MINIMUM VARIANCE

STOXX® JAPAN 600 MINIMUM VARIANCE UNCONSTRAINED INDEX

Index description

The STOXX® Japan 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index weights the components of the underlying STOXX® Japan 600 Index so that portfolio variance is minimized. STOXX uses Axioma's factor model for the optimization process. The Unconstrained version applies loosely stated constraints to seek an improved risk profile. It targets investors seeking a more optimal portfolio in terms of replicated volatility.

Key facts

» Minimized volatility is suitable for risk-averse investors. At the same time, the return of the index is higher than the benchmark

» Suitable as a liquid underlying for ETFs and structured products. It is easy to replicate as it has fewer components than the underlying Index. It also has predictable rebalancing dates and is optimized to allow tracking (low turnover, transaction costs analysis, etc.).

» Capping constraints are applied in accordance with the Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (UCITS) directive to ensure that funds can easily track the index

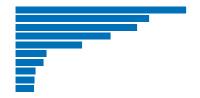
» Two versions - Constrained and Unconstrained - cater to different investor needs

» The Unconstrained version offers a first-of-its-kind index for a true minimum variance mandate

Descriptive statistics

| Index | Market cap (JPY bn.) | | Components (JPY bn.) | | | Component weight (%) | | Turnover (%) | |
|--|----------------------|------------|----------------------|--------|----------|----------------------|---------|--------------|----------------|
| | Full | Free-float | Mean | Median | Largest | Smallest | Largest | Smallest | Last 12 months |
| STOXX Japan 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index | N/A | 15,019.5 | 98.2 | 32.5 | 1127.5 | 4.5 | 7.5 | 0.0 | 60.0 |
| STOXX Japan 600 Index | 768,791.1 | 653,213.1 | 1088.7 | 364.5 | 28,563.5 | 102.3 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 2.6 |

Supersector weighting (top 10)



23.1% Food, Beverage & Tobacco 18.1% Travel & Leisure 16.5% Real Estate 12.9% Telecommunications 9.0% Industrial Goods & Services 4.2% Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores 3.8% Utilities 2.7% Retail 2.6% Technology 2.5% Banks

Country weighting

100.0% Japan

Risk and return figures¹

| Index returns | | | | R | eturn (%) | | | An | nualized ret | turn (%) |
|--|---|------|------|------|-----------|------------|------------|------|--------------|----------|
| | Last month | YTD | 1Y | ЗY | 5Y | Last month | YTD | 1Y | 3Y | 5Y |
| STOXX Japan 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index | 2.6 | 9.7 | 9.9 | 24.2 | 14.9 | N/A | N/A | 10.0 | 7.6 | 2.9 |
| STOXX Japan 600 Index | 7.6 | 22.8 | 24.9 | 57.0 | 49.8 | N/A | N/A | 25.2 | 16.4 | 8.5 |
| Index volatility and risk | Annualized volatility (%) Annualized Sharpe rat | | | | | | pe ratio² | | | |
| STOXX Japan 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index | 7.8 | 8.3 | 8.8 | 10.1 | 12.1 | N/A | N/A | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.2 |
| STOXX Japan 600 Index | 16.1 | 13.0 | 14.4 | 15.8 | 16.9 | N/A | N/A | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Index to benchmark | Correlation | | | | | Tracking | error (%) | | | |
| STOXX Japan 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 11.5 | 9.3 | 10.1 | 10.5 | 10.7 |
| Index to benchmark | Beta Annualized information | | | | | | tion ratio | | | |
| STOXX Japan 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 | -5.0 | -2.6 | -1.4 | -0.9 | -0.6 |

¹ For information on data calculation, please refer to STOXX <u>calculation reference guide</u>.
² Based on EURIBOR1M

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(JPY, gross return), all data as of Jun. 30, 2023

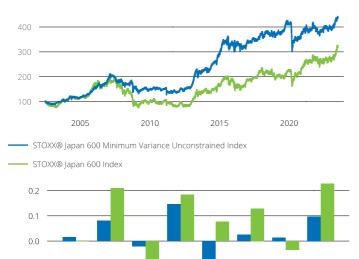
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Fundamentals (for last 12 months)

| Index | | Price/earnings incl. negative | Price/earnings excl. negative | | Price/ book | Dividend yield (%) ³ | Price/ sales | Price/ cash flow | |
|--|----------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--|
| | Trailing | Projected | Trailing | Projected | Trailing | Trailing | Trailing | Trailing | |
| STOXX Japan 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index | 16.2 | 16.5 | 13.6 | 16.4 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 11.9 | |
| STOXX Japan 600 Index | 16.2 | 14.9 | 14.9 | 14.7 | 1.4 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 14.3 | |

Performance and annual returns⁴



2019

2020

2021

2022

YTD

Methodology

On the basis of the underlying index, a covariance matrix is set up by determining the correlation between each component and specific factors. Using Axioma's factor model, the variance-covariance structure of the components is determined, which is then minimized with respect to applicable constraints. The constraints applied cover individual capping, effective number of assets, rebalancing and turnover. The full list of factors including the requirements to be met can be accessed in our Index rulebook: http://www.stoxx.com/indices/rulebooks.html



2018

2017

STOXX® Japan 600 Index

2016

-0.1

Versions and symbols

| Index | | ISIN | Symbol | Bloomberg | Reuters |
|--------------|-----|--------------|----------|----------------|-----------|
| Gross Return | EUR | CH0180139393 | SA6JUNGR | | .XA6JUNGR |
| Net Return | EUR | CH0180139237 | SA6JUNR | SXA6JUNR INDEX | .SXA6JUNR |
| Net Return | EUR | CH0180139237 | SA6JUNR | SXA6JUNR INDEX | .SXA6JUNR |
| Price | EUR | CH0180139070 | SA6JUNP | SXA6JUNP INDEX | .SXA6JUNP |
| Price | EUR | CH0180139070 | SA6JUNP | SXA6JUNP INDEX | .SXA6JUNP |
| Gross Return | JPY | CH0225791885 | SA6JUNGF | SA6JUNGF INDEX | .SA6JUNGF |
| Net Return | JPY | CH0225791877 | SA6JUNF | | .SA6JUNF |
| Net Return | JPY | CH0225791877 | SA6JUNF | | .SA6JUNF |
| Price | JPY | CH0225791869 | SA6JUNK | | .SA6JUNK |
| Price | JPY | CH0225791869 | SA6JUNK | | .SA6JUNK |

Quick facts

| Weighting | Optimization |
|----------------------------|---|
| Cap factor | 4.5% / 8% / 35% |
| No. of components | Variable |
| Review frequency | Monthly |
| To learn more about the in | ception date, the currency, the calculation hours and historical values, please |

To learn more about the inception date, the currency, the calculation hours and historical values, please see our data vendor code sheet.

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CUSTOMIZATION

The index can be used as a basis for the definition of STOXX® Customized Indices, which can be tailored to specific client or mandate needs. STOXX offers a wide range of customization, in terms of component selection, weighting schemes and personalized calculation methodologies.

³ gr. div. yield is calculated as gr. return index return minus price index return ⁴ STOXX data from Jun. 28, 2002 to Jun. 30, 2023

(JPY, gross return), all data as of Jun. 30, 2023

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Top 10 Components⁵

| Company | Supersector | Country | Weight (%) |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|------------|
| MCDONALD'S HOLDINGS | Travel & Leisure | Japan | 7.51 |
| SOFTBANK | Telecommunications | Japan | 7.49 |
| SKYLARK HOLDINGS | Travel & Leisure | Japan | 5.29 |
| Meiji Holdings Co. Ltd. | Food, Beverage & Tobacco | Japan | 3.46 |
| NH FOODS | Food, Beverage & Tobacco | Japan | 3.01 |
| Nissin Foods Holdings Co. Ltd. | Food, Beverage & Tobacco | Japan | 2.90 |
| Nippon Telegraph & Telephone C | Telecommunications | Japan | 2.79 |
| Japan Tobacco Inc. | Food, Beverage & Tobacco | Japan | 2.61 |
| NICHIREI | Food, Beverage & Tobacco | Japan | 2.40 |
| KDDI Corp. | Telecommunications | Japan | 2.29 |

 $^{\rm 5}$ Based on the composition as of Jun. 30, 2023