

WALL STREET VS. MAIN STREET

The Search for Relative Value

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HISTORICAL AVERAGE:

2.3% premium to NAV 117 bps to UST, (120) bps to BBB 1.16x ratio S&P 500 P/E to REIT P/AFFO

5/18:

7.0% discount to NAV Spreads: 149 to UST, (37) to BBB 0.81x ratio

4/10:

30.0% premium to NAV Spreads: (4) to UST, (246) to BBB 0.65x ratio

3/09:

27.0% discount to NAV Spreads: 636 to UST, 57 to BBB 1.26x ratio

1/07:

12.3% premium to NAV Spreads: (141) to UST, (300) to BBB 0.58x ratio

12/99:

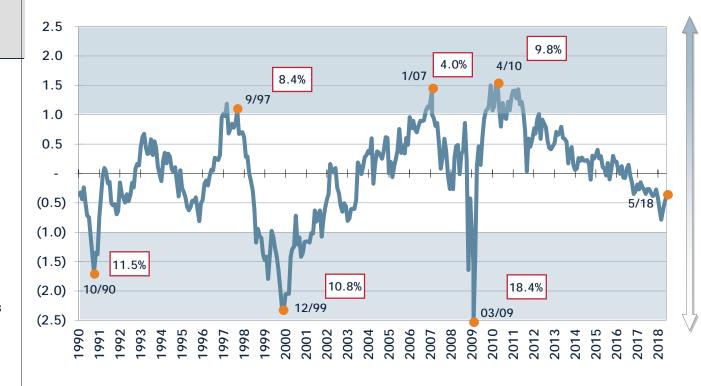
17.9% discount to NAV Spreads: 226 to UST, 52 to BBB 3.10x ratio

9/97:

33.5% premium to NAV Spreads: (65) to UST, (221) to BBB 1.46x ratio

10/90:

36.4% discount to NAV Spreads: 250 to UST, 34 to BBB 1.25x ratio



Annualized return from point in time through May 31, 2018.



(Red means listed RE is more richly valued by this metric versus long-term averages, green means it is relatively inexpensive versus those averages.)

Source: AEW Research

As of May 31, 2018. Past performance is not indicative of future results.



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Fairly Valued

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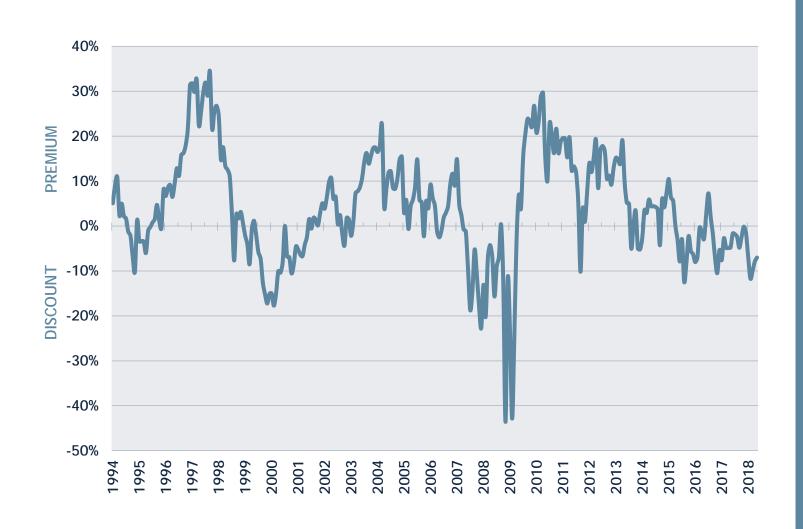
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REIT PREMIUM/DISCOUNT TO NAV

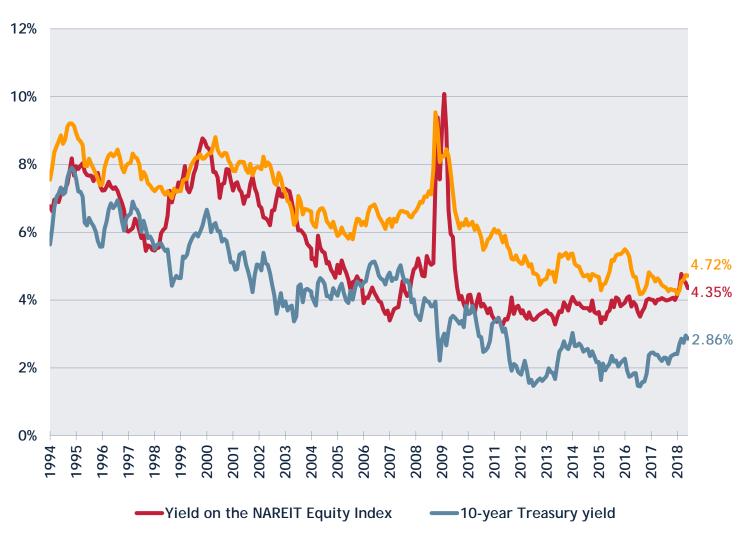


- There have been 30 M&A deals totaling \$63B announced or completed over oneyear ending 6/26/18, up from 22 deals totaling \$35B in the prior oneyear period
- Retail REITs led the oneyear M&A activity with roughly \$14B in transactions, followed by diversified (\$13B) and residential (\$12B)
- 15 REITs in 1Q18 announced new share repurchase programs or increases to existing plans, following 31 REIT repurchase announcements in 2017

Source: Green Street Advisors As of May 31, 2018. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

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RELATIVE YIELDS DURING THE MODERN REIT ERA



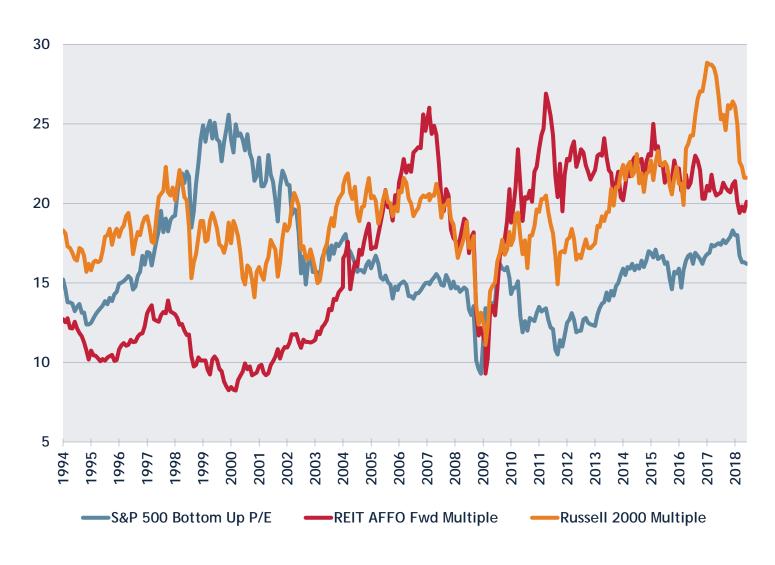
- REIT dividend yields briefly surpassed Moody's BAA yields in February before the sector rallied; they remain tighter to corporate bonds than usual
- On average, REIT dividend yields have been halfway between BAA yields and 10 year Treasury yields
- Low payout ratios and earnings growth both mean REIT dividend growth should continue to be solid

Source: NAREIT, Bloomberg

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MULTIPLE COMPARISON

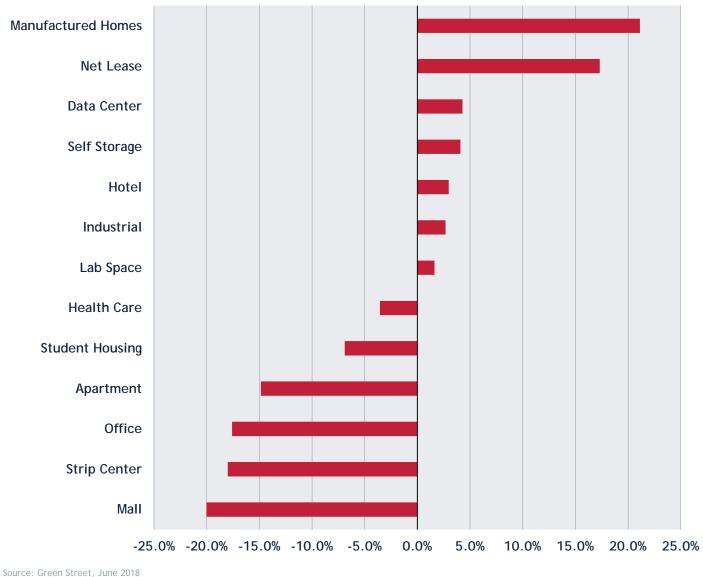
REITS vs. General Equities



- Since 2011, REIT
 multiples have been flat
 to down slightly while
 stock multiples have
 trended up
- REIT multiples may never look as discounted relative to other stocks as they did in the tech bubble era

Source: Evercore ISI, FTSE Russell
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REIT PREMIUM/DISCOUNT TO NAV BY SECTOR



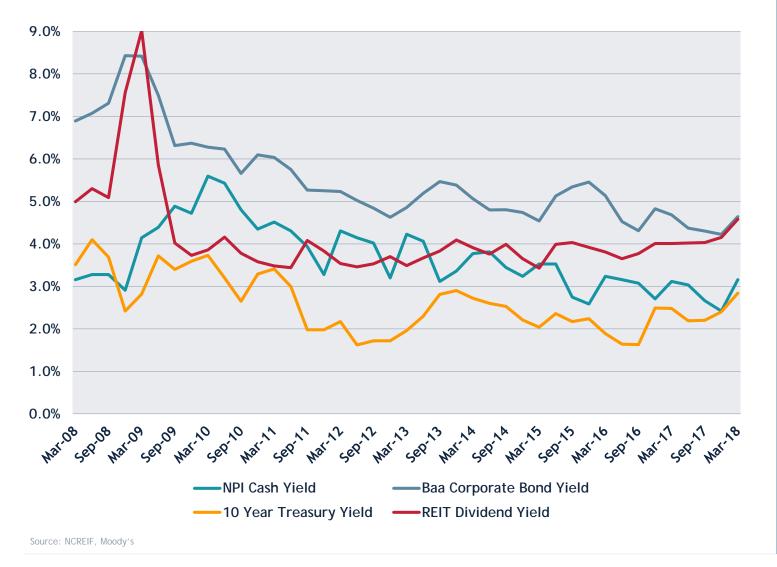
Most traditional institutional property types trading at discounts to underlying NAV in public market



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DIRECT PROPERTY = TREASURIES, LISTED = BAA

CASH YIELDS, FOUR QUARTER MOVING AVERAGES



- Listed property yields now comparable to Baa bonds
- Direct property cash yields now comparable to Treasuries



STRONGEST NOI GROWTH OF THE CYCLE IS BEHIND US



 Positive but slower NOI growth expected over the next two-to-three years

Source: NCREIF, Green Street



NOI GROWTH AND CAP RATES



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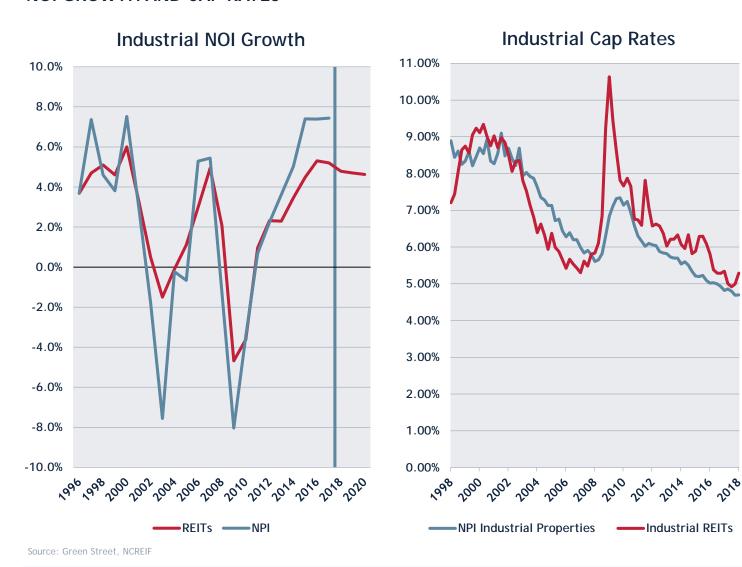


Cap rate spread between listed and direct markets roughly at average for the past two decades

Source: Green Street, NCREIF



NOI GROWTH AND CAP RATES



Comparable industrial property pricing in both markets



Industrial REITs

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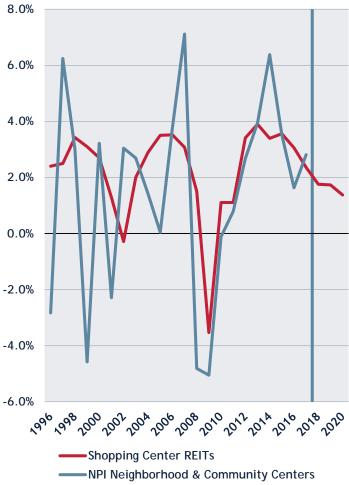
Office property cap rates nearing 6% in public market

Source: Green Street, NCREIF



NOI GROWTH AND CAP RATES

Shopping Center NOI Growth



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Shopping Center Cap Rates

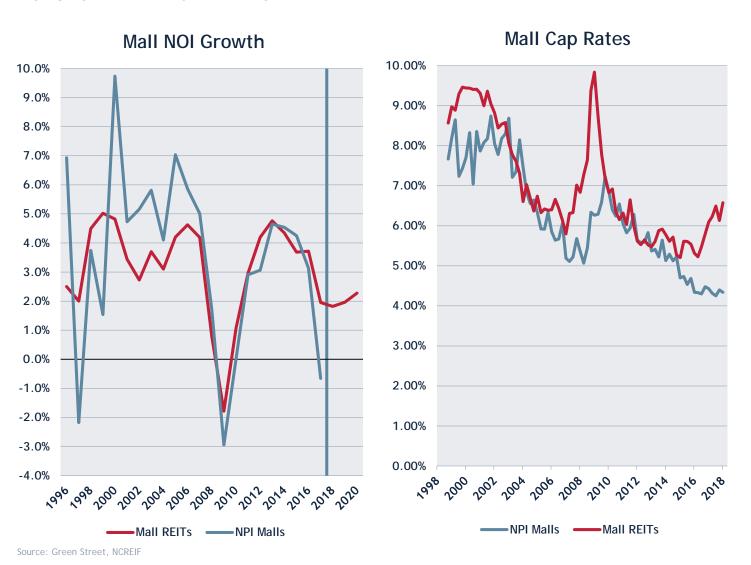


Shopping centers trading at large discount to NAV in listed market

Source: Green Street, NCREIF



NOI GROWTH AND CAP RATES



Mall NOI growth holding up better in **REIT-owned properties**



CONCLUSIONS

- U.S. REITs are attractively valued relative to other yield assets and direct property
- Traditional institutional property types least favored in public market
- Implied property cap rates from current REIT valuations much higher than private market
- History suggests that public market over-adjusts and ultimately moves back towards private market pricing



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