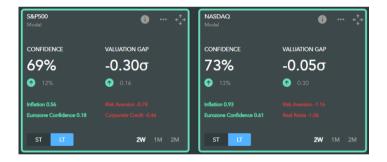


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- Sometimes the hardest part of investing, is doing nothing.
- One of the more striking features looking across asset classes on Qi is how close to home so many models are. Qi's Valuation Gaps are negligible in the majority of cases.
- Both the <u>S&P500</u> & <u>NASDAQ</u> sit virtually on top of macro-warranted model value. What happens next depends on how the macro factors shift.
- Both regimes are very similar but there are a few subtle differences in emphasis. Real yields & the Dollar matter more for tech for example.



The same is true for the <u>Nikkei 225</u> & <u>Euro Stoxx 600</u> - current market levels are very close to macro fair value. The former is not in regime so sensitivities come with a health warning but risk aversion dominates both models.

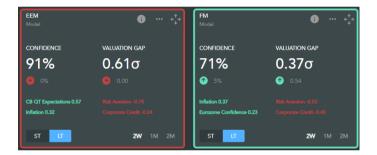




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- There is a bit more of a discrepancy in emerging market equity space.
- A valuation gap of 0.6 sigma in the iShares MSCI EM equity ETF
 <u>EEM</u> is not especially large. But it is a 1y high.
- Frontier equity markets, as measured by the iShares MSCI Frontier
 EM ETF FM, are also rich to model but only modestly so.



 It's a similar picture in FX. <u>USDJPY</u> is just shy of our 65% threshold for a macro regime but both it & <u>EURUSD</u> are within half a standard deviation of macro fair value.





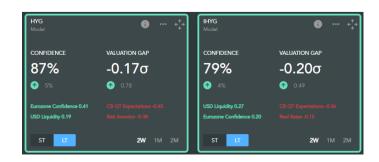
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- <u>EURJPY</u> does show a decent valuation edge. It is almost one sigma rich & it remains a decent play if 'risk off' reasserts itself.
- As a barometer of the global business cycle the fact that <u>AUDUSD</u> is so close to fair value is particularly telling.



- Qi's models for 10y yields in both US & Europe are not in regime.
 However, arguably credit is a bigger potential trigger point to watch in Fixed Income.
- As Central Bank's turn hawkish, wider credit spreads have the power to dictate risk appetite across markets more broadly; & could, in extreme circumstances, hold the power to curtail the tightening cycle.
- It is striking once again then that both <u>US</u> & <u>European</u> High Yield spreads are in strong regimes but are behaving in line with their macro environment. Having an <u>unbiased</u>, <u>real-time</u>, <u>quantitative</u> macro valuation framework is more important than ever.



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