



- Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225) marks 70th anniversary on September 7, 2020. -

Monthly Summary of the Tokyo Market

- The Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225) closed February at [28966.01](#), climbed 1302.62 points (4.70%) from the end of January. The investment money flowed into Japanese equity market based on the monetary easing policies of the central banks such as the Bank of Japan, Federal Reserve Board and European Central Bank. Joe Biden's \$1.9 trillion economic relief package and the start of COVID-19 vaccination in Japan also supported bullish prospects of the Nikkei 225.

- Supported by these news and background, Nikkei 225 soared and reached 30467.75 on February 16th, its 30-year highest since August 1st, 1990 (30837.99) which was recorded during the downtrend from its all-time-high on December 29, 1989 (38915.87). This time, it hit 30,000 in the recovery process from the recent bottom caused by COVID-19 on March 19, 2020 (16552.83).

- The increase of US long-term interest rate affected the upward trend in the final week of the month. Selling pressure due to profit taking also accelerated downward trend of the Nikkei 225. On the last trading day of February, it plunged 1202.26 points, which is the 10th worst in its history. The Nikkei 225 Volatility Index recorded 28.30 on the same day.

Nikkei 225 in February 2021

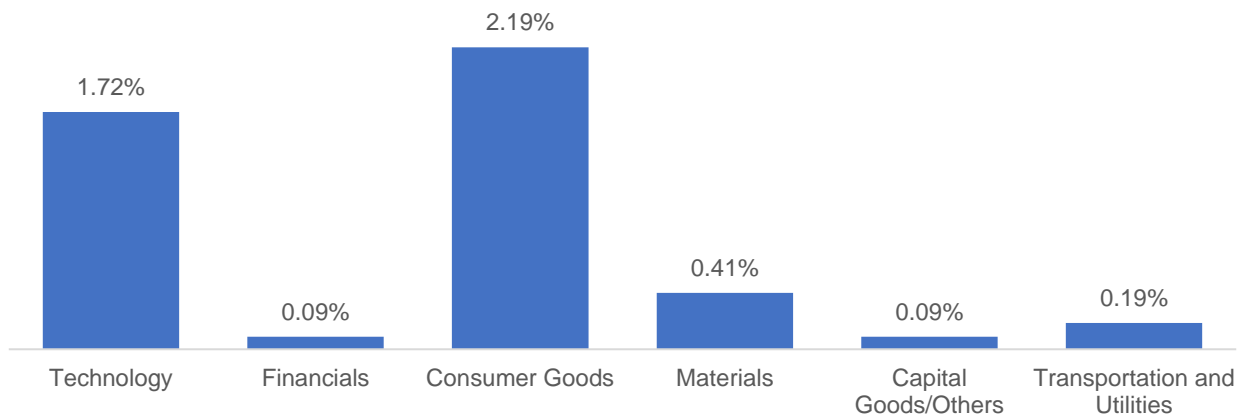
Closing Price in Each Currency

Currency	Closing Value	1M	3M
US Dollar	271.88	2.89% up	7.25% up
Euro	223.99	2.98% up	5.69% up
Japanese Yen	28,966.01	4.70% up	9.58% up

Index Performance

INDEX	1M	3M	YTD	Yield
Nikkei 225	4.70%	9.58%	5.54%	1.44%
Nikkei 225 High Dividend Yield Stock 50	7.08%	15.60%	11.17%	4.17%
Nikkei 225 Domestic Exposure 50	6.95%	8.66%	7.86%	2.30%
Nikkei 225 Global Exposure 50	3.84%	14.18%	8.87%	1.91%
JPX-Nikkei 400	2.81%	5.74%	3.24%	1.98%
JPX-Nikkei Mid Small	0.34%	4.79%	0.49%	2.17%

Nikkei 225 Sector Monthly Contribution



Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225) Volatility Index



JPX-Nikkei 400 ETFs listed on NYSE

ETF Name	Ticker	Provider	Listed date
iShares JPX-Nikkei 400 ETF*	JPXN	BlackRock	Oct 23, 2001
iShares Currency Hedged JPX-Nikkei 400 ETF	HJPX	BlackRock	Sep 29, 2015
Xtrackers Japan JPX-Nikkei 400 Equity ETF	JPN	DWS	Jun 24, 2015

Note: *The ETF name was changed in July 2015 with the change to the current benchmark (JPX-Nikkei 400).

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