

Market Review for July 2025

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MONTHLY REVIEW

In July, Japan's stock market continued its upward momentum, with the Nikkei 225 rising by 1.4%, briefly surpassing 42,000 yen at one stage, and the TOPIX rising 3.2%, marking a four-month streak of gains. This rally was fuelled by a reduction in the U.S. tariff rate on Japanese imports from 25% to 15% and strong foreign investor interest, which boosted defence and energy stocks. U.S. market highs, driven by strong tech earnings, further lifted sentiment. Most sectors saw gains, led by non-ferrous metals and energy. Meanwhile, the yen appreciated slightly as the BoJ stated its intention to continue to pursue interest rate hikes.

TABLE 1. MARKET PERFORMANCE (as of the end of July 2025)

	Index	Return	Year to Date
TOPIX	2,943.07	3.16%	5.68%
Nikkei 225	41,069.82	1.44%	2.95%

	Jul-25	Jun-25	End of 2024
USD/JPY*	150.75	144.03	157.20

*Bloomberg's preferred default source of generic FX data

FIGURE 1. TOPIX and USD/JPY

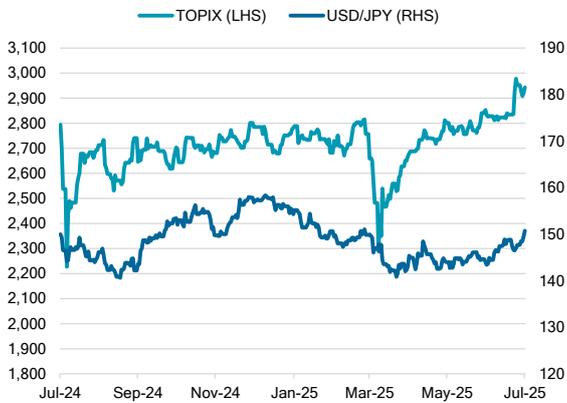


FIGURE 2. GLOBAL EQUITY MARKET MONTHLY PERFORMANCE (as of the end of July 2025, local currency)

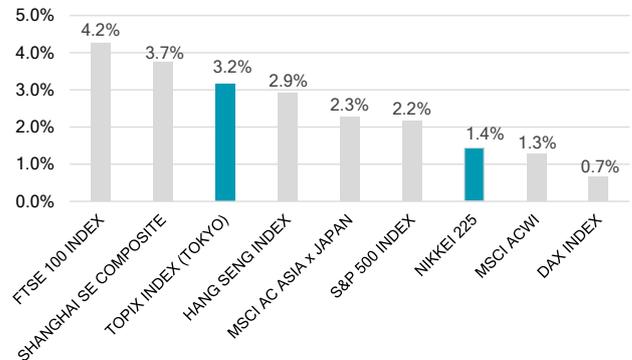


TABLE 2. TOP 5 PERFORMING SECTORS

Sector	Return
Nonferrous Metals	19.12%
Oil & Coal Products	10.87%
Banks	7.67%
Glass & Ceramics Products	7.66%
Electric Power & Gas	6.51%

TABLE 3. BOTTOM 5 PERFORMING SECTORS

Sector	Return
Other Products	-5.56%
Retail Trade	-1.12%
Information & Communication	0.55%
Foods	0.61%
Air Transportation	0.80%

TABLE 4. TOP 5 PERFORMING STOCKS*

Name	Ticker	Return
FUJIKURA	5803 JT Equity	37.04%
FURUKAWA ELECTRIC	5801 JT Equity	30.74%
KEWPIE	2809 JT Equity	22.52%
SUMITOMO ELECTRIC	5802 JT Equity	21.42%
TOKYO ELECTRIC	9501 JT Equity	19.77%

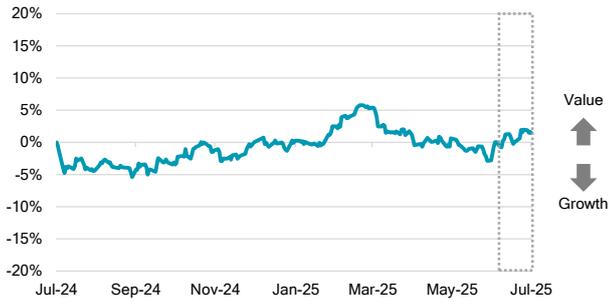
TABLE 5. BOTTOM 5 PERFORMING STOCKS*

Name	Ticker	Return
CAPCOM	9697 JT Equity	-21.43%
SHIMANO	7309 JT Equity	-20.71%
LASERTEC	6920 JT Equity	-20.04%
SEIBU HOLDINGS	9024 JT Equity	-18.08%
KOEI TECMO HOLDINGS	3635 JT Equity	-15.64%

*Stocks with a market cap of over JPY 500 billion at the beginning of the month

Note. Figures on this sheet are from SuMi TRUST, Bloomberg, NEEDS, MSCI and Nomura (as of July 2025)

FIGURE 3. VALUE-GROWTH SPREAD



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

FIGURE 4. LARGE-SMALL CAP SPREAD



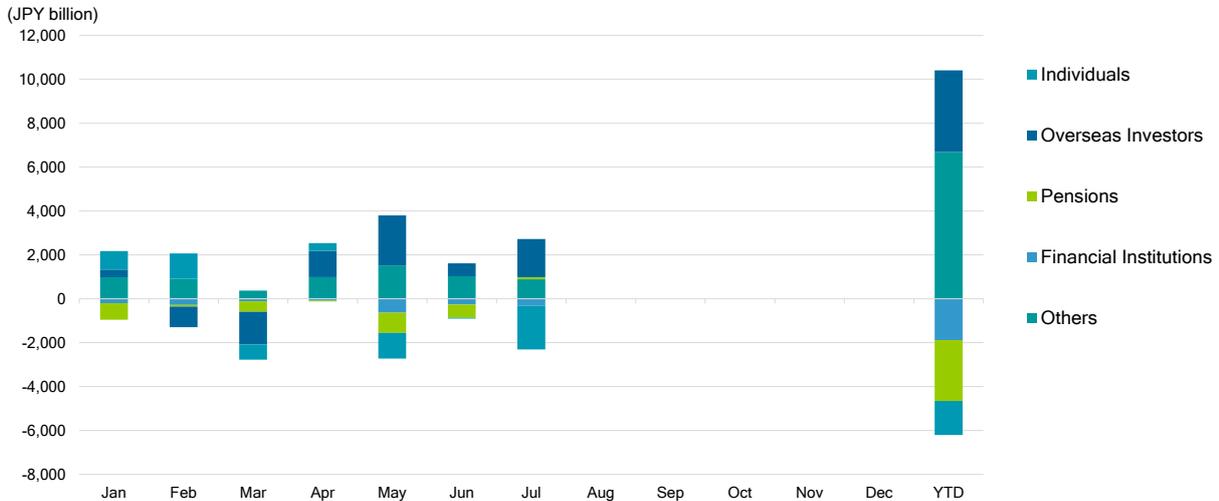
Note: The spread between the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index and the Small Cap Index (Positive figure means Large Cap dominant)

FIGURE 5. MSCI JAPAN FACTOR INDEXES SPREAD AGAINST MSCI JAPAN*



*The measurement begins from the end of July 2024, starting from 0%.

FIGURE 6. MONTHLY INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES BY INVESTOR TYPE IN THE JAPANESE EQUITY MARKET**



**Latest month figures are until the 3rd week of the month

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