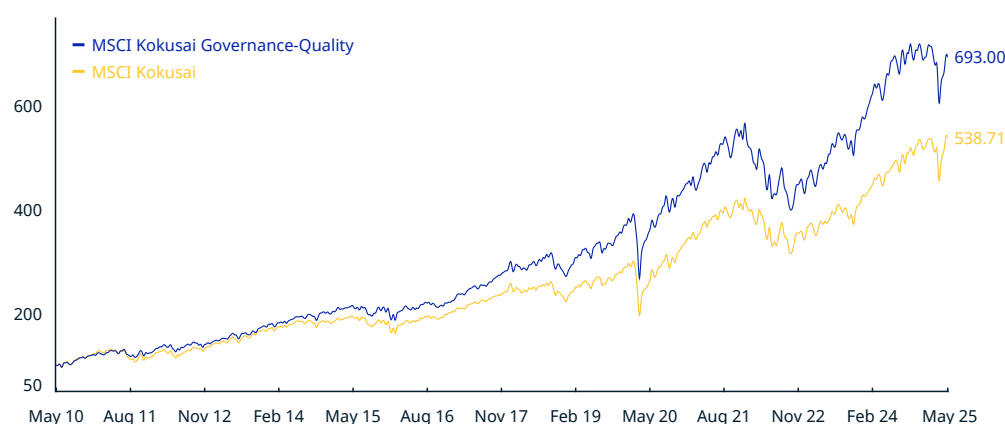


# MSCI Kokusai Governance-Quality Index (USD)

The **MSCI Kokusai (World ex Japan) Governance-Quality Index** is based on MSCI Kokusai index, its parent index, which includes large and mid cap stocks across 22 Developed Markets (DM) countries\* (excluding Japan). The index aims to reflect the performance of a strategy that is seeking to capture both the financial and corporate governance aspects of Quality investing. The financial aspects of the Quality factor are captured using the same fundamental data as used in the MSCI Quality Index - return on equity, financial leverage and earnings variability. The standard of corporate governance is measured through measures such as independence and diversity of board of directors, ownership and control structure of the company, accounting practices and auditor opinions.

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

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



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI Kokusai Governance-Quality	MSCI Kokusai
2024	18.14	19.86
2023	33.11	24.66
2022	-22.46	-17.83
2021	25.38	24.03
2020	20.69	16.63
2019	36.57	29.19
2018	-3.69	-7.78
2017	29.14	22.94
2016	5.96	8.69
2015	2.78	-1.21
2014	10.74	6.38
2013	28.07	27.37
2012	13.80	17.36
2011	4.47	-3.99

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

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED			
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Nov 30, 2009
MSCI Kokusai Governance-Quality	4.78	-1.70	5.44	1.18	14.15	13.69	12.58	12.98
MSCI Kokusai	6.10	1.86	14.38	4.90	13.85	15.17	10.86	11.09

## FUNDAMENTALS (MAY 30, 2025)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
1.38	23.91	21.54	8.32
1.74	23.02	19.52	3.78

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (NOV 30, 2009 – MAY 30, 2025)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2,3</sup>			Since Nov 30, 2009	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN (%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr			
MSCI Kokusai Governance-Quality	0.92	3.88	24.83	16.85	16.72	15.33	0.61	0.69	0.72	0.84	31.89	2020-02-19–2020-03-23
MSCI Kokusai	1.00	0.00	2.28	16.32	16.13	15.42	0.61	0.79	0.62	0.69	34.78	2020-02-19–2020-03-23

<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, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the UK and the US.

The MSCI Kokusai Governance-Quality Index was launched on Feb 29, 2016. 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

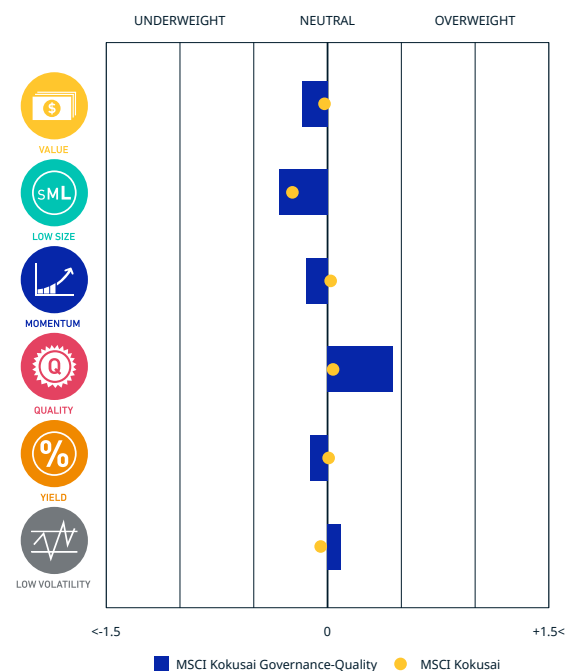
	MSCI Kokusai Governance-Quality	MSCI Kokusai
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	217	1,170
	<b>Weight (%)</b>	
<b>Largest</b>	5.75	4.83
<b>Smallest</b>	0.01	0.00
<b>Average</b>	0.46	0.09
<b>Median</b>	0.14	0.03

## TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
META PLATFORMS A	5.75	2.06	Comm Svcs
MICROSOFT CORP	5.58	4.75	Info Tech
NVIDIA	4.76	4.83	Info Tech
APPLE	4.60	4.41	Info Tech
VISA A	4.23	0.92	Financials
COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP	3.07	0.67	Cons Staples
MASTERCARD A	2.81	0.70	Financials
LILLY (ELI) & COMPANY	2.73	0.87	Health Care
ALPHABET A	2.65	1.47	Comm Svcs
ALPHABET C	2.29	1.26	Comm Svcs
Total	38.48	21.94	

## FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

## MSCI FACTOR BOX



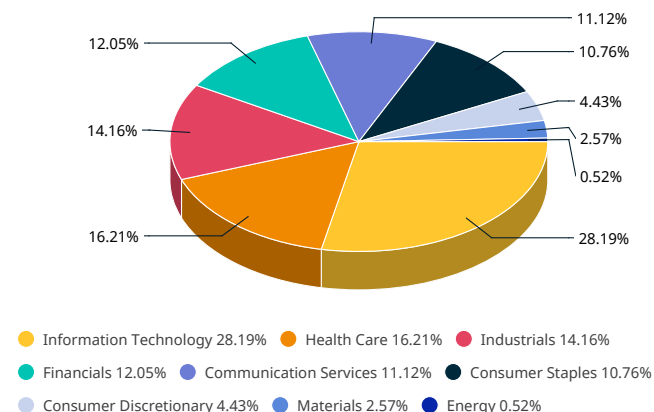
## MSCI FaCS

- 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

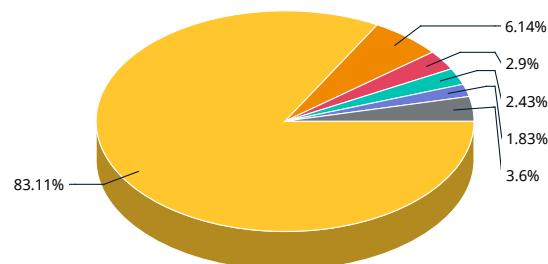
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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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