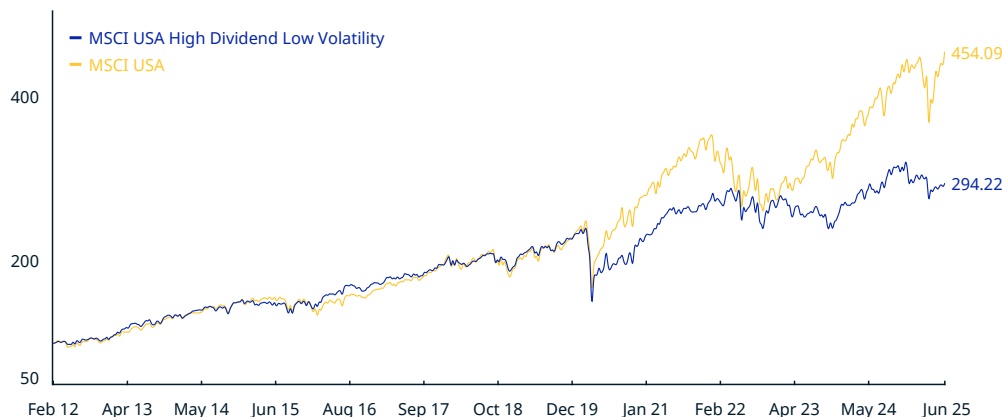# MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility Index (USD)

MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility Index ('the Index') is based on the MSCI USA Index, its parent index, and is designed to represent the performance of a fixed number of securities with high dividend yield and quality characteristics. The Index is inverse volatility weighted to achieve lower volatility.

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

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE — PRICE RETURNS (USD) (FEB 2012 – JUN 2025)



- MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility
- MSCI USA

454.09
294.22

## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

| Year | MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility | MSCI USA |
|------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| 2024 | 10.17 | 23.40 |
| 2023 | 0.01 | 25.05 |
| 2022 | -2.65 | -20.76 |
| 2021 | 22.09 | 25.24 |
| 2020 | -2.82 | 19.22 |
| 2019 | 23.35 | 29.07 |
| 2018 | -3.22 | -6.33 |
| 2017 | 13.80 | 19.50 |
| 2016 | 15.55 | 9.21 |
| 2015 | -0.92 | -0.77 |
| 2014 | 10.57 | 11.10 |
| 2013 | 29.08 | 29.85 |

## INDEX PERFORMANCE — PRICE RETURNS (%) (JUN 30, 2025)

| | | | | | ANNUALIZED | | | | | | | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | 1 Mo | 3 Mo | 1 Yr | YTD | 3 Yr | 5 Yr | 10 Yr | Since Feb 29, 2012 | | | | |
| MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility | 1.01 | -2.57 | 3.54 | -0.95 | 4.20 | 8.99 | 7.36 | 8.42 | | | | |
| MSCI USA | 5.02 | 10.99 | 14.27 | 5.64 | 18.17 | 14.76 | 11.61 | 12.01 | | | | |

## FUNDAMENTALS (JUN 30, 2025)

| | Div Yld (%) | P/E | P/E Fwd | P/BV |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility | 3.95 | 16.53 | 13.87 | 2.35 |
| MSCI USA | 1.24 | 27.53 | 22.65 | 5.31 |

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (FEB 29, 2012 – JUN 30, 2025)

| | Beta | Tracking Error (%) | Turnover (%) [1] | ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) [2] | | | SHARPE RATIO [2,3] | | | | MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN | |
|---|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------------|------|------------------------|
| | | | | 3 Yr | 5 Yr | 10 Yr | 3 Yr | 5 Yr | 10 Yr | Since Feb 29, 2012 | (%) | Period YYYY-MM-DD |
| MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility | 0.79 | 7.43 | 46.82 | 15.02 | 14.60 | 14.45 | 0.04 | 0.47 | 0.42 | 0.56 | 39.70 | 2020-01-23—2020-03-23 |
| MSCI USA | 1.00 | 0.00 | 2.06 | 15.98 | 16.57 | 15.74 | 0.85 | 0.75 | 0.65 | 0.76 | 34.25 | 2020-02-19—2020-03-23 |

[1] Last 12 months   [2] Based on monthly price returns data   [3] Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep 1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date

## MSCI

## INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

|  | MSCI USA High Dividend Low Volatility | MSCI USA |
|---|---|---|
| **Number of Constituents** | 48 | 547 |
| **Weight (%)** | | |
| **Largest** | 4.01 | 7.12 |
| **Smallest** | 1.05 | 0.01 |
| **Average** | 2.08 | 0.18 |
| **Median** | 1.96 | 0.06 |

## TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

|  | Index Wt. (%) | Parent Index Wt. (%) | Sector |
|---|---|---|---|
| DUKE ENERGY CORP | 4.01 | 0.17 | Utilities |
| COCA COLA (THE) | 3.88 | 0.53 | Cons Staples |
| CME GROUP | 3.73 | 0.18 | Financials |
| JOHNSON & JOHNSON | 3.44 | 0.68 | Health Care |
| CONSOLIDATED EDISON | 3.41 | 0.07 | Utilities |
| PUBLIC SERVICE ENT GRP | 3.13 | 0.08 | Utilities |
| AMCOR | 3.00 | 0.04 | Materials |
| PROCTER & GAMBLE CO | 2.97 | 0.69 | Cons Staples |
| GENERAL MILLS | 2.47 | 0.05 | Cons Staples |
| AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP | 2.42 | 0.02 | Financials |
| Total | 32.47 | 2.51 | |

## FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

### MSCI FACTOR BOX



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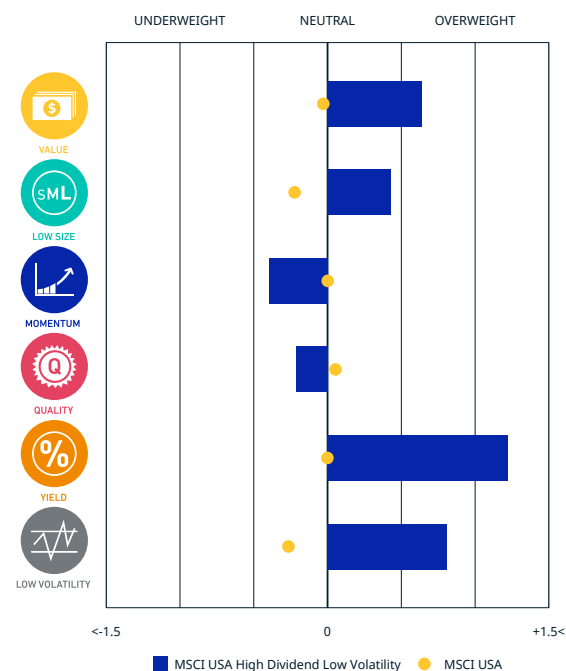
### MSCI FaCS

**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



- Financials 20.61%
- Utilities 16.88%
- Consumer Staples 15.65%
- Health Care 13.97%
- Industrials 7.35%
- Consumer Discretionary 6.56%
- Energy 5.46%
- Information Technology 4.64%
- Materials 4.52%
- Communication Services 4.36%

## COUNTRY WEIGHTS



- United States 100%
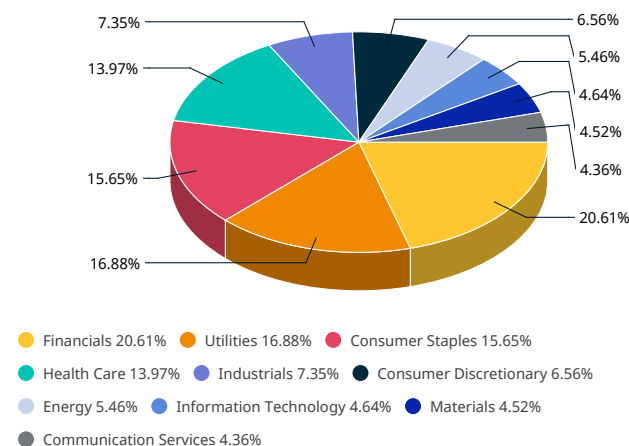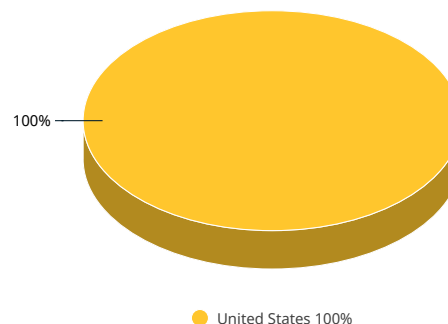
**MSCI FACTOR BOX AND FaCS FRAMEWORK (Please refer to complete description of the MSCI FaCS methodology  here)**
MSCI FaCS is a standard method for evaluating and reporting the Factor characteristics of equity portfolios. MSCI FaCS consists of Factor Groups (e.g. Value, Size, Momentum, Quality, Yield, 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.

## ABOUT MSCI