

# LOOKING AT REAL ESTATE ASSETS

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UK REITs' share prices down this year

Real estate – debt or equity?



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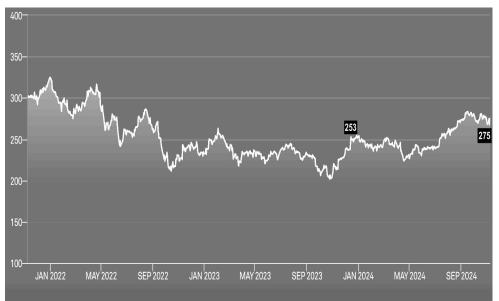
Case by case

## UNDERSTANDING BREADTH OF REITS' FOCUS

- > Top seven USA REITs, share prices calendar 2024, US\$ market capitalisation (9.11.24):
- Prologis -15% 107bn logistics
- American Tower -6% 93bn digital infrastructure
- Equinix +14% 74bn digital infrastructure
- Digital Realty +36% 60bn digital infrastructure
- Simon Property +26% 58bn retail centres
- Public Storage +11% 45bn storage
- Crown Castle -10% 46bn digital infrastructure
- > This is a very different asset class mix compared with UK REITs

## COMMS AND DIGITAL DRIVE USA REITS

#### S&P 500 REITs



REITs are individual companies, so looking at an index is only a small part of the story.

However, the USA REITs Index is up 9% calendar 2024 (to 9.11.2024).

Source: Google Finance, November 2024.

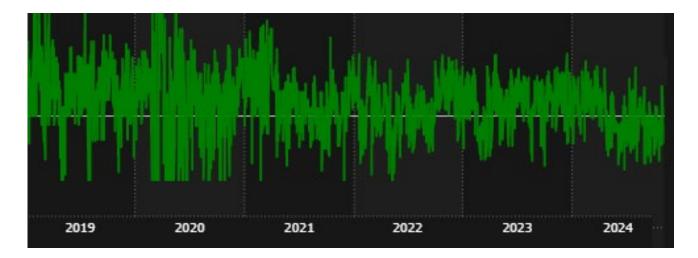


Just in the largest USA REITs, a market cap of US\$273bn is recorded in comms and digital

US\$210bn in other assets

## SHARE PRICE TO NAV – A BIT THEORETICAL

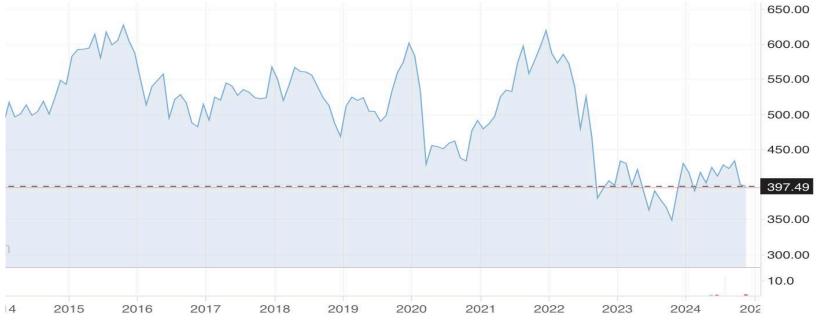
#### > Average share prices below NAV in 2024



#### > NAVs are backward-looking

### LARGER UK REITS – MESSAGES

- > Across the board, 2024 UK REIT prices have fallen (9.11.24)
- Segro -12% calendar 2024
- > British Land -3% calendar 2024
- Shaftesbury -1% calendar 2024



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De-rating to NAV throws up some interesting opportunities in well managed but de-rated REITs

Debt investors benefit from higher interest rates. One example is RECI

Looking at a 'sector view' is too broad brush and at the same time too narrow

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