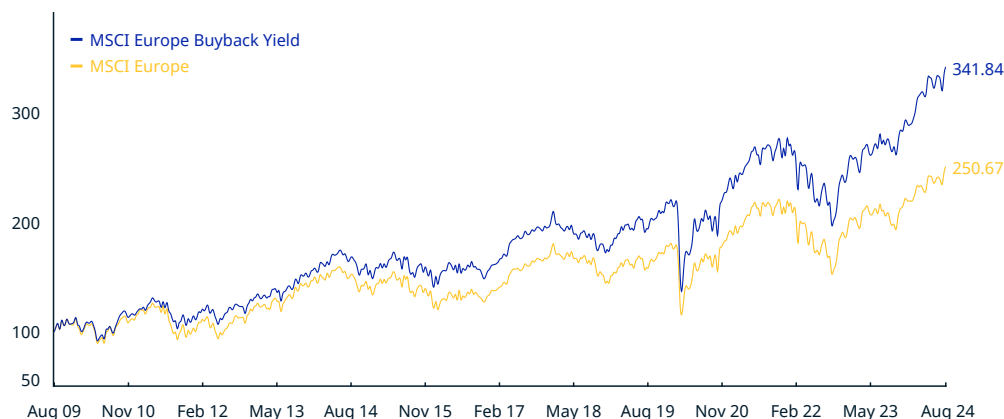


MSCI Europe Buyback Yield Index (USD)

The **MSCI Europe Buyback Yield Index** is based on the MSCI Europe Index, its parent index, and includes large and mid-cap stocks across 15 Developed Markets (DM) countries*. The index is designed to reflect the performance of companies that return capital to shareholders through share buybacks. The index seeks to avoid companies whose buybacks are structured to offset other sources of issuance (ESOPS etc.) by capturing buyback yield adjusted for issuance. The index includes all the securities in the Parent Index with Buyback Yield greater than 10bps and are weighted by the product of their market capitalization weight and the buyback yield score.

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

CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (USD) (AUG 2009 – AUG 2024)



ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI Europe Buyback Yield	MSCI Europe
2023	24.36	19.89
2022	-14.28	-15.06
2021	18.28	16.30
2020	6.99	5.38
2019	25.97	23.77
2018	-11.98	-14.86
2017	23.69	25.51
2016	3.18	-0.40
2015	-0.16	-2.84
2014	-1.83	-6.18
2013	22.92	25.23
2012	15.17	19.12
2011	-5.28	-11.06
2010	7.33	3.88

INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (%) (AUG 30, 2024)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since May 31, 1999
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		
MSCI Europe Buyback Yield	2.40	2.35	23.93	15.99	8.10	11.73	7.34	8.75	
MSCI Europe	3.94	3.79	19.79	12.34	4.80	9.41	5.15	4.97	

FUNDAMENTALS (AUG 30, 2024)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
4.12	10.51	10.03	1.47
3.12	15.28	13.61	2.13

INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (MAY 31, 1999 – AUG 30, 2024)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) ¹	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) ²			SHARPE RATIO ^{2,3}			Since May 31, 1999	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI Europe Buyback Yield	0.88	5.42	37.26	18.17	19.50	16.37	0.34	0.55	0.41	0.46	57.43	2007-12-10—2009-03-09
MSCI Europe	1.00	0.00	3.36	18.38	19.16	16.43	0.17	0.45	0.29	0.24	62.99	2007-10-31—2009-03-09

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

* DM countries in Europe include: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK.

The MSCI Europe Buyback Yield Index was launched on Jun 04, 2015. 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

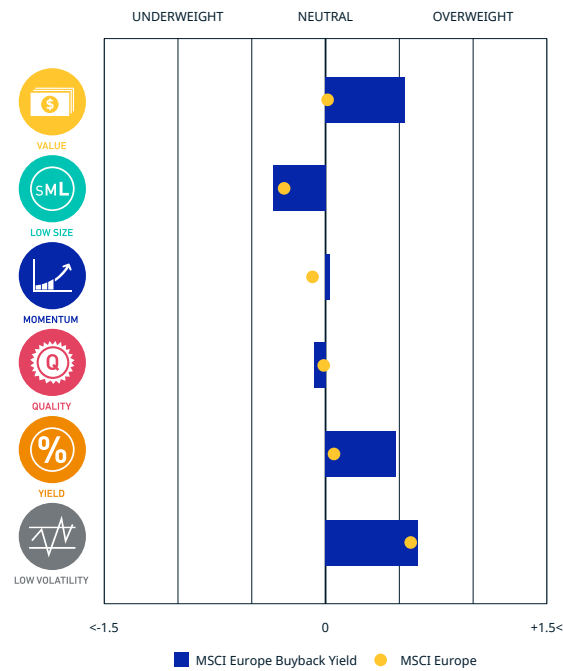
	MSCI Europe Buyback Yield	MSCI Europe
Number of Constituents	132	417
	Weight (%)	
Largest	5.13	3.95
Smallest	0.04	0.02
Average	0.76	0.24
Median	0.33	0.10

TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Country	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
NOVARTIS	CH	5.13	2.06	Health Care
SHELL	GB	4.88	1.96	Energy
HSBC HOLDINGS (GB)	GB	4.87	1.44	Financials
UNICREDIT	IT	4.59	0.54	Financials
NOVO NORDISK B	DK	4.53	3.95	Health Care
TOTALENERGIES	FR	3.51	1.29	Energy
ASML HLDG	NL	3.50	3.12	Info Tech
ING GROEP	NL	3.38	0.52	Financials
BNP PARIBAS	FR	3.14	0.62	Financials
BP	GB	2.69	0.83	Energy
Total		40.22	16.33	

FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

MSCI FACTOR BOX



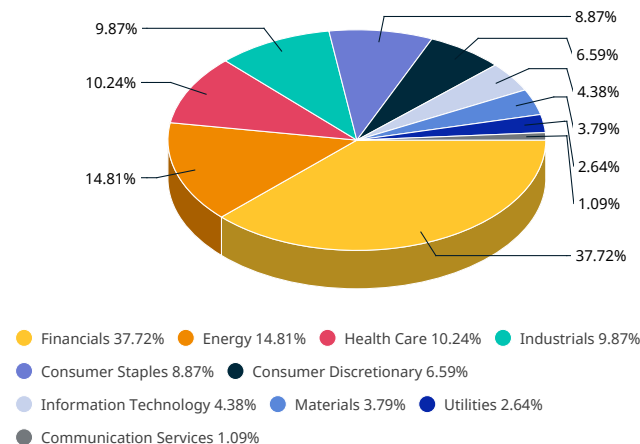
MSCI FaCS

- 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

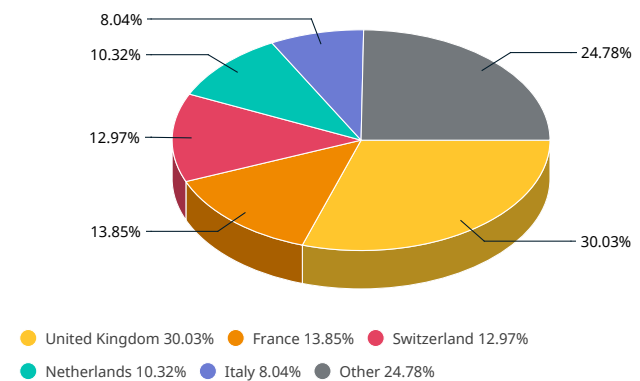
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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](#))

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