

IVV

iShares Core S&P 500 ETF

Analyst Report

IVV has become one of the largest ETFs in the world, offering exposure to one of the world's best-known and most widely followed stock indexes. This ETF tracks the S&P 500 Index, which includes many large and well known U.S. firms. As a result, investors should think of this as a play on mega and large cap stocks in the American market. These securities are usually known as 'Blue Chips' and are some of the most famous and profitable companies in the country, including well known names such as ExxonMobil, Apple, IBM, and GE. Given this focus, IVV has obvious appeal as a core holding in a long-term, buy-and-hold portfolio; it offers cheap and relatively balanced exposure to many of the world's largest companies, giving investors a way to own a basket of companies that makes up a sizable portion of global market cap.

For investors seeking exposure to the S&P 500 Index, there are multiple ETFs from which to choose. The largest is SPY, but IVV has some structural advantages over the ultra-popular SPDR. SPY is a UIT, an outdated structure that differs slightly from true 1940 Act ETFs such as IVV. This fund has the ability to lend out share (thereby generating some additional revenues) and to reinvest dividends (which can add value if markets generally trend up). As such, IVV is probably a better choice than SPY for those seeking exposure to large cap U.S. stocks as part of a long-term strategy. SPY's more liquid options market may make it useful for those implementing more advanced short-term strategies.

Another alternative is VOO, which is slightly cheaper and is eligible for commission free trading within Vanguard accounts. Beyond the S&P 500, RSP may be another alternative worth a closer look; that ETF, which is a bit more expensive, holds all stocks in the S&P 500 but gives an equivalent weighting to each. As such, it might be attractive to investors looking to steer clear of the at cap weighting

ESG Themes and Scores

6.59/10

ESG Rate

52.52%

Global Percentile

39.25%

Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	IVV	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	-2.71%	-3.29%	-1.65%
3 Month	4.16%	4.87%	2.07%
YTD Return	0.60%	0.83%	0.39%
1 Year Return	26.07%	25.91%	11.07%
3 Year Return	9.80%	7.20%	3.35%
5 Year Return	14.58%	10.07%	2.81%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
AAPL	Apple Inc.	7.30%
NVDA	NVIDIA Corporation	6.84%
MSFT	Microsoft Corporation	6.28%
AMZN	Amazon.com, Inc.	4.14%
META	Meta Platforms Inc Class A	2.65%

Vitals

Issuer	BlackRock, Inc.
Brand	iShares
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.03%
Inception	May 15, 2000
Index Tracked	S&P 500 Index

ETF Database Themes

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

FactSet Classifications

Segment	Equity: U.S. - Large Cap
Category	Size and Style
Focus	Large Cap
Niche	Broad-based
Strategy	Vanilla
Weighting	Market Cap

