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Technical - Are Cyclicals bottoming after a 3+ month correction?

Cyclicals are showing technical evidence of bottoming after peaking in late Q4

- Overbought market vs. oversold groups In recent reports, we have contrasted concerns of the S&P 500 index being 'overbought' intermediate-term, with the internal correction underway for most stocks since mid-December. (Slides 2-5)
- Energy bottoming, Cyclicals showing signs of improving By the end of Q1, Energy was technically oversold and poised for a rebound (Slide 6). There is now incremental technical evidence that indicates Cyclicals are bottoming after 3+ months of consolidation/correction.
- Tactical, multi-month, ebb and flow is 'normal' for Cyclicals The 1-2 quarter ebb and flow of Cyclicals does not appear unusual from a technical perspective, particularly within the context of theme establishing a cycle low just over 12-months prior. The surge since November and subsequent pullback appears orderly and not indicative of bigger problem at this point.
- 3 supporting technical points Momentum, Support and Relative Performance
 - ✓ Weekly momentum indicators, tracking 1-2 quarter shifts, are becoming oversold and/or bottoming.
 - ✓ 3-month price corrections/consolidations have returned to support, many near rising 200-dma's.
 - ✓ Relative performance vs. the S&P is beginning to turn positive after underperforming since late Q4.
 - ✓ Growth showing <u>early</u> signs of slowing/stalling to Value (<u>Slide 7</u>)
- Cyclical ideas rallying from support: IR, CAT, CR, TEX, TRN, KSU, MLM, FCX. (Slide 11-20)
- Risks The equity market, led by reflation/cyclical stocks, bottomed in Q1 2016, just over 12 months ago.
 It would be unusual for a market 'cycle' to abort in just over one year. However, there are a number of
 divergences that have developed since December, notably the flattening yield curve. In light of these
 divergences, the Q1/early Q2 lows now define important stop loss levels given a break below those levels
 would likely signal the broader cyclical recovery that began in early 2016 is failing.

For the Growth Manager with no appetite for cyclicals (Slides 22-23)

- (-) NVDA remains advanced and at risk with the broader Technology sectors showing signs of slowing/stalling.
- (+) EXPE remains in a long-term uptrend and is timely after consolidating for 2 years.

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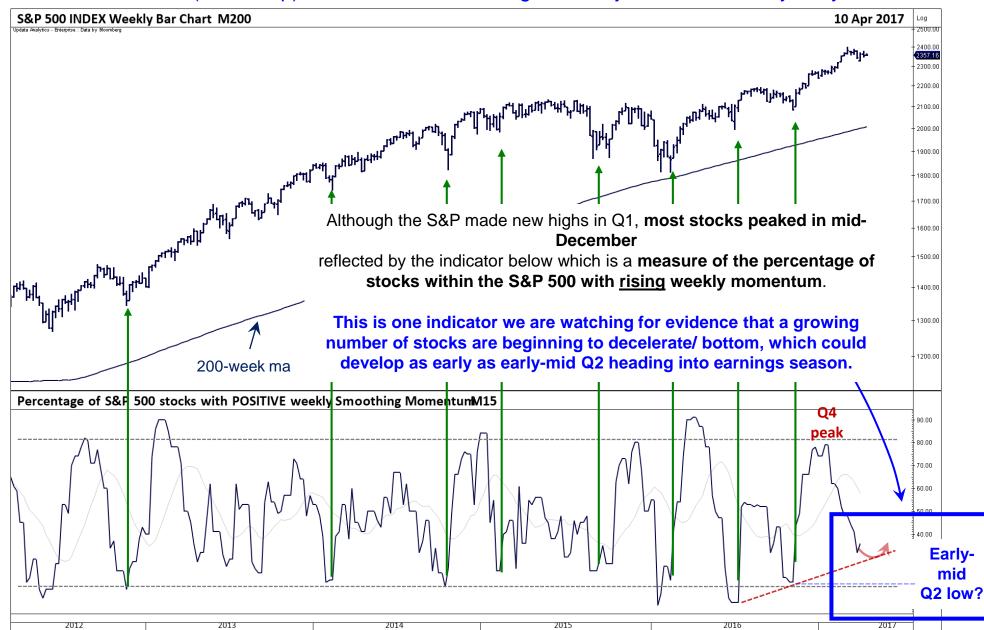
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S&P 500 – Intermediate-term trend intact but advanced with weekly momentum peaking!



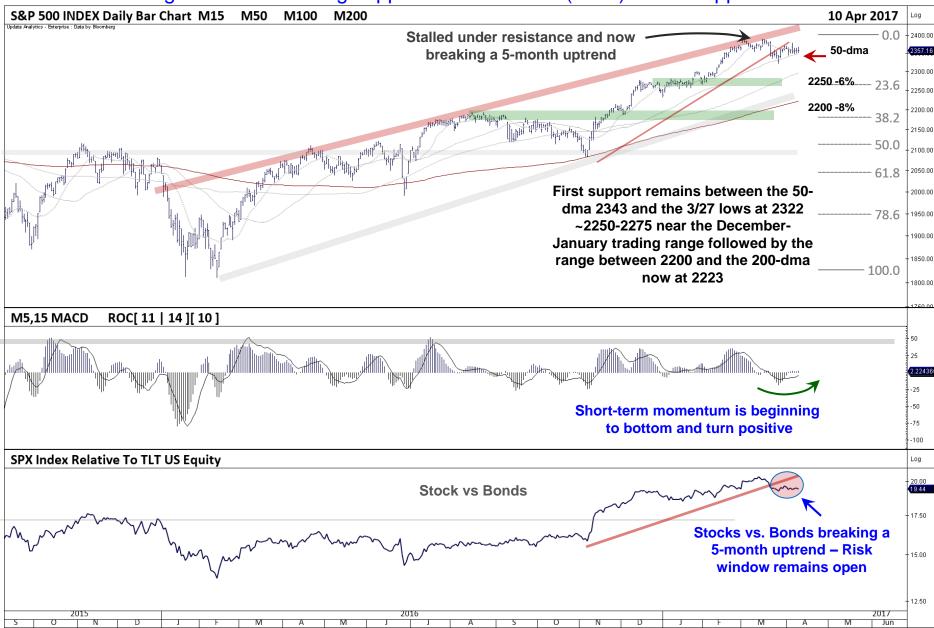


S&P 500 – Internal (bottom up) momentum is unwinding and likely to be oversold by early-mid Q2



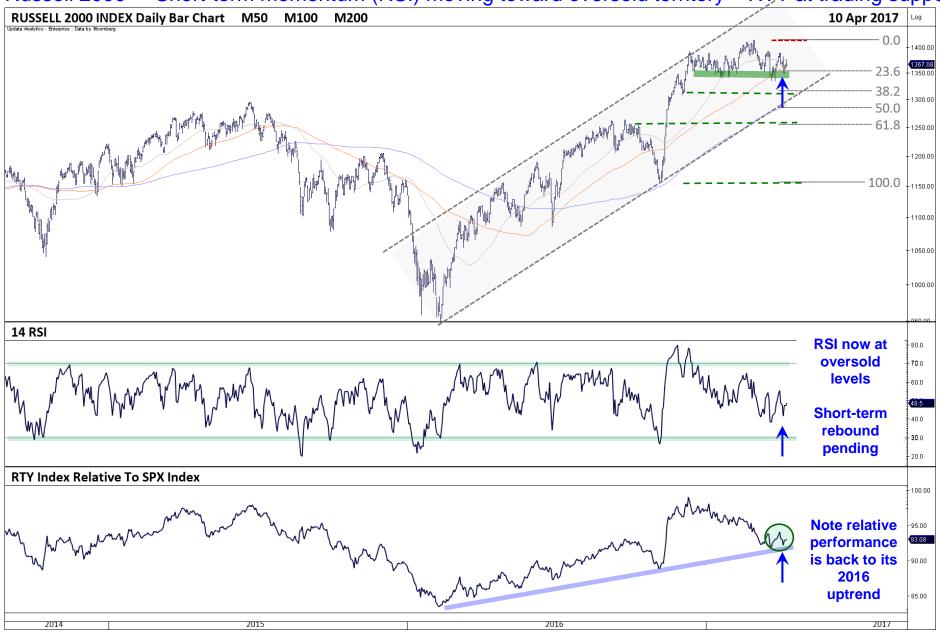


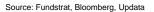
S&P 500 – Holding above first trading support at the 50-dma (2348). Next support is at 2250/75





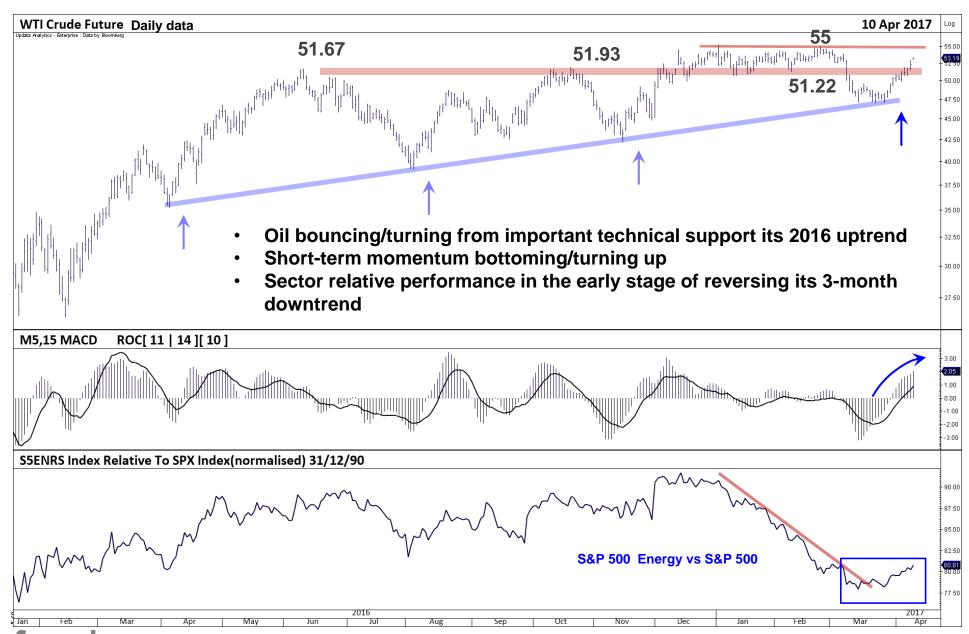
Russell 2000 - Short-term momentum (RSI) moving toward oversold territory - RTY at trading support







Energy – WTI testing next resistance band \$52-55- Expect pullbacks to be shallow



Growth vs. Value



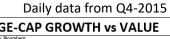


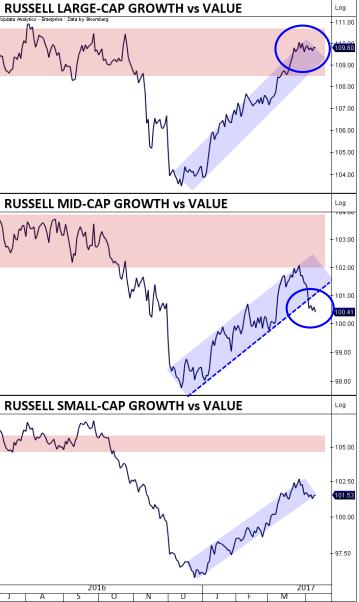
LARGE-CAP **GROWTH vs. VALUE**

Rallying back to key relative trend 'resistance'

> **MID-CAP GROWTH vs. VALUE** Rebound stalling

SMALL-CAP GROWTH vs. VALUE Rebound continues but within an established downtrend







Intermediate-term/Weekly Relative Sector Rotation – Part I

Percentage of S&P 500 & 400 stocks with Rising Weekly Relative Performance Trends vs the S&P 500 within each sector

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4/7/2017	50%	45%	2%	24%	72%	38%	58%	36%	0%	78%
3/31/2017	48%	40%	0%	26%	76%	41%	58%	33%	0%	70%
3/24/2017	41%	38%	0%	30%	75%	41%	58%	31%	0%	67%
3/17/2017	39%	38%	0%	37%	73%	42%	63%	35%	0%	57%
3/10/2017	39%	40%	0%	41%	69%	43%	63%	35%	0%	50%
3/3/2017	40%	44%	2%	47%	64%	42%	60%	47%	0%	50%
2/24/2017	41%	38%	6%	47%	61%	45%	59%	56%	17%	37%
2/17/2017	42%	42%	20%	48%	62%	46%	61%	62%	50%	46%
2/10/2017	42%	35%	33%	49%	65%	47%	64%	65%	67%	33%
2/3/2017	34%	24%	50%	59%	54%	53%	66%	62%	50%	33%
1/27/2017	34%	25%	59%	66%	45%	59%	60%	60%	67%	35%
1/20/2017	37%	31%	63%	68%	39%	60%	60%	51%	67%	37%
1/13/2017	38%	31%	63%	67%	35%	66%	54%	51%	67%	41%
1/6/2017	48%	33%	74%	66%	28%	71%	52%	56%	67%	37%
12/30/2016	54%	31%	80%	63%	22%	78%	52%	60%	67%	35%
12/23/2016	59%	33%	76%	62%	20%	81%	57%	64%	50%	26%
12/16/2016	63%	31%	74%	61%	19%	83%	60%	65%	33%	20%
12/9/2016	65%	29%	67%	59%	20%	83%	58%	67%	17%	13%
12/2/2016	60%	29%	56%	57%	20%	77%	57%	60%	17%	15%
11/25/2016	48%	31%	44%	55%	18%	72%	59%	56%	17%	17%
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11/11/2016	37%	31%	54%	52%	13%	59%	65%	53%	17%	20%
11/4/2016	34%	29%	67%	47%	22%	48%	66%	45%	17%	13%
10/28/2016	37%	25%	69%	46%	26%	52%	65%	49%	0%	4%
10/21/2016	41%	16%	67%	47%	44%	53%	65%	45%	0%	7%
10/14/2016	41%	15%	50%	48%	47%	50%	66%	42%	0%	9%
10/7/2016	41%	18%	54%	52%	45%	53%	68%	40%	0%	9%
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9/9/2016	49%	24%	44%	60%	49%	59%	68%	47%	0%	0%
9/2/2016	50%	38%	43%	53%	49%	59%	65%	51%	0%	0%
8/26/2016	55%	38%	39%	54%	53%	55%	62%	51%	17%	0%
8/19/2016	56%	36%	35%	52%	58%	55%	63%	47%	50%	2%
8/12/2016	55%	44%	31%	46%	63%	55%	63%	51%	50%	17%
8/5/2016	51%	56%	31%	44%	69%	53%	61%	49%	67%	63%

Trend shifts continue from last week

- **1. Energy** Early signs of bottoming
- **2. Technology** Participation beginning to stall
- 3. Healthcare First signs breadth peaking just as Energy shows signs of bottoming
- 4. Financials Correcting and likely to be oversold by mid-Q2/earnings season but too early to buy.
- 5. Industrials Correction continues after peaking in December but internally select groups improving. See this week's chart examples
- 6. Utilities Defensive leadership building but no longer 'early' in its recovery

Source: Fundstrat, Bloomberg



S&P 500 Sector Relative Performance vs. S&P 500

Weekly data from 2013



FINANCIALS

Correction/consolidation continues after 2-year break-out Accumulate pullback

UTILITIES

Defensive rotation struggling to build upside momentum

TELCOs

Oversold with early signs of stabilizing within a longer-term downtrend

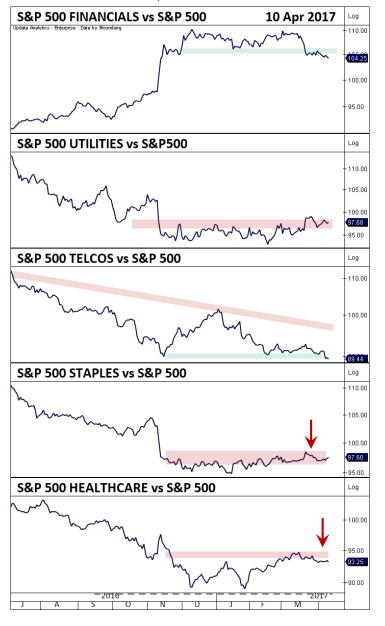
STAPLES

Relative performance range bound

HEALTHCARE

Oversold recovery showing evidence of stalling at first resistance

Daily data from Q4-2015





S&P 500 Sector Relative Performance vs. S&P 500



DISCRETIONARY

Rebound challenging next key resistance

TECHNOLOGY

Established leaders but less timely at current levels Watch for trend reversal

INDUSTRIALS

Testing lower end of 2year trading range

MATERIALS

Pullback nearing key technical support with early signs of firming

ENERGY

Oversold with very early signs of reversing its 3-month downtrend



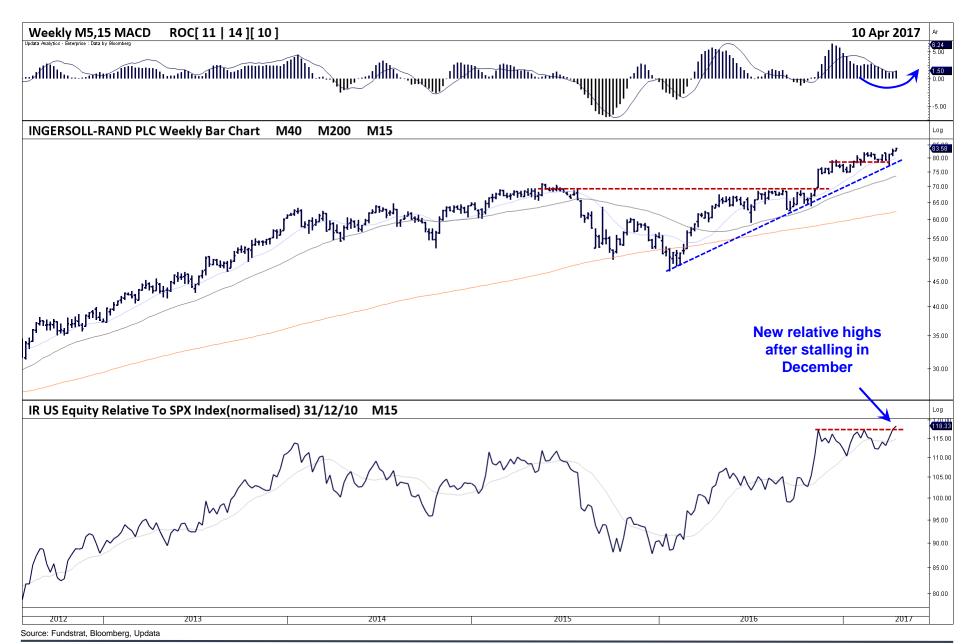


Cyclical ideas rallying from support with weekly momentum indicators bottoming and relative performance improving

ITW, CAT, CR, TEX, TRN, KSU, MLM, FCX



IR's relative performance is again making new 3-month relative highs after peaking in December



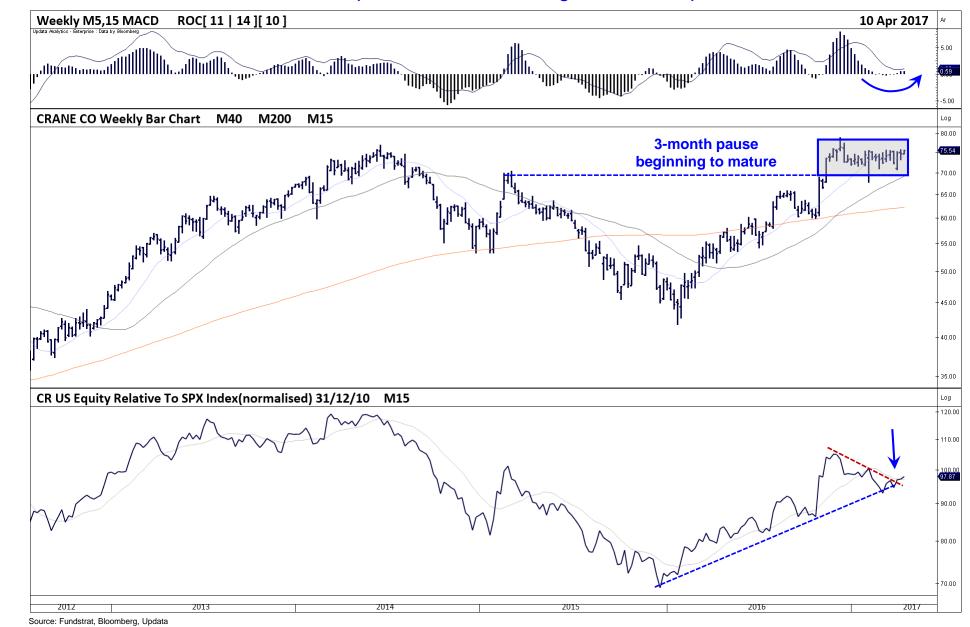


CAT – Another cyclical consolidating toward trend at its 200-dma and accelerating





CR – Bottoming intermediate-term with weekly momentum turning and relative performance reversing a 4-month uptrend

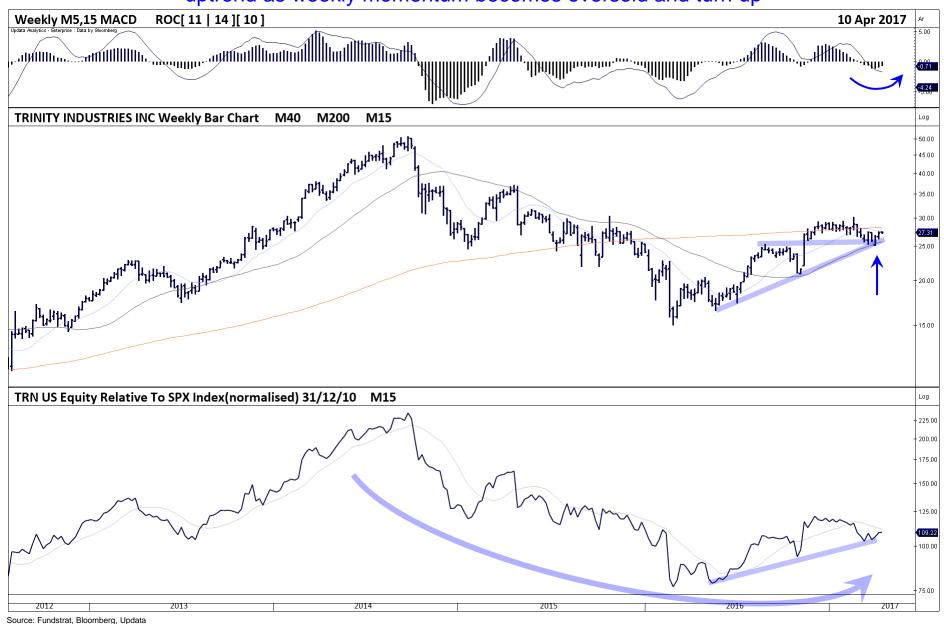


TEX – Intermediate-term momentum and relative performance turning up after a 3-month pause



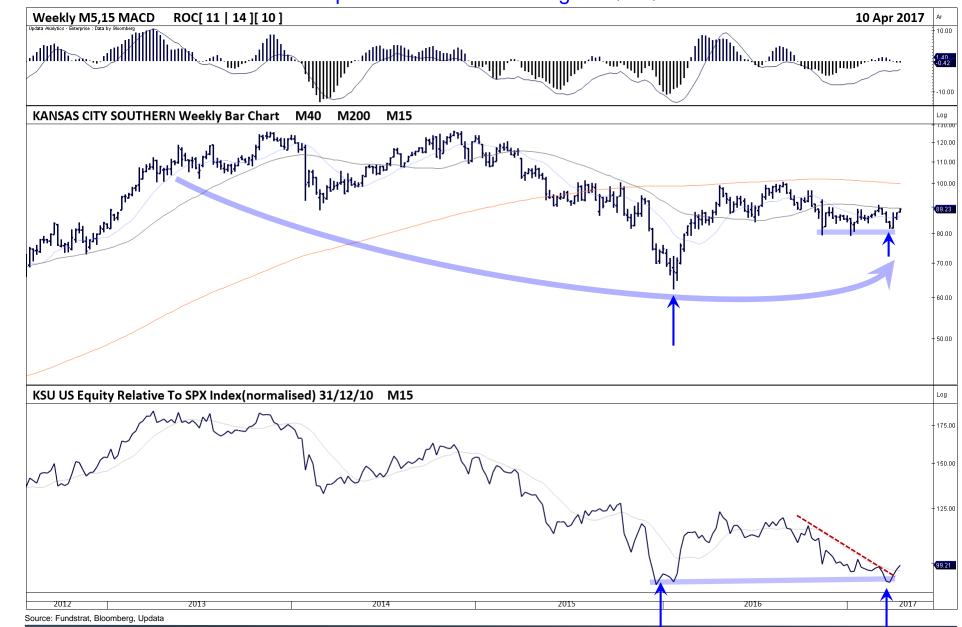


TRN – Another name beginning to rally from its 2016 uptrend as weekly momentum becomes oversold and turn up

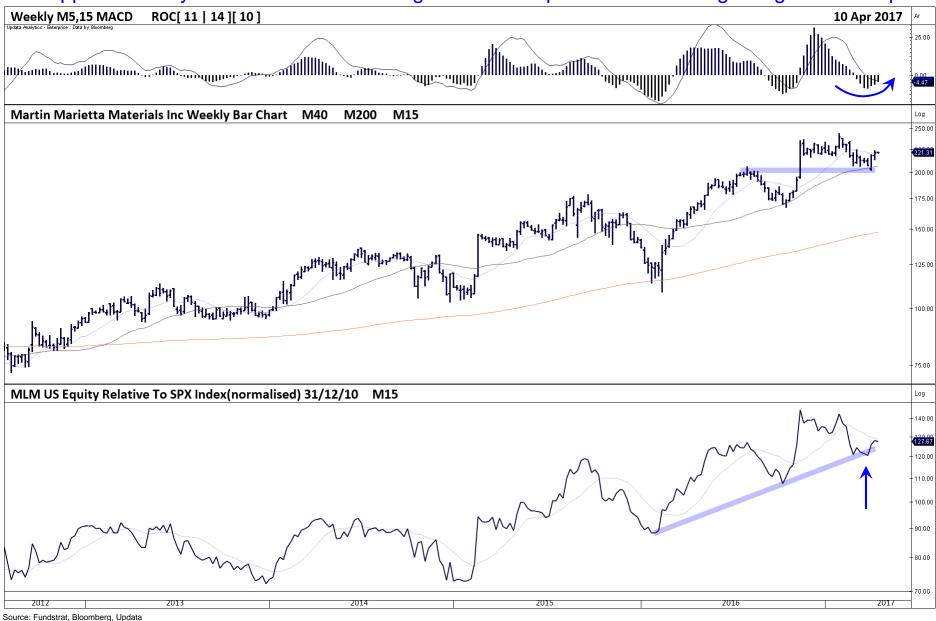




KSU – Laggard Rail beginning to establish secondary lows Note relative performance is reversing its Q4-Q1 downtrend

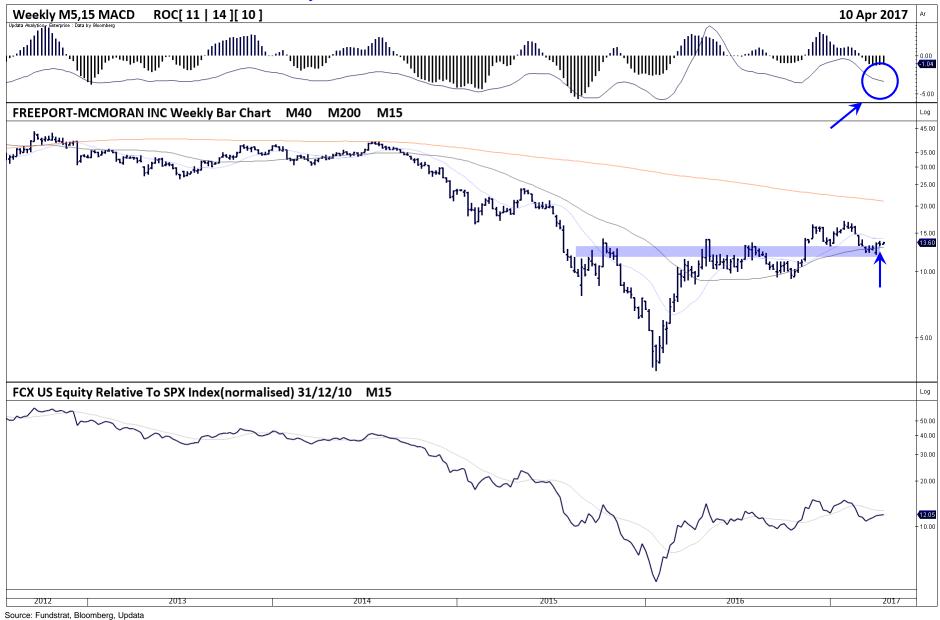


MLM – Another cyclical showing signs of bottoming following a 3+ month pause/correction back to support. Weekly momentum is bottoming and relative performance is beginning to inflect up

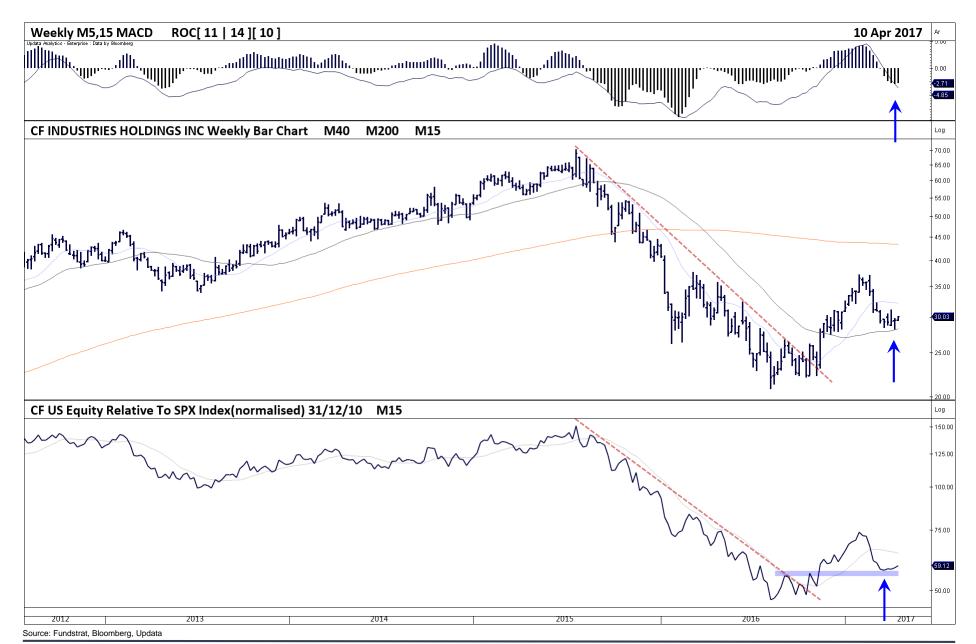




FCX is showing early evidence of bottoming at support as weekly momentum moves toward oversold levels



CF has pulled back to support and is showing early signs of bottoming.



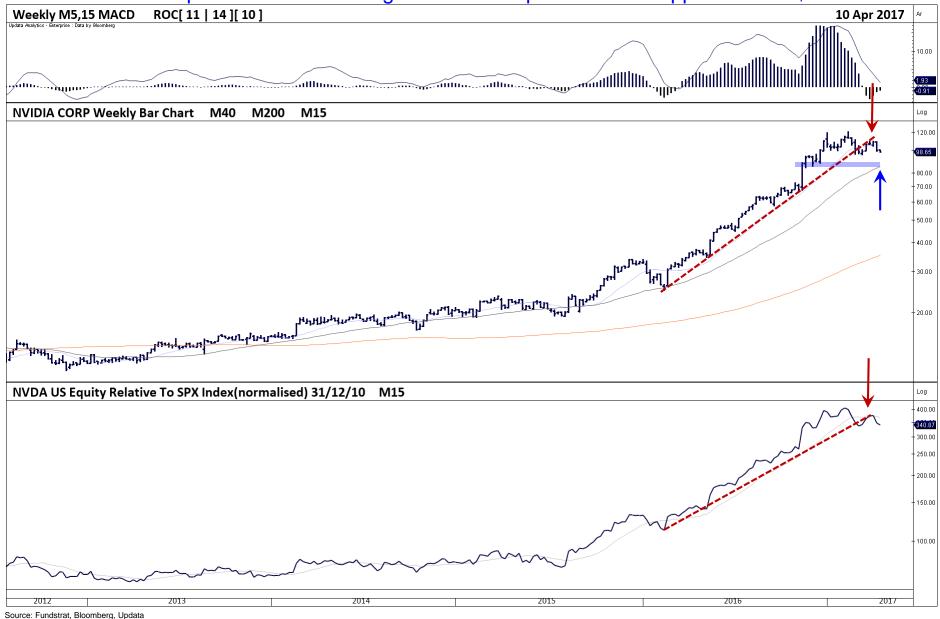


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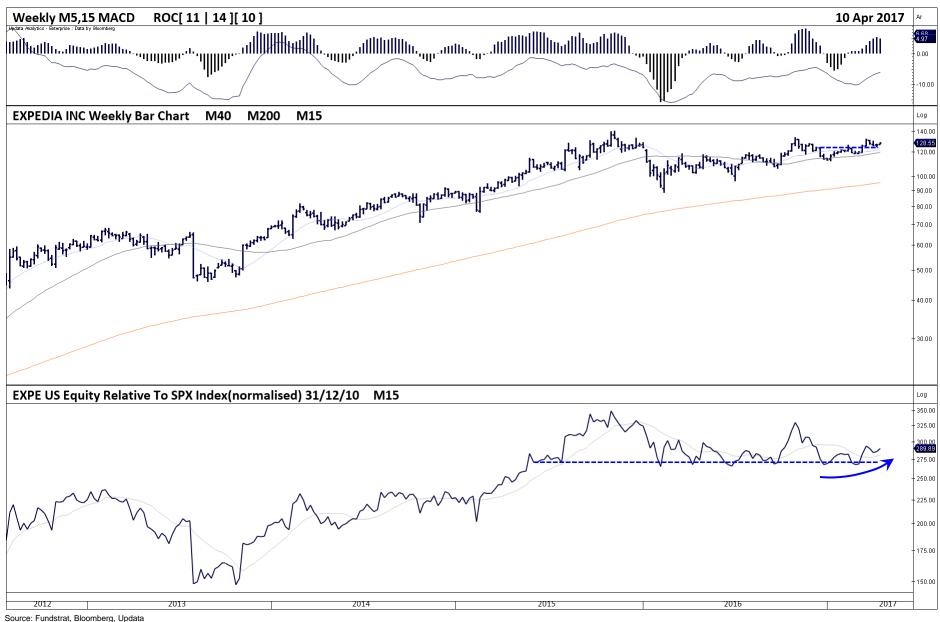
Trim/Reduce NVDA Add to EXPE



NVDA - Tech 'darling' continues to show evidence of stalling under its 2016 uptrend with relative performance breaking its 15-week uptrend. Next support is near \$82



EXPE remains a timely long for growth PM's looking for stocks that are less advanced than Semiconductors



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