## Japanese Retail Investors

- a unique and powerful investor base

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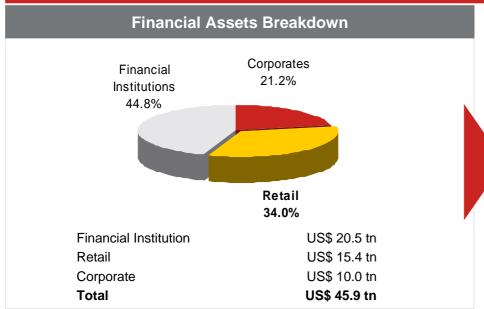


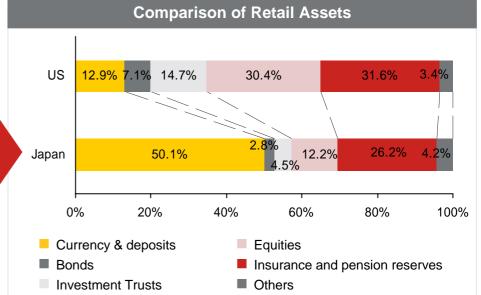
### The Largest Liquid Retail Asset Base in the World

#### Large Liquid Asset Base - Mostly Held in Cash

- Japanese retail assets are a crucial part of Japanese financial assets, accounting for one third of total financial assets
  - More than US\$45.9tn of Japanese financial assets US\$15.4tn held by retail. This is the second largest pool of retail assets worldwide next to the US
  - Compared with other major economies, Japanese retail investors hold a very high proportion of highly liquid bank or post office deposits (currently at 50.1%) – approximately US\$6.7tn liquid assets

### Japanese Retail Assets – the largest liquid retail asset base in the world





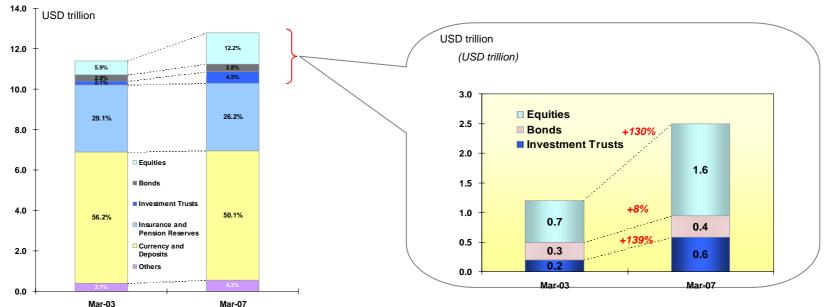
Note: Government and Public Corporations are not included. US\$1 = JPY 119 Source: Bank of Japan (March 2007)



### **Investors Are More Willing To Take Risks**

- Reflecting economic recovery and "Shift to investment vehicles from savings" movement which is backed by
  governmental policies, the holding amount of investment assets such as equities, bonds, and investment trusts has
  gradually increased among Japanese households
- Investment assets now accounts for about 19.5% against only 10.9% as of March 2003

## Transition of Japanese Household Financial Assets



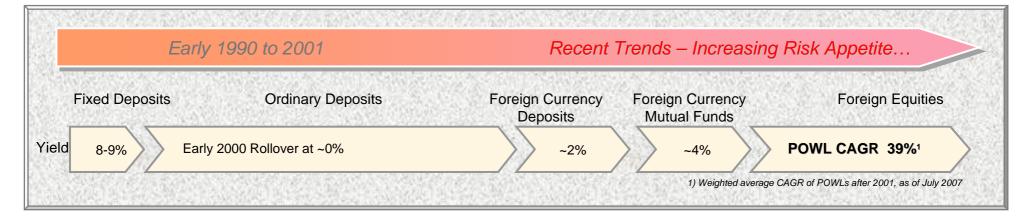
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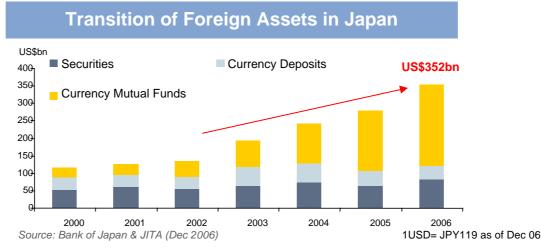
Source: Bank of Japan



## **Foreign Currency Assets Becoming Attractive**

- Especially, as investors have been switching to liquid deposits awaiting better investment alternatives, foreign currency deposits started to appear attractive
- Foreign currency securities generate even higher yields and saw a triple turnover of Japanese retail investment since 2002 to US\$352bn in 2006







### **Retail Investments in International Stocks**

#### Retail Investors Interested in International Stocks

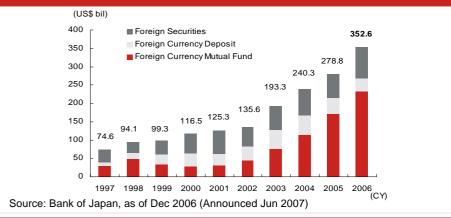
- Japanese retail investors have become to show interest in international stocks in recent years
- Retail investors have shown consistent and large demand for global offerings and POWLs ("Public Offering Without Listing") arranged by Nomura
- Among the international stocks held by Japanese investors, US stocks occupy a large share

#### **Retail Investors are Driving the Japanese Market**

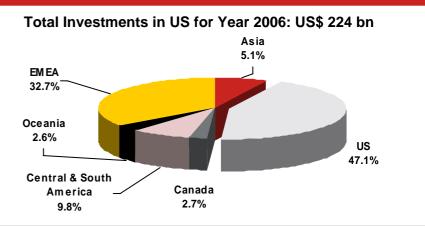
Nomura's Recent Global Offerings				Nomura's Recent POWL's			
Date	Issuers	Size (US\$m)	Allocation to Retail*	<b>Date</b> Jun-07	Issuers Sterlite	Size (US\$m) 2,000	POWL Demand 300%
Nov-06	Toyota	2,500	60%	Apr-07	Citic Bank	5,400	157%
Oct-06	Aeon	1,600	90%	Dec-06	China Coal	1,700	282%
Jul-06	Elpida	1,200	90%	Nov-06	Infosys	1,600	206%
Mar-06	ANA	850	83%	Oct-06	ICBC	22,000	177%
Jan-06	Mitsui & Co	1,700	85%	Jan-06	Lotte	3,700	100%
Jan-06	SMFG	5,200	90%	Dec-05	ICICI	1,700	165%
Nov-05	SUMCO	1,300	80%	Nov-05	POSCO	691	217%
Feb-05	Shinsei Ban	k 2,485	90%	Nov-05	EDF	7,500	42%
		,		Feb-05	KfW/DPWN	1,400	107%
Source: Nomura		* of domestic tranche					

Nomura has in excess of 4.5 m retail customers with assets in custody of US\$ 670bn

### **Retail Financial Assets in Foreign Securities and Deposits**



#### **Investment in International Stocks**



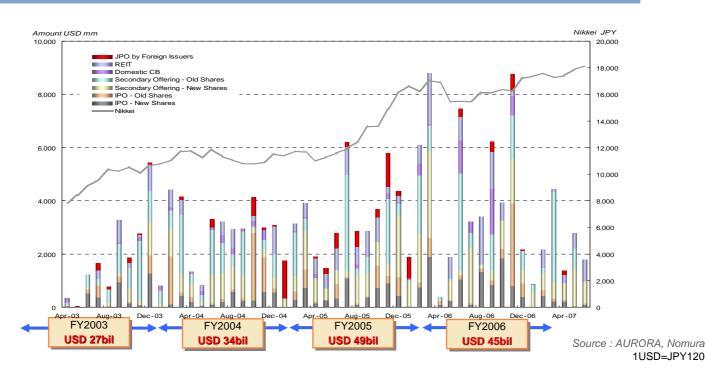
Source: Bank of Japan, as of Dec 2006 (Announced May 2007) US\$1 = ¥119



## **Affluent Fund Raising Opportunities in Japan**

- When having a look at issuers' side, reflecting changes of investors' behavior, fund raising activities have been stably increased, where the main source of purchasers in Japanese capital market is retail investors
- For the last four years, US\$ 27bn to US\$49bn has been raised on annual basis, which shows Japanese capital markets is
  affluent in terms of the opportunities to raise funds for not only Japanese issuers but also foreign issuers

### Monthly Record of Public Offering in Japanese Capital Markets

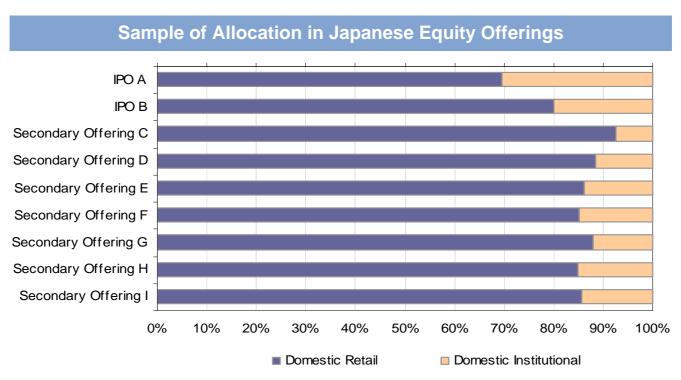




## Retail Investors Taking Critical Role at Offerings in Japan

•It is common in Japan that most of the shares are placed to retail investors in equity public offerings

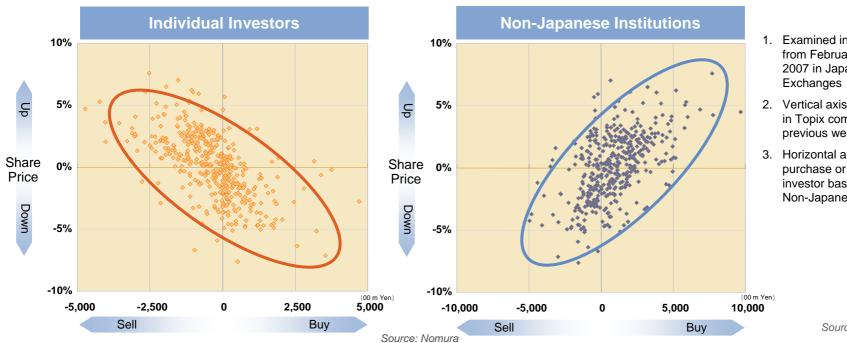
•When it comes to the offerings by foreign issuers, historically more than 95% of the offerings were allocated to retail investors, especially to high net worth investors





## **Unique Investment Behaviors of Japanese Retail**

- There is a tendency among Japanese Individual Investors to sell when share price goes up and to hold when share price goes down considering their behavior in investment into listed companies in Japan
- On the contrary, it is observed that foreign Institutional Investors buy more when price is up, and take opposite behavior when price is down
- By mixing different investor base into shareholders portfolio at the offerings, it is expected that issuers would be able to enjoy more stabilized share price movement



- Examined investors' behavior from February 1998 to January 2007 in Japanese Stock

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- Vertical axis indicates changes in Topix compared with the previous week
- Horizontal axis indicates net purchase or selling of each investor base (Individual and Non-Japanese Institutions)

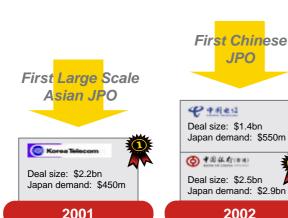
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### **Nomura's Placement Capability**

- Nomura is a pioneer and leader in placing global equities into Asia / Japan
- Landmark transactions completed every year
- Unrivalled in Japan Public Offerings ("JPO")

Combined International + Japan Distribution

100% Japan Distribution







Deal size: \$696m Japan demand: \$980m

C 中國經濟 Deal size: \$815m Japan demand: \$500m

2003



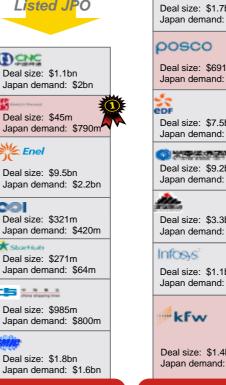


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Deal size: \$985m

Deal size: \$1.8bn

2004















Infosys

#### Deal size: \$1.6bn Japan demand: \$3.3bn



#### Deal size: \$22.0bn Japan demand: \$39bn

### Largest Ever Asian JPO

# Deal size: \$3.7bn

Japan demand: \$3.7bn US\$790m sold into

Since 2006 to date



## Power of Japanese Investors Being fully Recognized

### FinanceAsia.com

#### **INFOSYS – Best Public Offer Without Listing**

... On the demand size of the equation, what proved key to ensuring this deal's success was the POWL... Bankers say that the enthusiastic Japanese buying of Infosys stock was instrumental in the syndication process, making this the POWL that had the greatest impact on a transaction this year...

FinanceAsia (Dec 2006)

#### International bookrunners need to change their approach to the POWL

Japanese demand for Asian equity has never been greater... (Japanese) appetite has now widened to Asian companies as a whole... Japanese demand can be a vital part of an Asian equity transaction.

... the Nomura deal (Infosys POWL) was different to other regional Japanese offerings in its specific allocation target. At the time of the launch, the POWL was fixed in size but later upsized following the exceptional demand from Japan – which equated to an oversubscription level ratio of 15x.

FinanceAsia (Oct 2005)

#### Japan's changing role in the world's capital markets

... companies wanting to gain the best possible result with future equity offerings would be wise to keep the country [Japan] uppermost in their thoughts. After all, Japan is recovering from a decade-long economic malaise, and a new level of confidence has been especially apparent in the attitude of domestic retail investors... The proof of rising investor demand for the international offerings, and the response from international companies can be evidenced by the increasing number of public offerings of shares being made in Japan, whether through a TSE listing, or through a Public Offering Without Listing (POWL)... Japan is gaining more traction as an attractive destination for global issuers seeking successful fund raising. ... Like other investors in the world, the country's retail investors have noted some rapidly improving companies flourishing in markets that have unparalleled growth rates. Issues from China and India in particular, the two heavy weight economies of the region, have gained particular demand as investors seek diversification and yield.

FinanceAsia (Jul 27, 2005)

### Bloomberg

... ICICI, India's biggest private bank, picked Nomura principally because of its expertise in Japan, Chief financial Officer Vishakha Mulye said in a March 24 interview from Mumbai.

Whatever they promised, in terms of delivery, in terms of commitment, in terms of their expectations for the level of demand, they delivered, said she."

Bloomberg (Nov, 2005)



... Japanese public offers without listings (Powls) a virtually obligatory part of decent-sized equity deals in the region...

Powls have rescued several deals and provided a source of retail liquidity that has meant that issuers and their bankers no longer have to list deals in New York to tap retail interest.

IFR (Jul 30, 2005)



Chinese companies have been tapping into the Japanese market for years via public offers without listing (Powl) and have drawn abundant retail demand.

Powl offerings have become an essential part of any big China deal and have proved particularly useful for deals that have generated lukewarm demand in Hong Kong or New York...

IFR Asia (Oct 16, 2004)



### Conclusion: three ways to access Japanese capital markets

### **Listing on Tokyo Stock Exchange**

- ✓ Access to retail, institutional and corporate investors
- ✓ Expansion of new dedicated Asian investor base
- Undertaking listing examination by Tokyo Stock Exchange is time consuming (up to approx. 12 months)
- X Detailed application & documentation requirements
- X Continuous disclosure obligations (e.g. quarterly reporting)
- X The process is relatively costly

#### **Private Placement**

- ✓ International Offering Circular is sufficient
- Minimal additional selling restrictions
- Limited cost and time consuming
- X Limited numbers of investors
- X No access to retail investor base

### **Public Offering Without Listing (POWL)**

- ✓ Access to retail, institutional and corporate investors
- ✓ Expansion of new dedicated Asian investor base
- ✓ No listing required
- ✓ Relatively straight forward documentation requirements
- On-going disclosure as per international market