

Basic Materials

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- "The sector consists of companies engaged in the discovery, development, and processing of raw materials"



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Business Analysis

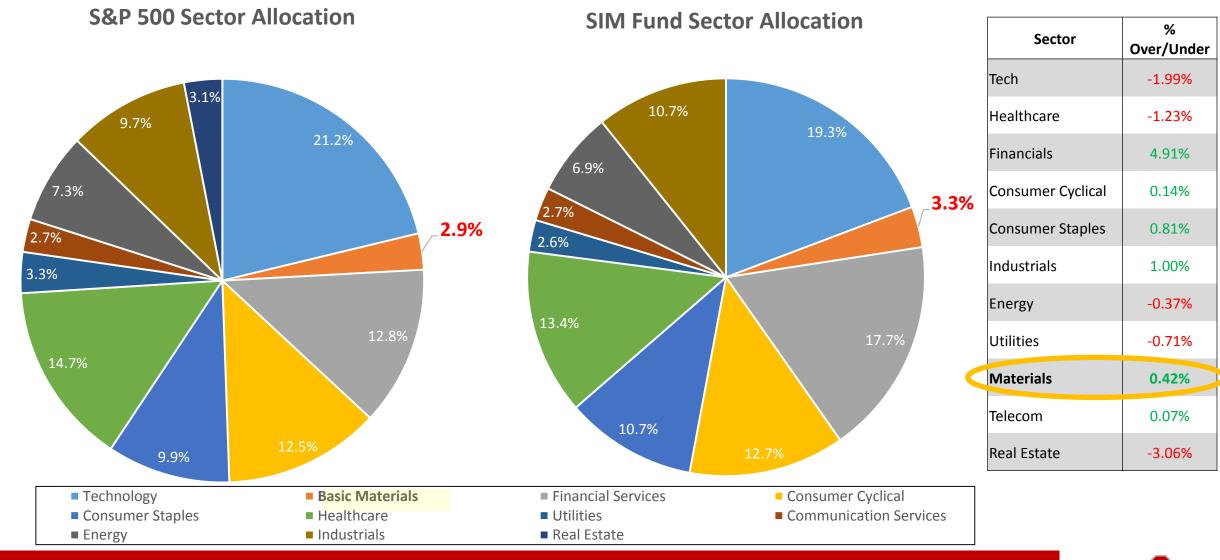
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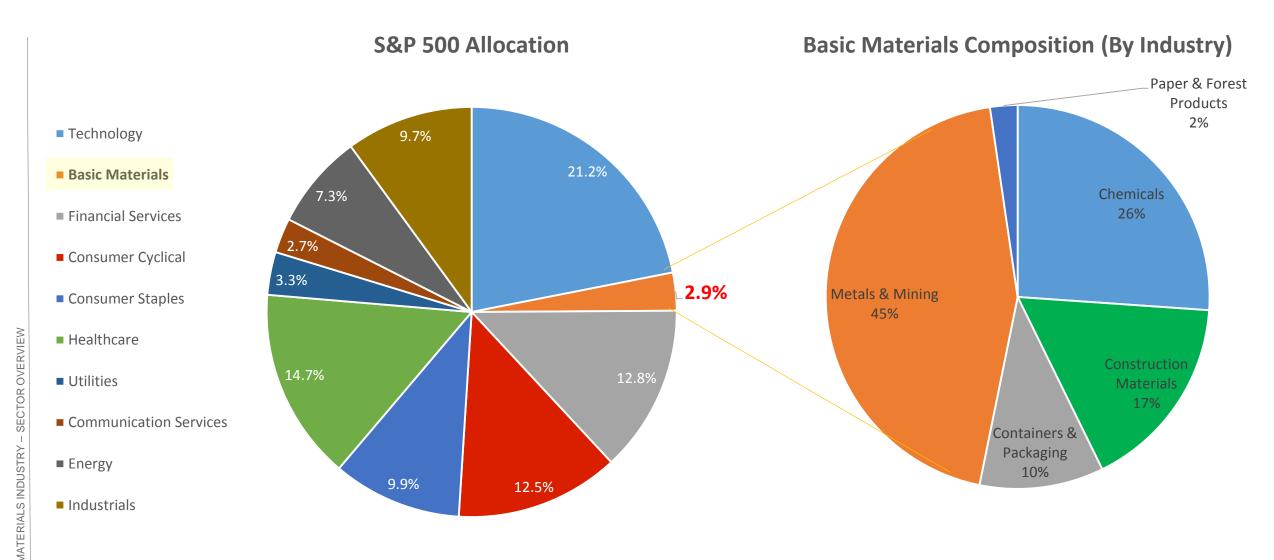
S&P 500 vs SIM Fund Capital Allocations



SECTOR OVERVIEW

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Basic Materials Sector Breakdown





Largest Basic Material Firms by Industry

Industry	# of Companies	Market Capitalization	P/E TTM	5 Yr EPS%	3 Yr Rev.%	5 Yr ROE%
Metals & Mining	496	40.4B (Avg)	493.2	19.09%	-7.65%	5.22%
BHP Billiton Limited		56.6B	-	-	-16.90%	11.49%
Rio Tinto Plc		47.0B	1339.1	-	-11.90%	5.09%
HK Graphene Tech Corp.		26.9B	-	-	-	-
Chemicals	161	23.7B (Avg)	20.8	8.49%	-0.91%	22.38%
BASF SE (ADR)		79.5B	18.1	-2.64%	-0.78%	19.24%
Dow Chemical Co.		60.6B	8.2	27.82%	-4.94%	19.05%
Syngenta AG (ADR)		36.7B	31.2	-0.63%	-1.89%	18.85%
Lyondellbassell Industries		<u>33.4B</u>	<u>8.7</u>	<u>-11.6%</u>	<u>-10.3%</u>	<u>34.6%</u>
The Mosaic Company		<u>8.7B</u>	<u>15.5</u>	-	-	-
Construction Materials	38	15.1B (Avg)	32.6	13.47%	10.58%	
Lafargeholcim Ltd		32.4B	-	-	3.68%	2.13%
CRH Plc (ADR)		27.1B	25.8	7.70%	9.33%	4.11%
Vulcan Materials Co		14.9B	41.4	-	10.05%	1.67%
Containers & Packaging	40	9.5B (Avg)	27.4	6.39%	2.82%	15.88%
International Paper Co.		19.0B	24.7	6.98%	0.78%	16.49%
Ball Corp		13.9B	37.1	-7.60%	-2.90%	33.51%
Amcor Limited		13.3B	56.0	-6.04%	-1.06%	21.01%
Crown Holdings		<u>7.6B</u>	<u>17.4</u>	<u>17.4%</u>	<u>26.4%</u>	<u>25.9%</u>
Paper & Forest Products	49	2.1B (Avg)	61.6	-0.59%	7.47%	
UPM-Kymmene Corp.		12.2B	12.6	9.79%	-1.14%	2.78%
Stora Enso		5.8B	8.6	1.02%	-2.45%	6.03%
Klabin SA		5.0B	11.9	-	10.96%	2.51%



Historic Performance of Materials Sector Vs S&P 500 Index



3 Month Highlights

White Line = Materials Orange Line = S&P 500

Materials has
 Underperformed
 S&P by Total Return
 of 1.83%

Historic Performance of Materials Sector Vs S&P 500 Index



YTD Highlights

White Line = Materials Orange Line = S&P 500

 Materials has outperformed S&P by Total Return of 3.12%

Historic Performance of Materials Sector Vs S&P 500 Index



5 Year Highlights

White Line = Materials Orange Line = S&P 500

Materials has
 Underperformed
 S&P by Total Return
 of 32%

Industry Performance Within Materials Sector



Takeaways:

- Materials Index lagging when compared to S&P 500
- Metals/Mining index currently in decline
- Chemical index tracks S&P and has the highest value relative to the other industries



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Key Sector Influences

Economic Growth/Stability

- Economic conditions largely determine demand
- Level of demand determines pricing of products and commodities

Commodity Prices

- COGS intensive businesses have major pressures on company margins from commodity prices
- Sector is mainly comprised of companies dealing directly with processing/extracting raw materials

Development Costs

Costs to acquire land, build factories, develop mines, and find new resources are high & uncertain

Production Costs

- COGS is heavily dependent on cost of commodities and labor
- Slim Margins in most cases

Regulations

• Government regulations can disturb the economic cycle and the ability to attain resources or labor

Sector Performance by Business Cycle Phase

Cycle Phases

EARLY

- Activity rebounds (GDP, IP, employment, incomes)
- · Credit begins to grow
- · Profits grow rapidly
- · Policy still stimulative
- · Inventories low; sales improve

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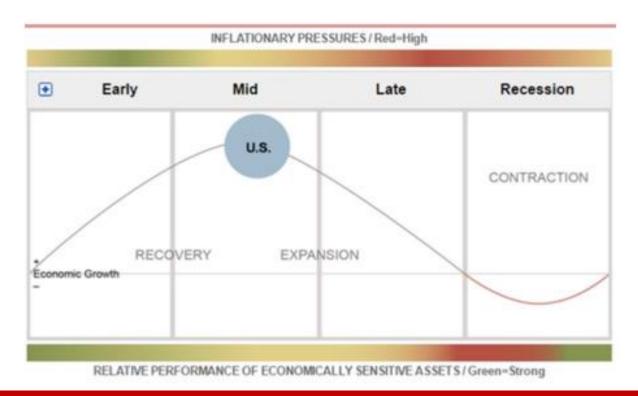
- · Growth peaking
- Credit growth strong
- · Profit growth peaks
- Policy neutral
- · Inventories, sales grow; equilibrium reached

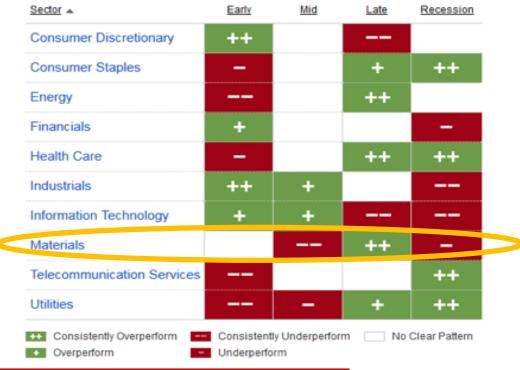
LATE

- · Growth moderating
- Credit tightens
- · Earnings under pressure
- · Policy contractionary
- · Inventories grow; sales growth falls

RECESSION

- · Falling activity
- · Credit dries up
- Profits decline
- Policy eases.
- · Inventories, sales fall





Positive Sector Catalysts

Increasing Demand from Emerging markets

Continued infrastructure creation

Beneficial Economic Policies

Low Chinese Inflation

Notable Sector Risks

Decreasing demand in China

Oversupply – Rising Inventory levels

Increasing Labor Costs

Fixed level of non-renewable resources

Porter's 5 Forces

Power of Suppliers-Low

- Majority of firms are vertically integrated backward down supply chain toward source material
- Existence of Suppliers Limited

Existing Competition Rivalry- High

- Established firms in mature industries
- Low differentiation in products offered between competitors

Threat of Substitutes - Low

Limited substitutes for raw materials

Bargaining Power of Buyer - High

- Little to no product differentiation between companies in each industry
- Low switching costs between suppliers

Threat of New Entrants – Low

- Large Initial Capital Investments
- Must acquire resources (Mines, Forests, Land)
- Environmental Regulations
- Limited Geography

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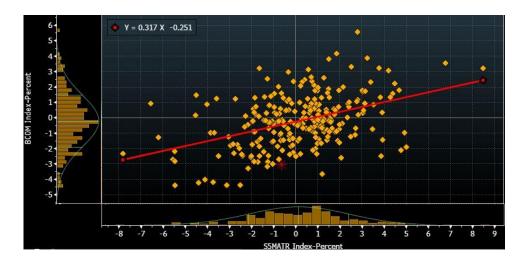
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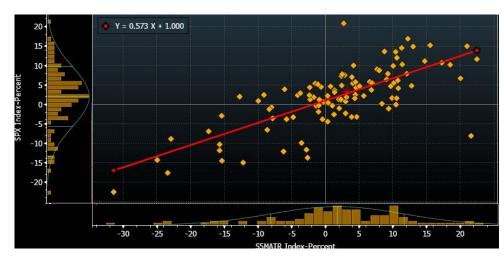


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Important Economic Factors

Commodities





S&P 500

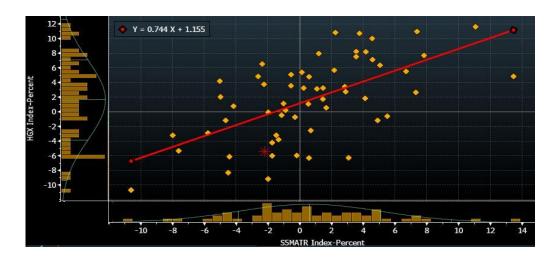
Takeaways:

- Both of these factors have high correlation with the Materials sector
- Commodities act as a good predictor because they are the inputs for Materials companies
- The S&P 500 also acts as a predictor because if demand for goods is dropping, the demand for the raw material inputs decrease as well

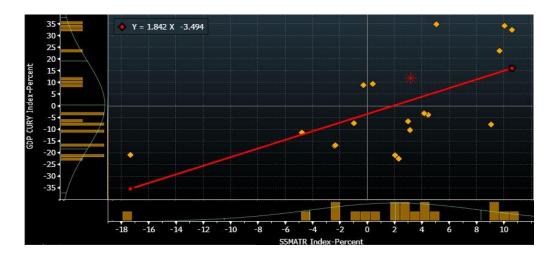
TERIALS INDUSTRY – ECONOMIC ANALYS

Important Economic Factors

Housing Starts







Takeaways:

- Both of these factors also have some correlation with the Materials sector
- New Housing Starts acts as a good predictor because the inputs for construction are supplied by Materials companies
- GDP also acts as a predictor because if demand for goods is dropping, the demand for the raw material inputs decrease as well

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		CY 2012	CY 2013	CY 2014	CY 2015	Current	CY 2016 Est	CY 2017 Est
12	Months Ending	12/31/2012	12/31/2013	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	11/07/2016	12/31/2016	12/31/2017
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111	Price/Earnings	16.33	18.92	18.40	17.14	18.57	18.37	15.88
<u>[a1</u>	Price/Earnings, Positive	15.84	18.24	18.40	16.75	18.57	18.37	15.88
101	Price/Earnings before XO	21.16	25.47	23.14	38.25	30.80		
<u>lat</u>	Price/Book Value	2.63	2.91	3.49	3.32	3.57	3.47	3.05
101	EV/Sales	1.48	1.74	1.90	1.90	2.18	2.19	2.09
111	EV/EBIT	12.94	15.53	17.09	23.96	23.69		
101	EV/EBITDA	8.98	10.46	11.37	13.54	14.01	10.04	9.15
<u>la1</u>	Dividend Yield	2.55	2.24	2.12	2.31	2.23	2.26	2.37
	Fundamentals							
101	Gross Margin	24.13	24.22	25.88	25.49	26.62		
<u>lat</u>	Operating Margin	11.46	11.20	11.03	7.99	9.24		
101	Profit Margin	5.91	6.93	7.02	4.57	5.32		
<u> 111</u>	Return on Assets	4.50	5.06	5.08	2.95	3.27	5.76	6.74
111	Return on Equity	12.92	14.60	14.44	9.54	11.04	18.67	20.75

Takeaways:

- Sales and Earnings growth rates are expected to remain stable in to the near future
- Margins have remained fairly constant and that trend is expected to continue
- One very positive sign is that Return on Equity is expected to pick up substantially in the coming two years

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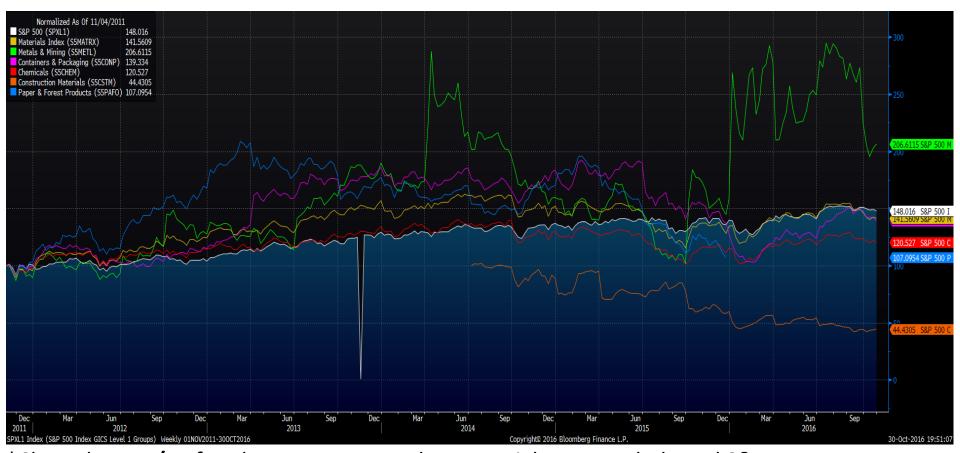




Takeaways:

- Price/Sales is at its 52 week high
- Price/Free Cash Flow is lagging significantly compared to other metrics
- Price/Book has seen a rebound recently
- Price/Earnings is at 18.57 for the Materials sector

Price/Earnings



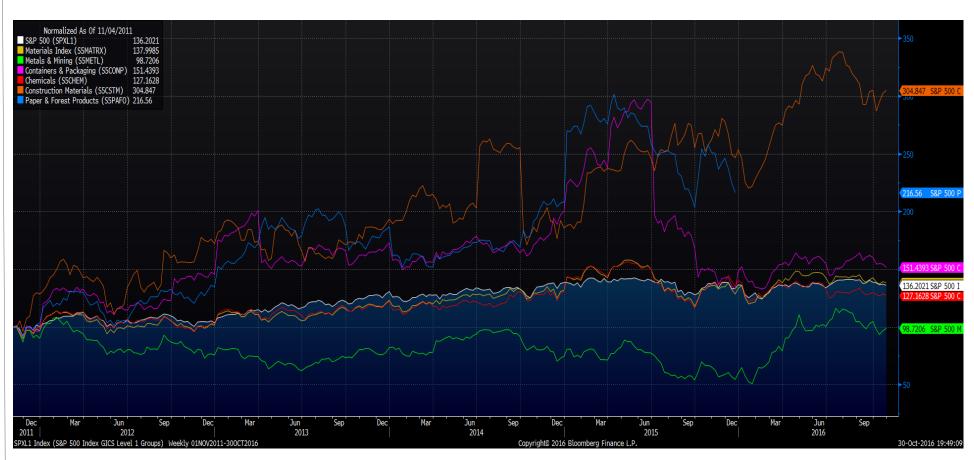
Takeaway:

Most of the P/E ratios in this sector are below the overall market as shown by the relative position of the S&P 500

^{*}Chart shows P/E of each sector compared to Materials sector whole and S&P

^{*}Chart is normalized using a factor so the values are not actual P/E's

Price/Book



Takeaway:

The Price/Book ratios in this sector are widely dispersed, with the S&P 500 falling in the middle

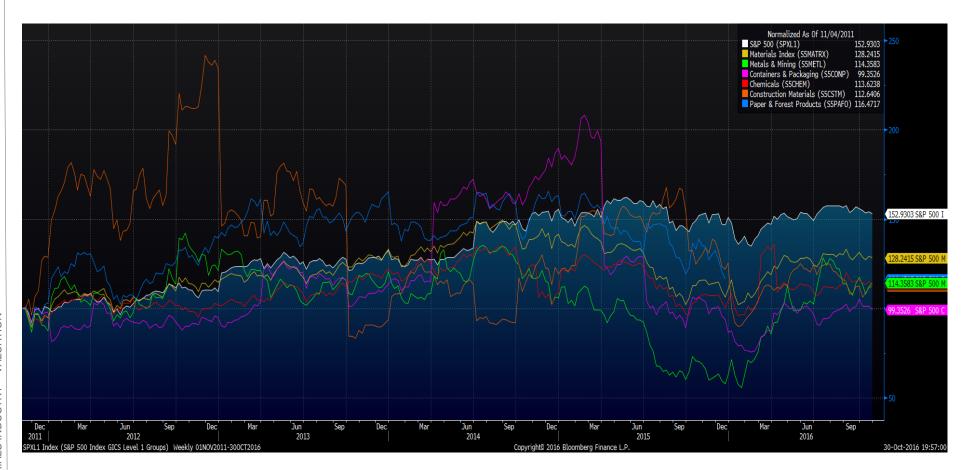
Price/Sales



Takeaway:

The Price/Sales ratios in the Materials sector are generally lower than the overall market

Price/Cash Flow



Takeaway:

The Price/CF in the Materials sector is significantly lower than that overall market



Technical Analysis



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Recommendations

Equal Weight Materials Sector

Positives: Emerging Markets and Infrastructure Investment

Risks: Rising Inventory Levels and Labor Costs

Overweight: Chemicals industry

Avoid: Metals & Mining industry



