

MSCI Indexes

Bringing the World into Focus

Economic development around the world had led investors to consider broadening their investment exposures.

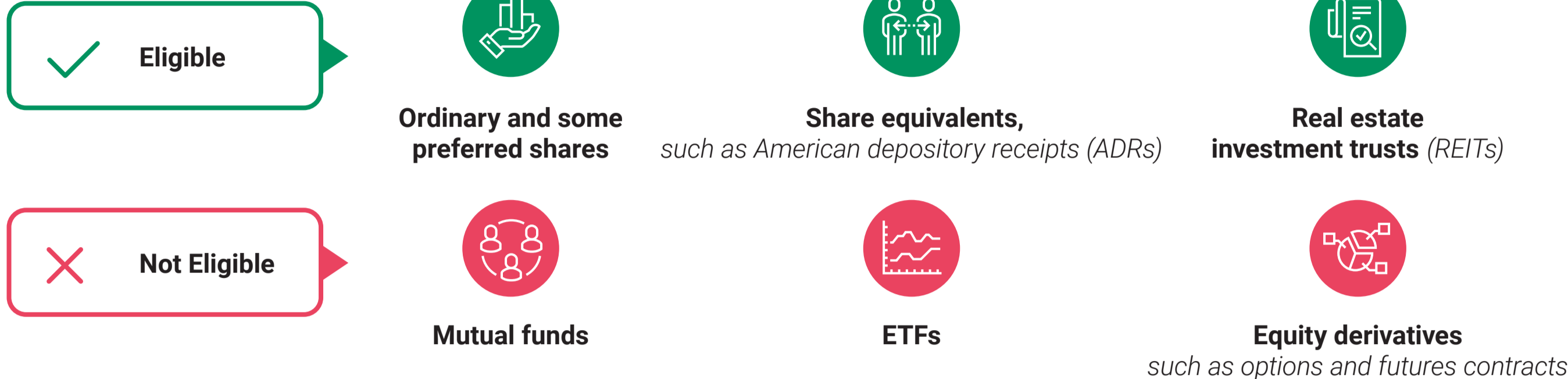
But with a global universe of nearly 34,000 securities, where should investors start? MSCI's indexes, which are based on a disciplined approach, can help map and categorize the stock market so that investors can make better investment decisions.



Defining the Global Universe

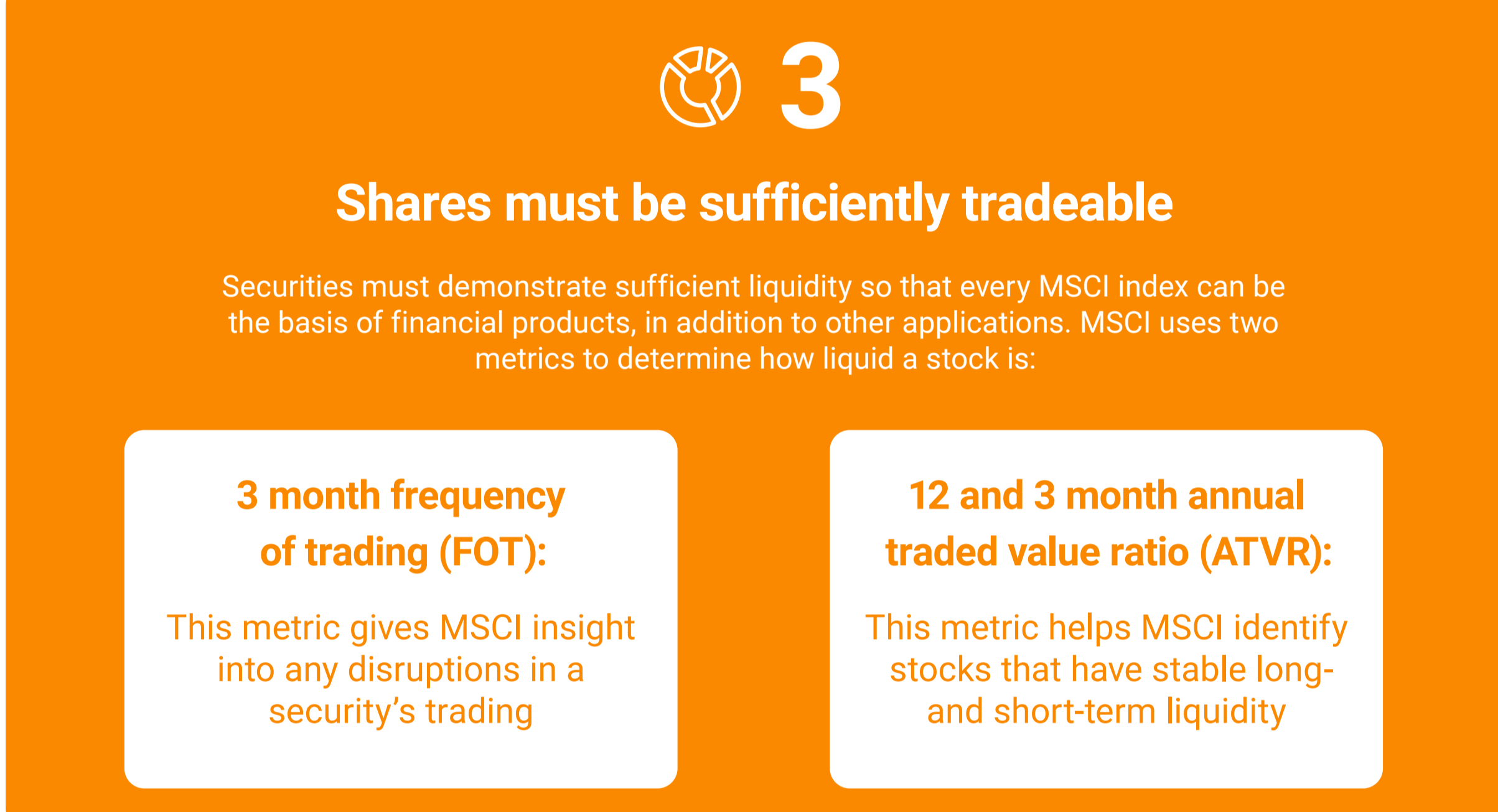
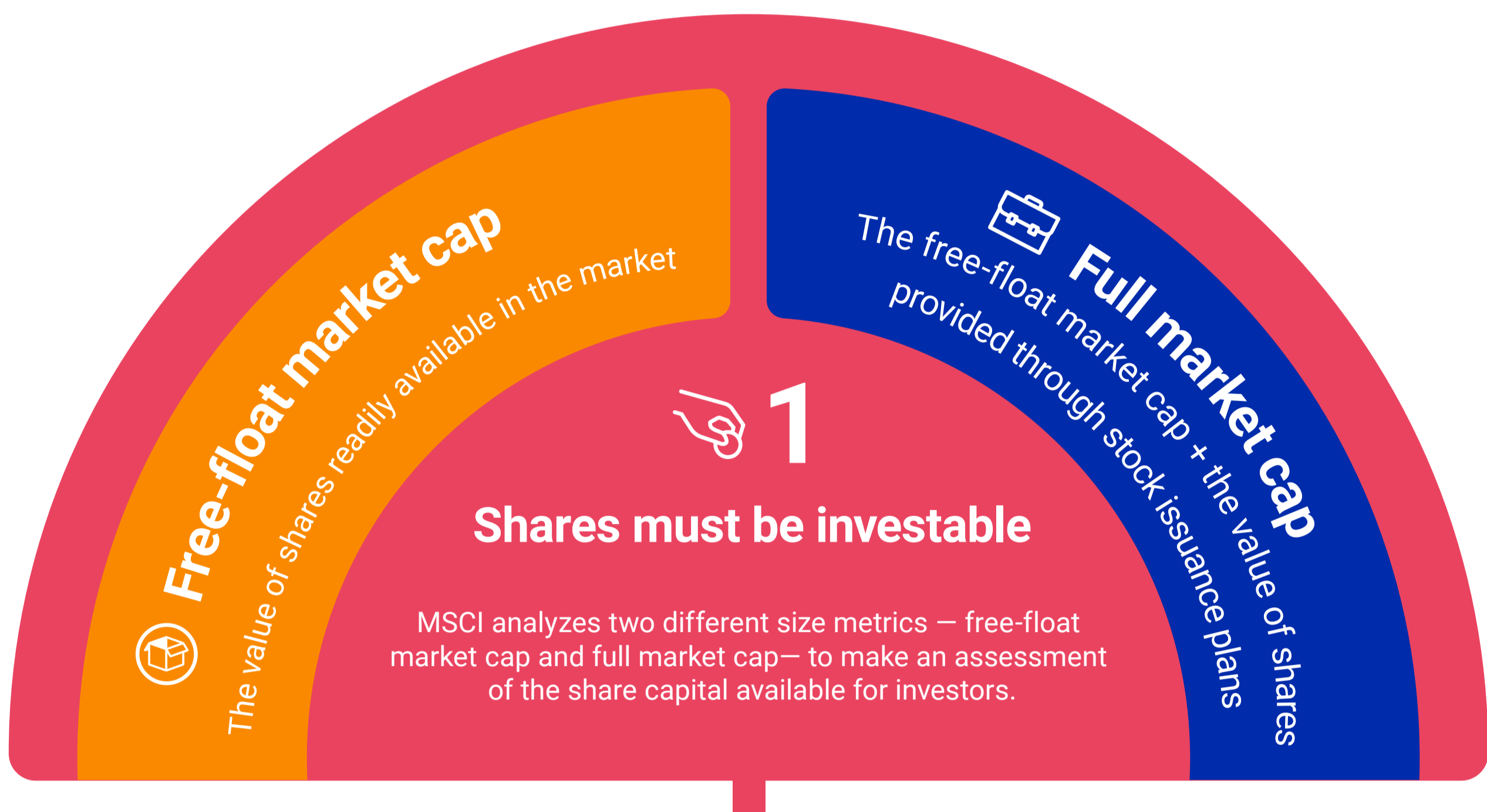
To construct a robust representation of the world's equity market, MSCI begins by identifying eligible securities from public stock markets.

Identifying eligible equity securities



Applying Investability Screens

Next, the universe of eligible securities is screened according to three requirements.

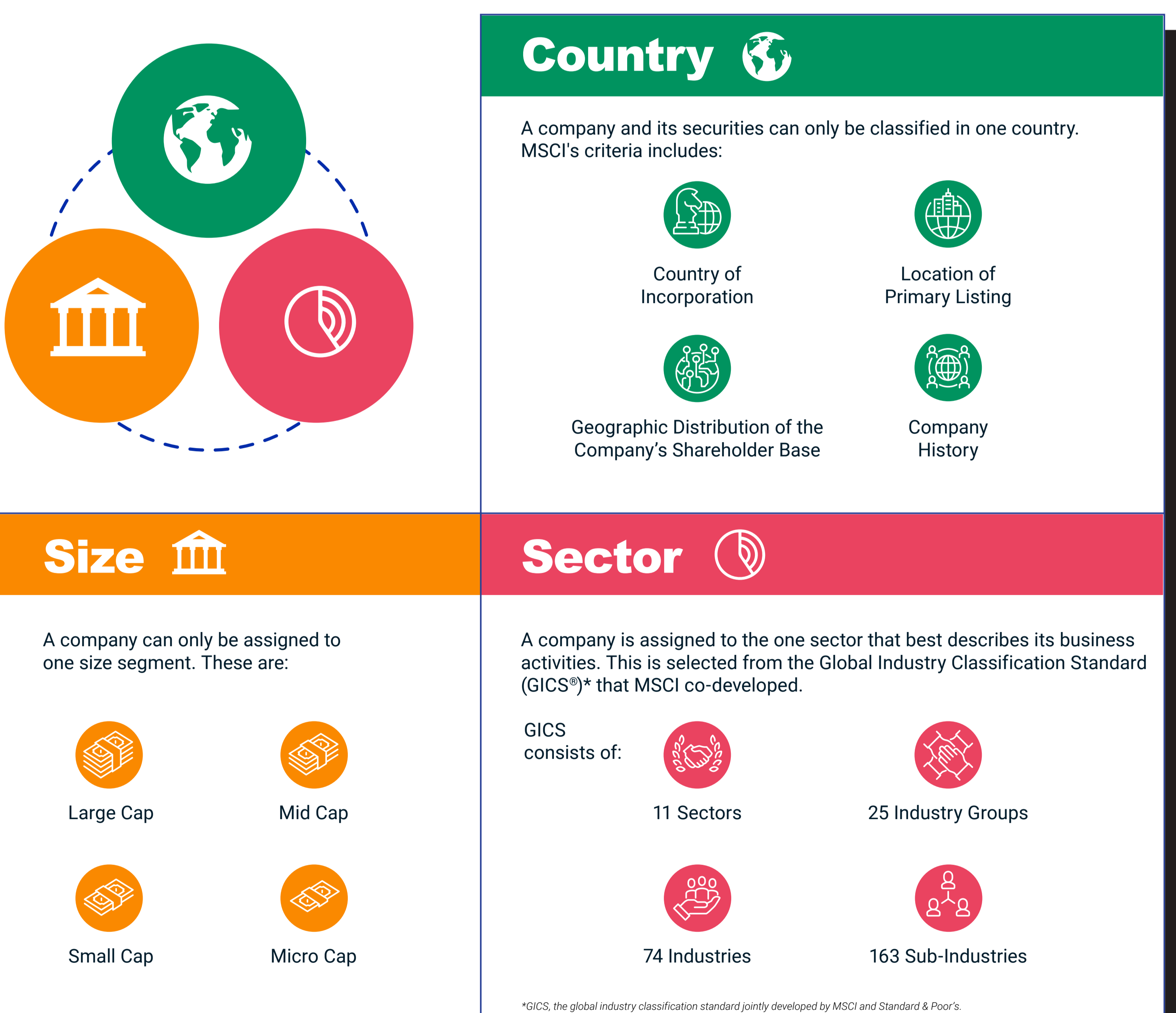


After screening the global universe, what's left is an investable representation of the global market.

Classifying Companies




MSCI classifies every company in the global investable universe into three non-overlapping categories.

This allows MSCI to create indexes that cover specific countries, regions and sectors, in addition to indexes that focus on larger or smaller companies.



This approach enables investors to better understand the investable universe and shape their asset allocation views and insights. This deeper understanding can be used to shape and refine investment decisions.

For over 50 years, MSCI indexes have provided:

-  Extensive coverage of the global investable universe
-  Strong emphasis on investability and replicability
-  Clear segmentation that seeks no gaps or overlap



Like the needs of investors, the world's equity universe is constantly changing.

MSCI's index methodology follows a transparent and objective process, giving investors the tools they need to shape and refine their investment allocations.