

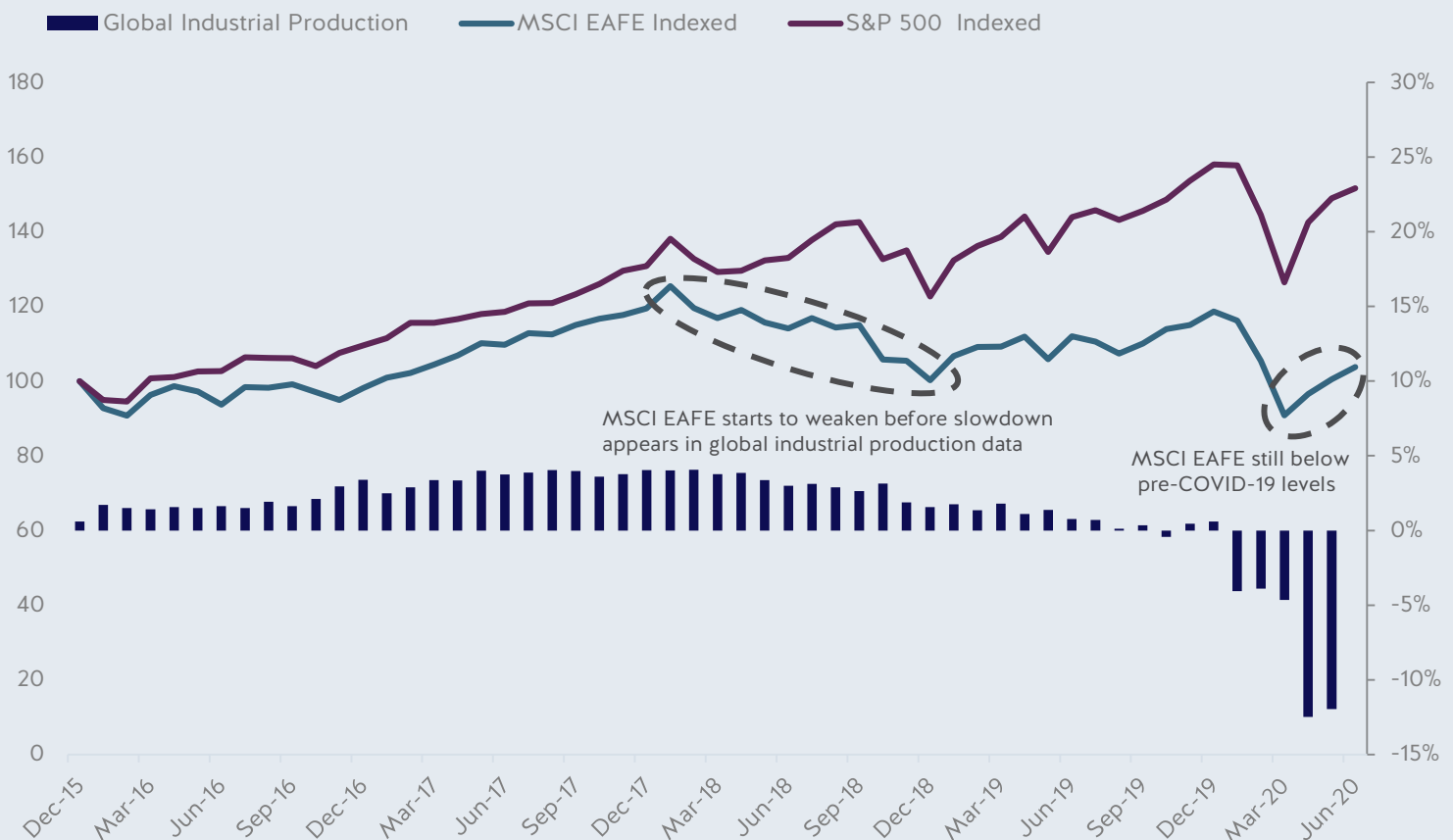
## THE INDUSTRIAL CYCLE PEAKED IN 2018 & IS NOW IN A POSSIBLE BOTTOM

- ◆ US stocks (driven by a handful of technology stocks) historically have little correlation with global industrial production – they have continued to move higher even as global industrial production slowed down and eventually collapsed in the wake of COVID-19
- ◆ Non-US stocks on the other hand, have been more exposed to manufacturing and thus the industrial cycle in recent years
- ◆ With global industrial production at multi-year lows and non-US stocks well below pre-COVID-19 levels, non-US markets may be a better way to play the industrial recovery

## SKATE TO WHERE THE PUCK IS GOING

- ◆ It may be a good time to position portfolios now – historically non-US markets have tended to inflect several months before global industrial production inflects
- ◆ Historically there has been a two to three-month lag in reporting of global industrial production data

## MSCI EAFE MORE CLOSELY CORRELATED WITH GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION



Source: Bloomberg, Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis

Note: MSCI EAFE and S&P 500 indexed to 100 as of December 2015

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