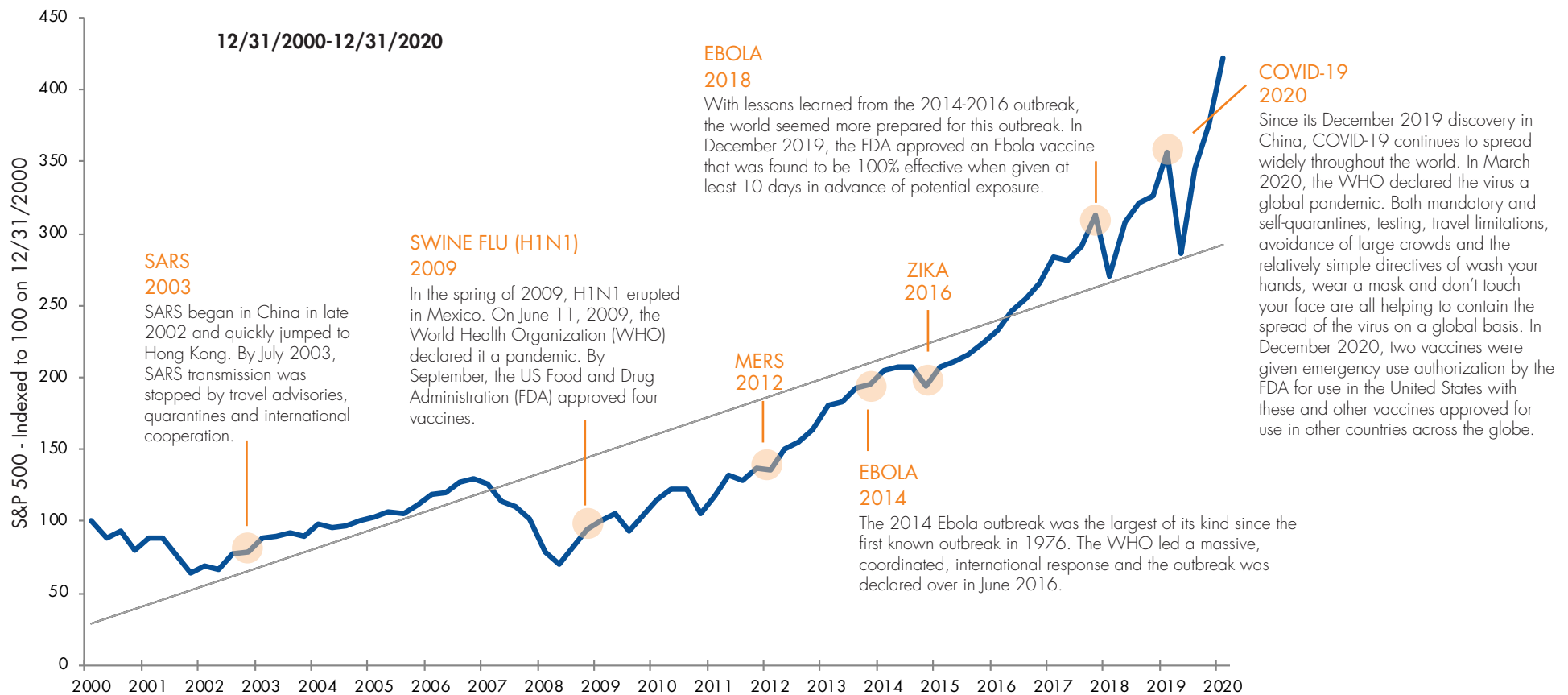


## US Equities

# Perspective on Past Viral Outbreaks

The move in the S&P 500 during the first quarter of 2020 was incredibly swift and painful reflecting incredible uncertainty around the COVID-19 global pandemic and the potential longer-term economic and human consequences. However, as investors' focus shifted to the anticipated economic recovery, US equity markets more than recovered their losses with the S&P 500 Index hitting a new high by August. We continue to remind investors of the adage "it's time in the market that builds returns, not timing the market." Volatility often creates opportunity and we believe the brave investor willing to stay the course may be rewarded over the longer-term.



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Source: Bloomberg, SandP.com and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Viral outbreak dates are broad estimates. S&P 500 Index indexed to 100 on 12/31/2000 and shows cumulative total return based on quarterly returns. The S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged market capitalization weighted index used to measure 500 companies chosen for market size, liquidity and industry grouping, among other factors. Please see reverse side for additional important disclosure information.

Fear and uncertainty often generate extreme swings in the equity markets. These swings are often short-term in nature and we believe investors ought to step back, refocus and take a longer-term perspective when these events take place. Historically, the markets have rewarded those investors willing to stay the course, remain diversified and invested over the long-term.

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