allocation** - The Index provides greater maximum allocation to developed and emerging market equities compared to some other target volatility momentum strategies.

AVERAGE MONTHLY ALLOCATION: HISTORICAL & SIMULATED

		19-Oct	19-Nov	19-Dec	12 Month Average
Developed Equities Max 60%	SPY	10.79%	3.36%	22.79%	3.91%
	SPLV	9.62%	7.66%	0.00%	11.90%
	IWM	11.88%	0.29%	2.02%	1.44%
	QQQ	0.00%	0.75%	7.18%	3.83%
	EFA	1.61%	12.16%	8.62%	1.83%
	Sub total	33.90%	24.22%	40.60%	22.90%
Developed Bonds Max 90%	TLT	28.52%	8.50%	8.53%	26.45%
	LQD	7.64%	31.55%	38.53%	27.53%
	HYG	15.04%	13.03%	1.86%	3.30%
	Sub total	51.21%	53.09%	48.93%	57.28%
Emerging Markets Max 30%	EEM	0.00%	0.20%	1.17%	1.63%
	EMB	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.51%
	Sub total	0.00%	0.20%	1.17%	5.14%
Real Assets Max 30%	IYR	1.49%	9.57%	0.00%	3.19%
	GLD	12.64%	12.17%	4.66%	10.56%
	Sub total	14.14%	21.74%	4.66%	13.75%
Inflation Max 5%	TIP	0.75%	0.75%	4.64%	0.93%
Cash if needed	Cash	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

All Vantage+ allocation data prior to November 8, 2019 is hypothetical. See "Use of Simulated Returns".

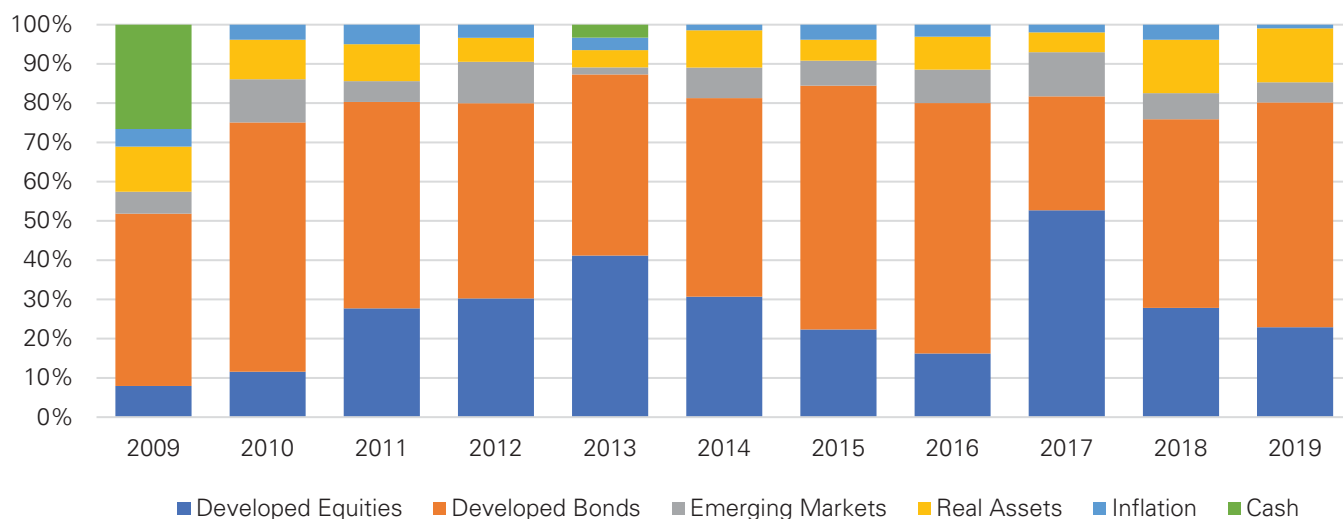


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AVERAGE YEARLY ASSET CLASS ALLOCATION – HISTORICAL & SIMULATED



AVERAGE YEARLY CASH ALLOCATION – HISTORICAL & SIMULATED

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Average Cash Allocation	26.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE – HISTORICAL & SIMULATED

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
2019	1.55%	-0.45%	1.92%	-0.35%	1.54%	2.29%	0.26%	4.19%	-1.55%	0.29%	-0.58%	1.33%	10.81%
2018	4.50%	-3.08%	-0.33%	-0.79%	0.39%	-0.72%	0.56%	0.77%	-2.24%	-6.00%	0.80%	-2.09%	-8.26%
2017	0.85%	3.34%	-0.22%	1.76%	1.89%	-0.36%	1.50%	0.30%	-0.03%	1.80%	1.62%	1.05%	14.28%
2016	1.05%	1.93%	2.39%	0.67%	-1.03%	5.34%	1.73%	-0.11%	-0.15%	-1.83%	-2.43%	1.05%	8.70%
2015	4.28%	-1.78%	-0.38%	-1.09%	-0.28%	-1.91%	-0.11%	-4.58%	-0.42%	1.88%	-1.52%	-1.26%	-7.17%
2014	0.11%	3.37%	-0.85%	1.67%	3.04%	0.84%	-1.29%	3.85%	-3.02%	1.57%	2.32%	1.10%	13.21%
2013	-0.65%	0.63%	2.63%	3.06%	-3.73%	-1.14%	1.09%	-1.37%	1.65%	2.13%	0.84%	1.07%	6.17%

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INDEX INFORMATION

Index Owner	HSBC Bank plc
Currency	USD
Volatility Target	6.0%
Bloomberg Ticker	HSIEVPLS
Index Composition	Up to 13 ETFs plus Cash
Calculation Agent/Index Administrator	Solactive AG
Website	vantageplus.gbm.hsbc.com



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The hypothetical back-tested performance of the Index prior to November 8, 2019 cannot fully reflect the actual results that would have occurred had the Index actually been calculated during that period, and should not be relied upon as an indication of the Index's future performance.

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