

Russell 1000 High Efficiency™ Defensive Index® - Low

Data as at: 30 April 2025

The Russell High Efficiency™ Defensive Indexes® are designed to deliver an efficient, transparent, and turnover-controlled capture of the Low Volatility and Quality variables from the Russell® Stability Indexes™ at various levels of tracking error. These indexes offer a non cap-weighted implementation of the Russell Defensive Index®. In addition, the indexes are the first and only series of Indexes to offer target tracking error to the industry leading Russell benchmarks, a key benefit to pension plans, foundations and endowments.

5-Year Performance - Total Return



Performance and Volatility - Total Return

Index (USD)	Return %						Return pa %*		Volatility %**		
	3M	6M	YTD	12M	3YR	5YR	3YR	5YR	1YR	3YR	5YR
Russell 1000 High Efficiency Defensive Index - Low Target Tracking Error	-6.6	-1.5	-4.1	12.6	41.0	101.9	12.1	15.1	17.4	15.6	15.5
Russell 1000	-8.0	-1.8	-5.1	11.9	40.0	104.9	11.9	15.4	19.5	16.9	16.4

* Compound annual returns measured over 3 and 5 years respectively

** Volatility – 1YR based on 12 months daily data. 3YR based on weekly data (Wednesday to Wednesday). 5YR based on monthly data

Return/Risk Ratio and Drawdown - Total Return

Index (USD)	Return/Risk Ratio				Drawdown (%)			
	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR
Russell 1000 High Efficiency Defensive Index - Low Target Tracking Error	0.7	0.7	1.0	0.9	-17.0	-17.0	-23.9	-33.6
Russell 1000	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.8	-19.1	-19.1	-25.1	-34.6

Return/Risk Ratio – based on compound annual returns and volatility in Performance and Volatility table

Drawdown - based on daily data

FEATURES

Objective

The purpose of the Russell High Efficiency Defensive indexes is to offer information-efficient exposure to defensive stocks at targeted levels of tracking error relative to an underlying parent benchmark index, using a transparent and rules-based construction methodology.

Liquidity

Stocks in the universe index are screened to ensure that the index is tradable.

Transparency

Index methodologies are freely available on the FTSE Russell website.

Availability

The index is calculated based on price and total return methodologies and available end-of-day.

Top 10 Constituents

Constituent	ICB Sector	Net MCap (USDm)	Wgt %
Apple Inc.	Technology Hardware and Equipment	6,020	6.08
Microsoft Corp	Software and Computer Services	5,768	5.82
Nvidia	Technology Hardware and Equipment	4,886	4.93
Amazon.Com	Retailers	3,381	3.41
Meta Platforms Inc	Software and Computer Services	2,349	2.37
Berkshire Hathaway B	Investment Banking and Brokerage Services	1,948	1.97
Alphabet Class A	Software and Computer Services	1,850	1.87
Broadcom	Technology Hardware and Equipment	1,644	1.66
Alphabet Class C	Software and Computer Services	1,636	1.65
Lilly (Eli) & Co	Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology	1,501	1.52
Totals		30,985	31.28

ICB Supersector Breakdown

ICB Code	ICB Supersector	No. of Cons	Net MCap (USDm)	Wgt %
1010	Technology	57	30,908	31.20
1510	Telecommunications	8	2,327	2.35
2010	Health Care	64	11,019	11.12
3010	Banks	16	2,732	2.76
3020	Financial Services	29	5,258	5.31
3030	Insurance	34	3,587	3.62
3510	Real Estate	31	2,181	2.20
4010	Automobiles and Parts	4	1,555	1.57
4020	Consumer Products and Services	22	1,696	1.71
4030	Media	8	1,454	1.47
4040	Retailers	18	7,636	7.71
4050	Travel and Leisure	12	1,902	1.92
4510	Food Beverage and Tobacco	26	3,970	4.01
4520	Personal Care Drug and Grocery Stores	12	2,157	2.18
5010	Construction and Materials	18	1,263	1.27
5020	Industrial Goods and Services	104	13,088	13.21
5510	Basic Resources	8	512	0.52
5520	Chemicals	5	1,021	1.03
6010	Energy	12	2,328	2.35
6510	Utilities	30	2,462	2.49
Totals		518	99,057	100.00

Index Characteristics

Attributes	Russell 1000 High Efficiency Defensive Index - Low Target Tracking Error
Number of constituents	518
Dividend Yield %	1.40
Constituent (Wgt %)	
Average	0.19
Largest	6.08
Median	0.08
Top 10 Holdings (Wgt %)	31.28

INFORMATION

Index Universe

Russell 1000®

Base Date

31 December 2010

Base Value

1000

Index Launch

29 January 2013

Investability Screen

Actual free float and liquidity screen applied to underlying

Index Calculation

Indexes calculated end-of-day

End-of-Day Distribution

Via SFTP and email

Currency

USD

Review Dates

Quarterly in March, June, September, December

Index Values History Availability

28 June 1996

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