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### Goals of Presentation

- Market Drivers
- Real Estate Capital Markets
- Risk Indicators
- Conclusions & Forecast

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Market Drivers

# Supply / Demand vs. Financing

### Supply / Demand - Impacts Rent & Vacancy less on Value

- Most Demand ties to Jobs Drives Vacancy (1), Rents (2)
  - Office FIRE Employment, Portion of Service Employment
  - Retail Household (HH) Formations, Income Growth
  - Industrial Manufacturing & Distribution (Logistics)
  - Multifamily HH Formations, non-Top 25% of HH Income
  - Hotel Corporate Travel Office & Industrial Employment

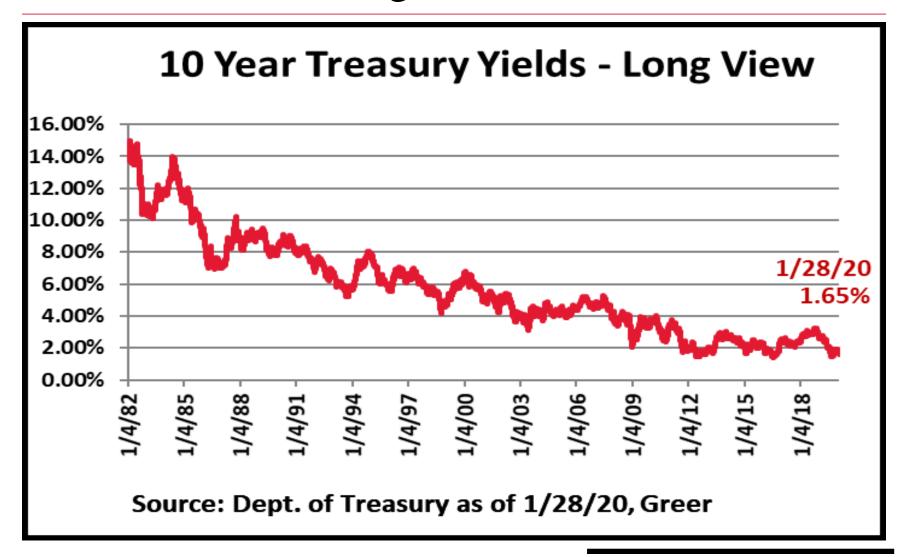
### **Financing DRIVES VALUE!** Low Interest = High Value

- Availability
- Rate and Term
- Leverage
- Recourse
- International Investment \*\*

\*\* This is mostly due to the drop in interest rates for CRE loans since the advent of CMBS.

Currency wars / restrictions, trade wars, FRB Rate Hikes, Global Turmoil, e.g. U.S. v China, Global perception of America

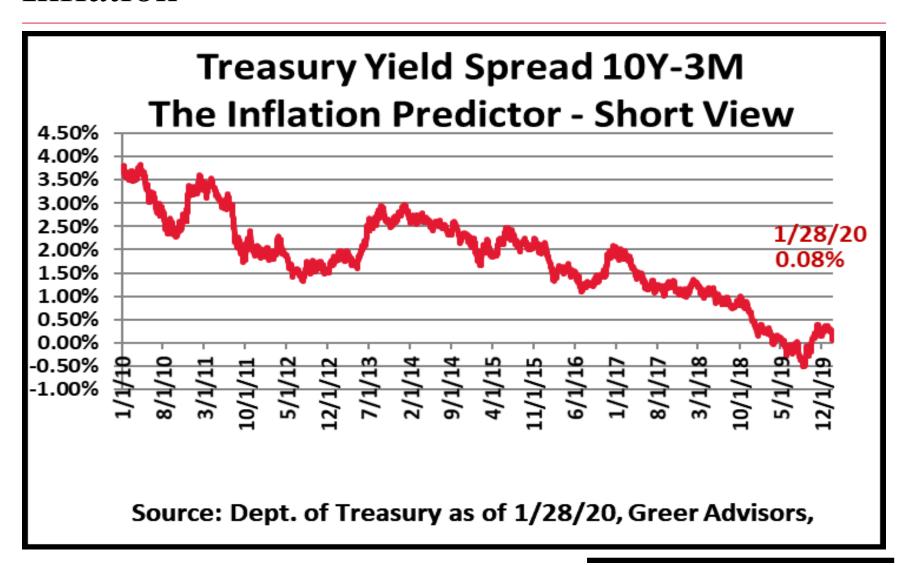
## Interest Rates – Long Term View 1982+



### Interest Rates – Short Term View – 2010+

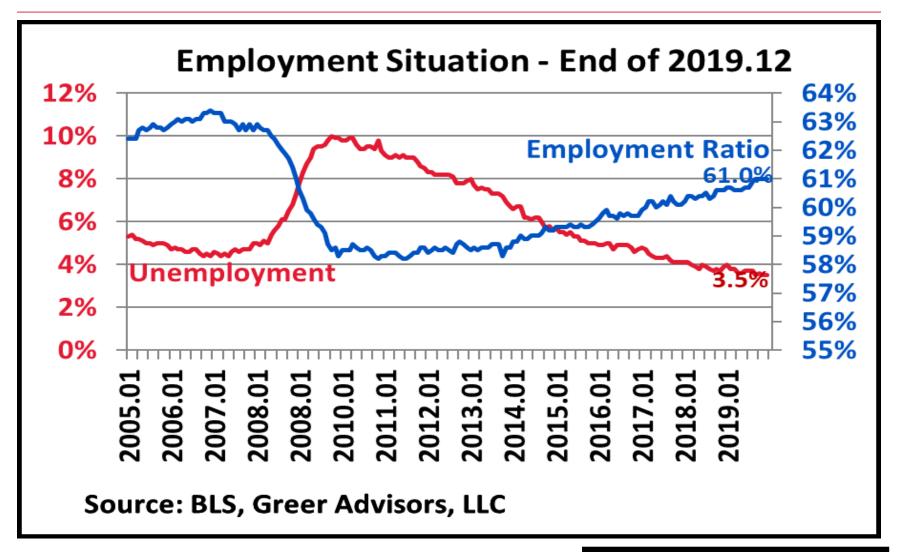


### Inflation

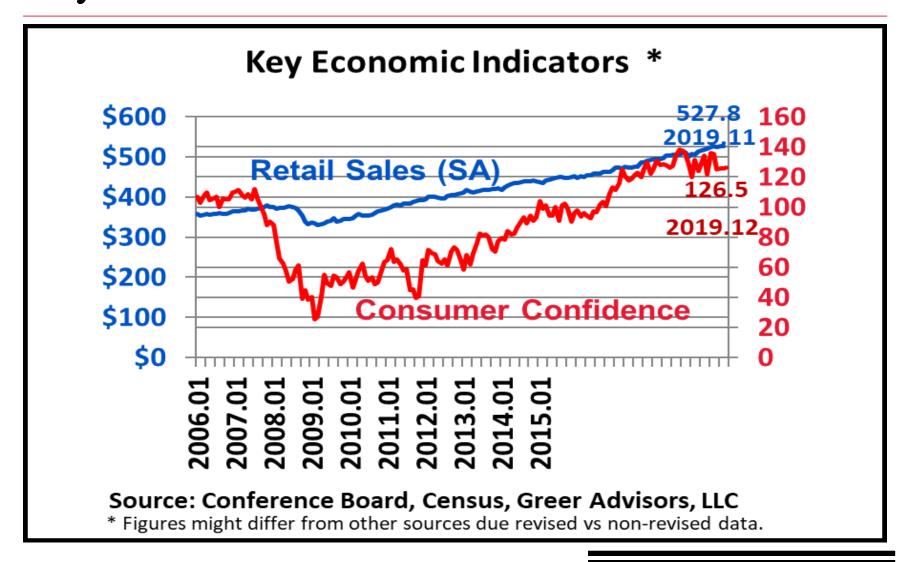


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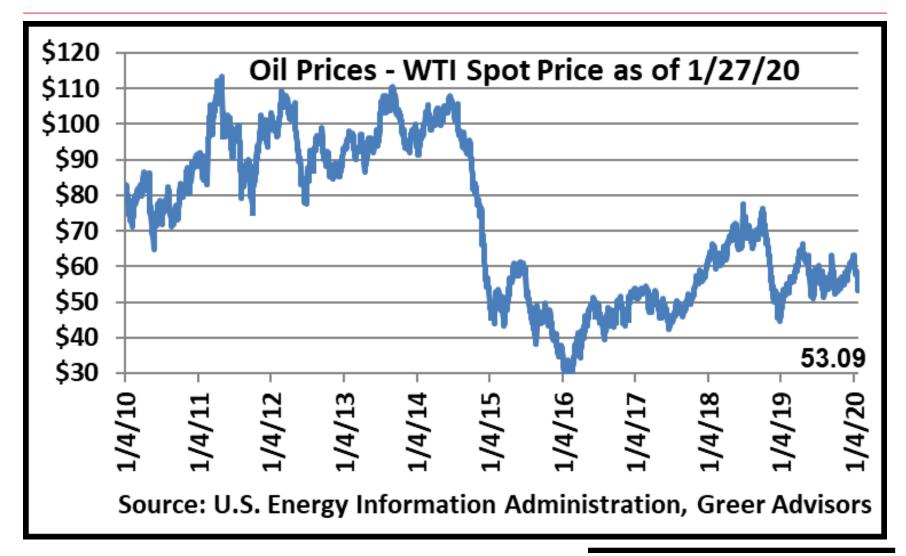
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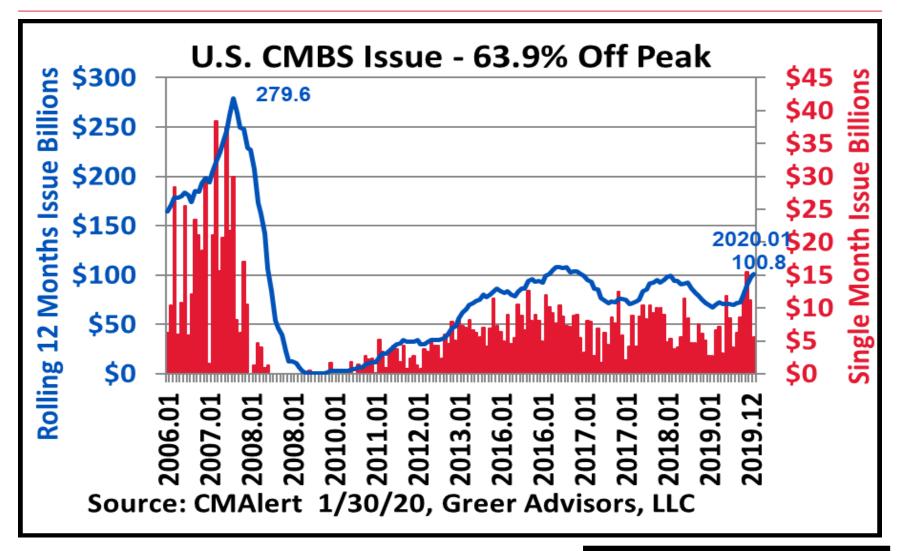
### Oil Prices Remain Low, EIA



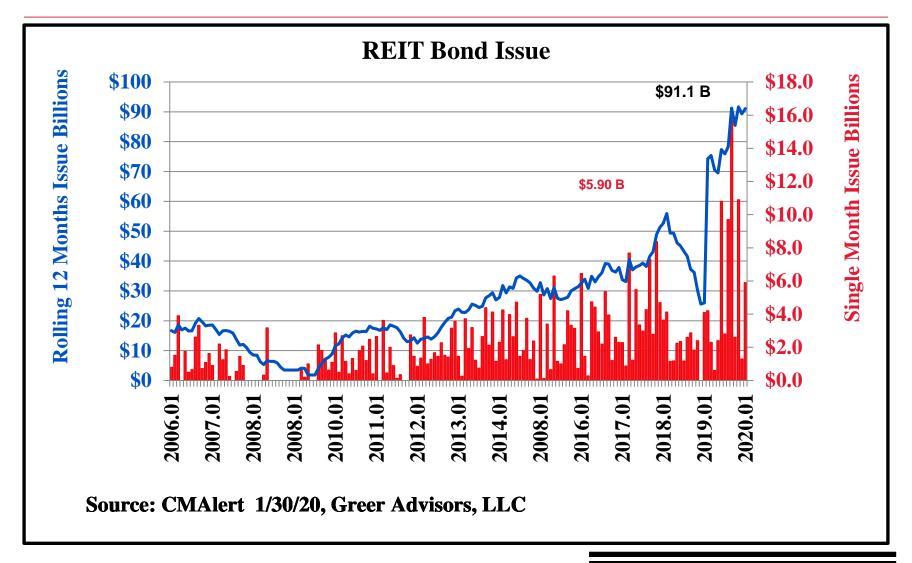
U.S. uses West Texas Intermediate Crude Oil, which is a much higher grade of crude than that used by many other countries.

Real Estate Capital Markets

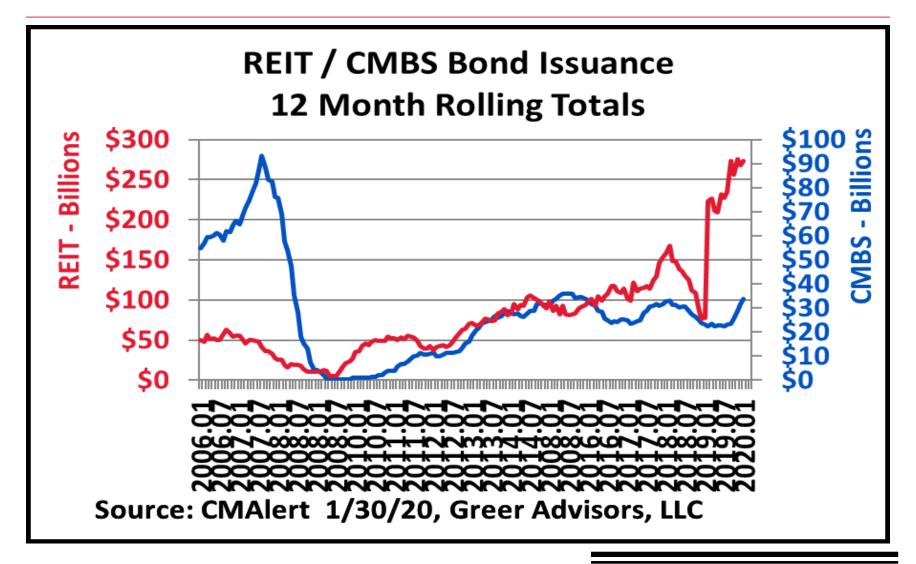
# CMBS Issuance - Rising from Floor



### REIT Bond Issuance – Continued Growth

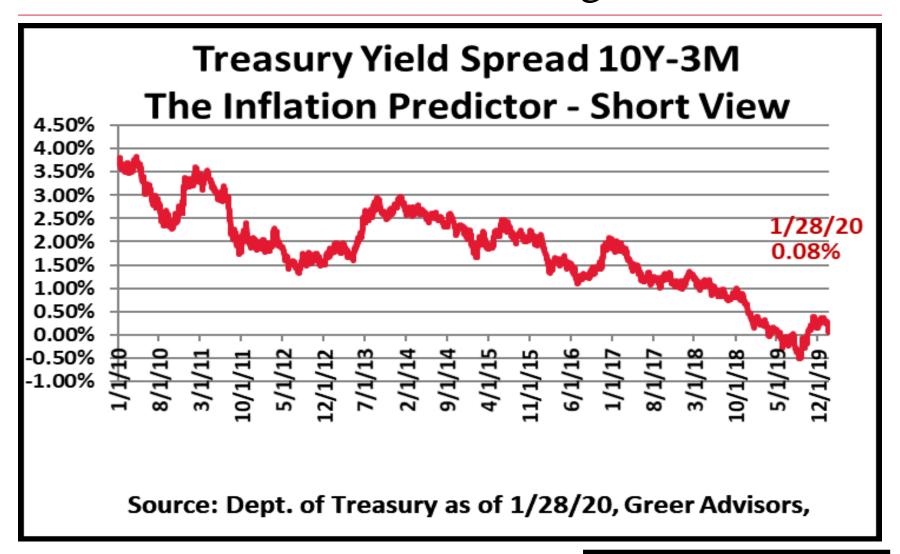


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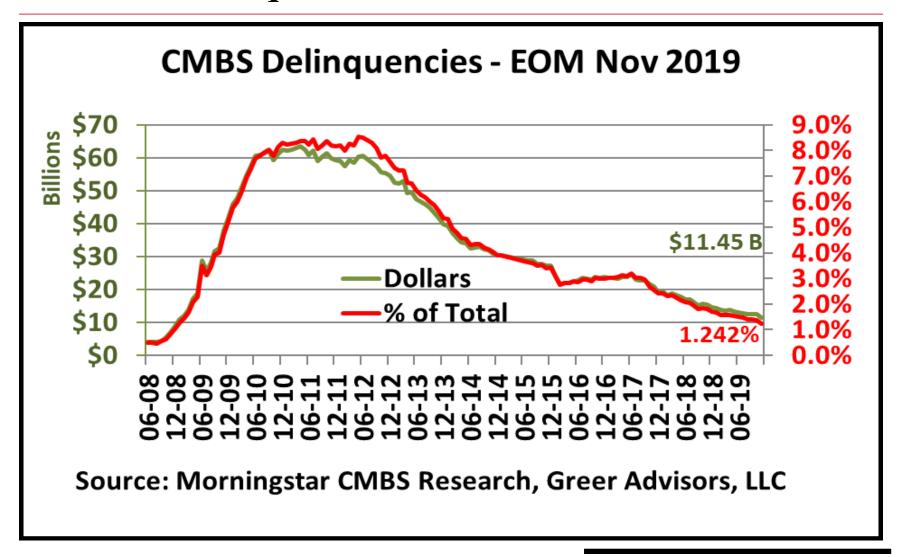
# Risk Analysis

## Inflation Risk – Politics Driving Down



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# CMBS Delinquencies – Rise, Fall & Stabilize



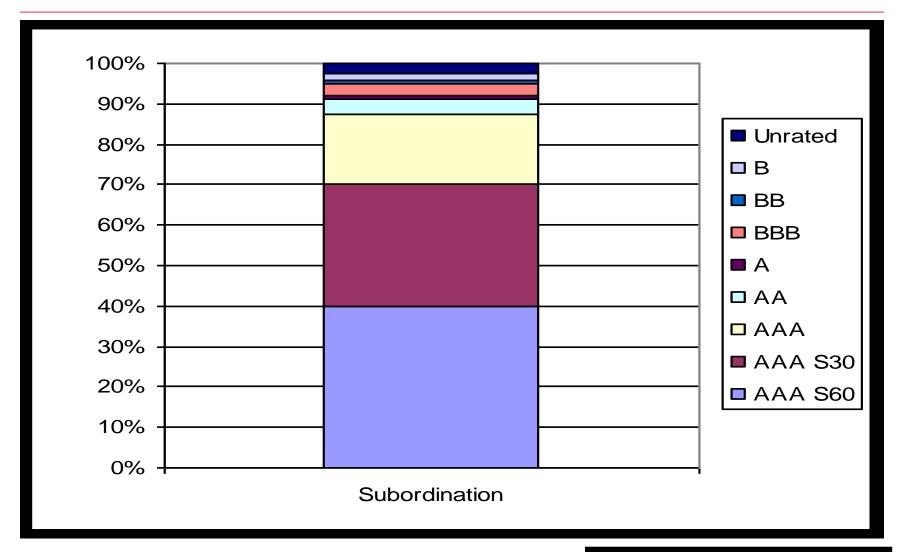
# CMBS Delinquencies by Property Type

Trailing 12-Month Delinquency by Property Type							e					
Property Type	12/18	1/19	2/19	3/19	4/19	5/19	6/19	7/19	8/19	9/19	10/19	11/19
Healthcare	2.06	2.73	2.67	2.77	2.81	2.82	3.72	3.68	3.39	3.39	3.90	3.31
Hotel	1.39	1.42	1.41	1.53	1.52	1.39	1.38	1.38	1.33	1.38	1.41	1.44
Industrial	1.64	1.51	1.54	1.58	1.67	1.62	1.53	1.36	1.29	1.57	1.42	1.12
Multifamily	0.40	0.34	0.37	0.34	0.37	0.41	0.38	0.40	0.38	0.37	0.40	0.36
Office	3.22	3.36	3.00	2.93	2.93	2.93	2.88	2.71	2.66	2.59	2.47	1.94
Other	1.34	1.55	1.27	1.31	1.30	1.11	0.94	0.97	0.92	0.91	0.86	0.88
<u>Retail</u>	<u>5.02</u>	4.84	<u>4.54</u>	<u>4.47</u>	<u>4.51</u>	4.30	<u>4.43</u>	<u>4.37</u>	<u>4.06</u>	<u>4.02</u>	<u>3.96</u>	3.80
Spread	4.62	4.50	4.17	4.13	4.14	3.89	4.05	3.97	3.68	3.65	3.56	3.44
Source: Morningstar Credit Ratings, LLC, Greer Advisors, LLC												

# CMBS Delinquencies by Year – Worst 10

Delinquency by Year of Issuance - Worst 10 Years									
Year	\$ Total Year	# Loans	% CMBS Univ.	% Delinq.					
2007 Total	9,923,078,030	613	1.25	51.80					
2006 Total	4,821,486,788	265	0.61	25.17					
2005 Total	1,519,259,916	79	0.19	7.93					
2008 Total	685,640,531	45	0.09	3.58					
2014 Total	522,854,232	63	0.07	2.73					
2013 Total	358,695,374	42	0.05	1.87					
2015 Total	288,208,940	45	0.04	1.50					
2012 Total	275,007,522	18	0.03	1.44					
2004 Total	236,952,534	23	0.03	1.24					
2016 Total	108,536,583	61	0.01	0.57					
Top 10 Totals	18,739,720,450	1,254	2.37	97.83					
Source: Morningstar Credit Ratings, LLC, Greer Advisors, LLC									

### Bond Stack - Subordination



Note: The names of tranches have changed over years, and differ by rating agency. Markit's <sup>TM</sup> definition for CMBx is theirs.

# Players in "Simple" CDS (Derivative)

**Business Issues Bonds** 





Bonds initially rated too poor Side Bet 2 for target market, e.g. "BB"

Rating Agency Rates Bonds



Gives loss forecast & enhancement amount required for "AA" rating







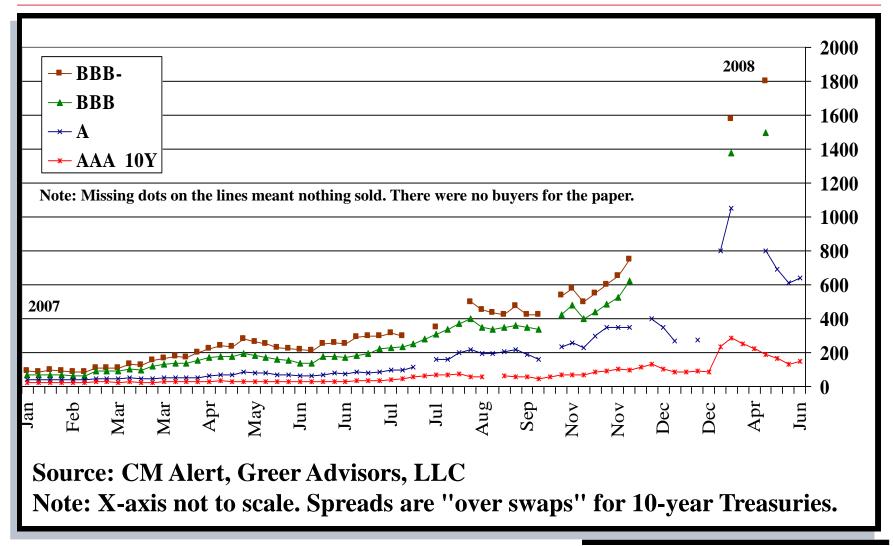




Investment Bank issues CDS (aka Credit Enhances Debt) as a Protection Seller then finds a <sup>21</sup> Protection Buyer. (Counterparties)

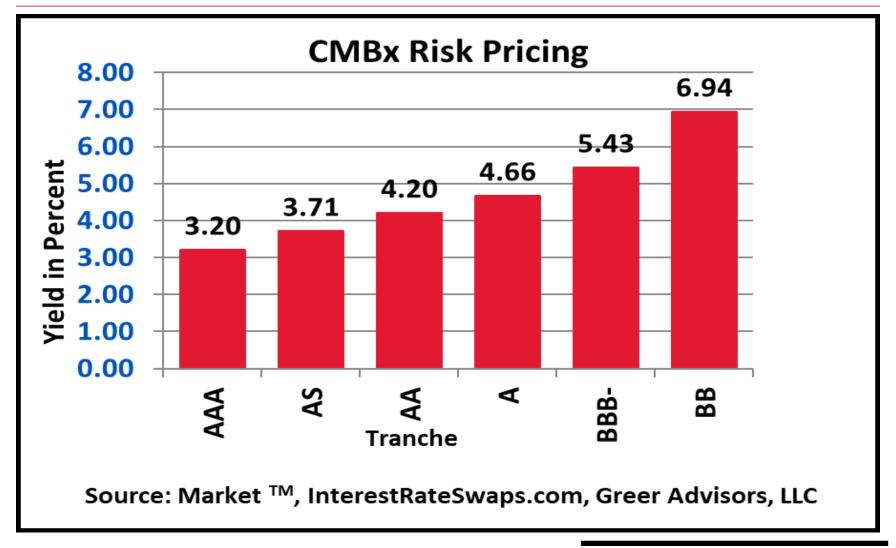
Pension Fund Buys Bonds with CDS enhancement Thinks it's AA investment

### CMBS Yield Spreads (Swap Spread, bps) Old



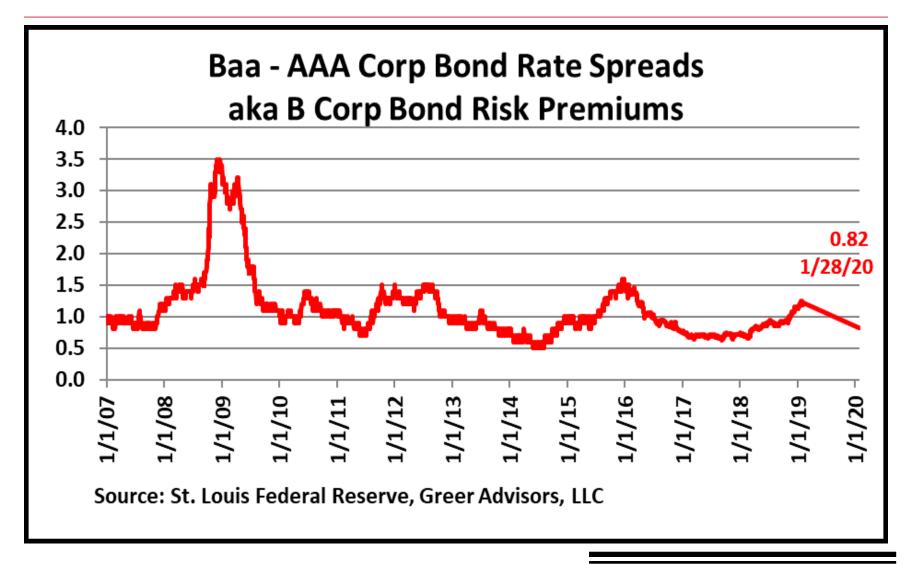
Note: This is what I sent throughout BofA in 2007-2009. A roughly 65

# RISK PREMIUM – CMBx Derivative Pricing



Spread to Swap by Tranche as of 1/10/2019, Swap as of 1/9/2019. CMBx Series 11. Each series is most-recent 25 bond issues. Note: Older Data due to Changes in Provider Web Site.

### RISK PREMIUM – Bond World



Conclusions & Forecast

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- Political Noise is near All-Time Highs. Due to Global Uncertainty, U.S. Currency Remains in Favor Over All Others. Noise helps U.S. markets. Action (i.e. Missles) could devastate all markets, i.e. Globally and U.S.
- Rent & Vacancy rates Generally Stabilized across the Country for most (definitely not all) markets and most property types. Discipline is Down = Pro Forma Valuation vs. Actual or Trailing seems Up.
- Continued Low Oil Prices are Keeping Interest Rates Low
- Fed Keeps Sending Inconsistent Signals Regarding Target Rate and Possible Changes. Much More Announcements than Normal, but with Nominal to Zero Changes. Target Rate was 0.25 to 0.50% Pre-Trump. Moved to 1.75% by early 2018. Bouncing 1.75% to 2.50% since Mar 2018.

### Conclusions and Forecast - continued

- Tariff wars and Missile Threats are mostly politicking. Expect talks, retaliation tariffs, but no major changes. Politics as usual! Currency flight to safety = U.S.
- Low oil prices benefit the U.S., but hurt oil-producing countries, e.g. OPEC, Russia, Venezuela, etc. A drop in price increases event risk. An increase increases inflation and interest rates.
- REITS have done better than CMBS because REITS are perceived as a better class of investment, i.e. lower risk.
- Many Chinese investors (previously roughly ½ of US buyers) are on the Sidelines. Partially due to continued fears of China Currency Export Laws.
- Commercial R.E. Prices per SF or per Unit Remain High, but Sales Volume is Down.

