

# Quantitative Investment Decisions

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## Rocky Road Ahead!

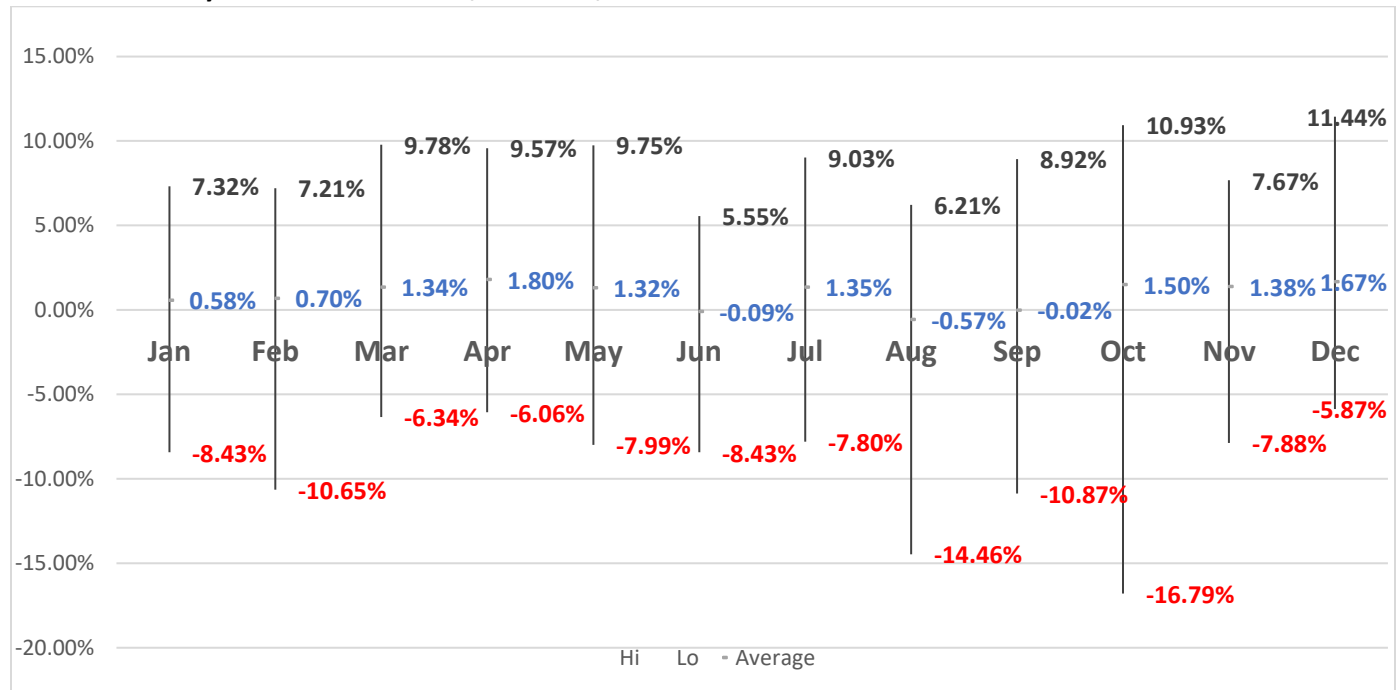
### Model Predicts 5-6% Pullback Next Three Months! 2020 Predicted at +12.1%!

#### Executive Summary:

- The model had predicted a return of +6.93% from August 31<sup>st</sup> to November 30, 2019. As of November 18<sup>th</sup>, the actual performance is +6.7%. We feel there is still some upside remaining through early December.
- However, the model has indicated that a rough patch would ensue in December and run into February. The expectation is for a pullback of -5.1%.
- The prediction for 2020 is a gain of +12.1%.

Based on history of monthly S&P 500 returns from 1988 to 2019, December's high, low and average returns were very attractive. December's average return of 1.67% was the second highest average monthly return for the period evaluated. In addition, December's highest return of 11.44% was the highest of the 12 months. Also, December's lowest return of -5.87% was also the best. Whereas, January and February average returns are quite low but positive at 0.58% and 0.70%. This year, we feel it will be different as we start a temporary pullback of -5.1% through February 2020.

**Chart 1. Monthly S&P 500 Returns – 1/1988 to 8/2018**



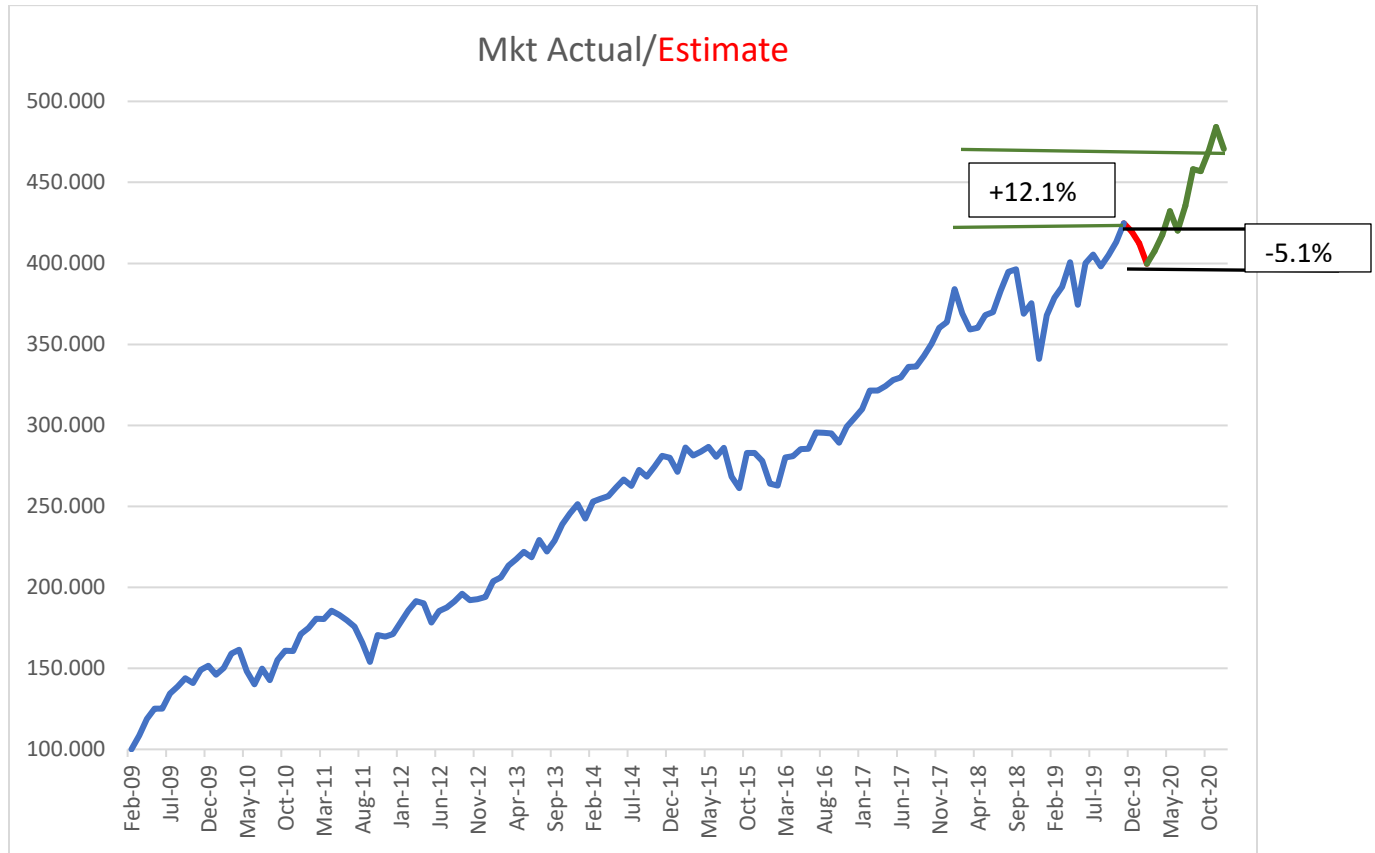
Source: Morningstar

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The predictive market model is flashing **Red** near term but **Green** for the year. The estimate for December through February is a pullback of -5.1%. This will return us to approximately where the market was in early September. For long-term investors that can weather a small pullback, batten down the hatches and ride through the early year storm. The expected return for 2020 is predicted to be 12.1%, an attractive return. For investors that have difficulty not allowing their emotions to impact their long-term plan, discuss options with your advisor as to how to mitigate the short-term impact.

**Exhibit 6. S&P 500 Market Estimator Model**



Source: Morningstar and QIDLLC

Estimated S&P 500 Index 12/2019 to 2.2020.

Estimated S&P 500 Index 3/2020 to 12/2020

**Exhibit 7. Month S&P 500 Estimated Return August 2019 to November 2019.**

Month	December	January	February	FY 2020
S&P 500 Estimated Return	--1.15	-1.78	-3.07	12.1%

Source: QIDLLC

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