

MSCI GCC Countries Combined Index (USD)

The **MSCI GCC Countries Combined Index** captures large and mid cap representation across 6 GCC countries*. The index includes 87 constituents, covering about 85% 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 – NET RETURNS (USD) (APR 2010 – APR 2025)



ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI GCC Countries Combined	MSCI Frontier Markets
2024	5.19	9.42
2023	6.79	11.63
2022	-4.18	-26.34
2021	38.66	19.73
2020	-0.04	1.43
2019	9.94	17.99
2018	16.56	-16.41
2017	4.46	31.86
2016	9.27	2.66
2015	-14.03	-14.46
2014	0.98	6.84
2013	30.57	25.89
2012	7.91	8.85
2011	-6.41	-18.73

INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (%) (APR 30, 2025)

					ANNUALIZED			
	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since May 31, 2005
MSCI GCC Countries Combined	-0.20	0.25	8.39	3.31	-3.38	12.91	5.34	3.56
MSCI Frontier Markets	-1.18	3.53	14.29	6.66	2.31	8.26	2.85	2.60

FUNDAMENTALS (APR 30, 2025)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
4.02	14.70	na	2.02
4.33	10.45	na	1.51

INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (APR 30, 2025)

	Turnover (%) ¹	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) ²			SHARPE RATIO ^{2,3}			Since May 31, 2005	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
		3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI GCC Countries Combined	6.04	14.28	13.94	15.41	-0.48	0.75	0.29	0.19	71.94	2006-02-23–2009-03-03
MSCI Frontier Markets	7.65	12.67	12.35	13.91	-0.10	0.49	0.13	0.13	67.47	2008-01-15–2009-03-03

¹ Last 12 months

² Based on monthly net returns data

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

* GCC Countries Combined include: Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates.

The MSCI GCC Countries Combined Index was launched on Jan 23, 2006. 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

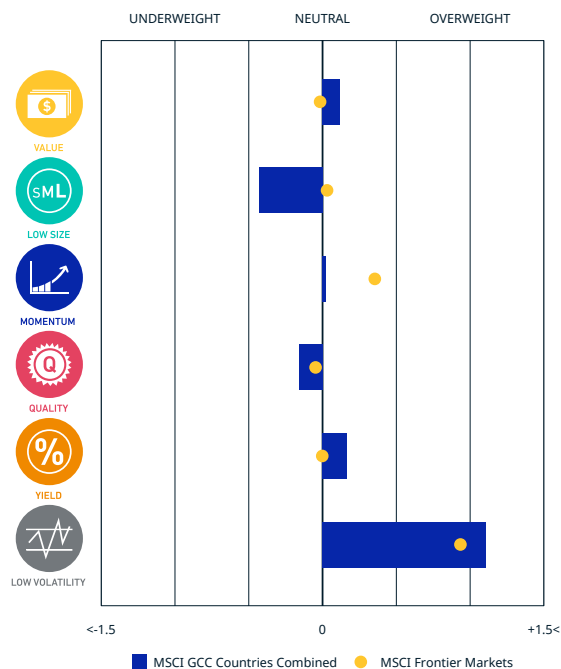
MSCI GCC Countries Combined	
Number of Constituents	87
Mkt Cap (USD Millions)	
Index	648,374.77
Largest	103,868.40
Smallest	86.23
Average	7,452.58
Median	3,007.28

TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Country	Float Adj Mkt Cap (USD Billions)	Index Wt. (%)	Sector
AL RAJHI BANKING & INV	SA	103.87	16.02	Financials
SAUDI ARAMCO	SA	39.25	6.05	Energy
SAUDI NATIONAL BANK	SA	37.12	5.72	Financials
KUWAIT FINANCE HOUSE	KW	26.10	4.03	Financials
NATIONAL BANK OF KUWAIT	KW	25.81	3.98	Financials
SAUDI TELECOM CO	SA	25.38	3.91	Comm Svcs
EMAAR PROPERTIES	AE	23.64	3.65	Real Estate
QATAR NATIONAL BANK	QA	21.18	3.27	Financials
SAUDI ARABIAN MINING CO	SA	18.13	2.80	Materials
FIRST ABU DHABI BANK	AE	18.07	2.79	Financials
Total		338.55	52.22	

FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

MSCI FACTOR BOX



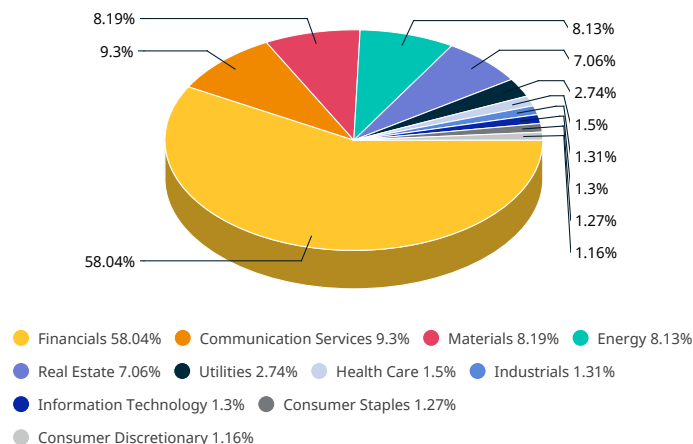
MSCI FaCS

- 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

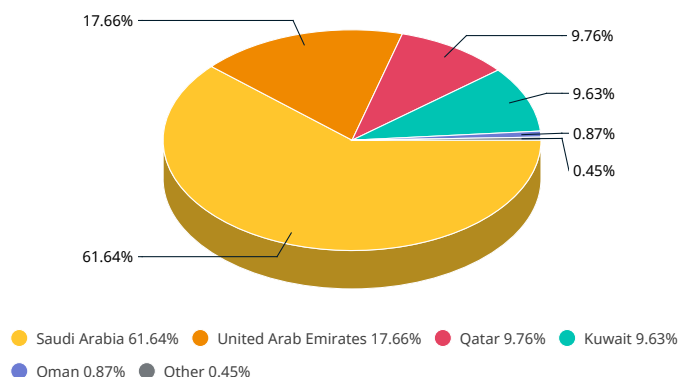
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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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