



April 2017 Market Recap

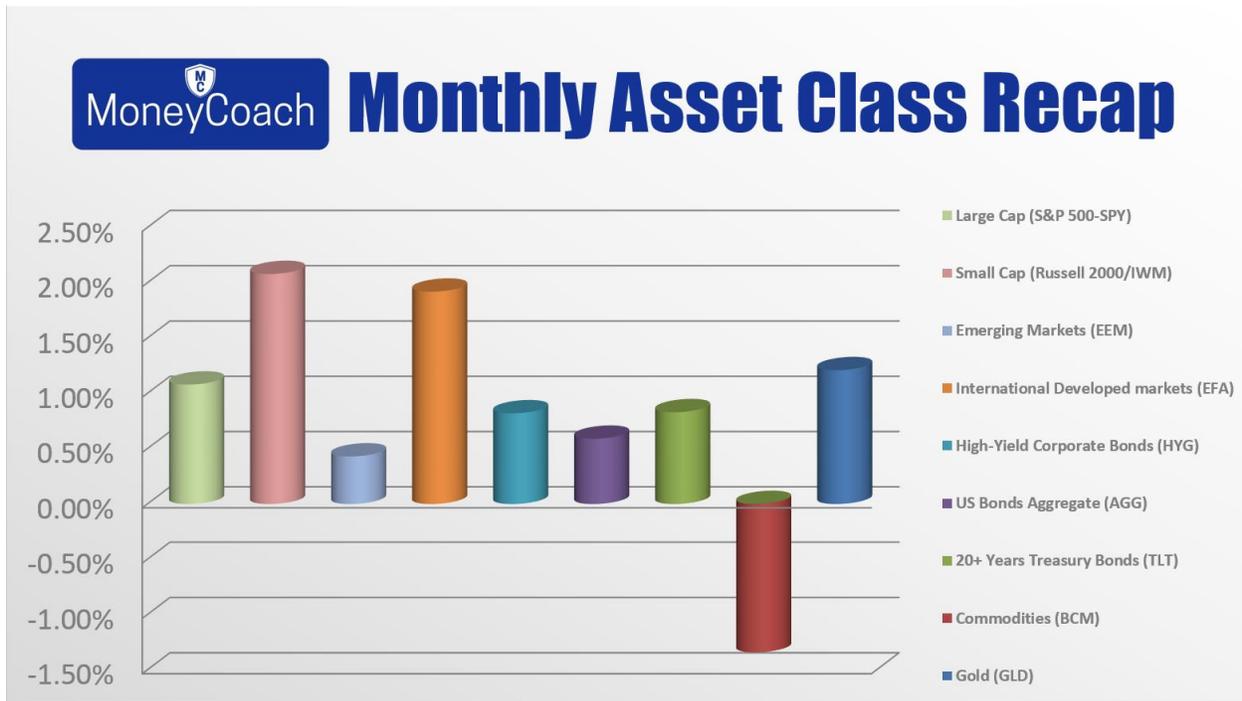
Plenty of news made the markets fluctuate last month. It started with Federal Reserve announcing that the Committee is considering shrinking its balance sheet by selling a portion of Treasury Notes they have purchased during the last few years. This action would diminish the amount of money circulating in the economy. We also saw the US military flexing its muscles in Syria, Afghanistan and engaging North Korea.

The French went to the polls in April, choosing their final two candidates to be battling for their country's presidency in May. Macron, which is considered a pro-business globalist, took the lead during the first round of voting which catapulted the European markets higher.

Corporate earnings continued to shine in April. Not only companies reported better-than-expected first quarter results but also offered great guidance to boot. But many agree that the next push forward in the market will only occur if the Republicans can put Healthcare and Tax regulations together.

April Asset Class Recap

Decent gains were added to all major asset classes in April, except for commodities which suffered almost 1.5% in losses.

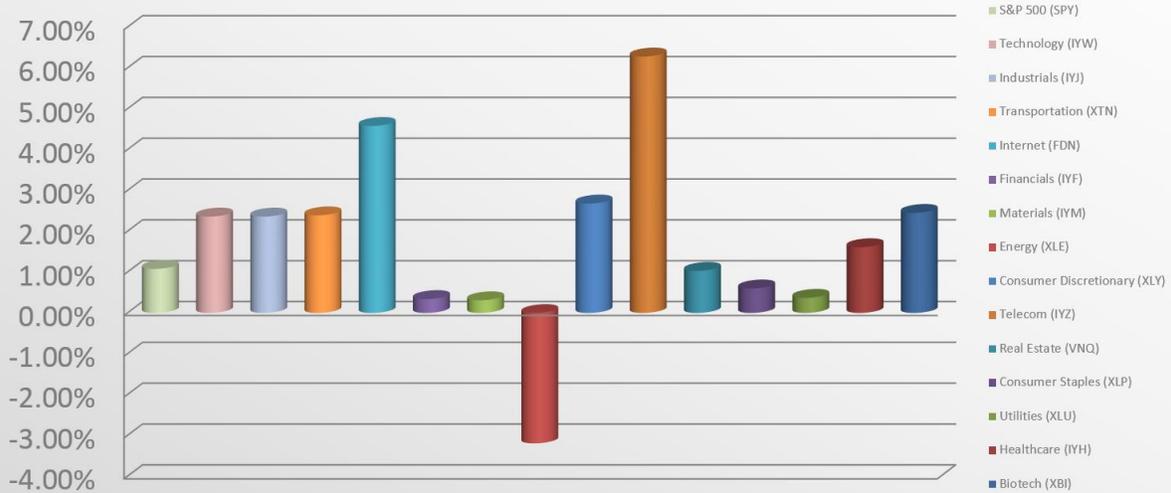


April Sector Recap

Transportation had a strong rebound last month. The Internet industry continues to outperform while Energy struggled.



Monthly Sector Recap

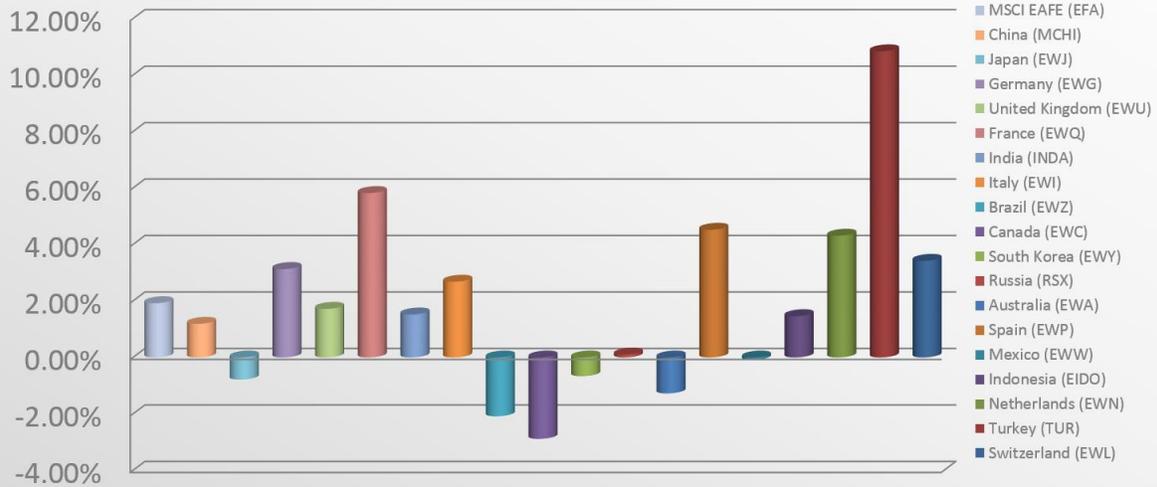


April International Recap

Turkey was the clear winner in April, gaining more than 10%, while most major European markets also had strong gains. Economies that rely heavily on commodities had a hard time last month. Canada was the worst performer with a drop of almost 3%.



Monthly International Recap

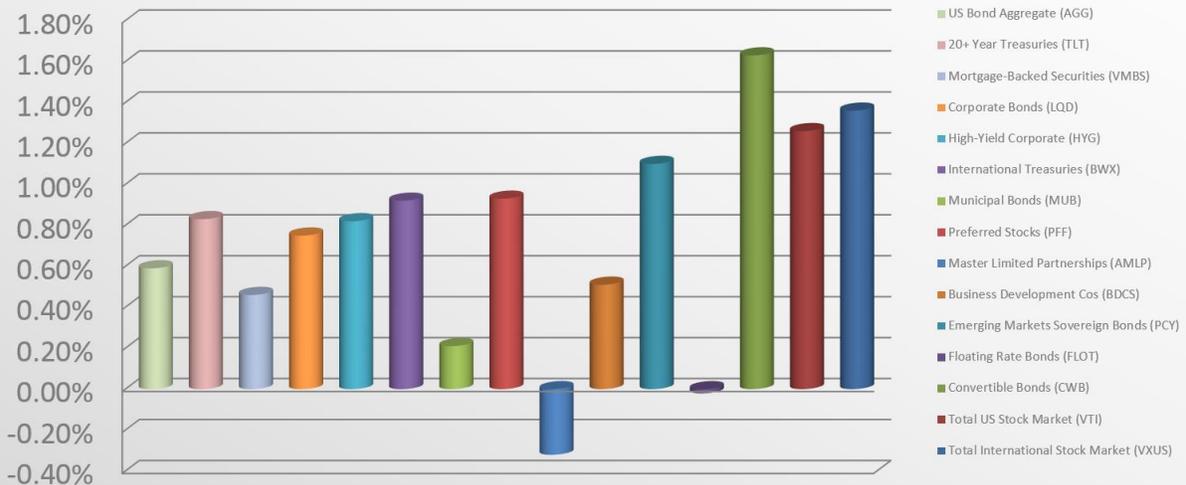


April Income Recap

Master Limited Partnerships continued to struggle in the income generating investment categories. Convertible Bonds were the best performer with a gain of 1.60%.



Monthly Income Assets Recap



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