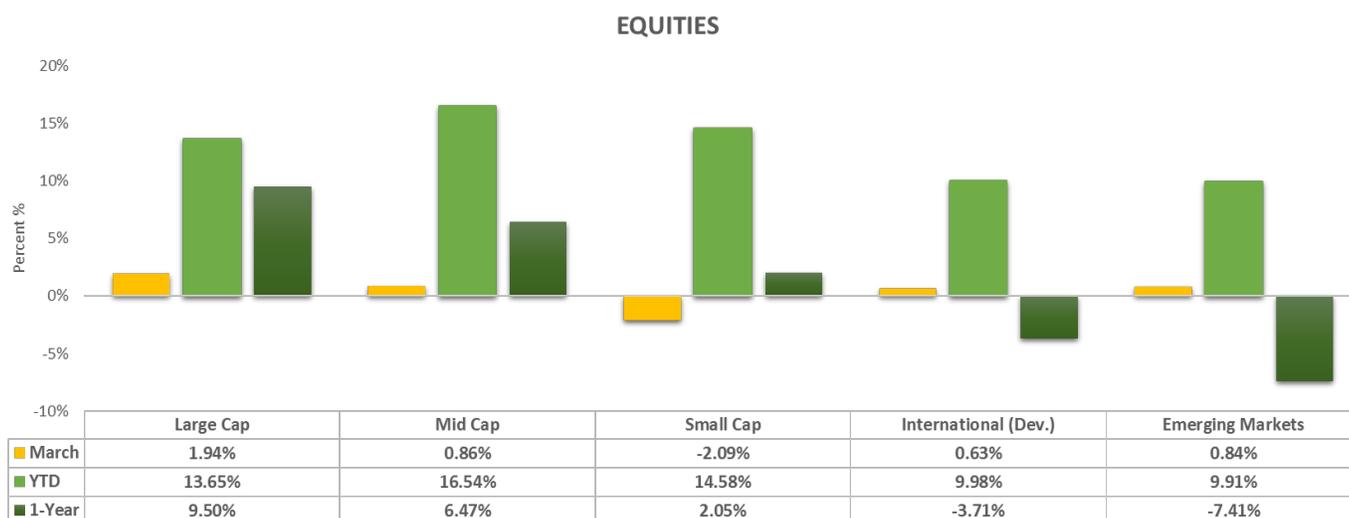


March 2019

## Market Update and Economic Developments

- Large cap U.S. equities were up nearly two percent for the month due to optimism around trade negotiations and stable Fed rates. It was the best quarter for U.S. equities since the third quarter of 2009.
- U.S. officials reported progress in trade negotiations with China in the last week of the month. Another round of talks is scheduled for the second week of April.
- The British Parliament once again rejected Prime Minister Theresa May's Brexit deal with the European Union, leaving the U.K. without an orderly plan for the scheduled April 12 departure.
- Employment showed an uptick in March as evidenced by a rebound in nonfarm payroll growth, up from a nearly 18-month low in February.

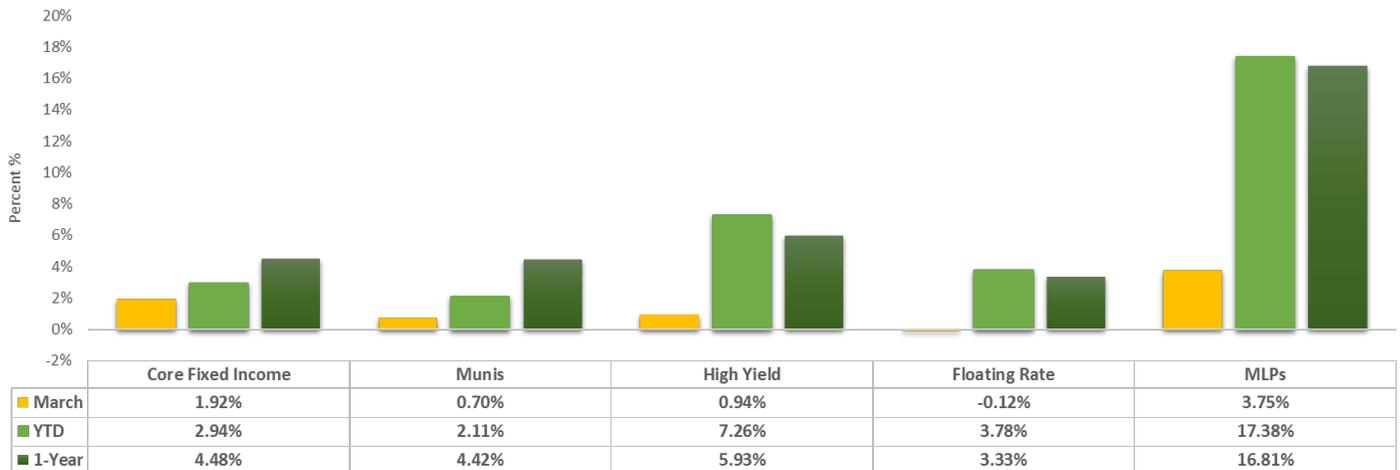


Benchmark Indexes: Large Cap = S&P 500; Mid Cap = Russell Mid Cap; Small Cap = Russell 2000; International Developed = MSCI EAFE; Emerging Markets = MSCI EM.

## Fixed Income Market Update and Other Assets

- The spread between the yield on the three-month Treasury bill and the 10-year Treasury note remained slightly inverted a week after the longer-term rate fell below the shorter rate in the third week of March.
- Fixed income markets rallied due to accommodative central bank policy and prospects of slower global growth. Core fixed income was up nearly two percent in March, posting the majority of its year-to-date returns.
- U.S. oil prices closed out March at more than \$60 per barrel for the first time since early November. The oil benchmark rose 27 percent in the first quarter of this year.
- MLPs closed out March with a 3.75% gain, making it the third-straight monthly gain for the MLP index. MLPs had their best quarterly gain since the second quarter of 2016, mainly due to broad market strength and reduced tax loss harvesting pressures.

FIXED INCOME AND OTHERS



Benchmark Indexes: Domestic Fixed Income - Barclays US Agg; Municipal Bonds - Barclays 4-6 Yr Muni; High Yield - Barclays US Corp. HY; Floating Rate - CSFB Leveraged Loan Index; Commodities - Bloomberg Commodity; MLPs - Alerian MLP Infrastructure.