

# MSCI USA ESG LEADERS INDEX (USD)

The MSCI USA ESG Leaders Index is a capitalization weighted index that provides exposure to companies with high Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance relative to their sector peers. MSCI USA ESG Leaders Index consists of large and mid cap companies in the US market. The Index is designed for investors seeking a broad, diversified sustainability benchmark with relatively low tracking error to the underlying equity market. The index is a member of the MSCI ESG Leaders Index series. Constituent selection is based on data from MSCI ESG Research.

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE - GROSS RETURNS (USD) (JUN 2004 – MAY 2019)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI USA ESG Leaders	MSCI USA
2018	-3.11	-4.50
2017	20.56	21.90
2016	11.74	11.61
2015	-1.33	1.32
2014	12.84	13.36
2013	33.54	32.61
2012	13.39	16.13
2011	1.19	1.99
2010	14.33	15.45
2009	35.50	27.14
2008	-38.43	-37.14
2007	4.36	6.03
2006	13.14	15.32
2005	5.49	5.72

## INDEX PERFORMANCE — GROSS RETURNS (%) (MAY 31, 2019)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED			
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Jun 01, 2004
MSCI USA ESG Leaders	-5.87	-0.62	5.63	10.90	11.67	8.87	13.57	8.05
MSCI USA	-6.32	-0.76	3.71	10.99	11.76	9.57	13.95	8.48

## FUNDAMENTALS (MAY 31, 2019)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
2.05	19.88	16.72	3.91
2.05	19.72	16.18	3.27

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (JUN 01, 2004 – MAY 31, 2019)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2,3</sup>			Since Jun 01, 2004 (%)	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN Period YYYY-MM-DD	
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr			
MSCI USA ESG Leaders	1.00	1.98	10.55	11.34	11.46	12.47	0.90	0.72	1.04	0.51	55.34	2007-10-09—2009-03-09
MSCI USA	1.00	0.00	2.52	11.73	11.78	12.67	0.88	0.75	1.05	0.54	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 ICE LIBOR 1M

The MSCI ESG Indexes use ratings and other data supplied by MSCI ESG Research Inc, a subsidiary of MSCI Inc.

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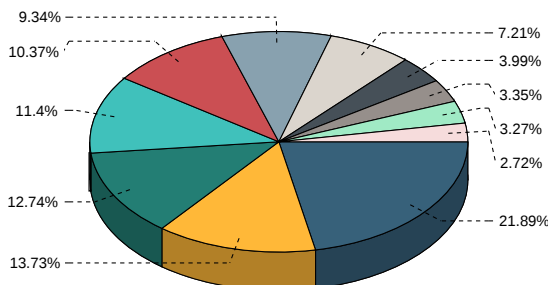
## INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

	MSCI USA ESG Leaders	MSCI USA
Number of Constituents	323	641
	Weight (%)	
Largest	7.39	3.73
Smallest	0.03	0.01
Average	0.31	0.16
Median	0.13	0.06

## TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
MICROSOFT CORP	7.39	3.73	Info Tech
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	2.86	1.44	Health Care
ALPHABET C	2.84	1.43	Comm Svcs
ALPHABET A	2.71	1.37	Comm Svcs
VISA A	2.31	1.17	Info Tech
PROCTER & GAMBLE CO	2.11	1.06	Cons Staples
DISNEY (WALT)	1.95	0.98	Comm Svcs
MASTERCARD A	1.88	0.95	Info Tech
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS	1.84	0.93	Comm Svcs
HOME DEPOT	1.76	0.89	Cons Discr
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.66</b>	<b>13.95</b>	

## SECTOR WEIGHTS



- Information Technology 21.89%
- Health Care 13.73%
- Financials 12.74%
- Communication Services 11.4%
- Consumer Discretionary 10.37%
- Industrials 9.34%
- Consumer Staples 7.21%
- Energy 3.99%
- Utilities 3.35%
- Real Estate 3.27%
- Materials 2.72%

## INDEX METHODOLOGY

The MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes are constructed by applying a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the regional indexes that make up MSCI ACWI, a global equity index consisting of developed and emerging market countries.

The ESG Leaders Indexes target sector and region weights consistent with those of the underlying indexes to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings representing 50% of the market capitalization in each sector and region of the parent Index. Companies that are not existing constituents of the ESG Leaders Indexes must have an MSCI ESG Rating of 'BB' or above and the MSCI ESG Controversies Score of 3 or above to be eligible. In addition, companies showing involvement in alcohol, gambling, tobacco, nuclear power and weapons are excluded from the Indexes. The selection universe for The ESG Leaders Indexes is the constituents of the MSCI Global Investable Market Indexes.

The Index is float-adjusted market capitalization weighted. The Annual Review of the MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes takes place in May, and they are rebalanced in August, November and February.

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