

# FUND MANAGERS' ACTIONS CAN BE GOOD CONTRA-INDICATORS

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Sometimes, professional fund managers sell stocks because they are facing redemption pressure, and not because they have lost conviction in them. There is a lag between the actions of fund managers and the time when this data come to you. If prices have changed, what was a good buy a month earlier may no longer be

so. Nonetheless, buy and sell data can be useful in some circumstances. Suppose you want to buy a stock but see that fund managers have been selling it in large volumes. You may want to pause and research further to check your views on the stock. Suppose you are holding a stock that has done well. Now, you are wondering if you should book profit in it. Then you see that fund managers have bought it in large quantities. You may again want to review your action. In the mid- and small-cap space, this data could provide you with new stock ideas.



## TOP LARGE-CAP STOCKS PURCHASED (BY MARKET VALUE)

Stock	Estimated purchase value (₹ crore)	% share chg (from previous month)
ICICI Bank	1,117	9.8
ITC	623	7.3
Bharat Electronics	539	19.1
Dr Reddy's Lab	381	45.2
Kotak Mahindra Bank	293	5.0

## TOP LARGE-CAP STOCKS SOLD (BY MARKET VALUE)

Stock	Estimated purchase value (₹ crore)	% share chg (from previous month)
HDFC Bank	(3,454)	-16.3
Grasim Industries	(414)	-17.6
GAIL (India)	(398)	-13.2
Indian Oil Corp	(361)	-7.2
Axis Bank	(359)	-7.7

## TOP LARGE-CAP STOCK HOLDINGS

Stock	Market value of total MF holding (₹ cr)	Stock as a % of MF equity holdings
HDFC Bank	28,842	5.1
ICICI Bank	23,174	4.1
Infosys	19,183	3.4
State Bank of India	17,189	3.0
Larsen & Toubro	14,621	2.6

## TOP SMALL- & MID-CAP STOCKS PURCHASED (BY MARKET VALUE)

Stock	Estimated purchase value (₹ crore)	% share chg (from previous month)
Max Financial Services	387	19.8
Cholamandalam Invest.	246	12.4
Karur Vysya Bank	181	69.3
Gillette India	137	36.5
Dr Lal PathLabs	102	33.7

## TOP SMALL- & MID-CAP STOCKS SOLD (BY MARKET VALUE)

Stock	Estimated purchase value (₹ crore)	% share chg (from previous month)
Abbott India	(84)	-17.5
Laurus Labs	(66)	-12.2
RBL Bank	(52)	-5.0
Crompton Greaves	(46)	-7.1
Sanofi India	(45)	-5.2

## TOP SMALL- & MID-CAP STOCK HOLDINGS

Stock	Market value of total MF holding (₹ cr)	Stock as a % of MF equity holdings
Federal Bank	4,137	0.7
Max Financial Services	3,021	0.5
Ramco Cements	2,517	0.4
Tata Chemicals	2,391	0.4
Cholamandalam Invest.	2,190	0.3

Note: The portfolio charges are for the month of February Source: Morningstar India