





In this chart pack, we highlight three key investment themes across our Global Emerging Market fund universe.

#### South Korea: Rotation Drives Exposure to Record Lows

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However, despite such a strong rotation at the country level, our analysis shows a more dynamic and varied picture at the company level - this is not a market-wide exodus. Technology heavyweights Samsung Electronics and SK Hynix continue to dominate holdings, though the former has been the primary driver of the country's overall decline in exposure. SK Hynix leads the overweights alongside KB Financial and SK Telekom. Both Kia Corp and Hyundai Motors continue to make consistent gains in fund ownership, while recent declines have been led by LG Chem and Doosan Bobcat.

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Country-level trends highlight a rotation from China & HK into the U.A.E and India. The U.A.E has overtaken China as the largest country-level Real Estate exposure, driven by record-high fund ownership in names like Emaar Properties and Aldar Properties. Indian Real Estate exposure is spread across five key stocks, led by Macrotech Developers, all at record highs.

#### South African Financials: Gaining Momentum Among EM Investors.

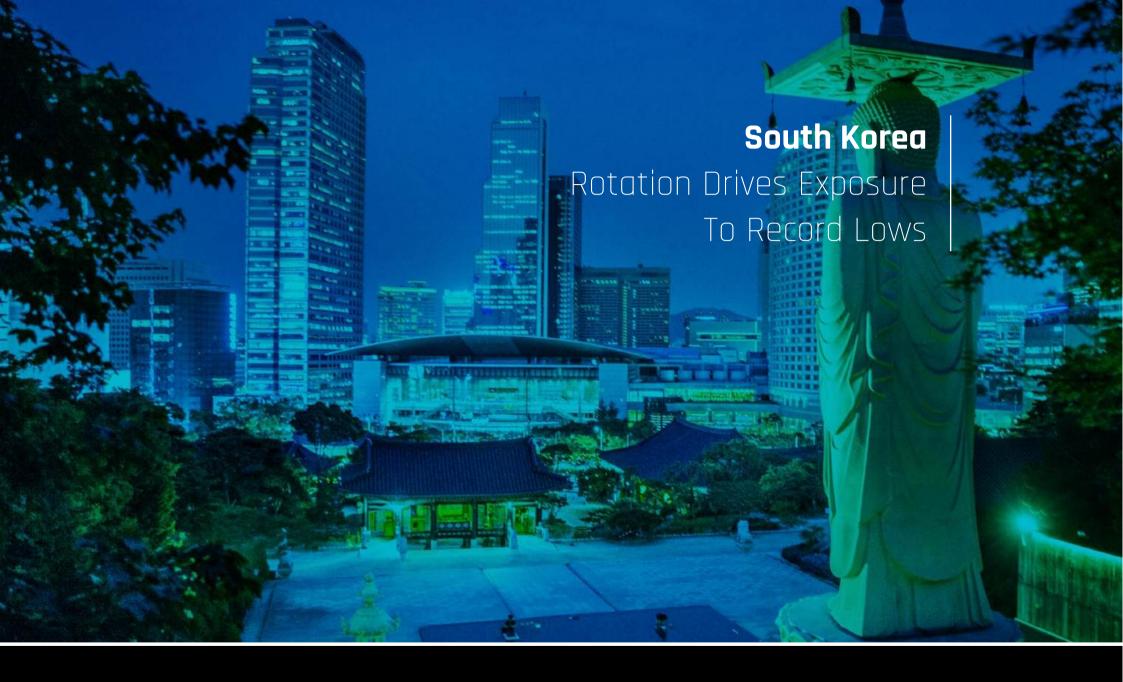
South African Financials are experiencing a resurgence among active Emerging Market funds, with 69.54% of funds now holding exposure - the highest percentage in 4.5 years. This rise has driven average weights to 1.19%, while underweights have contracted to record lows.

Ranked as the 6th largest Financials exposure, South Africa remains relatively under-owned compared to peers like Indonesia and Brazil but has seen the largest jump in funds invested across all country-sectors in Global EM.

Stock-level activity is overwhelmingly positive, with Capitec, FirstRand, and OUTsurance Group leading the charge. FirstRand remains the most widely held stock, while Capitec commands the highest average weight and AUM.

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### Almost all funds hold South Korean exposure, with 43% positioned ahead of the MSCI Emerging Markets index.

South Korea: Funds Invested vs Funds Overweight %.



## 3. Clear rotation out of South Korean exposure and into India and China & HK. Strong excess of sellers over buyers and heavy fund outflows.

Ownership Change Metrics per Country \*



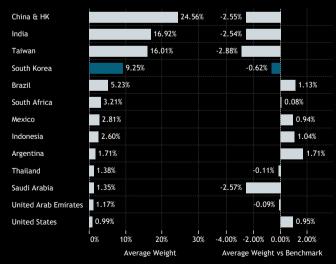
# Average exposure to South Korea plummets to 15-year lows of 9.25%. Underweight contracts to lowest levels in history.

South Korea: Average Fund Weight vs Average Weight vs EEM



# South Korea is the 4th largest country allocation among active GEM funds, but a significant gap is emerging behind the top 3.

Average Fund Weight, Average Weight vs EEM



### Value funds maintain a structural overweight, Yield funds ramp up overweights, Aggressive Growth funds run a significant underweight.

South Korea: Average Fund Weight vs EEM by Fund Style



Source: Factset, Copley Fund Research

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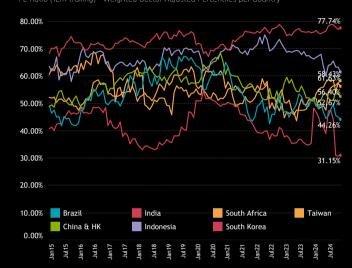
### 6. South Korea moves to the 'cheapest' major EM country on a price to earnings basis.

PE Ratio (12m trailina) per country \*



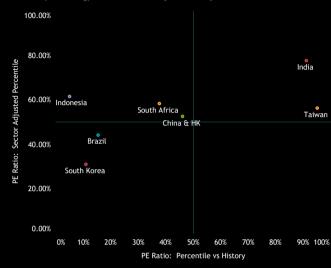
#### South Korea is also the cheapest when we adjust for the differing sector compositions of the major countries.

PE Ratio (12m trailing) - Weighted Sector Adjusted Percentiles per Country



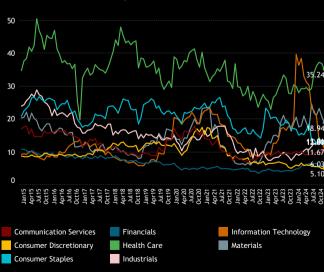
### 10. South Korea is cheap versus its own history, and versus major country peers on a sector-adjusted basis.

PE Ratios (12m trailina). Percentile vs HIstory v Sector Adiusted Percentile



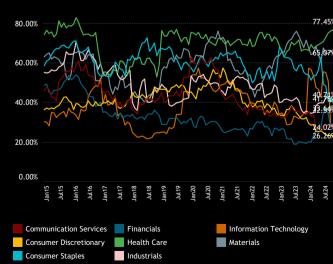
### South Korea Health Care maintains a premium, whilst Discretionary and Staples move to lowest valuations on record.

South Korea: PE Ratio (12m trailing) per Sector



# 9. South Korean Health Care and Materials stocks are relatively expensive. Discretionary, Financials and Technology cheap versus country peers.

South Korea Sectors: PE Ratio (12m trailing) - Weighted Sector Adjusted Percentiles



# 11. SK Discretionary, Tech and Financials are cheaper than country peers. Materials and Heath Care are expensive versus historical levels. S.K Sectors: PE Ratios (12m trailing). Percentile vs History v Sector Adjusted Percentile

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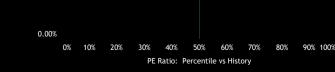
South Korea Health Care

South Korea Materials

South Korea Industrials

South Korea Consumer Staples

South Korea Communication Services



South Korea Consumer Discretionary

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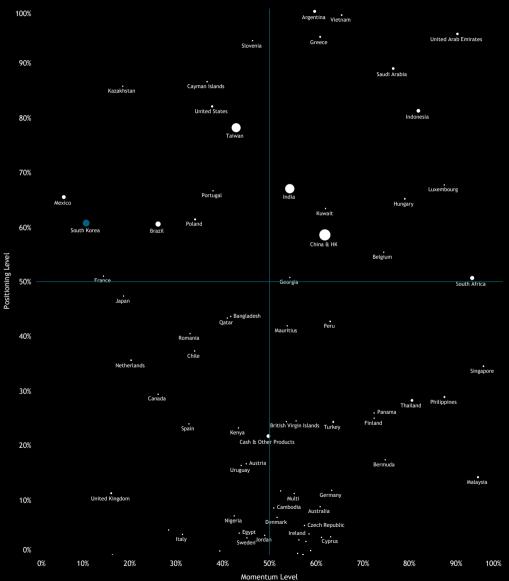
\* Based on the average active GEM fund portfolio



South Korea Information Technology

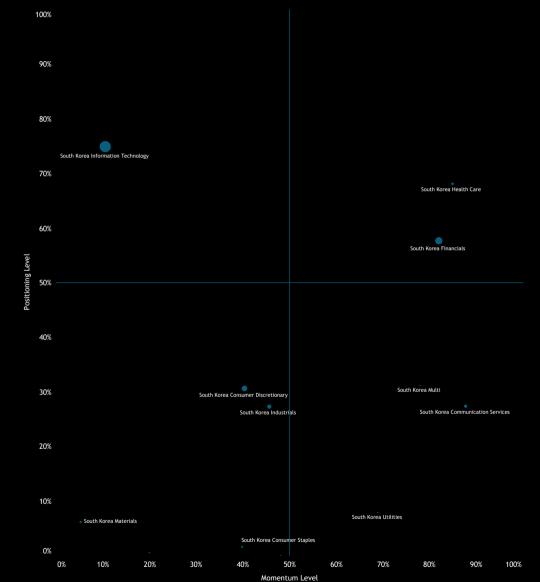
12. Momentum in South Korea shifts to the left-hand side after heavy average weight falls. U.A.E and South Africa capture investment flows. Greece, Argentina and Vietnam near record levels of positioning.





13. South Korean Technology drives momentum lower. Positioning depressed in Consumer Discretionary, Materials and Industrials. Sentiment improving for Financials, Communication Services and Health Care





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#### 14. Investment in Samsung Electronics (Ords + Prefs) surges to record levels in August but has since declined. Fund weights see big drop.



# 16. SK Sauare. Samsung Biologics and Samsung Life Insurance see surge in

Percentage of Funds Invested: Samsung Biologics, Samsung Life Insurance, SK Square



### 15. Ownership lows for POSCO Holdings, E-Mart and LG Chem.

Percentage of Funds Invested: E-MART Inc., LG Chem Ltd., POSCO Holdings Inc.



#### 17. Kia Corp and Hyundai Motor Corp make strong gains in fund ownership over the course of 2024.

Percentage of Funds Invested: Hyundai Motor Company & Kia Corp.



#### 18. Samsung Electronics and SK Hynix the dominant positions. 11 companies owned by more than 20% of managers.

Ticker	Stock Name	Funds Invested %	Average Weight %	Average Weight vs	Fund AUM \$
005930-KR	Samsung Electronics Co.,	77.87%	2.29%		\$9,148M
000660-KR	SK hynix Inc.	64.66%	1.10%	0.28%	\$4,319M
105560-KR	KB Financial Group Inc.	41.38%	0.51%	0.17%	\$1,833M
000270-KR	Kia Corp.	36.78%	0.31%	0.10%	\$1,015M
005935-KR	Samsung Electronics Co L	32.76%	0.50%	0.15%	\$1,258M
005380-KR	Hyundai Motor Company	28.45%	0.24%		\$652M
055550-KR	Shinhan Financial Group	27.87%	0.26%	0.04%	\$695M
086790-KR	Hana Financial Group Inc.	26.15%	0.22%	0.05%	\$697M
005830-KR	DB INSURANCE CO. LTD	24.43%	0.14%	0.09%	\$406M
017670-KR	SK Telecom Co., Ltd.	22.99%	0.20%	0.17%	\$374M
012330-KR	Hyundai Mobis Co., Ltd	20.40%	0.15%	0.02%	\$610M
000810-KR	Samsung Fire & Marine In	19.83%	0.19%	0.08%	\$673M

### 19. SK Hynix and KB Financial lead the overweights. Heavily avoided Celltrion, POSCO and LG Energy top the underweights.

South Korea: Top overweight and underweight positions

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030200-KR	KT Corporation	0.10%	15.52%	0.12%	\$368M
035720-KR	Kakao Corp.		4.60%	0.01%	\$91M
005930-KR	Samsung Electronics Co.,		77.87%	2.29%	\$9,148M
373220-KR	LG Energy Solution Ltd.		5.17%	0.02%	\$29M
005490-KR	POSCO Holdings Inc.		4.02%	0.02%	\$46M
068270-KR	Celltrion, Inc.		6.32%	0.01%	\$86M

### 20. Ownership declines led LG Chem, Doosan Bobcat & Samsung SDI. Gains made by LG Innotek, Korea Shipbuilding and Hyundai Electric & Energy.

South Korea: Largest changes in stock ownership\*

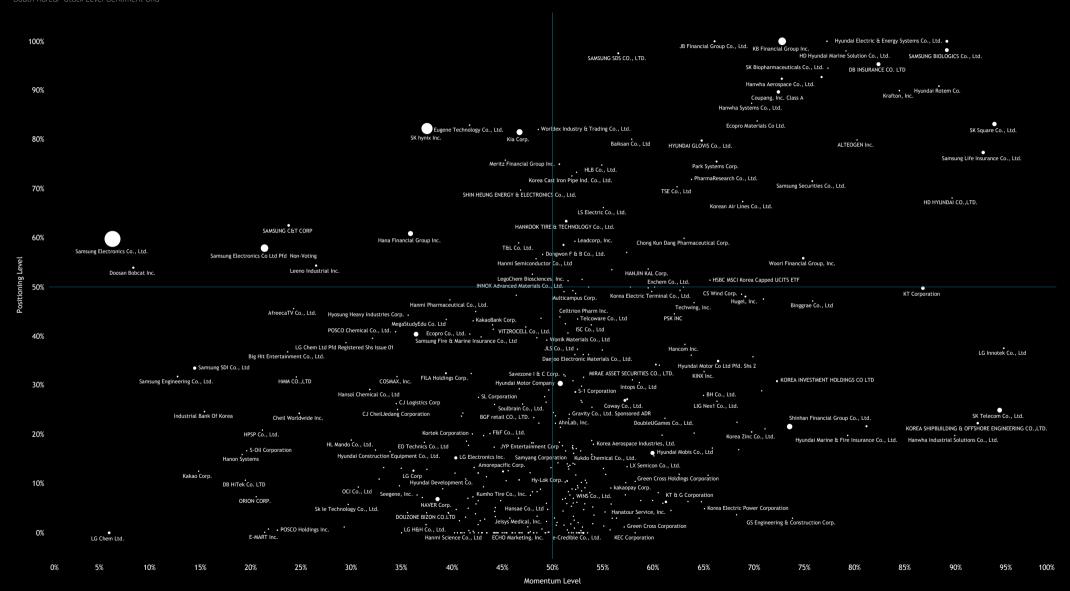
Ticker	Stock Name	Funds Invest	Ave Wgt % Δ	Fund Flows, \$
011070-KR	LG Innotek Co., Ltd	4.30%	0.01%	\$70M
009540-KR	KOREA SHIPBUILDING & OFFS	4.29%	0.03%	
267260-KR	Hyundai Electric & Energy Sys	4.29%	0.01%	\$13M
402340-KR	SK Square Co., Ltd.	4.28%	0.02%	\$111M
000660-KR	SK hynix Inc.	4.14%		(\$122M)
489790-KR	Hanwha Industrial Solutions C	4.02%	0.00%	\$15M
024110-KR	Industrial Bank Of Korea			
028050-KR	Samsung Engineering Co., Ltd.			
035720-KR	Kakao Corp.			\$20M
006400-KR	Samsung SDI Co., Ltd			(\$38M)
241560-KR	Doosan Bobcat Inc.	-4.65%		\$12M
051910-KR	LG Chem Ltd.			





21. Key Korean companies are at vastly different stages of their ownership cycles. Strong momentum seen in SK Telekom, LG Innotek and SK Square. Samsung Electronics and SK Hynix lose some steam, whilst Samsung SDI, POSCO and Naver play a decreasing role in EM investment portfolios.

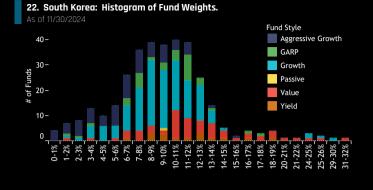
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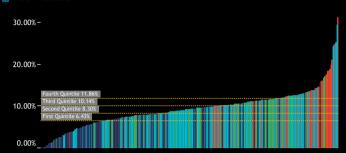
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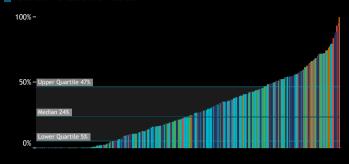




### 25. South Korea: Distribution of Fund Weights



#### 28. South Korea: Z-Score of Fund Weight



### 23. South Korea: Largest Fund Weights



#### 26. South Korea: Largest Fund-Level AUM, \$



### 29. South Korea Stocks: Largest Fund Weights



Funds Invested **∆**\*

Average Weight **∆**\*

# New Positions\*

# Closed Positions\*

# Funds Buying\*

# Funds Selling\*

Estimated Net Fund Flows, \$\*

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#### 24. South Korea: Largest Changes in Fund Weight



#### 27. South Korea Stocks: Largest Fund Flows. \$

Fund Name	Stock Name	New	
Fidelity Inv. Trust - Emerging Mar	KB Financial Group In	New	\$151M
Fidelity Inv. Trust - Emerging Mar	SK hynix Inc.		\$140M
BlackRock Emerging Markets Fun	SK hynix Inc.		= \$118M
Fidelity Advisor Focused Emergin	Samsung Electronics		<b>\$111M</b>
JPMorgan Emerging Markets Equit	Hanwha Aerospace C	New	■ \$88M
Delaware Emerging Markets Fund	SAMSUNG C&T CORP		\$84M
KBC Equity Fund - Emerging Mark	Samsung Electronics	New	= \$79M
Fidelity Emerging Markets Fund	SAMSUNG BIOLOGICS	New	■ \$76M
Fidelity Emerging Markets Fund	NAVER Corp.	Close	(\$96M)
GQG Partners Emerging Markets E	Kia Corp.	Close	(\$97M)
Fidelity Inv. Trust - Emerging Mar	Kia Corp.	Close	(\$100M)
Invesco Developing Markets Fund	SAMSUNG BIOLOGICS		(\$145M)
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BlackRock Emerging Markets Fun	Samsung Electronics	Close	(\$162M)
T Rowe Price Emerging Markets S	Samsung Electronics		(\$178M)
GQG Partners Emerging Markets E	Samsung Electronics	Close	(\$734M)

#### 30. South Korea Stocks: Largest Changes in Fund Weight

Fund Name	Stock Name	New o		
Brandes Emerging Markets Value F	Samsung Electronics	New		4.72%
KBC Equity Fund - Emerging Marke	Samsung Electronics	New		4.11%
abrdn SICAV I - EM Sust. Developm	Samsung Electronics	New		3.28%
Boston Common ESG Impact Emer	Samsung Electronics	New		3.16%
Magna Umbrella Fund Plc - Emergi	SK Square Co., Ltd.	New		2.67%
Aubrey Capital Mgmt. Access Fund	SK hynix Inc.	New		2.63%
Schroder ISF - Emerging Market Va	NCsoft Corporation	New		2.58%
Mirabaud - Equities Global Emergi	KB Financial Group In	New		2.52%
GQG Partners Emerging Markets E	Samsung Electronics	Close	-3.63%	
BlackRock Sustainable Emerging M	Samsung Electronics		-3.65%	
T Rowe Price Emerging Markets St	Samsung Electronics		-3.87%	
Morgan Stanley Invt. Fds Emergi	SK hynix Inc.	Close	-3.95%	
Liontrust Investment Funds II - Em	Samsung Electronics		-4.33%	
Martin Currie SMASh Series EM Fund	Samsung Electronics		-4.40%	
WCM Focused Emerging Markets F	Samsung Electronics	Close	-5.05%	
Boston Common ESG Impact Emer	SK hynix Inc.			-6.00%

#### Source: Factset, Copley Fund Research







## **Real Estate**: Recovery Among Active EM Funds

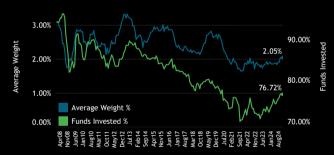
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Overall, while Real Estate remains under-owned, rising ownership and a switch to overweight positioning signal a notable reversal, with the U.A.E and India emerging as key beneficiaries of this renewed interest.

## 1. Real Estate ownership is on the rise after a 10-year bear market between 2012 - 2022. Funds Invested of 76.7% nears 5-year high.

Real Estate: Average Fund Weight vs Funds Invested %



# 2. Average overweights continue to climb with 47% of funds positioned ahead of the benchmark MSCI EM Index - both metrics are at 10-year highs.

Real Estate: Average Weight vs EEM vs Funds Overweight %



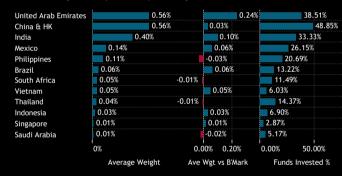
### 3. Real Estate remains a 'non-essential' sector exposure alongside Utilities and Energy. All other sectors held by >90% of funds.

Key Ownership Statistics per Sector



#### U.A.E Real Estate overtakes China & HK as the largest country-level exposure, though China & HK owned by more funds.

Real Estate: Kev Ownership Statistics per Country



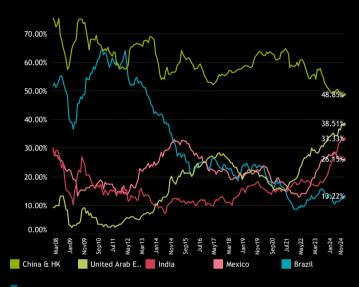
#### India and U.A.E Real Estate see largest increases in ownership as EM investors reduce China and Mexico Real Estate holdings.

Real Estate: Key Ownership Change Metrics per Country

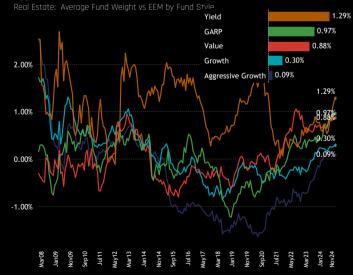


## 6. China & HK Real Estate ownership is in long-term decline, U.A.E and India Real Estate participation is at all-time highs.

Consumer Discretionary: Key Countries - Average Weight vs EEM



# 7. All Styles are positioned ahead of the index and near max overweights. Aggressive Growth funds switch to O/W but lag behind Yield/Value.



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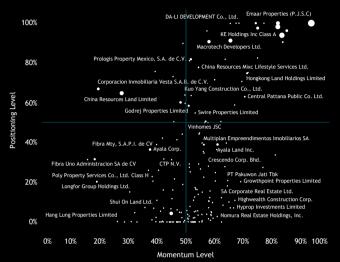
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### 8. Differing ownership cycles among key Real Estate stocks. Strong sentiment towards Emaar Properties and KE Holdings.

Real Estate: Stock Level Sentiment Grid\*



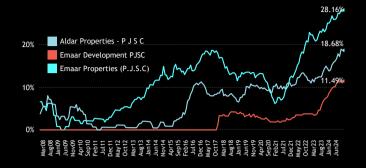
# 9. Prestige Real Estate and Aldar Properties capture the largest fund inflows.

Real Estate: Largest Aggregate Fund Flows by Stock, \$\*



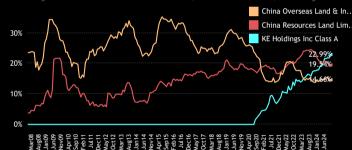
#### 10. All 3 U.A.E names hit record highs in EM fund ownership.

Percentage of Funds Invested: Aldar Properties, Emaar Development, Emaar Properties.



## 11. KE Holdings becomes most widely held China Real Estate company. China Overseas Land falls to record lows.

Percentage of Funds Invested: China Overseas Land, China Resources Land, KE Holding:



### Indian Real Estate exposure spread across 5 key names - all at record-high ownership levels. Macrotech Developers the clear leader.

Percentage of Funds Invested: Key Indian Stocks.



### 13. Stock ownership light, with only 2 companies owned by more than 20% of funds. Emaar Properties is the sector leader, owned by 28.2% of funds.

Real Estate: Aggregate Stock Ownership Statistics

Ticker	Stock Name	Funds Invested %	Average Weight %	Average Weight vs	Fund AUM \$
EMAAR-AE	Emaar Properties (P.J.S.C)	28.16%	0.30%	0.08%	\$997M
2423-HK	KE Holdings Inc Class A	22.99%	0.19%	0.03%	\$774M
1109-HK	China Resources Land Li	19.54%	0.11%		\$366M
ALDAR-AE	Aldar Properties - P J S C	18.68%	0.16%	0.06%	\$639M
688-HK	China Overseas Land & In	14.66%	0.08%		\$248M
543287-IN	Macrotech Developers Ltd.	13.51%	0.11%	0.05%	\$1,047M
ALI-PH	Ayala Land Inc.	12.07%	0.04%		\$162M
EMAARDEV-AE	Emaar Development PJSC	11.49%	0.10%	0.10%	\$128M
VESTA-MX	Corporacion Inmobiliaria	11.21%	0.05%	0.05%	\$150M
FUNO11-MX	Fibra Uno Administracion	9.77%	0.03%		\$214M
532868-IN	DLF Limited	9.48%	0.04%		\$129M
NRP-ZA	NEPI Rockcastle N.V	9.20%	0.03%		\$49M

#### 14. U.A.E stocks dominate the overweight holdings, DLF Limited and SM Prime Holdings are small net underweights.

Real Estate: Ton overweight and underweight positions

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542602-IN	Embassy Office Parks REIT	0.06%	5.75%	0.06%	\$114M
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4300-SA	Dar Al Arkan Real Estate		2.01%	0.00%	\$3M
CPN-TH	Central Pattana Public C		6.90%	0.02%	\$23M
533274-IN	Prestige Estates Projects		2.01%	0.01%	\$112M
SMPH-PH	SM Prime Holdings, Inc.		5.17%	0.02%	\$114M
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### KE Holdings, Macrotech Developers and Oberoi see ownership rise. Fibra Uno, China Overseas Property and Longfor Group lose investors.

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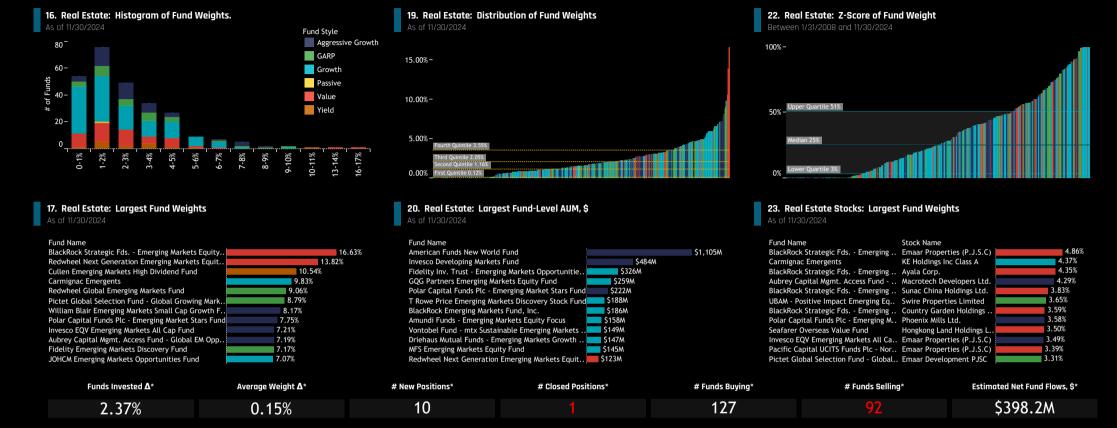
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2423-HK	KE Holdings Inc Class A	3.10%	0.02%	(\$30M)
543287-IN	Macrotech Developers Ltd.	2.84%		\$17M
533273-IN	Oberoi Realty Limited	2.57%	0.01%	
ALDAR-AE	Aldar Properties - P J S C	2.54%	0.04%	\$116M
EMAAR-AE	Emaar Properties (P.J.S.C)	2.22%	0.07%	\$21M
CTRA-ID	PT Ciputra Development Tbk	2.00%	0.01%	\$9M
VESTA-MX	Corporacion Inmobiliaria Vest			
LH-TH	Land & Houses Public Co., Ltd.			
123-HK	Yuexiu Property Co., Ltd.			(\$2M)
960-HK	Longfor Group Holdings Ltd.			(\$26M)
2669-HK	China Overseas Property Hold			(\$12M)
FUNO11-MX	Fibra Uno Administracion SA $\dots$	-2.62%		



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#### 18. Real Estate: Largest Changes in Fund Weight

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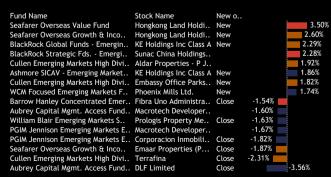
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Ford Name	Charle Manage	Marri		
Fund Name	Stock Name	New		COE++
American Funds New World Fund	Prestige Estates Proj			\$95M
GQG Partners Emerging Markets E	Aldar Properties - P J	New		\$83M
Seafarer Overseas Growth & Inco	Hongkong Land Holdi	New		\$65M
Fidelity Emerging Markets Fund	Prologis Property Me	New		\$49M
Polar Capital Funds Plc - Emergin	KE Holdings Inc Class A	New		\$34M
Allspring Emerging Markets Equit	Nexus Select Trust	New		\$32M
Vontobel Fund - mtx Sustainable	Multiplan Empreendi	New		\$30M
Polar Capital Funds Plc - Emergin	Phoenix Mills Ltd.			\$28M
T Rowe Price Emerging Markets S	KE Holdings Inc Class A		(\$21M)	
MFS Emerging Markets Equity Fund	ESR Cayman Ltd.	Close	(\$22M)	
Driehaus Mutual Funds - Emerging	Fibra Uno Administra	Close	(\$22M)	
American Funds New World Fund	Allos S.A.		(\$23M)	
T Rowe Price Emerging Markets S	Wharf Real Estate Inv	Close	(\$25M)	
Artisan Developing World Fund	KE Holdings Inc Class A		(\$36M)	
Seafarer Overseas Growth & Inco	Emaar Properties (P	Close	(\$65M)	
Invesco Developing Markets Fund	Oberoi Realty Limited			(\$82M)

### 24. Real Estate Stocks: Largest Changes in Fund Weight

Between 5/31/2024 and 11/30/202



#### Source: Factset, Copley Fund Research

\* Between 5/31/2024 and 11/30/202







## South Africa Financials: Gaining Momentum among EM Investors

South African Financials are experiencing a resurgence among active Emerging Market funds, with 69.54% of funds now holding exposure - the highest percentage in 4.5 years. This rise has driven average weights to 1.19%, while underweights have contracted to record lows.

Ranked as the 6th largest Financials exposure, South Africa remains relatively under-owned compared to peers like Indonesia and Brazil but has seen the largest jump in funds invested across all country-sectors in Global EM.

Stock-level activity is overwhelmingly positive, with Capitec, FirstRand, and OUTsurance Group leading the charge. FirstRand remains the most widely held stock, while Capitec commands the highest average weight and AUM.

South African Financials are firmly back on the radar for EM investors, with rising ownership and strong momentum marking a clear shift in sentiment.

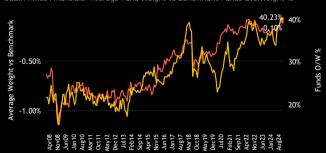
#### The percentage of funds with exposure to South African Financials rises to 69.54%, driving average weights higher to 1.19%.

South Africa Financials: Average Fund Weight vs Funds Invested %



### Average underweight contracts to lowest ever levels, with a record 40.2% of funds positioned ahead of the benchmark.

South Africa Financials: Average Fund Weight vs Benchmark, Funds Overweight %



#### Source: Factset, Copley Fund Research

Between 5/31/2024 and 11/30/2024

### 3. South Africa is the 6th largest Financials country exposure. Relatively under-owned compared to peers.

Financials Sector Country Level Ownership Statistics



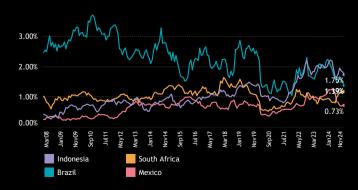
### 4. Largest jump in funds invested across all country/sectors in Global EM.

Country/Sectors: Largest Change in Funds Invested, Net Fund Flows, Ş



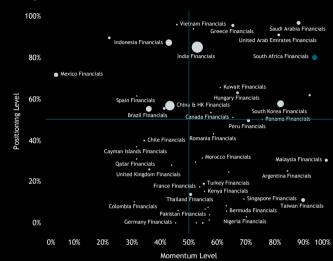
### 5. South Africa Financials overtake Mexico, close in on Brazil, lag behind Indonesia.

Financials: Average Fund Weight - SA vs key peers.



### 6. South African Financials join Saudi, Greece and U.A.E with strong momentum and positioning.

Country Level Sentiment Grid\*



# 7. Yield funds the top investors on a funds invested basis. All Style groups see ownership increase, with Aggressive Growth lagging Style peers.

South Africa Financials: Average Fund Weight by Fund Style

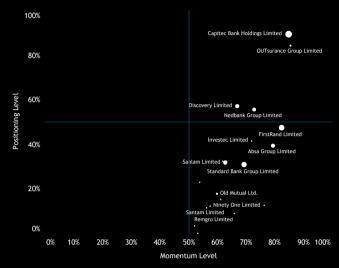




# South Africa Financials: Gaining Momentum among EM Investors

### 8. Positive momentum across all names in the sector. Capitec nearing max ownership, FirstRand and Absa rising from a lower base.

South Africa Financials: Stock Level Sentiment Grid



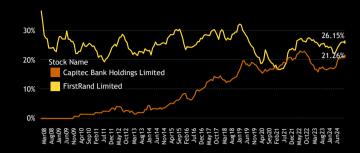
#### Absa and Standard Bank see inflows. Selling from Fidelity in Capitec and Discovery.

South Africa Financials: Largest Aggregate Fund Flows by Stock, \$\*



#### Capitec Bank and FirstRand capture increases in ownership. Capitec closes in on the highs.

Percentage of Funds Invested: Capitec Bank Holdings Limited & FirstRand Limiter



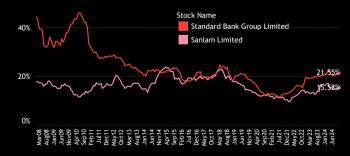
### Cyclical ownership trends in Absa Group and Nedbank Group. Both remain well off the highs.

Percentage of Funds Invested: Absa Group Limited & Nedbank Group Limited



#### Sanlam and Standard Bank are making slow but consistent gains in EM fund ownership

Percentage of Funds Invested: Sanlam Ltd & Standard Bank



### 13. FirstRand the most widely owned, Capitec commands the highest average weight and fund AUM.

South Africa Financials: Aggregate Stock Ownership Statistics

Ticker	Stock Name	Funds Invested %	Average Weight %	Average Weight vs	Fund AUM \$
FSR-ZA	FirstRand Limited	26.15%	0.20%		\$1,079M
SBK-ZA	Standard Bank Group Lim	21.55%	0.18%		\$472M
CPI-ZA	Capitec Bank Holdings Li	21.26%	0.29%	0.08%	\$1,508M
SLM-ZA	Sanlam Limited	15.52%	0.12%	0.00%	\$361M
ABG-ZA	Absa Group Limited	14.66%	0.11%	0.00%	\$275M
NED-ZA	Nedbank Group Limited	13.79%	0.09%		\$247M
DSY-ZA	Discovery Limited	9.77%	0.11%	0.03%	\$426M
OMU-ZA	Old Mutual Ltd.	7.76%	0.03%		\$66M
OUT-ZA	<b>OUTsurance Group Limited</b>	4.60%	0.02%		\$38M
INL-ZA	Investec Limited	4.60%	0.01%	0.01%	\$32M
REM-ZA	Remgro Limited	3.16%	0.01%		\$62M
MTM-ZA	Momentum Metropolitan	2.87%	0.01%	0.01%	\$18M

#### Capitec and Discovery held overweight, FirstRand and Standard Bank underweight. Remgro and Reinet avoided.

South Africa Financials: Top overweight and underweight positions

Ticker	Stock Name	Average Weight vs	Funds Invested %	Average Weight %	Fund AUM \$
CPI-ZA	Capitec Bank Holdings Li	0.08%	21.26%	0.29%	\$1,508M
DSY-ZA	Discovery Limited	0.03%	9.77%	0.11%	\$426M
JSE-ZA	JSE Limited	0.01%	2.59%	0.01%	\$36M
INL-ZA	Investec Limited	0.01%	4.60%	0.01%	\$32M
MTM-ZA	Momentum Metropolitan	0.01%	2.87%	0.01%	\$18M
OMU-ZA	Old Mutual Ltd.		7.76%	0.03%	\$66M
REM-ZA	Remgro Limited		3.16%	0.01%	\$62M
RNI-ZA	Reinet Investments S.C.A.		0.86%	0.00%	\$2M
SBK-ZA	Standard Bank Group Lim		21.55%	0.18%	\$472M
FSR-ZA	FirstRand Limited		26.15%	0.20%	\$1,079M

# 15. Stock activity overwhelmingly positive, led by ownership increases in Capitec, FirstRank and OUTsurance Group.

South Africa Financials: Largest changes in stock ownership\*

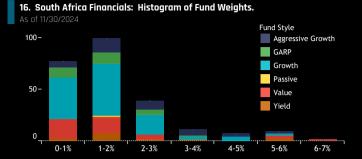
Ticker	Stock Name	Funds Invest	Ave Wgt % $\Delta$	Fund Flows, \$
CPI-ZA	Capitec Bank Holdings Limited	3.40%	0.12%	
FSR-ZA	FirstRand Limited	3.09%	0.03%	\$43M
OUT-ZA	OUTsurance Group Limited	2.29%	0.02%	\$8M
ABG-ZA	Absa Group Limited	1.69%	0.03%	\$54M
NED-ZA	Nedbank Group Limited	1.40%	0.04%	\$1M
MTM-ZA	Momentum Metropolitan Hold	1.14%	0.00%	\$7M
ABSP-ZA	ABSA Bank Ltd. Pref.Shs		0.00%	\$0M
SNT-ZA	Santam Limited		0.00%	\$0M
RNI-ZA	Reinet Investments S.C.A.		0.00%	\$0M
JSE-ZA	JSE Limited		0.00%	\$1M
OMU-ZA	Old Mutual Ltd.		0.01%	\$11M
REM-ZA	Remgro Limited		0.00%	



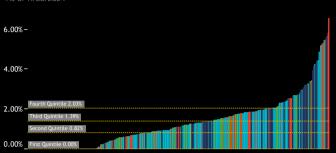
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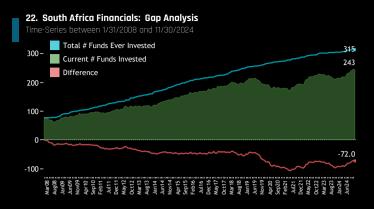
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## South Africa Financials: Gaining Momentum among EM Investors



# 19. South Africa Financials: Distribution of Fund Weights





### 17. South Africa Financials: Largest Fund Weights



#### 20. South Africa Financials: Largest Fund-Level AUM, \$



### 23. South Africa Financials Stocks: Largest Fund Weights

Fund Name	Stock Name	
Schroder Intl. Selctn. Fd. SICAV - Em	Capitec Bank Holdings Lim	4.45%
Pinnacle ICAV - Aikya Global Emergi	Capitec Bank Holdings Lim	4.41%
MI Polen Capital Investment Funds	Capitec Bank Holdings Lim	4.18%
First Sentier Invts ICVC - FSSA Global	Capitec Bank Holdings Lim	3.95%
Comgest Growth Plc - Emerging Mark	Discovery Limited	3.81%
Magellan	Discovery Limited	3.78%
Mirabaud - Equities Global Emerging	Capitec Bank Holdings Lim	3.58%
Seafarer Overseas Growth & Income	Sanlam Limited	3.45%
FTIF SICAV - Emerging Markets Sustai	Discovery Limited	3.40%
Alger Funds II - Emerging Markets Fu	Capitec Bank Holdings Lim	3.31%
Schroder ISF - Emerging Markets Equi	Capitec Bank Holdings Lim	3.30%
CT (Lux) III - Responsible Global Eme	Discovery Limited	3.22%

Funds Invested  $\Delta^*$ 

Average Weight  $\Delta$ \*

# New Positions\*

# Closed Positions\*

# Funds Buying\*

# Funds Selling\*

Estimated Net Fund Flows, \$\*

6.72%

0.38%

28

98

#### 18. South Africa Financials: Largest Changes in Fund Weight



#### 21. South Africa Financials Stocks: Largest Fund Flows. \$

Fund Name	Stock Name	New		
Fidelity Inv. Trust - Emerging Mar		New		\$140M
American Funds New World Fund	Discovery Limited	NEW		\$30M
		New		\$30M
Driehaus Mutual Funds - Emerging		New		
Fidelity Advisor Focused Emergin	FirstRand Limited			\$28M
Redwheel Global Emerging Marke	Capitec Bank Holding	New		\$20M
Hartford Schroders Emerging Mar	FirstRand Limited	New		\$19M
Caixabank Master Renta Variable	Standard Bank Group	New		\$18M
Fidelity Funds SICAV - Emerging	Standard Bank Group			\$18M
BlackRock Global Funds - Emergin	FirstRand Limited	Close	(\$23M)	
Seafarer Overseas Growth & Inco	Sanlam Limited		(\$31M)	
JPMorgan Emerging Markets Equit	Capitec Bank Holding		(\$33M)	
JPMorgan Funds - Emerging Mark	FirstRand Limited	Close	(\$45M)	
BlackRock Emerging Markets Fun	FirstRand Limited	Close	(\$46M)	
JPMorgan Emerging Markets Equit	FirstRand Limited	Close	(\$64M)	
Fidelity Inv. Trust - Emerging Mar	Capitec Bank Holding		(\$126M)	
Fidelity Inv. Trust - Emerging Mar	Discovery Limited	Close		(\$163M)

#### 24. South Africa Financials Stocks: Largest Changes in Fund Weight

Fund Name	Stock Name	New o.			
Mirabaud - Equities Global Emergi	Capitec Bank Holding	New			3.58%
FTIF SICAV - Emerging Markets Sus	Discovery Limited	New			3.40%
Liontrust Investment Funds II - Em	OUTsurance Group Li	New		2	.60%
Virtus Emerging Markets Opportun	Nedbank Group Limit	New		2.	.35%
Liontrust Investment Funds II - Em	Nedbank Group Limit	New		2.	27%
Redwheel Global Emerging Market	Capitec Bank Holding	New		1.9	92%
Aubrey Capital Mgmt. Access Fund	Capitec Bank Holding	New		1.8	88%
Brandes Emerging Markets Value F	Absa Group Limited	New		1.7	0%
JOHCM Emerging Markets Opportu	FirstRand Limited		-0.73%		
JPMorgan Emerging Markets Equit	FirstRand Limited	Close	-0.74%		
Voya Investors Trust - JPMorgan E	FirstRand Limited	Close	-0.75%		
Jyske Invest Nye Aktiemarkeder KL	FirstRand Limited	Close	-0.76%		
BlackRock Emerging Markets Fund	FirstRand Limited	Close	-0.77%		
BlackRock Global Funds - Emergin	FirstRand Limited	Close	-0.78%		
PineBridge Global Funds - Global E	FirstRand Limited	Close	-1.26%		
JPMorgan Funds - Emerging Marke	FirstRand Limited	Close		-1.44%	

#### Source: Factset, Copley Fund Research





# Methodology

Copley uses Factset Ownership data for the majority of its source holdings. This data benefits from various inputs such as fund interim and monthly statements, 13F Forms, and other timely sources utilized by Factset. For US funds, data is usually updated quarterly with varying degrees of lag. However, due to agreements with asset management firms and the incorporation of press releases, Factset often provides updates more quickly. By leveraging these additional sources, Factset ensures a shorter time lag for many data points beyond the standard quarterly fund statements. Copley uses the latest published holdings for each fund and adjusts weights based on price movements between the last filing and the end of the most recent month. The typical average lag ranges from 60 to 90 days depending on the time of year.

For benchmark comparisons, we use the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF, proportionally adjusted to remove any cash holdings. All Fund Flow calculations are on a best estimates basis. We use monthly position changes and month end prices to estimate the net buying and selling value for each stock within each fund in our analysis.





# Calculations

Copley uses 6 key measures of fund ownership throughout our analysis. Our chart packs presents these metrics in formats such as time series, snapshots at specific points, or comparisons between two time periods.

**Average Weight:** The sum of all fund weights in any dimension (region, country, sector, industry, stock) divided by the total number of funds (348) in the analysis.

**Funds O/W**: The total number of funds with a larger weight in any dimension than the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF, divided by the total number of funds (348) in the analysis.

**Average Weight vs EEM**: The average weight minus the weight in the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF (cash removed and weights adjusted).

**AUM, \$**: The combined AUM allocated to a particular dimension across the 348 active GEM funds in our analysis, in US Dollars

**Funds Invested %:** The total number of funds with any exposure to a dimension divided by the total number of funds (348) in the analysis.

**Estimate Fund Flows, \$**: The difference in share quantity between 2 periods for each stock in a fund multiplied by the price. These figures are rolled up to provide aggregate fund flows across countries, sectors and stocks.





# Style Classifications

Each fund is split into a Style category based on the P/E and P/B ratios of their portfolio compared to the benchmark

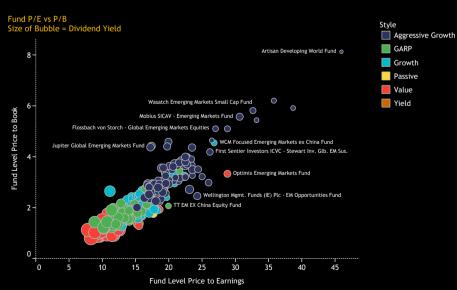
**Aggressive Growth**: At least 70% of the portfolio in stocks with a higher P/E than the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF average, and at least 70% with a higher P/B ratio.

**Growth:** At least 50% of the portfolio in stocks with a higher P/E than the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF average, and at least 50% with a higher P/B ratio.

**Value**: Either by the fund description, or at least 50% of the portfolio in stocks with a lower P/E ratio than the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF average, and at least 50% with a lower P/B ratio

**Yield**: As per the fund description only (i.e Yield, Dividend, Income funds).

GARP: All other iterations that do not fit under the above classifications.





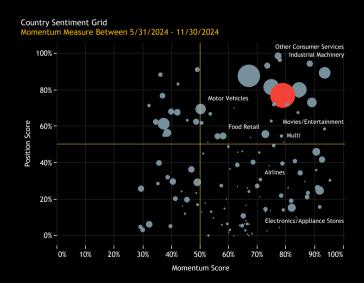


# Sentiment Grid

We use the Sentiment Grid in our analysis as a way of combining long-term positioning with shorter dated manager activity across all dimensions (country, sector, stock). Here we outline the metrics that go in to the Sentiment Grid colculation.

The Y-Axis measures where today's ownership levels in each dimension sit relative to the long-term range. We calculate the Z-Score of today's average weight, funds invested % and funds o/w % relative to all monthly observations in our fund history (going back to 1/31/2008). A figure close to 100% would indicate today's positioning is close to its maximum ever level, a figure close to zero, the lowest.

The X-axis provides a measure of short-term fund activity, or 'Momentum', by looking at the changes in average weight, funds invested %, funds o/w % and the net buyers vs sellers between 5/31/2024 and 11/30/2024, relative to each dimension. A figure above 50% means a dimension has seen relative increases in ownership, a figure below 50% indicates a relative decrease in positioning. The size of the bubble represents the average weight of each dimension







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