

Market Review for May 2022

2nd June 2022

TOPIX ended slightly up on the previous month-end. The Japanese equity market was weak in the first half of the month due to growing concerns over rising inflation worldwide and supply chain disruptions following lockdowns in major Chinese cities. The market then recovered on the announcement by Chinese authorities that lockdown measures in Shanghai will ease in June in addition to US CPI figures which suggested the pace of inflation is slowing.

Table 1. Market performance

2022	As of the end of May 2022	May 2022	Year to Date
TOPIX	1,912.67	0.69%	-4.00%
Nikkei 225	27,279.80	1.61%	-5.25%
USD/JPY*	128.65	129.56 (29 Apr)	115.16 (end of 2021)

*Reuters London 4pm

Figure 1. TOPIX and USD/JPY

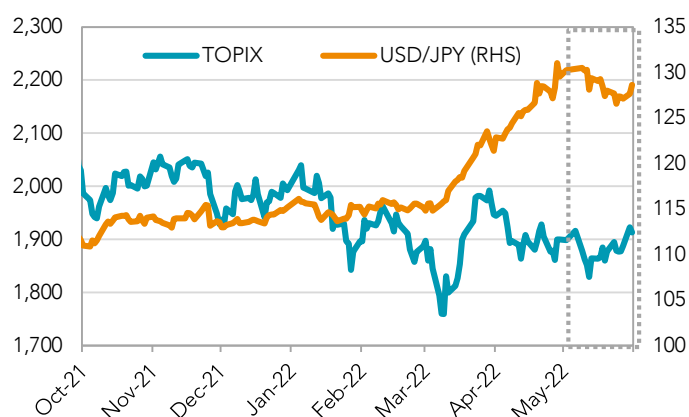
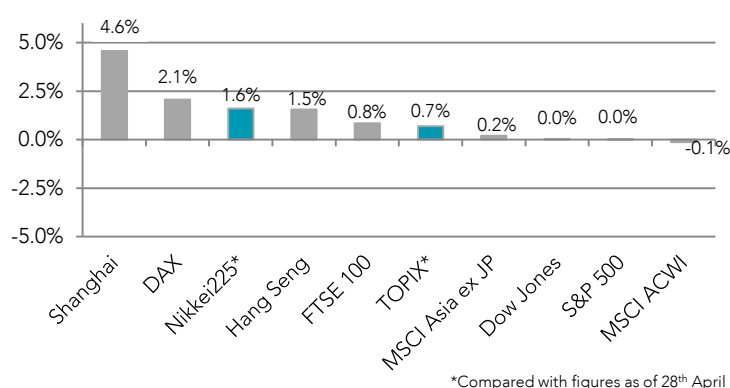


Figure 2. Global Equity Market Monthly Performance (as of the end of May 2022, local currency)



*Compared with figures as of 28th April

Table 2. Top 5 performing sectors in May 2022

Sector	Return
Marine Transportation	17.43%
Mining	10.16%
Oil & Coal Products	10.03%
Warehousing & Harbour Transportation Services	9.14%
Precision Instruments	7.32%

Table 3. Bottom 5 performing sectors in May 2022

Sector	Return
Pulp & Paper	-8.03%
Fishery, Agriculture & Forestry	-5.04%
Services	-3.61%
Banks	-3.53%
Transportation Equipment	-2.62%

Table 4. Top 5 performing stocks* in May 2022

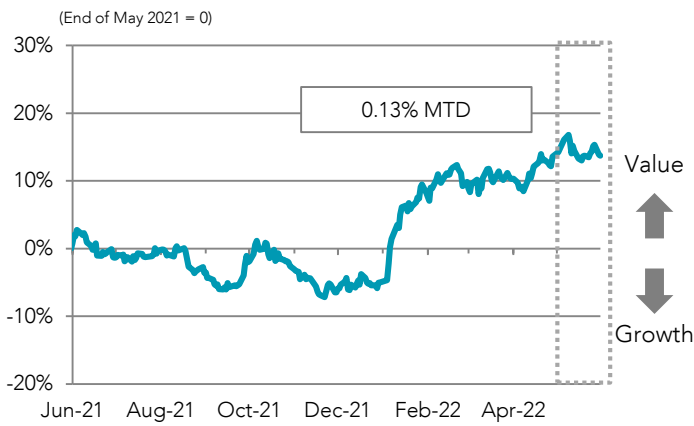
Name	Return
Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha (9107 JP)	49.49%
Square Enix Holdings (9684 JP)	23.03%
IHI (7013 JP)	22.30%
Toyo Suisan Kaisha (2875 JP)	20.22%
Seiko Epson (6724 JP)	18.65%

Table 5. Bottom 5 performing stocks* in May 2022

Name	Return
Asahi Intecc (7747 JP)	-23.31%
Rakuten Group (4755 JP)	-21.13%
Z Holdings (4689 JP)	-17.18%
Shinko Electric Industries (6967 JP)	-16.90%
MonotaRo (3064 JP)	-16.42%

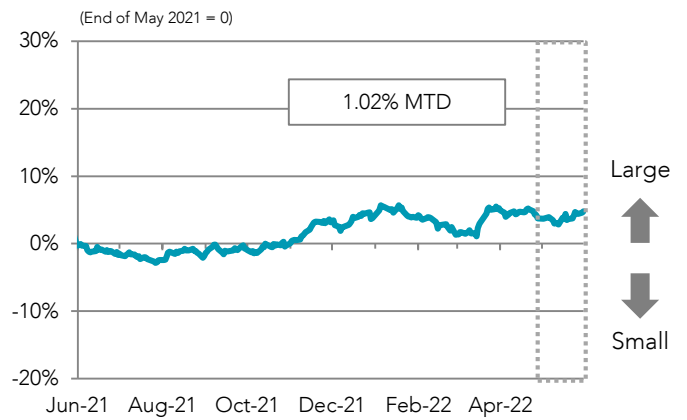
*Stocks with a market cap of over JPY 500 billion

Figure 3. Value-Growth Spread



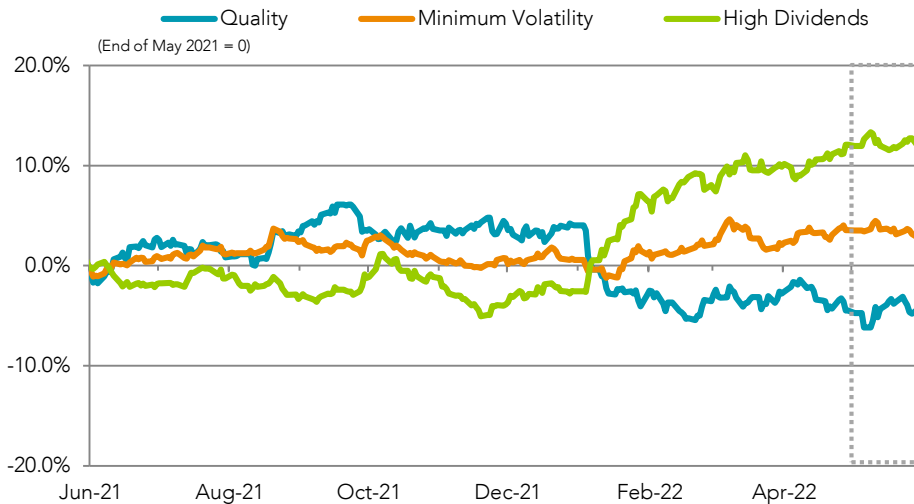
The spread between the Russell/Nomura Value Index and the Growth Index (Positive figure means value dominant)

Figure 4. Large-Small Cap Spread



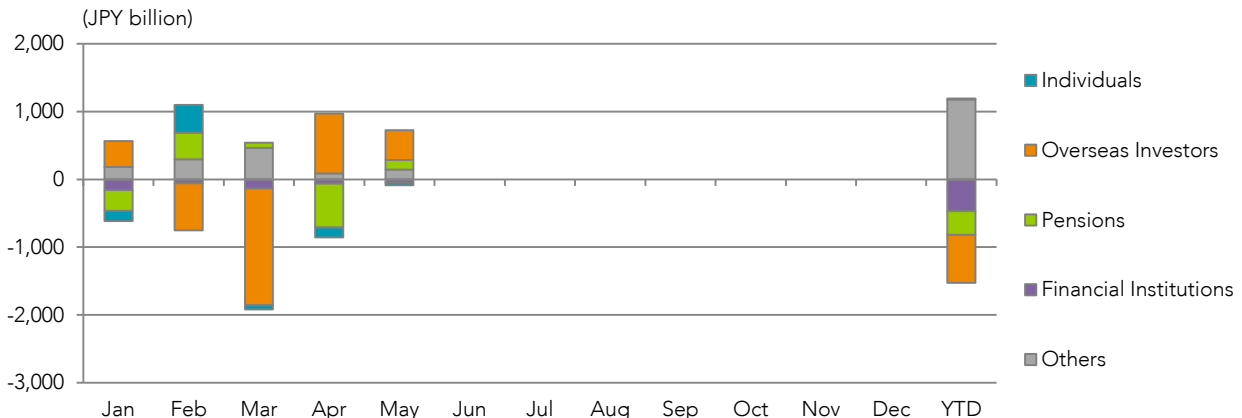
The spread between the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index and the Small Cap Index (Positive figure means Large Cap dominant)

Figure 5. MSCI Japan Factor Indexes Spread against MSCI Japan



Data: Bloomberg, Nomura, SuMi TRUST (as at the end of May 2022)

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



Data: Bloomberg, SuMi TRUST (as of 20th May 2022)

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