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Monthly Summary of the Tokyo Market

- The Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225) rose 8,221.20 (16.09%) from the end of the previous month to finish April at [59,284.92](#), marking its first monthly gain in two months. The rally was the largest monthly increase on record. Investor sentiment improved rapidly amid easing geopolitical concerns in the Middle East following a ceasefire agreement between the United States and Iran. Inflows into artificial intelligence (AI)-related stocks with strong growth prospects also provided momentum to the market.
- On April 8, the Nikkei 225 surged 2,878.86 points from the previous trading day after reports of an immediate ceasefire agreement between the U.S. and Iran, recording the third-largest single-day gain in its history. On April 27, the index climbed as high as [60,537.36](#), closing above the 60,000 mark for the first time on a closing basis. The monthly trading range—defined as the difference between the month’s highest closing level and the lowest, recorded at [52,463.27](#) on April 2—expanded to 8,074.09 points, also the largest on record.
- The [Nikkei Semiconductor Stock Index](#) jumped 36.17% during the month, posting its largest-ever monthly gain. The index hit a record high on April 27. Semiconductor-related stocks drew strong investor interest on expectations that demand would continue to rise in the near term, largely insulated from external factors such as military tensions involving Iran. The [Nikkei Asia300 Investable Index \(JPY\)](#) also reached a record high on the same day, while its monthly gain of 16.93% marked the largest on record. AI-related stocks were likewise bought in markets including South Korea and Taiwan.
- Meanwhile, the [Nikkei Stock Average Dividend Point Index](#) (2025) ended at 801.12, up 109.12 from 2024, extending its record-high streak to a fifth consecutive year.

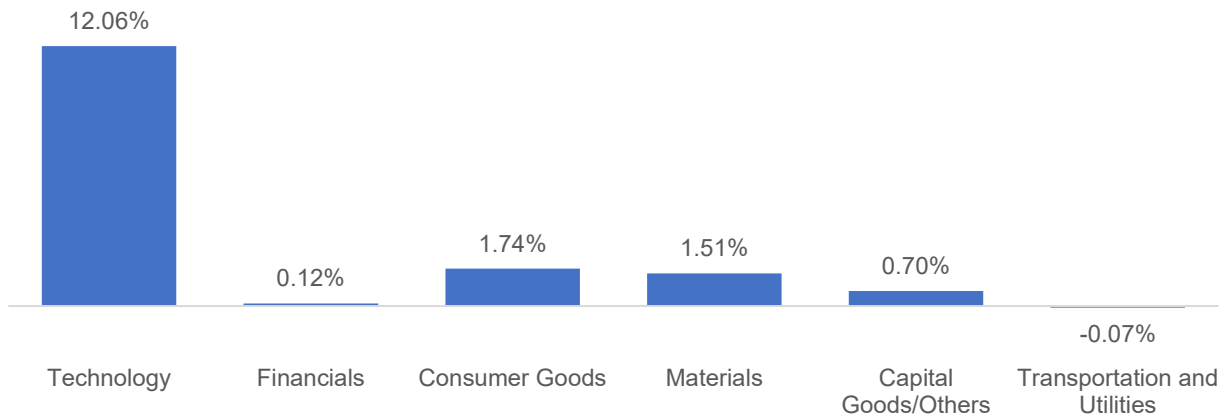
Nikkei 225 in April 2026 - Closing Price in Each Currency

Currency	Closing Value	1M	3M
US Dollar	378.32	17.86% up	9.44% up
Euro	322.51	15.77% up	10.99% up
Japanese Yen	59,284.92	16.09% up	11.18% up

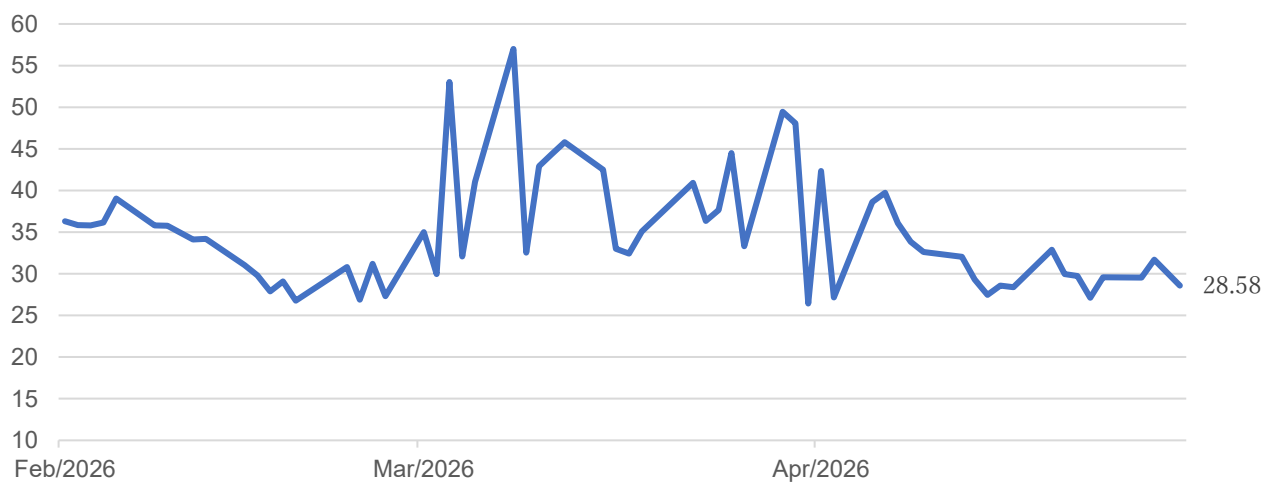
Index Performance

INDEX	1M	3M	YTD	Yield
Nikkei 225	16.09%	11.18%	17.77%	1.42%
Nikkei Semiconductor Stock Index	36.17%	25.88%	61.96%	0.74%
Nikkei Climate PAB Index	15.57%	10.19%	16.90%	1.37%
Nikkei 225 High Dividend Yield Stock 50	1.49%	2.93%	9.24%	3.39%
Nikkei 225 Domestic Exposure 50	-0.82%	0.04%	1.87%	2.30%
Nikkei 225 Global Exposure 50	12.61%	6.68%	11.54%	2.13%
JPX-Nikkei 400	7.17%	5.83%	10.64%	2.00%
JPX-Nikkei Mid Small	7.44%	6.27%	10.46%	2.66%

Nikkei 225 Sector Monthly Contribution



Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225) Volatility Index



Note) The data on this page are as of the end of previous month.

JPX-Nikkei 400 ETFs listed on NYSE

ETF Name	Ticker	Provider	Listed date
iShares JPX-Nikkei 400 ETF*	JPXN	BlackRock	Oct 23, 2001

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

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