

ESGU

iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF

Fund Description

ESGU tracks an index composed of US companies that are selected and weighted for positive environmental, social and governance characteristics.

FactSet Analyst Report

ESGU invests in large- and midcap companies with strong ESG traits, while maintaining an overall market-like portfolio. Companies in the broad MSCI USA Index are rated based on ESG factors and are narrowed down by excluding companies involved in: tobacco, controversial weapons, civilian firearms, thermal coal, and oil sands. Portfolio optimization software is then used to maximize the funds stake in highly-rated companies while staying true to a market-like exposure. In addition, the fund also removes companies that are experiencing severe business controversies. The index is rebalanced quarterly. Note: Prior to June 1, 2018 the fund tracked the MSCI USA ESG Focus Indexa pioneer index that does not remove firms related to the civilian firearms industry.

