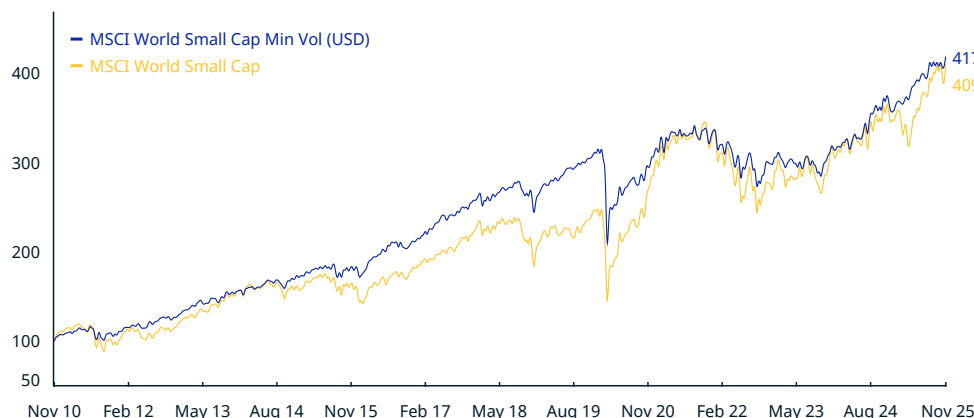


# MSCI World Small Cap Minimum Volatility (USD) Index (USD)

The **MSCI World Small Cap Minimum Volatility (USD) Index** aims to reflect the performance characteristics of a minimum variance strategy applied to the small cap equity universe across 23 Developed Markets (DM) countries\*. The index is calculated by optimizing the MSCI World Small Cap Index, its parent index, for the lowest absolute risk (within a given set of constraints). Historically, the index has shown lower beta and volatility characteristics relative to the MSCI World Small Cap Index.

For a complete description of the index methodology, please see [Index methodology - MSCI](#).

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (USD) (NOV 2010 – NOV 2025)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI World Small Cap Min Vol (USD)	MSCI World Small Cap
2024	12.80	8.65
2023	6.12	16.34
2022	-11.40	-18.37
2021	9.52	16.18
2020	-1.18	16.47
2019	22.87	26.78
2018	-1.54	-13.48
2017	20.88	23.19
2016	16.72	13.25
2015	6.05	0.12
2014	9.34	2.32
2013	23.54	32.92
2012	15.63	18.14
2011	3.24	-8.71

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (%) (NOV 28, 2025)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since May 31, 2001
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		
MSCI World Small Cap Min Vol (USD)	3.68	2.13	11.18	16.89	11.30	7.38	8.64	10.09	
MSCI World Small Cap	1.74	4.00	12.21	19.28	13.36	8.96	9.53	9.36	

## FUNDAMENTALS (NOV 28, 2025)

Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
2.53	20.31	17.62	1.91
2.01	24.58	17.04	1.95

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (MAY 31, 2001 – NOV 28, 2025)

	Beta	Tracking Error (%)	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2,3</sup>			Since May 31, 2001	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
				3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI World Small Cap Min Vol (USD)	0.61	8.31	40.47	10.11	11.26	11.94	0.64	0.41	0.57	0.72	47.55	2007-06-04–2009-03-09
MSCI World Small Cap	1.00	0.00	14.89	15.96	17.11	17.92	0.57	0.41	0.48	0.48	61.08	2007-07-13–2009-03-09

<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

\* 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, the UK and the US.

The MSCI World Small Cap Minimum Volatility (USD) Index was launched on Jun 15, 2015. 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.

## INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

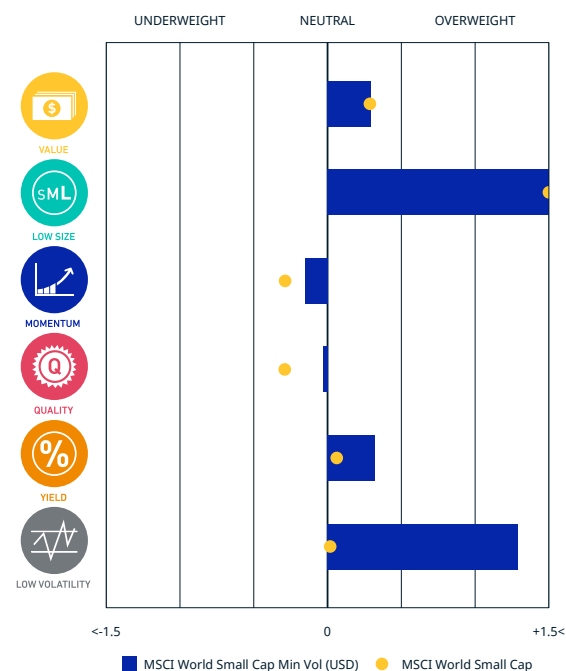
	MSCI World Small Cap Min Vol (USD)	MSCI World Small Cap
<b>Number of Constituents</b>	513	3,850
	<b>Weight (%)</b>	
<b>Largest</b>	1.18	0.33
<b>Smallest</b>	0.04	0.00
<b>Average</b>	0.19	0.03
<b>Median</b>	0.13	0.02

## TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Country	Index Wt. (%)	Parent Index Wt. (%)	Sector
ROYAL GOLD	US	1.18	0.18	Materials
PINNACLE WEST CAPITAL	US	1.11	0.11	Utilities
ENSIGN GROUP (THE)	US	1.05	0.11	Health Care
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	US	1.00	0.10	Comm Svcs
OLD REPUBLIC INTL CORP	US	1.00	0.11	Financials
OMEGA HEALTHCARE INVESTO	US	0.98	0.14	Real Estate
OGE ENERGY CORP	US	0.95	0.10	Utilities
AGREE REALTY CORP	US	0.88	0.09	Real Estate
PSP SWISS PROPERTY	CH	0.86	0.09	Real Estate
NEW YORK TIMES CO A	US	0.83	0.10	Comm Svcs
<b>Total</b>		<b>9.86</b>	<b>1.14</b>	

## FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

## MSCI FACTOR BOX



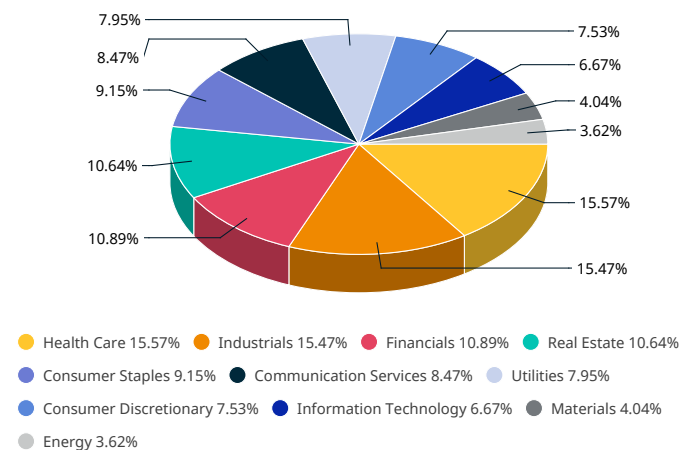
## MSCI FaCS

- 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

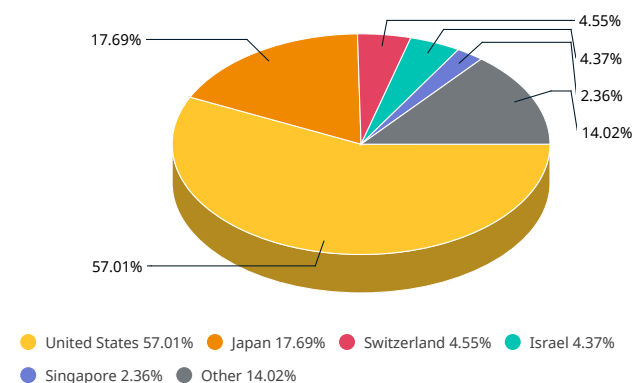
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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

## SECTOR WEIGHTS



## COUNTRY WEIGHTS



**MSCI FACTOR BOX AND FaCS FRAMEWORK (Please refer to complete description of the MSCI FaCS methodology [here](#))**

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