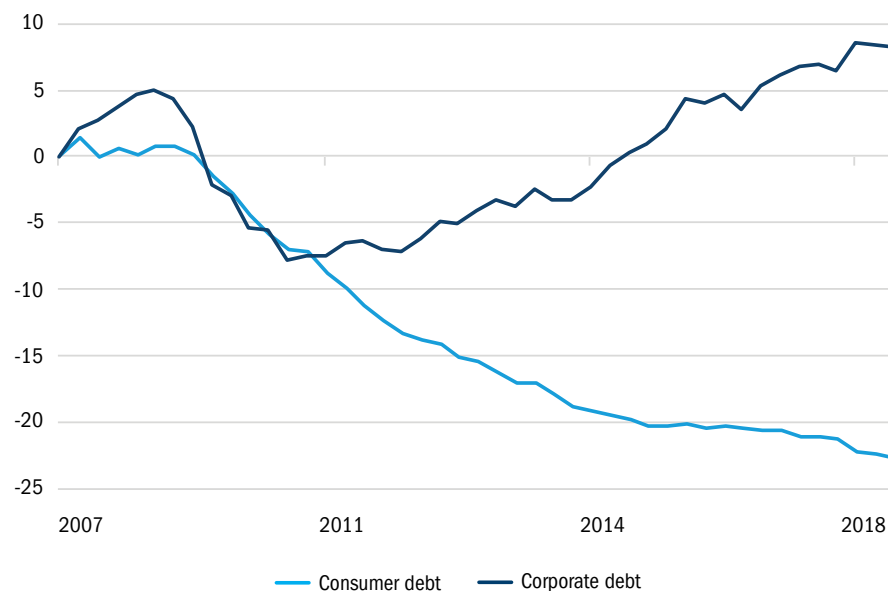


▶ Consumer-based credit investment opportunities look attractive in today's environment

Change in corporate debt and consumer debt as a percent of GDP



Source: Bloomberg Barclays and Columbia Threadneedle Investments as of 12/31/18. Updated annually.

Columbia Threadneedle Investments

Consumers have much less debt as a share of GDP than they did prior to the financial crisis in 2008. One cause is the strong job market. Another is that regulation has made it harder to get financing and refinancing as rates have fallen — which forces consumers into mortgage payments that better align with their income levels

The \$10 trillion securitized fixed-income investable universe includes several consumer-based sectors, such as agency and nonagency mortgage-backed securities. Active management can help avoid less attractive areas of this market, such as subprime auto loans.