# **MSCI EAFE Equal Country Weighted Index (USD)**

The MSCI EAFE Equal Country Weighted Index is an equity index which captures large and mid-cap representation across Developed Markets countries\* around the world, excluding the US and Canada. The index represents an alternative weighting scheme to its market-cap weighted parent index, the MSCI EAFE Index. The Index includes the same constituents as its parent index but applies an equal country weighting at each semi-annual index review date.

For a complete description of the index methodology, please see Index methodology - MSCI.

# CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE — GROSS RETURNS (USD) (MAR 2009 — MAR 2024)



# **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)**

| Year | MSCI EAFE Equal<br>Country Weighted | MSCI EAFE |
|------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| 2023 | 16.38                               | 18.85     |
| 2022 | -13.76                              | -14.01    |
| 2021 | 12.07                               | 11.78     |
| 2020 | 10.39                               | 8.28      |
| 2019 | 22.25                               | 22.66     |
| 2018 | -13.14                              | -13.36    |
| 2017 | 26.91                               | 25.62     |
| 2016 | 0.92                                | 1.51      |
| 2015 | 0.63                                | -0.39     |
| 2014 | -4.65                               | -4.48     |
| 2013 | 24.22                               | 23.29     |
| 2012 | 19.86                               | 17.90     |
| 2011 | -16.41                              | -11.73    |
| 2010 | 4.09                                | 8.21      |
|      |                                     |           |

### INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (%) (MAR 29, 2024)

## **FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 29, 2024)**

|                                     |      |      |       |      | ANNUALIZED |      |                    |                      |             |       |         |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|-------|------|------------|------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------|---------|------|
|                                     | 1 Mo | 3 Мо | 1 Yr  | YTD  | 3 Yr       | 5 Yr | 10 Yr <sub>D</sub> | Since<br>ec 31, 1998 | Div Yld (%) | P/E   | P/E Fwd | P/BV |
| MSCI EAFE Equal Country<br>Weighted | 3.07 | 3.30 | 11.63 | 3.30 | 4.03       | 7.18 | 4.79               | 5.76                 | 3.45        | 14.32 | 13.10   | 1.74 |
| MSCI EAFE                           | 3.40 | 5.93 | 15.90 | 5.93 | 5.31       | 7.85 | 5.30               | 5.08                 | 2.94        | 15.70 | 14.29   | 1.93 |

#### INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (DEC 31, 1998 - MAR 29, 2024)

|                                     |  |                       |                              | ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) 2 |       | SHARPE RATIO 2,3 |      |      |       | MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN         |       |                       |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|------------------|------|------|-------|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------|
|                                     | Beta   | Tracking<br>Error (%) | Turnover<br>(%) <sup>1</sup> | 3 Yr                     | 5 Yr  | 10 Yr            | 3 Yr | 5 Yr | 10 Yr | Since<br>Dec 31,<br>1998 | (%)   | Period YYYY-MM-DD     |
| MSCI EAFE Equal Country<br>Weighted | 1.09   | 3.55                  | 14.72                        | 17.41                    | 19.02 | 15.97            | 0.16 | 0.35 | 0.28  | 0.29                     | 65.21 | 2007-10-31-2009-03-09 |
| MSCI EAFE                           | 1.00   | 0.00                  | 3.20                         | 16.85                    | 17.90 | 15.12            | 0.24 | 0.40 | 0.32  | 0.26                     | 60.15 | 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 |                       |                              |                          |       |                  |      |      |       |                          |       |                       |

The MSCI EAFE Equal Country Weighted Index was launched on Nov 10, 2014. 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.



<sup>\*</sup> Developed Markets countries include: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK.

MAR 29, 2024 **Index Factsheet** 

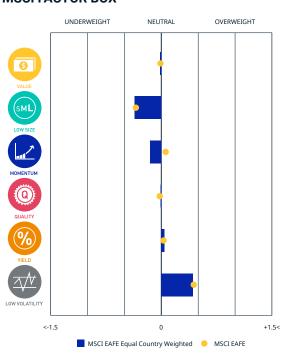
#### **INDEX CHARACTERISTICS**

|              | MSCI EAFE Equal<br>Country Weighted | MSCI EAFE |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| Number of    | 768                                 | 768       |  |  |  |  |
| Constituents |                                     |           |  |  |  |  |
|              | Weight (%)                          |           |  |  |  |  |
| Largest      | 3.21                                | 2.46      |  |  |  |  |
| Smallest     | 0.00                                | 0.01      |  |  |  |  |
| Average      | 0.13                                | 0.13      |  |  |  |  |
| Median       | 0.04                                | 0.06      |  |  |  |  |
|              |                                     |           |  |  |  |  |

#### **TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

|                          | Country | Index<br>Wt. (%) | Parent<br>Index<br>Wt. (%) | Sector       |
|--------------------------|---------|------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| NOVO NORDISK B           | DK      | 3.21             | 2.46                       | Health Care  |
| ERSTE GROUP BANK         | AT      | 2.47             | 0.09                       | Financials   |
| ASML HLDG                | NL      | 2.18             | 2.30                       | Info Tech    |
| EDP ENERGIAS DE PORTUGAL | PT      | 1.81             | 0.07                       | Utilities    |
| ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV     | BE      | 1.61             | 0.31                       | Cons Staples |
| FISHER & PAYKEL HEALTH   | NZ      | 1.31             | 0.05                       | Health Care  |
| KINGSPAN GROUP           | ΙE      | 1.20             | 0.08                       | Industrials  |
| KERRY GROUP A            | ΙE      | 1.14             | 0.08                       | Cons Staples |
| GALP ENERGIA SGPS B      | PT      | 1.14             | 0.05                       | Energy       |
| OMV AG                   | AT      | 1.12             | 0.04                       | Energy       |
| Total                    |         | 17.17            | 5.54                       |              |

# FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN **MSCI FACTOR BOX**



### **MSCI FaCS**



**Relatively Inexpensive Stocks** 



**LOW SIZE Smaller Companies** 



**MOMENTUM Rising Stocks** 



**QUALITY Sound Balance Sheet Stocks** 



**YIELD Cash Flow Paid Out** 

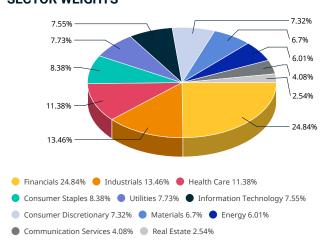


**LOW VOLATILITY Lower Risk Stocks** 

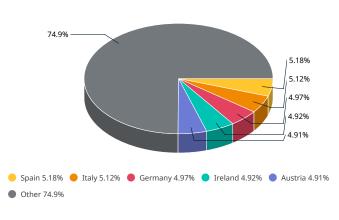
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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

# **SECTOR WEIGHTS**



## **COUNTRY WEIGHTS**





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# 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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