

ITA

iShares U.S. Aerospace & Defense ETF

Analyst Report

This fund provides exposure to an interesting segment of the industrials industry, the aerospace and defense sector. Companies in this sector tend to be rather large, slow growing, but remarkably stable due to the widespread use of long-term government contracts for most of their services. However, this focus on the government could also present a downside especially if defense spending declines sharply in the years ahead or if budget concerns force drastic cuts to more 'discretionary' defense programs. For those willing to take the risks of the industry, ITA remains a viable choice as it is significantly less expensive than its counterpart, PPA. However, the fund is less liquid and more heavily concentrated in top names, suggesting that those seeking broad exposure might be better served with PPA. Yet on the other hand, for investors seeking exposure to just the top names in the industry and those that are most impacted by the trends of the sector, ITA is a solid choice despite its relatively undiversified portfolio.

ESG Themes and Scores

5.82/10

ESG Rate

32.35%

Global Percentile

37.71%

Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	ITA	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	6.50%	3.14%	3.76%
3 Month	6.88%	4.86%	5.55%
YTD Return	8.17%	4.30%	5.47%
1 Year Return	29.30%	24.45%	30.86%
3 Year Return	17.54%	9.62%	11.40%
5 Year Return	7.31%	6.87%	5.73%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
GE	GE Aerospace	20.04%
RTX	RTX Corporation	15.47%
BA	Boeing Company	12.09%
HWM	Howmet Aerospace Inc.	4.63%
TDG	TransDigm Group Incorporated	4.62%

Vitals

Issuer	BlackRock, Inc.
Brand	iShares
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.40%
Inception	May 01, 2006
Index Tracked	Dow Jones U.S. Select Aerospace & Defense Index

ETF Database Themes

Category	Industrials Equities
Asset Class	Equity
Asset Class Size	Multi-Cap
Asset Class Style	Growth
Region (General)	North America
Region (Specific)	U.S.

FactSet Classifications

Segment	Equity: U.S. Aerospace & Defense
Category	Sector
Focus	Industrials
Niche	Aerospace & Defense
Strategy	Vanilla
Weighting	Market Cap

