

## Evaluation of the effects of too-big-to-fail reforms

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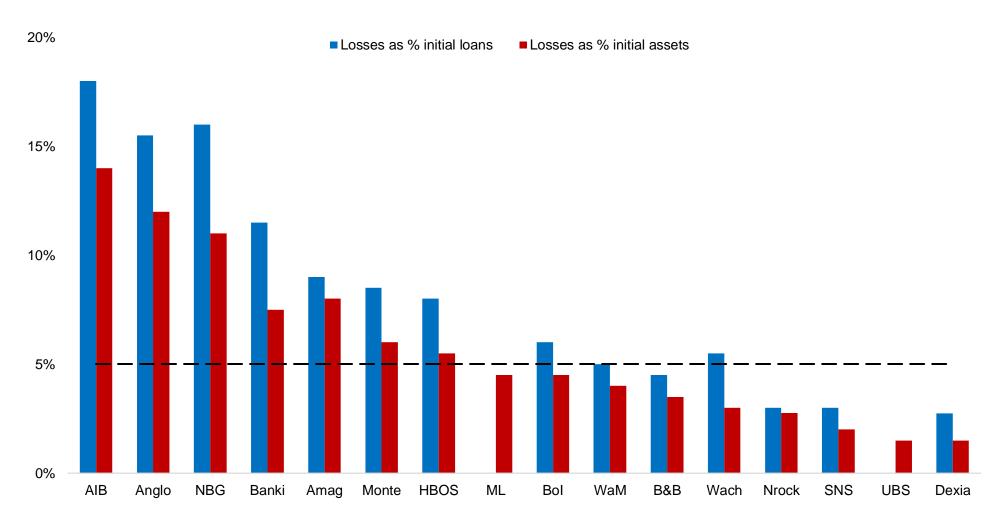
# **Inefficient Banking Systems Increase Fragility**

	Capital Ratio	Profitability	<b>Asset Quality</b>	Costs	Fragmentation	Diversification	Size
	Bank Capital to Assets Ratio (%)	RoA, bps	Gross NPL%	Bank Branches per 100k People	Number of Credit Institutions per 100k People	Bank Financing as % of Total Credit to Private Corporates	Bank Total Assets as % National GDP
US	11.7	120.0	0.9	30.9	1.6	34%	94%
Netherlands	6.2	47.3	1.9	11.0	0.5	44%	328%
Finland	9.3	32.4	1.4	3.1	4.3	59%	305%
UK	6.8	28.0	1.1	25.1	0.6	70%	368%
Ireland	14.9	50.5	5.7	20.5	6.2	19%	391%
France	6.5	39.7	2.7	34.9	0.6	53%	440%
Spain	7.6	51.3	3.2	55.1	0.4	68%	235%
Germany	6.5	15.6	1.2	11.1	1.8	78%	264%
Italy	6.3	38.1	8.4	40.9	0.8	74%	218%
Portugal	7.0	45.1	9.4	36.0	1.4	65%	196%
Australia	6.9	84.0	0.9	28.2	0.5	50%	273%
Canada	5.3	88.6	0.4	20.0	0.3	42%	311%

Source: Algebris (UK) Limited, ECB, BoE, World Bank, OECD, BIS

# Historical Bank % Losses During the GFC, as % of Balance Sheet

### Losses can Exceed 10% of Assets

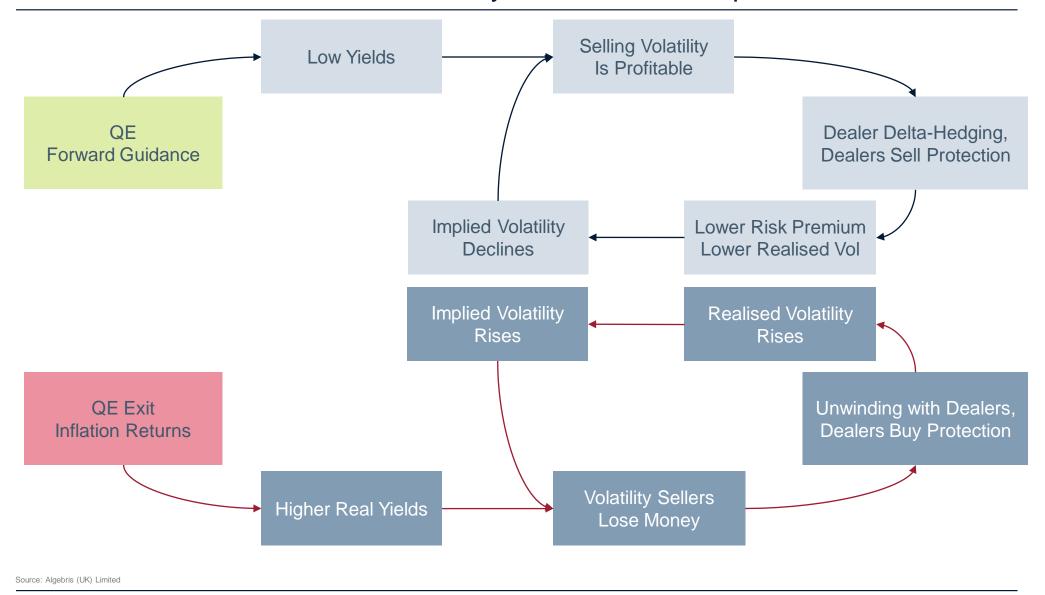


Source: Algebris (UK) Limited, RBS Credit Strategy, Bloomberg, company filings

## **Low Volatility and Asset Bubbles**



## Forward Guidance and Short Volatility: A Feedback Loop



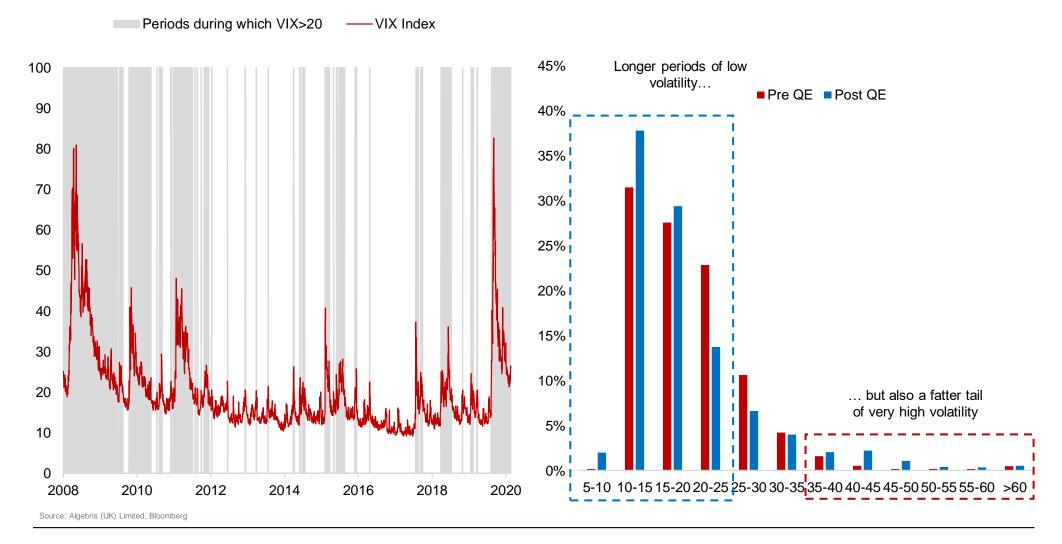
## Markets: The New Too-Big-To-Fail

## VIX Pre and Post QE





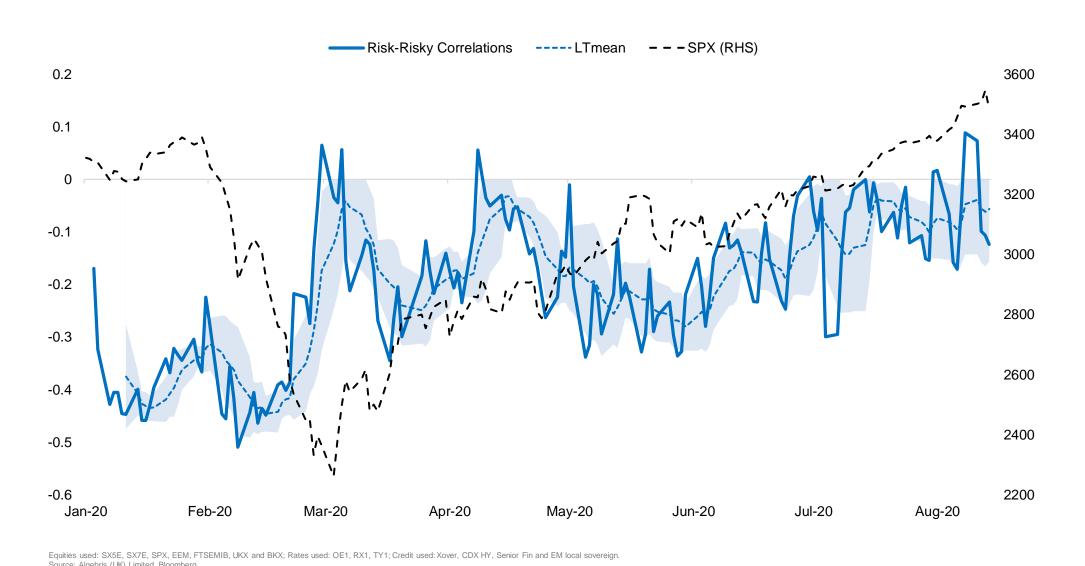
## Proportion of Days When VIX Falls in the Range



## Risk-free Assets: No Longer Balancing Portfolios

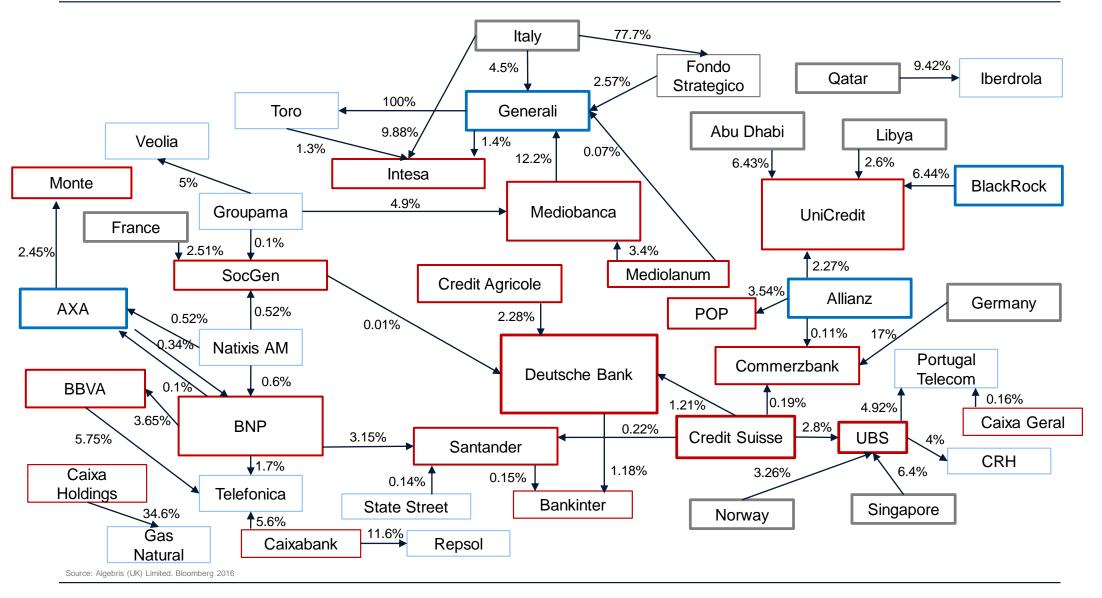


## 2-Day Rolling Correlations – 10 Minute Intervals





## **Cross-holdings and Systemic Risk Propagation**



## **Markets: Increased Fragility**

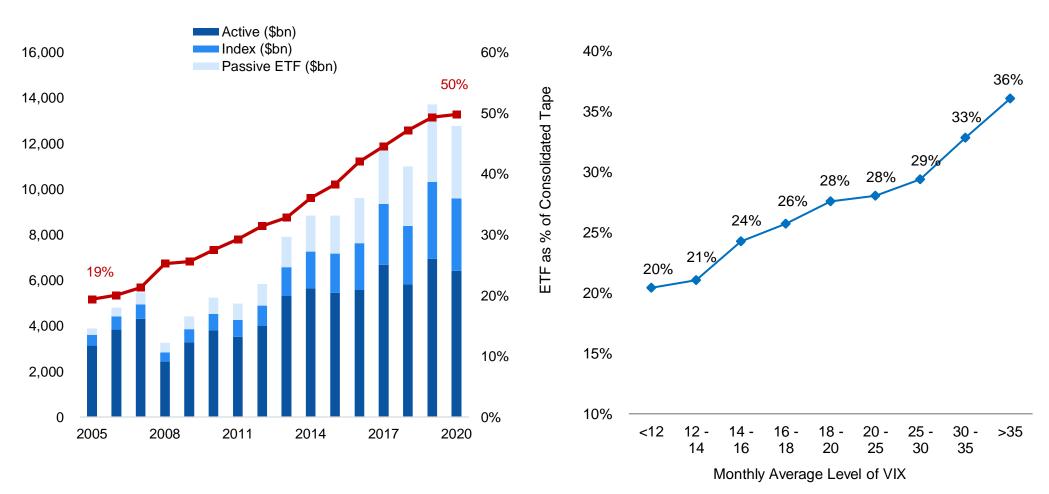
# The Passive Investing Feedback Loop



# Passive & Index investing increased to 50% of the US Equity Market

### ETF usage rises as market volatility increases

(ETF Volumes as a % of the Total Tape, by Average Monthly VIX Levels)



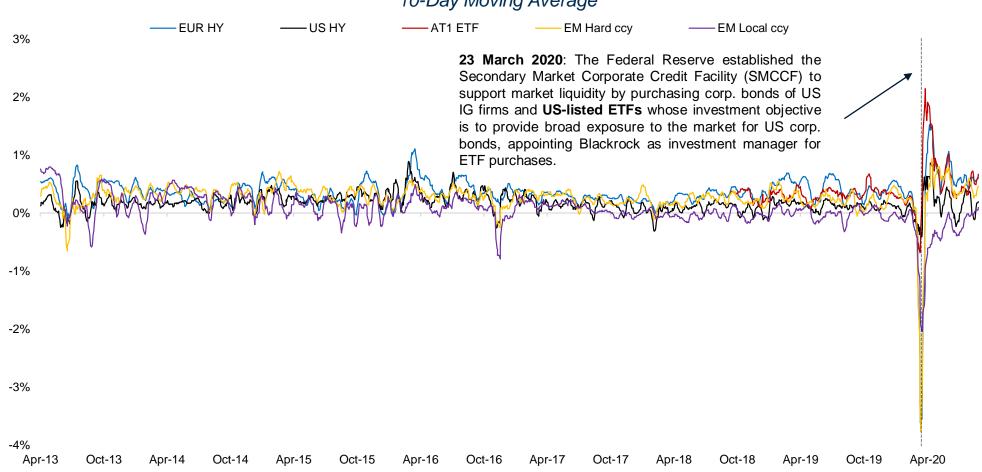
Source: Algebris (UK) Limited, GS Research

## **Markets: Increased Fragility**

# ETF Selloff During the Covid-19 Crisis







Source: Algebris (UK) Limited, Bloomberg. Data as of 02.09.2020

Note: EMB US - iShares J.P. Morgan USD Emerging Markets Bond ETF (EM Hard ccy); JNK US - SPDR Bloomberg Barclays High Yield Bond ETF (US HY); AT1 LN - Invesco AT1 Capital Bond UCITS ETF (AT1 ETF); IHYG LN - iShares EUR High Yield Corp Bond UCITS ETF (EUR HY); SEML IM - iShares JP Morgan EM Local Government Bond UCITS ETF (EM Local ccy)

# **Policy and Markets: Time Inconsistency and Fragility**



Fragility is Common, Anti-Fragility is Rare

	Fragile	Robust	<b>Anti-Fragile</b>	
Medicine	Anaesthesia	Vaccine	Mithridatism	
Pension System	Defined Benefits	Defined Contributions	Social Shock Absorbers	
Technology	Centralised Hard Drive	Underground Storage	Cloud Storage	
Mythology	Damocles	Ulysses	Hydra	
Nature	Dinosaurs	Land Turtle	Ant Colony/Bacteria	
Objects	Tea Set	Anvil	Spring	
Financial Markets	Passive Investing/Herding Financial Engineering/Complexity	Active Management	Tail Risk Strategies	
<b>Monetary Policy</b>	Forward Guidance	Rule-Based Approach	Macro-prudential Policy	
Capital Structure	Debt	Equity	AT1	
Sovereign Debt	Hard Currency External Debt	Domestic Currency Debt	Growth-Linked Debt	
<b>Economic Agents</b>	Politicians	Regulators	Long-Term/Contrarian Investors	
Government Structure	Eurozone	Singapore	Switzerland	

Source: Algebris (UK) Limited. With reference and inspiration from Antifragile: Things that Gain from Disorder, N. N. Taleb (2013)

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