

5-Year Anniversary Artisan High Income Strategy

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18 years of investment experience



Composite Inception
1 April 2014

Total Net Assets (as of 31 Mar 2019)
\$3.3 Billion

Managed by
Artisan Partners Credit Team

As we mark the five-year anniversary of the Artisan High Income Strategy, we are pleased to have outperformed the Strategy's benchmark and peer group. Since its launch on April 1, 2014, the Artisan High Income Strategy is among the best-performing strategies in its peer group, ranking in the 1st percentile out of 179 within the eVestment US High Yield Fixed Income Universe. The Strategy's since-inception average annualized return of 7.11% (gross of fees) has outpaced the ICE BofAML US High Yield Index by 2.42% through March 31, 2019.

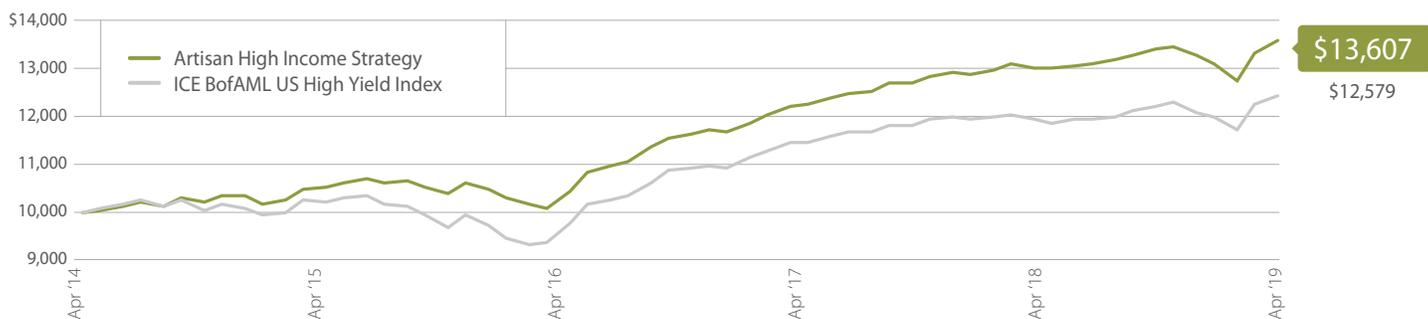
Performance Statistics

As of 31 March 2019	1 Yr	% Rank ¹	5 Yr	% Rank ²
Return	5.4	63 rd	7.1	1 st
Alpha	-0.5	77 th	3.1	1 st
Sharpe Ratio	0.5	74 th	1.3	6 th
Information Ratio	-0.5	69 th	1.5	1 st

Source: Artisan Partners/eVestment. Gross-of-fees returns shown for the composite. Benchmark: ICE BofAML US High Yield Mater II Index. % rank based on eVestment US High Yield Fixed Income Universe. eVestment rankings are based on gross-of-fee total returns, are historical and do not represent future results. eVestment is a manager-reported database of institutional investment managers and does not independently verify the data. ¹Peer group ranking out of 204 strategies. ²Peer group ranking out of 179 strategies.

Growth of \$10,000

Since Inception



Source: Artisan Partners/ICE BofAML as of 31 March 2019. Based on net-of-fee returns for the composite. Calculation is based on monthly returns on a \$10,000 investment in the strategy and the corresponding broad-based market index for the period since inception. Past performance is not indicative of futures results.

Investment Results

(% as of 31 March 2019)	Average Annual Total Returns					
	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	Inception
Composite—Gross	6.74	6.74	5.36	9.95	7.11	7.11
Composite—Net	6.56	6.56	4.63	9.18	6.35	6.35
ICE BofAML US High Yield Master II Index	7.40	7.40	5.94	8.69	4.69	4.69

Annual Returns (%) 12 months ended 31 March

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Composite—Gross	5.94	0.12	17.90	7.01	5.36

Source: Artisan Partners/ICE BofA Merrill Lynch. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized.

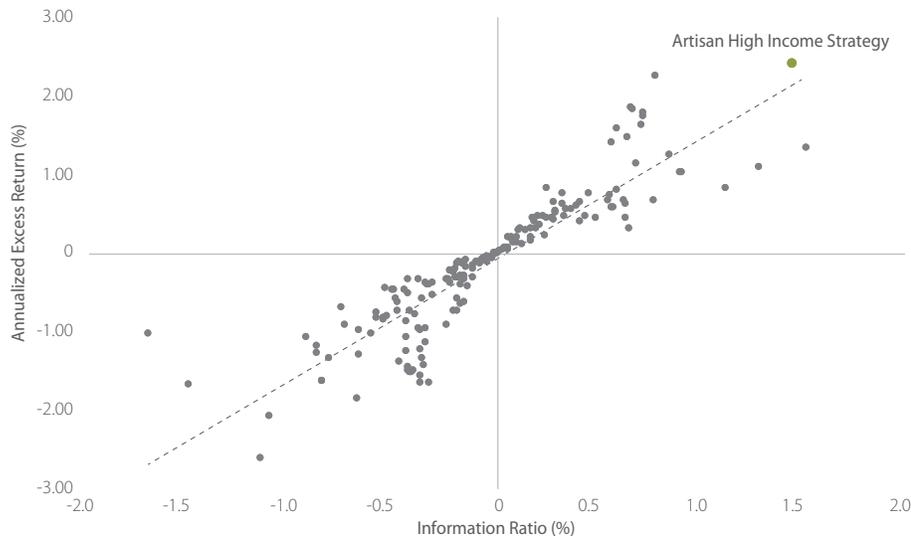
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Investment Risks: Investments will rise and fall with market fluctuations and investor capital is at risk. Investors investing in strategies denominated in non-local currency should be aware of the risk of currency exchange fluctuations that may cause a loss of principal. These risks, among others, are further described on the last page, which should be read in conjunction with this material.

5-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Importantly, these returns have been generated with an emphasis toward capital protection. Over the last five years, our unwavering focus on risk-adjusted return potential has resulted in a consistently lower standard deviation than the ICE BofAML US High Yield Index. Having remained true to our investment process by creating a high-conviction, bottom-up portfolio, we have been able to deliver among the best risk-adjusted returns in our peer group. More notably, our portfolio has captured roughly 67% of drawdowns while participating in 95% of the market's upside, highlighting the team's goal of sidestepping negative credit events and avoiding permanent capital impairment.

eVestment US High Yield Fixed Income Universe— Annualized Excess Return vs. Information Ratio



Source: eVestment. Trailing five years as of 31 March 2019. Figures based on gross returns. Dots represent US High Yield Fixed Income Universe constituents as determined by eVestment. Excess returns relative to the ICE BofAML US High Yield Index. **Past performance is not indicative of futures results.**

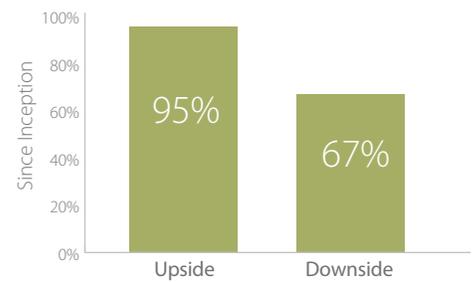
Proven Track Record Through a Differentiated Approach

Since our inception, we have emphasized self-generated credit research to build a portfolio from the bottom up without regard to a benchmark. At the core of our strategy is a commitment to finding undervalued opportunities that offer compelling risk-adjusted returns. We are selective about the business models in which we invest, relying on our own in-depth fundamental research to determine the creditworthiness of a given company. For this reason, we are generally attracted to higher-multiple businesses with resilient, strong cash flow, low capital expenditures and appealing deleveraging capabilities—many of which are rarely well-liked by rating agencies.

In general, our diverging views on creditworthiness often come down to recovery: The major ratings agencies, in our view, tend to overemphasize hard assets and underemphasize meaningful intangible assets, such as intellectual property and technology. While we often explain our performance in terms of the credits we have owned, the credits we haven't owned have been just as important to our success. Asset-heavy companies tend to be more economically sensitive and where defaults have been most concentrated over the last five years. As a result, our comparatively light exposure in these areas has helped contribute to our since-inception outperformance.

A key differentiator has also been our ability to source ideas across the capital structure and allocate opportunistically across the risk spectrum as the credit cycle evolves. We have

Performance Up/Down Market Capture



Source: FactSet. As of 31 Mar 2019. **Past performance is not indicative of futures results.** Based on monthly returns of a representative account within the composite beginning with April 2014, the first full month following inception relative to the ICE BofAML US High Yield Index.

Our Differentiators

- **Capital Structure:** Flexibility to invest across the debt capital structure in both high yield bonds and bank loans, as dictated by relative value
- **Ratings Agnostic:** A philosophy that is ratings-aware but agnostic, resulting in atypical and idiosyncratic sector exposure
- **Business Quality:** An adherence to business quality as a primary driver of value, without compromising for yield
- **Identifying Value:** A preference to act as a cash flow lender at par and asset-backed lender in times of market, sector or company-specific stress
- **High Conviction:** A high-conviction portfolio built upon deep, fundamental analysis and thoughtful credit selection

no preconceived allocation targets embedded in our process; investment decisions are a by-product of our bottom-up research process. As a result, we are agnostic to which part of the debt in which we invest, selecting only the level of the capital structure we believe has the best risk-adjusted potential. This flexibility to move into more senior positions in the capital structure—combined with our emphasis for quality—has allowed our portfolio to weather several difficult market environments. For example, our allocation to bank loans has provided returns well in excess of the index and with less than half the volatility, translating into strong relative returns and meaningful downside protection over the life of the portfolio.

As a testament to our process, the majority of our outperformance has been driven by credit selection

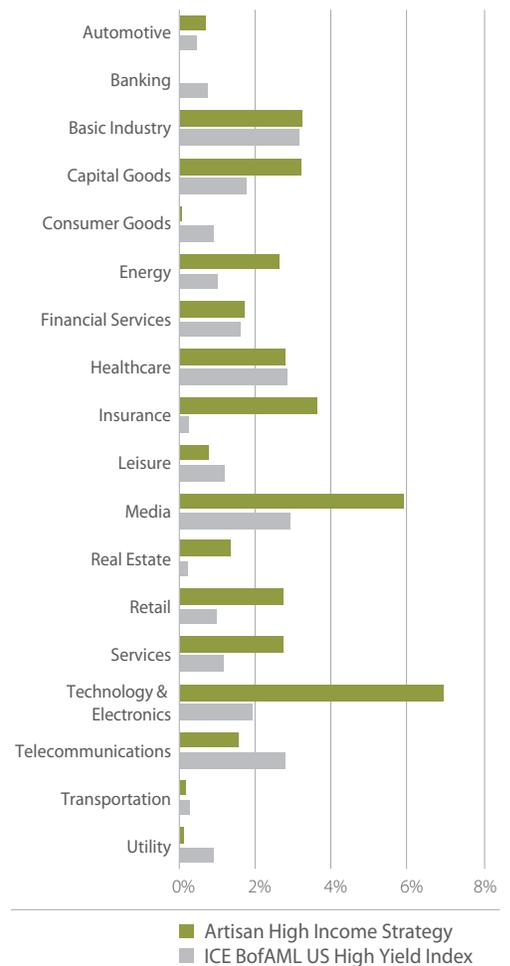
Equally important, our ability to allocate our best ideas through a high-conviction, concentrated portfolio has been a significant contributor to our success. Because we dedicate significant time and resources to obtaining a complete picture of a company's fundamentals, we're able to better understand the range of possible outcomes in the credits we invest. With roughly a third of our portfolio concentrated in our top ten issuers, our focused approach has allowed our high-conviction ideas to meaningfully impact the portfolio, driving compelling returns and a more durable risk profile.

Looking Ahead

As career investors in the high yield credit space, we recognize the risk of loss is often greater than the potential for gain—as such, we focus intently in our research on what can go wrong. We believe this commitment to downside analysis and margins of safety will serve us well as we move into the later stages of the current cycle. While the economic environment should remain supportive for credit investors in the near term, swings in sentiment are likely as investors price in risks from decelerating global growth and uncertain monetary conditions. Against this backdrop, our disciplined underwriting process and ability to capitalize on market inefficiencies by way of individual security selection is increasingly critical and we believe it should serve us well when the cycle turns. As always, we'll continue to manage the portfolio with an eye toward downside risks, believing this disciplined, high-conviction approach will be rewarded over our long-term investment horizon.

Cumulative Contribution to Return

Since Inception



Source: Artisan Partners/ICE BofAML. Based on a representative account within the composite. Sector designations reflect ICE BofAML Level 3 classifications. Past performance is not indicative of future results. As of 31 Mar 2019.

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