

MSCI ACWI ex USA Dividend Masters Index (USD)

The MSCI ACWI ex USA Dividend Masters Index captures large and mid cap stocks across 22 of 23 Developed Markets (DM) (excluding the US) and 27 Emerging Markets (EM) countries*. The index is designed to capture the performance of companies in MSCI ACWI ex USA Index that have consistently increased dividends every year for at least 10 years. The index is constructed by targeting a minimum of 90 securities and the index constituents are equally weighted. The sector weights are capped at 30% and country weights are capped at 50% to mitigate potential concentration risks.

CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (USD) (AUG 2006 – AUG 2021)



ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI ACWI ex USA Dividend Masters	MSCI ACWI ex USA
2020	5.85	10.65
2019	22.28	21.51
2018	-10.85	-14.20
2017	23.09	27.19
2016	0.62	4.50
2015	-5.47	-5.66
2014	6.46	-3.87
2013	12.87	15.29
2012	16.05	16.83
2011	-3.25	-13.71
2010	17.18	11.15
2009	48.39	41.45
2008	-45.48	-45.53
2007	15.56	16.65

INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (%) (AUG 31, 2021)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since Nov 29, 2002
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Nov 29, 2002	
MSCI ACWI ex USA Dividend Masters	2.11	3.31	27.61	13.32	9.98	8.83	7.25	11.35	
MSCI ACWI ex USA	1.90	-0.43	24.87	9.40	9.37	9.92	6.57	8.08	

FUNDAMENTALS (AUG 31, 2021)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
2.43	20.97	17.89	2.59
2.34	18.52	14.80	1.97

INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (NOV 29, 2002 – AUG 31, 2021)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) ¹	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) ²			SHARPE RATIO ^{2,3}			Since Nov 29, 2002	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI ACWI ex USA Dividend Masters	0.91	4.62	50.82	16.82	13.97	13.51	0.58	0.59	0.53	0.67	61.16	2007-10-31–2009-03-09
MSCI ACWI ex USA	1.00	0.00	4.10	17.57	14.53	14.81	0.53	0.64	0.45	0.46	60.83	2007-10-31–2009-03-09

¹ Last 12 months

² Based on monthly net returns data

³ Based on ICE LIBOR 1M

* 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: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.

The MSCI ACWI ex USA Dividend Masters Index was launched on Dec 16, 2016. Data prior to the launch date is back-tested data (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

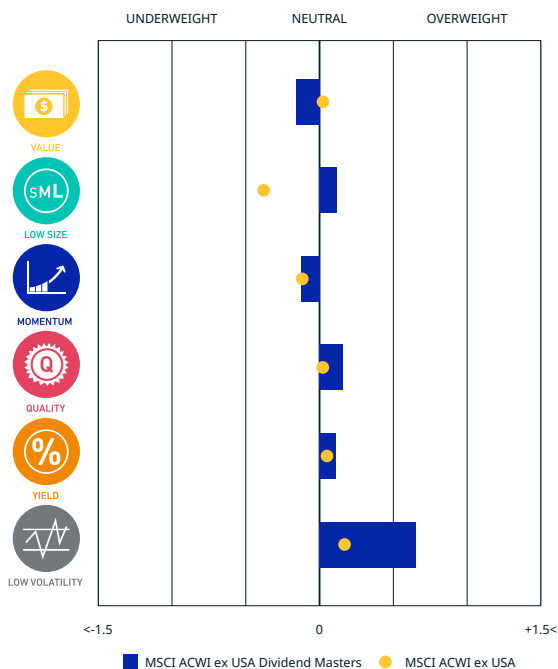
	MSCI ACWI ex USA Dividend Masters	MSCI ACWI ex USA
Number of Constituents	123	2,341
	Weight (%)	
Largest	1.08	1.99
Smallest	0.34	0.00
Average	0.81	0.04
Median	0.80	0.02

TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Country	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
BAJAJ FINANCE	IN	1.08	0.10	Financials
CRODA INTERNATIONAL	GB	1.06	0.06	Materials
DIASORIN	IT	1.04	0.02	Health Care
ASML HLDG	NL	1.03	1.27	Info Tech
ICTSI INTL CONTAINER	PH	1.01	0.01	Industrials
SPIRAX SARCO ENGINEERING	GB	1.01	0.06	Industrials
INFOSYS	IN	1.00	0.29	Info Tech
TECHTRONIC INDUSTRIES CO	HK	1.00	0.11	Industrials
DASSAULT SYSTEMES	FR	1.00	0.14	Info Tech
LINDT & SPRUENGLI PART	CH	0.99	0.04	Cons Staples
Total		10.22	2.11	

FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

MSCI FACTOR BOX



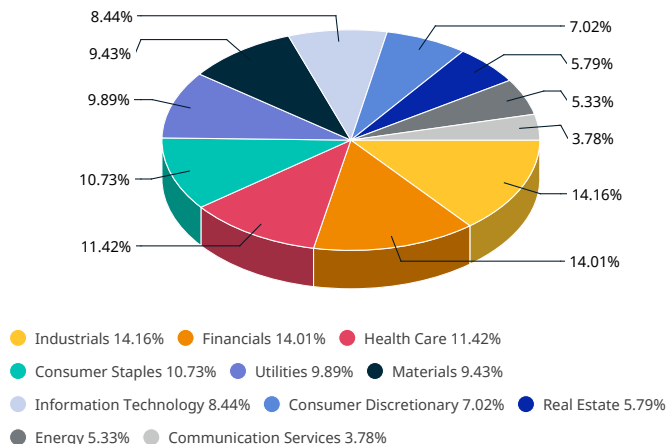
MSCI FaCS

- 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

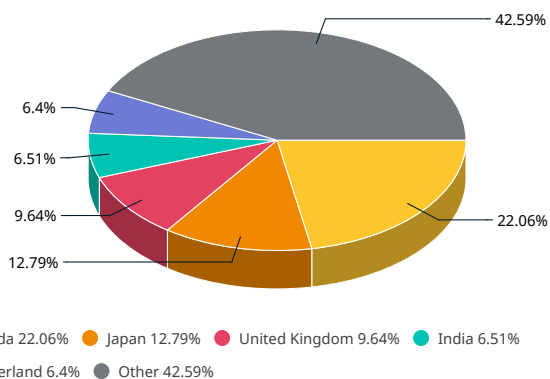
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

Neutral factor exposure (FaCS = 0) represents MSCI ACWI IMI.

SECTOR WEIGHTS



COUNTRY WEIGHTS



INDEX METHODOLOGY

The [MSCI Dividend Masters Indexes](#) are constructed by targeting a minimum number of securities that have consistently increased dividends every year for a specific number of consecutive years. The index constituents are equally weighted and are diversified across GICS® sectors and countries. The sector and country weights are capped at defined thresholds to mitigate concentration risks. The Indexes are reconstituted annually and the constituent weights are reset to equal weights at every quarter.

FACTOR BOX AND FaCS METHODOLOGY

MSCI FaCS is a standard method ([MSCI FaCS Methodology](#)) 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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