

# New York Trip Report

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## **Executive Summary**

*Fundamental investing remains challenging as the central bank policies keep inflating asset prices*

*Momentum strategies suffered this year due to several trend reversals - mean reversion strategies did relatively well*

*As the second largest economy China's impact on global macro trends is on the rise and watching China closely may help explaining market dislocations in other parts of the world*

*Money keeps flowing to the US due to negative interest rates in Europe and Japan and terrorism in the Middle East*

*Credit spreads have priced in the wave of defaults seen in the energy sector and discounted a recessionary environment, yet defaults remain below average outside the energy space*

*US growth could surprise to the upside next year based on stable consumption due to wage growth, more capex after the energy sector bottomed, and policy actions by the new government*