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Performance summary: December 2011

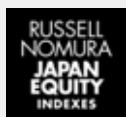


Fig. 1: Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes performance summary

Total returns (including dividends, as of end-December 2011)

| Index | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | Index value | Returns (%) * | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | 1 month | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | YTD |
| Total Market | 1,400 | 100.00 | 237.68 | 0.09 | -4.03 | -13.06 | -16.82 | -16.82 |
| Value | 1,044 | 48.43 | 522.27 | 0.41 | -5.75 | -13.49 | -18.77 | -18.77 |
| Growth | 719 | 51.57 | 96.95 | -0.21 | -2.22 | -12.61 | -14.75 | -14.75 |
| Large | 350 | 86.03 | 227.62 | 0.00 | -3.87 | -14.02 | -18.57 | -18.57 |
| Large Value | 212 | 39.20 | 485.91 | 0.32 | -5.93 | -15.10 | -21.72 | -21.72 |
| Large Growth | 245 | 46.83 | 101.11 | -0.26 | -2.04 | -13.07 | -15.68 | -15.68 |
| Top | 60 | 48.81 | 184.59 | -0.37 | -2.88 | -15.13 | -20.67 | -20.67 |
| Top Value | 38 | 22.84 | 427.50 | 0.11 | -4.94 | -16.56 | -24.11 | -24.11 |
| Top Growth | 44 | 25.97 | 87.07 | -0.78 | -1.19 | -13.97 | -17.67 | -17.67 |
| Mid | 290 | 37.22 | 316.88 | 0.49 | -5.28 | -12.42 | -15.43 | -15.43 |
| Mid Value | 174 | 16.36 | 530.84 | 0.61 | -7.21 | -13.08 | -18.28 | -18.28 |
| Mid Growth | 201 | 20.86 | 143.12 | 0.41 | -3.42 | -11.80 | -12.61 | -12.61 |
| Mid-Small | 1,340 | 51.19 | 313.59 | 0.54 | -5.09 | -11.00 | -12.81 | -12.81 |
| Mid-Small Value | 1,006 | 25.58 | 564.64 | 0.68 | -6.33 | -10.95 | -14.10 | -14.10 |
| Mid-Small Growth | 675 | 25.60 | 126.94 | 0.39 | -3.48 | -11.05 | -11.15 | -11.15 |
| Small | 1,050 | 13.97 | 300.38 | 0.65 | -4.68 | -8.00 | -7.06 | -7.06 |
| Small Value | 832 | 9.23 | 585.12 | 0.82 | -5.07 | -7.81 | -7.60 | -7.60 |
| Small Growth | 474 | 4.74 | 101.40 | 0.32 | -3.68 | -8.37 | -5.74 | -5.74 |
| Small Core | 350 | 8.98 | 98.94 | 0.61 | -4.26 | -7.95 | -6.92 | -6.92 |
| Small Core Value | 277 | 5.76 | 147.98 | 0.72 | -4.81 | -7.62 | -8.30 | -8.30 |
| Small Core Growth | 184 | 3.22 | 36.56 | 0.43 | -3.12 | -8.60 | -4.12 | -4.12 |
| Micro | 700 | 4.99 | 111.49 | 0.70 | -5.48 | -8.08 | -7.33 | -7.33 |
| Micro Value | 555 | 3.47 | 148.62 | 0.98 | -5.50 | -8.14 | -6.43 | -6.43 |
| Micro Growth | 290 | 1.52 | 41.39 | 0.08 | -5.12 | -7.62 | -9.97 | -9.97 |
| Prime | 1,000 | 97.97 | 667.33 | 0.07 | -4.03 | -13.17 | -17.04 | -17.04 |
| Prime Value | 729 | 47.01 | 857.29 | 0.37 | -5.81 | -13.66 | -19.19 | -19.19 |
| Prime Growth | 559 | 50.97 | 486.78 | -0.21 | -2.19 | -12.66 | -14.81 | -14.81 |

Note: * Returns are not annualized.

Source: Nomura

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- They represent the entire Japanese equity market in that component stocks are selected from among all listed stocks.
- They reflect the stocks that are actually available for investment, as stable shareholdings are excluded from market capitalization figures.
- There are sub-indexes for different sizes of company based on market capitalization.
- There are sub-indexes for growth and value stocks. Sub-indexes for growth and value stocks are based on P/B ratios adjusted for unrealized gains/losses on marketable securities and unrecognized retirement benefit obligations.
- The Prime Index consists of the top 1,000 stocks in the Total Market Index by market cap excluding stable shareholdings.
- Clear definitions mean that there is no arbitrariness in stock-selection methods.
- The composition of each index is reviewed once a year.

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Fig. 2: Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes performance summary

Price returns (excluding dividends, as of end-December 2011)

| Index | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | Index value | Returns (%) * | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | 1 month | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | YTD |
| Total Market | 1,400 | 100.00 | 163.91 | 0.00 | -4.13 | -14.04 | -18.75 | -18.75 |
| Value | 1,044 | 48.43 | 346.80 | 0.37 | -5.79 | -14.48 | -20.74 | -20.74 |
| Growth | 719 | 51.57 | 69.45 | -0.36 | -2.37 | -13.58 | -16.64 | -16.64 |
| Large | 350 | 86.03 | 156.78 | -0.09 | -3.96 | -15.03 | -20.50 | -20.50 |
| Large Value | 212 | 39.20 | 322.68 | 0.29 | -5.96 | -16.13 | -23.67 | -23.67 |
| Large Growth | 245 | 46.83 | 72.08 | -0.41 | -2.19 | -14.06 | -17.58 | -17.58 |
| Top | 60 | 48.81 | 125.30 | -0.47 | -2.98 | -16.28 | -22.77 | -22.77 |
| Top Value | 38 | 22.84 | 282.23 | 0.10 | -4.96 | -17.74 | -26.24 | -26.24 |
| Top Growth | 44 | 25.97 | 60.49 | -0.96 | -1.36 | -15.10 | -19.73 | -19.73 |
| Mid | 290 | 37.22 | 221.98 | 0.40 | -5.36 | -13.23 | -17.11 | -17.11 |
| Mid Value | 174 | 16.36 | 355.76 | 0.56 | -7.23 | -13.90 | -20.00 | -20.00 |
| Mid Growth | 201 | 20.86 | 105.61 | 0.28 | -3.54 | -12.59 | -14.25 | -14.25 |
| Mid-Small | 1,340 | 51.19 | 218.67 | 0.44 | -5.19 | -11.82 | -14.57 | -14.57 |
| Mid-Small Value | 1,006 | 25.58 | 377.13 | 0.62 | -6.39 | -11.77 | -15.92 | -15.92 |
| Mid-Small Growth | 675 | 25.60 | 93.68 | 0.26 | -3.62 | -11.83 | -12.80 | -12.80 |
| Small | 1,050 | 13.97 | 206.85 | 0.54 | -4.82 | -8.82 | -8.98 | -8.98 |
| Small Value | 832 | 9.23 | 387.90 | 0.73 | -5.18 | -8.65 | -9.60 | -9.60 |
| Small Growth | 474 | 4.74 | 74.82 | 0.18 | -3.90 | -9.14 | -7.45 | -7.45 |
| Small Core | 350 | 8.98 | 83.81 | 0.52 | -4.39 | -8.77 | -8.81 | -8.81 |
| Small Core Value | 277 | 5.76 | 123.64 | 0.64 | -4.91 | -8.43 | -10.23 | -10.23 |
| Small Core Growth | 184 | 3.22 | 31.99 | 0.29 | -3.34 | -9.41 | -5.89 | -5.89 |
| Micro | 700 | 4.99 | 93.17 | 0.59 | -5.62 | -8.91 | -9.32 | -9.32 |
| Micro Value | 555 | 3.47 | 122.31 | 0.88 | -5.63 | -9.01 | -8.56 | -8.56 |
| Micro Growth | 290 | 1.52 | 36.38 | -0.07 | -5.32 | -8.27 | -11.52 | -11.52 |
| Prime | 1,000 | 97.97 | 551.19 | -0.03 | -4.13 | -14.15 | -18.97 | -18.97 |
| Prime Value | 729 | 47.01 | 695.49 | 0.33 | -5.85 | -14.65 | -21.15 | -21.15 |
| Prime Growth | 559 | 50.97 | 409.00 | -0.36 | -2.35 | -13.63 | -16.69 | -16.69 |

Note: * Returns are not annualized.

Source: Nomura

Fig. 3: Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes performance summary

Total returns (including dividends, as of end-December 2011)

| Index | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | Index value | Returns (%) * | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | 1 month | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | YTD |
| Total Market | 1,400 | 100.00 | 237.68 | 0.09 | -4.03 | -13.06 | -16.82 | -16.82 |
| Value | 1,044 | 48.43 | 522.27 | 0.41 | -5.75 | -13.49 | -18.77 | -18.77 |
| Growth | 719 | 51.57 | 96.95 | -0.21 | -2.22 | -12.61 | -14.75 | -14.75 |
| Large | 350 | 86.03 | 227.62 | 0.00 | -3.87 | -14.02 | -18.57 | -18.57 |
| Large Value | 212 | 39.20 | 485.91 | 0.32 | -5.93 | -15.10 | -21.72 | -21.72 |
| Large Growth | 245 | 46.83 | 101.11 | -0.26 | -2.04 | -13.07 | -15.68 | -15.68 |
| Top | 60 | 48.81 | 184.59 | -0.37 | -2.88 | -15.13 | -20.67 | -20.67 |
| Top Value | 38 | 22.84 | 427.50 | 0.11 | -4.94 | -16.56 | -24.11 | -24.11 |
| Top Growth | 44 | 25.97 | 87.07 | -0.78 | -1.19 | -13.97 | -17.67 | -17.67 |
| Mid | 290 | 37.22 | 316.88 | 0.49 | -5.28 | -12.42 | -15.43 | -15.43 |
| Mid Value | 174 | 16.36 | 530.84 | 0.61 | -7.21 | -13.08 | -18.28 | -18.28 |
| Mid Growth | 201 | 20.86 | 143.12 | 0.41 | -3.42 | -11.80 | -12.61 | -12.61 |
| Mid-Small | 1,340 | 51.19 | 313.59 | 0.54 | -5.09 | -11.00 | -12.81 | -12.81 |
| Mid-Small Value | 1,006 | 25.58 | 564.64 | 0.68 | -6.33 | -10.95 | -14.10 | -14.10 |
| Mid-Small Growth | 675 | 25.60 | 126.94 | 0.39 | -3.48 | -11.05 | -11.15 | -11.15 |
| Small | 1,050 | 13.97 | 300.38 | 0.65 | -4.68 | -8.00 | -7.06 | -7.06 |
| Small Value | 832 | 9.23 | 585.12 | 0.82 | -5.07 | -7.81 | -7.60 | -7.60 |
| Small Growth | 474 | 4.74 | 101.40 | 0.32 | -3.68 | -8.37 | -5.74 | -5.74 |
| Small Core | 350 | 8.98 | 98.94 | 0.61 | -4.26 | -7.95 | -6.92 | -6.92 |
| Small Core Value | 277 | 5.76 | 147.98 | 0.72 | -4.81 | -7.62 | -8.30 | -8.30 |
| Small Core Growth | 184 | 3.22 | 36.56 | 0.43 | -3.12 | -8.60 | -4.12 | -4.12 |
| Micro | 700 | 4.99 | 111.49 | 0.70 | -5.48 | -8.08 | -7.33 | -7.33 |
| Micro Value | 555 | 3.47 | 148.62 | 0.98 | -5.50 | -8.14 | -6.43 | -6.43 |
| Micro Growth | 290 | 1.52 | 41.39 | 0.08 | -5.12 | -7.62 | -9.97 | -9.97 |
| Prime | 1,000 | 97.97 | 667.33 | 0.07 | -4.03 | -13.17 | -17.04 | -17.04 |
| Prime Value | 729 | 47.01 | 857.29 | 0.37 | -5.81 | -13.66 | -19.19 | -19.19 |
| Prime Growth | 559 | 50.97 | 486.78 | -0.21 | -2.19 | -12.66 | -14.81 | -14.81 |

Note: * Returns are not annualized.

Source: Nomura

Fig. 4: Russell/Nomura index data by industrial sector

Number of stocks and weighting (as of end-December 2011)

| | Index | Total Market | | Value | | Growth | | Small | | Prime | |
|----|--|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| | | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | No. of stocks | Weight (%) |
| | Overall | 1,400 | 100.00 | 1,044 | 100.00 | 719 | 100.00 | 1,050 | 100.00 | 1,000 | 100.00 |
| 1 | Fishery, agriculture & forestry | 5 | 0.11 | 1 | 0.04 | 4 | 0.17 | 5 | 0.76 | 5 | 0.11 |
| 2 | Mining | 6 | 0.58 | 6 | 1.03 | 2 | 0.15 | 4 | 0.20 | 4 | 0.58 |
| 3 | Construction | 68 | 2.28 | 58 | 2.72 | 25 | 1.87 | 58 | 5.61 | 45 | 2.20 |
| 4 | Foods | 63 | 3.60 | 52 | 2.07 | 39 | 5.04 | 48 | 5.17 | 45 | 3.58 |
| 5 | Textiles & apparel | 24 | 0.90 | 21 | 0.83 | 11 | 0.97 | 21 | 2.25 | 18 | 0.89 |
| 6 | Pulp & paper | 11 | 0.40 | 10 | 0.60 | 4 | 0.22 | 8 | 0.75 | 8 | 0.39 |
| 7 | Chemicals | 115 | 6.28 | 86 | 4.73 | 60 | 7.73 | 82 | 7.16 | 76 | 6.20 |
| 8 | Pharmaceuticals | 37 | 5.08 | 17 | 1.09 | 32 | 8.82 | 21 | 2.45 | 29 | 5.14 |
| 9 | Oil & coal products | 9 | 0.95 | 8 | 1.69 | 1 | 0.25 | 4 | 0.18 | 7 | 0.96 |
| 10 | Rubber products | 10 | 0.83 | 9 | 0.35 | 4 | 1.27 | 7 | 0.61 | 9 | 0.84 |
| 11 | Glass & ceramics products | 21 | 1.18 | 17 | 1.14 | 13 | 1.22 | 13 | 1.30 | 18 | 1.19 |
| 12 | Iron & steel | 29 | 1.66 | 28 | 2.81 | 5 | 0.57 | 23 | 2.66 | 20 | 1.65 |
| 13 | Nonferrous metals | 20 | 1.19 | 16 | 1.95 | 10 | 0.47 | 14 | 1.75 | 19 | 1.21 |
| 14 | Metal products | 24 | 0.68 | 23 | 0.89 | 6 | 0.49 | 20 | 1.57 | 17 | 0.67 |
| 15 | Machinery | 95 | 4.94 | 73 | 3.01 | 60 | 6.75 | 73 | 6.88 | 68 | 4.90 |
| 16 | Electric appliances | 136 | 14.31 | 98 | 9.07 | 76 | 19.22 | 93 | 7.12 | 101 | 14.44 |
| 17 | Transportation equipment | 62 | 8.91 | 50 | 10.83 | 36 | 7.12 | 45 | 5.09 | 48 | 9.02 |
| 18 | Precision instruments | 21 | 1.39 | 11 | 0.24 | 16 | 2.47 | 15 | 1.28 | 16 | 1.40 |
| 19 | Other products | 33 | 1.60 | 27 | 1.40 | 16 | 1.78 | 27 | 2.41 | 24 | 1.58 |
| 20 | Electric power & gas | 18 | 3.22 | 16 | 5.03 | 5 | 1.53 | 5 | 0.50 | 16 | 3.28 |
| 21 | Land transportation | 34 | 4.27 | 20 | 2.76 | 24 | 5.68 | 16 | 1.74 | 26 | 4.30 |
| 22 | Marine transportation | 7 | 0.37 | 7 | 0.76 | 1 | 0.00 | 4 | 0.19 | 5 | 0.37 |
| 23 | Air transportation | 2 | 0.28 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 0.55 | 1 | 0.13 | 2 | 0.29 |
| 24 | Warehousing & harbor transportation services | 12 | 0.24 | 12 | 0.44 | 2 | 0.05 | 10 | 0.72 | 7 | 0.22 |
| 25 | Information & communications | 83 | 7.02 | 45 | 5.17 | 55 | 8.76 | 65 | 5.93 | 55 | 7.03 |
| 26 | Wholesale trade | 102 | 5.47 | 92 | 9.03 | 36 | 2.13 | 88 | 6.45 | 55 | 5.32 |
| 27 | Retail trade | 124 | 4.52 | 71 | 3.26 | 85 | 5.71 | 108 | 10.88 | 84 | 4.39 |
| 28 | Banks | 88 | 9.23 | 87 | 18.92 | 4 | 0.14 | 63 | 9.18 | 77 | 9.37 |
| 29 | Securities & commodity futures | 16 | 0.92 | 13 | 1.82 | 6 | 0.08 | 13 | 1.04 | 11 | 0.92 |
| 30 | Insurance | 6 | 2.16 | 4 | 3.26 | 4 | 1.14 | 0 | 0.00 | 6 | 2.21 |
| 31 | Other financing business | 15 | 0.90 | 13 | 1.55 | 5 | 0.28 | 10 | 1.27 | 15 | 0.91 |
| 32 | Real estate | 35 | 2.08 | 24 | 0.87 | 18 | 3.22 | 28 | 2.28 | 23 | 2.07 |
| 33 | Services | 69 | 2.47 | 29 | 0.65 | 52 | 4.18 | 58 | 4.46 | 41 | 2.38 |

Source: Nomura

Fig. 5: Russell/Nomura index performance by industrial sector

Monthly returns (as of end-December 2011)

(%)

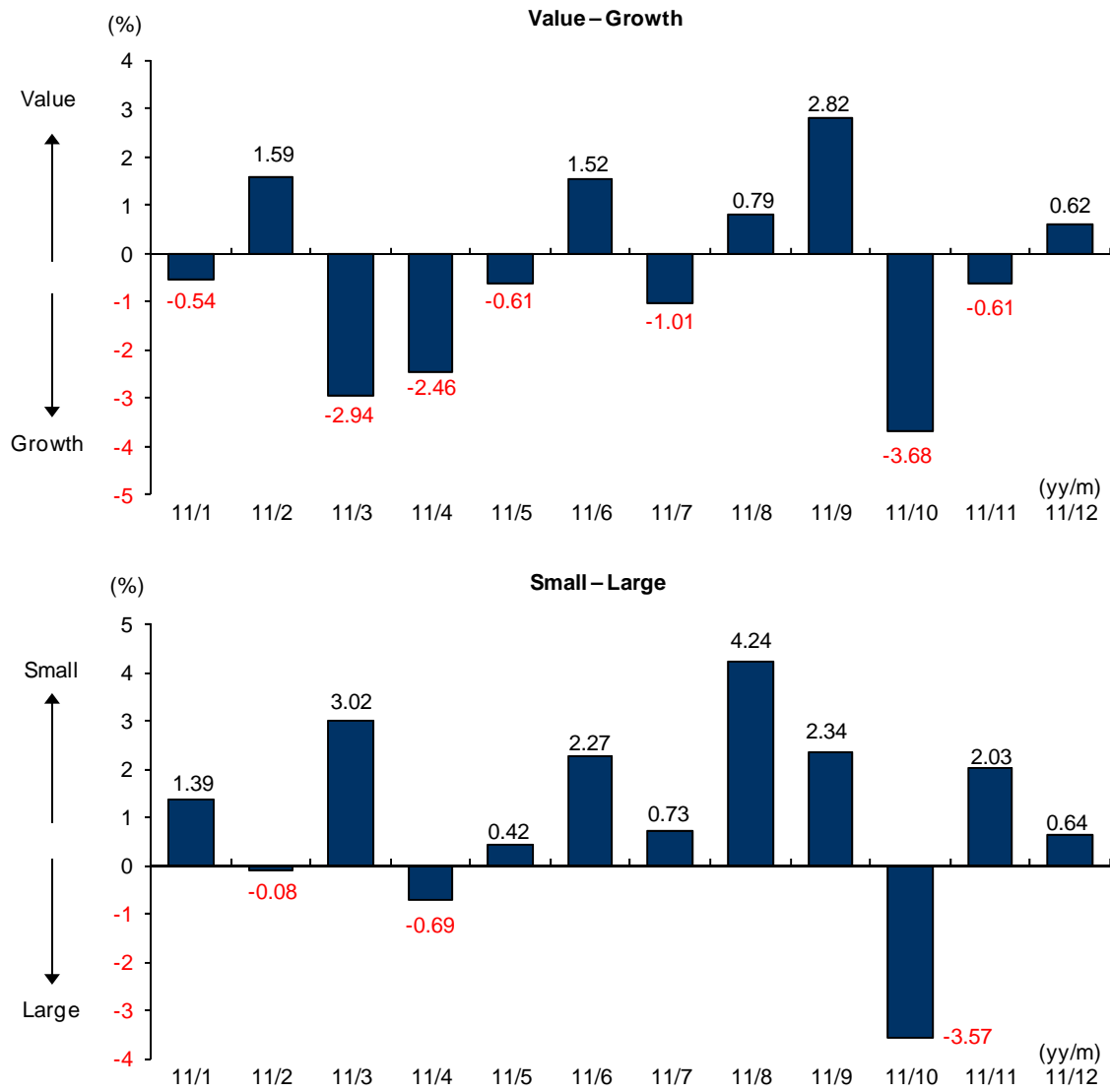
| | Index | Total Market | | Value | | Growth | | Small | | Prime | |
|----|--|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| | | ex dividends | incl dividends | ex dividends | incl dividends | ex dividends | incl dividends | ex dividends | incl dividends | ex dividends | incl dividends |
| | Overall | 0.00 | 0.09 | 0.37 | 0.41 | -0.36 | -0.21 | 0.54 | 0.65 | -0.03 | 0.07 |
| 1 | Fishery, agriculture & forestry | 2.99 | 2.99 | 1.94 | 1.94 | 3.21 | 3.21 | 2.99 | 2.99 | 2.99 | 2.99 |
| 2 | Mining | -3.57 | -3.56 | -3.48 | -3.47 | -4.14 | -4.14 | -2.02 | -1.81 | -3.48 | -3.48 |
| 3 | Construction | 0.76 | 0.77 | 2.69 | 2.69 | -1.76 | -1.74 | 1.55 | 1.58 | 0.72 | 0.73 |
| 4 | Foods | 0.40 | 0.72 | 1.17 | 1.74 | 0.10 | 0.34 | 1.33 | 1.60 | 0.34 | 0.66 |
| 5 | Textiles & apparel | -0.47 | -0.39 | 2.14 | 2.32 | -2.48 | -2.48 | 1.02 | 1.26 | -0.68 | -0.62 |
| 6 | Pulp & paper | 1.95 | 1.99 | 1.87 | 1.92 | 2.15 | 2.15 | 0.77 | 0.92 | 2.17 | 2.22 |
| 7 | Chemicals | -0.22 | -0.14 | -0.30 | -0.20 | -0.17 | -0.11 | -0.11 | 0.08 | -0.25 | -0.17 |
| 8 | Pharmaceuticals | 7.23 | 7.31 | 5.09 | 5.33 | 7.49 | 7.54 | 3.75 | 3.75 | 7.27 | 7.35 |
| 9 | Oil & coal products | -2.45 | -2.05 | -2.28 | -2.16 | -3.56 | -1.37 | -0.66 | -0.66 | -2.44 | -2.04 |
| 10 | Rubber products | -0.34 | 0.23 | -0.89 | -0.50 | -0.20 | 0.42 | -3.08 | -3.08 | -0.35 | 0.23 |
| 11 | Glass & ceramics products | 0.02 | 0.62 | -0.23 | 0.33 | 0.24 | 0.86 | -2.25 | -1.87 | 0.05 | 0.66 |
| 12 | Iron & steel | 2.20 | 2.22 | 2.13 | 2.16 | 2.51 | 2.54 | 1.45 | 1.56 | 2.13 | 2.16 |
| 13 | Nonferrous metals | -0.82 | -0.82 | 0.02 | 0.02 | -3.99 | -3.99 | -3.48 | -3.48 | -0.73 | -0.73 |
| 14 | Metal products | -0.73 | -0.66 | 0.30 | 0.40 | -2.46 | -2.43 | -1.89 | -1.67 | -0.67 | -0.59 |
| 15 | Machinery | -1.39 | -1.38 | 0.70 | 0.72 | -2.24 | -2.23 | -1.52 | -1.43 | -1.47 | -1.45 |
| 16 | Electric appliances | -3.71 | -3.43 | -5.18 | -5.16 | -3.05 | -2.65 | -1.15 | -1.01 | -3.75 | -3.47 |
| 17 | Transportation equipment | 0.36 | 0.40 | 0.97 | 0.97 | -0.51 | -0.39 | 2.09 | 2.07 | 0.34 | 0.38 |
| 18 | Precision instruments | -0.30 | -0.36 | 2.42 | 2.42 | -0.55 | -0.61 | -1.29 | -0.95 | -0.35 | -0.41 |
| 19 | Other products | -3.66 | -3.62 | 0.18 | 0.26 | -6.31 | -6.29 | 1.71 | 1.92 | -3.79 | -3.76 |
| 20 | Electric power & gas | 0.16 | 0.17 | -1.38 | -1.38 | 5.27 | 5.27 | -0.73 | -0.48 | 0.15 | 0.16 |
| 21 | Land transportation | 3.95 | 3.95 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 3.69 | 3.69 | 4.73 | 4.73 | 3.97 | 3.97 |
| 22 | Marine transportation | 16.01 | 16.01 | 16.06 | 16.06 | 2.04 | 2.04 | -2.14 | -2.14 | 16.16 | 16.16 |
| 23 | Air transportation | -6.53 | -6.53 | - | - | -6.53 | -6.53 | 7.15 | 7.15 | -6.53 | -6.53 |
| 24 | Warehousing & harbor transportation services | 5.50 | 5.50 | 6.09 | 6.09 | 0.59 | 0.59 | 3.11 | 3.11 | 5.37 | 5.37 |
| 25 | Information & communications | 0.84 | 0.95 | 4.47 | 4.47 | -1.07 | -0.90 | 1.11 | 1.31 | 0.85 | 0.96 |
| 26 | Wholesale trade | 1.83 | 1.84 | 1.92 | 1.93 | 1.48 | 1.49 | 0.56 | 0.65 | 1.84 | 1.85 |
| 27 | Retail trade | 2.95 | 3.00 | 3.18 | 3.20 | 2.83 | 2.89 | 3.24 | 3.28 | 3.06 | 3.10 |
| 28 | Banks | 0.70 | 0.70 | 0.71 | 0.71 | -1.34 | -1.34 | -1.37 | -1.37 | 0.68 | 0.68 |
| 29 | Securities & commodity futures | -5.00 | -5.00 | -5.39 | -5.39 | 4.35 | 4.35 | -0.59 | -0.59 | -5.04 | -5.04 |
| 30 | Insurance | -5.34 | -5.34 | -4.12 | -4.12 | -8.45 | -8.45 | - | - | -5.34 | -5.34 |
| 31 | Other financing business | 2.84 | 2.87 | 2.89 | 2.92 | 2.57 | 2.57 | 1.44 | 1.57 | 2.84 | 2.87 |
| 32 | Real estate | -6.75 | -6.75 | -2.80 | -2.80 | -7.71 | -7.70 | -0.45 | -0.42 | -6.93 | -6.93 |
| 33 | Services | 1.90 | 1.97 | 2.00 | 2.16 | 1.88 | 1.95 | 0.16 | 0.34 | 1.91 | 1.97 |

Note: * Returns are not annualized.

Source: Nomura

Fig. 6: Monthly performance

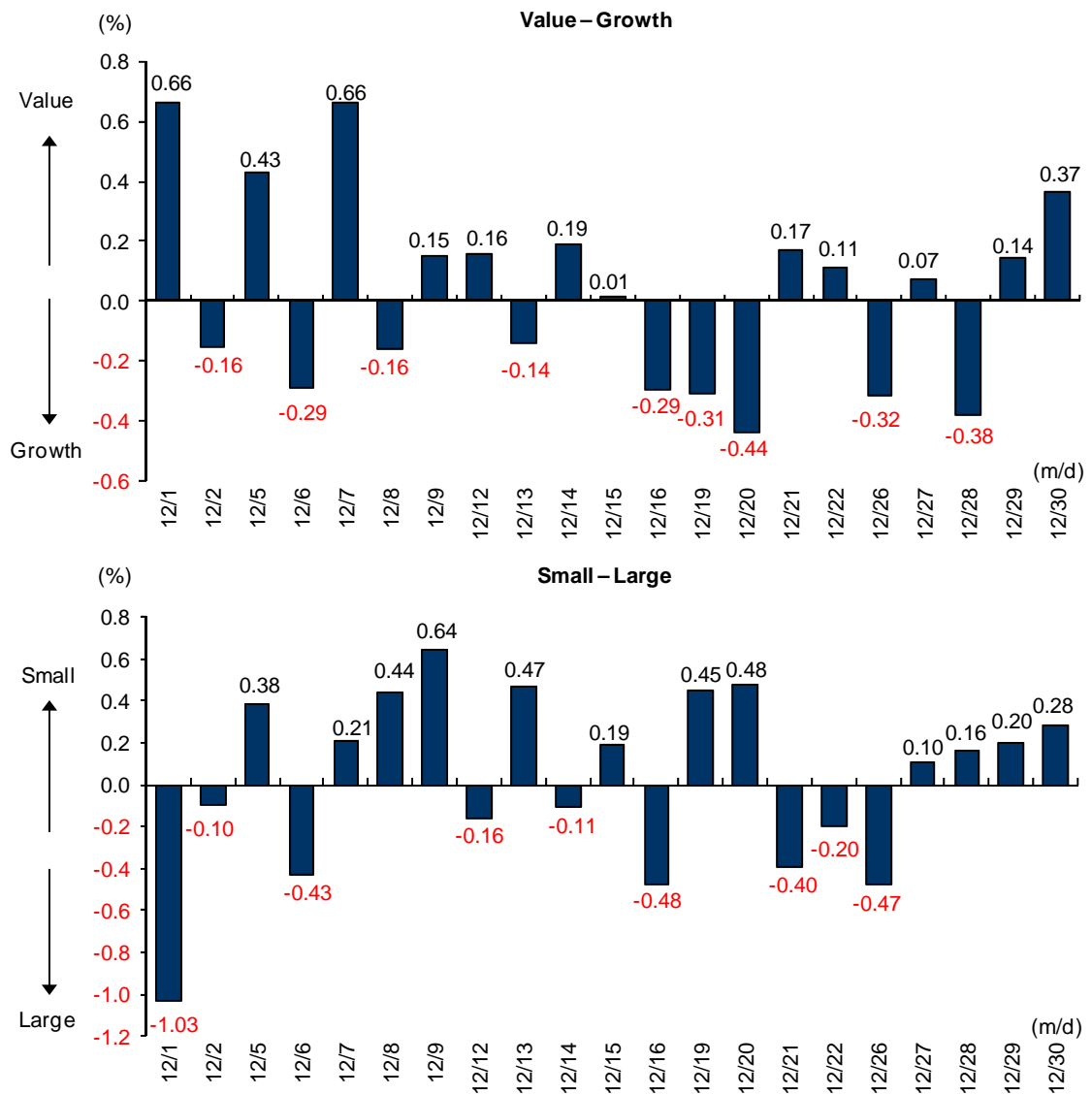
Style: total returns



Note: Value - Growth is the difference between Value and Growth returns. Small - Large is the difference between Small and Large returns. Returns are not annualized.
Source: Nomura

Fig. 7: Daily performance

Style: total returns



Note: Value – Growth is the difference between Value and Growth returns. Small – Large is the difference between Small and Large returns. Returns are not annualized.
 Source: Nomura

Fig. 8: Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes

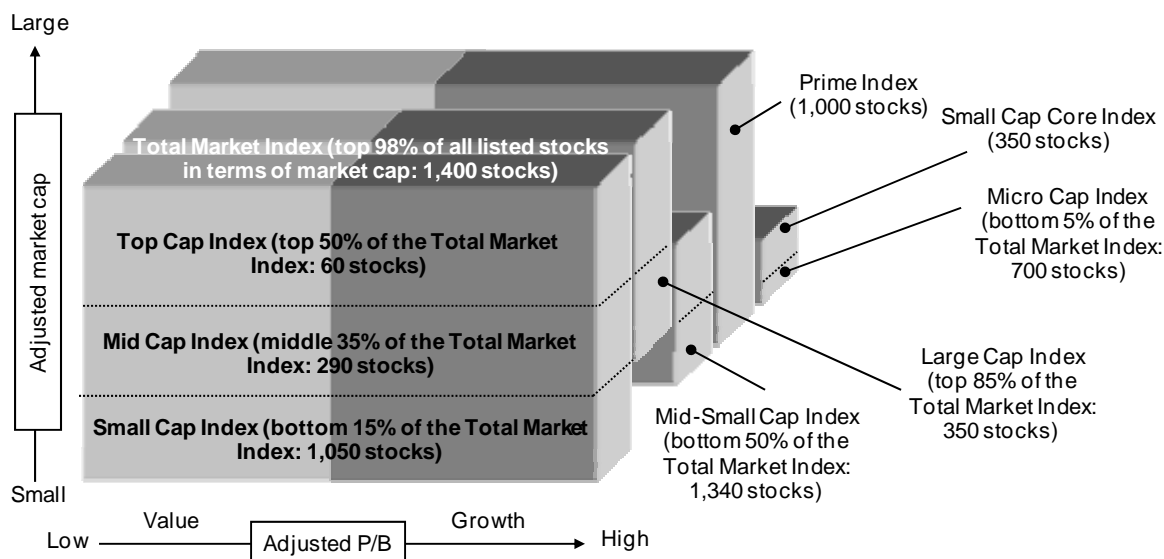
Key indicators (as of end-December 2011)

| Index | P/E x | P/B x | Dividend yield % | ROE % | Rec profit growth % |
|-------------------|----------|----------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|
| Total Market | 14.82 | 0.88 | 2.57 | 6.04 | -7.42 |
| Value | 15.18 | 0.65 | 2.83 | 4.33 | -15.36 |
| Growth | 14.49 | 1.31 | 2.33 | 9.34 | 2.21 |
| Large | 15.12 | 0.91 | 2.62 | 6.16 | -9.34 |
| Large Value | 15.83 | 0.67 | 2.93 | 4.28 | -18.88 |
| Large Growth | 14.57 | 1.32 | 2.36 | 9.31 | 1.18 |
| Top | 12.71 | 0.90 | 2.95 | 7.21 | -4.32 |
| Top Value | 11.55 | 0.67 | 3.30 | 5.87 | -7.82 |
| Top Growth | 13.95 | 1.29 | 2.65 | 9.51 | -0.30 |
| Mid | 20.12 | 0.94 | 2.18 | 4.73 | -16.35 |
| Mid Value | 32.83 | 0.67 | 2.42 | 2.06 | -34.95 |
| Mid Growth | 15.43 | 1.35 | 2.00 | 9.04 | 3.15 |
| Mid-Small | 17.60 | 0.86 | 2.21 | 4.97 | -10.58 |
| Mid-Small Value | 21.12 | 0.64 | 2.41 | 3.03 | -22.62 |
| Mid-Small Growth | 15.09 | 1.34 | 2.01 | 9.15 | 4.93 |
| Small | 13.20 | 0.71 | 2.28 | 5.47 | 4.90 |
| Small Value | 12.93 | 0.58 | 2.39 | 4.52 | 1.56 |
| Small Growth | 13.75 | 1.28 | 2.06 | 9.61 | 12.67 |
| Small Core | 13.49 | 0.74 | 2.25 | 5.58 | 6.21 |
| Small Core Value | 13.73 | 0.60 | 2.30 | 4.44 | 1.06 |
| Small Core Growth | 13.10 | 1.26 | 2.15 | 9.94 | 16.58 |
| Micro | 12.70 | 0.66 | 2.33 | 5.28 | 2.84 |
| Micro Value | 11.80 | 0.54 | 2.53 | 4.65 | 2.26 |
| Micro Growth | 15.35 | 1.32 | 1.87 | 8.89 | 4.54 |
| Prime | 14.89 | 0.88 | 2.58 | 6.05 | -7.59 |
| Prime Value | 15.36 | 0.65 | 2.84 | 4.31 | -15.79 |
| Prime Growth | 14.48 | 1.31 | 2.34 | 9.34 | 2.15 |

Note: All financial data are based on current-FY forecasts (with preference given to consolidated figures).

Source: Nomura

Fig. 9: Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes



Note: No. of stocks in each index is as of 30 December 2011.

Source: Nomura

All the indexes (Total Market, the capitalization indexes, Value, Growth, and Prime) also have indexes based on the 33 industrial sectors. Divisions based on market cap exclude the value of stable shareholdings. Value and Growth indexes are defined in terms of P/B ratios adjusted for unrealized gains/losses.

For composition rules and other information please refer to *Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes rulebook*.

Fig. 10: Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes performance summary

Price returns (excluding dividends), US dollar basis (as of end-December 2011)

| Index | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | Index value | Returns (%) * | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | 1 month | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | YTD |
| Total Market | 1,400 | 100.00 | 506.92 | 0.56 | -5.21 | -10.89 | -14.62 | -14.62 |
| Value | 1,044 | 48.43 | 1,072.54 | 0.94 | -6.85 | -11.34 | -16.71 | -16.71 |
| Growth | 719 | 51.57 | 214.79 | 0.21 | -3.47 | -10.41 | -12.40 | -12.40 |
| Large | 350 | 86.03 | 484.86 | 0.47 | -5.04 | -11.92 | -16.46 | -16.46 |
| Large Value | 212 | 39.20 | 997.96 | 0.86 | -7.01 | -13.06 | -19.80 | -19.80 |
| Large Growth | 245 | 46.83 | 222.93 | 0.15 | -3.29 | -10.91 | -13.39 | -13.39 |
| Top | 60 | 48.81 | 387.52 | 0.10 | -4.07 | -13.21 | -18.84 | -18.84 |
| Top Value | 38 | 22.84 | 872.85 | 0.66 | -6.03 | -14.73 | -22.49 | -22.49 |
| Top Growth | 44 | 25.97 | 187.08 | -0.40 | -2.46 | -11.98 | -15.65 | -15.65 |
| Mid | 290 | 37.22 | 686.53 | 0.97 | -6.42 | -10.05 | -12.90 | -12.90 |
| Mid Value | 174 | 16.36 | 1,100.26 | 1.13 | -8.27 | -10.74 | -15.93 | -15.93 |
| Mid Growth | 201 | 20.86 | 326.63 | 0.85 | -4.63 | -9.38 | -9.89 | -9.89 |
| Mid-Small | 1,340 | 51.19 | 676.29 | 1.01 | -6.25 | -8.58 | -10.23 | -10.23 |
| Mid-Small Value | 1,006 | 25.58 | 1,166.34 | 1.19 | -7.44 | -8.54 | -11.65 | -11.65 |
| Mid-Small Growth | 675 | 25.60 | 289.72 | 0.83 | -4.70 | -8.60 | -8.38 | -8.38 |
| Small | 1,050 | 13.97 | 639.71 | 1.11 | -5.89 | -5.47 | -4.36 | -4.36 |
| Small Value | 832 | 9.23 | 1,199.65 | 1.30 | -6.24 | -5.30 | -5.01 | -5.01 |
| Small Growth | 474 | 4.74 | 231.39 | 0.75 | -4.97 | -5.81 | -2.75 | -2.75 |
| Small Core | 350 | 8.98 | 110.29 | 1.09 | -5.47 | -5.42 | -4.17 | -4.17 |
| Small Core Value | 277 | 5.76 | 162.70 | 1.21 | -5.98 | -5.07 | -5.67 | -5.67 |
| Small Core Growth | 184 | 3.22 | 42.09 | 0.86 | -4.42 | -6.09 | -1.11 | -1.11 |
| Micro | 700 | 4.99 | 122.60 | 1.16 | -6.68 | -5.57 | -4.71 | -4.71 |
| Micro Value | 555 | 3.47 | 160.94 | 1.45 | -6.68 | -5.67 | -3.91 | -3.91 |
| Micro Growth | 290 | 1.52 | 47.87 | 0.50 | -6.39 | -4.91 | -7.03 | -7.03 |
| Prime | 1,000 | 97.97 | 824.09 | 0.54 | -5.20 | -11.00 | -14.85 | -14.85 |
| Prime Value | 729 | 47.01 | 1,039.82 | 0.90 | -6.90 | -11.52 | -17.14 | -17.14 |
| Prime Growth | 559 | 50.97 | 611.49 | 0.20 | -3.45 | -10.47 | -12.46 | -12.46 |

Note: * Returns are not annualized.

Source: Nomura

Fig. 11: Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes performance summary

Total returns (including dividends), US dollar basis (as of end-December 2011)

| Index | No. of stocks | Weight (%) | Index value | Returns (%) * | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | 1 month | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | YTD |
| Total Market | 1,400 | 100.00 | 735.06 | 0.66 | -5.11 | -9.88 | -12.60 | -12.60 |
| Value | 1,044 | 48.43 | 1,615.21 | 0.98 | -6.81 | -10.32 | -14.64 | -14.64 |
| Growth | 719 | 51.57 | 299.83 | 0.36 | -3.31 | -9.41 | -10.42 | -10.42 |
| Large | 350 | 86.03 | 703.95 | 0.57 | -4.95 | -10.87 | -14.43 | -14.43 |
| Large Value | 212 | 39.20 | 1,502.78 | 0.89 | -6.99 | -11.99 | -17.74 | -17.74 |
| Large Growth | 245 | 46.83 | 312.70 | 0.31 | -3.14 | -9.88 | -11.40 | -11.40 |
| Top | 60 | 48.81 | 570.87 | 0.20 | -3.97 | -12.02 | -16.64 | -16.64 |
| Top Value | 38 | 22.84 | 1,322.13 | 0.68 | -6.00 | -13.50 | -20.26 | -20.26 |
| Top Growth | 44 | 25.97 | 269.29 | -0.22 | -2.30 | -10.82 | -13.49 | -13.49 |
| Mid | 290 | 37.22 | 980.02 | 1.06 | -6.34 | -9.21 | -11.13 | -11.13 |
| Mid Value | 174 | 16.36 | 1,641.73 | 1.18 | -8.25 | -9.89 | -14.13 | -14.13 |
| Mid Growth | 201 | 20.86 | 442.62 | 0.98 | -4.50 | -8.56 | -8.17 | -8.17 |
| Mid-Small | 1,340 | 51.19 | 969.84 | 1.11 | -6.15 | -7.74 | -8.39 | -8.39 |
| Mid-Small Value | 1,006 | 25.58 | 1,746.26 | 1.25 | -7.38 | -7.68 | -9.74 | -9.74 |
| Mid-Small Growth | 675 | 25.60 | 392.59 | 0.96 | -4.56 | -7.79 | -6.64 | -6.64 |
| Small | 1,050 | 13.97 | 928.98 | 1.22 | -5.74 | -4.62 | -2.34 | -2.34 |
| Small Value | 832 | 9.23 | 1,809.61 | 1.39 | -6.14 | -4.43 | -2.90 | -2.90 |
| Small Growth | 474 | 4.74 | 313.59 | 0.89 | -4.76 | -5.01 | -0.95 | -0.95 |
| Small Core | 350 | 8.98 | 130.20 | 1.19 | -5.33 | -4.58 | -2.19 | -2.19 |
| Small Core Value | 277 | 5.76 | 194.73 | 1.29 | -5.88 | -4.23 | -3.64 | -3.64 |
| Small Core Growth | 184 | 3.22 | 48.12 | 1.00 | -4.21 | -5.25 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
| Micro | 700 | 4.99 | 146.70 | 1.28 | -6.54 | -4.71 | -2.62 | -2.62 |
| Micro Value | 555 | 3.47 | 195.57 | 1.55 | -6.56 | -4.77 | -1.68 | -1.68 |
| Micro Growth | 290 | 1.52 | 54.46 | 0.65 | -6.18 | -4.23 | -5.40 | -5.40 |
| Prime | 1,000 | 97.97 | 997.72 | 0.64 | -5.10 | -9.98 | -12.83 | -12.83 |
| Prime Value | 729 | 47.01 | 1,281.74 | 0.94 | -6.87 | -10.50 | -15.09 | -15.09 |
| Prime Growth | 559 | 50.97 | 727.78 | 0.36 | -3.29 | -9.46 | -10.48 | -10.48 |

Note: * Returns are not annualized.

Source: Nomura

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