

May Credit Update: Consensus Upgrades and Downgrades are in Balance

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Credit Benchmark has published the latest monthly credit consensus data (from April 2019) based on contributions from 30+ financial institutions, covering over 27,600 separate legal entities.

The monthly upgrades and downgrades overview is now based on data adjusted for changes in contributor mix.

Monthly consensus upgrades and downgrades:

- 261 obligors improved their credit standing by at least one notch.
- 297 obligors deteriorated.
- 66 moved more than one notch.
- The size of upgrades and downgrades has slightly increased.

Last month showed improvements across 267 obligors and deterioration across 241, with 43 moving by more than one notch.

Industries:

- Upgrades dominate downgrades in one out of ten reported industries and three out of ten have more downgrades.
- The industry showing an improvement in credit quality is:
 - o Basic Materials with 16 upgrades and six downgrades.
- The industries showing deteriorations are:
 - Consumer Goods with 13 upgrades and 30 downgrades.
 - Consumer Services with 24 upgrades and 26 downgrades.
 - o Health Care with three upgrades and eight downgrades.



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