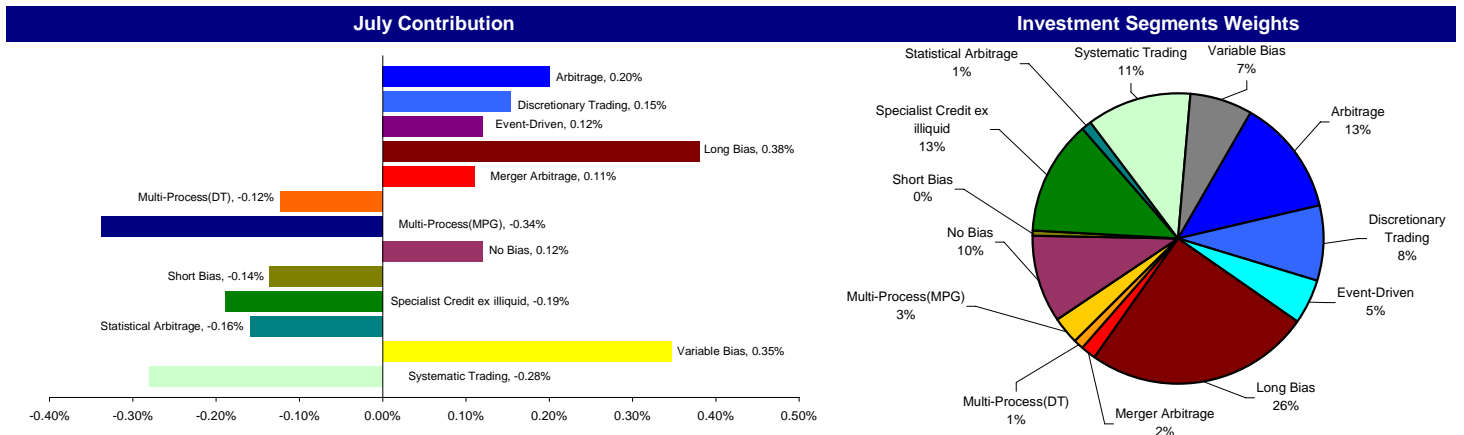


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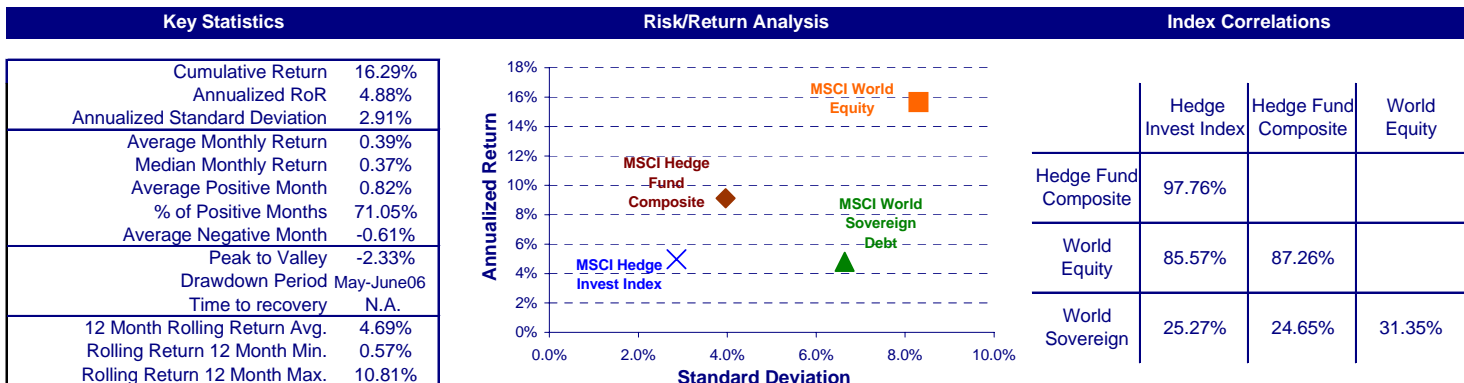
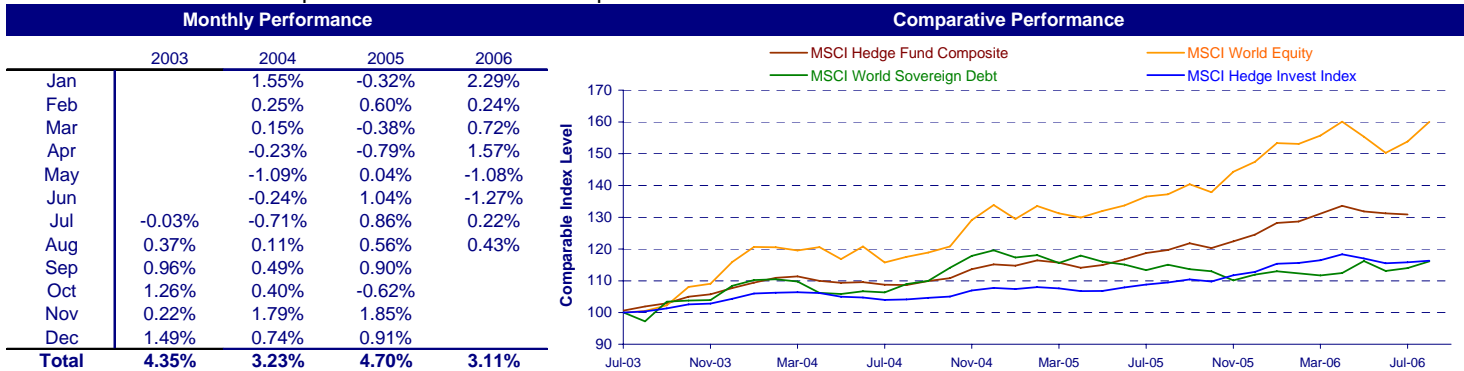
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	Aug-06	Fund Count	Index Level	Inception Date	YTD Return	52 Weeks Return	ITD Return	Sharpe Ratio*
MSCI Hedge Invest Index	0.43%	138	11,629	15-Jul-2003	3.11%	6.25%	16.29%	-0.11

*risk free rate = annualized 3 month Libor Return



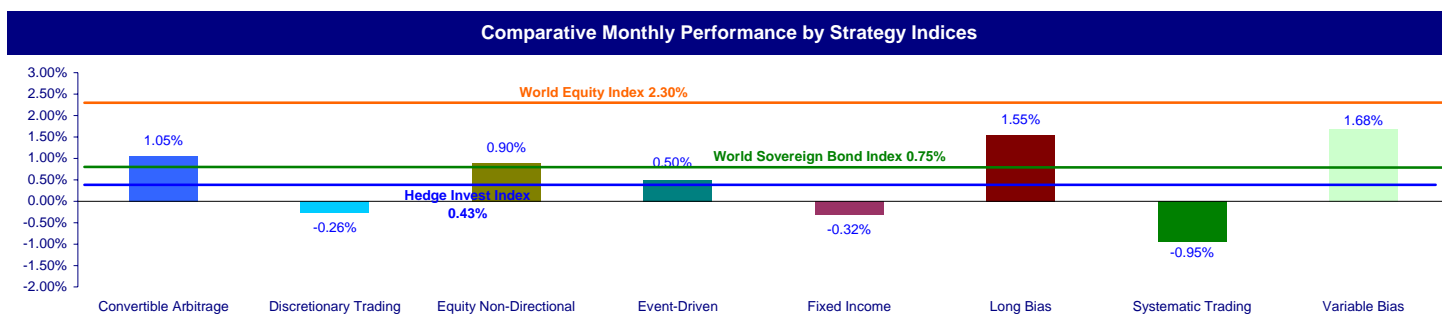
For the month of August, the MSCI Hedge Invest Index gained 0.43%, bringing the return since inception to 16.29%. The largest positive contribution came from long bias funds adding 38 basis points, while the largest negative contribution came from multi-process funds in Multi-Process Group with a decline of 34 basis points.



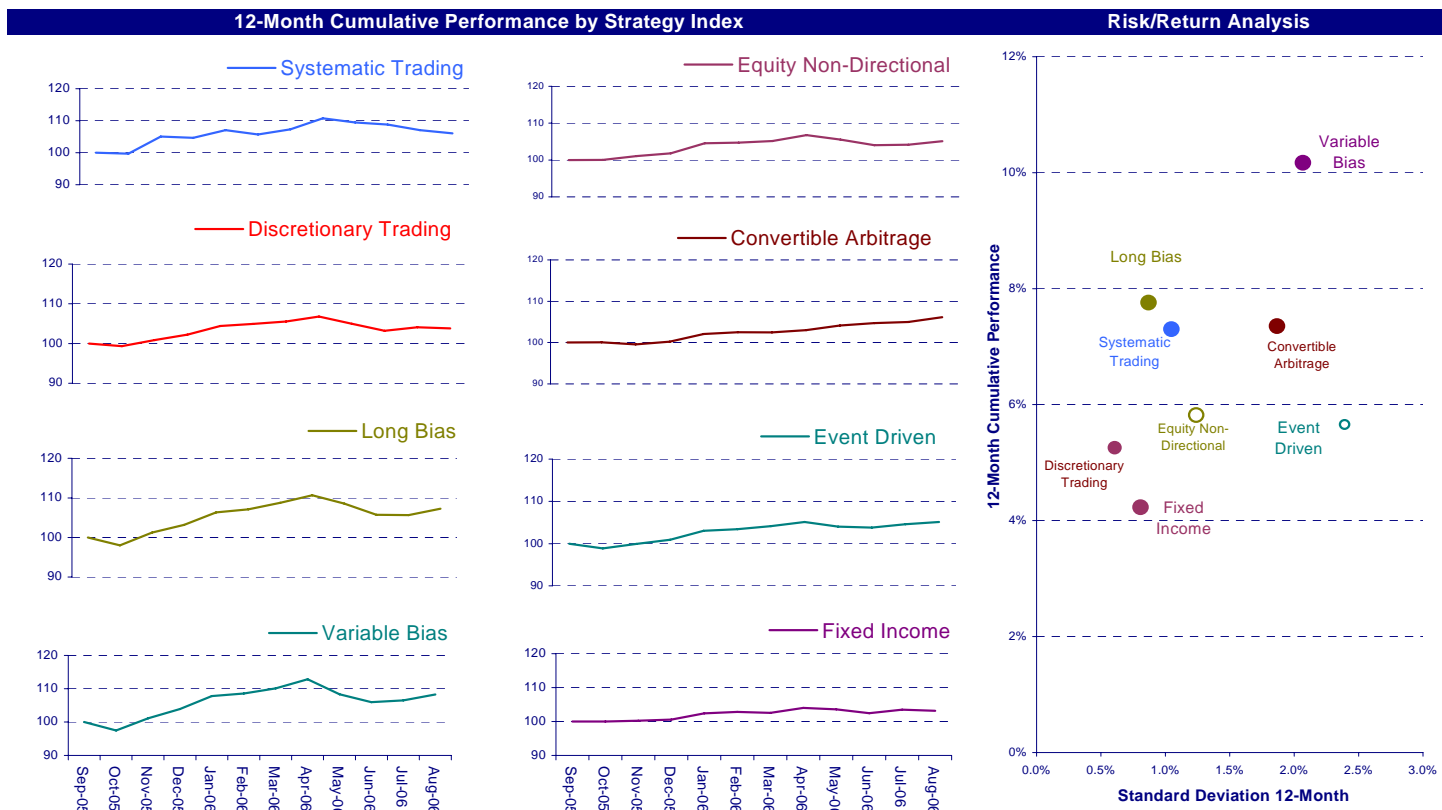
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MSCI Hedge Invest Strategy Indices Performance Summary – August 2006

	Aug-06	Index Level	Fund Count	Inception Date	YTD Return	52 Weeks Return	ITD Return	Std. Dev. 12M Rolling
Convertible Arbitrage Index	1.05%	10,417	13	15-Jul-2003	5.88%	7.35%	4.17%	1.87%
Discretionary Trading Index	-0.26%	10,656	11	6-Jan-2004	1.57%	5.26%	6.56%	0.61%
Equity Non-Directional Index	0.90%	11,314	11	15-Jul-2003	3.20%	5.82%	13.14%	1.24%
Event Driven Index	0.50%	11,163	15	15-Jul-2003	4.20%	5.66%	11.63%	2.39%
Fixed Income Index	-0.32%	10,639	17	4-Jan-2005	2.57%	4.23%	6.39%	0.81%
Long Bias Index	1.55%	13,029	21	15-Jul-2003	3.96%	7.76%	30.29%	0.87%
Systematic Trading Index	-0.95%	11,257	25	15-Jul-2003	1.33%	7.30%	12.57%	1.05%
Variable Bias Index	1.68%	11,948	15	6-Jul-2004	4.20%	10.17%	19.48%	2.07%



For the month of August, the MSCI Hedge Invest Variable Bias IndexSM was the best strategy-level performer, gaining 1.68%, bringing the return since inception to 19.48%. The worst performer for the month was the MSCI Hedge Invest Systematic Trading IndexSM which declined by 0.95%.



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