

# SLV

## iShares Silver Trust

### Analyst Report

This ETF uses a physically-backed methodology, an idea that was popularized by ETFs, due to investors growing tired of the complexities of futures contracts and the dangers that are associated with them. By using this physically-backed strategy, this fund is able to eliminate the issues of contango and backwardation, as well as give investors a more realistic pricing of the metal it holds. Silver, along with other precious metals, is most often used as an inflationary hedge, or to protect against volatile equities. This fund doesn't work very well in the long term buy and hold scenario, but may be a good option for investor seeking to find a safe haven during times of market uncertainty. When it comes to physically-backed silver, SIVR and SLV are nearly identical, though SLV does charge a slightly higher expense ratio.

### ESG Themes and Scores

N/A

ESG Rate

N/A

Global Percentile

N/A

Peer Percentile

### Performance Data

	SLV	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	0.29%	1.26%	0.61%
3 Month	16.78%	6.24%	9.87%
YTD Return	27.82%	12.96%	16.12%
1 Year Return	32.51%	18.57%	18.35%
3 Year Return	4.28%	3.40%	1.03%
5 Year Return	14.27%	6.91%	6.22%

### Top 5 Holdings

No Holdings Data Available

### Vitals

Issuer	BlackRock, Inc.
Brand	iShares
Structure	Grantor Trust
Expense Ratio	0.50%
Inception	Apr 21, 2006
Index Tracked	LBMA Silver Price (\$/ozt)

### ETF Database Themes

Category	Precious Metals
Asset Class	Commodity
Asset Class Size	N/A
Asset Class Style	N/A

### FactSet Classifications

Segment	Commodities: Precious Metals Silver
Category	Precious Metals
Focus	Silver
Niche	Physically Held
Strategy	Vanilla
Weighting	Single Asset

