

# MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap Index (USD)

The MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap Index captures small cap representation across 28 Frontier Markets countries\*. The index includes 461 constituents, covering about 14% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each country.

For a complete description of the index methodology, please see [Index methodology - MSCI](#).

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – PRICE RETURNS (USD) (MAR 2011 – MAR 2026)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap	MSCI Frontier Markets
2025	16.40	41.62
2024	-1.16	5.06
2023	14.42	7.34
2022	-25.82	-29.04
2021	37.77	16.45
2020	0.89	-2.45
2019	-5.70	13.54
2018	-20.13	-19.06
2017	19.51	27.69
2016	10.60	-1.28
2015	-11.32	-17.32
2014	2.19	2.90
2013	28.12	21.36
2012	3.08	4.89

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – PRICE RETURNS (%) (MAR 31, 2026)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since Nov 30, 2010
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		
MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap	-9.18	-3.03	11.52	-3.03	7.85	4.53	2.90	0.55	
MSCI Frontier Markets	-7.31	-1.43	30.01	-1.43	15.40	5.34	4.19	1.71	

## FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 31, 2026)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
3.95	12.36	na	0.96
3.39	12.34	na	1.85

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (MAR 31, 2026)

	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2,3</sup>			Since Nov 30, 2010	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
		3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap	18.41	13.19	13.46	13.54	0.28	0.15	0.11	-0.01	46.20	2018-01-26–2020-04-02
MSCI Frontier Markets	9.04	11.59	12.96	14.17	0.89	0.21	0.20	0.08	41.64	2014-07-30–2020-03-23

<sup>1</sup> Last 12 months

<sup>2</sup> Based on monthly price returns data

<sup>3</sup> Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep 1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date

\* Frontier Markets countries include: Bahrain, Bangladesh, Benin, Burkina Faso, Croatia, Estonia, Guinea-Bissau, Iceland, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Latvia, Lithuania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mali, Niger, Oman, Pakistan, Romania, Senegal, Serbia, Slovenia, Sri Lanka, Togo, Tunisia and Vietnam.

The MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap Index was launched on Dec 01, 2010. 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.

**INDEX CHARACTERISTICS**

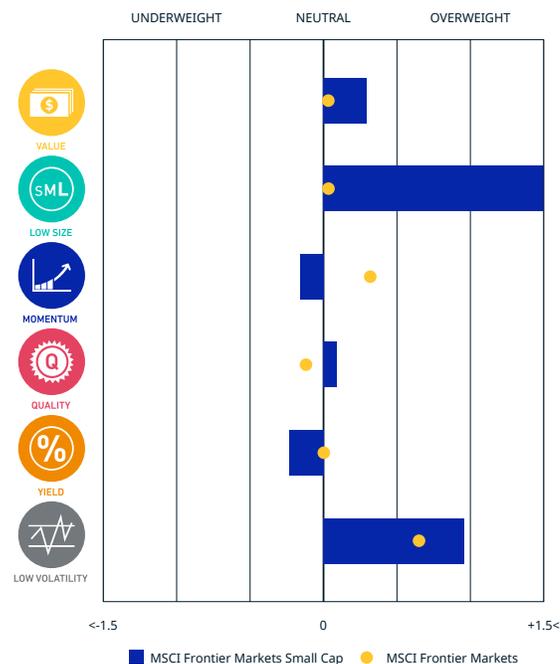
MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap	
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	461
<b>Mkt Cap (USD Millions)</b>	
<b>Index</b>	22,005.05
<b>Largest</b>	595.98
<b>Smallest</b>	4.63
<b>Average</b>	47.73
<b>Median</b>	31.39

**TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

	Country	Float Adj Mkt Cap (USD Billions)	Index Wt. (%)	Sector
BRAC BANK	BD	0.60	2.71	Financials
JORDAN ELECTRIC POWER	JO	0.31	1.40	Utilities
BEXIMCO PHARMACEUTICALS	BD	0.28	1.29	Health Care
CITY BANK (THE)	BD	0.26	1.16	Financials
EIK FASTEIGNAFELAG	IS	0.25	1.13	Real Estate
VOLTAMP ENER	OM	0.22	1.01	Industrials
AQUILA PART PROD	RO	0.21	0.96	Cons Staples
MUTANDIS	MA	0.19	0.88	Cons Staples
LAFARGEHOLCIM BANGLADESH	BD	0.19	0.88	Materials
SIMINN	IS	0.19	0.87	Comm Svcs
<b>Total</b>		<b>2.71</b>	<b>12.29</b>	

**FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN**

**MSCI FACTOR BOX**



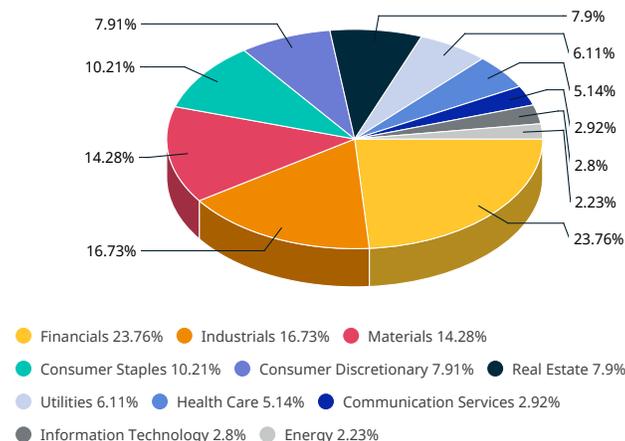
**MSCI FaCS**

- 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

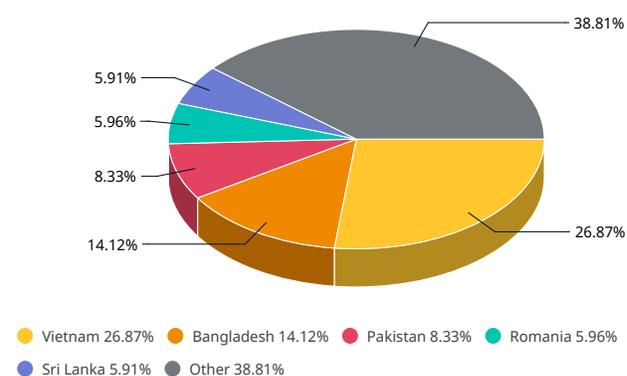
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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

**SECTOR WEIGHTS**



**COUNTRY WEIGHTS**



**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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