

VietNam Holding Ltd (VNH) is a closed-end fund listed on the London Stock Exchange. VNH aims to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing in high-growth companies in Vietnam. It has an actively managed, high conviction portfolio with integrated ESG. Core investment themes are domestic consumption, industrialisation and urbanization.

Fund overview				
176.0 pence				
209.3 pence \$2.773				
-15.9%				
\$141.1m				
51m				
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Number of investments		23
Median Portfolio Market Cap		\$298m
Foreign Ownership Limit stocks*		45%
Thematic exposure		
Industrialisation		36%
Consumer		28%
Jrbanisation		26%
	2020F	2021F
EPS Growth	17.9%	22.0%
P/E Ratio	10.2	8.3

Performance

USD (%)	1 month	Year-to-date	5 year (CAGR)	10 year (CAGR)
Vietnam Holding NAV	-0.5	1.8	6.1	6.7
Vietnam All Share Index	-1.4	3.4	7.0	2.8

Source: Bloomberg, Dynam Capital Ltd. Data for VNAS Total Return (including dividends) is available after 24 July 2015. For consistency, figures reflect the respective simple index and not total return. Total return adds 2-3% to annual index performance reflecting the index dividend yield.

Manager Commentary

The Vietnam All Share Index fell by 1.4% in December – in part due to a 20% drop in Masan (MSN), a widely held conglomerate, as a result of uncertainty over the announcement of a merger of its consumer products business with VinCommerce, a retail chain subsidiary of another widely held conglomerate Vincom (VIC). The Fund doesn't hold either of these positions and so outperformed the index, with NAV falling only 0.5% in December. Year-to-date the NAV rose by 1.8% underperforming the index which rose by 3.4%. The Fund's largest positions did well during the month with retailers Phu Nhuan Jewelry (PNJ) up 6.0%, after announcing a 21% increase in NPAT, and Mobile World (MWG) rising 4.6% (after its 12.5% decline in November) on the back of a 34% increase in profit for the first eleven months. The Fund's largest position, FPT, rose by 3.4% topping off a year in which its share price has risen by 58%. Detractors during the month included Saigon Cargo Services which fell a further 13.7% after falling 9.2% in November. The company has strong cash-flow from its duopoly position at HCMC's air-cargo terminal but some regional funds have been reducing their exposure in a thin market. MB Bank (MBB) fell 6.1% as domestic investors marked down expectations on the price that a foreign investor might pay in a proposed share placement. It is cheap at less than 1.3x Price to Book for a well-managed bank.

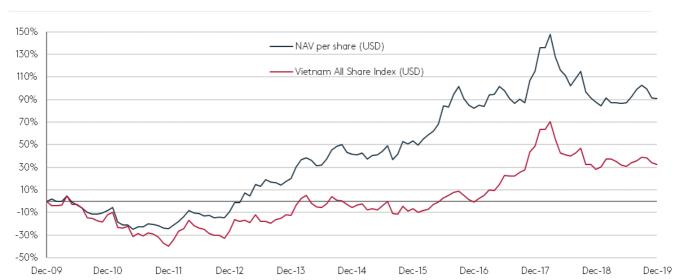
As the decade draws to an end we reflect on the performance of Vietnam and the Fund. During the last decade the NAV per share has increased over 90% versus the index's gain of approximately 30%. Looking further-back, Vietnam's macro story has unfolded in an incredible manner: over the last 25 years Vietnam's population has grown by 1m people a year on average, Vietnam's GDP has increased over 16x to USD 262 billion and urbanization has almost doubled to 40%. The stock markets in Vietnam now have a total market capitalization of almost USD 200 billion, less than 17 years after their inception. Vietnam achieved 7% economic growth in 2019 (from a highbase in 2018) and nominal retail sales growth hit a sevenyear high of 12%. Foreign Direct Investment and the Trade Surplus all hit record highs in 2019. The Vietnam Dong is stable, on the back of record (\$80bn) foreign reserves. Inflation is inching up due to higher pork prices, and the upcoming Tet holiday may see further seasonal increases. As we enter 2020, and the Lunar Year of the Rat later in January, the global geopolitics ahead of a US election, and the domestic political reorganisation in Vietnam will no doubt overshadow the short-term. In the longer term, the changes in Vietnam's economic composition, growth of modern trade and the ongoing rise of consumerism, should provide a strong stimulus to our domestically focused investment holdings.

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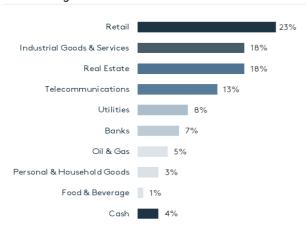


Top Ten Investments	Weighting (%)	Comment
FPT	13.2	Leading software and IT services conglomerate: robust cash generation
Phu Nhuan Jewelry	11.2	Leading gold jewelry retailer: playing to fast growing discretionary spending
Mobile World	8.1	Preeminent modern retailer across several categories: rapid network expansion
MB Bank	6.5	Seventh largest bank by assets in Vietnam: attractively valued, well-managed
Khang Dien House	6.0	Leading domestic housing developer: strong track record & large landbank
Sai Gon Cargo	5.7	Duopolist in air cargo terminal operations: low capex and strong cash-flow
Dat Xanh Group	4.8	Leading brokerage and a property developer: low-cost landbank, sales expertise
ABA Cooltrans	4.3	Cold-chain logistics firm: high demand from rapidly growing modern trade sector
Vincom Retail	4.0	Dominant market share in shopping mall development: nationwide footprint
PV Trans	3.9	Leading transporter of oil and gas in Vietnam: strong cash flow generation
Total	67.6	

NAV Performance



Sector Weights



Fund Information

Structure	Closed-end fund
Listed	London Stock Exchange
Ticker	VNH
ISIN	GG00BJQZ9H10
BIC Code	SCBLSGSG
Launch	30 June 2006
NAV Frequency	Daily
Life	Continuation vote in 2023
Management Fee	1.50% on NAV below \$300m 1.25% on NAV \$300-600m
Incentive Fee	1.00% on NAV above \$600m 12% (hurdle rate 8%)
Administrator Custodian	Sanne Group (Guernsey) Standard Chartered Bank

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