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Exact name of registrant as specified in charter:	Aberdeen Income Credit Strategies Fund
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Date of fiscal year end:	October 31
Date of reporting period:	October 31, 2018

Item 1 **Reports to Stockholders**

The Report to Shareholders is attached herewith.

Letter to Shareholders (unaudited)

Dear Shareholder,

We present this Annual Report, which covers the activities of Aberdeen Income Credit Strategies Fund (the Fund), for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018. The Fund s primary investment objective is to seek a high level of current income, with a secondary objective of capital appreciation.

Total Investment Return

For the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018, the total return to shareholders of the Fund based on the net asset value (NAV) and market price of the Fund are as follows:

	1 Year
NAV*	2.3%
Market Price*	-0.8%

*assuming the reinvestment of dividends and distributions

The Fund s total return is based on the reported NAV on each financial reporting period end and may differ from what is reported on the Financial Highlights due to financial statement rounding or adjustments. For more information about Fund performance please see the Report of the Investment Adviser (page 3) and Total Investment Returns (page 4).

NAV, Market Price and Discount

	NAV	Closing Market Price	Discount
On 10/31/2018	$14.08	$13.09	7.0%
On 10/31/2017	$15.25	$14.62	4.1%

Throughout the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018, the Fund s NAV was within a range of $14.08 to $15.52 and the Fund s market price traded within a range $12.97 to $14.59. Throughout the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018, the Fund s shares traded within a range of a discount of 3.1% to 8.9%.

Revolving Credit Facility

The outstanding balance on the Fund s revolving credit facility with The Bank of Nova Scotia as of October 31, 2018 was $83,000,000. On November 2, 2018 and December 24, 2018, the Fund paid down $8,000,000 and $5,000,000 respectively on the revolving credit facility leaving the outstanding balance at $70,000,000. The Fund s $100,000,000 senior secured revolving credit facility with The Bank of Nova Scotia terminated on November 30, 2018. Subsequent to the reporting period, on November 30, 2018, the Fund entered into a credit agreement providing for a $85,000,000 senior secured 364-day revolving credit loan facility with BNP Paribas. Under the terms of the loan facilities and applicable regulations, the Fund is required to maintain certain asset coverage ratios for the amount of its outstanding borrowings. The Board regularly reviews the use of

leverage by the Fund. A more detailed description of the Fund s leverage can be found in the Report of the Investment Adviser and the Notes to Financial Statements.

Distributions

Distributions to common shareholders for the twelve months ended October 31, 2018 totaled $1.44 per share. Based on the average market price for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018 of $14.01, the distribution rate over the twelve month period ended October 31, 2018 was 10.3%. Since all distributions are paid after deducting applicable withholding taxes, the effective distribution rate may be higher for those U.S. investors who are able to claim a tax credit.

On November 9, 2018 and December 11, 2018, the Fund announced that it will pay on November 28, 2018 and January 10, 2019, respectively, a distribution of U.S. $0.12 per share to all shareholders of record as of November 19, 2018 and December 31, 2018, respectively.

The Fund s policy is to provide investors with a stable monthly distribution out of current income, supplemented by realized capital gains and, to the extent necessary, paid-in capital, which is a non-taxable return of capital. This policy is subject to an annual review as well as regular review at the Board quarterly meetings, unless market conditions require an earlier evaluation.

Open Market Repurchase Program

On June 12, 2018, the Board approved a share repurchase program (Program) for the Fund. The Program allows the Fund to purchase, in the open market, its outstanding common shares, with the amount and timing of any repurchase determined at the discretion of the Fund s investment adviser and subject to market conditions and investment considerations. The Fund reports repurchased activity on the Fund s website on a monthly basis. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018, the Fund did not repurchase any shares through the Program.

Portfolio Holdings Disclosure

The Fund s complete schedule of portfolio holdings for the second and fourth quarters of each fiscal year are included in the Fund s semi-annual and annual reports to shareholders. The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The Fund s Form N-Q filings are available on the SEC s website at http://www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the SEC s Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. Information about the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330. The

Fund makes the information on Form N-Q available to shareholders on the Fund s website or upon request and without charge by calling Investor Relations toll-free at 1-800-522-5465.

Letter to Shareholders (unaudited) (concluded)

Proxy Voting

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, and information regarding how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent twelve months ended June 30 is available by August 31 of the relevant year: (i) upon request and without charge by calling Investor Relations toll-free at 1-800-522-5465; and (ii) on the SEC s website at http://www.sec.gov.

Unclaimed Share Accounts

Please be advised that abandoned or unclaimed property laws for certain states require financial organizations to transfer (escheat) unclaimed property (including Fund shares) to the state. Each state has its own definition of unclaimed property, and Fund shares could be considered unclaimed property due to account inactivity (e.g., no owner-generated activity for a certain period), returned mail (e.g., when mail sent to a shareholder is returned to the Fund s transfer agent as undeliverable), or a combination of both. If your Fund shares are categorized as unclaimed, your financial advisor or the Fund s transfer agent will follow the applicable state s statutory requirements to contact you, but if unsuccessful, laws may require that the shares be escheated to the appropriate state. If this happens, you will have to contact the state to recover your property, which may involve time and expense. For more information on unclaimed property and how to maintain an active account, please contact your financial adviser or the Fund s transfer agent.

Brexit

The ongoing negotiations surrounding the UK s exit from the EU (Brexit) have yet to provide clarity on what the outcome will be for the UK or Europe. The UK remains a member of the EU until the legally established departure date of March 29, 2019 and, until such date, all existing EU-derived laws and regulations continue to apply in the UK. Those laws may continue to apply for a transitional period, depending on whether a deal is struck and, if so, what that deal is. In any event, the UK s on-shoring of EU legislation currently envisages no policy changes to EU law. However, the EU has not yet provided any material cushion from the effects of Brexit for financial services as a matter of EU law. Whether or not the Fund invests in securities of issuers located in Europe (whether the EU, Eurozone or UK) or with significant exposure to European, EU, Eurozone or UK issuers or countries, the unavoidable uncertainties and events related to Brexit could negatively affect the value and liquidity of the Fund s investments, increase taxes and costs of business and cause volatility in currency exchange rates and interest rates. Brexit could adversely affect the performance of contracts in existence at the date of Brexit and European, UK or worldwide political, regulatory, economic or market conditions and could contribute to instability in political institutions, regulatory agencies and financial markets. Brexit could also lead to legal uncertainty and politically divergent national laws and

regulations as a new relationship between the UK and EU is defined and the UK determines which EU laws to replace or replicate. Any of these effects of Brexit, and others that cannot be anticipated, could adversely affect the Fund s business, results of operations and financial condition. In addition, the risk that Standard Life Aberdeen plc, the parent of the companies that provide investment advisory and administration services to the Fund and which is headquartered in the UK, fails to adequately prepare for Brexit could have significant customer, reputation and capital impacts for Standard Life Aberdeen plc and its subsidiaries, including those providing services to the Fund; however, we have detailed contingency planning in place to seek to manage the consequences of Brexit on the Fund and to avoid any disruption on the Fund and to the services we provide. Given the fluidity and complexity of the situation, however, we cannot assure that the Fund will not be adversely impacted despite our preparations.

Investor Relations Information

As part of Aberdeen s commitment to shareholders, we invite you to visit the Fund on the web at www.aberdeenacp.com. Here, you can view monthly fact sheets, quarterly commentary, distribution and performance information, updated daily fact sheets courtesy of Morningstar®, portfolio charting and other Fund literature.

Enroll in our email services today and be among the first to receive the latest closed-end fund news, announcements, videos and information. In addition, you can receive electronic versions of important Fund documents including annual reports, semi-annual reports, prospectuses, and proxy statements. Sign up today at cef.aberdeen-asset.us/en/cefinvestorcenter/contact-us/email.

For your convenience, included within this report is a reply card with postage paid envelope. Please complete and mail the card if you would like to be added to our enhanced email service and receive future communications from Aberdeen.

Contact Us:

• Visit: cef.aberdeen-asset.us;

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Yours sincerely,

Christian Pittard
President

All amounts are U.S. Dollars unless otherwise stated.

Report of the Investment Adviser (unaudited)

Market Review

Market/economic review

Global high-yield markets, as measured by the ICE Bank of America Merrill Lynch (BofA ML) Global High Yield Constrained Index, posted a modestly positive return of 0.21% for the 12-month period ended October 31, 2018. The environment was significantly different than that in 2017, when synchronized global economic growth propelled virtually all risk assets globally to positive returns. The various regional markets displayed significant dispersion. The economic backdrop in the U.S. was supported by tax cuts and, for most of the period, rebounding energy prices. Yields on U.S. Treasuries rose, with five- and ten year yields increasing by 97 and 77 basis points (bps), respectively, over the reporting period, and this pressured higher-quality, lower-yielding and longer duration[1] credit. However, the strong growth environment helped the lower-rated CCC[2] segment of U.S. high-yield market to perform particularly well, until the month of October, whereupon a sharp collapse in the oil price caused this part of the market to give up a large part of their gains. By credit rating, U.S. BB, B and CCC rated securities returned -0.88%, 1.61% and 4.52%, respectively, over the 12-month reporting period.

Emerging markets struggled with country-specific problems in Turkey, Venezuela, Russia and Argentina. Trade tensions and the imposition of tariffs, principally aimed at China by the U.S., caused significant volatility. In addition, rising U.S. interest rates caused the U.S. dollar to rally, which historically has tended to be broadly negative for emerging markets as the burden of servicing U.S. dollar-denominated debt becomes greater.

In Europe, high-yield spreads performed poorly over the reporting period, widening from around 240 basis points (bps) to 350 bps, attributable to several reasons. At the end of 2017, a number of large capital structures were refinanced and these served both to extend the duration and widen the average spread of the index. Bond issuers in the construction sector also saw some significant underperformance. Spreads on bonds of large index constituents (and Fund holdings) Altice, a telecom, and French grocer Casino Guichard Perrachon, have also widened as companies results over the reporting

period generally did not meet investors expectations. The cessation of the European Central Bank s quantitative easing program was well-flagged earlier in the summer of 2018, and in anticipation of a weaker market technical, investors have taken money out of credit markets in Europe. These outflows have also been exacerbated by the relative lack of yield in Europe versus a more attractive yield in U.S. dollar assets. A new populist government in Italy and its challenge of European Union (EU) budget deficit rules caused a wholesale repricing of risk in Italy. In the UK, while the move in risk premia was modest during the reporting period, the looming deadline for the UK to leave the EU was a headwind for sterling-denominated assets.

Fund performance review

The Fund returned 2.34% on a net asset value basis for the 12-month period ended October 31, 2018, versus the 0.21% return of its benchmark, the ICE BofA ML Global High Yield Constrained Index.

During the reporting period, while we maintained the Fund s significant exposure to the energy sector, we took profits on several positions, and the overall exposure decreased. During the reporting period, the energy sector performed well, buoyed by the recovery in the oil price. However, in October 2018, there was a sharp reversal and, in line with the 12% decline in the Brent crude oil price over the month, the sector began to surrender much of its positive performance over much of the first 11 months of the reporting period.

We maintained the Fund s significant exposure to lower-rated CCC credit during the reporting period. This part of the market performed well during the majority of the period. We reduced the allocation as we took profits on positions or exited positons for which we believed that the risk/reward outlook was no longer supportive.

We increased the Fund s level of diversification[3] during the reporting period with respect to the number of securities, geography and sectors. We added several European-denominated assets to the Fund. When these euro-denominated cash flows are swapped into U.S. dollars, the Fund benefits from a significant yield enhancement from the cross-currency swap.[4] Over the 12-month period, the Fund issued total distributions of $1.44 per share.

1 Duration is an estimate of bond price sensitivity to changes in interest rates. The higher the duration, the greater the change (i.e., higher risk) in relation to interest-rate movements.

2 Standard & Poor s credit ratings express the agency s opinion about the ability and willingness of an issuer, such as a corporation or state or city government, to meet its financial obligations in full and on time. Typically, ratings are expressed as letter grades that range, for example, from AAA to D to communicate the agency s opinion of relative level of credit risk. Ratings from AA to CCC may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

3 Diversification does not ensure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market.

4 Cross-currency swaps are an over-the-counter derivative in a form of an agreement between two parties to exchange interest payments and principal denominated in two different currencies.

Report of the Investment Adviser (unaudited) (continued)

In terms of sector allocation, we increased the Fund s weightings in banking, insurance, financial services and leisure, and reduced the allocations to energy, healthcare, retail and telecommunications.

The main positive contributors to the Fund s relative performance for the reporting period included oil and gas exploration and production company EP Energy Corp., as its bonds rallied sharply due to an exchange offer on the bonds from the company and continued terming out of front-end maturities. Additionally, market transactions in the company s acreage for oil and natural gas assets confirmed higher valuations and, therefore, improved recovery prospects for the bonds. The Fund s holding in Seadrill LP bolstered relative performance as the offshore drilling services provider s term loan gained ground after the company reached a refinancing agreement with lenders. We reduced the Fund s position in Seadrill following the restructuring of the business and rally in the term loan. Oil and gas company California Resources term loan and bonds continued to benefit from the company s improved results and maturity schedule after a November 2017 refinancing that boosted liquidity and eased covenants. Frontier Communications Corp. s bonds performed well as the company slightly eased its maturity schedule and demonstrated some improved operating performance. Additionally, we took profits on the Fund s holdings in Intelsat bonds following their relatively strong performance. The Fund s position in a new issuer, TDC, contributed to relative performance as the Danish telecom reduced debt faster than anticipated through a large disposal. Bausch Health (formerly Valeant), was a large holding which also performed strongly as the business stabilized, and due to its termed out and reduced debt, and restored investor confidence; we took profits on the holding during the rally.

Notable detractors from the Fund s relative performance included the holding in Sable Permian, as the oil and gas exploration and production company s poor drilling performance continued and a restructuring of its debt looms. Similarly, Sanchez Energy Corp., an oil and gas exploration company, experienced a relatively disappointing operational drilling performance. Despite some good asset coverage, a complex debt load is putting pressure on the company. The bonds of integrated mining and metals company Nyrstar fell sharply over the reporting period. The company s debt had grown due to a large capital investment in a new smelter which, once operational, was expected to significantly drive higher earnings. However, as a result of a sharp decline in the zinc price, combined with record-low revenues from zinc treatment charges, we believed that the company was unlikely to be able to deleverage its balance sheet in line with investor expectations. We subsequently exited the Fund s position in the bonds

at a loss. The bonds of Caribbean telecom operator Digicel declined after investors lost faith in the ability of the company to refinance its debt on maturity. We currently await the results of the company s negotiations with a committee of bondholders in order to agree a refinancing plan. We consider that the company has attractive assets, the ability to deleverage and a modest restructuring of the debt profile will allow the company to repay its obligations. The bonds of retail drugstore and pharmacy operator Rite-Aid Corp. fell after shareholders surprisingly rejected the proposed acquisition of the company by Albertsons.

Outlook

Global credit markets have experienced an extraordinary period of several years in which low government bond yields, low inflation and decent economic growth have underpinned demand for credit as well as positive returns. Looking at the landscape today, global economic growth is no longer synchronized, yields are rising, and spreads have also been widening in the majority of credit markets. Volatility has increased and idiosyncratic event risk has returned. Economic growth is slowing in western markets and a strong dollar creates a headwind for emerging markets. While the sharp correction in the oil price heightens risks for those weaker oil producers, for the majority of companies and consumers, the benefits of cheaper energy are greater. A lower oil price puts downward pressure on inflation, U.S. Treasury yields and ultimately, the dollar, thereby creating a form of shock absorber. While growth is slowing in the U.S., a recession is not expected for some time. In Europe, the European Central Bank (ECB) will complete its bond-buying program in December 2018, but interest-rate hikes remain some way off and monetary conditions are still accommodative. While spreads have widened, when comparing regions by credit rating, they have moved far more in Europe and emerging markets than in the U.S. high-yield market, which now looks relatively expensive. The move in credit spreads has been sharp and while some capital structures now look vulnerable, we feel that there are opportunities. As we look at the year ahead, credit is now significantly cheaper than 12 months ago, discounting an environment that is likely too bearish and, therefore, has the scope to generate stronger returns than in the past year, in our view.

Loan Facility and the Use of Leverage

The Fund s revolving credit facility with The Bank of Nova Scotia terminated on November 30, 2018. Subsequent to the reporting period, on November 30, 2018, the Fund entered into a credit agreement providing for a $85,000,000 senior secured 364-day revolving credit loan facility with BNP Paribas. During the period

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ending October 31, 2018, the Fund s use of leverage increased from 29.4% to 31.1% as a percentage of managed assets and the leverage amount of $83,000,000 remained unchanged during the period. The Fund utilizes leverage to seek to increase the yield for its shareholders. The amounts borrowed from the Fund s loan facility may be invested to seek to return higher rates than the rates in the Fund s portfolio. However, the cost of leverage could exceed the income earned by the Fund on the proceeds of such leverage. To the extent that the Fund is unable to invest the proceeds from the use of leverage in assets which pay interest at a rate which exceeds the rate paid on the leverage, the yield on the Fund s common stock will decrease. In addition, in the event of a general market decline in the value of assets in which the Fund invests, the effect of that decline will be magnified in the Fund because of the additional assets purchased with the proceeds of the leverage. Non-recurring expenses in connection with the implementation of the loan facility will reduce the Fund s performance.

The Fund s leveraged capital structure creates special risks not associated with unleveraged funds having similar investment objectives and policies. The funds borrowed pursuant to the loan facility may constitute a substantial lien and burden by reason of their prior claim against the income of the Fund and against the net assets of the Fund in liquidation. The Fund is limited in its ability to declare dividends or other distributions in the event of default under the loan facility. In the event of default under the loan facility, the lender has the right to cause a liquidation of the collateral (i.e., sell portfolio securities and other assets of the Fund) and, if any such default is not cured, the lender may be able to control the liquidation as well. The loan facility has a term of 364 days and is not a perpetual form of leverage; there can be no assurance that the loan facility will be available for renewal on acceptable terms, if at all.

The credit agreement governing the loan facility includes usual and customary covenants for this type of transaction. These covenants impose on the Fund asset coverage requirements, Fund composition requirements and limits on certain investments, such as illiquid investments, which are more stringent than those imposed on the Fund by the Investment Company Act of 1940. The covenants or guidelines could impede the Investment Adviser or Sub-Adviser from fully managing the Fund s portfolio in accordance with the Fund s investment objective and policies. Furthermore, non-compliance with such covenants or the occurrence of other events could lead to the cancellation of the loan facility. The covenants also include a requirement that the Fund maintain net assets of no less than $67,501,648.

Prices and availability of leverage are volatile in the current market environment. The Board regularly reviews the use of leverage by the Fund and may explore other forms of leverage.

Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited

Risk Considerations

Past performance is not an indication of future results. International investing entails special risk considerations, including currency fluctuations, lower liquidity, economic and political risks, and differences in accounting methods; these risks are generally heightened for emerging market investments.

Fixed income securities are subject to certain risks including, but not limited to: interest rate (changes in interest rates may cause a decline in the market value of an investment), credit (changes in the financial condition of the issuer, borrower, counterparty, or underlying collateral), prepayment (debt issuers may repay or refinance their loans or obligations earlier than anticipated), and extension (principal repayments may not occur as quickly as anticipated, causing the expected maturity of a security to increase).

The performance of the global high-yield market is measured by the ICE Bank of America Merrill Lynch (BofA ML) Global High Yield Constrained Index, which tracks the performance of U.S. dollar-, Canadian dollar-, euro- and sterling-denominated, below-investment-grade corporate debt publicly issued in the major domestic or eurobond markets. CCC rated credit is represented by the BofA ML CCC & Lower U.S. High Yield Constrained Index; BB rated credit is represented by the ICE BofA ML BB US High Yield Constrained Index; B rated credit is represented by the ICE BofA ML Single-B US High Yield Constrained Index; European high yield is represented by the ICE BofA ML Euro High Yield Constrained Index.

All indices are hedged to U.S. dollars.

Indexes are unmanaged and have been provided for comparison purposes only. No fees or expenses are reflected. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Total Investment Returns (unaudited)

The following table summarizes the average annual Fund performance for the 1-year, 3-year, 5-year and since inception periods as of October 31, 2018.

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception (January 27, 2011)
Net Asset Value (NAV)	2.3%	9.4%	5.4%	6.1%
Market Value	-0.8%	11.5%	5.6%	4.5%

Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited and Aberdeen Asset Management Inc. assumed responsibility for the management of the Fund as investment adviser and sub-adviser, respectively, on December 1, 2017. Performance prior to this date reflects the performance of an unaffiliated investment adviser. The performance above reflects fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements made by the Fund s current and/or former investment adviser. Absent such waivers and/or reimbursements, the Fund s returns would be lower. See Note 3 in the Notes to Financial Statements.

Returns represent past performance. Total investment return based on NAV is based on changes in the NAV of Fund Shares and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions, if any, at market prices pursuant to the dividend reinvestment program. All return data at NAV includes fees and expenses charged to the Fund, which are listed in the Fund s Statement of Operations under Expenses . Total investment return based on market value is based on changes in the market price at which the Fund s Shares traded on the NYSE during the period and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions, if any, at market prices pursuant to the dividend reinvestment program. The Fund s total return is based on the reported NAV or market price, as applicable, at the financial reporting period end. Because the Fund s shares trade in the stock market based on investor demand, the Fund may trade at a price higher or lower than its NAV. Therefore, returns are calculated based on both market price and NAV. ***Past performance is no guarantee of future results.*** *The performance information provided does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions received from the Fund. The current performance of the Fund may be lower or higher than the figures shown. The Fund s yield, return, market price and NAV will fluctuate. Performance information current to the most recent month-end is available at www.aberdeenacp.com or by calling 800-522-5465.*

The net operating expense ratio, excluding fee waivers, based on the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018 was 3.55%. The net operating expense ratio, net of fee waivers, based on the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018 was 3.49%. The net operating expense ratio, excluding interest expense, commitment fee and loan servicing fees and net of fee waivers, based on the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018 was 2.24%

Portfolio Composition (unaudited)

Quality of Investments(1)

The Fund did not hold any securities that were rated BBB/Baa as of the reporting period. The table below shows the asset quality of the Fund s total investments as of October 31, 2018, compared to April 30, 2018:

	BB/Ba*	**B***	**CCC***	**CC***	**C***	**D***	**NR****
Date	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**
October 31, 2018	3	51	41	3	2	0	0
April 30, 2018	0	37	52	6	0	0	5

* Below investment grade

** Not Rated

(1) For financial reporting purposes, credit quality ratings shown above reflect the lowest rating assigned by either Standard & Poor s or Moody s, if ratings differ. These rating agencies are independent, nationally recognized statistical rating organizations and are widely used. Investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BBB/Baa or higher. Below investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BB/Ba or lower. Investments designated NR are not rated by either rating agency. Unrated investments do not necessarily indicate low credit quality. Credit quality ratings are subject to change. The Investment Adviser evaluates the credit quality of unrated investments based upon, but not limited to, credit ratings for similar investments.

Geographic Composition

The table below shows the geographical composition (with U.S. Dollar-denominated bonds issued by foreign issuers allocated into country of issuance) of the Fund s total investments as of October 31, 2018, compared to April 30, 2018:

	United States	**Europe**	**United Kingdom**	**Africa**	**Caribbean**	**Asia**	**Middle East**
Date	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**	**%**
October 31, 2018	39	31	24	4	2	0	0
April 30, 2018	51	27	17	1	2		