

Market Review for January 2022

2nd February 2022

TOPIX ended down on the previous month-end. The Japanese equity market declined along with the US equity market due to growing expectations of higher US interest rates. Concerns over the increase in domestic cases of COVID and geopolitical risks over Ukraine also weighed on the market.

2022	As of the end of Jan 2022	January 2022	Year to Date
ΤΟΡΙΧ	1,895.93	-4.84%*	-4.84%*
Nikkei 225	27,001.98	-6.22%	-6.22%
USD/JPY**	115.23	115.16 (31 Dec)	115.16 (end of 2021)

Table 1. Market Performance

*MTD: -4.83%, YTD: -4.83% in total return index, **Reuters London 4pm

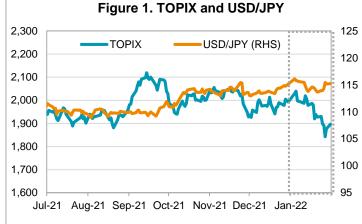
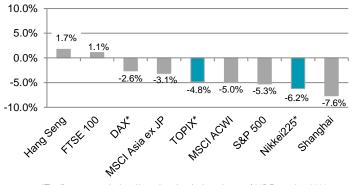


Table 2. Top 5 performing sectors in January 2022

Sector	Return
Mining	13.67%
Insurance	9.17%
Nonferrous Metals	7.34%
Banks	7.01%
Pulp & Paper	3.89%

Figure 2. Global Equity Market Monthly Performance

(as of the end of January 2022, local currency)



*The figures are calculated based on the closing price as of 30^{th} December 2021

Table 3. Bottom 5 performing sectors in January 2022

Sector	Return
Electric Appliance	-13.62%
Services	-11.95%
Precision Instruments	-11.86%
Metal Products	-8.12%
Machinery	-7.26%

Table 4. Top 5 performing stocks* in January 2022

Return

20.64%

16.55%

15.27%

14.67%

13.51%

Table 5. Bottom 5 performing stocks [*] in January 2022				
Sector	Return			
Nihon M&A Center (2127 JP)	-36.65%			
GMO Payment Gateway (3769 JP)	-31.36%			
CyberAgent (4751 JP)	-30.77%			
Sysmex (6869 JP)	-30.35%			
Benefit One (2412 JP)	-29.79%			

*Stocks with a market cap of over JPY 500 billion

Name

Sumitomo Metal Mining (5713 JP)

Inpex (1605 JP)

T&D Holdings (8795 JP)

Shinsei Bank (8303 JP)

Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (7011 JP)





Large

Small

Figure 3. Value-Growth Spread Figure 4. Large-Small Cap Spread (End of January 2021 = 0) (End of January 2021 = 0) 30% 30% Value 20% 20% -0.03% MTD 10% 10% 12.69% MTD 0% 0% Growth -10% -10% -20% -20% Feb-21 Apr-21 Jun-21 Aug-21 Oct-21 Dec-21 Feb-21 Apr-21 Jun-21 Aug-21 Oct-21 Dec-21

The spread between the Russell/Nomura Value Index and the Growth Index (Positive figure means value dominant)

The spread between the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index and the Small Cap Index (Positive figure means Large Cap dominant)



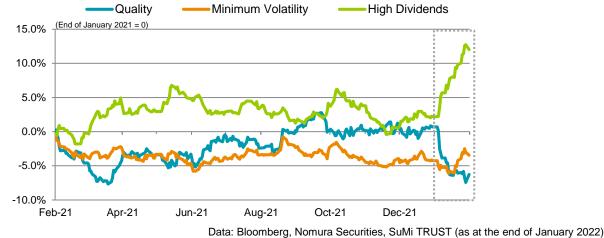
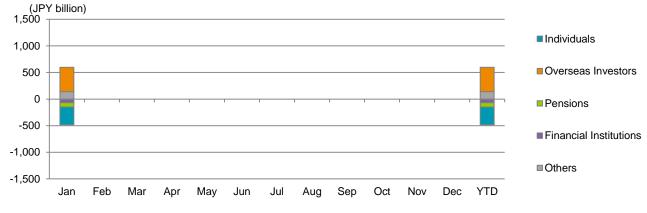


Figure 6. Monthly Investment Activities by Investor Type in the Japanese Equity Market



Data: Bloomberg, SuMi TRUST (as of 21st January 2022)

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