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PERPETUAL: A PROVEN TRACK RECORD



Established in 1886, Perpetual is one of Australia's **most respected** fund managers, with a passion for **protecting** and **growing** our clients' wealth



Perpetual is an active, value manager, with a bottom-up investment process



One of the largest investment teams in Australia that conducts **more than 1,000 company meetings** each year



\$32.0bn funds under management (at 31 December 2017)



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Provider of market-leading equities, fixed income, cash and multi asset solutions

INVESTMENT PROCESS

PERPETUAL QUALITY FILTERS

SOUND CONSERVATIVE **QUALITY OF** RECURRING 3 2 4 1 **BUSINESS** DEBT EARNINGS MANAGEMENT strong balance sheet to products or services the track record of generating track record of a company's company offers ensure the company is management earnings sustainable across various competitive landscape, sustainable businesses for use of shareholder capital ٠ economic cycles positioning and market the future corporate governance ٠ quantitative test: dynamics practices debt to equity should be barriers to entry, less than 50% (net debt monopoly/duopoly, and / equity), but if not sources of competitive interest cover should be advantage 3x or greater (5x for pre- operational efficiency production)

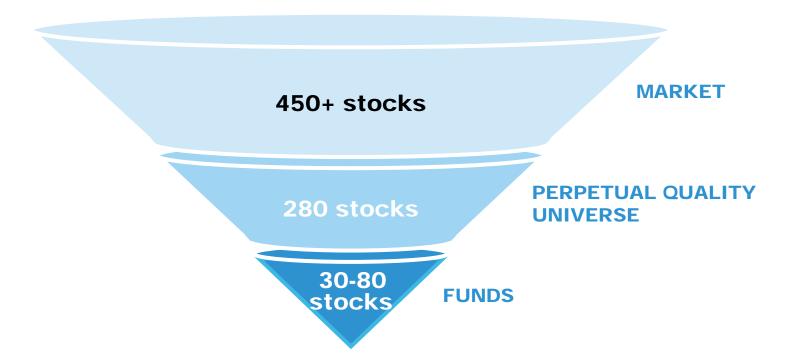
 A company must pass all of these filters all of the time to be included in the Perpetual Universe and considered for investment.

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ESG risks and impacts

 Our focus on the quality of a company inherently encompasses the analysis of ESG and sustainable investing issues.

PERPETUAL EQUITY FUND PROCESS

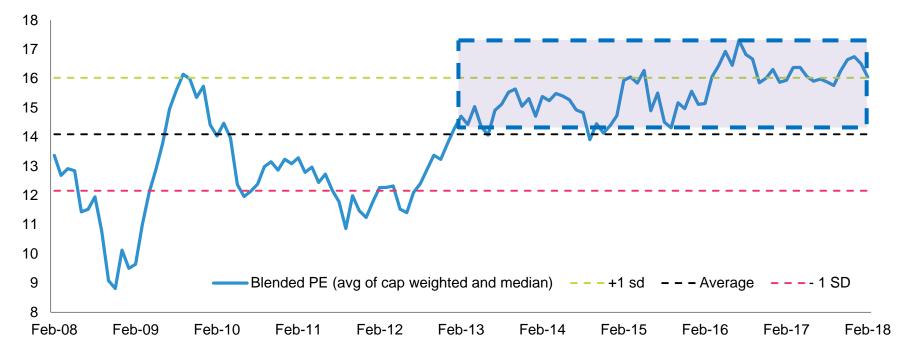


Source: Perpetual

MARKET OVERVIEW

MARKET ENVIRONMENT: VALUATIONS HAVE BEEN ELEVATED VALUE IS HARDER TO FIND

S&P/ASX 200 1YR FORWARD PRICE EARNINGS RATIO



Source: Credit Suisse, as at 28/02/2018

2018 REPORTING SEASON INSIGHTS

REPORTING SEASON OVERALL

STRONG RESOURCES EARNINGS BOUNCE TO NORMALISE, RESOURCE AND INDUSTRIAL P/ES ELEVATED

	Earnings growth			PER	
	FY16A	FY17A	FY18E	12-month fwd	
Market	-10.6%	18.3%	7.9%	15.4	
Resources	-41.5%	94.0%	20.7%	14.0	
Industrials ex banks	-0.3%	4.4%	4.2%	17.7	
Banks	-3.4%	2.2%	1.4%	12.6	

FY18 EPS growth is the bottom-up consensus estimate. Source: MSCI, IBES, Citi Research

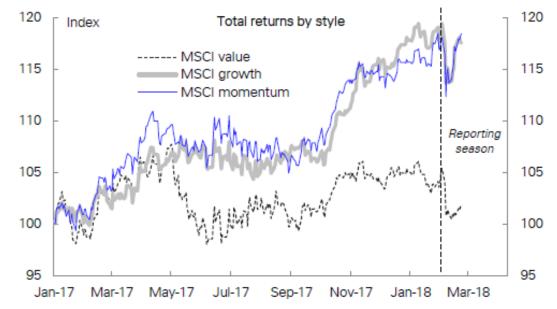
KEY REPORTING SEASON THEMES

- Market heavily rewarding upgrades and heavily selling downgrades
- Market's short term focus at expense of long term valuation
- Companies reporting normalised rather than actual earnings
- Need to be wary of bond proxies
- Starting to see some cost inflation (e.g. BHP Billiton, The Star Entertainment Group, Brambles, Amcor, South32)

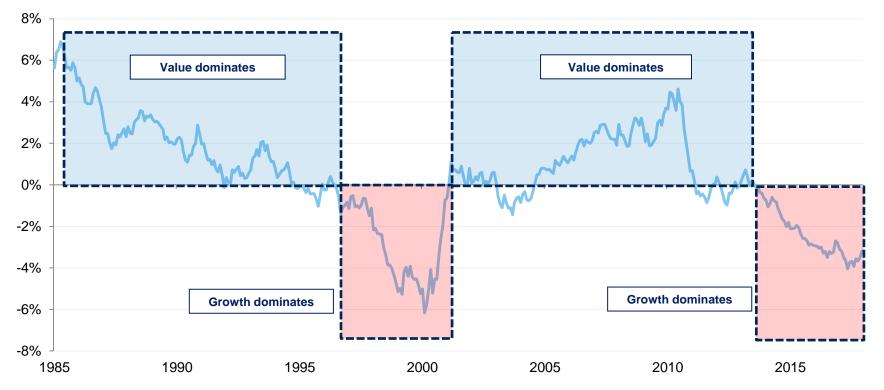
VALUE vs. GROWTH INVESTING

MARKET RETURNS DRIVEN BY EXUBERANCE MARKETS DRIVEN BY MOMENTUM & GROWTH RATHER THAN VALUATION CONSIDERATIONS

- Growth and momentum stocks have recouped all their losses from the global sell-off, while value stocks have lagged.
- What happened on February 2 this year may prove to be the 'canary in the coal mine' warning for investors.



WHICH STYLE OUTPERFORMS? WE ARE DUE A ROTATION BACK TO VALUE



PORTFOLIO POSITIONING AND PERFORMANCE

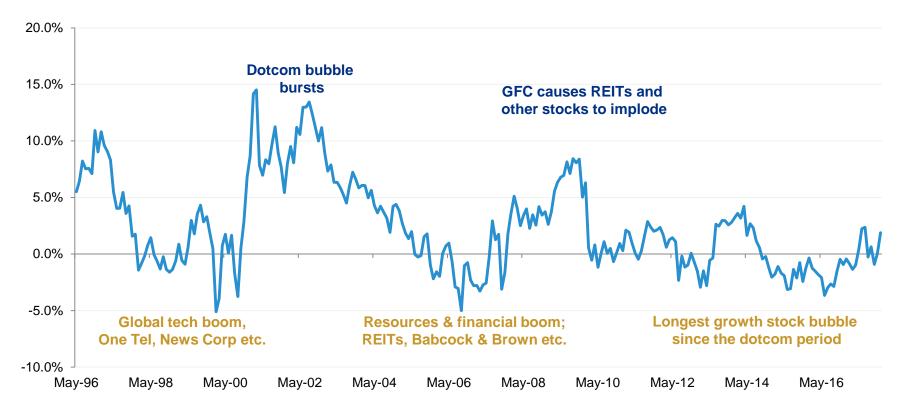
PORTFOLIO POSITIONING STOCK STORIES

COMPANY	RATIONALE
Woolworths	Dominates 'last mile' in retail, positive operating momentum, actively managing Big W losses, good balance sheet.
THE STAR ENTERTAINMENT GROUP	Growth in assets with key casinos and hotels built with partners, ability to grow dividend over the next 5 years.
CShire	Rare disease drug company, one of the leading Global Bioplasma Companies, significant free cash flow (FCF) generation.
For Better Health	Leveraging data and scale to manage claims inflation & raise profit margins. Opportunities in vertical integration. All underpinned by a very solid net cash balance sheet.
Tabcorp	The merging of Tatts lottery assets with Tabcorp's wagering business creates diverse gaming with nearly \$1 billion in gross profit and synergies of around \$130m.
REMER COMMON	Extremely well managed collection of retail brands. Stable low growth core brands are complemented by rapidly growing Smiggle and Peter Alexander businesses.
SUNCORP 🔘	Preferred insurer for participation in coming rate cycle; cheaper than peers and with a solid dividend yield.

OUTPERFORMANCE IN DIFFERENT MARKETS PERCENTAGE OF MARKETS OUTPERFORMED OVER 5 YEARS TO 28 FEBRUARY 2018

Fund	Up Markets (%)	Down Markets (%)	Overall (%)
Perpetual Wholesale Concentrated Fund	53	68	70
Perpetual Wholesale Australian Share Fund	42	68	62
Perpetual Wholesale Industrial Fund	30	70	54

TWO DECADES OF THE INDUSTRIAL SHARE FUND AVOID BUBBLES, OUTPERFORM BUSTS 1 YEAR BEFORE FEES AND TAXES



SOLID LONG TERM RETURNS

Fund / index	1 year	2 year pa	3 year pa	5 year pa	7 year pa	10 year pa
Perpetual Wholesale Concentrated Fund	9.3	13.0	3.8	8.1	9.5	7.6
Perpetual Wholesale Australian Share Fund	6.8	10.9	2.6	6.6	7.8	6.2
Perpetual Wholesale Industrial Fund	6.7	11.3	3.1	8.5	10.3	7.4
S&P/ASX300 Acc Index	10.3	16.0	5.2	7.9	7.7	5.3

Source: Perpetual & FactSet. Performance figures shown for the Perpetual Wholesale Industrial Share Fund, Perpetual Wholesale Australian Share Fund and Perpetual Wholesale Concentrated Equity Fund are net of fees and pre-tax. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Index used is the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index. For periods prior to 30/03/2000 the ASX All Ordinaries Accum Index is used.

QUESTIONS?

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