

EWY

iShares MSCI South Korea ETF

Analyst Report

This ETF offers exposure to South Korea, a dynamic economy that often receives a meaningful allocation in most long-term portfolios. EWY is the most liquid and most popular option for achieving exposure to the economy of South Korea, though there are other ETF options as well. Given this targeted focus, EWY is most appropriate for investors looking to fine tune international equity exposure or make a tactical and short term tilt towards this market. This ETF may also be useful as a small allocation within a longer-term portfolio among investors who believe South Korea maintains a bright long-term economic outlook. Some investors may prefer to achieve their South Korea exposure through more broad-based funds within the Global Equities ETFdb Category or Asia Pacific Equities ETFdb Category.

There are some noteworthy elements of the EWY portfolio. A few companies make up a big chunk of holdings, and the portfolio is dominated by large cap stocks. Moreover, certain sectors (such as technology) receive big weightings in the fund, while others are hardly represented at all. Investors looking for exposure to South Korea through small caps--which many believe offer better "pure play" access to the local economy--may prefer SKOR. The combination of those two will deliver well rounded exposure to this Asian powerhouse.

ESG Themes and Scores

5.6/10

ESG Rate

31.68%

Global Percentile

71.25%

Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	EWY	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	-1.40%	2.41%	-1.46%
3 Month	-0.35%	1.48%	-0.85%
YTD Return	9.42%	5.20%	6.27%
1 Year Return	8.98%	4.32%	6.10%
3 Year Return	-8.12%	-0.61%	-5.51%
5 Year Return	2.03%	2.65%	1.50%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
005930	Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	21.97%
000660	SK hynix Inc.	6.48%
005490	POSCO Holdings Inc.	3.13%
035420	NAVER Corp.	2.72%
005380	Hyundai Motor Company	2.50%

Vitals

Issuer	BlackRock Financial Management
Brand	iShares
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.57%
Inception	May 09, 2000
Index Tracked	MSCI Korea 25-50

ETF Database Themes

Category	Asia Pacific Equities
Asset Class	Equity
Asset Class Size	Large-Cap
Asset Class Style	Value
Region (General)	Developed Asia Pacific
Region (Specific)	South Korea

FactSet Classifications

Segment	Equity: South Korea - Total Market
Category	Size and Style
Focus	Total Market
Niche	Broad-based
Strategy	Vanilla
Weighting	Market Cap

