

Japan Minimum Variance Index NR

Rebalancing Report - 21-Mar-2017

Stock Statistics

The Japan Minimum Variance Index NR rebalances each third Friday of the month. The new composition is implemented at the opening of the next business day after the third Friday - usually the next Monday. The weights are computed using closing prices four days prior to the third Friday. Both the Japan Minimum Variance Index NR and the benchmark S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR are computed in JPY. The calculations in the document are performed by Ossiam using S&P /Datastream source.

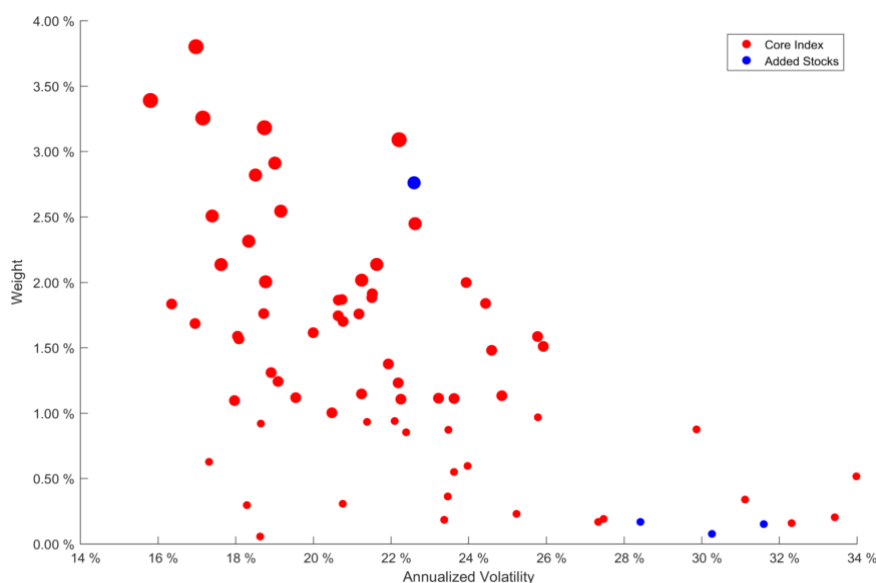
The number of constituents in the index decreased from **75** to **71**. The Turnover is **26.06%**, higher than its historical mean at **23.21%**. The weight of the Index Core Portfolio is stable.

Characteristics	21-Mar-2017
Number of Stocks	71
Added Stocks	4
Deleted Stocks	8
Core Number	67
Old weight of Core	95.83%
New weight of Core	96.85%
Turnover	26.06%
Historical Turnover	23.21%

Added and deleted stocks are relative to 21-Mar-2017. The Core is defined as the subset of stocks that belong to the current as well as the previous composition.

Volatility/Weight profile

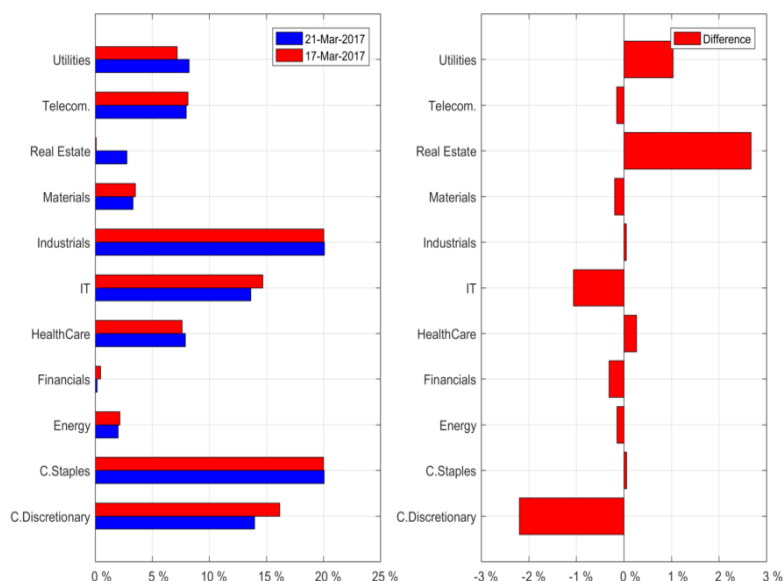
The chart on the right shows the distribution of the new Japan Minimum Variance Index NR composition on 21-Mar-2017 in terms of annualized volatility (x-axis) and weight (y-axis). Volatility computed over 125 days ending on 13-Mar-2017. On the upper left corner we find low volatile stocks with big weight in the index. On the lower right corner we find high volatile stocks with low weight in the index. These stocks usually enter the index for diversification purposes. We distinguish between Core index and added stocks to appreciate how these newly added stock are positioned in terms of volatility and weight.



Sector Allocation

The most significant changes in sector exposures are: **2.68%** for Real Estate, **-2.20%** for C.Discretionary, **-1.06%** for IT. The biggest sector exposures are: **20.09%** for Industrials, **20.05%** for C.Staples, **13.96%** for C.Discretionary.

	Close	Open	Diff.
C.Discretionary	16.16%	13.96%	-2.20%
C.Staples	20.00%	20.05%	0.05%
Energy	2.15%	2.00%	-0.15%
Financials	0.47%	0.16%	-0.31%
HealthCare	7.62%	7.88%	0.26%
IT	14.69%	13.63%	-1.06%
Industrials	20.04%	20.09%	0.05%
Materials	3.50%	3.30%	-0.20%
Real Estate	0.08%	2.76%	2.68%
Telecom.	8.11%	7.96%	-0.15%
Utilities	7.18%	8.22%	1.03%

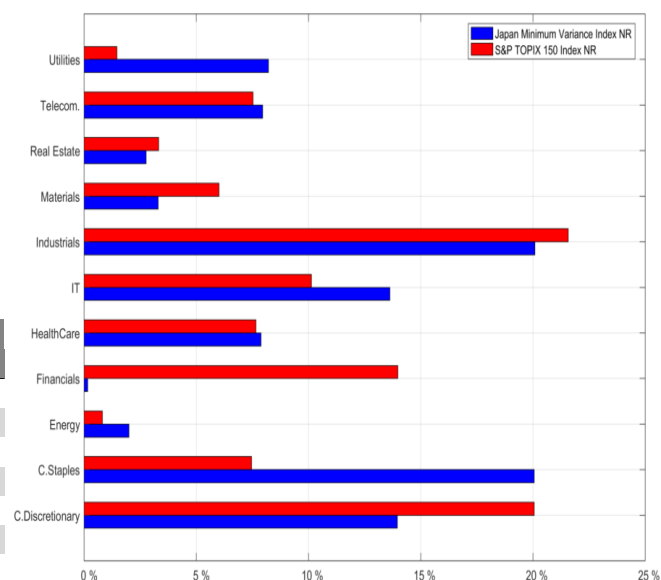


The left-hand side of the chart below shows the sector deviations at rebalancing. Differences are shown on the right-hand side. Index weights are taken as of 17-Mar-2017 (last business day before the new composition is implemented) compared to the new rebalancing weights as of 21-Mar-2017.

Sector breakdown vs. benchmark

The Japan Minimum Variance Index NR overweights C.Staples (**12.59%**) and Utilities (**6.76%**) compared to S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR. The Japan Minimum Variance Index NR underweights Financials (**-13.82%**) and C.Discretionary (**-6.10%**) compared to S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR.

				Vol.	
	B	S	Diff.	B	S
C.Discretionary	20.06%	13.96%	-6.10%	21.49%	15.01%
C.Staples	7.47%	20.05%	12.59%	16.13%	15.40%
Energy	0.82%	2.00%	1.18%	26.86%	23.94%
Financials	13.98%	0.16%	-13.82%	29.04%	32.32%
HealthCare	7.66%	7.88%	0.22%	19.11%	17.46%
IT	10.13%	13.63%	3.49%	19.81%	16.39%
Industrials	21.57%	20.09%	-1.48%	17.21%	13.63%
Materials	6.01%	3.30%	-2.71%	23.11%	19.67%
Real Estate	3.32%	2.76%	-0.56%	23.58%	22.60%
Telecom.	7.53%	7.96%	0.43%	19.14%	17.76%
Utilities	1.46%	8.22%	6.76%	18.89%	18.52%



The table below shows, for each sector, the weight in the Japan Minimum Variance Index NR (S), in the benchmark S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR (B) and their difference. We also show the annualized volatility of each sector in the Japan Minimum Variance Index NR and in the benchmark. Annualized volatilities are computed using 125 business days ending on 13-Mar-2017

Added Stocks

The rebalancing has added 4 new stocks. In the table below, T is the current rebalancing date (21-Mar-2017), while T-1 is the previous rebalancing date (20-Feb-2017). Vol(T-1) and Vol(T) are the annualized volatilities computed over 125 business days ending, respectively, on 13-Feb-2017 and 13-Mar-2017. The average daily volumes ADV(T-1) and ADV(T), expressed in mln JPY, are computed over 50 business days ending on the same dates as before, with the relative ranking over the benchmark S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR. Finally, WW(T) is the stock weight at the current rebalancing date.

	Sector	T-1	T	Vol WW(T)	T-1	ADV T	B	LF	EU
DAITO TRUST CON.CO.LTD.	Real Estate	Inf%	22.60%	2.76%	-Inf(152)	7451.06(55)	N	N	N
FUJITSU LIMITED	IT	34.85%	31.60%	0.15%	9552.84(47)	8769.40(47)	Y	Y	Y
KONICA MINOLTA INCO.	IT	31.47%	28.43%	0.17%	3184.88(130)	2859.39(130)	Y	Y	Y
SOFTBANK GROUP CORP.	Telecom.	32.55%	30.27%	0.08%	67766.29(2)	63207.12(1)	Y	Y	Y

The Column B shows whenever the added stock was in the S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR selection as of 20-Feb-2017. The columns LF/EU show whenever the stock was selected by the liquidity filter/eligible universe as of 20-Feb-2017.

Deleted Stocks

The rebalancing has deleted 8 new stocks. In the table below, T is the current rebalancing date (21-Mar-2017), while T-1 is the previous rebalancing date (20-Feb-2017). Vol(T-1) and Vol(T) are the annualized volatilities computed over 125 business days ending, respectively, on 13-Feb-2017 and 13-Mar-2017. The average daily volumes ADV(T-1) and ADV(T), expressed in mln JPY, are computed over 50 business days ending on the same dates as before, with the relative ranking over the benchmark S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR. Finally, WW(T-1) is the stock weight at the previous rebalancing date.

	Sector	T-1	T	Vol WW(T-1)	T-1	ADV T	B	LF	EU
LAWSON INCO.	C.Staples	19.32%	Inf%	3.25%	4021.79(114)	-Inf(151)	N	N	N
MITSUBISHI EST.CO.LTD.	Real Estate	25.56%	25.33%	0.08%	11375.73(39)	10226.32(35)	Y	Y	Y
MIZUHO FINL.GP.INCO.	Financials	27.35%	26.40%	0.00%	36098.38(6)	27579.80(6)	Y	Y	Y
OTSUKA HOLDINGS CO.LTD.	HealthCare	26.57%	26.80%	0.31%	16596.21(18)	17124.03(11)	Y	Y	Y
PANASONIC CORPORATION	C.Discretionary	26.14%	26.26%	0.21%	12065.13(33)	9349.40(42)	Y	Y	Y
RAKUTEN INCO.	C.Discretionary	30.10%	32.50%	0.22%	7010.84(66)	8838.90(46)	Y	Y	Y
TOPPAN PRINTING CO.LTD.	Industrials	19.73%	18.51%	0.08%	2096.53(140)	1861.77(143)	Y	N	N
YAMATO HOLDINGS CO.LTD.	Industrials	22.41%	26.26%	0.02%	3368.81(126)	5173.95(85)	Y	Y	Y

The Column B shows whenever the deleted stock was in the S&P TOPIX 150 Index NR selection as of 21-Mar-2017. The columns LF/EU show whenever the stock was selected by the liquidity filter/eligible universe as of 21-Mar-2017.

Ranking Index Constituents - Top 25

The table shows the top 25 positions in the Japan Minimum Variance Index NR as of 21-Mar-2017. The column WW indicates the weights in the Japan Minimum Variance Index NR as of 21-Mar-2017. The column Vol gives the annualized volatility computed over 125 business days ending on 13-Mar-2017. We also provide the ranking of these volatilities (Rank Vol) relative to the Filtered Selection at the rebalancing date. The column Corr gives the average correlation of each stock relative to the rest of the filtered selection, computed over 500 business days ending on 13-Mar-2017. We also provide the ranking of these correlations (Rank Corr) relative to the Filtered Selection at the rebalancing date. The Rank Blend is computed as 66% Rank Vol + 34% Rank Corr. The lower the stock's Rank Blend, the higher the likelihood that the stock will be overweighted in the Index. Finally, the column Core shows whether the stock was in the Japan Minimum Variance Index NR already (YES) or it entered at this rebalancing (NO).

	Sector	WW	Vol	Rank Vol	Corr	Rank Corr	Rank Blend	Core
ORIENTAL LAND CO.LTD.	C.Discretionary	3.80%	16.98%	4	41.62%	13	7	YES
CANON INCO.	IT	3.39%	15.81%	1	57.50%	133	45	YES
JAPAN TOBACCO INCO.	C.Staples	3.26%	17.16%	5	45.84%	38	16	YES
NTT DOCOMO INCO.	Telecom.	3.18%	18.74%	20	40.25%	8	15	YES
NITORI HOLDINGS CO.LTD.	C.Discretionary	3.09%	22.21%	49	33.18%	2	33	YES
AEON COMPANY LTD.	C.Staples	2.91%	19.01%	24	44.40%	27	25	YES
NIPPON TELG.& TEL.CORP.	Telecom.	2.82%	18.51%	16	42.80%	17	16	YES
DAITO TRUST CON.CO.LTD.	Real Estate	2.76%	22.60%	53	36.05%	5	36	NO
KEYENCE CORPORATION	IT	2.54%	19.17%	26	50.39%	68	40	YES
JAPAN AIRLINES CO.LTD.	Industrials	2.51%	17.40%	8	42.99%	20	12	YES
MEIJI HOLDINGS CO.LTD.	C.Staples	2.45%	22.62%	54	34.47%	3	36	YES
OSAKA GAS COMPANY LTD.	Utilities	2.31%	18.34%	14	51.60%	82	37	YES
NH FOODS LTD.	C.Staples	2.14%	21.64%	43	40.74%	11	32	YES
TAKEDA PHARM.CO.LTD.	HealthCare	2.13%	17.63%	9	55.96%	116	45	YES
AISIN SEIKI COMPANY LTD.	C.Discretionary	2.02%	21.25%	38	52.29%	85	53	YES
OBAYASHI CORPORATION	Industrials	2.00%	18.77%	21	40.69%	10	17	YES
JX HOLDINGS INCO.	Energy	2.00%	23.94%	64	46.54%	46	57	YES
UNI CHARM CORPORATION	C.Staples	1.91%	21.52%	41	45.63%	35	38	YES
KDDI CORP.	Telecom.	1.88%	21.51%	40	43.74%	23	34	YES
CHUBU ELEC.PWR.CO.INCO.	Utilities	1.87%	20.74%	33	47.76%	51	39	YES
KIRIN HOLDINGS CO.LTD.	C.Staples	1.86%	20.65%	32	45.43%	33	32	YES
KYUSHU ELEC.PWR.CO.INCO.	Utilities	1.84%	24.44%	67	40.18%	7	46	YES
ITOCHU CORPORATION	Industrials	1.83%	16.36%	2	55.59%	111	39	YES
FUJIFILM HOLDINGS CORP.	IT	1.76%	18.73%	19	58.51%	141	60	YES
ASAHI GROUP HDG.LTD.	C.Staples	1.76%	21.18%	36	46.05%	41	37	YES

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