

## Todd Q4 2025 International Intrinsic Value Review

	4Q2025	YTD	3 Year*	5 Year*	7 Year*	10 Year*
International Intrinsic Value (Gross)	4.61%	38.75%	18.81%	10.88%	13.13%	9.15%
International Intrinsic Value (Net)	4.40%	37.61%	17.83%	9.96%	12.19%	8.24%
MSCI ACWI ex-US (Net)	5.05%	32.39%	17.33%	7.91%	10.15%	8.41%
MSCI ACWI ex-US Value (Net)	7.61%	39.50%	20.17%	11.87%	10.50%	8.74%

\* Annualized Total Returns. Please refer to the attached Performance Disclosure for further information.

### Performance Review

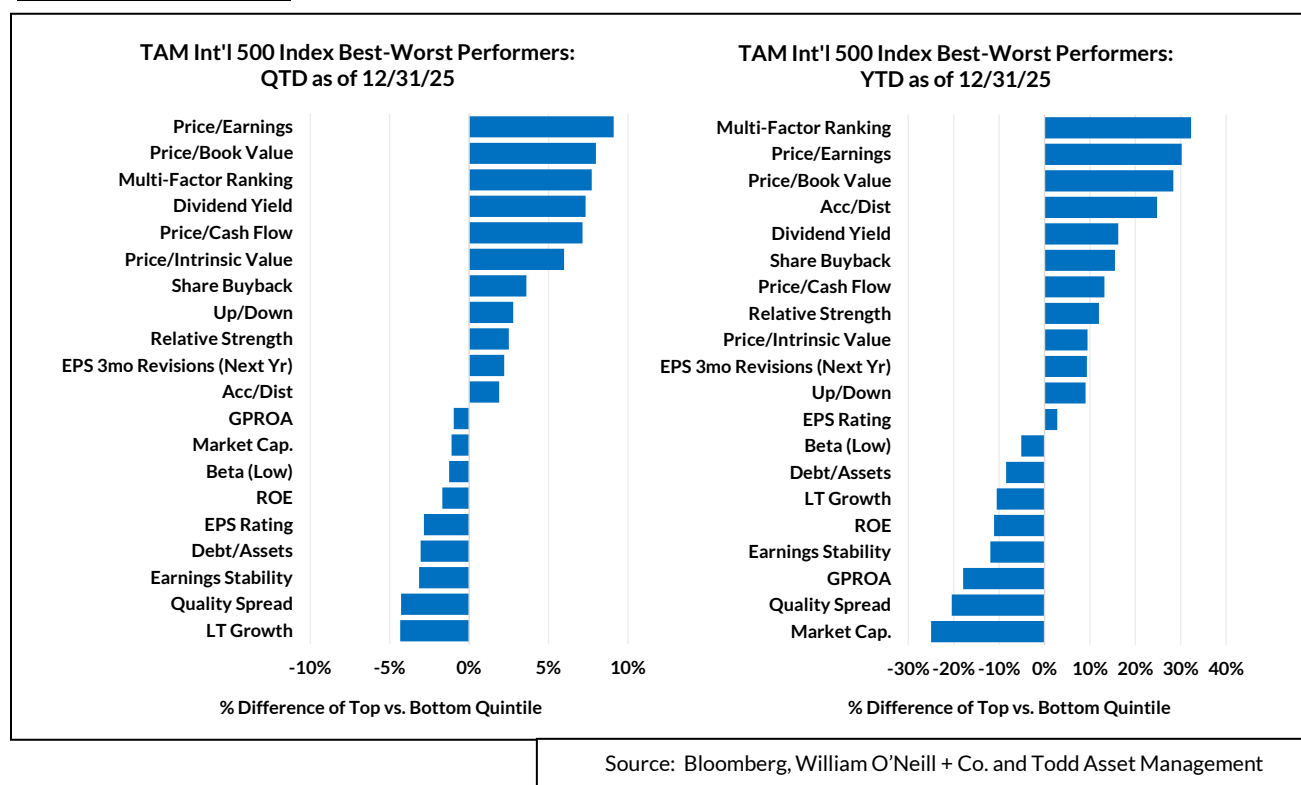
International markets finished the year at all-time highs, a pivotal development we highlighted in our last quarterly commentary. Our International IV strategy capped off a fantastic year, returning +37.6% (net) in absolute terms and outperforming our core benchmark (the ACWI ex-US) by more than +500 basis points. What makes this result so striking is the backdrop: a year defined by geopolitical friction, the shock of universal tariffs, and an astronomical, all-out AI arms race. In an environment where every dollar of corporate capex seemed destined for a US data center, the steep outperformance of international markets served as a humbling reminder of the market's primary function: to move in whichever direction makes the maximum number of people look foolish.

Our standard breakdown of performance by sector, region and factor will follow over the next few pages. As we will discuss, last year's drivers were remarkably broad-based with few detractors. This breadth suggests that thematic, style, and macroeconomic forces played a decisive role in distinguishing "winners" from "losers." Thematically, the strategy's core trends performed well. We've highlighted them quite a bit in the past, but Europe and Japan have both benefitted from policy shifts that have seen interest rates normalize higher and fiscal spending initiatives ramp to support economic growth. Higher interest rates have created a more favorable environment for Banks and Insurance companies. Fiscal stimulus and broader efforts to upgrade infrastructure, retool defense capabilities, modernize power generation, reinvest in domestic manufacturing and secure energy assets have also brightened the outlook for numerous Industrial, Materials and Energy companies.

Technological disruptions and digitization efforts have also been a recurring theme for a number of years. While the US has dominated the first wave of Artificial Intelligence, many companies in Technology, Industrials and Consumer Discretionary are capturing the buildout of AI infrastructure and ramping semiconductor chip capacity. More broadly, the implementation of digitization efforts should have longer lasting impacts on corporate profitability.

Finally, macroeconomic tailwinds—including a weaker U.S. dollar and a reacceleration in manufacturing—support more cyclically oriented positioning. Shifting U.S. policy has prompted other sovereigns (both ally and adversary alike) to diversify away from the greenback, while the pandemic-era volatility in supply chains and inventories has largely reset. With global equity markets and bond yields reaching new highs, we believe the strategy is well-positioned from both a cyclical and secular perspective as we enter 2026.

## Factor Performance<sup>1</sup>



Value factors once again led the way in the most recent quarter and full year. For the full calendar year 2025, the MSCI ACWI ex-US Value outperformed the Growth index by nearly +15% (+40.7% vs. +26.1%, respectively). This is now the 5th consecutive year with Value outperforming Growth internationally, taking the cumulative spread since the style leadership changed in late 2020 to more than +80%. Our Multi-Factor Ranking model is the other standout this past year (top performer) and certainly reflective in the solid year of performance the strategy had in 2025. Shareholder returns (both Dividends and Share Buybacks) along with several Technical metrics were also generally additive in the quarter and year. Factors that have been out of favor include Growth, Quality and Larger Cap companies.

## **Performance Attribution**

For the full year, stock selection was responsible for nearly all of the outperformance both regionally and when broken down by sector. Financials, Consumer Staples and Consumer Discretionary were the strongest performing sectors while Technology was the main laggard. Regionally, Europe, Japan and the UK drove most of the returns in the strategy while Canada was the lone detractor. Banks in general, Europe specifically, have continued to carry the leadership baton through the fourth quarter. This and other more pro-cyclical groups are indicative of rebounding economic activity globally as we enter 2026.

For the quarter, stock selection drove all of the modest underperformance against the benchmark as our sector positioning was neutral. Technology and Consumer Discretionary were our biggest detractors, particularly in the month of October. As mentioned in previous commentary, AI capital spending is so enormous that it's causing a number of disruptions to other parts of the technology space. This has had the effect of either shifting IT spending priorities away from some of our IT Service companies or inflating the price of component chips that some of our IT Hardware companies use. Headwinds in Discretionary largely centered around Chinese eCommerce names that saw competitive pressure weigh on profits. Our largest positive drivers for the quarter were Financials, Communication Services and Materials. Banks in general, Europe specifically, have continued to carry the leadership baton through the fourth quarter. This is a very pro-cyclical group (like Materials) and is indicative of rebounding activity globally as we enter 2026.

Regionally, stock selection within Emerging Markets was essentially the sole headwind for performance as selection in every other area was additive. As we alluded to earlier, this was most prevalent among our Chinese holdings which all saw some pressure over the past few months. Europe, Japan and the UK were our best performing regions. Drivers within these areas were pretty diverse and more reflective of the broader breakout internationally.

Our top five performers for the quarter were Teva Pharmaceutical, Barclays, Natwest, Standard Bank and AerCap. Shares of Teva Pharmaceutical rose sharply in November after providing clarity on government pricing negotiations related to Austedo (which treats involuntary movements related to some diseases). While this had been a major headwind for shares earlier in the year, the price concession ultimately came in line with expectations and allowed management to reiterate their sales targets for the drug. UK bank stocks capped off a very strong 2025 with 4th quarter returns above 20%. Following a very well received investor day earlier this year, Barclays continued to execute on newly stated revenue and return targets. The Bank of England also issued a favorable review of UK bank's capital in December that will lower the regulatory requirement and unlock tens of billions of pounds of capital across the banking system. Natwest was arguably the biggest beneficiary of the easing capital requirements as their stated targets were quite a bit higher than the new benchmark level. This implies the bank will have a larger amount of excess capital relative to peers that it can deploy in the form of share buybacks or dividends. South African banks experienced a relief rally in the quarter after a global Financial oversight entity (Financial Action Task Force) reclassified and eased restrictions on the country's banking system. Standard Bank, the

largest bank in South Africa, benefitted from this as well and continues to operate at very attractive profitability levels. Rounding out our top five performers is AerCap, who is benefitting from record high lease rates on aircraft. This helped to drive a sizable earnings beat in the most recent quarter along with record profits from asset sales. As a result, earnings estimates have moved higher and the management team has continued to announce new share buyback authorizations.

Our bottom five performers were Alibaba, BAE Systems, Lenovo, JD.com and Vipshop. Shares of Alibaba, who was our top performer in the third quarter, corrected in the last few months of the year. Shares were due to take a breather after sharply rising for most of the year. The company did report a decline in profitability in late November due to both a ramp in spending to subsidize their food delivery business as well as ramping capital spending on AI and cloud infrastructure. BAE Systems is another name that had an impressive run through the end of September, then corrected in the fourth quarter. Defense names in general, and BAE Systems specifically, saw pressure as the prospects for a ceasefire in the Russia/Ukraine War started to get priced in. Ceasefire talks look to have soured rather quickly and shares have subsequently recovered in recent weeks, but are likely to remain sensitive to developments in Eastern Europe. Lenovo sold off in mid-November after flagging risks to their product margins as a result of the historically high (and rising) cost of memory chips. JD.com was pressured for many of the same reasons as Alibaba, mentioned above, as price wars in various retail spaces caused earnings and earnings expectations to decline. The company's entrance into food delivery and other competitive measures have proven to be quite costly and investors seem to have stepped to the side as this plays out. Finally, Vipshop consolidated in the fourth quarter after posting strong returns through September. Trade-down purchases have helped Vipshop as the Chinese consumer has been pressured, however many of the intensified competitive actions from other eCommerce peers started to have an impact on expectations that the company may need to increase spending as well. This could either weigh on future profits or reduce the amount of capital they're able to return to shareholders.

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MSCI ACWI ex-US (Net) – 420.88  
MSCI ACWI ex-US Value (Net) – 450.74

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