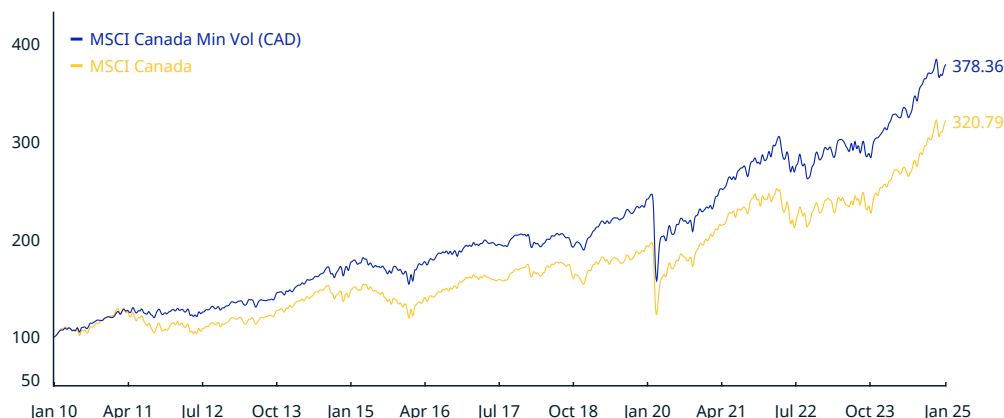


# MSCI Canada Minimum Volatility (CAD) Index (CAD)

The **MSCI Canada Minimum Volatility (CAD) Index** aims to reflect the performance characteristics of a minimum variance strategy applied to the MSCI large and mid cap Canadian equity universe. The index is calculated by optimizing the MSCI Canada Index, its parent index, for the lowest absolute risk (within a given set of constraints). Historically, the index has shown lower beta and volatility characteristics relative to the MSCI Canada Index.

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

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (CAD) (JAN 2010 – JAN 2025)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI Canada Min Vol (CAD)	MSCI Canada
2024	19.47	22.03
2023	10.60	12.35
2022	-1.84	-6.54
2021	25.20	24.91
2020	-2.22	3.47
2019	23.05	21.05
2018	-7.67	-9.74
2017	6.91	8.45
2016	16.65	20.26
2015	-4.35	-9.04
2014	16.28	10.65
2013	11.19	12.71
2012	5.96	6.67
2011	3.42	-10.55

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (%) (JAN 31, 2025)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED			
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since May 31, 2001
MSCI Canada Min Vol (CAD)	2.41	3.09	20.55	2.41	10.01	9.61	8.08	8.58
MSCI Canada	3.52	7.37	25.66	3.52	9.94	11.04	8.27	7.12

## FUNDAMENTALS (JAN 31, 2025)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
3.07	18.84	15.62	2.28
2.76	20.29	15.69	2.24

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (MAY 31, 2001 – JAN 31, 2025)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI Canada Min Vol (CAD)	0.76	4.93	17.50	11.16	13.51	10.87	42.32	2007-10-31–2009-03-09
MSCI Canada	1.00	0.00	1.59	14.10	15.88	12.93	48.40	2008-06-18–2009-03-09

<sup>1</sup> Last 12 months

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

The MSCI Canada Minimum Volatility (CAD) Index was launched on Jan 16, 2012. 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**

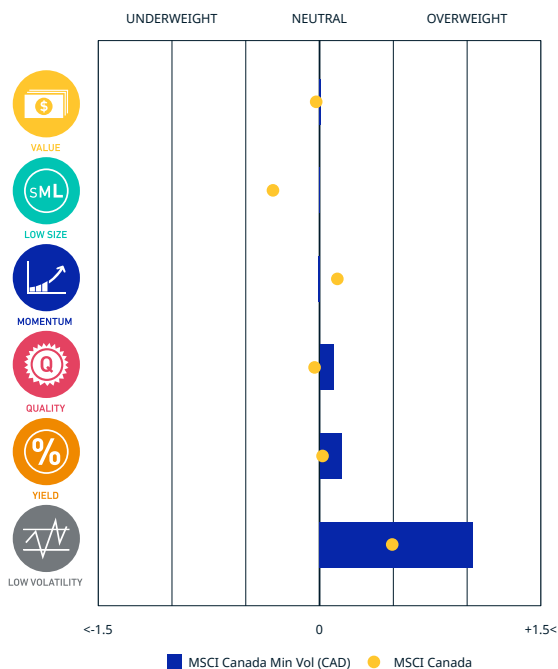
	MSCI Canada Min Vol (CAD)	MSCI Canada
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	69	84
	Weight (%)	
<b>Largest</b>	3.14	8.06
<b>Smallest</b>	0.04	0.08
<b>Average</b>	1.45	1.19
<b>Median</b>	1.13	0.59

**TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
ENBRIDGE	3.14	4.40	Energy
THOMSON REUTERS CORP	3.08	1.24	Industrials
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA	3.06	8.06	Financials
CGI A	3.04	1.12	Info Tech
FORTIS	2.99	0.99	Utilities
BANK NOVA SCOTIA	2.95	2.96	Financials
CANADIAN NATL RAILWAY	2.89	2.61	Industrials
CP KANSAS CITY	2.88	3.46	Industrials
TORONTO-DOMINION BANK	2.87	4.66	Financials
INTACT FINANCIAL	2.84	1.48	Financials
<b>Total</b>	<b>29.74</b>	<b>30.96</b>	

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

**MSCI FACTOR BOX**



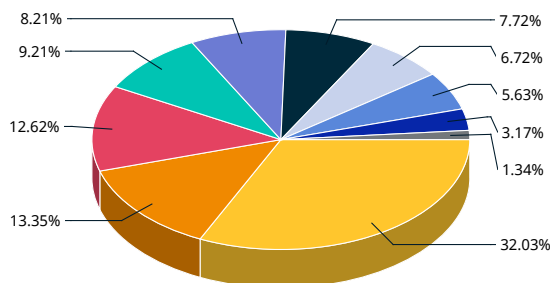
**MSCI FaCS**

- 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**



- Financials 32.03%
- Industrials 13.35%
- Energy 12.62%
- Consumer Staples 9.21%
- Materials 8.21%
- Utilities 7.72%
- Information Technology 6.72%
- Communication Services 5.63%
- Consumer Discretionary 3.17%
- Real Estate 1.34%

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

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