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# Vanguard FTSE Japan UCITS ETF

USD Hedged Accumulating - An exchange-traded fund

Inception date: 31 January 2020

Total assets (million) $3,482 | Share class assets (million) $36 as at 31 March 2024

| Key ETF facts | Exchange ticker | SEDOL | Reuters | Bloomberg | Bloomberg iNav | Valoren |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **London Stock Exchange** | | | | | | |
| USD | VJPU | BKBZD37 | VJPU.L | VJPU LN | – | – |

| Base currency | Tax reporting | SRI‡ | Index ticker | Investment structure | Domicile |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USD | UK Reporting | 4 | GPVAN123 | UCITS | Ireland |

| Legal entity | Investment method | ISIN | Dividends | Dividend schedule | Investment manager |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Vanguard Funds plc | Physical | IE00BFMXZJ56 | Accumulated | – | Vanguard Global Advisers, LLC Europe Equity Index Team |

**Ongoing Charges Figure†** 0.20%

† The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) covers administration, audit, depository, legal, registration and regulatory expenses incurred in respect of the Funds. When you invest with any fund manager, you pay a number of charges, starting with the Annual Management Charge (AMC) which covers the fund manager's costs of managing the fund. The AMC plus ongoing running costs and other operational expenses make up the fund's total 'ongoing charges figure'.

## Objectives and investment policy

- The Fund employs a passive management – or indexing – investment approach, through physical acquisition of securities, and seeks to track the performance of the FTSE Japan Index (the "Index").
- The Index is comprised of large and mid-sized company stocks in Japan.
- The Fund attempts to: 1. Track the performance of the Index by investing in all constituent securities of the Index in the same proportion as the Index. Where not practicable to fully replicate, the Fund will use a sampling process. 2. Remain fully invested except in extraordinary market, political or similar conditions.

‡ Summary Risk Indicator

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## Performance summary

USD—Vanguard FTSE Japan UCITS ETF
Benchmark — FTSE Japan Index in USD

| Annualised performance** | 1 month | Quarter | Year to date | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years | 10 years | Since inception |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Fund (Net of expenses) | 4.12% | 18.86% | 18.86% | 47.84% | 17.52% | — | — | 17.68% |
| Benchmark | 4.79% | 19.61% | 19.61% | 48.62% | 18.10% | — | — | 18.14% |

**Figures for periods less than one year are cumulative returns. All other figures represent annual returns. Performance figures include the reinvestment of all dividends and any capital gains distributions. The performance data does not take account of the commissions and costs incurred in the issue and redemption of shares. Basis of fund performance is NAV to NAV with gross income invested. Basis of index performance is total return.

Performance and Data is calculated on closing NAV as at 31 March 2024.

**Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The value of investments, and the income from them, may fall or rise and investors may get back less than they invested.**

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The Fund invests in securities which are denominated in currencies other than the share class currency. Movements in currency exchange rates can affect the return of investments. Currency hedging techniques are used to minimise the risks associated with movements in currency exchange rates but these risks cannot be eliminated entirely. As this information relates to a share class where such techniques are used, for the purposes of the "Past performance" section above, the performance of this share class is shown against the FTSE Japan Index in USD (the "Hedged Index"), which is a currency hedged version of the Index.

Source: Vanguard; FTSE Japan Index in USD

## Rolling 12-month performance

| | — | — | — | — | — | — | 01 Apr 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 | 01 Apr 2021 - 31 Mar 2022 | 01 Apr 2022 - 31 Mar 2023 | 01 Apr 2023 - 31 Mar 2024 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Fund (Net of expenses) | — | — | — | — | — | — | 43.70% | 1.59% | 8.05% | 47.84% |
| Benchmark | — | — | — | — | — | — | 43.88% | 2.01% | 8.66% | 48.62% |

## Key investment risks

The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events. Currency hedging may not completely eliminate currency risk in the Fund, and may affect the performance of the Fund.

Liquidity risk. Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

Counterparty risk. The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.

Index tracking risk. The Fund is not expected to track the performance of the Index at all times with perfect accuracy. The Fund is, however, expected to provide investment results that, before expenses, generally correspond to the price and yield performance of the Index.

**Please also read the risk factors section in the prospectus and the Key Information Document, both of which are available on the Vanguard website.**

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Data as at 31 March 2024 unless otherwise stated.

### Characteristics

| | Fund | Benchmark |
|---|---|---|
| Number of stocks | 505 | 506 |
| Median market cap | $30.5B | $30.5B |
| Price/earnings ratio | 16.0x | 16.0x |
| Price/book ratio | 1.5x | 1.5x |
| Return on equity | 10.1% | 10.1% |
| Earnings growth rate | 12.4% | 12.4% |
| Turnover rate | -23% | — |
| Equity yield (dividend) | 2.0% | 2.0% |

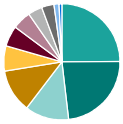
The PTR (Portfolio Turnover Rate) approach considers the total security purchases and sales, the total subscriptions and redemptions and the average net assets of the fund to calculate the turnover figure. Data as at 31 March 2024.

### Top 10 holdings

| | |
|---|---|
| Toyota Motor Corp. | 6.4% |
| Tokyo Electron Ltd. | 2.4 |
| Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc. | 2.4 |
| Sony Group Corp. | 2.2 |
| Keyence Corp. | 1.9 |
| Mitsubishi Corp. | 1.9 |
| Shin-Etsu Chemical Co. Ltd. | 1.8 |
| Hitachi Ltd. | 1.7 |
| Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group Inc. | 1.6 |
| Mitsui & Co. Ltd. | 1.4 |
| **Top 10 approximately equals 23.7% of net assets** | |

Data as at 31 March 2024.

### Weighted exposure



| | |
|---|---|
| Industrials | 24.9% |
| Consumer Discretionary | 23.2 |
| Financials | 12.3 |
| Technology | 12.0 |
| Health Care | 7.1 |
| Consumer Staples | 5.7 |
| Basic Materials | 5.2% |
| Telecommunications | 3.9 |
| Real Estate | 3.5 |
| Utilities | 1.4 |
| Energy | 0.8 |

Sector categories are based on the Industry Classification Benchmark system ("ICB"), except for the "Other" category (if applicable), which includes securities that have not been provided an ICB classification as of the effective reporting period.

### Market allocation

| | |
|---|---|
| Japan | 100.0% |

**Source: Vanguard**

### Glossary for ETF attributes

The ETF attributes section on the first page contains a number of metrics that professional investors use to value individual securities against a market or index average. These metrics can also be used to value and compare funds to the market by taking the average of all the securities held in the fund and comparing them to those of the fund's benchmark index. We've provided a definition of the terms used for your convenience.

**Earnings growth rate** is a measure of growth in a company's net income (what remains after subtracting all the costs from a company's revenues) over a specific period (often one year). Earnings growth can apply to previous periods or estimated data for future periods.

**Equity yield (dividend)** is the dividend income earned by stocks, expressed as a percentage of the aggregate market value (or of net asset value, for a fund). Quoted historic yield is determined by dividing the gross distributions declared over the last 12 months by the average of the bid and ask unit prices, as at the date shown. The dividend yield stated on the factsheet applies to the underlying holdings of the ETF, and not the ETF itself.

**Market capitalisation** is the aggregate value of a company or stock and is calculated by multiplying the number of shares which are available to retail investors by the current price per share.

**Median market cap (capitalisation)** looks at all companies in a mutual fund portfolio and calculates the mid point market capitalisation. Market capitalisation represents the aggregate value of a company's stock.

**Mid market share price** is the price of a share between its offer and bid price.

**Price book ratio** compares a stock's market value to its book value (the accounting value of a stock). It is calculated by dividing the current closing price of the stock by the latest quarter's book value per share.

**Price earnings ratio (P/E ratio)** of a stock is the price paid for a share divided by the annual profit earned by the firm per share. A stock with a price of £10 a share, and earnings last year of £1 a share, would have a P/E ratio of 10.

**Return on equity** is a measure of a company's profitability that reveals how much profit a company generates with the money shareholders have invested.

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ETF shares can be bought or sold only through a broker. Investing in ETFs entails stockbroker commission and a bid- offer spread which should be considered fully before investing.

The Funds may use derivatives in order to reduce risk or cost and/or generate extra income or growth. The use of derivatives could increase or reduce exposure to underlying assets and result in greater fluctuations of the Fund's net asset value. A derivative is a financial contract whose value is based on the value of a financial asset (such as a share, bond, or currency) or a market index.

Some funds invest in securities which are denominated in different currencies. Movements in currency exchange rates can affect the return of investments.

For further information on risks please see the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus on our website at https://global.vanguard.com.

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