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NEXT FUNDS

Nikkei 225 Exchange Traded Fund

(Open-ended Investment Trust, Domestic, Equity, ETF, Index Type)

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Monthly Report
as of Apr-30-2026

■ Objective of the Fund

The Fund aims at investment performance linked to the Nikkei 225(Benchmark Index).

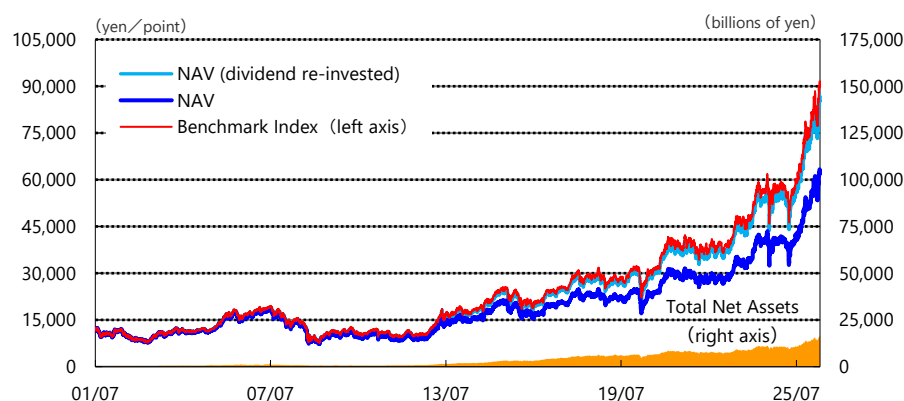
■ Nikkei 225 Total Return Index

The Nikkei 225 Total Return Index measures the performance of the Nikkei 225, including the reinvestment of dividend incomes (estimated) from the component stocks.

■ Performance History

Change in NAV

(Daily)



Return	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	Since Incep.
NAV (dividend re-invested)	16.1%	12.0%	14.0%	67.2%	116.1%	595.5%
Benchmark Index	16.1%	12.0%	14.1%	67.4%	117.1%	633.3%

(Since Inception 7/9/2001)

• Value of the benchmark index is converted based on the NAV Per Unit of the inception date.

• NAV in the above chart refers to NAV Per Unit for the purpose of comparison with the benchmark index.

• The price movement and return rate of the NAV (dividend re-invested) is calculated based on the Fund value after deduction of the management fee, and based on the assumption that the dividends before taxes are re-invested. Therefore, the actual performance of the Fund will vary depending upon the tax status of the investor. Also, expenses and taxes when liquidating the Fund are not considered.

• For each calculation period of the return rate, last business day of the month is used.

■ Fund Composition

Sector Allocation	(% of NAV)
ELECTRIC APPLIANCES	34.6%
RETAIL TRADE	11.8%
INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION	11.1%
CHEMICALS	4.7%
MACHINERY	4.6%
Others	31.6%
Total	98.5%

Asset Allocation	
Stocks	98.5%
Call Loan, Others	1.5%
(Index Futures	1.5%)

Portfolio Characteristics	
Dividend Yield (annual)	1.4%

• The Fund's dividend yield is calculated based on the weighted average of individual dividend yields of the constituent stocks (before taxation, actual dividend basis).

Top 10 Holdings		Sector	(% of NAV)
6857	ADVANTEST CORPORATION	ELECTRIC APPLIANCES	11.3%
9983	FAST RETAILING CO.,LTD.	RETAIL TRADE	9.8%
8035	TOKYO ELECTRON LIMITED	ELECTRIC APPLIANCES	7.4%
9984	SOFTBANK GROUP CORP.	INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION	7.0%
6762	TDK CORPORATION	ELECTRIC APPLIANCES	2.4%
4063	SHIN-ETSU CHEMICAL CO.,LTD.	CHEMICALS	2.0%
5803	FUJIKURA LTD.	NONFERROUS METALS	2.0%
6954	FANUC CORPORATION	ELECTRIC APPLIANCES	1.9%
9433	KDDI CORPORATION	INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION	1.7%
4062	IBIDEN CO.,LTD.	ELECTRIC APPLIANCES	1.5%
Total			47.1%

Number of Holdings :
225

• Sector references are based on the TSE 33 Sector Classification.

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Investment Risks

The NAV per unit of the Fund is subject to fluctuations in the prices of the securities in which the Fund invests. All profits and losses arising from the fund management are attributable to the investor. The investor's principal is therefore not guaranteed. Investors may suffer losses due to a decline in the NAV per unit and investors could therefore experience a potential loss of principal. Factors causing the NAV per unit of the Fund to fluctuate include "stock price fluctuation risk", and other risk factors that are not limited to the aforementioned. Because of the risk characteristics, investment trusts including ETFs are fundamentally different from deposits and savings.

* For further details, please refer to the "Investment Risk" section in the prospectus.

Commissions and Fees Related to the Fund

Direct Expenses

(Expenses borne directly when dealing through the stock exchange)

Trading Fee :

Trading of the Fund incurs brokerage commission fees set by a first financial instruments business provider (securities firm) that handles the transaction.

(Expenses borne directly for creation or exchange of units)

Creation Fee : Set independently by the distributing company

Redemption Fee (Amount to be Retained in Trust Assets) : None

Exchange Fee : Set independently by the distributing company

*Trading fee, creation fee, and exchange fee above vary depending on the setting of the distributing companies, so details of rates and upper limits cannot be provided ahead of time.

Indirect Expenses Paid out of Trust Assets

Management Fee :

The total amount of the management fee is the sum of the following two items:

(i)The amount obtained by multiplying the daily total net assets of the Fund by the annual management fee rate of not more than 0.1815% (0.165% exclusive of taxes) (0.08987% (0.0817% exclusive of taxes) as of March 26, 2026).

(ii)When the Fund lends stocks, an amount obtained from no more than 44% (40% exclusive of taxes) of the rental fee which accrues on a daily basis.

Sum of the amount (exclusive of taxes) calculated by the method stated in (i) above and the amount (exclusive of taxes) calculated by the method stated in (ii) above shall not exceed the amount obtained by multiplying the total net asset value of the trust assets by a rate of 0.165% per annum, less the expenses pertaining to the listing of the Fund that are borne by the investors, as well as, the annual fees for use of trademarks pertaining to the benchmark index that are also borne by the investors.

Other Fees and Commissions :

Annual Fees for Use of Stock-price Index Trademarks (as of March 25, 2026)

A percentage of not more than 0.0275% (0.025% exclusive of taxes) of the Fund's total net assets

Fund Listing Expenses (as of March 25, 2026)

• Listing fee: 0.00825% (0.0075% exclusive of taxes) of amount of increase at time of additional listing (amount of increase from the total net assets at year-end calculated as largest of the total net assets at time of initial listing and end of the year and at end of each subsequent year up until the year before the additional listing).

• Annual listing fee: Maximum of 0.00825% (0.0075% exclusive of taxes) of the total net assets at year-end.

Brokerage Commission on Transactions in Portfolio Securities, Costs Paid to Auditors for Fund Audits, and Tax Related to the Fund, etc.

* These expenses and fees above are paid out of the trust assets when they are incurred.

(These expenses and fees vary according to management and other conditions, so details of rates and upper limits cannot be provided ahead of time.)

* Total fees and other expenses will vary according to how long an investor holds the Fund, so they cannot be estimated ahead of time. For further details, please refer to the "Fund Costs and Taxes" section of the prospectus .

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Management Company : Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd.

(The party who instructs the management of the Fund)

Trustee : Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation

(The party who acts as a custodian and administrator)

Notifications

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