

# iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF

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### Annual Shareholder Report — August 31, 2025



This annual shareholder report contains important information about iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF (the “Fund”) for the period of September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2025. You can find additional information about the Fund at [blackrock.com/fundreports](https://blackrock.com/fundreports). You can also request this information by contacting us at 1-800-iShares (1-800-474-2737).

#### What were the Fund costs for the last year?

(based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

Fund name	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	\$16	0.15%

#### How did the Fund perform last year?

- For the reporting period ended August 31, 2025, the Fund returned 15.14%.
- For the same period, the MSCI USA Index returned 16.45% and the MSCI USA Extended ESG Focus Index (Spliced) returned 15.32%.

#### What contributed to performance?

For the reporting period, the largest contributor to the Fund's performance was the information technology sector. Semiconductor stocks gained amid unprecedented demand for artificial intelligence (“AI”) and generative AI, data center expansions, and continued innovation in chips and network solutions. In particular, a global semiconductor leader gained due to its dominant position in the AI chip market, with record revenue growth fueled by strong demand for its GPUs in data centers and AI applications. Systems software stocks were also meaningful contributors, benefiting from strong demand in cloud-delivered businesses, including cybersecurity. Companies in the financials sector were also notable contributors, benefiting from resilient equity markets, rising assets under management, strong trends in wealth management, and high trading volumes. Lastly, communication firms, particularly those in the interactive media and services segment, were supported by solid digital advertising revenue growth fueled by AI investments that improved ad targeting and performance.

#### What detracted from performance?

During the reporting period, healthcare stocks detracted from the Fund's return. Pharmaceuticals faced an uncertain and evolving tariff landscape that disrupted global supply, clinical trial setbacks, looming patent expirations leading to generic competition, and shifting regulatory policies.

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#### Fund performance

Cumulative performance: December 1, 2016 through August 31, 2025

Initial investment of \$10,000



See “Average annual total returns” for additional information on fund performance.

Average annual total returns	Since Fund		
	1 Year	5 Years	Inception
Fund NAV.....	15.14%	13.59%	14.81%
MSCI USA Index.....	16.45	14.45	15.13
MSCI USA Extended ESG Focus Index (Spliced).....	15.32	13.76	15.01

Key Fund statistics	
Net Assets.....	\$14,195,564,339
Number of Portfolio Holdings.....	284
Net Investment Advisory Fees.....	\$20,226,930
Portfolio Turnover Rate.....	24%

The inception date of the Fund was December 1, 2016.

The performance of the MSCI USA Extended ESG Focus Index (Spliced) in this report reflects the performance of the MSCI USA ESG Focus Index through May 31, 2018 and, beginning on June 1, 2018, the performance of the MSCI USA Extended ESG Focus Index.

**Past performance is not an indication of future results.** Performance results do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or on the redemption or sale of fund shares. Visit [iShares.com](https://www.ishares.com) for more recent performance information.

## What did the Fund invest in?

(as of August 31, 2025)

Sector allocation	Percent of Total Investments <sup>(a)</sup>
Information Technology.....	34.4%
Financials.....	13.8
Consumer Discretionary.....	10.0
Health Care.....	9.4
Industrials.....	8.9
Communication Services.....	8.9
Consumer Staples.....	5.0
Energy.....	3.2
Real Estate.....	2.2
Materials.....	2.1
Utilities.....	2.1

Ten largest holdings	Percent of Total Investments <sup>(a)</sup>
Security	
NVIDIA Corp.....	7.6%
Microsoft Corp.....	6.3
Apple, Inc.....	6.0
Alphabet, Inc., Class C, NVS.....	3.9
Amazon.com, Inc.....	3.8
Meta Platforms, Inc., Class A.....	2.7
Broadcom, Inc.....	2.4
Tesla, Inc.....	1.7
JPMorgan Chase & Co.....	1.4
Visa, Inc., Class A.....	1.2

(a) Excludes money market funds.

## Additional information

If you wish to view additional information about the Fund, including but not limited to financial statements, the Fund's prospectus, and proxy voting policies and procedures, please visit [blackrock.com/fundreports](https://www.blackrock.com/fundreports). For proxy voting records, visit [blackrock.com/proxyrecords](https://www.blackrock.com/proxyrecords).

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