# **MSCI USA ESG Select Index (USD)**

The **MSCI USA ESG Select Index** is designed to maximize exposure to positive environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors while exhibiting risk and return characteristics similar to those of the MSCI USA Index. The Index is optimized to be sector diversified, targeting companies with high ESG ratings in each sector. Relative to the MSCI USA Index, the MSCI USA ESG Select Index tends to over-weight companies with high ESG ratings and under-weight companies with low ratings. The Index is a benchmark for investors who seek an investment opportunity set with a very high ESG score and controlled risk. Constituent selection is based on data from MSCI ESG Research.

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

### CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (USD)

#### **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)**



#### INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (%) (MAR 29, 2024)

#### FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 29, 2024)

					ANNUALIZED							
	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr <sub>N</sub>	Since 1ay 31, 2004	Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
MSCI USA ESG Select	3.37	9.11	26.36	9.11	9.33	14.96	12.86	10.04	1.54	25.35	21.47	5.37
MSCI USA	3.18	10.41	30.26	10.41	10.80	15.02	12.88	10.32	1.35	26.20	21.42	4.82

#### INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (MAY 31, 2004 - MAR 29, 2024)

			ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) 2			SHARPE RATIO 2,3				MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN		
	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since May 31, 2004	(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI USA ESG Select	1.00	2.13	14.39	18.92	19.00	15.69	0.43	0.73	0.76	0.59	53.75	2007-10-09-2009-03-09
MSCI USA	1.00	0.00	2.00	17.82	18.68	15.38	0.52	0.74	0.77	0.62	54.91	2007-10-09-2009-03-09
	<sup>1</sup> Last	12 months	ths <sup>2</sup> Based on monthly gross returns data <sup>3</sup> B				Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep			FR from Se	1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date	

On September 1, 2010 the FTSE KLD indexes transitioned to the MSCI ESG Indexes. The former KLD indexes had multiple third party index calculators over time. Consequently the MSCI ESG index histories have been aggregated and compiled to create a continuous time series from a variety of sources—sources which may have followed different index calculation methodologies in some instances. The MSCI ESG Indexes use ratings and other data supplied by MSCI ESG Research Inc, a subsidiary of MSCI Inc.

The MSCI USA ESG Select Index was launched on Jun 01, 2004. 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.



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#### **INDEX CHARACTERISTICS**

	MSCI USA ESG Select	MSCI USA		
Number of	176	610		
Constituents				
	Weight (%)			
Largest	5.58	6.45		
Smallest	0.06	0.01		
Average	0.57	0.16		
Median	0.41	0.06		

#### **TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

Index Factsheet

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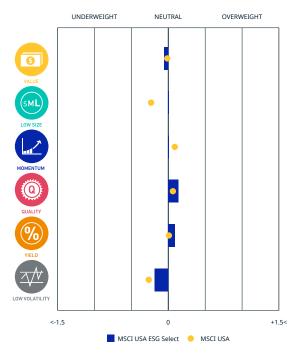
	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
NVIDIA	5.58	4.85	Info Tech
MICROSOFT CORP	4.97	6.45	Info Tech
APPLE	3.89	5.47	Info Tech
ALPHABET A	1.80	1.94	Comm Srvcs
COCA COLA (THE)	1.79	0.55	Cons Staples
HOME DEPOT	1.77	0.83	Cons Discr
ALPHABET C	1.69	1.70	Comm Srvcs
LILLY (ELI) & COMPANY	1.45	1.36	Health Care
ECOLAB	1.41	0.13	Materials
TRANE TECHNOLOGIES	1.36	0.15	Industrials
Total	25.70	23.42	

**MSCI FaCS** 

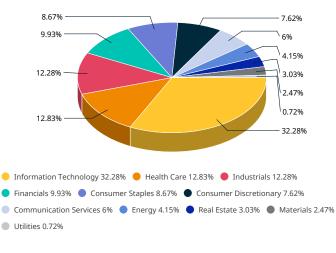
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## FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN MSCI FACTOR BOX



#### SECTOR WEIGHTS



### VALUE 0 **Relatively Inexpensive Stocks** LOW SIZE **Smaller Companies** MOMENTUM **Rising Stocks** QUALITY **Sound Balance Sheet Stocks YIELD Cash Flow Paid Out** LOW VOLATILITY $^{\wedge}$ 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.

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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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