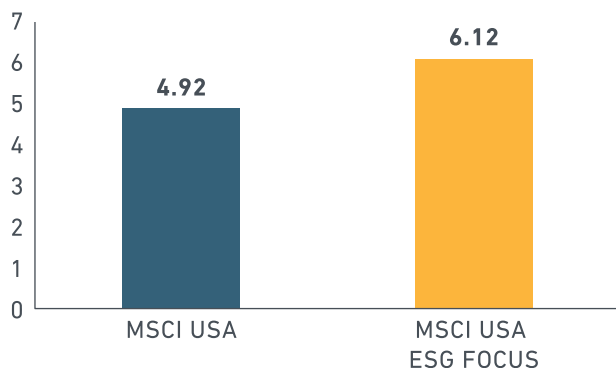


# MSCI USA ESG FOCUS INDEX PROFILE

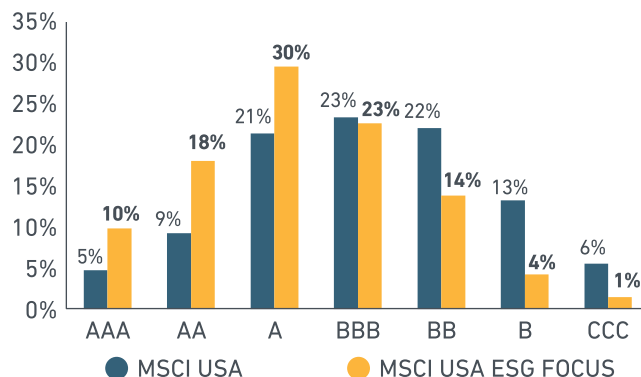
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MSCI USA ESG Focus Index is designed to maximize exposure to companies with high environmental, social and governance (ESG) ratings while exhibiting risk and return characteristics similar to those of MSCI USA Index (the parent index). It is constructed using optimization to maximize its ESG score based on how constituents are selected and weighted. The index has an explicit tracking error target used in its construction with the objective of keeping the index closely aligned to the parent from a risk/return perspective. Tobacco, Controversial Weapons and companies involved in severe business controversies are not eligible for inclusion.

## ESG QUALITY SCORE



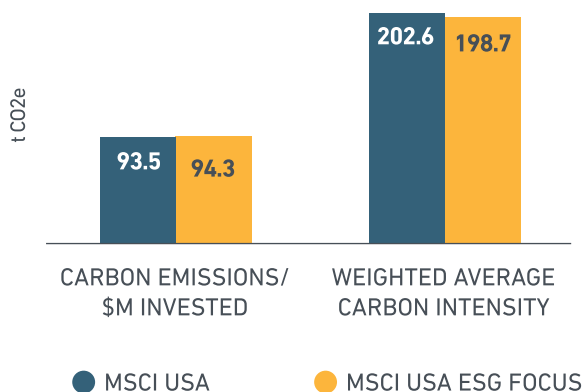
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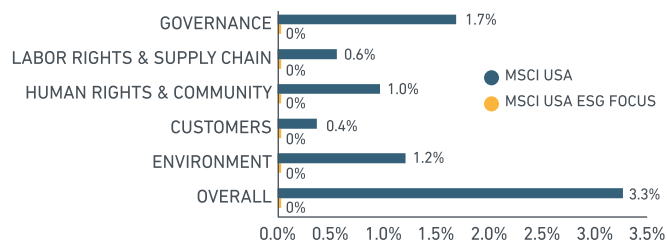
## TOP HOLDINGS OF MSCI USA ESG FOCUS INDEX

Company name	Portfolio Weight	Sector (GICS)	Domicile Country	ESG Rating
APPLE INC.	3.81%	Information Technology	United States of America	A
ALPHABET INC.	2.95%	Information Technology	United States of America	A
MICROSOFT CORPORATION	2.87%	Information Technology	United States of America	AAA
AMAZON.COM, INC.	1.71%	Consumer Discretionary	United States of America	BB
FACEBOOK, INC.	1.61%	Information Technology	United States of America	BB

## CARBON METRICS



## ESG CONTROVERSIES - RED FLAGS



## SUSTAINABLE IMPACT ASSESSMENT\*

	CONSTITUENT REVENUE EXPOSURE TO SUSTAINABLE IMPACT SOLUTIONS >0			
	# of Securities	Market Value	Revenue Exposure	Sustainable Impact Assessment
MSCI USA ESG Focus	101	35.3%	8.3%	●●○○
MSCI USA	172	28.3%	6.5%	●●○○

## BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT SCREENS

### TOBACCO INVOLVEMENT

Companies which meet the following Tobacco involvement criteria are excluded from the Index :

- All companies classified as “Producer” or “Licensor”
- All companies classified as “Distributor”, “Retailer”, or “Supplier” that earn 15% or more of revenues from tobacco products
- All companies classified as “Ownership by a Tobacco Company” or “Ownership of a Tobacco Company”

### CONTROVERSIAL WEAPONS INVOLVEMENT

Companies which meet the following Controversial Weapons criteria are excluded from the Index:

#### • CLUSTER BOMBS

MSCI ESG Research’s cluster bomb research identifies public companies that are involved in the production of cluster bombs and munitions, or the essential components of these products.

#### • LANDMINES

MSCI ESG Research’s landmines research identifies public companies that are involved in the production of anti-personnel landmines, anti-vehicle landmines, or the essential components of these products.

#### • DEPLETED URANIUM WEAPONS

MSCI ESG Research’s depleted uranium weapons research identifies public companies involved in the production of depleted uranium weapons and armor.

#### • CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS

MSCI ESG Research’s chemical and biological weapons research identifies public companies that are involved in the production of chemical and biological weapons, or the essential components of these products. Involvement criteria:

- Producers of the weapons
- Producers of key components of the weapons
- Ownership of 20% or more of a weapons or components producer

The minimum limit is raised to 50% for financial companies having an ownership in a company that manufactures controversial weapons or key components of controversial weapons

Revenue limits:

- Any identifiable revenues, i.e., zero tolerance

## DEFINITIONS

### MSCI ESG RESEARCH

Provides in-depth research, ratings and analysis of the environmental, social and governance-related business practices of thousands of companies worldwide. It consists of an integrated suite of tools and products to efficiently manage research, analysis and compliance tasks across the spectrum of ESG factors.

The MSCI USA ESG Select Index uses company ratings and research provided by MSCI ESG Research. In particular, this index uses the following three MSCI ESG Research products: MSCI ESG Ratings, MSCI ESG Controversies Score, and MSCI ESG Business Involvement Screening Research.

### MSCI ESG RATINGS

MSCI ESG Ratings provides research, analysis and ratings of how well companies manage environmental, social and governance risks and opportunities. MSCI ESG Ratings provides an overall company ESG rating - a seven point scale from ‘AAA’ to ‘CCC’. In addition, the product provides scores and percentiles indicating how well a company manages each key issue relative to industry peers.

### MSCI ESG QUALITY SCORE

The MSCI Fund ESG Quality Score assesses funds on a scale from 0 to 10, with 10 reflecting underlying holdings that rank best-in-class globally based on their exposure to—and management of—ESG risks and opportunities, while a score of 0 reflects holdings that generally rank worst in class globally based on their exposure to similar factors. The score focuses on the ESG quality of a fund’s holdings; not the extent to which an asset manager incorporates ESG into its investment process.

### CARBON EMISSIONS

The normalized carbon footprint per \$M invested of a portfolio tracking the index.

### WEIGHTED AVERAGE CARBON INTENSITY

Exposure to carbon-intensive companies.

### PORTFOLIO SUSTAINABLE IMPACT ASSESSMENT\*

An index or portfolio’s Sustainable Impact Assessment is determined by its exposure to Sustainable Impact Solutions Revenue as defined by the MSCI ESG Sustainable Impact Metrics methodology and associated definitions. The classifications are defined by the following table:

Classification		Exposure
Very High	●●●●	> 20%
High	●●●○	>10% and <=20%
Moderate	●●○○	>5% and <=10%
Low	●○○○	>1% and <=5%
Negligible	○○○○	<=1%

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