

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Indochina Capital is one of Vietnam's leading investment firms. Founded in 1999, ICC has two divisions:

Asset management: Exclusive focuses on listed Vietnam equities

Real estate: Property development, investment, and advisory

Indochina Equity Model Portfolio

Portfolio Manager: Diep Nguyen (14 years managing the strategy)

Number of Investments: 14

Median Portfolio Market Cap: \$4.59 bn

Strategy

The firm's long-term active fundamental investment philosophy is supported by bottom-up company analysis complemented by a top-down overlay. The success of ICC's high conviction and disciplined strategy hinges upon close and consistent engagement with its portfolio companies.

	2025f	2026f
EPS Growth	30.88%	36.63%
P/E Ratio	30.96	20.63

Performance

	1 Month	YTD	3 Year (CAGR)	5 Year (CAGR)	10 Year (CAGR)
Indochina Capital	-0.74%	10.66%	15.65%	10.84%	12.25%
VN Index	2.88%	29.14%	14.78%	8.20%	9.67%
MSCI FM	0.79%	35.21%	14.48%	5.88%	3.56%
MSCI EM	-2.47%	27.10%	12.03%	2.55%	5.32%
S&P 500	0.13%	16.45%	18.85%	13.59%	12.65%

Manager's Comment

- **The VN-Index** advanced to 1,691 in November on the back of shrinking liquidity. The market was driven by a few selected large caps, notably the Vingroup stocks.
- The VN-Index's gain in November was primarily driven by Vingroup stocks (VIC, VHM, VRE), while the broader market declined by 1.14% on average. **Our portfolio recorded an average loss of 0.74%**, reflecting our underweight of the Vingroup stocks (7.01% vs. 18.71% in the VN-Index).
- Seasonally tight liquidity may drag until Tet holidays (February 2026) and may exert negative impact on the overall stock market. However, the longer-term outlook remains intact with continued expansionary fiscal and monetary policies to enable Vietnam's ambitious GDP growth target of 10% pa.

Top 10 Holdings (68% of NAV)

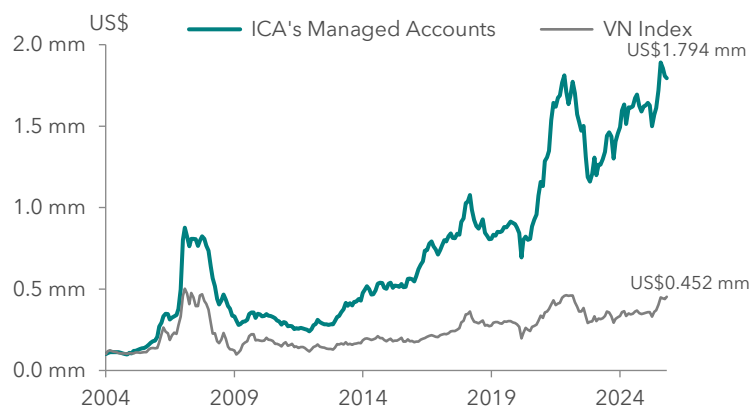
Ticker	Sector	NAV%	VN Index%	% Change
BAF	Cons. Staples	13.49%	0.13%	-1.56%
MWG	Cons. Discretionary	10.39%	1.58%	-3.27%
TCB	Banks	6.69%	3.19%	-3.85%
TCX	Financials	6.23%	1.45%	3.87%
VCB	Banks	5.55%	6.40%	-3.69%
MSN	Cons. Staples	5.51%	1.49%	-2.76%
DHC	Materials	5.37%	0.04%	-3.04%
HPG	Materials	5.31%	2.72%	-0.56%
FPT	Infor. Technology	5.01%	2.21%	-6.54%
NVL	Real Estate	4.42%	0.40%	8.42%

Sector	Weight	VN Index Weight
Cons. Staples	18.99%	5.95%
Banks	14.98%	33.77%
Materials	10.67%	6.25%
Cons. Discretionary	10.39%	5.23%
Real Estate	9.60%	25.21%
Financials	6.23%	5.55%
Infor. Technology	5.01%	2.48%
Industrials	2.92%	9.12%
Others	0.00%	6.44%
Cash	21.20%	0.00%

Information

Structure	SMA
Strategy Inception	January 2004
NAV Frequency	Monthly
Fees	1.5% + 15% HWM
Administrator	Indochina Capital Advisor
Custodian	Deutsche Bank AG

Performance Since Inception vs VN Index



* Calculated based on US\$100,000 invested with ICA since inception (2004) versus invested in the VN Index

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Appendix

Macro

Vietnam's economy remained resilient in November despite extreme weather disruptions. While retail activity softened, manufacturing strengthened and new export orders improved. Inflation inched up but stayed within target.

- **November's Index of Industrial Production (IIP) rose by 2.34% MoM and 10.76% YoY.** 11M IIP increased to 9.34% YoY (11M 2024: 8.36%, 10M 2025: 9.23%).
 - November's manufacturing grew by 3.09% MoM and 11.77% YoY, with strength across computers & electronics (+11.37% YoY), chemicals (+26.01%), metals (+29.38%), and textiles (+7.96%).
 - For the 11M period, manufacturing rose 10.58% YoY. Power generation (+6.54%), water supply and waste treatment (+8.37%), and mining (+0.85%) all recorded positive growth.
- **The Manufacturing PMI eased slightly to 53.8 in November** from 54.5 in October but still signaled solid, broad-based expansion for the fifth straight month.
 - New orders rose for the third straight month, driven by domestic demand. New export orders accelerated to a 15-month high, supported by improving demand from China and India.
 - Production expanded for the seventh consecutive month, though at a softer pace as typhoons and floods disrupted supply chains and delayed the completion of work.
 - Business confidence improved to a 17-month high, supported by expectation of better demand, ongoing recovery in export markets, and hopes for calmer weather conditions.
- **11M exports rose by 16.1% YoY** (11M 2024: +14.4%), **imports 18.4% YoY** (11M 2024: 16.4%). **Vietnam** recorded a YTD **trade surplus** of **US\$20.5 billion** (11M 2024: US\$24.3 billion).
 - Exports fell 7.1% MoM, possibly due more to adverse weather conditions than to weakening demand as new export orders rose sharply, while imports declined 3.7% MoM.
 - YoY, November exports grew 15.0%, weaker than the previous month's of 17.5%, driven by shipments of computers and electronics (+53.3% YoY) and cameras (+34.7% YoY). In contrast, textiles (-2.7% YoY) and footwear (-4.0% YoY) further contracted, reflecting the impact of higher U.S. tariffs and recent weather-related disruptions. Imports increased 16.0% YoY.
- **Revenue from retail sales of goods and services softened in November, flat MoM and up 7.15% YoY** (October: 0.22% MoM and up 7.23% YoY). **11M** numbers increased by **9.13% YoY**.
 - November's retail sales of goods grew by 6.0% YoY (October: 5.7% YoY), supported by post-flood replacement demand. Accommodation and food services (+13.6% YoY) and tourism revenue (+19.1% YoY) remained strong.
 - International arrivals reached 1.98 million, though growth eased to 15.6% YoY (October: +22.0%) as severe storms disrupted travel in central provinces. Visitor increases were from China (+37.6%), Europe (+60.0%), and the US (+17.1%).
- **November CPI increased by 0.45% MoM and YoY inflation ticked up to 3.58%** from 3.25% in October.

- Food prices were the primary driver of inflation (+0.95% MoM; +3.58% YoY), reflecting supply disruption by floods in the central provinces. By contrast, housing and utilities inflation decelerated, easing to 5.73% YoY from 6.76% in October.
- **11M registered FDI** reached **US\$33.7 billion (+7.4% YoY)** while **disbursed FDI** reached **US\$23.6 billion (+8.9% YoY)**.
 - Manufacturing accounted for 55.0% of newly registered FDI, followed by real estate with approximately 17% contribution.
- **Credit growth reached 16.56% YTD** (11M 2024: +11.47%).
 - The mismatch between deposit growth (12.0% YTD) and soaring credit demand, especially towards the year-end, drove interbank rates up by nearly 100 bps to 5.40% as at November end. Average deposit rates and lending rates also surged by 50 - 100 bps.
- **The USD/VND exchange rate** rose to **26,411 (+0.25% MoM and +3.37% YTD)**, while the DXY recorded a modest decline (-0.35% MoM)

Stock Market

- The VN-Index closed the month of November at 1,691, registering **a monthly gain of 2.88%** and **a YTD gain of 29.14%** in **USD terms**.
 - The real estate sector (including Vingroup) posted significant gains (+19.8% MoM), followed by the oil and gas sector (+2.3% MoM) and the consumer and retail sectors (+1.3% MoM). In contrast, the banking sector retreated (-2.0% MoM) and materials posted a mild decline (-0.9% MoM).
- Liquidity **fell by 35% MoM** in November with a combined **average daily trading value** on the Ho Chi Minh and Hanoi Stock Exchanges of **US\$818 million**.
- **Vietnam's listed market capitalization** reached **US\$299 billion** as of the month's end.