

VYM

Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index ETF

Analyst Report

This ETF is linked to the FTSE High Dividend Yield Index, which offers exposure to dividend paying large-cap companies that exhibit value characteristics within the U.S. equity market. Investors with a longer-term horizon should consider the importance of large cap value stocks and the benefits they can add to any well-balanced portfolio including dividends and rock solid stability. Companies within this segment are often considered some of the safest firms in the world and tend to be in more stable industries as well, potentially skewing some portfolios that are heavy in value securities. VYM is linked to an index consisting of roughly 440 holdings and exposure is tilted most heavily towards consumer, energy, and industrials. Securities are chosen for inclusion in the fund based on their current yield; only the highest yielding companies are chosen. Thanks to this focus, VYM offers investors broad exposure to dividend paying companies, giving investors a much wider net than the other dividend focused firms in the space. As a result, VYM could be a better pick for long-term buy and hold investors than some of the other products, plus it has a much lower expense ratio to boot.

ESG Themes and Scores

6.87/10

ESG Rate

64.02%

Global Percentile

65.19%

Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	VYM	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	0.80%	-0.25%	2.38%
3 Month	8.46%	8.36%	7.80%
YTD Return	12.46%	8.08%	13.48%
1 Year Return	21.07%	15.47%	17.05%
3 Year Return	17.79%	8.88%	10.62%
5 Year Return	11.84%	4.09%	5.33%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
AVGO	Broadcom Inc.	8.48%
JPM	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	3.13%
XOM	Exxon Mobil Corporation	2.52%
JNJ	Johnson & Johnson	2.23%
CSCO	Cisco Systems, Inc.	1.97%

Vitals

Issuer	Vanguard
Brand	Vanguard
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.04%
Inception	Nov 10, 2006
Index Tracked	FTSE Custom High Dividend Yield

ETF Database Themes

Category	Large Cap Blend 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. - High Dividend Yield
Category	High Dividend Yield
Focus	High Dividend Yield
Niche	Broad-based
Strategy	Dividends
Weighting	Market Cap

