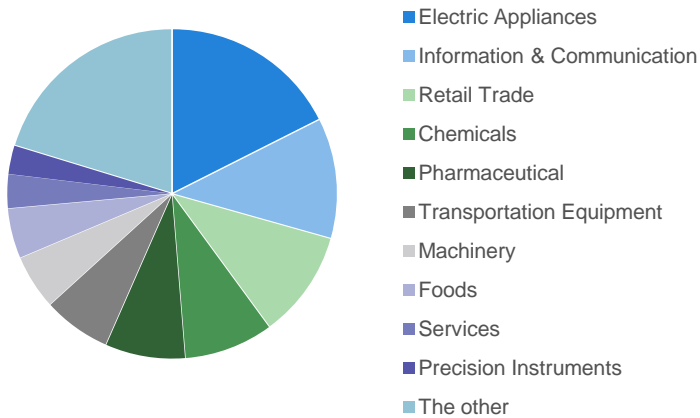


**Product Description/Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks to provide investors with a return linked as closely as possible to the performance of the Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225), the Fund's benchmark Index. The Index is an equity index developed by Nikkei, Inc., and is calculated using 225 stocks representing the equity market from the component stocks of the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. The Nikkei 225 is a Dow-style adjusted price-weighted average. The Fund replicates the benchmark Index by holding the equity securities which make up the benchmark index, in similar proportions to it.

**Sector Allocation Top10**



Sector Allocations Top10	Fund
Electric Appliances	17.57%
Information & Communication	11.80%
Retail Trade	10.57%
Chemicals	8.78%
Pharmaceutical	7.87%
Transportation Equipment	6.67%
Machinery	5.38%
Foods	4.92%
Services	3.34%
Precision Instruments	2.82%

**Key Facts**

<b>Domicile</b>	Japan
<b>Benchmark Index</b>	Nikkei 225
<b>Number of Holdings</b>	225
<b>Product Methodology</b>	Full Physical Replication
<b>Rebalance Frequency</b>	Annual
<b>Fiscal Year End</b>	8 July
<b>Total Net Assets (JPY)</b>	2,153,195 million
<b>NAV per Share (JPY)</b>	19,677
<b>Use of Income</b>	Distributing
<b>Dividend Frequency</b>	Yearly
<b>Last distribution paid</b>	08 July 2016
<b>Management and Trustee Fee (bps)*</b>	22.50
<b>Inception Date</b>	09 July 2001
<b>Base Currency</b>	JPY
<b>Total Return Index Ticker</b>	NKYTR
<b>Price Index Ticker</b>	NKY
<b>ISIN</b>	JP3027660004
<b>Bloomberg Ticker</b>	1330 JP
<b>Trading Currency</b>	JPY

\*Excluding taxes

**Product Performance**

Cumulative Performance	Fund (NAV)	Index (Price)
YTD	0.05%	0.02%
1 Months	0.46%	0.41%
3 Months	4.57%	4.43%
6 Months	14.08%	13.21%
1 Year	19.30%	19.29%
Since Inception	60.75%	56.20%

Calendar Year Performance	Fund	Index
2016	0.43%	0.42%
2015	9.37%	9.07%
2014	7.32%	7.12%
2013	57.03%	56.72%
2012	23.54%	22.94%

**Portfolio Holdings**

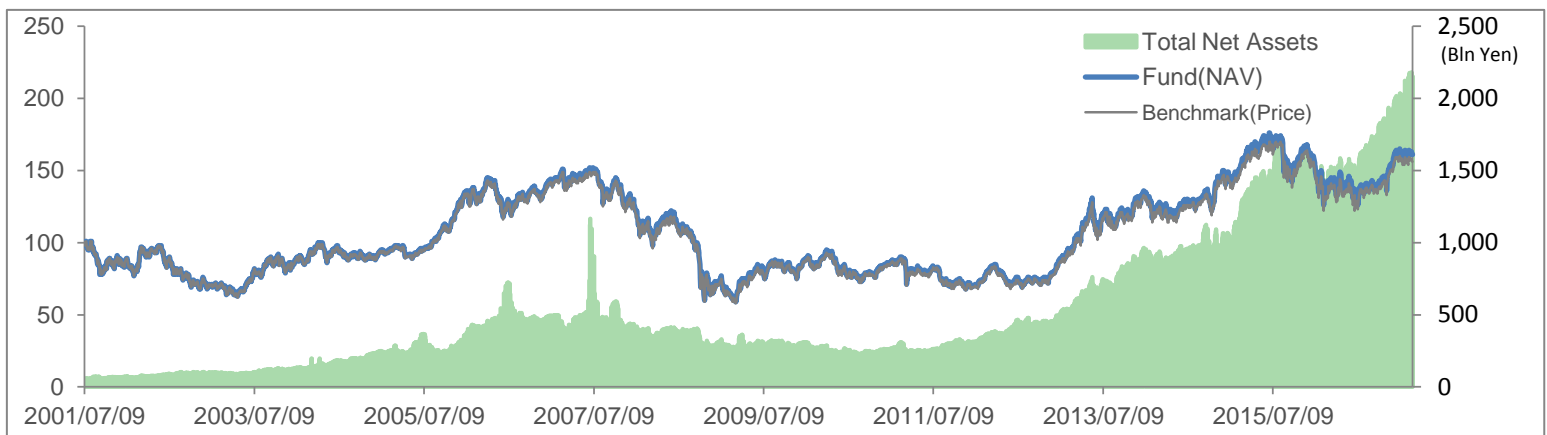
Top 10 Holdings	Fund
Fast Retailing Co.,Ltd.	7.04%
Softbank Group Corp.	4.98%
Fanuc Corporation	4.39%
KDDI Corporation	3.50%
Kyocera Corporation	2.45%
Tokyo Electron Limited	2.22%
Daikin Industries,Ltd.	2.12%
Shin-Etsu Chemical Co.,Ltd.	1.89%
Nitto Denko Corporation	1.88%
Secom Co.,Ltd.	1.62%

\*The above data are not recommendations of individual stocks.

\*The above holdings do not guarantee future holdings.

\*The above graph represents past performance and does not guarantee future investment results.

## Performance Chart (2001/7/9 – 2017/2/28)



\*NAV is the price per 1 unit after management fees (trust fees) has been deducted.

\*Above chart is based on the price as of the close on July 9, 2001 at 100.

\*Benchmark is Price Index - excluding dividends. Timing difference between distributions of companies and the Fund may cause a short-term performance dispersion between Fund performance and the Index between end of March and the Fund distribution date.

## Overview of Fees & Expenses

### <Expenses to be borne directly by investors>

#### -Subscription Fee

Distributors may collect from applicants a fee that is determined independently by the Distributors together with an amount equal to the consumption taxes levied on such a fee.

\* Please contact your Distributor for further information.

\* The subscription fee is the fee for describing the products, for describing the related investment environments, for providing the information, and for the administration activities related to the purchase.

#### -Exchange Fee

A Distributor may collect from a unitholder a fee that is determined independently by the Distributor together with an amount equal to the consumption taxes levied on such a fee in the event that the unitholder makes a request for redemption or Units are bought back.

\* Please contact your Distributor for further information.

#### -Amount to be Retained in Trust Assets

None

#### -Trading Fee

Stipulated by the broker. Please contact your broker for details.

### <Costs paid indirectly by the customer for the trust assets (paid from the fund)>

#### -Trust Fee

Not to exceed 0.3024% (or 0.28% without tax), 0.243% (0.225% excluding taxes) as of the date of filing of the securities registration statement per annum of the daily total NAV of the fund. The trust fee (and an amount equal to consumption taxes levied on the trust fee) is paid out of the trust assets at the end of each calculation period or upon termination of the trust.

#### -Other Expenses and Fees

Auditing fees, brokerage commissions on securities in the portfolio, interest on advances, fees related to the listing of the fund, trademark usage fees for "Nikkei 225", lending fee (in case security lending is conducted, the amount obtained by multiplying a lending fee on securities lent by a figure which is a profit for Trust Assets, not exceeding 0.54 (0.5 excluding taxes) (0.5 excluding taxes as of the date of the filling of the securities registration statement), and other fees are paid out of the trust assets each time they are incurred.

\*Audit fees are the fee for auditing the fund such as audit companies' fees.

\*The figures for items such as the rate and maximum amount cannot be provided in advance as they fluctuate in line with investment performance and other factors.

\*The total amount of expenses of the Fund to be borne by investors varies according to holding length and investment status, and thus cannot be shown.

\*Please read the delivered pre-agreement document and other relevant materials in detail.

## Investment Risk

The major risks associated with investment in the Fund are outlined below. Investors should ensure they carefully examine and understand fully these risks before deciding to subscribe to units of the Fund.

### **Factors that contribute to fluctuations in the NAV**

**Investors are not guaranteed the investment principal that they commit. Investors may incur a loss and the value of their investment principal may fall below par as the result of a decline in the market price or the NAV. All profits and losses arising from investments in the Fund belong to the investors (beneficiaries). This fund is different from saving deposit.**

The Fund invests primarily in stocks. The NAV of the Fund may fall and investors may suffer a loss due to a decline in stock prices or deterioration in the financial conditions and business performance of an equity issuer.

Major risks are as follows:

#### **<Price Fluctuation Risk>**

Stock prices fluctuate as they are affected by information on the company's growth rate and profitability as well as changes in such information. They also fluctuate as they are affected by economic and political conditions in Japan and abroad. There is a risk that the Fund will suffer material losses if unexpected changes occur in stock price or liquidity.

#### **<Liquidity Risk>**

The Fund may incur unexpected losses when the size of the market or trading volumes is small. The purchase and sale prices of securities are influenced by trading volume, resulting in the risks that they cannot be traded at prices expected to be realized in light of the prevailing market trend, sold at the estimated prices, or that the trading volume is limited regardless of the level of prices.

#### **<Credit Risk>**

There is a risk that the Fund will incur material losses in the event of a serious crisis that directly or indirectly affects the business of a corporation in which the Fund invests. The prices of stocks of issuers may substantially decline (possibly to zero) due to fears of default or corporate bankruptcy, which can contribute to decline in the Fund NAV.

#### **<Security-lending Risk>**

Lending of securities involves counterparty risks, which are the risks of contractual default or cancellation following bankruptcy, etc., by the counterparty. As a result, the Fund may suffer unexpected losses. Following the default or cancellation of a lending agreement, when liquidation procedures are implemented by using the collateral that is set aside in the lending agreement, the procurement cost of buying back the securities can surpass the collateral value, due to price fluctuations in the market. In such cases, the Fund is required to pay the difference, which may cause the Fund to incur losses.

### **Risks of Discrepancy between the Nikkei 225 and the NAV**

The Fund seeks to match the NAV volatility with that of the Nikkei 225, but it cannot guarantee that movements will be consistent with the Index for the following reasons:

- The Fund may be subjected to a market impact when buying or selling individual stocks as it adjusts its portfolio in response to changes in the stocks that comprise the Nikkei 225 and capital changes among corporations. In addition, the Fund will incur various expenses, including trust fees, brokerage commissions, and audit fees.
- Dividends may be paid by stocks in the portfolio and fees may be earned for securities lent.
- When derivative transactions such as futures are made, there may be disparity between the price movements of such transactions and that of some or all of the constituents of the Nikkei 225.

### **Discrepancy between the market prices at which stocks are traded on exchanges and the NAV**

The Fund is listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the units are traded on that exchange. The market price of the units is affected primarily by the size of demand for the Fund, its performance, and how attractive it is to investors in comparison with their other investments. It is not possible to predict whether the units will sell in the market above or below the NAV.

\* Factors that contribute to NAV fluctuations are not limited to those listed above.

### Additional Considerations

- These materials are distribution materials created by Nikko Asset Management in order to increase investors' understanding of "Listed Index Fund 225".
- The provisions stipulated in Article 37-6 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act ("cooling-off period") are not applicable to Fund transactions.
- This Fund differs from deposits or insurance policies in that it is not protected by the Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan or the Policyholders Protection Corporation of Japan. Furthermore, units purchased from registered financial institutions, such as banks, are exempted from compensation by the Japan Investor Protection Fund.
- All profits and losses arising from investments in the Fund belong to the investors (beneficiaries). When applying to invest in the Fund, please make the decision to invest carefully after taking the time to read the delivered prospectus and other relevant materials in detail.

### Copyright and Other Rights of the "Nikkei 225"

- The "Nikkei 225" is a copyrighted work calculated through a method developed independently by the Nikkei, and Nikkei Inc. holds the copyrights and all other intellectual property rights related to Nikkei 225 itself and its calculation method.
- All trademark rights and other intellectual property rights relating to trademarks of "Nikkei" and "Nikkei 225" belong to Nikkei Inc.
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- Nikkei Inc. has no obligation to continue to publish Nikkei 225, and are not responsible for mistakes, delays or suspensions in its announcement.
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