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UK smaller company shares under-perform in 2020 but now trade at extremely low valuation..... 2

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World Stockmarket Forecasts

Stockmarket	One-Year Forecast	Fundamental Indicators	Technical Indicators	Monetary Indicators	Economic Indicators	Historica 3 mths	l Performance 6 mths	e (in US\$) 12 mths	Share Index
Australia	77%	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	+17.0%	+24.6%	+12.6%	
Austria	71%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+42.1%	+45.3%	+5.5%	3,015.14
Belgium	60%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Neutral	+22.0%	+19.8%	+3.1%	3,834.14
Canada	77%	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+14.1%	+18.0%	+7.2%	18,135.90
Denmark	57%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Neutral	+5.8%	+17.4%	+32.4%	1,474.98
Finland	71%	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	+13.1%	+21.5%	+16.5%	11,238.24
France	64%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+16.6%	+21.9%	+4.3%	4,415.04
Germany		Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+14.3%	+16.8%	+14.5%	14,056.72
Ireland	52%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish	+9.7%	+23.5%	+13.3%	7,361.96
Italy	 55%	Bearish	Neutral	Bullish	Bearish	+9.4%	+7.9%	-4.3%	23,083.42
Japan	67%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+16.0%	+33.1%	+25.8%	28,779.19
Netherlands		Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+15.7%	+22.6%	+16.7%	653.24
New Zealand _		Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+16.6%	+27.8%	+16.3%	1,891.70
Norway		Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+27.6%	+27.8%	+16.2%	1,080.28
Spain	73%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+23.1%	+23.8%	-7.3%	821.21
Sweden	73%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+14.0%	+25.2%	+32.2%	1,446.56
Switzerland	56%	Neutral	Bullish	Neutral	Neutral	+4.3%	+9.2%	+6.4%	10,755.47
Un. Kingdom _	71%	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+14.7%	+15.5%	-7.4%	6,489.33
USA		Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+10.8%	+18.8%	+16.8%	3,886.83
Argentina	38%	Bearish	Bearish	Neutral	Neutral	-5.3%	-14.6%	-14.5%	51,052.73
Brazil	61%	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+19.0%	+13.6%	-15.0%	120,240.30
Czech Rep.	81%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+28.4%	+25.4%	+2.2%	1,062.68
Chile	69%	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	+19.8%	+13.5%	+2.7%	22,478.25
China	45%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish	+7.9%	+13.9%	+31.6%	3,496.33
China	76%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+32.0%	+26.7%	-7.6%	764.80
Egypt	78%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	+9.2%	+11.6%	-17.3%	11,598.85
Hong Kong	68%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	+13.9%	+19.0%	+7.1%	29,288.68
Hungary	76%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+27.0%	+25.3%	+3.3%	44,045.26
India	76%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+23.1%	+38.9%	+21.1%	50,731.63
Indonesia	81%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	+17.0%	+25.3%	+0.5%	6,151.73
Israel	59%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+19.6%	+23.7%	+3.3%	1,650.62
Korea	62%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	+29.6%	+48.2%	+50.5%	3,120.63
Malaysia	59%	Neutral	Neutral	Bullish	Neutral	+5.6%	+2.6%	+3.4%	1,578.63
Mexico	76%	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+17.3%	+32.2%	-7.1%	
Philippines	76%	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	+5.3%	+21.1%	-0.8%	7,019.18
Poland		Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+19.5%	+14.7%	+4.3%	57,453.85
Portugal		Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+21.4%	+22.1%	+16.9%	3,760.67
Russia		Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+26.4%	+15.6%	-18.9%	1,431.76
Singapore		Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+13.9%	+18.4%	-4.9%	2,907.11
Sth Africa		Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+19.8%	+32.7%	+14.0%	64,289.48
Taiwan		Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+24.4%	+30.8%	+46.7%	15,802.40
Thailand		Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+21.1%	+17.4%	+1.8%	1,496.61
Turkey		Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish	+54.9%	+34.0%		152,717.00
Venezuela		Bullish	Bullish	Neutral					1,877,816.00
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One Year Forecasts predict the probability that a stock-market will rise over the next year. Investors should seek to invest in markets with forecasts of 60-100%, while avoiding markets with forecasts of 0-40%. Bullish = Favourable. Bearish = Unfavourable.

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Recommended International Investment Funds

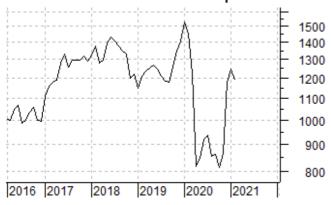
Fund Reports

Aberforth Smaller Companies Trust's net asset value *fell* -15.4% over the year to 31 December 2020, underperforming its smaller UK companies benchmark index that was down -4.3%. The share price fell -16.5%.

A final dividend of 22.9 pence will be paid on 9 March (ex-dividend 12 February), lifting the annual dividend 4.1% to 33.3 pence.

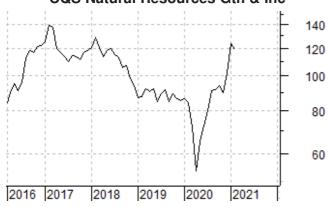
The portfolio's average Price/Earnings Ratio at 31 December was just 7.3.

Aberforth Smaller Companies



CQS Natural Resources Growth & Income has announced its second quarterly dividend of 1.26 pence. This will be paid on 26 February (ex-dividend 21 January).

CQS Natural Resources Gth & Inc

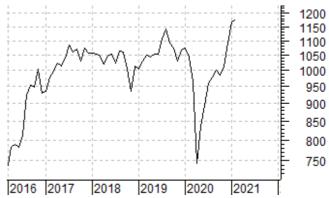


Share Repurchases and Sales

Aberforth Small Companies made two on-market share repurchases over the last four weeks, buying back 100,000 of its own shares for £1,217,000.

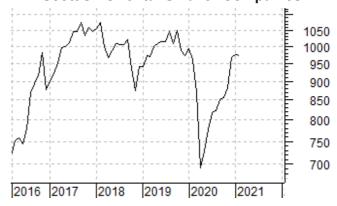
Aberdeen Standard Asia Focus also made two buy-back trades, acquiring 30,000 shares and returning £363,000 to investors.

Aberdeen Standard Asia Focus

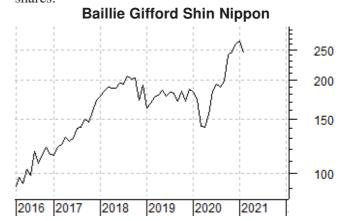


Scottish Oriental Smaller Companies made a total of seven trades, buying back 298,405 shares for £3,012,158.

Scottish Oriental Smaller Companies

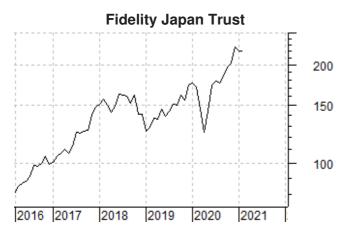


Baillie Gifford Shin Nippon issued new shares and sold them on-market in eight trades. This raised £8,951,063 in new cash from the sale of 3,600,000 shares.



Fidelity Japan Trust made five trades on-market over the last month, repurchasing 168,032 of its own shares for £3,811,134.

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Herald Investment Trust made just two trades, repurchasing 139,000 shares on-market for £3,007,182.



Templeton Emerging Markets made four on-market share repurchases, acquiring a total of 224,575 shares for £2,243,139.

Current Advice Investment Fund	EPIC Code	Initial Re Date		Price	Prem/ Disc to Net Assets	Recent Bid-Offer or Last Sale		Gain or Loss %
United States								
HOLD iShares S&P500 Utilities	IUSU	13/08/18	422.3p	819.4		503.5p	960.9	+17
United Kingdom								
BUY Aberforth Smaller Cos Trt	plc ASL	15/07/03	375.5p	1042.0	-7%	1274.0p	2431.3	+133
Gold & Commoditi	es							
BUY VanEck V. Gold Miners	GDGB	14/01/19	1731.0p	3253.8		2658.0p	5072.5	+56
BUY VanEck V. Junior Gold Mi	ners GJGB	14/01/19	2011.0p	3780.1		3110.0p	5935.1	+57
BUY CQS Natural Resources C	G&I CYN	11/01/21	136.8p	256.1	-13%	125.5p	239.5	-6
Asian Regional								
HOLD Aberdeen Std Asia Focus	AAS	09/09/03	89.2p	247.8	-9%	1240.0p	2366.4	+855
HOLD Scot Oriental Smaller Coy	SST	11/11/03	121.9p	330.5	-11%	1025.0p	1956.1	+492
India								
BUY India Capital Growth plc	IGC	07/11/16	80.5p	137.6	-15%	89.5p	170.8	+24
Japan								
HOLD Baillie Gifford Shin Nippon	plc BGS	11/01/94	31.2p	88.1	+3%	249.0p	475.2	+440
HOLD Fidelity Japan Trust plc	FJV	10/01/06	126.0p	322.7	-8%	229.0p	437.0	+35
International								
HOLD Herald Investment Trust	HRI	12/10/04	310.8p	820.1	-7%	2300.0p	4389.3	+435
BUY iShares Oil & Gas Exp & F	Prod SPOG	08/04/19	1287.0p	2491.8		888.63p	1695.9	-32
BUY Templeton Emerging Man		11/01/21	996.0p	1865.2	-9%	1040.0p	1984.7	+6
* United Kingdom based Unit Trust								

The average Gains/Losses of all current investments from initial recommendation is +193.3%. This is equal to an average annual rate of +20.3%, based upon the length of time each position has been held. The average annual rate of gain of ALL recommendations (both the 13 current and 59 closed out) is +13.5%.

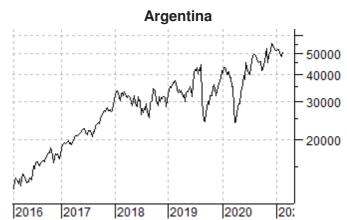
Investment Fund Survey

Current Advice	Investment Fund	Superi- Risk ority Rating Rating	Correla- 3	erformance 6 12 3 th mth mth	Current Advice		Risk Rating	Superi- ority Rating	Market Correla- tion		12	nce 3 mth
NEW ZEALAND					GOLD & MINING							
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	Fisher NZ Growth Fund	High +4%		72 22 7		BT Natural Resources	High	-4%	0.81	-9	14	17
	New Zealand Lis					Col First State Glb Res.	Medium	-4%	0.81	0	12	18
Avoid	Mid-Cap Index	High -7%		30 5 8		United Kingdom						
	TeNZ	Medium +0%	0.89 5	55 14 8	Avoid	Allianz Global Agricultural	Very Low	-7%	0.64	-4	1	7
	New	/ Zealand			Avoid	Baring Global Agriculture Baring Global Resources	Low High	-0% -8%	0.74 0.88	21 -12	-6	15 19
	1101	Zealand			Buy	Blackrock Gold & General	Low	+16%	0.26	41	10	-12
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	Alle	STRALIA				ASI Emerging Markets Equity	High	+2%	0.98	25	21	17
						ASI Emerging Markets Inc Equ	Medium	+2%	0.92	21	11	15
		based Unit Tru				AXA Framlington Emerging Mkts	Medium	+2%	0.95	23	16	9
	AMP Equity Trust	Low -2%		3 -3 11		Aberdeen Std Em Mkts Sm Cos	Medium Medium	-2% +2%	0.84 0.95	11 25	11 24	8 18
Avoid	AMP FLI Aust AMP FLI Small Companies	Medium -3% Medium -10%		1 -1 11 30 16 13		Aberdeen Std Emerging Markets Allianz Emerging Markets	Medium	+2%	0.95	25 17	19	13
	ANZ Equity Imputation Trt	Medium -8%		14 -8 14		Artemis Global E/Mkts	Medium	-5%	0.94	1	2	12
	ANZ Equity Trust No 1	Low -3%		-1 -2 10		BG Emerging Markets	High	+6%	0.96	39	27	16
Avoid	Aust Ethical Equities BT Australia	Medium +2% Low -9%		15 11 15 14 -2 10	Buy	BG Emerging Mkts Leading Cos	High	+8%	0.94	47	30	15
711010	BT Smaller Companies	Medium -2%		-7 11 6		BMO Emerging Markets	Medium	-4%	0.95	8	4	9
	BT Split Trust Growth	Very Low -2%		4 1 11		Baring Global Emerging Mkts	Medium Medium	+2% +2%	0.94 0.72	16 19	13 8	8 13
	Col First State Aust Sh. Col First State Dev. Coys	Low +6% High -0%		26 15 11 -2 18 14		Blackrock Aquila E/Mkts Blackrock Emerging Markets	Medium	+5%	0.72	37	19	17
	Col First State Future Ld	High -3%	0.79 -1	15 3 7		Dimensional Emerging Markets	Medium	-1%	0.98	7	8	12
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	MLC Aust Tr - Aust Share	Very Low -3%	0.42	5 -2 10		Fidelity Index E/Markets	Medium	+2%	0.98	16	15	11
Avoid	MLC Aust Trust - Index One Path Australia Share	Low -7% Low -2%		-6 -6 11 0 -2 10		Invesco Perp Emerging Euro. Invesco Perp Glb Em Markets	Very High High	-5% +2%	0.75 0.98	3 24	-15 25	24 19
Avoid	One Path Blue Chip	Medium -8%		14 -8 14		JOHCM Global Emerging Markets	Medium	-3%	0.93	7	7	10
	Pengana Int'l Ethical	Very Low -0%		9 3 8	Buy	JPM Emerging Markets	Medium	+7%	0.92	45	27	12
	Perpetual ICSav - Sm Coys Perpetual ICSav - Aust	Medium +1% Medium -5%		2 16 11 -7 1 12		JPM Emerging Mkts Income	Medium	+1%	0.96	25	13	16
Avoid	Perpetual ICSav - Indust.	Low -7%		10 -1 13		Janus Hend Emerging Mkts Opp	Medium	+0%	0.95	14	17	13
	Yarra Emerging Leaders	High +5%		13 3 7		Jupiter Global E/Markets	High Medium	-6% -0%	0.92 0.98	-1 15	7 11	21 9
Avoid	Yarra Leaders Fund	Medium -12%		28 -17 10		L & G Global E/Markets Index Lazard Developing Markets	High	+2%	0.98	17	14	12
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	Argo Investments	Low -2%		1 3 17	Avoid	M & G Global E/Markets	High	-7%	0.89	3	-2	19
	Australian Foundation	Very Low -0%		13 9 15		MFS Meridian Emerging Mkts Marlborough E/Markets	Very High Medium	-1% -5%	0.93 0.96	-5	10 2	16 10
	Diversified United Inv.	Medium +3%	_	11 -5 13		McInroy & Wood E/Markets	Medium	-4%	0.90	-0	0	7
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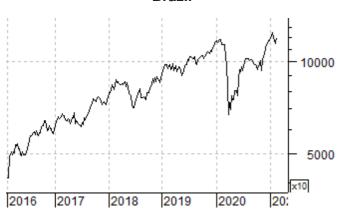
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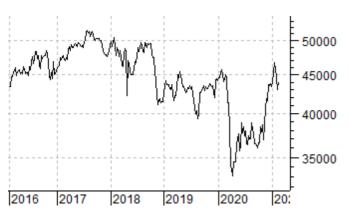
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	JOHCM Asia (ex Japan) Small
Buy	JPM Asia
	Janus Hend Asia Pacific Cap.
Avoid	Janus Hend Asian Dividend

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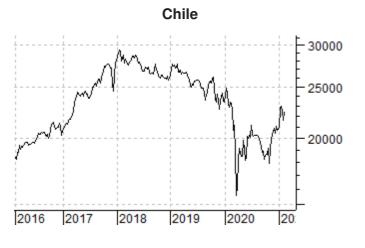
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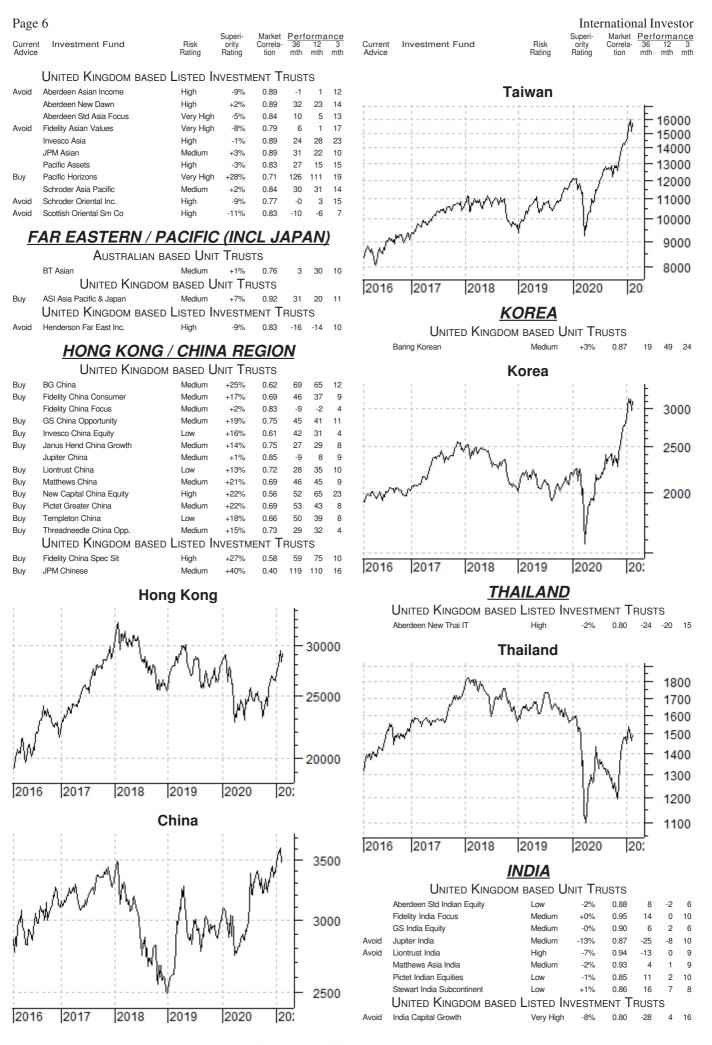
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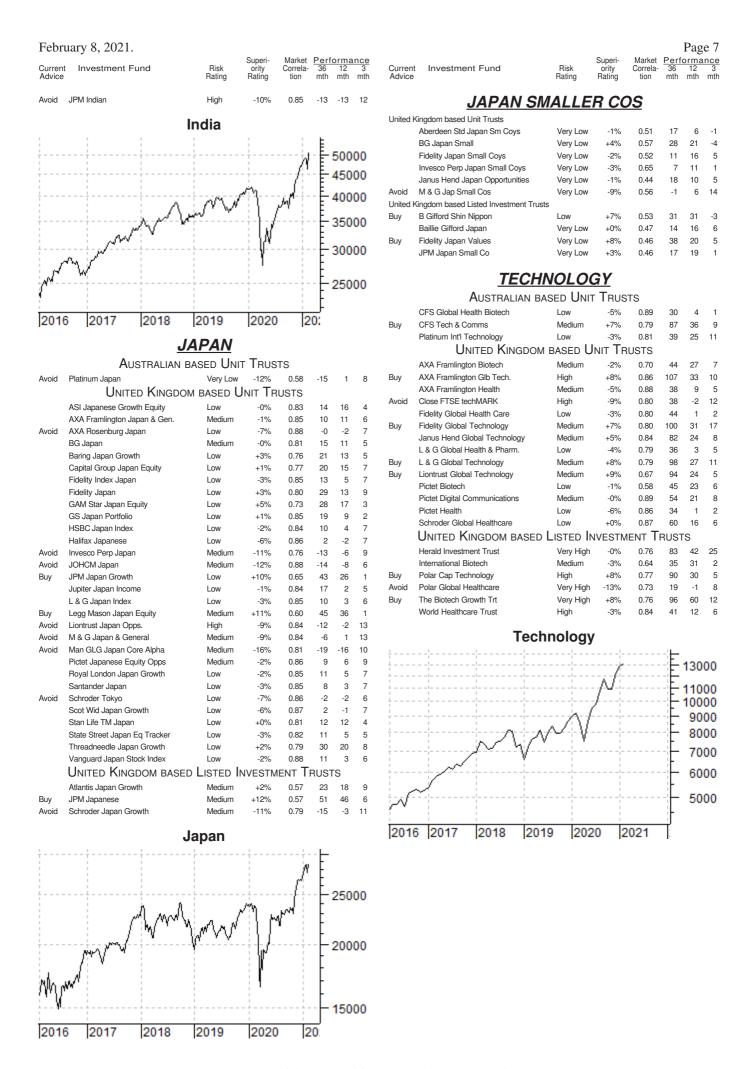
Vanguard Pacific (ex Jap)

Veritas Asian



	Janus Hend Asia Pacific Cap.	Medium	+1%	0.94
l	Janus Hend Asian Dividend	Medium	-8%	0.90
	Jupiter Asian	Medium	-3%	0.93
	Jupiter Asian Income	Medium	-2%	0.94
ı	L & G Asian Income	High	-10%	0.86
	L & G Pacific Index	High	-1%	0.95
	Liontrust Asia Income	Medium	-6%	0.94
	M & G Asian	Medium	-4%	0.94
	Marlborough Far East Growth	Medium	-6%	0.93
	Matthews Asia Asia Dividend	Low	+0%	0.91
	Matthews Asia Pacific Tiger	Medium	+1%	0.92
	Matthews Asia Smaller Cos	Medium	+6%	0.80
	PUTM Far East	Medium	+1%	0.98
	Royal London Asia Pac Tracker	High	-1%	0.93
	Santander Pacific Basin	Medium	-1%	0.96
	Schroder Asian Alpha	Medium	+4%	0.96
	Schroder Asian Income	Medium	-2%	0.96
	Schroder Asian Income Max.	Medium	-5%	0.95
	Scot Wid Pacific	Medium	-2%	0.95
	Stan Life TM Pacific Basin	Medium	-0%	0.97
	Stewart Asia Pacific	Low	-4%	0.83
	Stewart Asia Pacific Leaders	Low	+1%	0.89
	Stewart Asia Pacific Sust	Low	+1%	0.88





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