

June Credit Update: Consensus Corporate Downgrades Outweigh Upgrades

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Credit Benchmark has published the latest monthly credit consensus data (from May 2019) based on contributions from 30+ financial institutions, covering over 27,900 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:

- 356 obligors improved their credit standing by at least one notch.
- 367 obligors deteriorated.
- 57 moved more than one notch.
- The frequency of upgrades and downgrades has increased.

Last month showed improvements across 261 obligors and deterioration across 297, with 66 moving by more than one notch.

Industries:

- Upgrades dominate downgrades in two out of ten reported industries and five out of ten have more downgrades.
- The industries showing an improvement in credit quality are:
 - o Basic Materials with 23 upgrades and 16 downgrades.
 - o Technology with six upgrades and four downgrades.
- The industries showing deteriorations include:
 - Consumer Services with 22 upgrades and 29 downgrades.
 - o Oil & Gas with 20 upgrades and 32 downgrades.
 - o Utilities with three upgrades and 17 downgrades.

Note: Monthly upgrade / downgrade movement is based on 28,000 individual Consensus PDs.

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