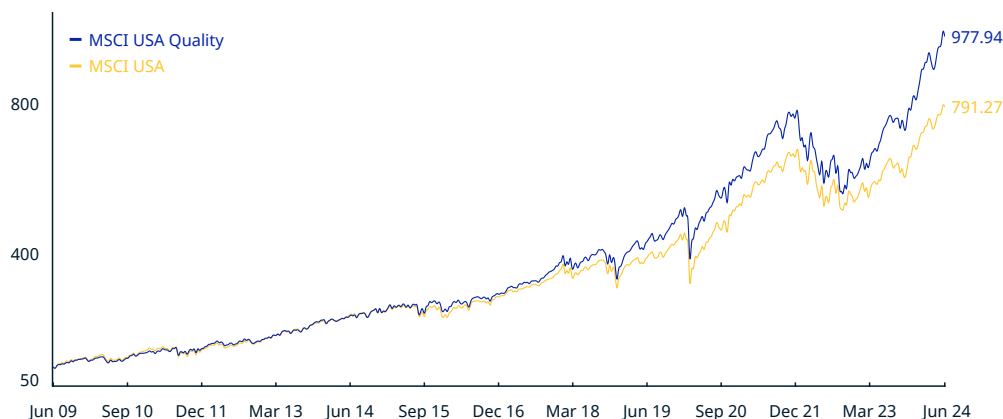


# MSCI USA Quality Index (USD)

The **MSCI USA Quality Index** is based on the MSCI USA Index, its parent index, which includes large and mid cap stocks in the US equity market. 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 – GROSS RETURNS (USD) (JUN 2009 – JUN 2024)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI USA Quality	MSCI USA
2023	36.30	27.10
2022	-22.67	-19.46
2021	27.60	26.97
2020	22.92	21.37
2019	39.11	31.64
2018	-2.65	-4.50
2017	26.00	21.90
2016	7.97	11.61
2015	7.04	1.32
2014	11.81	13.36
2013	33.51	32.61
2012	13.97	16.13
2011	8.40	1.99
2010	12.65	15.45

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (%) (JUN 28, 2024)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since Jun 30, 1994
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		
MSCI USA Quality	4.10	5.38	31.43	18.99	11.65	17.59	15.38	13.01	
MSCI USA	3.58	4.04	24.65	14.88	9.13	14.96	12.76	10.85	

## FUNDAMENTALS (JUN 28, 2024)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
1.08	28.13	24.49	10.16
1.33	26.42	21.35	4.95

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (JUN 01, 1994 – JUN 28, 2024)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2,3</sup>			Since Jun 01, 1994	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI USA Quality	0.93	3.89	26.01	19.05	18.24	15.47	0.52	0.87	0.91	0.73	44.03	2007-10-10—2009-03-09
MSCI USA	1.00	0.00	1.91	18.04	18.40	15.52	0.41	0.74	0.75	0.58	54.91	2007-10-09—2009-03-09

<sup>1</sup> Last 12 months <sup>2</sup> Based on monthly gross returns data <sup>3</sup> Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep 1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date

The MSCI USA Quality Index was launched on Dec 18, 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**

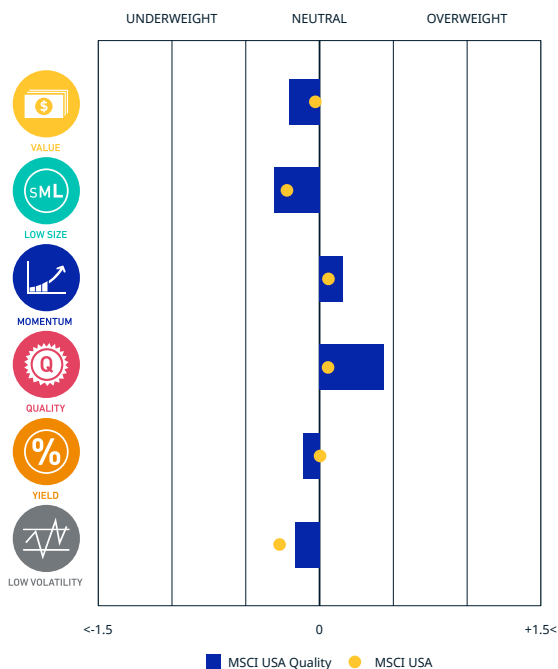
	MSCI USA Quality	MSCI USA
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	125	601
	Weight (%)	
<b>Largest</b>	6.30	6.61
<b>Smallest</b>	0.05	0.01
<b>Average</b>	0.80	0.17
<b>Median</b>	0.30	0.06

**TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
NVIDIA	6.30	6.47	Info Tech
LILLY (ELI) & COMPANY	5.48	1.53	Health Care
APPLE	5.32	6.48	Info Tech
META PLATFORMS A	5.27	2.32	Comm Svcs
MICROSOFT CORP	5.06	6.61	Info Tech
VISA A	3.93	0.87	Financials
MASTERCARD A	3.63	0.77	Financials
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	3.59	0.98	Health Care
COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP	3.31	0.79	Cons Staples
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	2.89	0.74	Health Care
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.77</b>	<b>27.56</b>	

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

**MSCI FACTOR BOX**



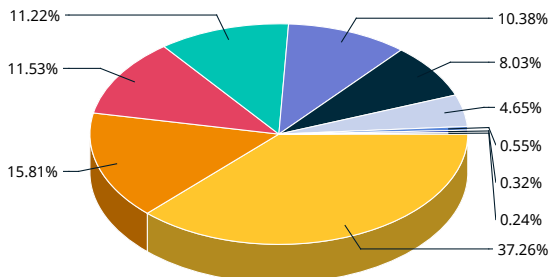
**MSCI FaCS**

- 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**



- Information Technology 37.26%
- Health Care 15.81%
- Industrials 11.53%
- Financials 11.22%
- Communication Services 10.38%
- Consumer Staples 8.03%
- Consumer Discretionary 4.65%
- Materials 0.55%
- Real Estate 0.32%
- Energy 0.24%

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

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