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# TIMING THE MARKET VS RISK CONTROL

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE ?

## TIMING THE MARKET

An attempt to buy on every dip and sell at every peak

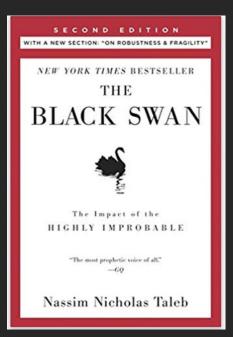
### **MANAGING RISK**

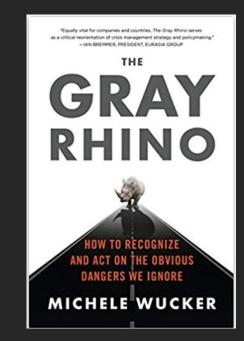
Choosing when to reduce risk asset exposure based on an objective risk management framework

## **GREY RHINO OR BLACK SWAN?**

#### **MOST BLACK SWANS ARE**

#### **ACTUALLY GREY RHINOS**





## **GREY RHINO**

# A grey rhino is a "highly probable, high

# impact yet neglected threat ... grey rhinos

are not random surprises, but occur after a

series of warnings and visible evidence,"

# **OUR INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**



# ADJUSTED RETURNS

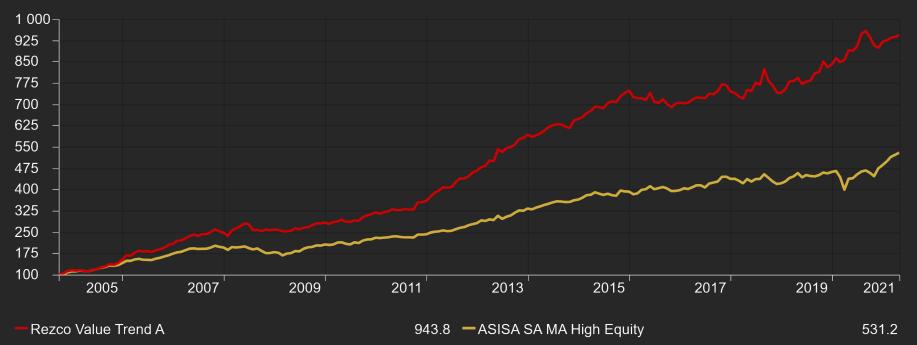
## RISK CONTROL

ALPHA

### **REZCO VALUE TREND - LONG TERM**

#### Time Period: Since Common Inception (2004/10/01) to 2021/04/30

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Source: Morningstar Direct



# THESE ARE VERY EXPENSIVE EQUITY AND BOND MARKETS

#### HARD FOR A BULL TO START FROM HERE

#### **MSCI WORLD**



### **USA MIDCAPS**

#### Russell 2000 Index Currency: USD PRICE CHANGE Updated: 30/04/2021 2,266.5 32.2 1M%∆ 1Q%∆ 1Y%∆ Share Price Fwd 12m PE 2.0 9.3 83.8 Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco

## USA EX TECH EV/EBITDA (includes Debt)

#### F-PE vs FWD EV/EBITDA



Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco

### **MSCI EMERGING MARKETS**



# LONG TERM PICTURE: WHAT CAN GO WRONG?

ASSET MANAGEMENT

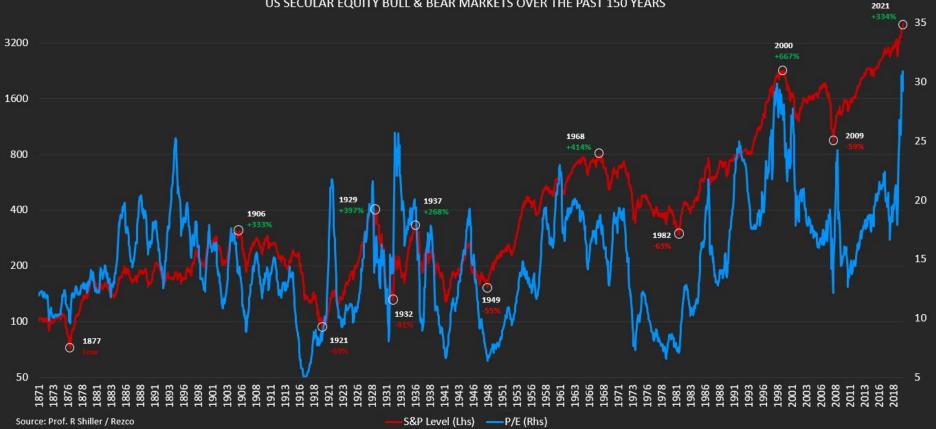
## LONG TERM MARKET CYCLES

#### US SECULAR EQUITY BULL & BEAR MARKETS OVER THE PAST 150 YEARS



#### LONG TERM MARKET LEVELS **RELATIVE TO EARNINGS**

US SECULAR EQUITY BULL & BEAR MARKETS OVER THE PAST 150 YEARS



## TIMING THE MARKET VS MANAGING RISK

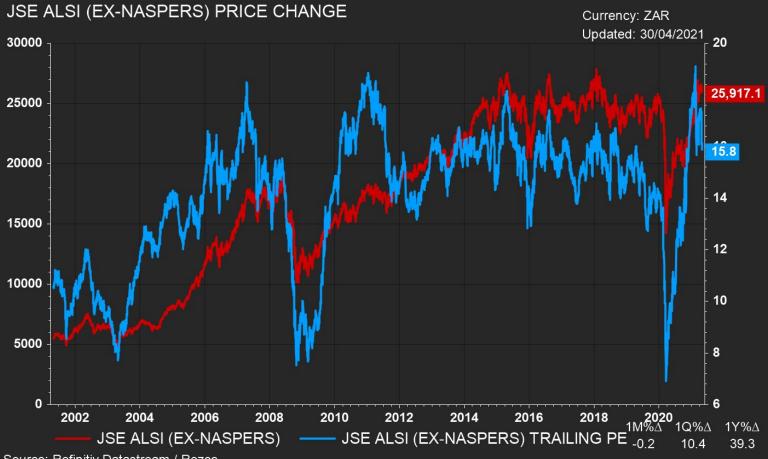
Year of market peak	P/E at market peak	25 year moving average P/E at market peak	P/E vs 25 year MA P/E	Drawdown to trough	Years taken to reach prior market peak	Year at which prior market peak was reached
1906	14.3x	16.1x	0.89x	-69%	22	1928
1929	21.6x	12.3x	1.75x	-81%	29	1958
1937	19.4x	13.4x	1.45x	-55%	17	1954
1968	18.8x	14.4x	1.31x	-63%	24	1992
2000	28.1x	15.6x	1.80x	-59%	15	2015
2007	17.5x	18.5x	0.95x	-52%	6	2013
2021	31.1x	19.9x	1.56x			

Source: Prof. R Shiller / Rezco

# SOUTH AFRICA

ASSET MANAGEMENT

### **SOUTH AFRICAN EQUITIES : NOT CHEAP**



Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco

### **RSA EQUITIES : BANKS**

#### SA BANKS INDEX



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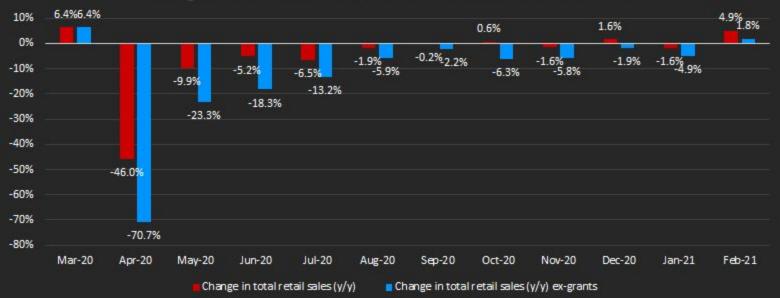
### **RSA EQUITIES : MINING**

SA MINING



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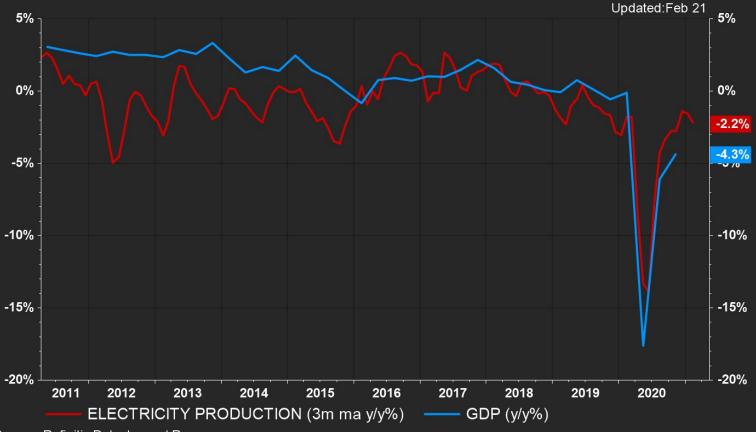
## WITHOUT GRANTS - NOT A GREAT PICTURE



#### Change in Retail Sales with and without Additional COVID Grants

### SOUTH AFRICAN ECONOMIC GROWTH

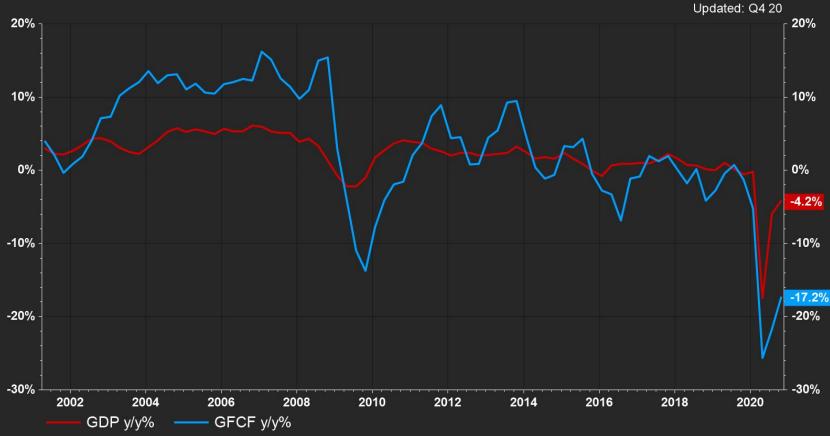
#### SOUTH AFRICA GDP AND ELECTRICITY



Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco

### **SOUTH AFRICA : NO INVESTMENT**

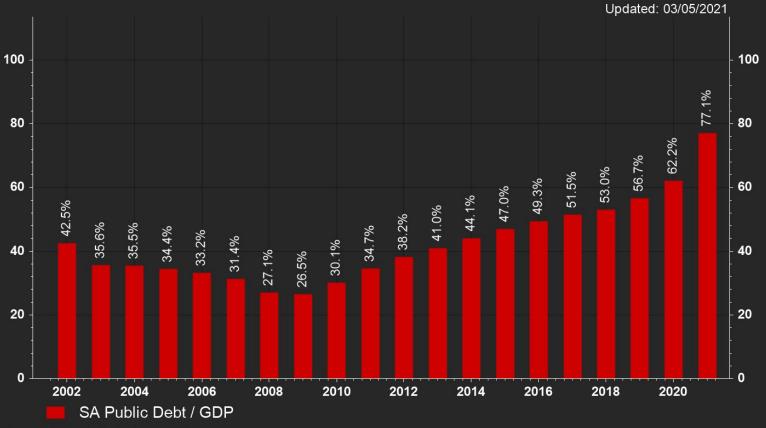
#### SOUTH AFRICAN ECONOMY



Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco

#### **SOUTH AFRICA : DEBT TO GDP**

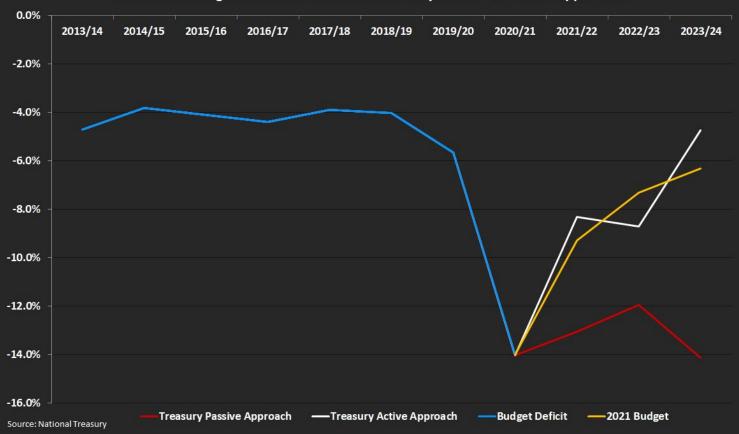
SA PUBLIC DEBT



Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco

### **SOUTH AFRICA : BUDGET DEFICIT**

South Africa Budget Deficit as a % of GDP: Treasury's Active vs Passive Approaches





# SOMEWHERE THERE IS A MAJOR DISLOCATION

#### LARRY SUMMERS 12 APRIL 2021



It could manifest itself in a period of euphoric boom and optimism that leads to unsustainable bubbles, or it could all work out well. But, it doesn't seem to me that the preponderant probability is that it will work out well. So I'm concerned that what is being done is substantially excessive.

#### JAMIE DIMON : JP MORGAN CHAIRMAN APR 2021

And, of course, being who we are, *while we are going to hope for the Goldilocks scenario* – and we think there is a chance for that to happen

#### - we will anticipate and be prepared for two other negative scenarios:

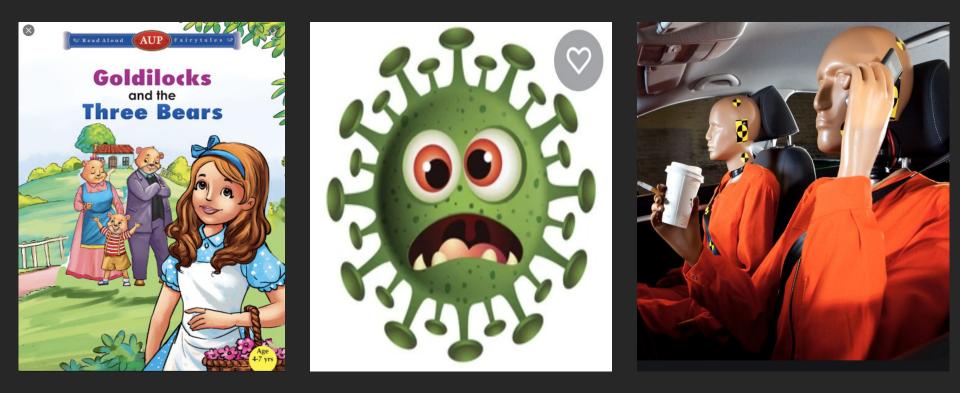
1) the new COVID-19 variants may be more virulent and resistant to the vaccine, which could obviously reverse a booming economy, damage the equity markets and reduce interest rates as there is a rush to safety, and

2) the increase in inflation may not be temporary and may not be slow, forcing the Fed to raise rates sooner and faster than people expect.

Jamie Dimon : JP Morgan Chairman's letter Apr 2021



## JAMIE DIMON'S THREE OPTIONS



## JAMIE DIMON : HOW THE MARKET REPORTED IT



MARKETS

#### JPMorgan CEO Jamie Dimon Sees 'Goldilocks Moment' for U.S. Economy

By Orla McCaffrey April 7, 2021 06:30 am ET

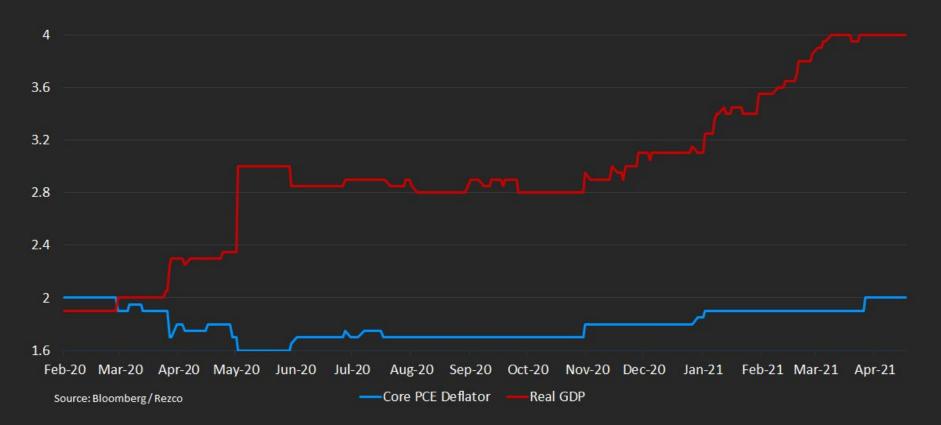
In his annual letter to shareholders, JPMorgan CEO Jamie Dimon said strong consumer savings, expanded vaccine distribution and infrastructure investment could lead to fast, sustained growth.

Appeared in the Apr 8, 2021, print edition as 'JPMorgan's Dimon Predicts 'Goldilocks' Economic Boom'



#### CONSENSUS 2022 INFLATION AND GROWTH

US CONSENSUS MEDIAN FORECAST FOR 2022 (%): INFLATION AND GROWTH



#### **MOHAMED EL-ERIAN**

The good news is that there is still a window for the Fed to exit in a relatively orderly manner, though it is getting smaller and smaller by the day. Indeed, the longer the Fed delays signaling a moderation of its uber loose monetary policy, the smaller the window and the greater the immediate and longer-term risks to the economy, the markets and the credibility of the Fed.

As to what ultimately may happen if the Fed misses the window, I suspect it is somewhere between a May 2013 taper tantrum and a 2008 Lehman moment. Specifically, we would have significant market volatility and a risk of market malfunction, as we experienced during the taper tantrum. Together these could act as a headwind to the economic recovery. But I don't think we would repeat the sudden stop for the financial system, for banks and for the payments and settlement system (all of which followed the Lehman moment).

Dr Mohamed Aly El-Erian Bloomberg Opinion, 20 Apr 2021

## **EL-ERIAN'S TWO OPTIONS**

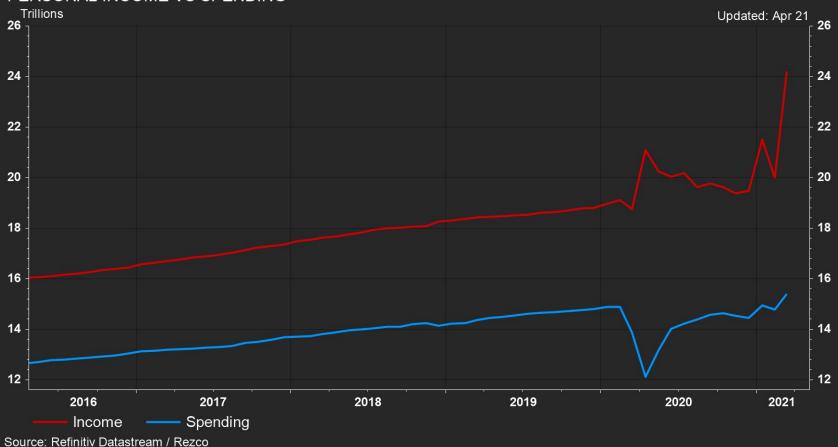




# WHY ARE THEY SO CONCERNED?

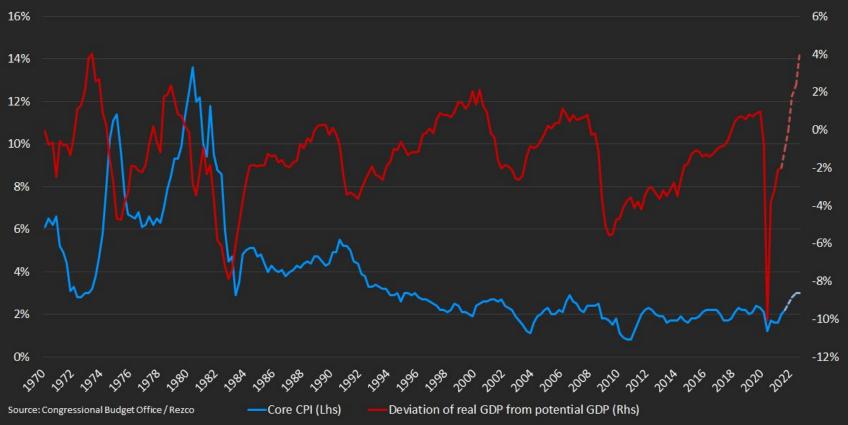
### **USA PERSONAL INCOME**

#### PERSONAL INCOME VS SPENDING



### USA OUTPUT GAP VS CPI (FEELS LIKE THE 1970'S)

US CORE CPI AND ACTUAL GDP DEVIATION VS POTENTIAL GDP



## **USA : PAYING PEOPLE NOT TO WORK**

**US JOB MARKET** Updated: 03/05/2021 14% 2.8% 8000 2.6% 12% 7000 2.4% 6000 10% 2.2% 8% 5000 2.0% 4000 6% 1.8% 4% 1.6% 3000 1.4% 2000 2% 2008 2010 2016 2012 2014 2018 2020 Unemployment Rate (RHS) Quit Rate (RHS 2) Job Openings (LHS) Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco

## WHY WOULD SURGING INFLATION BE A PROBLEM?

- SURGING INFLATION MEANS NO QE
- FISCAL TIGHTENING AND HIGHER INTEREST RATES
- MARKET IS POSITIONED COMPLETELY OPPOSITE
- DANGERS OF A BIG EQUITY DRAWDOWN

## **INFLATION EXPECTATIONS**



Source: Refinitiv Datastream / Rezco



# SOLUTIONS :

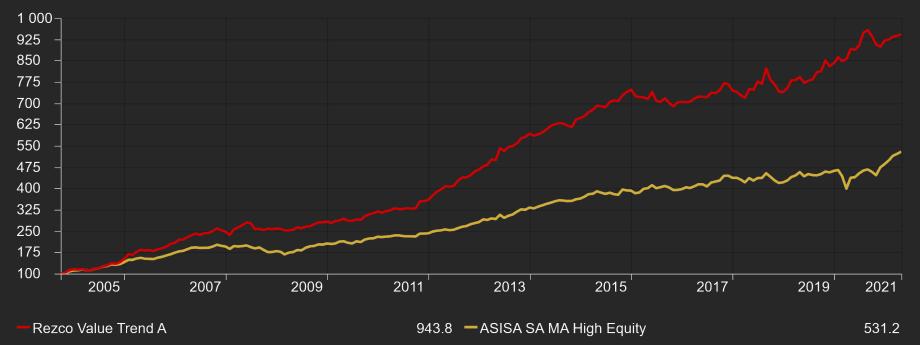


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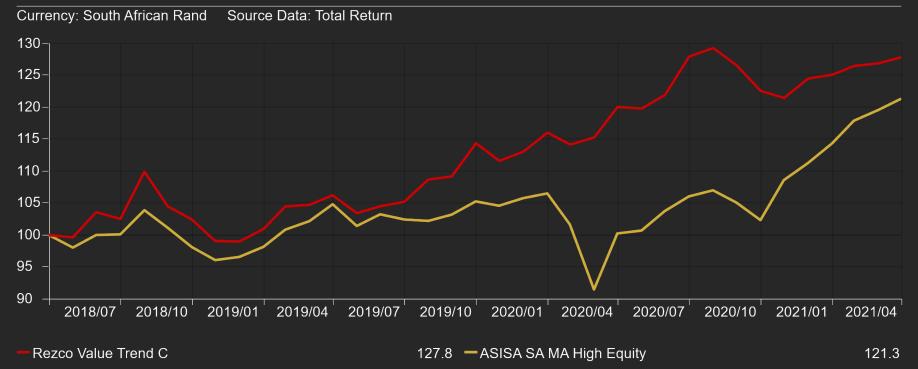
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## **REZCO VALUE TREND - 3 YEARS**

#### Time Period: 2018/05/01 to 2021/04/30



## **REZCO VALUE TREND FUND**

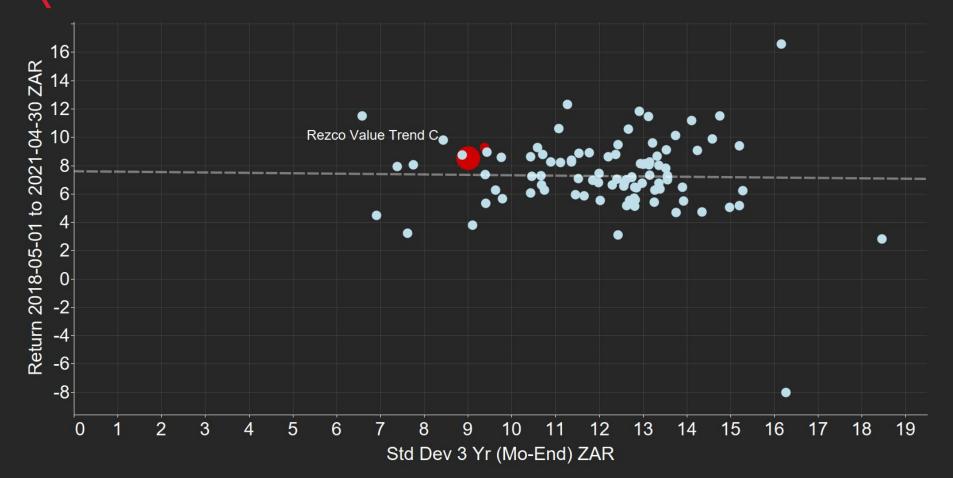
HISTORICAL ASSET ALLOCATION

Portfolio: RVTU

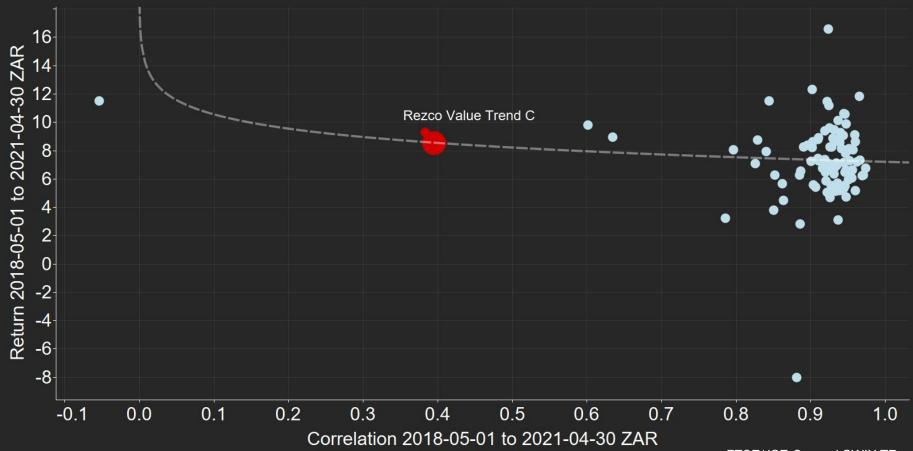
100% 90% 80% 70% 60% % of Fund 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 2004 2005 2006 2007 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2008 2016 Derivatives Equity Listed Property Commodities Bonds Money Market Fund

Source: JTC Group/Rezco

## **REZCO VALUE TREND : RETURN WITH LOW VOLATILITY**



### **REZCO VALUE TREND : LOW CORRELATION TO PEERS**



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## **OUR INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**



## ADJUSTED RETURNS

## RISK CONTROL

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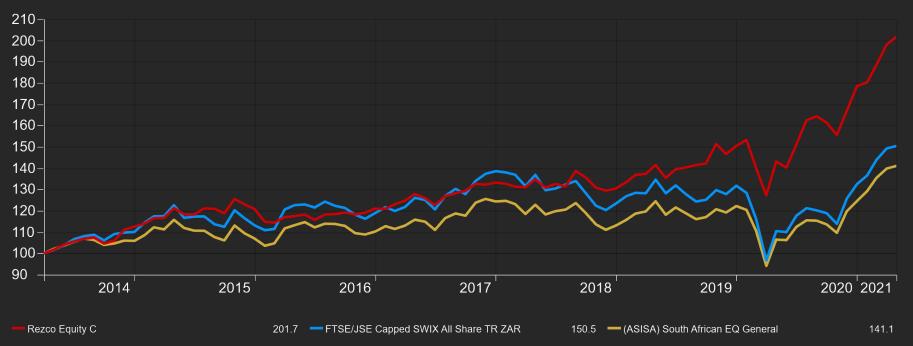


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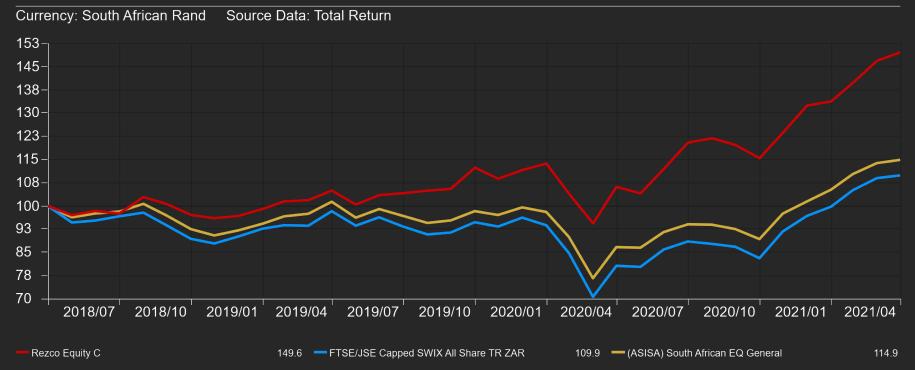
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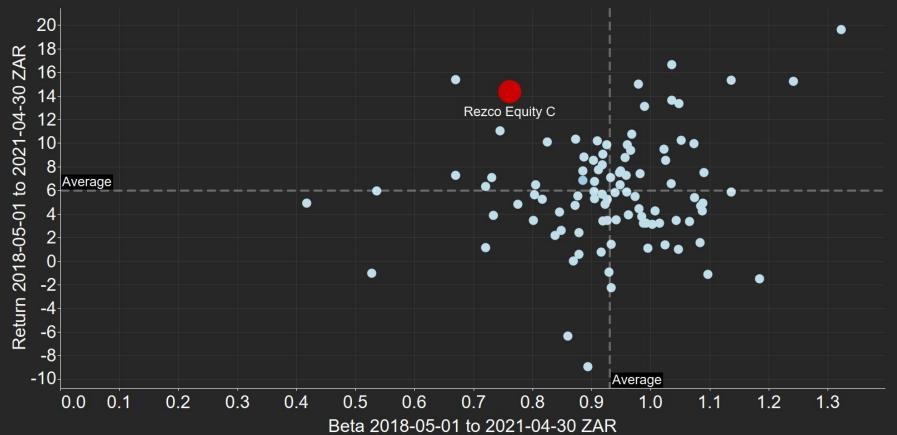


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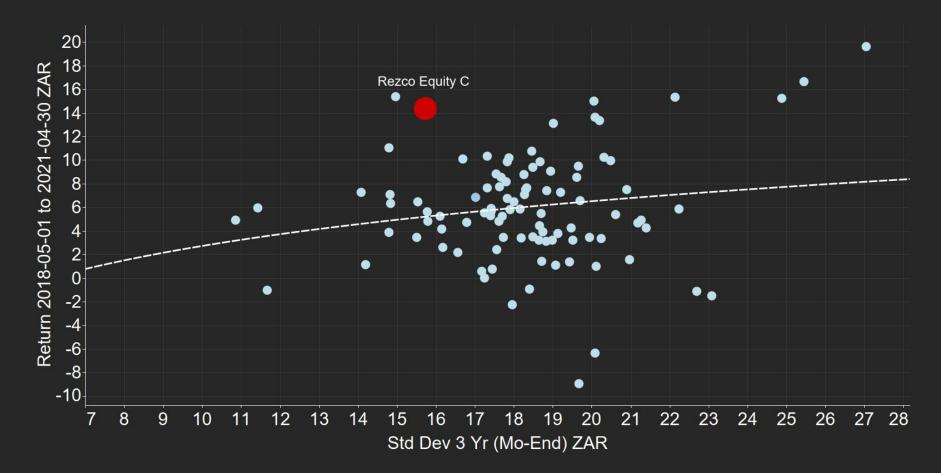


## **REZCO EQUITY FUND : RETURN AND BETA**

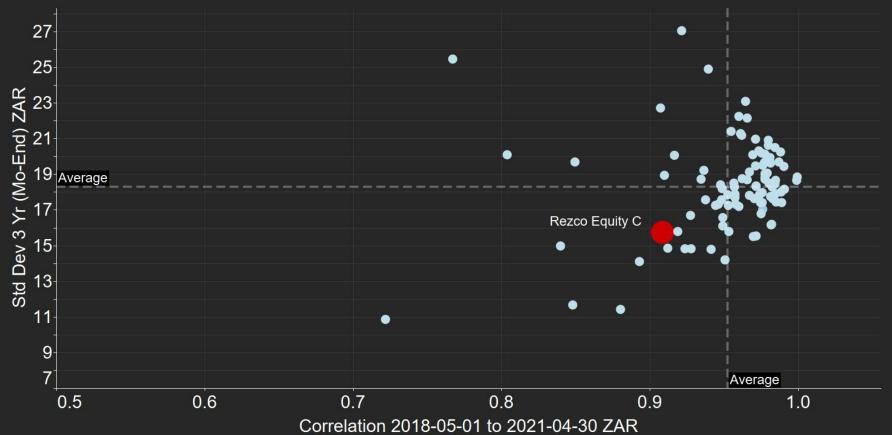


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## **RETURN AND STD DEVIATION**



## LOW CORRELATION AND LOW VOLATILITY



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## DON'T IGNORE THE RISK

SOME LEADING THINKERS ARE SEEING INCREASED RISKS OF A MARKET DISLOCATION.

IF INVESTORS FEEL THAT THERE IS A NON-NEGLIGIBLE PROBABILITY OF THIS HAPPENING:

Take some risk off the table

Find the opportunities that are there

Choose funds with a low correlation to each other



# **THANK YOU**



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