## MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Diversified Multiple-Factor Index (USD)

The MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Diversified Multiple-Factor Index is based on the MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Index, its parent index, which includes small cap stocks across 22 of 23 Developed Markets (DM) countries\* (excepting the USA). The index aims to maximize exposure to four factors – Value, Momentum, Quality and Low Size – while maintaining a risk profile similar to that of the underlying parent index.

For a complete description of the index methodology, please see Index methodology - MSCI.

# CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE — NET RETURNS (USD) (MAR 2009 – MAR 2024)

### **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)**



#### INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (%) (MAR 29, 2024)

#### **FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 29, 2024)**

					ANNUALIZED							
	1 Mo	3 Мо	1 Yr	YTD	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr <sub>C</sub>	Since Dec 29, 2000	Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Diversified Multiple-Factor	4.42	5.66	14.58	5.66	3.00	7.27	5.96	10.48	3.52	11.73	10.83	1.20
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap	4.06	2.58	10.04	2.58	-0.93	5.39	4.54	7.36	2.86	17.06	13.60	1.39

#### INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (DEC 29, 2000 - MAR 29, 2024)

				ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) 2			SHARPE RATIO 2,3				MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN		
	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Dec 29, 2000	(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD	
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Diversified Multiple-Factor	0.97	3.62	40.11	17.30	18.92	15.94	0.11	0.36	0.35	0.55	65.34	2007-10-31-2009-03-09	
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap	1.00	0.00	10.89	18.28	20.26	16.70	-0.10	0.26	0.26	0.39	63.38	2007-07-20-2009-03-09	
	1 Last	<sup>1</sup> Last 12 months <sup>2</sup> Based on monthly net returns data <sup>3</sup> Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep 1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date											

The MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Diversified Multiple-Factor Index was launched on Feb 17, 2015. Data prior to the launch date is back-tested test (i.e. calculations of how the index might have performed over that time period had the index existed). There are frequently material differences between back-tested performance and actual results. Past performance — whether actual or back-tested — is no indication or guarantee of future performance.



<sup>\*</sup> DM countries include: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK.

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#### INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

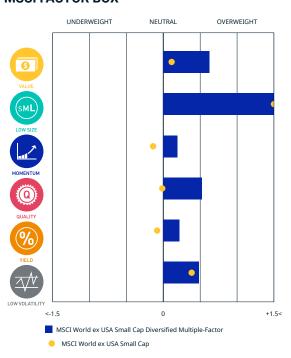
	ex USA Small Cap Diversified Multiple-Factor	USA Small Cap					
Number of	683	2,371					
Constituents							
	Weight (%)						
Largest	1.08	0.29					
Smallest	0.00	0.00					
Average	0.15	0.04					
Median	0.11	0.03					

#### **TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

	Country	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
CELESTICA SV	CA	1.08	0.18	Info Tech
KOBE STEEL	JP	0.97	0.16	Materials
INVESTEC PLC (GB)	GB	0.86	0.15	Financials
ELIS	FR	0.85	0.14	Industrials
MAN GROUP	GB	0.80	0.14	Financials
JB HI-FI	AU	0.80	0.15	Cons Discr
SIGNIFY	NL	0.79	0.13	Industrials
SOPRA STERIA GROUP	FR	0.75	0.13	Info Tech
WHITEHAVEN COAL	AU	0.74	0.12	Energy
GREGGS	GB	0.73	0.13	Cons Discr
Total		8.37	1.44	

# FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN MSCI FACTOR BOX

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#### **MSCI FaCS**



Relatively Inexpensive Stocks



LOW SIZE Smaller Companies



**MOMENTUM Rising Stocks** 



QUALITY
Sound Balance Sheet Stocks



YIELD
Cash Flow Paid Out



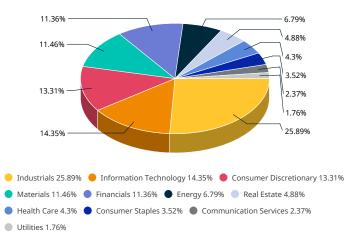
LOW VOLATILITY Lower Risk Stocks

MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a

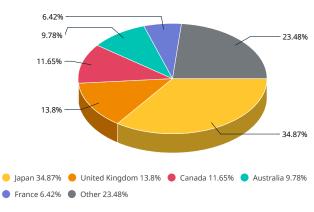
broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

Neutral factor exposure (FaCS = 0) represents MSCI ACWI IMI.

#### **SECTOR WEIGHTS**



### **COUNTRY WEIGHTS**





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### MSCI FACTOR BOX AND FaCS FRAMEWORK (Please refer to complete description of the MSCI FaCS methodology here)

MSCI FaCS is a standard method for evaluating and reporting the Factor characteristics of equity portfolios. MSCI FaCS consists of Factor Groups (e.g. Value, Size, Momentum, Quality, Yield, and Volatility) that have been extensively documented in academic literature and validated by MSCI Research as key drivers of risk and return in equity portfolios. These Factor Groups are constructed by aggregating 16 factors (e.g. Book-to-Price, Earnings/Dividend Yields, LT Reversal, Leverage, Earnings Variability/Quality, Beta) from the latest Barra global equity factor risk model, GEMLT, designed to make fund comparisons transparent and intuitive for use. The MSCI Factor Box, which is powered by MSCI FaCS, provides a visualization designed to easily compare absolute exposures of funds/indexes and their benchmarks along 6 Factor Groups that have historically demonstrated excess market returns over the long run.

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