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DEMAND FOR DIVIDENDS

During the second quarter, demand for dividend stocks continued as long-term Treasury bonds rose a surprising 4.7%. Since the financial crisis, the persistent low interest rate environment has fueled the dividend equity strategy as one of the few income plays. Currently valuations in the large cap Dow Jones Industrial Index are trading at 15.8X earnings versus the S&P 500 Index at 18.1X. This lower valuation combined with a higher current dividend yield of 2.16% versus the S&P 500 yield of 1.90% may provide attractive 2014 returns for bargain hunters.

With the 10-year Treasury yield at 2.53%, we feel dividend investing may be an attractive conservative strategy, possibly providing income and growth which is often accompanied by a lower beta. Shorter term, a rising interest rate environment may hinder the dividend strategy but history has shown longer term investing in quality dividend stocks with strong earnings has outperformed since the late 1930s.

Executive Summary

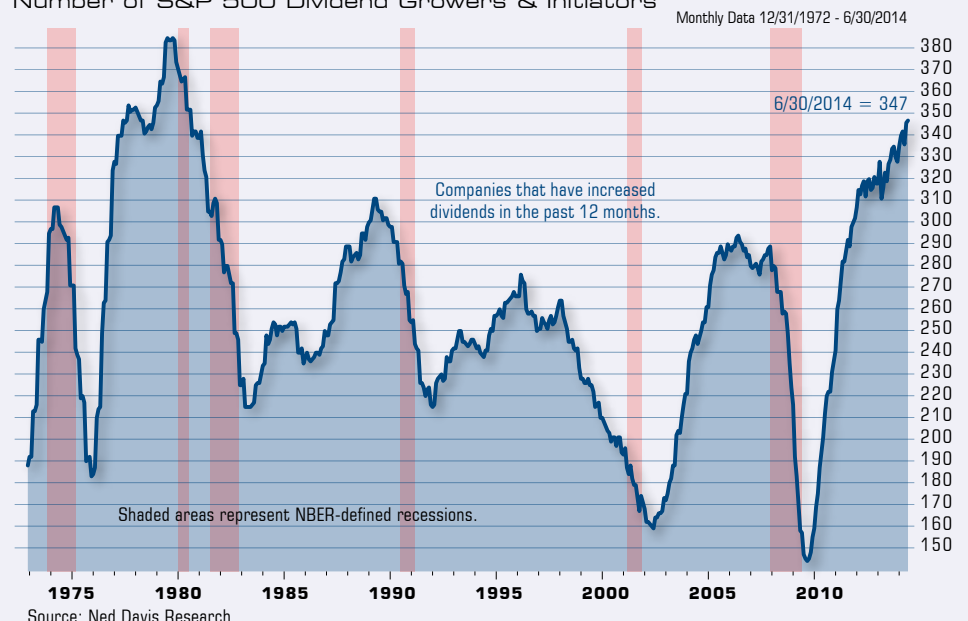
Bargain Hunters Eye the Dow: Current valuations in the Dow are lower than the S&P 500 and have a higher dividend yield, possibly signaling attractive returns on the horizon.

Second Quarter Leaders: Energy and Technology

Second Quarter Laggards: Financials, Telecommunications, and Discretionary

Taking a Long-Term Approach: Rising rates may hinder dividend strategies in the short term, but longer term investing in quality dividend stocks with strong earnings has outperformed since the late 1930s.

Number of S&P 500 Dividend Growers & Initiators



Source: Ned Davis Research

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The number of companies paying a dividend in the S&P 500 Index (425 companies) rose to a new high of 85%, which is the highest since 1995. Of the companies that paid a dividend, 80% also increased their 12 month dividend per share (DPS) payout year over year (see chart).

Sectors

For six consecutive quarters ending June 2014, Information Technology (IT) stocks led the S&P 500 sectors year over year in DPS growth of 24.2%. The portfolio is overweight Technology as increased earnings and dividends are expected into 2015. For the quarter, the Technology sector was the third highest performer increasing 6.05%. Late cycle bull market performers such as Energy up 11.45% and Utilities which rose 6.79% could be a potentially bearish sign indicating the end stages of the bull market. After several years of underperformance, Energy is one of the most undervalued sectors but 2014 earnings are expected to rise 10% which may result in continued outperformance.

During the quarter, the portfolio was overweight Energy and Technology by increasing positions in British Petroleum (BP), Williams Group (WMB) and Hewlett Packard (HPQ). The poorest performing sectors for the quarter were Financials (+ 1.84%), Telecommunications (+2.50%) and Discretionary (+3.13%). The portfolio was underweighted Discretionary and Financials due to the sale of Las Vegas Sands (LVS) and U.S. Bancorp (USB) and continued to hold one position in Telecommunications which is Verizon (VZ). Three middle-of-the-road performing sectors were Healthcare (+4.06%), Consumer Staples (+3.94%) and Industrials (+3.31%). The portfolio is slightly underweight these sectors although we are still positive on Industrials and Healthcare. The largest individual stock positions are Apple (AAPL), ConocoPhillips (COP), and LyondellBasell (LYB) while the smallest portfolio positions include PPG (PPG), Time Warner (TWC) and Ventas (VTR).

Sources: Bloomberg, Factset, Ned Davis

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