# **MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality Index (USD)**

The MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality Index is based on MSCI EAFE Small Cap Index, its parent index, which includes large and mid cap stocks across 21 Developed Market (DM) countries\* excluding the US and Canada. The index aims to capture the performance of quality growth stocks by identifying stocks with high quality scores based on three main fundamental variables: high return on equity (ROE), stable year-over-year earnings growth and low financial leverage. The MSCI Quality Indexes complement existing MSCI Factor Indexes and can provide an effective diversification role in a portfolio of factor strategies.

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

# CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE — NET RETURNS (USD) (MAY 2010 – MAY 2025)

# - MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality - MSCI EAFE Small Cap 430.6 200 May 10 Aug 11 Nov 12 Feb 14 May 15 Aug 16 Nov 17 Feb 19 May 20 Aug 21 Nov 22 Feb 24 May 25

# **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)**

Year	MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality	MSCI EAFE Small Cap
2024	3.83	1.82
2023	14.82	13.16
2022	-26.92	-21.39
2021	12.18	10.10
2020	20.08	12.34
2019	32.04	24.96
2018	-17.06	-17.89
2017	37.32	33.01
2016	-1.73	2.18
2015	15.30	9.59
2014	-4.98	-4.95
2013	30.94	29.30
2012	27.41	20.00
2011	-12.87	-15.94

# INDEX PERFORMANCE - NET RETURNS (%) (MAY 30, 2025)

# **FUNDAMENTALS (MAY 30, 2025)**

					ANNUALIZED							
	1 Mo	3 Мо	1 Yr	YTD	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr [	Since Dec 29, 2000	Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality	6.21	13.04	15.72	15.65	9.18	8.26	7.38	10.05	2.76	15.42	14.80	2.40
MSCI EAFE Small Cap	5.61	12.33	13.80	15.86	7.45	8.65	5.92	7.66	3.09	16.39	13.52	1.34

### INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (DEC 29, 2000 - MAY 30, 2025)

				ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) 2		SHARPE RATIO 2,3					MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN		
	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) 1	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Dec 29, 2000	(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD	
MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality	1.01	4.14	27.74	19.63	18.75	17.77	0.32	0.37	0.38	0.51	61.37	2007-10-31-2009-03-09	
MSCI EAFE Small Cap	1.00	0.00	14.22	18.16	17.30	16.76	0.24	0.41	0.31	0.40	62.98	2007-07-20-2009-03-09	
	1 Last	12 months	months $^2$ Based on monthly net returns data $^3$ E					Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep				on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date	

The MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality Index was launched on Dec 21, 2017. 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, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK.

MAY 30, 2025 Index Factsheet

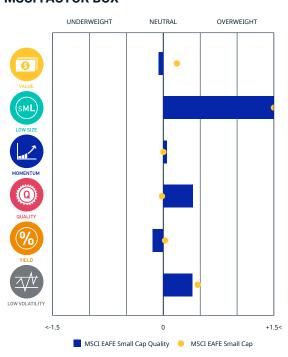
### INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

	MSCI EAFE Small Cap Quality	MSCI EAFE Small Cap					
Number of	666	1,997					
Constituents							
	Weight (%)						
Largest	1.23	0.44					
Smallest	0.01	0.00					
Smallest Average	0.01 0.15	0.00 0.05					

### **TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

	Country	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
BELIMO HOLDING	CH	1.23	0.31	Industrials
TECHNOLOGY ONE	AU	1.06	0.26	Info Tech
RIGHTMOVE GROUP	GB	1.04	0.26	Comm Srvcs
BAYCURRENT	JP	0.95	0.23	Industrials
GAMES WORKSHOP GROUP	GB	0.90	0.22	Cons Discr
FISCHER (GEORG)	CH	0.89	0.20	Industrials
JB HI-FI	AU	0.89	0.25	Cons Discr
GAZTRANSPORT ET TECHNIGA	FR	0.89	0.22	Energy
DIPLOMA	GB	0.85	0.28	Industrials
IMI	GB	0.80	0.23	Industrials
Total		9.52	2.45	

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



### **MSCI FaCS**



VALUE
Relatively Inexpensive Stocks



LOW SIZE Smaller Companies



**MOMENTUM Rising Stocks** 



QUALITY
Sound Balance Sheet Stocks



YIELD
Cash Flow Paid Out



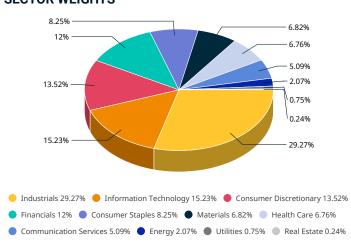
LOW VOLATILITY
Lower Risk Stocks

MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a

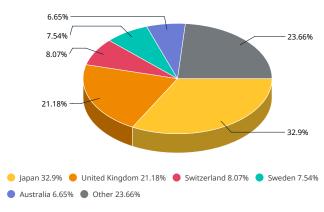
broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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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