

# MSCI Japan Small Cap Index (USD)

The **MSCI Japan Small Cap Index** is designed to measure the performance of the small cap segment of the Japanese market. With 785 constituents, the index represents approximately 14% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization of the Japan equity universe..

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

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (USD) (MAR 2011 – MAR 2026)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI Japan Small Cap	MSCI World Small Cap	MSCI ACWI IMI
2025	29.27	20.44	22.60
2024	4.79	8.65	16.89
2023	13.80	16.34	22.18
2022	-11.68	-18.37	-18.00
2021	-1.94	16.18	18.71
2020	6.84	16.47	16.81
2019	19.78	26.78	27.04
2018	-15.74	-13.48	-9.61
2017	31.68	23.19	24.58
2016	7.91	13.25	8.96
2015	15.65	0.12	-1.68
2014	-0.18	2.32	4.36
2013	26.53	32.92	24.17
2012	4.19	18.14	17.04

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (%) (MAR 31, 2026)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since Dec 29, 2000
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		
MSCI Japan Small Cap	-11.71	3.68	28.92	3.68	15.31	5.98	7.96	6.49	
MSCI World Small Cap	-7.63	1.47	26.80	1.47	13.95	5.99	9.99	9.34	
MSCI ACWI IMI	-7.24	-2.65	21.16	-2.65	16.76	9.53	11.64	7.66	

## FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 31, 2026)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
2.56	16.96	14.13	1.29
2.07	24.98	16.06	1.93
1.79	22.07	16.95	3.14

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (MAR 31, 2026)

	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 Japan Small Cap	10.63	14.77	14.76	14.17	0.72	0.24	0.45	0.35	57.34	2006-01-13–2009-03-10
MSCI World Small Cap	13.90	15.91	17.33	17.81	0.60	0.23	0.50	0.48	61.08	2007-07-13–2009-03-09
MSCI ACWI IMI	1.89	11.93	14.54	14.64	0.97	0.47	0.67	0.42	58.28	2007-10-31–2009-03-09

<sup>1</sup> Last 12 months

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

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

The MSCI Japan Small Cap Index was launched on Jan 01, 2001. 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**

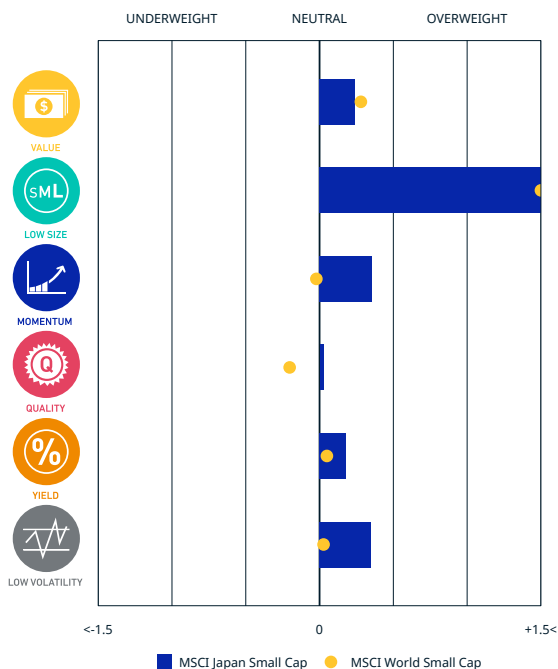
MSCI Japan Small Cap	
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	785
Mkt Cap (USD Millions)	
<b>Index</b>	1,211,866.73
<b>Largest</b>	12,146.83
<b>Smallest</b>	178.87
<b>Average</b>	1,543.78
<b>Median</b>	1,012.67

**TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

	Float Adj Mkt Cap (USD Billions)	Index Wt. (%)	Sector
FURUKAWA ELECTRIC CO	12.15	1.00	Industrials
RESONAC HOLDINGS CORP	10.82	0.89	Materials
MITSUI KINZOKU CO	10.12	0.84	Materials
SOJITZ CORP	8.09	0.67	Industrials
SHIZUOKA FINANCIAL GROUP	7.01	0.58	Financials
NITERRA CO	6.79	0.56	Cons Discr
ROHM CO	6.59	0.54	Info Tech
FUKUOKA FINANCIAL GROUP	6.44	0.53	Financials
FOOD & LIFE CO	6.43	0.53	Cons Discr
MEBUKI FINANCIAL GROUP	6.39	0.53	Financials
<b>Total</b>	<b>80.81</b>	<b>6.67</b>	

**FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN**

**MSCI FACTOR BOX**



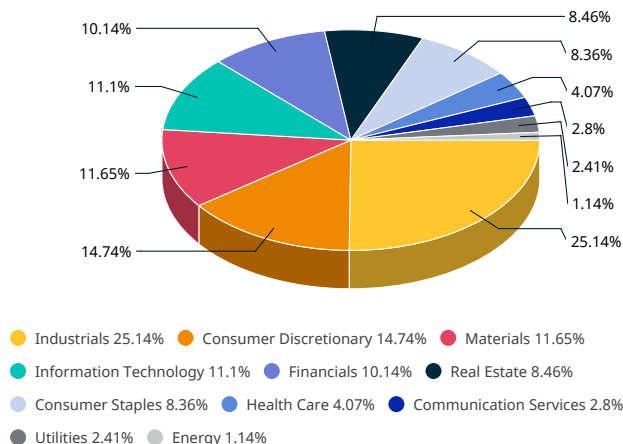
**MSCI FaCS**

- 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**



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

MSCI FaCS is a standard method for evaluating and reporting the Factor characteristics of equity portfolios. MSCI FaCS consists of Factor Groups (e.g. Value, Size, Momentum, Quality, Yield, and Volatility) that have been extensively documented in academic literature and validated by MSCI Research as key drivers of risk and return in equity portfolios. These Factor Groups are constructed by aggregating 16 factors (e.g. Book-to-Price, Earnings/Dividend Yields, LT Reversal, Leverage, Earnings Variability/Quality, Beta) from the latest Barra global equity factor risk model, GEMLT, designed to make fund comparisons transparent and intuitive for use. The MSCI Factor Box, which is powered by MSCI FaCS, provides a visualization designed to easily compare absolute exposures of funds/indexes and their benchmarks along 6 Factor Groups that have historically demonstrated excess market returns over the long run.

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