

zMonthly January 26

Geopolitics shapes events

Despite the geopolitical tensions in Venezuela and Iran, the new year in the stock market got off to a successful start. Most global indices rose in the first few days of January. As the month progressed, the US president once again dominated the markets. By taking the unusual step of filing charges, he increased the pressure on Fed Chair Jerome Powell. However, investors were largely unimpressed by this escalation. Donald Trump's aggressive pursuit of Greenland, on the other hand, caused uncertainty, particularly in Europe. He threatened eight European countries with new tariffs if they opposed his demand to take over the territory. As so often, this announcement was not followed by action. At the WEF in Davos, he backtracked and refrained from imposing the threatened tariffs. He also promised not to use military force, which led to an immediate easing in financial markets. Semiconductor suppliers were among the biggest gainers in the month under review. Vacuum valve manufacturer VAT Group impressed with a significant increase in order intake and sales that exceeded expectations in the fourth quarter. Contract manufacturer Siegfried announced the purchase of three production sites for active pharmaceutical ingredients, which prompted a jump in its share price. Utility company BKW surprised investors by writing down the value of its stake in a German coal-fired power plant. The company also provided a disappointing outlook for 2026. The fund gained 1.9% in January (SPI Extra +2.2%).

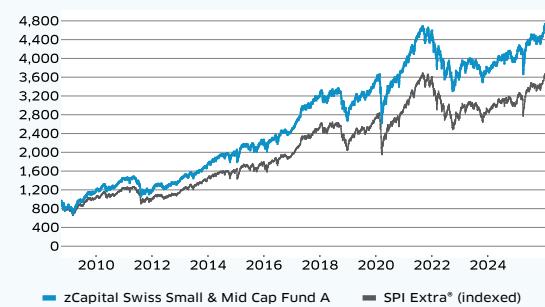
Shifts in medtech stocks

We adjusted the weightings of medtech stocks during the month under review. While we reduced our exposure to Sonova and Tecan, we increased our position in Straumann.

Loss of confidence in the US dollar

In his speech in Davos, President Trump reaffirmed America's strong focus on its own interests. This signals the end of the rules-based world order. A loss of confidence in the reliability of American institutions, attacks on the independence of the Fed, and a high level of debt are all factors that are weakening the US dollar's position as the global reserve currency. By nominating Kevin Warsh as the new Fed chairman, the president is also hoping for lower interest rates. Investors are responding to these changes by increasing their investment in tangible assets, such as precious metals and commodities. The rise in prices for memory chips, oil and metals since the beginning of the year is likely to lead to higher inflation in coming months, which will put pressure on consumers. In the longer term, there are good reasons to believe that countries such as Japan, the United States and the United Kingdom will seek to reduce their substantial debt through inflation and currency devaluation ('debasement'). In a market with an 8% growth rate in the global M2 money supply, tangible assets, including equities, remain the preferred choice. In the short term, however, the strong Swiss franc is putting pressure on the domestic stock market.

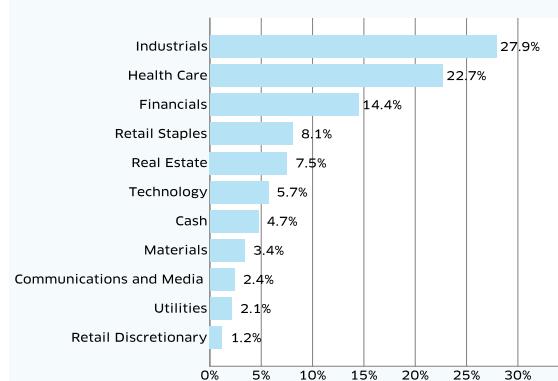
Performance since Launch (as of 30/01/2026)



Performance (as of 30/01/2026)

MTD (Fund / Benchmark)	1.9% /	2.2%
YTD	1.9% /	2.2%
1 year	9.6% /	11.8%
3 years p.a.	6.2% /	6.8%
5 years p.a.	3.8% /	4.1%
10 years p.a.	7.8% /	7.6%
Since launch p.a.	9.4% /	7.9%

Sectors (as of 30/01/2026)



Largest Positions (as of 30/01/2026)

1	Galderma Group	5.7%
2	SGS	5.1%
3	Helvetia Baloise	4.9%
4	Lindt & Sprüngli	4.9%
5	Schindler	4.9%
6	Sandoz Group	4.7%
7	Julius Baer	3.5%
8	VAT Group	3.3%
9	PSP Swiss Property	3.1%
10	Straumann	3.1%
11	Roche	2.8%
12	Belimo	2.7%
13	Swiss Prime Site	2.6%
14	Temenos	2.4%
15	Huber + Suhner	2.3%

Investment Strategy

The zCapital Swiss Small & Mid Cap Fund invests in Swiss small and mid-cap stocks and measures itself against the SPI Extra® (all SPI® stocks without SMI® or without the 20 largest securities). The fund assets are invested in a broadly diversified portfolio of 50 to 70 companies. zCapital strives to consistently exceed the benchmark return with a long-term, active investment style. Investment decisions are based on fundamental company analyses, considering and assessing corporate governance and other key ESG aspects. Macroeconomic factors are also included in the decision-making process.

Portfolio Structure (as of 30/01/2026)

Net Asset Value	CHF 4,636.41 per Share A
Total Assets	CHF 1211 m
Number of Companies	62

Statistics 3 Years (as of 30/01/2026)

Volatility Fund / Index p.a.	10.9% / 11.8%
Tracking Error	1.6%
Information Ratio	-0.4

Term sheet

Fund-Name	zCapital Swiss Small & Mid Cap Fund (Class A)
Asset Manager	zCapital AG, Zug
Swiss Security Number / ISIN	4534164 / CH0045341648
Price Publications	www.zcapital.ch , www.swissfunddata.ch , www.fundinfo.com
Bloomberg / Reuters	ZCAPSWI SW Equity / 4534164.S
Benchmark	SPI Extra® (Swiss small & mid cap equities)
Morningstar-Rating	★★★
Minimum Investment / Reference Currency	No minimum investment required / CHF
Fund Type / Distribution	Swiss Securities Fund / Authorized for public distribution in Switzerland and Germany
Fund Management Company / Custodian Bank	LLB Swiss Investment AG, Zürich / Bank Julius Bär & Co. AG, Zürich
Management Fee (incl. Fund Management and Custodian Fees)	1.5% p.a., of which 0.1% donated to charities which engage in "Children and Education"
Issue Fee / Redemption Fee	None / 0.25% in favour of the fund
Total Expense Ratio (TER) as of 30/11/2025	1.50%
Subscriptions and Redemptions	On each bank working day at Net Asset Value (NAV). Subscriptions and redemptions which are placed with the Custodian Bank by 2.45 pm CET on a bank business day (Order Day), are processed on the next bank working day (Valuation Day) based on the Order Day's closing price.
Auditor	PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich

Yearly Performance (as of 30/01/2026)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Fund	-14.5%*	40.2%	23.4%	-18.4%	17.8%	26.0%	15.2%	12.8%	9.3%	29.0%	-14.4%	28.7%	9.2%
SPI Extra®													
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026							
Fund	19.0%	-21.1%	5.0%	5.2%	14.2%	1.9%							
SPI Extra®	22.2%	-24.0%	6.5%	3.8%	16.9%	2.2%							

* since Launch date (6 October 2008)

Monthly Performance (as of 30/01/2026)

2026	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Fund	1.9%												1.9%
SPI Extra®	2.2%												2.2%

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