

KOKU

Xtrackers MSCI Kokusai Equity ETF

Analyst Report

The Xtrackers MSCI Kokusai Equity ETF (KOKU) tracks an index of large- and mid-cap stocks in developed markets outside of Japan. KOKU could be used as a core global equity holding for investors who believe Japanese equities will underperform. Many EAFE funds make sizable allocations to Japan. While Japan is one of the world's largest economies, it has also had extended periods of low growth rates and rising debt burdens. Some investors would rather avoid this potential drag on their portfolio.

KOKU's management fee is extraordinarily low. At its April 2020 debut, KOKU's fee was less than half that of its main rival, the iShares MSCI Kokusai ETF (TOK), a nearly identical fund that invests in the same index. TOK has been on the market since 2007, but KOKU has just about caught up on assets and daily liquidity despite TOK's 13-year head start.

KOKU offers impressive depth of holdings for those looking to avoid Japan but tap into other developed markets of the world. And at a significant discount to its main rival, there's a lot to like about this fund.

ESG Themes and Scores

6.77/10

ESG Rate

59.33%

Global Percentile

28.68%

Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	KOKU	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	-1.75%	-1.73%	-1.23%
3 Month	11.30%	14.04%	11.85%
YTD Return	8.25%	8.83%	8.83%
1 Year Return	19.03%	18.14%	19.79%
3 Year Return	19.13%	16.80%	19.28%
5 Year Return	11.60%	8.15%	11.70%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
AAPL	Apple Inc.	5.37%
NVDA	NVIDIA Corporation	5.33%
MSFT	Microsoft Corporation	3.27%
AMZN	Amazon.com, Inc.	2.79%
GOOGL	Alphabet Inc. Class A	2.49%

Vitals

Issuer	DWS
Brand	Xtrackers
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.09%
Inception	Apr 08, 2020
Index Tracked	MSCI Kokusai Index (World ex Japan)

ETF Database Themes

Category	Large Cap Growth Equities
Asset Class	Equity
Asset Class Size	Large-Cap
Asset Class Style	Blend
Region (General)	Developed Markets
Region (Specific)	Broad

FactSet Classifications

Segment	Equity: Developed Markets Ex-Japan - Total Market
Category	Size and Style
Focus	Total Market
Niche	Broad-based
Strategy	Vanilla
Weighting	Market Cap

