

# MSCI ACWI ex USA High Dividend Yield Index (USD)

The **MSCI ACWI ex USA High Dividend Yield Index** is based on MSCI ACWI ex USA, its parent index, and includes large and mid cap stocks across 22 Developed Markets (DM) and 24 Emerging Markets (EM) countries\*. The index is designed to reflect the performance of equities in the parent index (excluding REITs) with higher dividend income and quality characteristics than average dividend yields that are both sustainable and persistent. The index also applies quality screens and reviews 12-month past performance to omit stocks with potentially deteriorating fundamentals that could force them to cut or reduce dividends.

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

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (USD) (APR 2010 – APR 2025)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI ACWI ex USA HDY	MSCI ACWI ex USA
2024	6.46	6.09
2023	19.03	16.21
2022	-5.56	-15.57
2021	10.34	8.29
2020	-2.98	11.13
2019	23.17	22.13
2018	-10.43	-13.77
2017	21.24	27.77
2016	8.58	5.01
2015	-11.89	-5.25
2014	-3.29	-3.44
2013	17.00	15.78
2012	17.72	17.39
2011	-5.53	-13.33

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (%) (APR 30, 2025)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since Dec 31, 1998
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		
MSCI ACWI ex USA HDY	3.55	9.37	19.59	13.86	11.63	13.02	5.74	7.44	
MSCI ACWI ex USA	3.69	5.00	12.52	9.25	8.60	10.63	5.34	5.54	

## FUNDAMENTALS (APR 30, 2025)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
4.90	11.51	10.64	1.59
2.94	15.23	13.38	1.87

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (DEC 31, 1998 – APR 30, 2025)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2,3</sup>			Since Dec 31, 1998	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN (%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr			
MSCI ACWI ex USA HDY	0.98	4.69	30.22	15.26	14.97	15.01	0.52	0.72	0.32	0.38	63.11	2007-10-31–2009-03-09
MSCI ACWI ex USA	1.00	0.00	3.83	15.76	15.14	14.94	0.33	0.57	0.29	0.28	60.58	2007-10-31–2009-03-09

<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

\*DM countries include: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK. EM countries include: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.

The MSCI ACWI ex USA High Dividend Yield 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

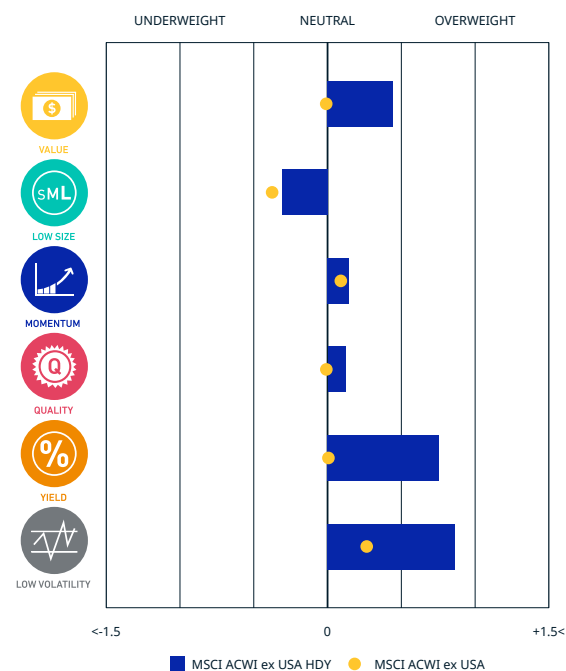
	MSCI ACWI ex USA HDY	MSCI ACWI ex USA
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	342	1,982
	<b>Weight (%)</b>	
<b>Largest</b>	5.41	2.52
<b>Smallest</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>Average</b>	0.29	0.05
<b>Median</b>	0.12	0.02

## TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Country	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
NESTLE	CH	5.41	1.01	Cons Staples
ROCHE HOLDING GENUSS	CH	4.45	0.83	Health Care
NOVARTIS	CH	4.35	0.81	Health Care
ALLIANZ	DE	3.09	0.57	Financials
UNILEVER PLC (GB)	GB	3.04	0.57	Cons Staples
TOTALENERGIES	FR	2.43	0.45	Energy
SANOFI	FR	2.40	0.45	Health Care
IBERDROLA	ES	2.03	0.38	Utilities
ZURICH INSURANCE GROUP	CH	2.00	0.37	Financials
BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO	GB	1.67	0.31	Cons Staples
Total		30.87	5.74	

## FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

## MSCI FACTOR BOX



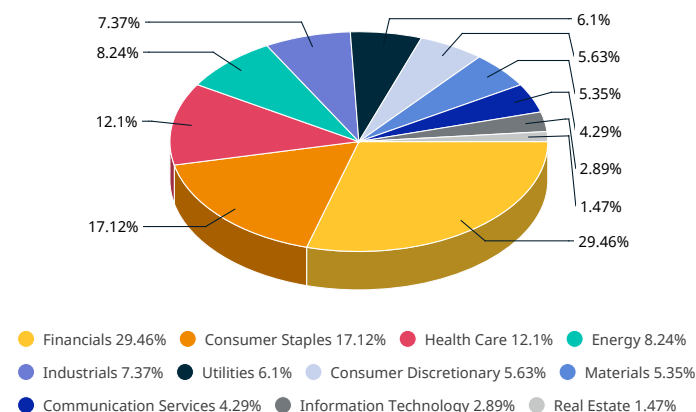
## MSCI FaCS

- 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

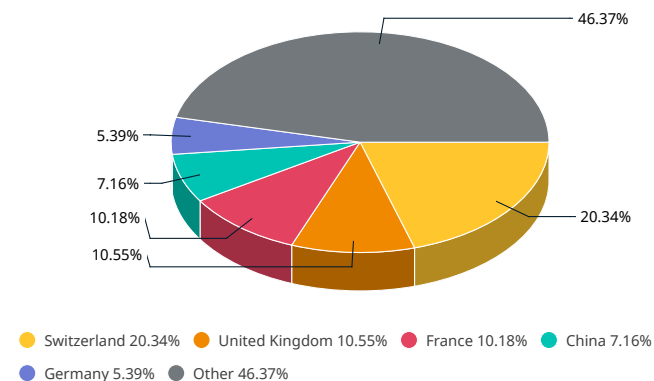
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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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