

# FTSE Hong Kong and China Shariah Indices

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The FTSE Global Equity Shariah Index Series has been designed to be used as the basis of Shariah compliant investment products that meet the requirements of Islamic investors globally.

Using the Large and Mid Cap stocks from the FTSE Global Equity Index Series as a base universe, constituents are then screened against a clear set of Shariah principles. Shariah screening is undertaken by Yasaar Limited, to create a Shariah compliant index series. The FTSE Hong Kong and China Shariah Indices contain Hong Kong and China stocks that meet these criteria. Their approach is described below.

## Business Activity Screening

Initially, companies involved in any of the following activities will be filtered out as non Shariah-compliant:

- Conventional finance (non-Islamic banking, finance and insurance, etc.);
- Alcohol;
- Pork related products and non-halal food production, packaging and processing or any other activity related to pork and non-halal food;
- Entertainment (casinos, gambling and pornography);
- Tobacco; weapons, arms and defence manufacturing.

## Financial Ratios Screening

The remaining companies are then further screened on a financial basis. The following financial ratios must be met for companies to be considered Shariah-compliant:

- Debt is less than 33.333% of total assets;
- Cash and interest bearing items are less than 33.333% of total assets;
- Accounts receivable and cash are less than 50% of total assets;
- Total interest and non compliant activities income should not exceed 5% of total revenue.

## 5-Year Performance - Total Return



## FEATURES

### Coverage

The FTSE Global Equity Shariah Index Series covers all regions across both developed and emerging markets, to create a comprehensive Shariah indexing solution.

### Impartial

By partnering with Yasaar Ltd, an impartial consultancy and leading authority on Shariah, FTSE remains neutral and fully up to date with latest practices. See [www.yasaar.org](http://www.yasaar.org) for more information.

### Fatwa-certified

The FTSE Global Equity Shariah Index Series has been fully certified as Shariah-compliant through the issue of a Fatwa (Islamic legal opinion) by Yasaar's principals.

### Asset-based debt screening

Unlike other competitor methodologies, a more conservative approach to Shariah compliance is ensured by rating debt ratio limits that are measured as a percentage of total assets, rather than more volatile measures that use 12 month trailing market capitalisation. This ensures companies do not pass the screening criteria due to market price fluctuation, allowing the methodology to be less speculative and more in keeping with Shariah principles.

### School-neutral

Yasaar Limited scholars represent all of the major Shariah schools of thought, creating a best practices approach that has credibility across the Islamic world.

### Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB)

Index constituents are categorised in accordance with the Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB), the global standard for industry sector analysis.

Performance and Volatility - Total Return

Index (USD)	Return %						Return pa %*		Volatility %**		
	3M	6M	YTD	12M	3YR	5YR	3YR	5YR	1YR	3YR	5YR
FTSE Hong Kong Shariah	-3.0	-0.3	-1.9	2.1	-2.2	17.3	-0.8	3.3	20.7	21.6	19.4
FTSE China Shariah	-0.1	14.4	11.6	23.1	0.4	6.7	0.1	1.3	28.6	24.9	24.2

\* 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

Year-on-Year Performance - Total Return

Index % (USD)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
FTSE Hong Kong Shariah	-5.6	4.0	30.0	-14.9	11.0	5.6	9.2	-23.5	1.8	9.2
FTSE China Shariah	-12.2	5.2	58.5	-15.5	17.0	23.9	-7.3	-24.5	-12.4	13.5

Return/Risk Ratio and Drawdown - Total Return

Index (USD)	Return/Risk Ratio				Drawdown (%)			
	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR
FTSE Hong Kong Shariah	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	-21.8	-26.8	-42.7	-42.7
FTSE China Shariah	0.7	0.0	0.1	0.1	-21.3	-37.1	-53.0	-53.0

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

Top 10 Constituents - FTSE Hong Kong Shariah

Constituent	ICB Sector	Net MCap (USDm)	Wgt %
Techtronic Industries	Industrial Engineering	15,977	15.94
CLP Holdings	Electricity	13,923	13.89
Hong Kong & China Gas	Gas Water and Multi-utilities	9,559	9.54
Lenovo Group	Technology Hardware and Equipment	8,866	8.85
Hongkong Land Holdings	Real Estate Investment and Services Development	5,315	5.30
MTR Corp	Industrial Transportation	5,049	5.04
ESR Cayman	Real Estate Investment and Services Development	4,306	4.30
SITC International Holdings	Industrial Transportation	4,081	4.07
Henderson Land Dev	Real Estate Investment and Services Development	4,061	4.05
Prada	Personal Goods	3,348	3.34
Totals		74,486	74.33

Top 10 Constituents - FTSE China Shariah

Constituent	ICB Sector	Net MCap (USDm)	Wgt %
Xiaomi (P Chip)	Telecommunications Equipment	110,840	15.11
BYD (H)	Automobiles and Parts	61,419	8.38
JD.com (P Chip)	Retailers	41,869	5.71
Petrochina (H)	Oil Gas and Coal	17,487	2.38
Anta Sports Products (P Chip)	Personal Goods	15,245	2.08
China Shenhua Energy (H)	Oil Gas and Coal	14,278	1.95
Zijin Mining Group (H)	Precious Metals and Mining	13,365	1.82
Geely Automobile Holdings (P Chip)	Automobiles and Parts	13,237	1.81
China Petroleum & Chemical (H)	Oil Gas and Coal	13,004	1.77
WuXi Biologics (P Chip)	Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology	10,980	1.50
Totals		311,724	42.51

INFORMATION

Index Universe

Shariah-compliant stocks in the FTSE Hong Kong and China indices from the FTSE All-World Series (Large and Mid Cap)

Index Launch

29 October 2007

Base Date

22 September 2003

Base Value

FTSE Shariah Hong Kong - 988.57  
FTSE Shariah China - 1000

Investability Screen

Actual free float applied and liquidity screened

Index Calculation

End-of-day

End-of-Day-Distribution

Via FTP and email

Review Dates

Quarterly in March, June, September, December

Currency

EUR, GBP, USD, Yen and Local

ICB Supersector Breakdown

		FTSE Hong Kong Shariah			FTSE China Shariah		
ICB Code	ICB Supersector	No. of Cons	Net MCap (USDm)	Wgt %	No. of Cons	Net MCap (USDm)	Wgt %
1010	Technology	3	14,100	14.07	98	42,640	5.81
1510	Telecommunications	1	1,074	1.07	21	133,615	18.22
2010	Health Care	-	-	-	94	68,214	9.30
3510	Real Estate	4	16,222	16.19	25	30,127	4.11
4010	Automobiles and Parts	1	597	0.60	39	99,217	13.53
4020	Consumer Products and Services	5	10,132	10.11	30	38,607	5.26
4030	Media	-	-	-	4	1,619	0.22
4040	Retailers	-	-	-	8	45,277	6.17
4050	Travel and Leisure	-	-	-	1	559	0.08
4510	Food Beverage and Tobacco	3	5,865	5.85	14	18,940	2.58
4520	Personal Care Drug and Grocery Stores	-	-	-	12	1,865	0.25
5010	Construction and Materials	-	-	-	22	16,175	2.21
5020	Industrial Goods and Services	7	28,297	28.24	115	76,564	10.44
5510	Basic Resources	-	-	-	64	48,436	6.60
5520	Chemicals	-	-	-	42	11,916	1.62
6010	Energy	1	445	0.44	47	81,959	11.18
6510	Utilities	2	23,482	23.43	23	17,608	2.40
Totals		27	100,213	100.00	659	733,338	100.00

Index Characteristics

Attributes	FTSE Hong Kong Shariah	FTSE China Shariah
Number of constituents	27	659
Net MCap (USDm)	100,213	733,338
Dividend Yield %	4.30	2.83
Constituent Sizes (Net MCap USDm)		
Average	3,712	1,113
Largest	15,977	110,840
Smallest	274	29
Median	2,488	272
Weight of Largest Constituent (%)	15.94	15.11
Top 10 Holdings (% Index MCap)	74.33	42.51



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