

# HSBC Vantage5 Index

## Monthly Performance Report – August 2018

### Index Information

Index Owner	HSBC Bank plc
Currency	USD
Volatility Target	5%
Bloomberg Ticker	HSIEV5UE
Index Composition	Up to 13 ETFs plus Cash
Calculation Agent/ Index Administrator	S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC
Website	vantage5.hsbcnet.com

### Simulated & Historical Performance: August 1, 2011 to August 31, 2018

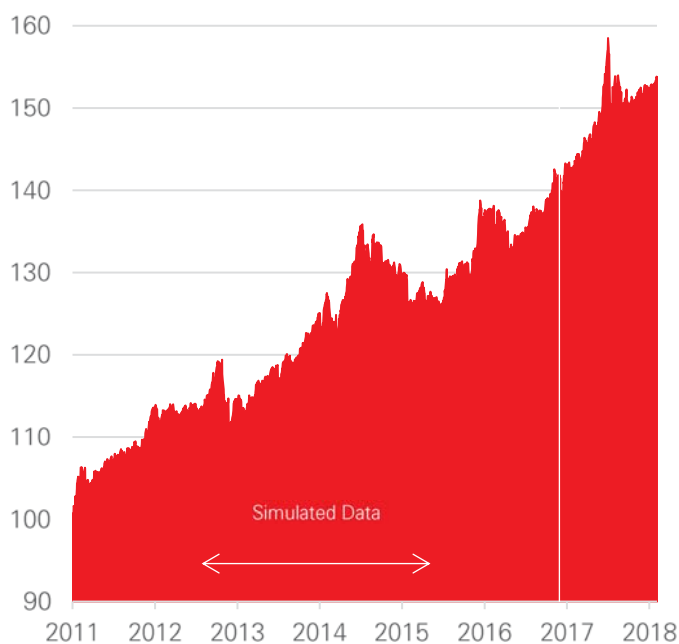
	Total Performance	Annualized Performance**
August 2018	1.2%	--
YTD Return	3.3%	3.2%
1Y Return	7.1%	--
3Y Return*	19.8%	6.8%
5Y Return*	30.8%	6.4%
Annualized Vol (1Y)	7.5%	7.5%
Annualized Vol (since backtest inception) **	6.1%	6.1%

\*\* Calculated on a per annum percentage basis. See "Use of simulated returns."

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### Simulated and Historical Performance

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Source: S&P 500, Bloomberg, and HSBC

### Monthly Allocation

		Q1-18	Q2-18	Sept-18	12M Avg
Developed Equities (Max. 60%)	SPY	30%	0%	3%	15%
	SPLV	5%	0%	13%	5%
	IWM	2%	10%	13%	6%
	QQQ	14%	11%	0%	9%
	EFA	0%	0%	0%	4%
	<b>subtotal</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>39%</b>
Developed Bonds (Max. 80%)	TLT	2%	3%	16%	6%
	LQD	0.2%	0%	0%	2%
	HYG	0.5%	5%	15%	4%
	<b>subtotal</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>12%</b>
Emerging Markets (Max. 30%)	EEM	11%	0.5%	0%	8%
	EMB	2%	0%	0%	1%
	<b>subtotal</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>9%</b>
Real Assets (Max. 30%)	IYR	0%	2%	20%	4%
	GLD	9%	15%	0%	7%
	<b>subtotal</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>11%</b>
Inflation (Max. 5%)	TIP	1%	4%	5%	2%
Cash (Max. 50%) <sup>†</sup>		24%	50%	15%	27%

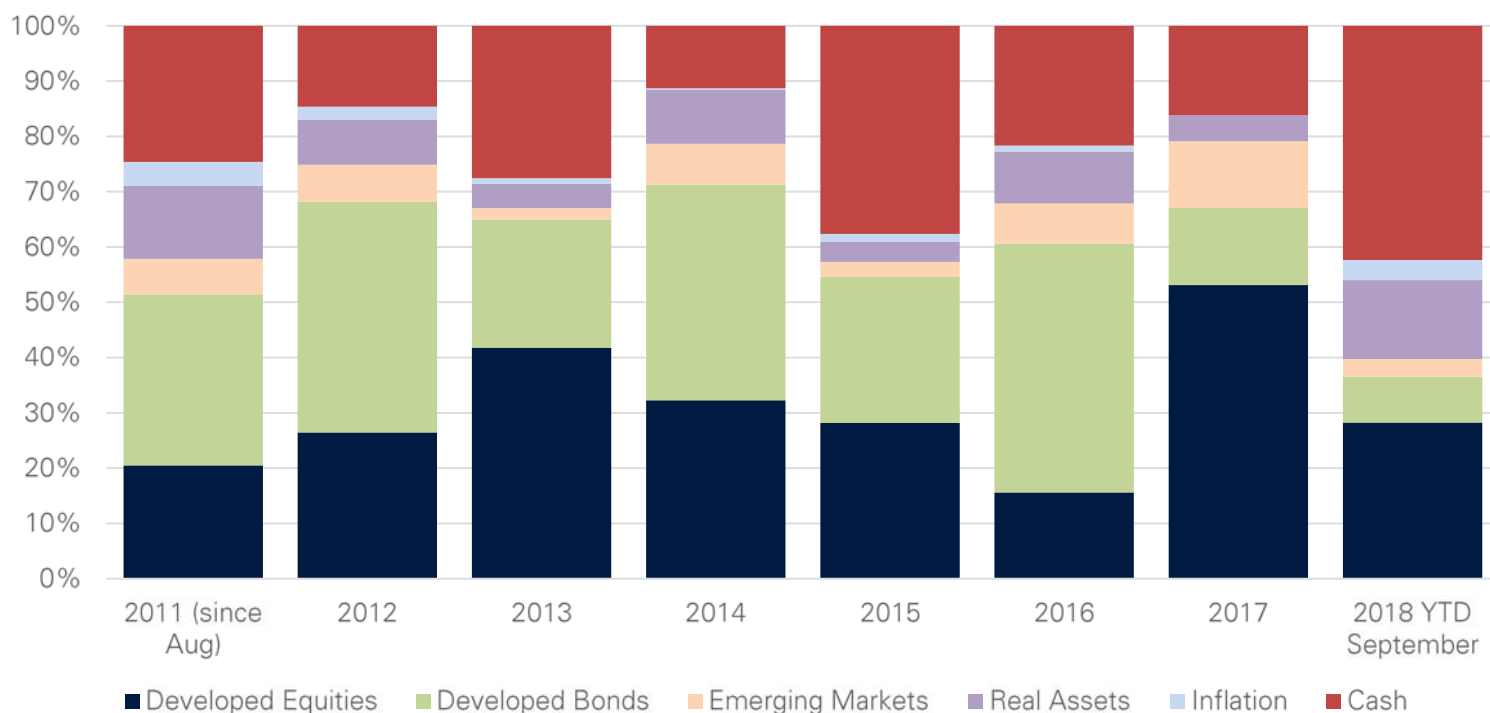


## Detailed Monthly Performance - Simulated & Historical

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual*
2018	5.0%	-2.9%	-1.0%	-0.3%	0.6%	0.2%	0.5%	1.2%	-	-	-	-	3.3%
2017	0.9%	1.6%	0.2%	1.0%	1.5%	-0.6%	2.0%	0.6%	0.0%	1.6%	1.4%	0.8%	11.5%
2016	0.4%	1.8%	0.9%	0.5%	-0.9%	4.4%	1.5%	-0.3%	0.1%	-1.8%	-1.5%	0.7%	5.7%
2015	4.0%	-2.1%	-0.1%	-1.3%	0.0%	-1.3%	0.4%	-2.9%	0.6%	1.0%	-0.9%	-0.4%	-3.1%
2014	-1.2%	2.4%	-0.8%	1.1%	2.0%	0.8%	-0.8%	4.0%	-3.1%	2.0%	2.5%	1.0%	10.1%
2013	-0.4%	0.4%	2.0%	2.8%	-4.4%	-2.0%	2.6%	-1.6%	1.6%	1.8%	0.7%	1.0%	4.4%
2012	0.6%	0.3%	-0.1%	1.0%	0.4%	1.3%	2.5%	-0.5%	0.2%	-0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	5.8%
2011	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	3.9%	-0.4%	0.8%	0.7%	1.4%	7.3%

\*YTD return for current year

## Average Annual Allocations – Simulated and Historical



## Quarterly Average Weightings - Simulated & Historical

	Developed Equities					Fixed Income			Emerging Markets		Real Assets		Inflation	Cash
	SPY	SPLV	IWM	QQQ	EFA	TLT	LQD	HYG	EEM	EMB	IYR	GLD	TIP	
Q2 2018	0.0%	0.0%	9.6%	11.2%	0.0%	2.6%	0.0%	4.7%	0.5%	0.0%	2.4%	14.9%	4.0%	50.0%
Q1 2018	30.3%	4.7%	2.1%	13.6%	0.0%	1.9%	0.2%	0.5%	11.5%	1.8%	0.0%	8.6%	1.3%	23.6%
Q4 2017	30.9%	5.0%	5.0%	5.1%	13.3%	5.9%	3.9%	0.0%	18.1%	0.7%	2.2%	6.0%	0.0%	3.9%
Q3 2017	7.6%	13.2%	0.0%	12.0%	16.4%	18.3%	14.0%	0.0%	16.9%	0.0%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Q2 2017	12.2%	10.9%	1.0%	20.0%	11.7%	2.2%	4.4%	0.0%	7.8%	4.0%	0.0%	7.3%	0.0%	18.2%
Q1 2017	24.3%	0.0%	8.1%	13.3%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	8.1%	0.1%	0.4%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	42.5%

Q4 2016	0.7%	0.0%	10.4%	12.3%	0.0%	0.3%	12.7%	15.0%	2.4%	6.6%	0.0%	4.1%	3.3%	32.2%
Q3 2016	0.0%	4.3%	6.7%	1.0%	0.0%	19.8%	27.6%	13.3%	1.3%	8.8%	3.4%	8.7%	0.0%	5.2%
Q2 2016	3.9%	10.3%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	21.1%	31.1%	5.0%	0.0%	8.3%	3.8%	11.4%	0.2%	4.6%
Q1 2016	0.0%	10.9%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	33.1%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	0.5%	5.8%	0.8%	44.7%
Q4 2015	0.0%	12.5%	0.0%	7.7%	0.0%	10.3%	18.6%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%	0.0%	4.9%	0.8%	41.8%
Q3 2015	1.6%	3.3%	7.0%	10.8%	5.8%	9.9%	3.4%	1.6%	0.0%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3.2%	50.0%
Q2 2015	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	5.5%	12.7%	18.0%	2.7%	0.9%	0.9%	3.3%	1.5%	0.7%	1.7%	39.6%
Q1 2015	0.3%	16.7%	4.3%	11.9%	0.0%	39.4%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	7.6%	0.0%	0.0%	19.1%
Q4 2014	8.3%	11.1%	0.0%	18.6%	0.0%	38.5%	0.2%	0.0%	1.4%	1.7%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	15.8%
Q3 2014	8.1%	6.7%	0.0%	11.4%	0.3%	35.8%	0.0%	0.0%	15.4%	3.3%	16.6%	2.1%	0.3%	0.0%
Q2 2014	13.0%	6.1%	0.0%	7.9%	0.0%	24.4%	16.9%	5.0%	2.6%	5.0%	11.7%	1.6%	0.8%	5.1%
Q1 2014	16.5%	0.0%	1.1%	20.0%	0.2%	0.1%	22.8%	12.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	1.8%	0.0%	24.3%
Q4 2013	9.6%	0.0%	3.8%	18.2%	3.1%	0.7%	4.4%	9.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.8%	50.0%
Q3 2013	17.1%	8.8%	7.9%	10.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.4%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	49.8%
Q2 2013	19.9%	20.0%	7.9%	0.0%	6.2%	26.3%	0.0%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	11.0%	0.0%	0.8%	3.4%
Q1 2013	0.0%	6.7%	11.2%	0.0%	16.8%	13.8%	20.0%	7.7%	3.2%	5.0%	6.4%	0.0%	2.2%	7.0%
Q4 2012	2.3%	6.7%	0.0%	1.9%	5.3%	11.3%	38.8%	6.3%	2.0%	10.0%	1.4%	10.0%	1.7%	2.4%
Q3 2012	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	11.2%	0.9%	34.4%	9.9%	3.7%	0.0%	10.0%	11.6%	0.2%	0.3%	3.7%
Q2 2012	5.8%	13.3%	0.0%	14.6%	0.0%	28.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.8%	8.4%	0.0%	4.2%	20.3%
Q1 2012	10.0%	12.5%	1.7%	6.7%	0.0%	28.6%	4.5%	0.3%	0.0%	1.7%	0.5%	0.3%	3.3%	30.0%
Q4 2011	0.0%	15.8%	0.0%	9.3%	0.0%	33.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%	2.1%	3.9%	34.0%
Q3 2011	0.0%	15.0%	0.6%	1.2%	0.0%	22.0%	6.8%	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	3.7%	20.0%	5.0%	15.7%

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