

Weekly Research Focus

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The construction sector has moved up into the top 5 group of our sector attractiveness rankings due to an improving technical and fundamental outlook, including strength in the underlying catalytic scores. The business services sector also joins the top 5 group, principally due to technical analytics. The utilities and autos sectors were displaced from the top 5. In the case of the utilities sector, weakness in underlying catalytic scores was the culprit; whereas for the autos sector, deteriorating technical properties were a key factor.

Table 1 – Current Sector Rankings and Changed from Last Report (as of February 23, 2018)

,	PREVIOUS INTEGRATED RANK	CURRENT INTEGRATED RANK	CHANGE IN RANK
CONSUMER STAPLES	1	1	0
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS	2	2	0
CONSTRUCTION	7	3	4
CONGLOMERATES	4	4	0
BUSINESS SERVICES	9	5	4
RETAIL-WHOLESALE	6	6	0
TRANSPORTATION	8	7	1
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	10	8	2
UTILITIES	3	9	-6
AEROSPACE	11	10	1
FINANCE	12	11	1
COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY	13	12	1
AUTO-TIRES-TRUCKS	5	13	-8
BASIC MATERIALS	14	14	0
MEDICAL	15	15	0
OILS-ENERGY	16	16	0

Table 2 – Current Sector Rankings with Rankings for Absolute-Scale & Relative-Scale Metrics

		ABSOLU	ABSOLUTE-SCALE METRICS			RELATIVE-SCALE METRICS					
SECTOR	CURRENT INTEGRATED RANK	Techni Outlo RAN	ok	undamental Outlook RANK		CURRENT RELATIVE SCALE RANK	VALUATION RANK	TECHNICAL RANK	CATALYTIC RANK		
CONSUMER STAPLES	1	2		2		4	9	2	5		
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS	2	6		5		9	11	7	4		
CONSTRUCTION	3	10		1		1	8	6	1		
CONGLOMERATES	4	15		4		11	12	5	6		
BUSINESS SERVICES	5	7		8		12	14	15	9		
RETAIL-WHOLESALE	6	9		6		5	3	10	13		
TRANSPORTATION	7	4		9		6	5	9	11		
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	8	11		7		7	10	12	7		
UTILITIES	9	1		14		8	1	1	12		
AEROSPACE	10	16		3		14	16	16	2		
FINANCE	11	3		12		13	6	3	16		
COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY	12	13		11		15	13	14	10		
AUTO-TIRES-TRUCKS	13	14		10		3	2	11	3		
BASIC MATERIALS	14	8		13		10	7	13	15		
MEDICAL	15	12		15		16	15	8	14		
OILS-ENERGY	16	5		16		2	4	4	8		

Table 3 – Historical Sector Rankings (last 12 months)

SECTOR	Current Sector Rank 02/23/2018	DEC 2017	NOV 2017	OCT 2017	SEP 2017	AUG 2017	JUL 2017	JUN 2017	MAY 2017	APR 2017	MAR 2017	FEB 2017	JAN 2017	AVG HST RANK
CONSUMER STAPLES	1	16	15	16	11	15	11	14	9	11	6	11	15	12.5
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS	2	3	2	5	3	4	5	4	4	2	5	2	6	3.8
CONSTRUCTION	3	5	7	6	6	7	2	3	6	5	3	4	14	5.7
CONGLOMERATES	4	7	1	7	15	10	14	1	1	16	13	16	16	9.8
BUSINESS SERVICES	5	11	9	13	7	9	7	5	8	7	11	8	2	8.1
RETAIL-WHOLESALE	6	15	16	11	14	13	13	13	14	13	9	7	4	11.8
TRANSPORTATION	7	12	14	14	13	12	4	12	12	10	15	13	13	12.0
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	8	10	10	2	1	3	9	8	5	15	14	9	12	8.2
UTILITIES	9	13	8	8	9	8	10	15	16	9	8	14	10	10.7
AEROSPACE	10	8	11	15	5	2	1	9	13	14	7	5	8	8.2
FINANCE	11	1	12	10	4	1	3	2	7	3	2	3	3	4.3
COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY	12	6	3	3	2	5	8	6	10	8	10	12	7	6.7
AUTO-TIRES-TRUCKS	13	4	6	1	10	6	6	10	2	6	12	10	9	6.8
BASIC MATERIALS	14	2	4	4	12	16	15	16	11	4	4	6	5	8.3
MEDICAL	15	14	13	9	8	14	12	11	15	12	16	15	11	12.5
OILS-ENERGY	16	9	5	12	16	11	16	7	3	1	1	1	1	6.9

Table 4 – Highlighted Names from Most and Least Attractive Sectors (February 23, 2018)

Most Attractive Names from the Most Attractive Sectors

Least Attractive Names
from the
Least Attractive Sectors

	Polaris All-Cap Core Universe						
	Company	Ticker					
	CONSUMER STAPLES						
1	Campbell Soup	СРВ					
2	Coca Cola Bottl	COKE					
3	Matthews Intl-A	MATW					
	INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS						
1	Berry Globl Grp	BERY					
2	Silgan Holdings	SLGN					
3	Regal Beloit	RBC					
	<u>CONSTRUCTION</u>						
1	Meritage Homes	MTH					
2	Tutor Perini Cp	TPC					
3	Us Concrete Inc	USCR					
	CONGLOMERATES						
1	Utd Techs Corp	UTX					
2	Crane Co	CR					
3	Leucadia Natl	LUK					
	BUSINESS SERVICES						
1	Delphi Tech Plc	DLPH					
2	Nielsen Holdngs	NLSN					
3	Clean Harbors	CLH					

	Polaris All-Cap Core Universe						
	Company	Ticker					
	OILS-ENERGY						
1	Core Labs Nv	CLB					
2	Natl Oilwell Vr	NOV					
3	Dril-Quip Inc	DRQ					
	<u>MEDICAL</u>						
1	Nevro Corp	NVRO					
2	Ionis Pharmact	IONS					
3	Quidel Corp	QDEL					
	BASIC MATERIALS						
1	Intl F & F	IFF					
2	Yamana Gold Inc	AUY					
3	Domtar Corp	UFS					
	AUTO-TIRES-TRUCKS						
1	Visteon Corp	VC					
2	Cooper-Standard	CPS					
3	Navistar Intl	NAV					
H	COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY						
1	Cyber-Ark Sftwr	CYBR					
2	Synaptics Inc	SYNA					
3	Check Pt Softw	СНКР					

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