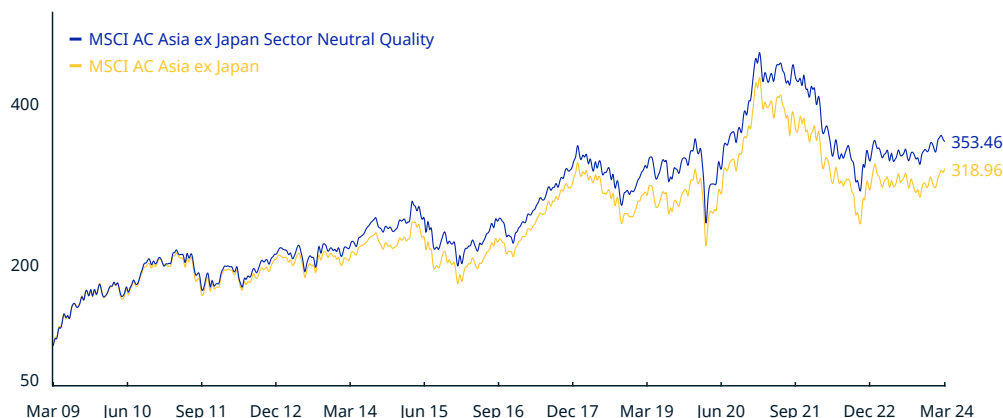


# MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Sector Neutral Quality Index (USD)

The MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Sector Neutral Quality Index captures large and mid-cap representation across 2 of 3 Developed Markets countries\* (excluding Japan) and 8 Emerging Markets countries\* in Asia. The index aims to capture the performance of securities that exhibit stronger quality characteristics relative to their peers within the same GICS® sector by identifying stocks with high quality scores based on three main fundamental variables: high Return-on-Equity (ROE), low leverage and low earnings variability.

For a complete description of the index methodology, please see [Index methodology - MSCI](#).

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (USD) (MAR 2009 – MAR 2024)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Sector Neutral Quality	MSCI AC Asia ex Japan
2023	6.81	5.98
2022	-21.99	-19.67
2021	0.95	-4.72
2020	21.92	25.02
2019	18.29	18.17
2018	-10.46	-14.37
2017	39.81	41.72
2016	1.69	5.44
2015	-6.67	-9.17
2014	10.42	4.80
2013	3.85	3.07
2012	22.86	22.36
2011	-15.92	-17.31
2010	20.86	19.62

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (%) (MAR 29, 2024)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since Dec 29, 2000
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Sector Neutral Quality	-1.39	0.16	4.20	0.16	-6.37	1.66	4.64		8.33
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan	2.54	2.38	3.99	2.38	-6.84	1.94	4.18		7.42

## FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 29, 2024)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
2.74	18.19	16.32	3.79
2.53	17.19	12.77	1.62

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (DEC 29, 2000 – MAR 29, 2024)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2, 3</sup>			Since Dec 29, 2000	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Sector Neutral Quality	0.92	4.27	49.40	16.71	17.63	15.66	-0.47	0.06	0.27	0.42	64.44	2007-10-29–2008-10-27
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan	1.00	0.00	6.43	19.36	19.45	17.22	-0.41	0.09	0.24	0.37	65.51	2007-10-29–2008-10-27

<sup>1</sup> Last 12 months

<sup>2</sup> Based on monthly net returns data

<sup>3</sup> Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep 1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date

\* Developed Markets countries in the index include: Hong Kong and Singapore. Emerging Markets countries include: China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan and Thailand.

The MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Sector Neutral Quality Index was launched on Jun 30, 2016. Data prior to the launch date is back-tested test (i.e. calculations of how the index might have performed over that time period had the index existed). There are frequently material differences between back-tested performance and actual results. Past performance – whether actual or back-tested – is no indication or guarantee of future performance.

## INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

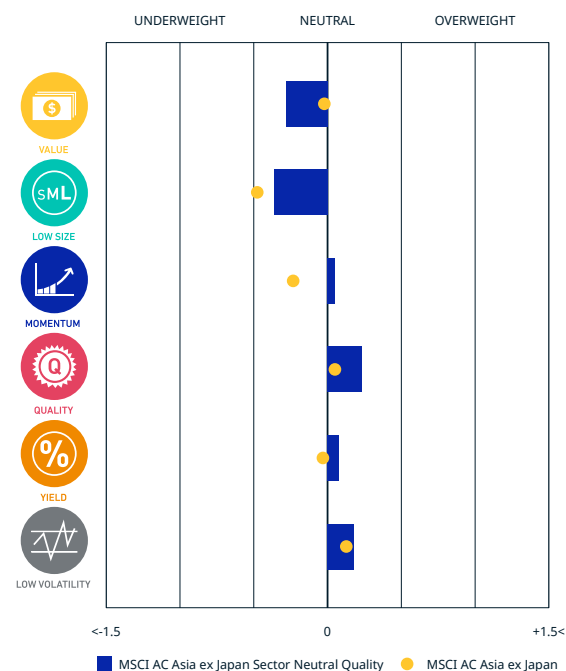
	MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Sector Neutral Quality	MSCI AC Asia ex Japan
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	169	1,182
	<b>Weight (%)</b>	
<b>Largest</b>	6.53	9.69
<b>Smallest</b>	0.01	0.00
<b>Average</b>	0.59	0.08
<b>Median</b>	0.29	0.03

## TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Country	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
NETEASE	CN	6.53	0.65	Comm Svcs
PDD HOLDINGS A ADR	CN	6.38	1.12	Cons Discr
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MFG	TW	5.80	9.69	Info Tech
INFOSYS	IN	4.53	0.96	Info Tech
TATA CONSULTANCY	IN	4.16	0.68	Info Tech
MEDIATEK INC	TW	4.08	0.92	Info Tech
BANK CENTRAL ASIA	ID	2.65	0.57	Financials
HDFC BANK	IN	2.62	0.79	Financials
COAL INDIA	IN	2.42	0.13	Energy
HONGKONG EXCH & CLEARING	HK	2.25	0.57	Financials
<b>Total</b>		<b>41.39</b>	<b>16.08</b>	

## FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

## MSCI FACTOR BOX



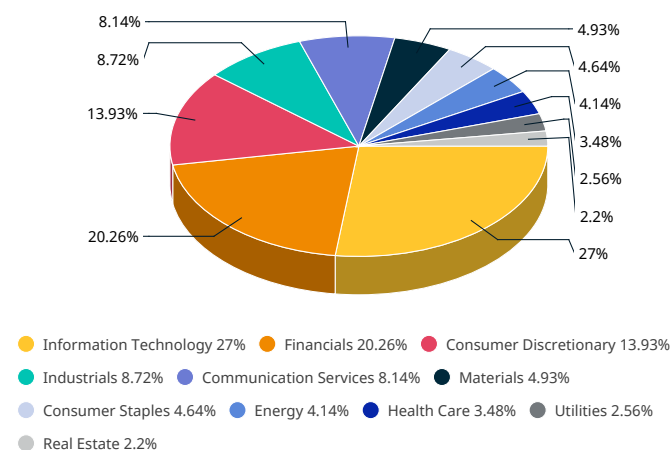
## MSCI FaCS

- VALUE**  
Relatively Inexpensive Stocks
- LOW SIZE**  
Smaller Companies
- MOMENTUM**  
Rising Stocks
- QUALITY**  
Sound Balance Sheet Stocks
- YIELD**  
Cash Flow Paid Out
- LOW VOLATILITY**  
Lower Risk Stocks

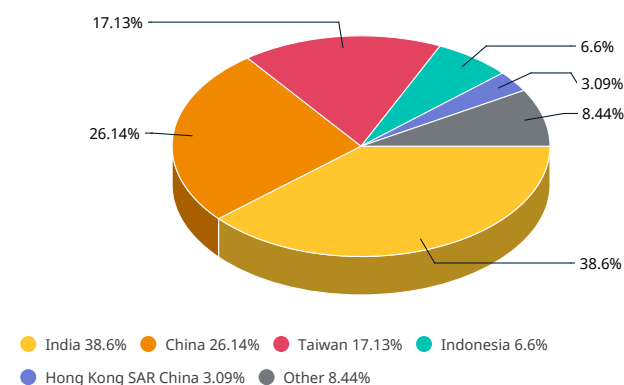
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

Neutral factor exposure (FaCS = 0) represents MSCI ACWI IMI.

## SECTOR WEIGHTS



## COUNTRY WEIGHTS



**MSCI FACTOR BOX AND FaCS FRAMEWORK (Please refer to complete description of the MSCI FaCS methodology [here](#))**

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