

MONTHLY MARKET INSIGHT

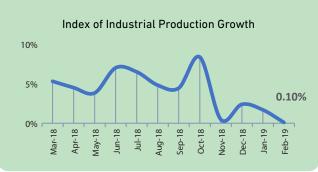
APRIL 2019

Market Indicators	Returns (%)			
	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y
Nifty 50	15.2	9.4	14.4	11.9
BSE Sensex	15.2	11.0	15.1	11.7
BSE 100	13.3	6.4	14.2	12.1
Nifty 500	12.4	1.8	13.6	12.9
Nifty Midcap 100	4.2	-13.4	10.0	14.9
BSE Small Cap	4.4	-20.5	9.9	14.3
Prices of Gold	0.1	2.2	2.0	1.3
CRISIL Aggressive	10.4	6.5	12.7	12.6
CRISIL Conservative	6.6	7.8	8.5	9.8

Performance as on April 30, 2019 Returns over one year are annualised

Consumer Inflation 6% 4% 2.86% Way-18 Pec-18 Pec-18 Pec-18 Way-18 Way







THE NEWSMAKERS

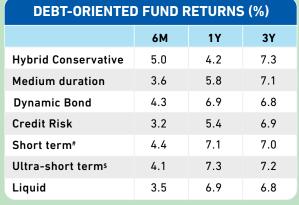
- Broad indices ended April on a tame note, amidst high volatility.
 Corporate results for the quarter ended March 2019 began coming in, with reported earnings more or less in line with expectations. The NIFTY 50 was up 1.1% for the month while the S&P BSE Sensex gained 0.9%.
- Markets experienced relief as the Indian Meteorological Department forecast a normal monsoon with rainfall predicted at 96% of the 50-year average.
- Retail inflation rose for the second month in a row, owing to higher food prices. Consumer Price Index inflation stood at 2.86% in March compared to 2.57% in February.
- Wholesale Price Index inflation increased to 3.2% in March 2019 from 2.9% in February 2019. WPI inflation rose to 4.3% in FY-2019 as opposed to 2.9% in FY-2018.
- Industrial output growth shrank to a 20-month low of 0.1% in February due to a manufacturing sector slowdown, according to data released by the Central Statistics Office (CSO).
- Nikkei Manufacturing PMI slowed to a six-month low of 52.6 in March against 54.3 in February. Factory orders and production expanded at the slowest pace since September while job creation slowed to an eight-month low.
- The IMF lowered its global economic growth outlook in 2019 to 3.3% from the 3.5% it had projected in January. This is its third downward revision of growth expectations in six months.
- Brent crude rose 6.2% in April. The USA declared an end to the waivers on sanctions on Iranian oil, sending prices higher. Escalating domestic tensions in Libya, along with US sanctions on Venezuelan oil further pushed prices.

Source: MOSPI and Markit Economics

HOW FUNDS HAVE PERFORMED

EQUITY-ORIENTED FUND RETURNS (%)					
	1Y	3Y	5Y		
LargeCap	3.9	12.4	13.2		
Large & Mid	-2.2	13.2	15.5		
Multicap*	-0.8	13.2	15.1		
ELSS	-1.4	13.0	15.0		
Midcap	-9.4	11.4	17.2		
Smallcap	-16.7	11.4	18.7		
Hybrid Aggressive	0.8	10.9	12.6		

^{*} Includes Value, Dividend Yield and Focused funds



includes short duration and banking & PSU funds

\$ includes low duration, ultra-short duration, money market and floater funds

Average returns for each category as of April 30, 2019.
Returns over 1 year are annualised.







WHAT OUR RESEARCH TEAM IS SAYING

The 2019 stock market rally explained

Post the dream run of 2017, markets had a tough time last year. Mid and small-caps corrected heavily, while large-caps gave sub-par returns. 2019, however, has seen a broad-based rally and quite a sharp one at that. What's changed?

- FIIs turned net buyers as global sentiment turned upbeat early in the year
- Expectations of a stable government gave cause for cheer

Source: AMFI

Beaten-down stocks and sectors have seen a recovery

Read more here



Changes to the FundsIndia Select Funds list

2018 was an interesting year for mutual funds. The slide in equities highlighted funds' ability to perform in tough times while the debt market crisis showed up funds' risk-mitigating strategies and the complexity in debt structures. With lessons learnt from all this, we have

- Tightened the reins on our Select Funds' list
- Started a new list of funds removed from the Select list, which can continue as part of your portfolio
- Made changes to the way we analyse funds to reflect the changing market dynamics

Read the detailed report here