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### At a Glance

- VEIL's NAV fell 9.8% in April, following a sharp market correction triggered by the US tariff announcement.
- Domestic-focused retail names proved resilient amid volatility, supported by strong Q1 earnings and upbeat AGM guidance.
- Banks were the largest drag on performance, driven by foreign selling amid concerns that tariffs could lead to slower credit growth and economic slowdown.

### Performance (%)

	Net Assets / Market Cap	NAV/share	Disc/Prem	YTD	1 Month	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
VEIL NAV (USD)	\$1,567.5mn	\$8.71	N/A	-10.5	-9.8	-11.4	-1.1	-24.5	63.1	157.7
VNI (Reference Index)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-5.0	-8.4	-6.3	0.6	-16.6	55.7	125.1
VEIL Share Price (GBP)	£935.8mn*	£5.20	-20.1	-15.0	-11.4	-13.9	-11.0	-30.4	33.3	NA
VEIL Share Price (USD)	\$1,252.5mn*	\$6.96	-20.1	-9.0	-9.7	-7.5	-4.2	-25.6	43.8	NA

\*Market capitalisation

Past performance cannot be relied upon as a guide to future performance

### Fund Commentary

April was a month of extreme volatility, with an early sell-off triggered by investor anxiety over the US tariff announcement. While the correction was large and broad-based, the market has shown signs of resilience in May, and we are encouraged by the recent US-China 90-day tariff pause.

Banks were the main drag in April, with our top three sector holdings, ACB (-8.8%), TCB (-6.1%) and VCB (-13.0%), contributing to a 3.8% sector-level pullback. Foreign outflows intensified on concerns that tariffs could dampen credit growth and delay economic momentum. While this caution is understandable, we believe the market reaction was excessive. Q1 results from our bank holdings were encouraging, with stable margins, sound asset quality, and steady loan growth. We continue to view the sector as integral to Vietnam's long-term development, particularly as fiscal support, property, and infrastructure spending gain traction. Industrial parks also came under pressure on tariff-driven FDI concerns, but we had already trimmed exposure in Q1 on strength, limiting the impact. While uncertainty remains, we believe their fundamentals remain sound. Leverage is moderate (40-60% debt-to-equity), and each holds sizeable clean residential land banks, providing a buffer in case of any delayed IP sales.

By contrast, retail holdings MWG and FRT proved resilient. Our largest holding, MWG, ended flat against a falling market on upbeat AGM guidance and strong Q1 data (+15% revenue, +71% profit). FRT held steady, supported by the announced private placement of its pharmacy chain, Long Châu, with Creador acquiring 13%. While short-term performance was challenged, we believe the portfolio is aligned well with Vietnam's growth trajectory. We continue to monitor developments and are actively assessing where sentiment dislocation may present selective opportunities.

### Stock in Focus: Mobile World Group (MWG)

Established in 2004 and publicly listed a decade ago, Mobile World Group (MWG) began as Vietnam's leading mobile phone retailer. Over the past ten years, it has expanded to become the country's largest overall retailer, dominating not just mobile phones but also consumer electronics and groceries. With over 5,400 stores nationwide and annual revenue exceeding \$5bn, MWG remains a core name in Vietnam's retail sector.

2024 was a turning point for grocery arm Bach Hoa Xanh (BHX) as it delivered its first profit following a multi-year restructuring. The focus has now shifted to expansion, with over 230 new stores opened in Q1, well on track to meet the 400-store 2025 target. The company has guided for \$20mn in net earnings for BHX in 2025, a remarkable turnaround from a loss of over \$40mn just two years ago. Given the incredibly fragmented nature of the retail market in Vietnam, where modern trade only accounts for roughly 25%, BHX has significant room for growth as the sector matures.

Beyond groceries, MWG is actively exploring new growth drivers. It owns a 45% stake in a joint venture in Indonesia's consumer electronics space, which has reached 100 stores and recently turned profitable. MWG is also developing new retail chains in the pharmaceutical and "mom & baby" segments. Having been a core VEIL holding since its IPO ten years ago, MWG continues to represent our highest-conviction position for capturing Vietnam's growing middle class and rising domestic consumption.

### Top Ten Holdings (55.9% of AUM)

Company	Ticker	Sector	VEIL (%)	VNI (%)	CH (%)
Mobile World	MWG	Consumer Discretionary	8.1	1.8	0.0
Asia Com. Bank	ACB	Financials (Banks)	6.2	2.1	-8.8
Techcombank	TCB	Financials (Banks)	6.0	3.6	-6.1
Vietcombank	VCB	Financials (Banks)	5.7	9.4	-13.0
VP Bank	VPB	Financials (Banks)	5.4	2.6	-15.4
FPT Corporation	FPT	Information Technology	5.2	3.1	-13.2
BIDV	BID	Financials (Banks)	5.1	4.7	-13.1
Hoa Phat Group	HPG	Materials	5.0	3.2	-7.6
Vietinbank	CTG	Financials (Banks)	4.9	3.9	-11.5
Vinhomes	VHM	Real Estate	4.4	4.7	12.2

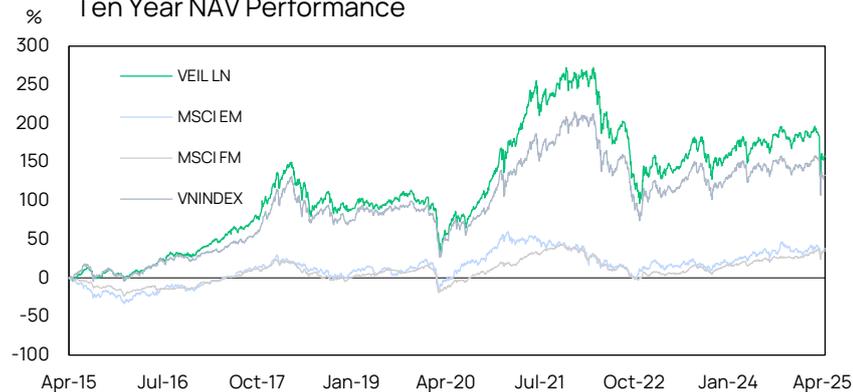
### Sector Breakdown

Financials - Banks	42.2
Real Estate	16.7
Consumer Discretionary	11.9
Materials	8.4
Information Technology	5.1
Financials - Diversified	4.9
Industrials	4.7
Consumer Staples	1.6
Energy	1.6
Utilities	0.9

### Monthly Contribution

Financials - Banks	3.8
Real Estate	-1.8
Consumer Discretionary	-0.2
Materials	-0.8
Information Technology	-0.7
Financials - Diversified	-0.6
Industrials	-0.4
Consumer Staples	-0.1
Energy	-0.5
Utilities	-0.1

### Ten Year NAV Performance



All reporting on this page is in total return US dollar terms to 28 March due to Singapore public holidays

## Key Indicators

Item	Unit	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025F
GDP	\$bn	346.6	366.1	408.8	430.0	476.3	529.5
Real GDP Growth	%	2.9	2.6	8.0	5.1	7.1	8.0
Services Growth	%	2.5	1.2	10.0	6.9	7.4	8.9
Agriculture Growth	%	2.8	2.9	3.4	2.6	3.3	5.5
Ind'l and Const'n Growth	%	3.3	4.1	7.8	3.5	8.3	8.7
Retail Sales Growth	%	2.6	-3.8	10.2	8.3	9.0	9.4
<b>Prices</b>							
CPI (Average YoY)	%	3.2	1.8	3.2	3.3	3.6	4.2
<b>Money, FX and Interest Rates</b>							
Money Supply M2	%	14.5	8.9	6.2	12.5	12.7	14.5
Average Lending Rate	%	8.6	8.5	13.7	8.7	8.4	8.4
5-yr VGB	%	1.1	0.9	4.7	1.6	1.4	1.9
VND : \$	\$1	23,085	22,800	23,550	24,250	25,450	26,500
<b>External Sector</b>							
Trade Balance	\$bn	19.9	3.3	12.4	28.0	24.4	18.8
Current Account	\$bn	15.1	-7.8	-1.5	17.4	20.7	14.6
Current Account / GDP	%	4.3	-2.1	-0.4	4.0	4.4	2.8
FDI Registered	\$bn	28.5	38.5	27.7	36.6	35.0	31.0
FDI Disbursement	\$bn	20.0	19.8	22.4	23.2	25.4	23.1
FX Reserves	\$bn	98.0	106.5	85.0	89.0	80.0	75.0
<b>Public Debt Fiscal Balance</b>							
External Debt	\$bn	130.1	138.8	141.2	138.0	140.3	151.0
Government	\$bn	49.0	47.9	48.8	44.4	44.5	47.8
Enterprises (incl. FDI)	\$bn	81.1	90.9	92.4	93.6	95.8	103.2
External Debt (% GDP)	%	37.5	37.9	34.5	30.3	30.3	30.1
Fiscal Balance (% GDP)	%	-3.9	-4.0	-4.0	-3.6	-3.6	-4.2

All forecasts are Dragon Capital estimates

## Key Stock Market Data

	HSX		HNX		UPCoM		Total	
	30-Apr-24	30-Apr-25	30-Apr-24	30-Apr-25	30-Apr-24	30-Apr-25	30-Apr-24	30-Apr-25
Market cap (\$m)	194,324	197,100	12,159	13,356	49,706	52,581	256,189	263,037
Number of stocks	398	391	322	310	871	889	1,591	1,590
Number of large cap stocks (> \$400m)	72	74	9	11	16	15	97	100
Stocks with no room for foreigners	67	62	95	97	254	278	416	437
Market cap of stocks with no room (\$m)	30,295	16,770	1,781	2,924	18,047	20,164	50,123	39,858
Share of Market Cap with No Room (%)	15.6	8.5	14.6	21.9	36.3	38.3	19.6	15.2

## Top 25 Companies by Market Cap

No	Company	30-Apr Price (VND)	Price YTD (%)	Mkt Cap (\$m)	Wt in VNI (%)	PER			PBV			Yield		
						2023 (x)	2024 (x)	2025E (x)	2023 (x)	2024 (x)	2025E (x)	2023 (%)	2024 (%)	2025E (%)
1	Vietcombank	57,300	-6.1	18,422	9.30	15.6	17.3	15.6	2.7	2.6	2.1	-	-	-
2	Vingroup	68,000	67.7	10,004	5.10	79.1	13.0	22.1	1.5	1.1	1.7	-	0.4	-
3	BIDV	34,550	-8.0	9,334	4.70	15.2	13.5	11.7	2.1	1.9	1.5	0.1	-	-
4	Vinhomes	58,400	46.0	9,229	4.70	5.6	5.2	5.8	1.0	0.8	1.0	-	0.4	-
5	Airports Corporation VN	94,100	-25.3	7,882	-	22.1	29.1	20.0	2.9	4.6	2.8	-	-	-
6	Vietinbank	37,200	-1.6	7,686	3.90	8.5	8.9	7.5	1.2	1.4	1.2	-	-	-
7	Techcombank	26,300	6.7	7,149	3.60	6.2	8.4	7.9	0.8	1.2	1.1	-	3.0	2.6
8	Hoa Phat Group	25,500	-4.3	6,276	3.20	24.3	14.2	10.3	1.6	1.5	1.3	-	-	2.0
9	FPT	109,400	-28.3	6,192	3.10	20.4	31.3	18.8	4.8	7.5	4.5	2.4	1.5	2.4
10	MB Bank	23,550	7.9	5,529	2.80	4.7	6.1	6.0	1.0	1.2	1.1	2.3	2.1	-
11	PV Gas	58,300	-14.4	5,255	2.70	14.2	15.7	12.9	2.5	2.6	2.2	4.1	8.7	6.0
12	VP Bank	16,550	-13.8	5,052	2.60	14.5	9.7	7.1	1.1	1.1	0.8	5.2	5.2	4.2
13	Masan Consumer	119,600	-33.3	4,839	-	7.6	23.7	15.1	2.1	17.3	7.2	0.4	12.4	3.8
14	Vinamilk	57,600	-9.1	4,632	2.30	16.9	15.8	15.2	4.2	4.1	3.9	5.8	6.2	7.6
15	Asia Commercial Bank	24,050	-6.8	4,133	2.10	5.7	7.0	6.0	1.3	1.4	1.1	3.6	3.4	1.7
16	LienViet Post Bank	32,550	4.2	3,741	1.90	7.2	9.6	8.8	1.2	2.2	1.8	-	-	-
17	Mobile World	60,800	-0.3	3,460	1.80	370.4	24.0	16.8	2.7	3.2	2.8	1.2	0.8	1.7
18	Masan Group	62,500	-10.7	3,459	1.80	229.0	50.4	24.9	3.6	3.3	2.8	0.3	1.7	0.3
19	HD Bank	21,450	-15.9	2,885	1.50	5.6	7.0	5.1	1.3	1.6	1.1	4.3	3.3	-
20	Sacombank	39,100	6.0	2,836	1.40	6.8	6.9	6.5	1.2	1.3	1.1	-	-	-
21	Vietnam Airlines	31,600	10.3	2,692	1.40	neg	8.4	11.4	neg	neg	15.9	1.1	0.4	-
22	Sabeco	48,100	-13.3	2,374	1.20	18.3	16.8	14.3	3.0	3.1	2.9	4.2	6.5	10.4
23	Becamex IDC	55,000	-22.4	2,190	1.10	26.5	33.6	26.2	3.5	3.7	3.3	1.3	1.4	-
24	Vincom Retail	23,650	37.9	2,068	1.00	12.0	9.5	11.9	1.4	0.9	1.2	-	-	-
25	VEAM Corp	38,900	-2.3	1,989	-	6.6	7.2	6.7	1.6	2.0	1.9	12.3	12.9	12.0

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Fund	Bloomberg	ISIN	LEI	SEDOL	CUSIP	Listed
VEIL	VEIL LN (GBP)	KYG9361H1092	213800SYT3T4AGEVW864	BD9X204	G9361H109	London (Main Market)
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