

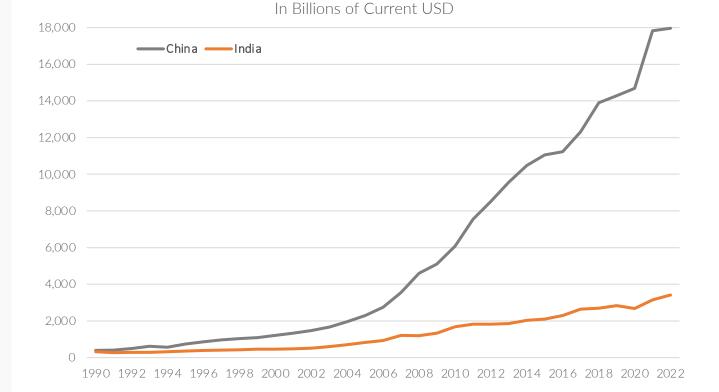
India: This Time Is Different

March 2024



"I dream of a young India that is not constrained by any limitations whatsoever. I want the youth of this country to lead a life filled with hope and opportunity."

Narendra Modi



Gross Domestic Product Growth, China & India Since 1990

Source: World Bank, World Development Indicators





1. The economic case for India now

2. Indian stocks through our GARP (growth at a reasonable price) + Quality lens

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The Economic Case for India Now



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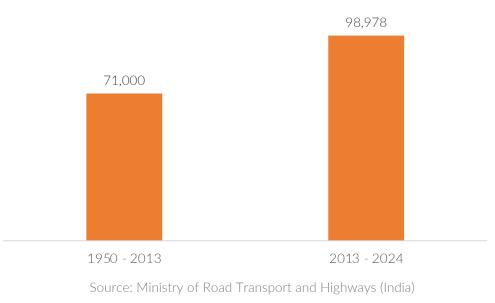
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Key Features of India's Transformation

- 1. <u>Digitalization</u>: Designed to unify the country, make economic reform inclusive of all Indians, formalize the economy and improve tax collection.
- 2. <u>Tax Harmonization</u>: Single national goods and services tax (GST) replaced a complex web of state and federal taxes.
- 3. <u>Infrastructure</u>: Massive program to build roads, ports, railways, and double the country's number of airports.
- 4. <u>Repair Fiscal Situation</u>: Improve tax collection, rationalize federal spending, lower current account deficit, and tame inflation.





India built 1.4 times as many kilometers of roads in the last decade as it did in the previous 63 years.

Reform is meaningful and consequential

Facts of reform

- Core CPI has fallen from 9% to 3.8% between 2012 and 2024 (1)
- Current account deficit has fallen from 5.1% of GDP in 2012 to 1.1% of GDP in 2024 (1)
- India is the only Asian economy with an investmentto-GDP ratio that is higher today than before the pandemic. (2)
- Capital investment is now 30% of GDP, higher than Taiwan and on par with South Korea. (2)

Source: KKR, "Thoughts From the Road – India," February 2024.
Source: NIKKEI Asia (Opinion) – Richard Yetsenga, February 2024.



Source: International Monetary Fund, October 2023. Figures for 2024-2028 are IMF estimates.



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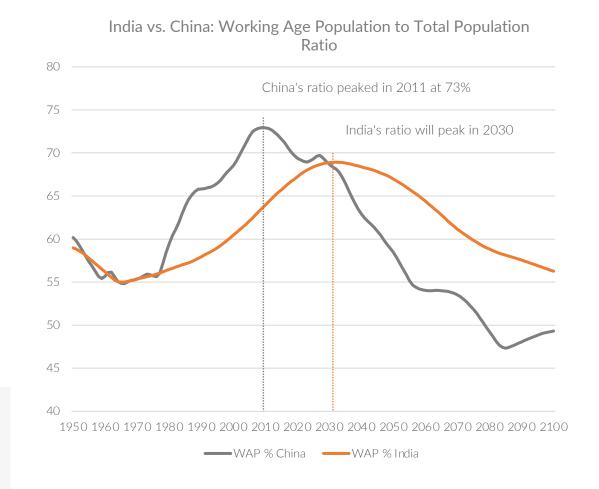


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Harnessing India's Incredible Demographic Advantage

- Investors have talked for decades about India's "demographic dividend."
- But until Narendra Modi was elected Prime Minister, there was a real chance that this "dividend" would be wasted.
- Prime Minister Modi understood that for India to succeed, he had to empower all Indians and ensure that prosperity included everyone.
- So, while better economic policies were needed—and have been implemented—what makes this moment SUSTAINABLE is the inclusion of all of India in the country's development.

- India's pool of workers will rise to <u>one billion</u> over the next decade.
- The country's median age of 28 is a decade younger than China and the U.S.



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division



Digital India

Prime Minister Modi's flagship policy is focused on connecting all Indians across the country and ensuring nobody gets left behind as the economy modernizes.

Three key pillars:

- Aadhaar: the world's largest digital ID program
- Jan Dhan: digital accounts to connect all Indians to the financial system
- Mobile: scaling Aadhaar and Jan Dham





Empowering 1.4 billion Indians

- Prior to Aadhaar, <u>800 million</u> rural residents were excluded from the financial system.
- By April 2018, <u>1.2 billion</u> Indians were covered by the new system.
- Thanks to Aadhaar adoption, by 2015 Indians were opening <u>300k</u> new Jan Dhan accounts per day.
- Today Jan Dhan accounts exceed <u>500 million</u> and by year-end 2023 total assets exceeded 2.1 trillion rupees (USD 25.3 billion)
- Private Final Consumption Expenditure has grown at a CAGR of <u>11.3%</u> over the last 10 years. The ratio of PFCE to GDP has increased from 55% to 60%.

"India is a youthful country. A country with such a major percentage of youth has the capability to change not only its own but the fate of the entire world."

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Sources: https://www.narendramodi.in/ (Aadhar & Jan Dhan statistics). EY India: Reaping the demographic dividend (PFCE statistics).



India's economy is domestically focused and consumer-driven

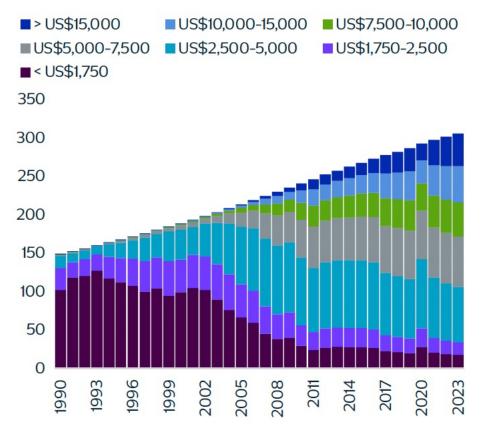
Digital initiatives have improved governance, eliminated waste and corruption, and fostered a digital-first environment that has attracted record levels of foreign direct investment (FDI).

- Unified Payments Interface (UPI) (think Venmo for government) has turbocharged the digital economy. <u>Today</u> <u>India accounts for 46% of all global digital transactions</u>.
- "Digital India" enabled the consolidation of welfare benefits into the "Digital Benefit Transfers (DBT)" system.
- Through DBT the government has transferred <u>USD 400 billion</u> to <u>1 billion</u> beneficiaries in the last 10 years, eliminating USD 33 billion in waste, and helped lift 250 million Indians out of poverty.

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India: Number of Household Income, Millions



Source: KKR, "Thoughts From the Road – India," February 2024. Chart data from Euromonitor socioeconomic database.

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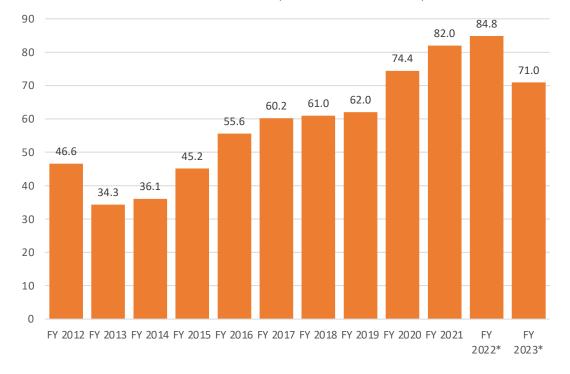
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Maturing Capital Markets Support Growth Story

- As India's markets have matured and grown alongside the economy, confidence in the durability of the country's growth has resulted in record levels of foreign capital flows.
- Domestic savings program (through "Digital India" initiative) is providing a tailwind to Indian equities, adding depth and breadth to the market.

Value of Foreign Direct Investment Flows Into India, FY 2012-2023 (in billions of USD)

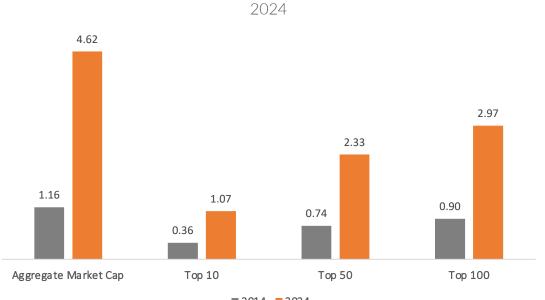


Source: Reserve Bank of India



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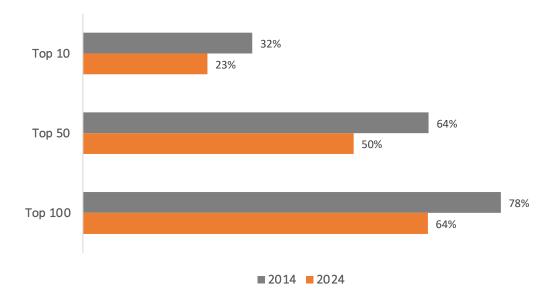
<u>Signs of a maturing market</u>: While the value of India's equity market has quadrupled in the last decade, concentration in the largest names has diminished, a healthy sign of improved market depth.



Growth In Aggregate Market Cap for Indian Equities, 2014-

2014 2024

Indian Equities: Concentration in Largest Companies, 2014 vs. 2024



Source: MarketGrader Research

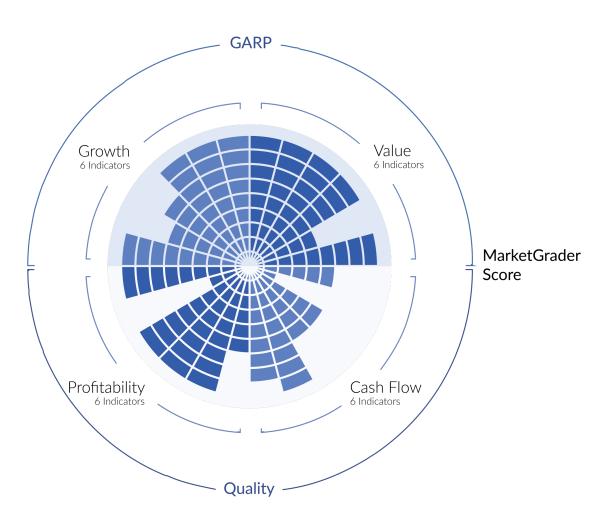
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Global Markets Through our GARP + Quality Lens

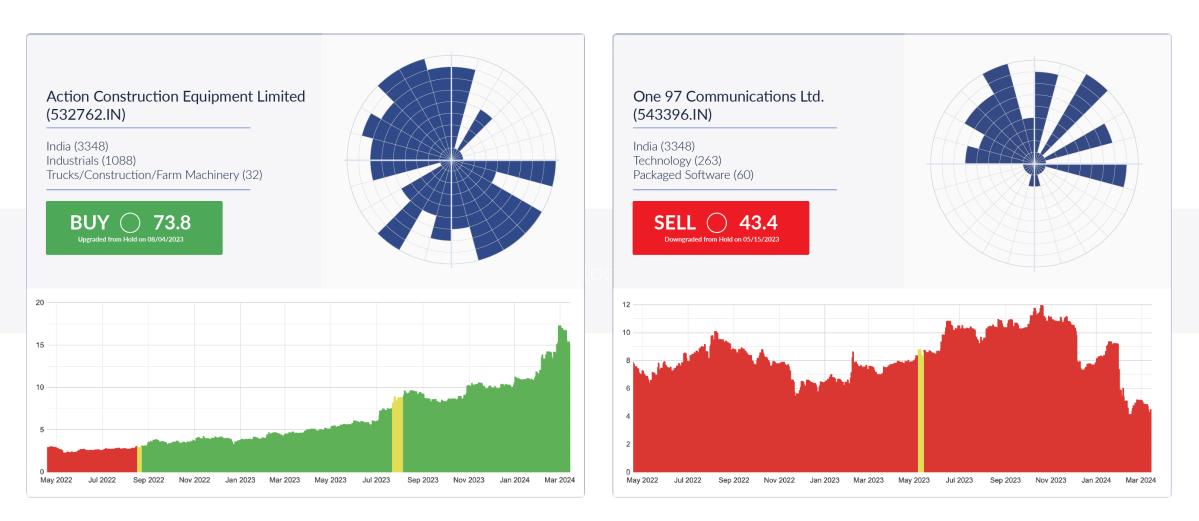




Our process begins with the daily analysis of 41,000 companies listed in more than 100 global exchanges

We calculate 24 fundamental indicators for every company under coverage based on our GARP + Quality framework to identify the world's best growth compounders.

The MarketGrader Overall Grade, a score between zero and 100 derived from these 24 indicators, forms the basis of all our index selections.

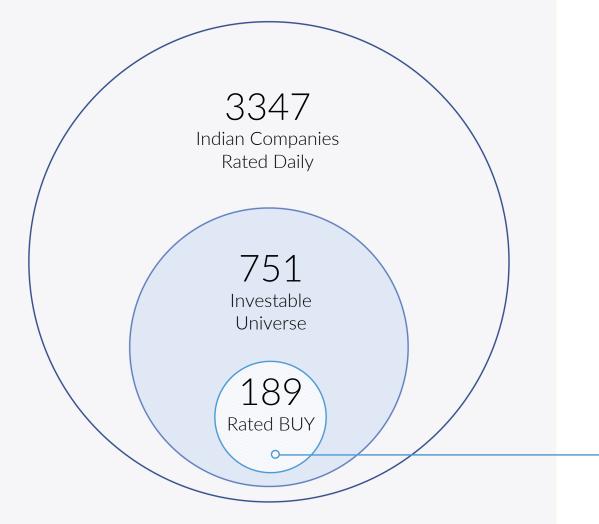


Company grades and ratings as of March 20, 2024. Source: MarketGrader Research



The MarketGrader India All-Cap Growth Leaders Index





- 1. Distillation of our coverage universe down to an investable universe
- Screening out all companies that don't meet our GARP + Quality criteria
- 3. Rules-based index methodology defines constituent count, weighting, sector or size caps

Only 5.6% of all companies make the cut

The MarketGrader India All-Cap Growth Leaders Index's 80 constituents represent the top 2.4% of all Indian equities

Objective

The MarketGrader India All-Cap Growth Leaders Index consists of the 80 most fundamentally sound Indian companies. It seeks to give investors access to the best compounders of growth in one of the world's fastest growing economies.

Underlying Universe

All companies domiciled in India, listed on the National Stock Exchange (NSE) of India, the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE), or on National U.S. Exchanges that are covered by MarketGrader Research.

Regulatory Screen

The stock cannot be included in the 'Red Flag List' maintained and published by the National Securities Depository Limited (NDSL) of India, which governs foreign ownership limits of Indian securities.

Base Date & Publication Date

Dec. 31, 2007 & Feb. 21, 2020

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Minimum Market Cap	USD 150 million
Minimum Liquidity	3-Mo. Avg. Daily Trading Volume of USD 2 million
Weighting	The index is free-float market cap weighted, with the total weight of any single constituent capped at 5% of the entire index.
Rebalance Schedule	Semi-annually on the third Friday of March and September
Index Codes	MGINGROW (price return series) MGINGRNR (net total return series) MGINGRTR (gross total return series)

Annualized Total Returns vs. Benchmarks

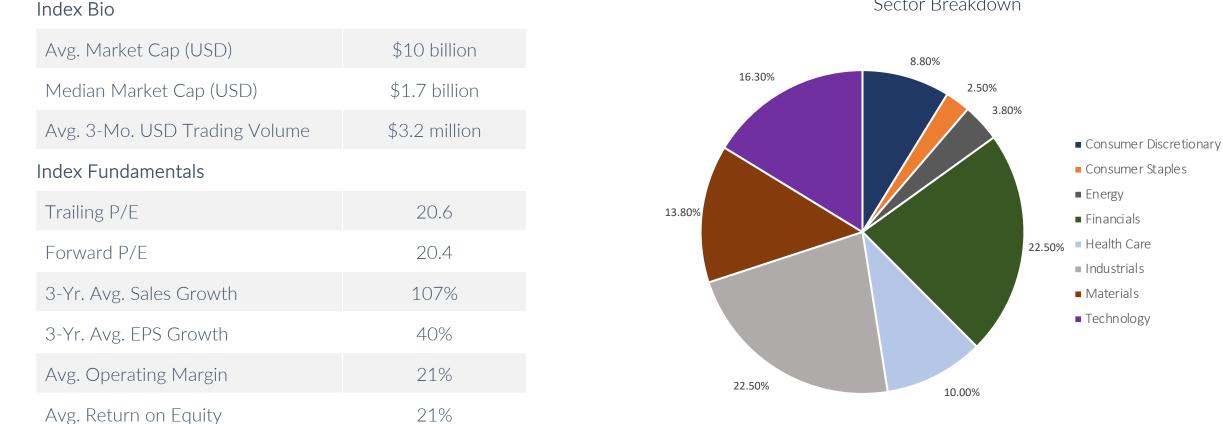


	MarketGrader India All-Cap Growth Leaders Index	MSCI India Index	S&P BSE SENSEX Index
Return/Std. Dev.			
10 Years	0.69	0.56	0.58
5 Years	0.71	0.65	0.61
3 Years	0.93	0.84	0.71
Beta to MSCI India			
10 Years	0.91	1.00	1.00
5 Years	0.92	1.00	1.00
3 Years	1.00	1.00	0.92

Inception date of the MarketGrader India All-Cap Growth Leaders Index was Dec. 31, 2007; all performance figures are through February 2024. Sources: MarketGrader, FactSet.



The MarketGrader India All-Cap Growth Leaders Index – Key Facts



Sector Breakdown

Index Bio, Index Fundamentals, and Sector Breakdown as of March 21, 2024. Sources, MarketGrader, FactSet



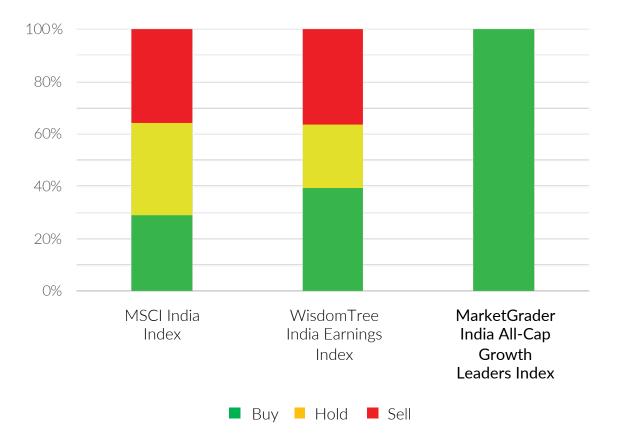
Ten Companies with Most Index Selections (out of 34 possible)				
Symbol	Name	# Selections		
532540.IN	Tata Consultancy Services Limited	32		
532281.IN	HCL Technologies Limited	27		
500124.IN	Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Limited	22		
INFY	Infosys Limited	19		
500480.IN	Cummins India Limited	16		
532187.IN	IndusInd Bank Ltd.	16		
532733.IN	Sun TV Network Limited	16		
532466.IN	Oracle Financial Services Software Ltd.	15		
532321.IN	Zydus Lifesciences Limited	14		
505200.IN	Eicher Motors Limited	13		

Top 10 MarketGrader Overall Grades (out of 100)

Symbol	Name	Grade
524816.IN	NATCO Pharma Limited	• 82.0
524558.IN	Neuland Laboratories	• 80.5
540725.IN	Share India Securities	• 78.7
532368	Brightcom Group Limited	• 78.2
533339.IN	Zen Technologies Limited	• 77.9
512455.IN	Lloyds Metals & Energy Ltd.	• 77.5
590003.IN	Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.	• 77.4
533333.IN	Fineotex Chemical Limited	• 76.4
532375.IN	Tips Industries Limited	• 76.1
526371.IN	NMDC Limited	• 76.0

Companies with the most selections to the Index and Top 10 Grades as of March 21, 2024. Source: MarketGrader.





Percentage of Companies by MarketGrader Rating

Breakdown of index constituents by MarketGrader rating as of March 21, 2024. Source: MarketGrader.

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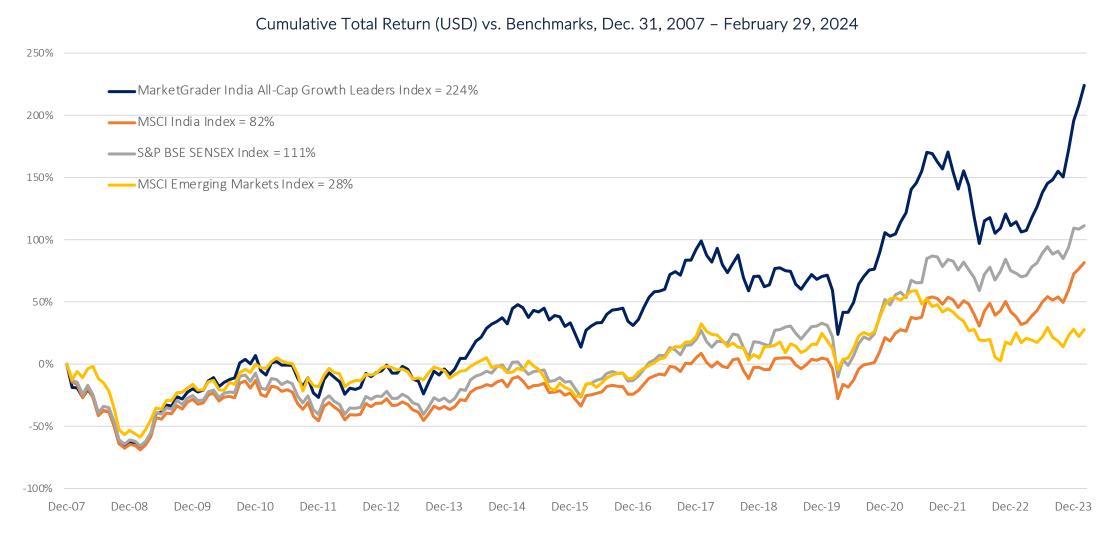
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The MarketGrader Difference

Our GARP + Quality analysis ensures that only the companies with the best fundamentals are selected to our MarketGrader India All-Cap Growth Leaders Index.

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All figures are total returns in USD through February 2024. Sources: MarketGrader, FactSet.



- 1. India has a unique opportunity to grow as a consumer-driven economy and a tradeoriented manufacturing economy. Emerging economies are seldom able to pursue both concurrently.
- 2. The empowerment of the individual, at the center of India's reform drive, has been underestimated. It could be the world's most powerful economic force this century.
- 3. Contrary to what is often the case for investors in the equity markets of other emerging economies, in India public company investors are likely to reap the benefits of the country's macroeconomic growth.