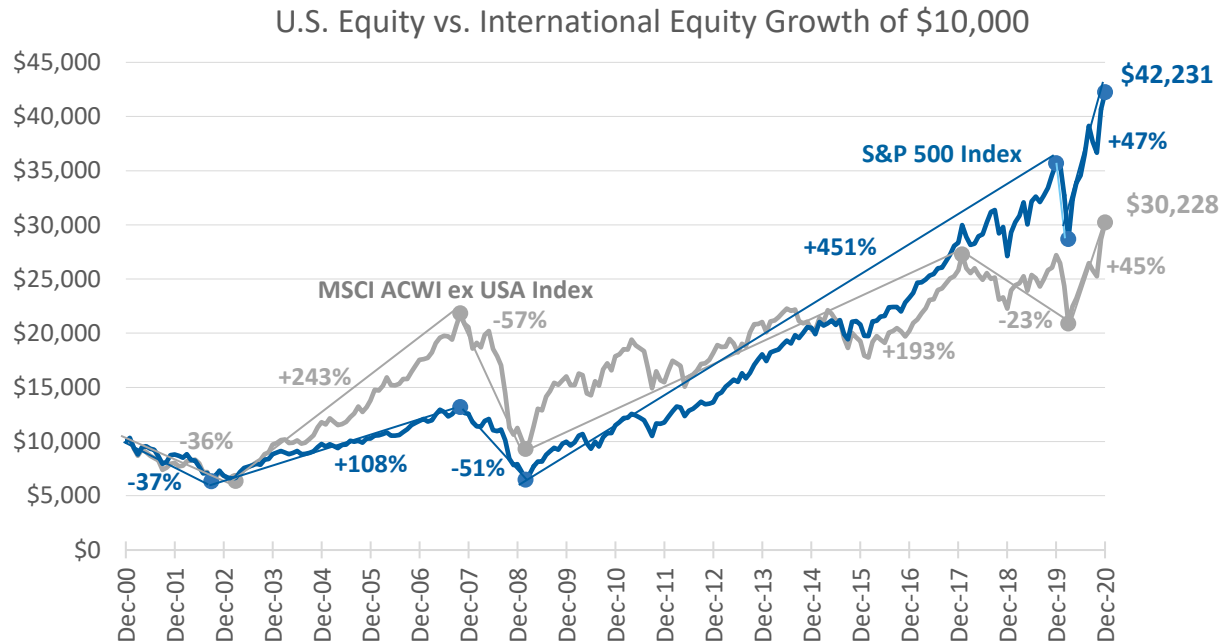


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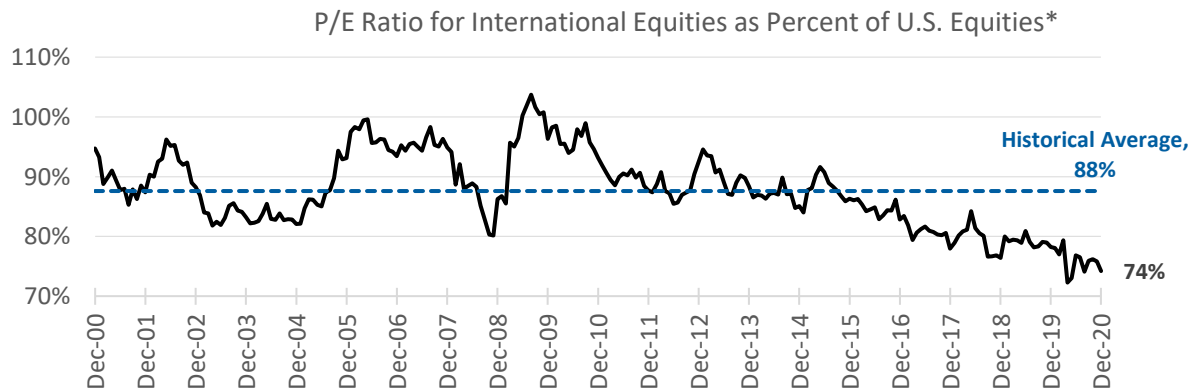
We believe now may be an ideal time to invest in international equities.

- The performance cycle may be due for a reversal in favor of international equities and valuations are attractive
- Current P/E ratio for international equities is 74% of U.S. equities vs. its historical average of 88%
- Current P/E ratio for international equities is 16.5x vs. 21.8x for U.S. equities

	Current P/E	20-Yr Average
S&P 500 Index	22.5x	15.5x
MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	16.7x	13.5x
As % of U.S. P/E	76%	88%

Source: FactSet, Baron Capital.

Note: Index performance includes dividends. The performance of the MSCI ACWI ex USA Index is gross, in USD



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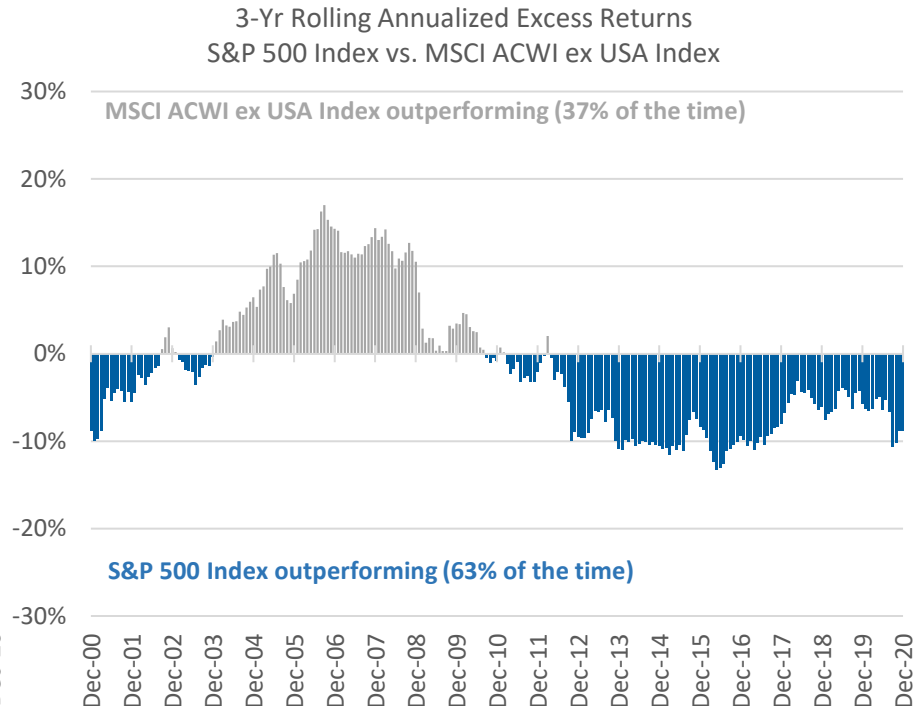
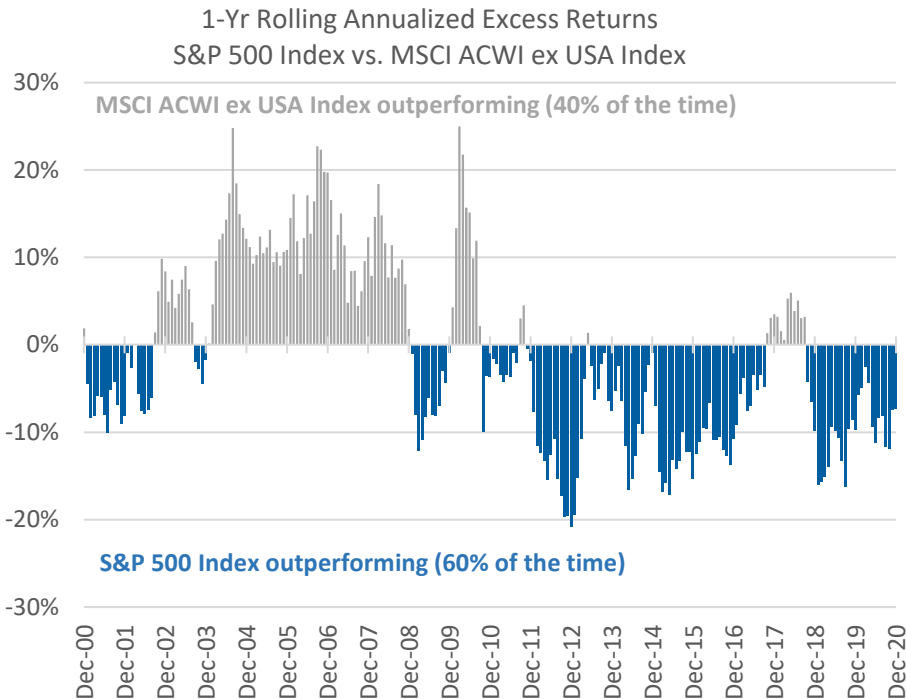
\*Next 12 months of MSCI ACWI ex USA Index as % of next 12 months P/E of S&P 500 Index.

Price/Earnings Ratio is a valuation ratio of a company's current share price compared to its estimated earnings per share over the next twelve months.

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