

# FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & Data as at: 29 March 2024 New Zealand Index

The FTSE Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) Index Series was launched in 2001 by FTSE Russell in collaboration with Willis Towers Watson (WTW) and Hong Kong Investment Funds Association (HKIFA). The MPF Index Series is based on the FTSE All-World Index Series and provides a range of country and regional indexes, with both unhedged and hedged indexes to provide choices for investors. The series provides the most precise benchmarks for the Hong Kong market by accurately reflecting regulatory requirements, permitted investment markets and asset classes as well as accounting for any dividend withholding tax rates and investment restrictions applied to the MPF system.

The FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex JP ex AU ex NZ Index consists of eligible large cap and mid cap Asia Pacific companies, excluding Japanese, Australian and New Zealand companies, which are listed on the stock exchanges approved by the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (MPFA). Both unhedged and hedged indexes in price return and total return are available for this index.

#### **10-Year Performance - Total Return**



Mar-2014 Mar-2015 Mar-2016 Mar-2017 Mar-2018 Mar-2019 Mar-2020 Mar-2021 Mar-2022 Mar-2023 Mar-2024 Data as at month end



# **Performance and Volatility - Total Return**

Index (HKD)	Return %					Return pa %*		Volatility %**			
	3M	6M	YTD	12M	3YR	5YR	3YR	5YR	1YR	3YR	5YR
FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand	2.9	8.9	2.9	5.0	-14.1	14.5	-4.9	2.8	12.9	16.3	18.6
FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand Hedge	3.0	8.9	3.0	5.0	-14.0	14.6	-4.9	2.8	12.9	16.3	18.6
FTSE MPF All-World Hedged	8.8	19.9	8.8	23.4	25.7	72.7	7.9	11.5	9.3	14.8	17.2

\* Compound annual returns measured over 3 and 5 years respectively

\*\* Volatility - 1YR based on 12 months daily data. 3YR based on weekly data (Wednesday to Wednesday). 5YR based on monthly data

#### **FEATURES**

#### **Objective**

The index has been designed for the creation of index tracker funds and ETFs, and as a tool to enable performance comparisons with the many MPF funds currently available in Hong Kong.

#### Investability

Stocks in the underlying universe are screened for liquidity and are free float adjusted to ensure the index is tradable.

## Tax adjusted

The total return indexes are calculated using the actual withholding tax rates applicable to MPF funds. The tax rates are available from FTSE Russell.

# Capping

The indexes are subject to a 9 per cent limit on the size of constituents included in an index on a monthly basis.

#### **Eligible Securities**

The indexes only include eligible securities listed on stock exchanges approved by the MPFA. Securities which are not fully permissible under the MPFA Guidelines, such as Stapled securities, REITs which are not approved by MPFA, Unit Trusts, Receipts or Certificates with unlisted underlying shares etc., are not eligible for inclusion.

#### **Currency Hedging**

The MPF regulations stipulate that at least 30 per cent of a fund's exposure must be to Hong Kong dollar risk assets. The FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand index will hedge non-Hong Kong dollar currency exposure in the indexes in excess of 65 per cent to ensure they stay well within the regulations. An unhedged index is also available.

## Year-on-Year Performance - Total Return

Index % (HKD)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand	4.6	-8.7	6.0	40.6	-12.9	15.5	21.5	0.5	-18.3	6.3
FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand Hedge	4.6	-8.7	6.0	40.6	-12.9	15.5	21.5	0.5	-18.2	6.3
FTSE MPF All-World Hedged	5.9	-0.9	8.4	23.6	-8.8	26.3	15.6	20.3	-17.0	22.1

# **Return/Risk Ratio and Drawdown - Total Return**

Index (HKD)	Return/Risk Ratio			Drawdown (%)				
	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR
FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand	0.4	-0.3	0.1	0.3	-12.0	-36.5	-38.3	-38.3
FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand Hedge	0.4	-0.3	0.1	0.3	-11.9	-36.4	-38.2	-38.2
FTSE MPF All-World Hedged	2.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	-9.8	-24.4	-33.1	-33.1

Return/Risk Ratio – based on compound annual returns and volatility in Performance and Volatility table Drawdown - based on daily data

## **Top 10 Constituents**

Constituent	Country	ICB Industry	Net MCap (HKDm)	Wgt %
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	Taiwan	Technology	4,466,130	8.77
Samsung Electronics	Korea	Telecommunications	2,279,453	4.48
Tencent Holdings (P Chip)	China	Technology	1,873,608	3.68
Alibaba Group Holding (P Chip)	China	Consumer Discretionary	1,193,530	2.34
Reliance Industries	India	Energy	936,886	1.84
HDFC Bank	India	Financials	758,826	1.49
AIA Group Ltd.	Hong Kong	Financials	597,066	1.17
SK Hynix	Korea	Technology	572,392	1.12
Meituan Dianping (P Chip)	China	Technology	517,507	1.02
Infosys	India	Technology	492,496	0.97
Totals			13,687,893	26.89

#### **Country Breakdown**

Country	No. of Cons	Net MCap (HKDm)	Wgt %
China	1224	14,084,522	27.67
Hong Kong	72	2,796,593	5.49
India	226	11,801,052	23.18
Indonesia	42	1,151,590	2.26
Korea	148	7,214,350	14.17
Malaysia	39	957,587	1.88
Philippines	24	406,499	0.80
Singapore	24	1,455,128	2.86
Taiwan	113	9,988,831	19.62
Thailand	49	1,052,363	2.07
Totals	1961	50,908,515	100.00

# INFORMATION

# **Index Universe**

FTSE MPF All-World Index

**Index Launch** 

1 January 2005

#### **Base Date**

30 November 2000

**Base Value** 

5000

**Index Calculation** 

End-of-Day indexes available

# End-of-Day Distribution

The Index is available on the next day at 11:00 Hong Kong local time (03:00 London Time) via FTP and email

## Currency

HKD, USD

## **Review Dates**

Semi-annually in March and September

# **ICB Industry Breakdown**

ICB Code	ICB Industry	No. of Cons	Net MCap (HKDm)	Wgt %
10	Technology	224	13,190,412	25.91
15	Telecommunications	60	4,035,132	7.93
20	Health Care	172	1,905,917	3.74
30	Financials	256	10,495,298	20.62
35	Real Estate	88	1,192,267	2.34
40	Consumer Discretionary	279	6,713,622	13.19
45	Consumer Staples	148	2,385,965	4.69
50	Industrials	348	4,776,039	9.38
55	Basic Materials	197	2,029,986	3.99
60	Energy	89	2,531,342	4.97
65	Utilities	100	1,652,533	3.25
Totals		1961	50,908,515	100.00

# **Index Characteristics**

Attributes	FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex Japan Australia & New Zealand
Number of constituents	1961
Net MCap (HKDm)	50,908,515
Dividend Yield %	2.31
Constituent Sizes (Net MCap HKDm)	
Average	25,960
Largest	4,466,130
Smallest	175
Median	4,832
Weight of Largest Constituent (%)	8.77
Top 10 Holdings (% Index MCap)	26.89

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