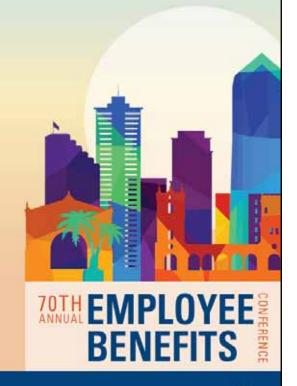
Emerging Markets

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What Is an Emerging Market?

A country that is transitioning from a low income, often pre-industrial economy toward a modern industrial economy with higher standard of living.

Source: Investodpedia

Different Index Provider Definitions

MSCI		FTSE		JPM EMBI	
■ China: 24%	■ Peru: 0%	■ China: 27%	• Qatar: 1%	■ S. Arabia: 6%	■ Peru: 3%
Korea: 12%	Poland: 1%	■ India: 24%	Kuwait: 1%	■ Mexico: 6%	■ Panama: 3%
■ India: 20%	■ Turkey: 1%	■ Taiwan: 20%	Philippines: 1%	■ Turkey: 5%	■ Egypt: 3%
■ Taiwan: 19%	Czech Rep.: 0%	■ Brazil: 5%	• Greece: 1%	■ Indonesia: 5%	■ Bahrain: 3%
Malaysia: 2%	• Greece: 1%	S. Arabia: 5%	• Chile: 1%	■ UAE: 5%	■ Hungary: 3%
Indonesia: 2%	■ Hungary: 0%	S. Africa: 3%	■ Hungary: 0%	• Qatar: 4%	S. Africa: 3%
■ Thailand: 2%	■ UAE: 1%	■ Mexico: 2%	Romania: 0%	■ Brazil: 4%	■ Romania: 3%
Philippines: 1%	• Qatar: 1%	■ Malaysia: 2%	Czech Rep.: 0%	■ Philippines: 3%	■ Argentina: 2%
■ Brazil: 5%	■ Egypt: 0%	■ Indonesia: 2%	Colombia: 0%	■ Poland: 3%	■ Uruguay: 2%
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BRICs and Its Expansion

From an Investment Acronym to a Geopolitical Alignment Bloc

2001 > 2009 > 2010 > 2024

BRIC term coined by

Goldman Sachs Chief Economist, Jim O'Neill First official BRIC Summit.

Original Members:

- Brazil
- Russia
- India
- China

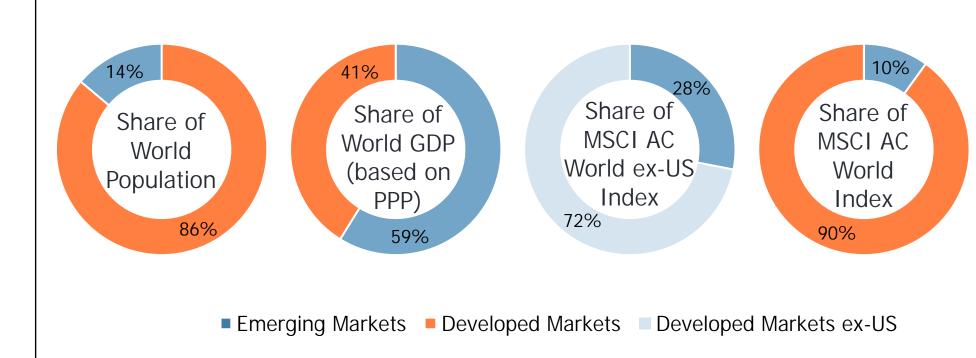
New BRIC members:

South Africa

New BRIC members:

- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Iran
- UAE

Why We Talk About Emerging Markets?

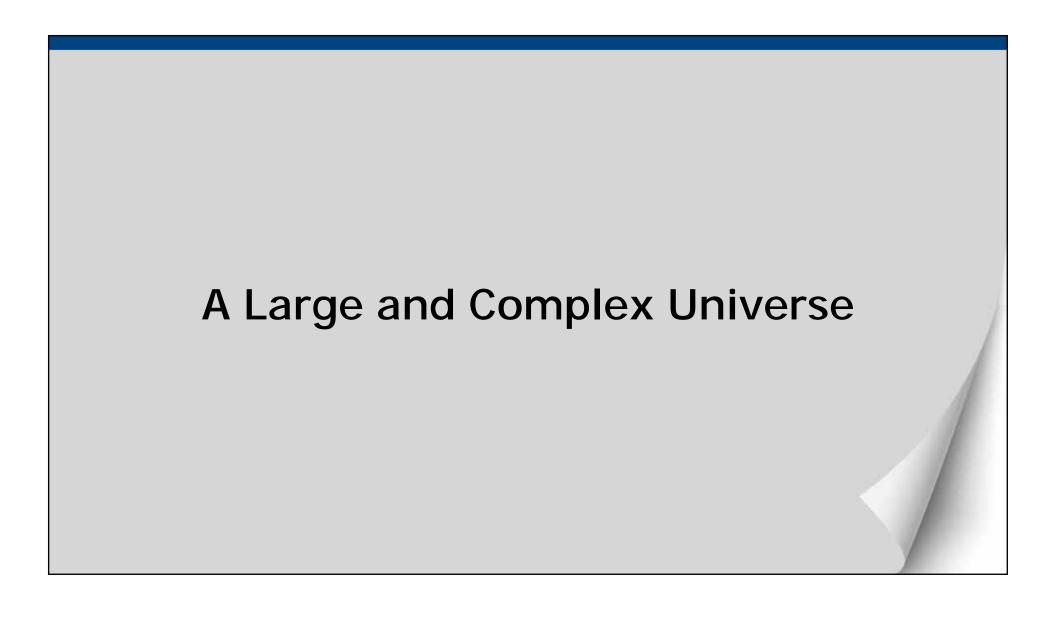


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Polling Question

How are You Currently Investing in Emerging Markets?

- A. Part of Our Global Allocation
- B. Part of Our International Allocation
- C. Via a Dedicated Emerging Markets Allocation
- D. No Allocation

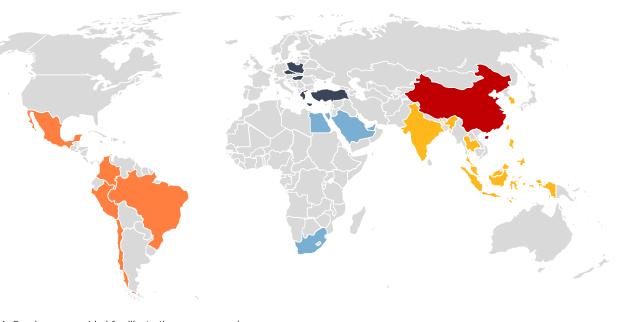


No Such Thing as One Emerging Markets

24Emerging Market Countries

5 Continents 16
Emerging Market Languages

- Different economies
- Different politics
- Different market dynamics
- Different regulations
- Different types of transformations



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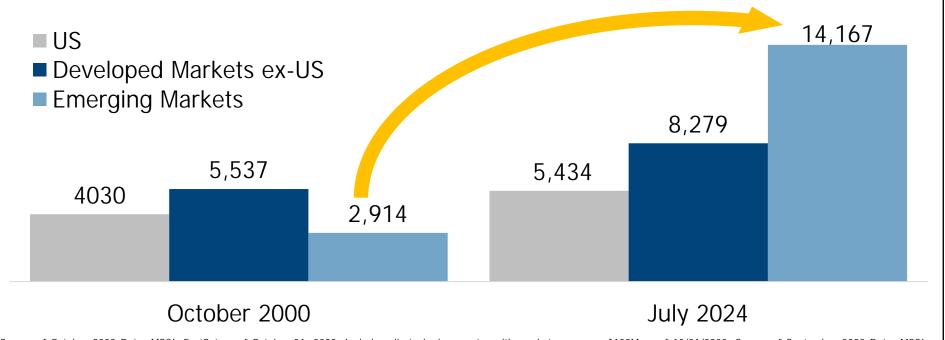
A Diverse Collection of Countries

	Peru	Korea	
Population (M people)	34.0	51.5	
Political Stability Index (World Bank)	27.8%	51.9%	
2023 GDP per capita (US\$ thousand)	7.9	33.2	
Key Exports	Mining (Copper and Gold) and Agriculture	Integrated Circuits Cars and Car Parts	
Largest Sectors in MSCI	Financials (53%) Materials (47%)	Technology (46%) Industrial (13%)	
Number of Stocks	44 stocks in the universe 3 stocks in MSCI EM Index	1,377 in the universe 98 in MSCI EM Index	
% of MSCI EM Index	0.30%	11.7%	

Source: IMF Datamapper April 2024 IMF Estimates accessed as of September 2024. MSCI data as of August 31, 2024. All other data from MSCI and Bloomberg as of August 31, 2024. Number of stocks in the universe calculated using Bloomberg EQS screen that includes all stocks with market caps over \$100M as of July 31, 2024. Graph is presented for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied on to make an investment decision.

Large Universe

Stock Universe: 2000 vs. 2024



Source of October 2000 Data: MSCI, FactSet as of October 31, 2000. Includes all stocks by country with market caps over \$100M as of 10/31/2020. Source of September 2023 Data: MSCI, Bloomberg. Data based on Bloomberg EQS screen that includes all stocks by country with market caps over \$100M as of July 31, 2024. Developed and Emerging Market country definitions based on MSCI classifications. Graph is presented for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied on to make an investment decision. Past performance are not an indicator of future performance.

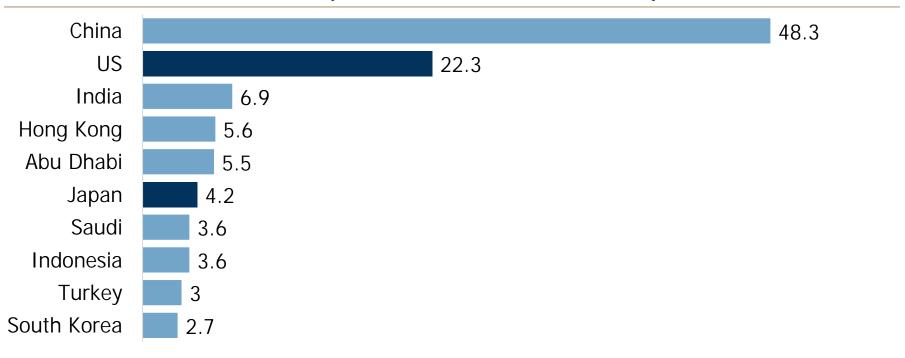
Polling Question

Which Country or Region Had the Most IPOs over 2023?

- A. United States
- B. Europe
- C. Middle East
- D. China
- E. India

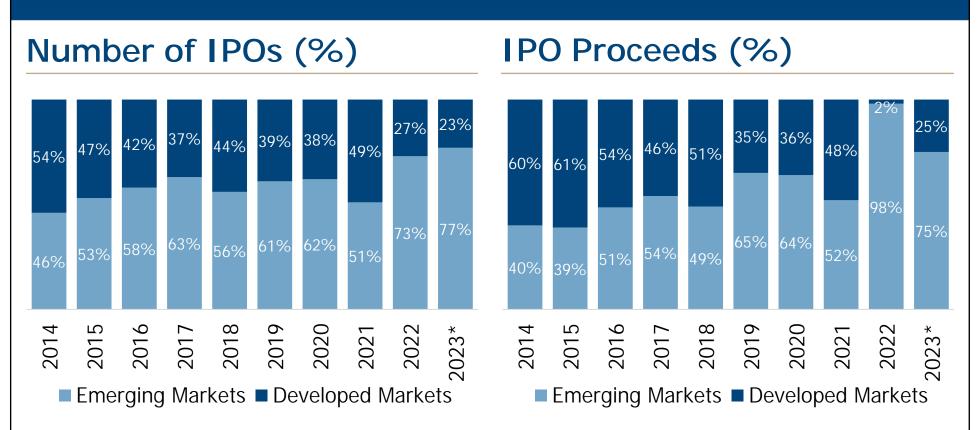
A Growing Universe

2023 IPO Proceeds (in Billion US Dollars)

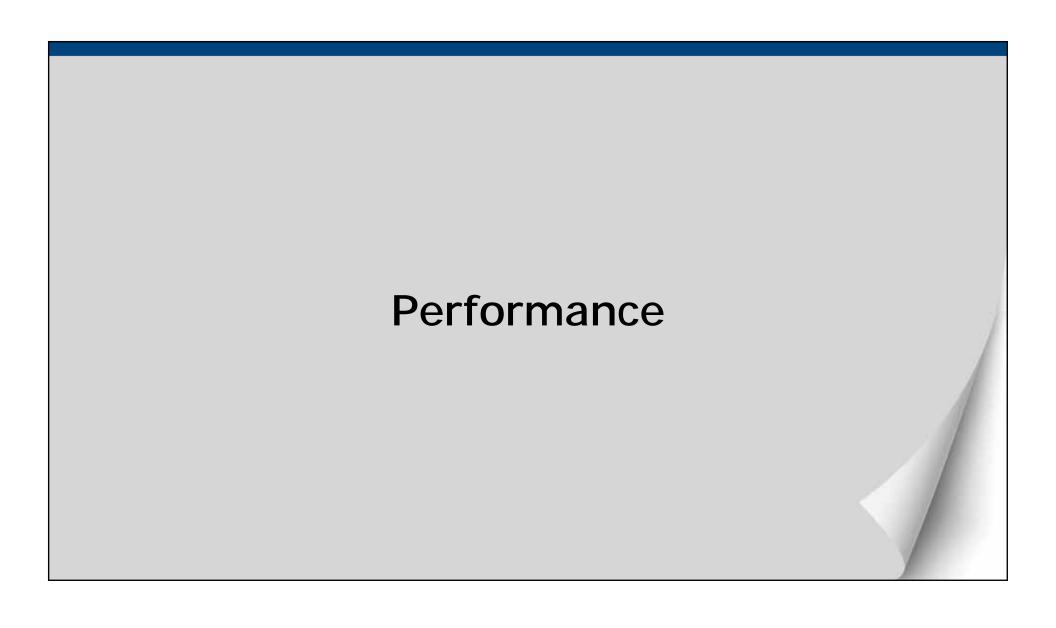


Source Published by Statista Research Department, Aug 28, 2024. Graph is presented for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied on to make an investment decision. Past performance are not an indicator of future performance.

A Growing Universe



Source: EY analysis and Dealogic. All 2023 data is YTD of Q1-Q3 2023 and refers to the first 9 months of 2023 and covers completed IPOs from January 1 2023 to 18 September 18 2023 plus expected IPOs by September 30, 2023 (forecasted as of 18 September 2023) Graph is presented for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied on to make an investment decision. Past performance are not an indicator of future performance.



How Have EM Performed?



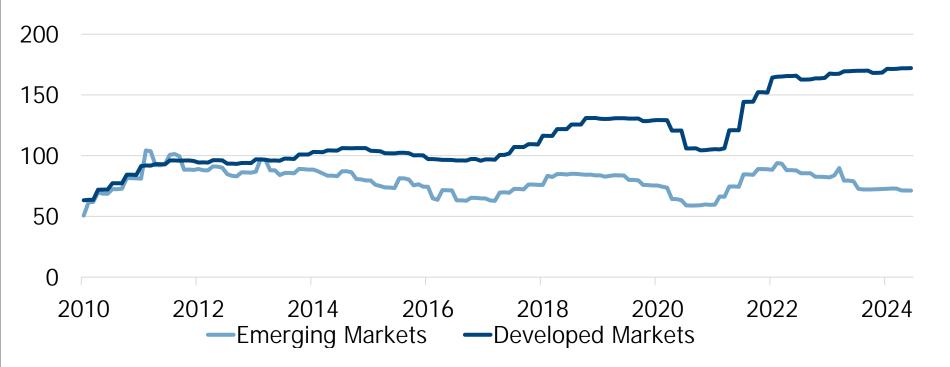


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How Have EM Performed? Earnings

12 Month Trailing Earnings Per Share

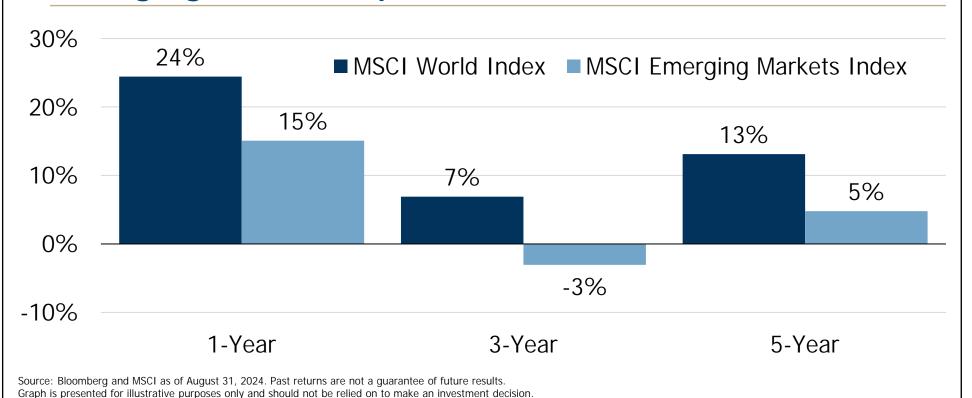


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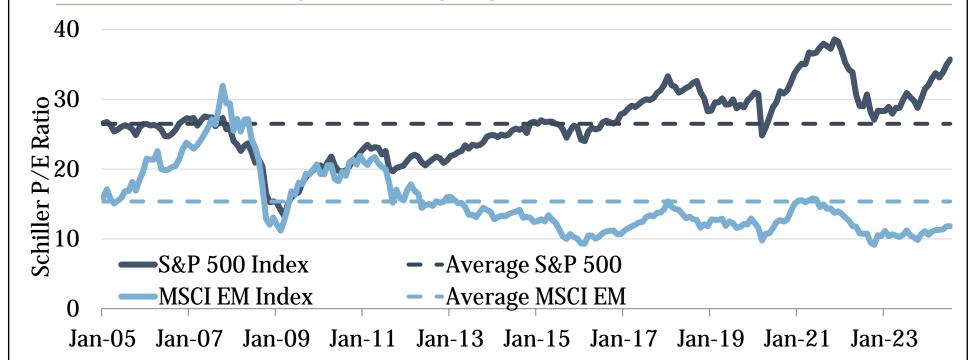
How Have EM Performed?

Emerging vs. Developed Markets Performance



Outlook Ahead: Valuations Are Attractive

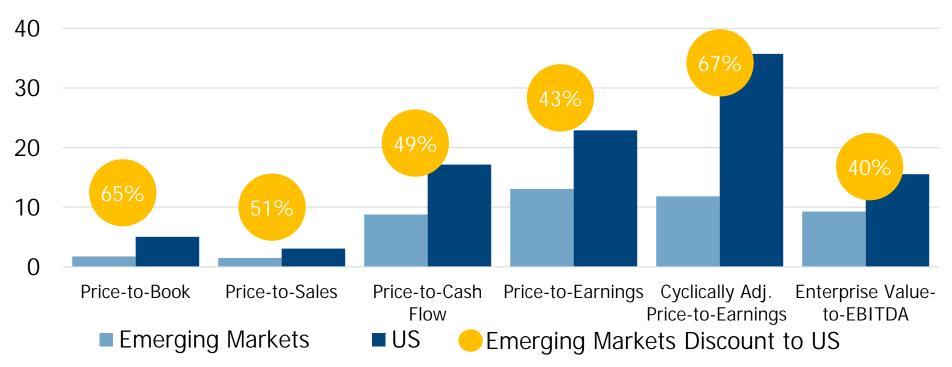
Price to Earnings: Emerging Markets vs. US



Source: Bloomberg as of July 31 2024. Averages are calculated from Jan 2005–Jul 2024. Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. Graphs are presented for illustration purposes only and should not be relied on to make an investment decision.

Outlook Ahead: Valuations Are Attractive

Cheap Across Multiple Valuation Metrics



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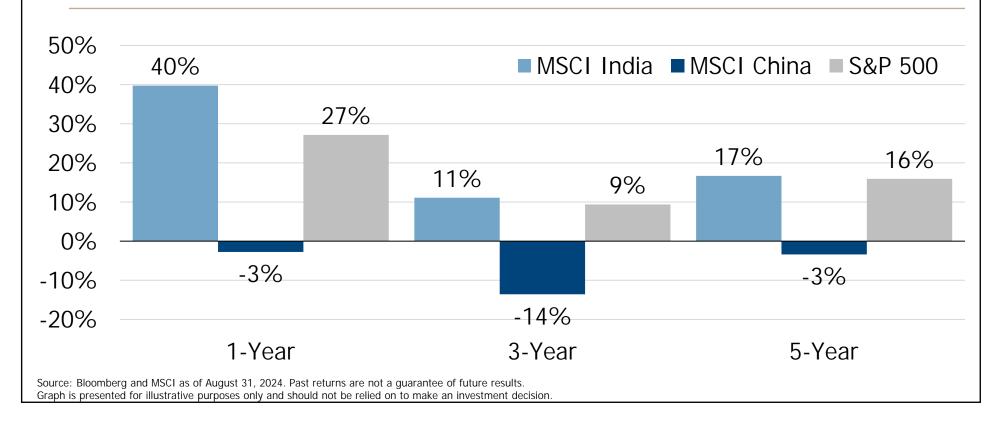
Polling Question

Which Index Had the Best Performance Over the Last 1, 3 and 5 Years?

- A. MSCI India
- B. MSCI China
- C. S&P 500

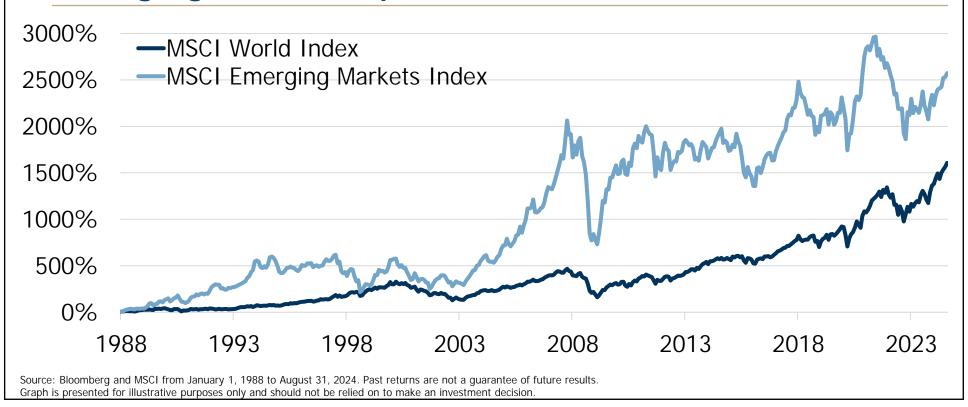
How Have EM Performed?

Performance of Select Indices



How Have EM Performed? Long Term

Emerging vs. Developed Market Performance



Emerging Markets: Now and Then

Country Allocations: MSCI Emerging Markets

2024	2017	2007	1997	1987
China	China	China	Taiwan	Malaysia
24%	30%	16%	17%	40%
India	Korea	Korea	Brazil	Brazil
20%	15%	14%	15%	22%
Taiwan	Taiwan	Brazil	Mexico	Chile
19%	11%	13%	12%	11%
Korea	India	Russia	S. Africa	Thailand
12%	9%	10%	10%	11%
Brazil	S. Africa	Taiwan	India	Mexico
5%	7%	10%	6%	8%

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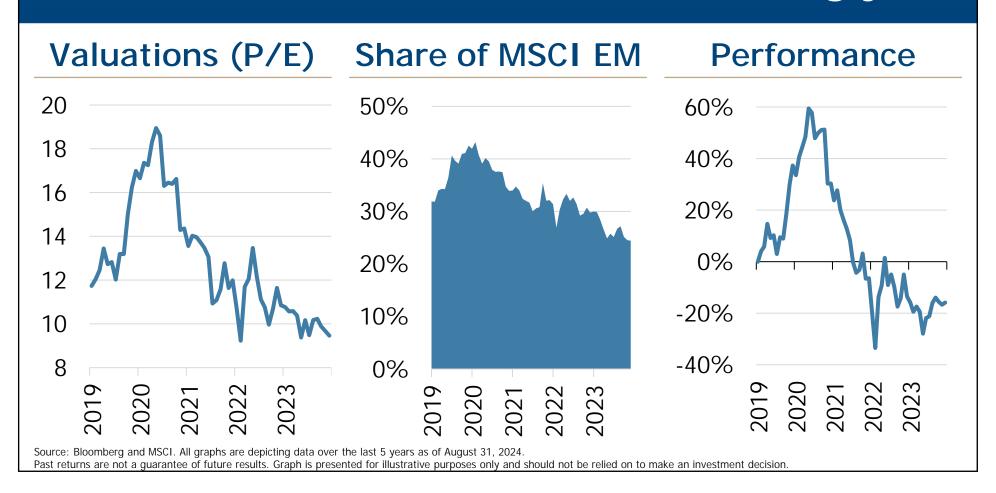
Polling Question

Should You Consider Investing in China?

A. Yes

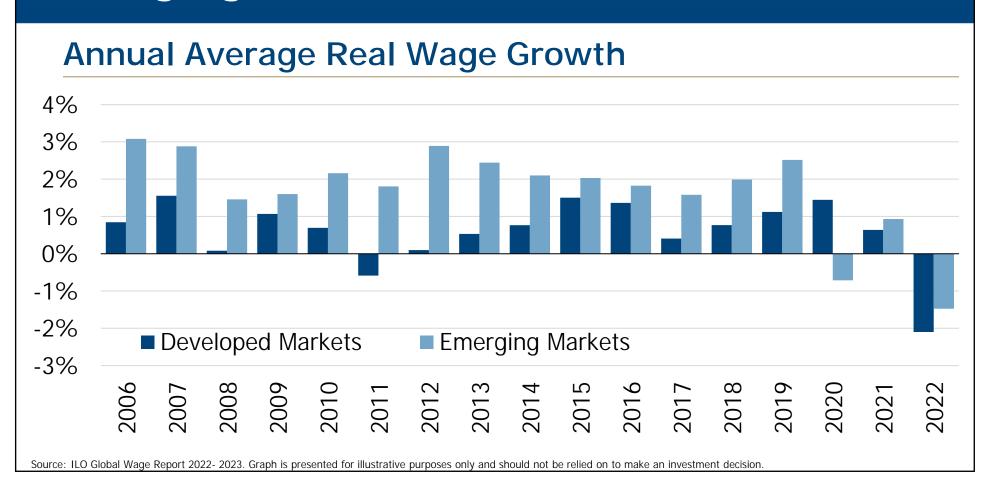
B. No

China: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly



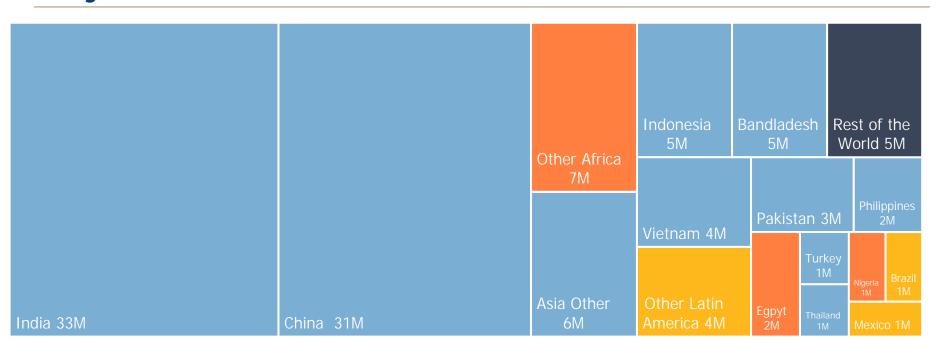


Emerging Markets: Income Growth



Emerging Markets Drive Consumer Growth

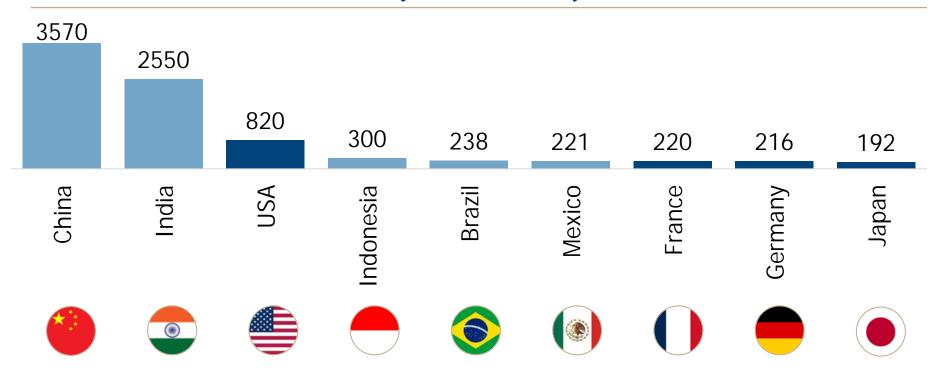
Projected 2024 Consumer Class Growth



Source: World Data Lab and Visual Capitalist as of October 2023. https://www.visualcapitalist.com/113-million-people-middle-class-2024/. Graph is presented for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied on to make an investment decision.

Emerging Markets: Education

Most STEM Graduates (thousands)



Data as of 2020. Source: Center for Security and Emerging Technology (CSET). "The Global Distribution of STEM Graduates: Which Countries Lead the Way?" by Brendan Oliss, Cole McFaul and Jaret C. Riddick. Published on November 27, 2023. Graph is presented for illustrative purposes only and should not be relied on to make an investment decision.

Transformation From Drivers of the Past...

Economic Drivers of the Past

Abundant reserves of oil, precious metals or other commodities





Cheap manufacturing hubs with affordable labor

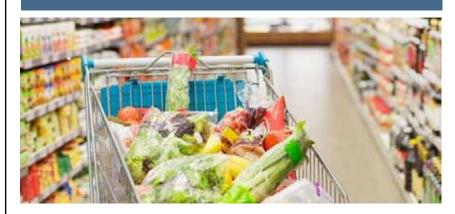


Produce domestically for sale abroad

...To Economic Drivers of Today

Economic Drivers Today

Domestic Consumption



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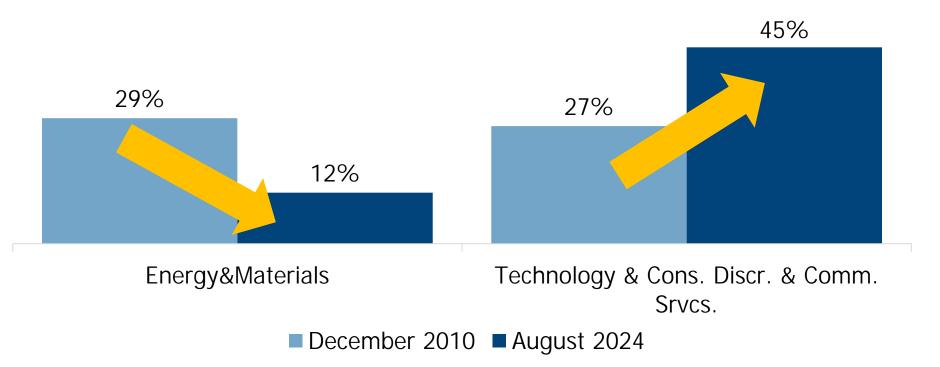
Technology



Produce domestically for sale abroad and domestically

Market Leadership Has Also Changed

Select Sectors of MSCI Emerging Markets



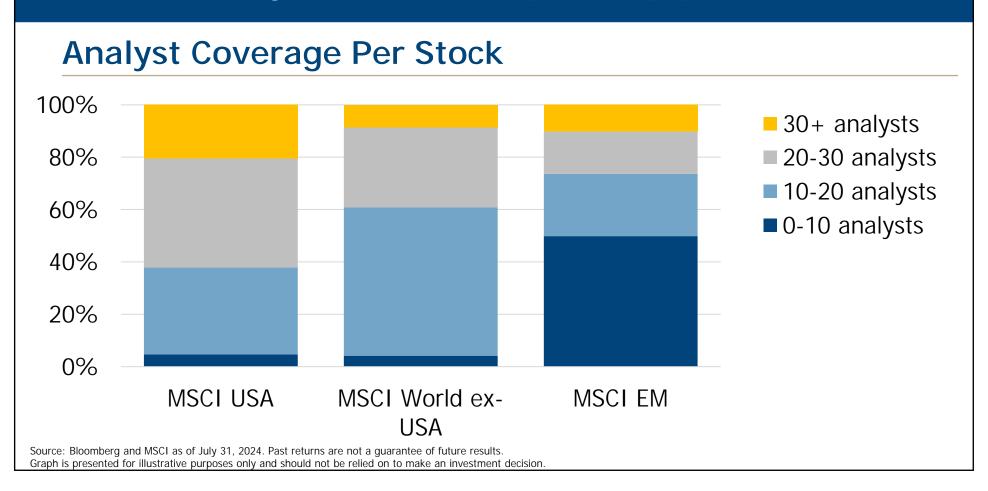
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Key Risks Economic **Financial Political** Geopolitical Other

How to Access the Emerging Markets Opportunity?

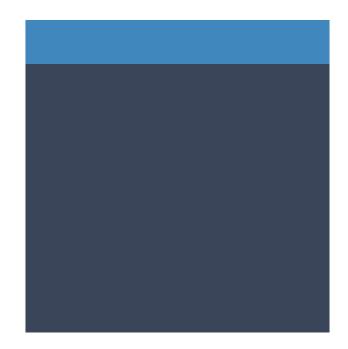
Different Investment Approaches Global **Fundamental** Passive or or or Local? Systematic? Active?

Inefficiency Creates Alpha Opportunities



Index Concentration

Total Number of Stocks in the EM Universe



► MSCI EM Index: 1,328 Stocks

► EM Stocks Not in MSCI Index: 12,839 Stocks

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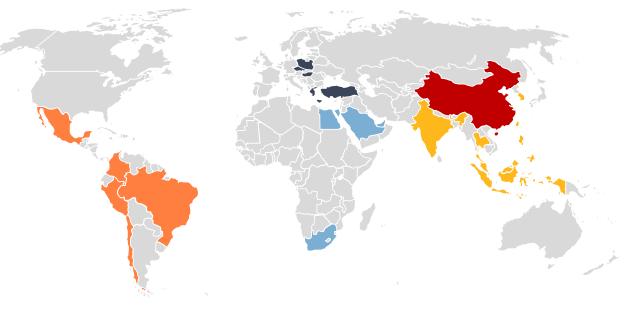
Too Diverse and Complex

1,400+ Stocks **24**Emerging Market
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Key Takeaways

- Emerging Markets have shown faster economic growth driven mostly by the expansion of its consumer base.
- As a group, Emerging Markets have performed poorly in recent years, leaving valuations at an attractive level.
- Emerging Markets are less efficient, providing a fertile ground for alpha generation.
- The approach chosen should take in consideration Emerging Markets large universe and its complexity.

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