



Vanguard Ethically Conscious International Shares Index Fund - NZD Hedged

Key fund facts	
Management fee	0.26% p.a.
Buy spread	0.13%
Sell spread	0.13%
Inception date	28 August 2018
Income distribution	Quarterly
Wholesale class size	\$257.3 million
Total fund size	\$263.6 million
Number of holdings	1,606

Trading information	
APIR code	VAN4013AU
Minimum investment	\$500,000 (No minimums apply for platforms)
Platform availability	For platform availability visit vanguard.com.au/mastertrust

Benchmark information	
Benchmark (Bmk)	FTSE Developed ex Australia ex Non-renewable Energy, Vice Products and Weapons Index (with net dividends reinvested) hedged into New Zealand dollars (NZD)
Number of holdings	1,749

Investment objective

The Vanguard Ethically Conscious International Shares Index Fund - NZD Hedged seeks to track the return of the FTSE Developed ex Australia ex Non-renewable Energy, Vice Products and Weapons (with net dividends reinvested) hedged to New Zealand dollars (NZD) before taking into account fees, expenses and tax.

Fund overview

The Fund provides exposure to many of the world's largest companies listed in major developed countries. It offers low-cost access to a broadly diversified range of securities that excludes companies with significant business activities involving fossil fuels, alcohol, tobacco, gambling, military weapons and civilian firearms, nuclear power and adult entertainment. The Fund is hedged to New Zealand dollars so the value of the Fund is relatively unaffected by currency fluctuations for New Zealand investors.

Performance return^{A, B} (%)

	Fund gross	Bmk	Fund total	Distb'n	Growth
1 month	-8.26	-8.28	-8.28	1.30	-9.58
3 months	-13.08	-13.13	-13.14	1.23	-14.37
6 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1 year	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 years (p.a.)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5 years (p.a.)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
10 years (p.a.)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Inception	-12.65	-12.72	-12.73	1.26	-13.99

Year to year gross return^{A, B} (%)

	Dec - Dec		June - June	
	Fund	Bmk	Fund	Bmk
YTD	-12.65	-12.72	N/A	N/A
2018	-12.65	-12.72	N/A	N/A

Income distribution^C

Quarter ended	Amount (CPU)	Reinvestment price
31 December 2018	1.2363	\$0.8601

Notes

- ^A Past performance is not an indication of future performance.
- ^B Returns assume reinvestment of all distributions. Returns for periods longer than 1 year are annualised. Fund gross returns are before management fees and taxes, but after transaction and operational costs. Fund total return is the fund gross return less management fees. Index returns do not allow for taxes, management, transaction and operational costs.
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Characteristics

	Fund	Bmk
Number of holdings	1,606	1,749
Median market cap	\$76.9B	\$78.4B
Price/Earnings ratio	15.2x	15.3x
Price/Book ratio	2.1x	2.1x
Return on equity ratio	14.6%	14.6%
Earnings growth rate	9.5%	9.2%
Equity yield (dividend)	2.4%	2.4%

Top 10 holdings

1. Microsoft Corp.
2. Apple Inc.
3. Alphabet Inc.
4. Amazon.com Inc.
5. Berkshire Hathaway Inc.
6. Johnson & Johnson
7. JPMorgan Chase & Co.
8. Facebook Inc.
9. Pfizer Inc.
10. Nestle SA

The top 10 holdings represent 15.3% of the total fund.

Sector allocation (%)

	Fund	Bmk
Financials	23.8	23.9
Technology	17.9	17.8
Health Care	15.1	15.1
Consumer Services	12.7	12.8
Consumer Goods	11.8	11.8
Industrials	9.3	9.3
Basic Materials	3.3	3.3
Telecommunications	3.2	3.2
Oil & Gas	1.6	1.6
Utilities	1.3	1.2

Sector categories are based on the Industry Classification Benchmark system ("ICB"), except for the "Other" category (if applicable), which includes securities that have not been provided an ICB classification as of the effective reporting period.

Glossary

Median market cap is the midpoint of market capitalisation (market price multiplied by the number of shares outstanding) of the shares in the fund. Half the shares in the fund will have higher market capitalisation, half will have lower.

Price/Earnings ratio (P/E ratio) is a measure of the market value of a share compared to the earnings of the company. A share with a price of \$10, and earnings last year of \$1 a share, would have a P/E ratio of 10. For a fund, the ratio is the weighted average P/E ratio of the shares it holds. In general, a high P/E suggests that investors are expecting higher earnings growth in the future compared to companies with a lower P/E. Companies with negative earnings are excluded from the calculation.

Price/Book ratio is calculated by dividing the current market price of the share by the book value per share of the company.

Return on equity ratio is a measure of how much profit a company generates relative to its shareholders' equity. For a fund, the ratio is the weighted average return on equity ratio of the shares it holds.

Earnings growth rate is a measure of the trailing Earnings Per Share growth for a given company and share. For a fund, the rate is the weighted average earnings growth of the shares it holds.

Equity yield (dividend) is the dividend income earned by shares, expressed as a percentage of the market price of those shares. For a fund, the yield is the weighted average equity yield of the shares it holds.

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