

# FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance

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**Index** 

The FTSE Developed Minimum Variance Index Series aims to deliver reduced index volatility based on historical return information, thereby offering potential improvements to the risk reward trade-off, whilst maintaining full allocation to the relevant equity market.

Reduced volatility is achieved by applying a transparent rules-based approach which minimizes historical variance subject to additional constraints on the weight of individual stocks within an index, and, at aggregate level on the weight of countries and industries represented in the index.

The FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance Index is based on the FTSE4Good Developed Index, which is designed to objectively measure the performance of companies that meet globally recognised environmental, social and governance (ESG) standards, and to facilitate investment in those companies. Constituents are selected from the corresponding underlying universe at the time of the review and aspects such as index reviews and company classification are governed by the corresponding Ground Rules of the universe index.

### 10-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
FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance	5.2	5.2	1.0	8.7	9.3	25.2	3.0	4.6	7.4	11.5	14.6
FTSE4Good Developed	9.7	12.0	5.2	25.7	33.0	83.9	10.0	13.0	10.2	15.3	17.9
FTSE Developed	10.5	12.5	5.3	25.2	28.6	76.0	8.7	12.0	10.5	15.8	18.1

<sup>\*</sup> Compound annual returns measured over 3 and 5 years respectively

## **FEATURES**

#### Methodology

The approach applies a rules-based strategy to minimise volatility. Some constraints are applied, for example, to avoid over concentration in any particular stock, sector or country.

#### **Objective**

The indexes are designed for the creation of index tracking funds, derivatives and as a performance benchmark.

## **Investability**

Stocks in the underlying universe are freefloat weighted to ensure that only the investable opportunity set is included.

#### Liquidity

Stocks in the underlying universe are screened to ensure that the indexes are tradable.

#### **Transparency**

Index methodologies are freely available on the FTSE Russell website.

#### **Availability**

The indexes are calculated based on price and total return methodologies.

## **Industry Classification Benchmark** (ICB)

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

#### **Criteria**

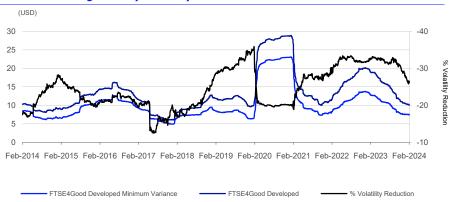
The ESG criteria is based on the underlying FTSE4Good Index which is overseen by the independent FTSE Russell ESG Advisory Committee.

<sup>\*\*</sup> 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)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance	11.0	4.6	7.7	23.8	-4.6	22.3	3.5	12.4	-11.5	7.6
FTSE4Good Developed	5.1	-0.3	7.1	24.1	-8.2	30.1	15.2	23.6	-16.5	24.8
FTSE Developed	5.1	-0.3	8.2	23.9	-8.6	28.0	16.7	21.4	-17.8	24.2

## **Annualised Rolling 252 Day Volatility - Total Return**



#### **Return/Risk Ratio and Drawdown - Total Return**

Index (USD)		Return/R	isk Ratio			Drawdo	wn (%)	
	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR
FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance	1.1	0.2	0.3	0.6	-8.9	-22.2	-33.0	-33.0
FTSE4Good Developed	2.4	0.6	0.7	0.7	-9.7	-26.0	-33.9	-33.9
FTSE Developed	2.3	0.5	0.7	0.6	-10.4	-26.1	-34.0	-34.0

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

## Top 10 Constituents (by Wgt %) - FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance Index

Constituent	Country	ICB Sector	FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance (Wgt %)	FTSE4Good Developed (Wgt %)	Diff %
Merck & Co	USA	Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology	0.86	0.80	0.06
AbbVie Inc	USA	Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology	0.78	0.77	0.01
Lilly (Eli) & Co	USA	Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology	0.68	1.57	-0.89
Johnson & Johnson	USA	Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology	0.68	0.96	-0.28
Kellanova	USA	Food Producers	0.67	0.04	0.64
Cboe Global Markets	USA	Investment Banking and Brokerage Services	0.67	0.05	0.62
General Mills	USA	Food Producers	0.67	0.09	0.57
CLP Holdings	Hong Kong	Electricity	0.66	0.03	0.63
Bristol Myers Squibb	USA	Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology	0.65	0.26	0.40
J M Smucker	USA	Food Producers	0.64	0.03	0.61
Totals			6.96	4.60	

## **INFORMATION**

#### **Index Universe**

FTSE4Good Developed Index

#### **Index Launch**

May 2013

#### **Base Date**

15 May 2012

#### **Base Value**

100

## **Investability Screen**

Actual free float applied and liquidity screened

#### **Index Calculation**

End of day

## **End-of-Day Distribution**

Via FTP and email

## **Currency**

USD, EUR, GBP, JPY, AUD

#### **Review Dates**

Semi-annually in June and December

#### **History**

From 19 March 2004

#### **Country Breakdown**

Country Breakdown							
	FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance		FTSE4Good	Developed			
Country	No. of Cons	Wgt %	No. of Cons	Wgt %	Diff %		
Australia	38	4.50	72	2.82	1.68		
Austria	1	0.06	7	0.07	-0.02		
Belgium	1	0.48	9	0.28	0.20		
Canada	9	1.69	30	2.78	-1.09		
Denmark	5	0.65	14	1.30	-0.65		
Finland	3	0.51	11	0.32	0.20		
France	16	1.86	58	4.22	-2.36		
Germany	11	1.35	39	2.74	-1.39		
Hong Kong	32	5.19	34	0.61	4.57		
Ireland	1	0.05	2	0.05	0.00		
Israel	5	0.64	5	0.09	0.55		
Italy	5	0.23	24	0.91	-0.67		
Japan	137	13.69	249	8.27	5.42		
Korea	41	4.29	45	0.52	3.76		
Netherlands	7	1.17	24	1.75	-0.57		
New Zealand	6	0.58	6	0.05	0.52		
Norway	4	0.48	12	0.23	0.25		
Poland	-	-	7	0.12	-0.12		
Portugal	3	0.36	4	0.08	0.28		
Singapore	20	4.00	20	0.41	3.59		
Spain	13	1.06	23	1.06	0.00		
Sweden	4	0.39	34	1.02	-0.63		
Switzerland	16	2.63	32	3.36	-0.73		
UK	26	2.81	88	5.09	-2.28		
USA	189	51.34	273	61.85	-10.51		
Totals	593	100.00	1122	100.00			

## **ICB Supersector Breakdown**

		FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance		FTSE4Good Developed		
ICB Code	ICB Supersector	No. of Cons	Wgt %	No. of Cons	Wgt %	Diff %
1010	Technology	46	6.39	108	33.62	-27.23
1510	Telecommunications	31	5.93	41	2.59	3.34
2010	Health Care	56	14.13	80	11.71	2.41
3010	Banks	34	4.30	78	6.77	-2.47
3020	Financial Services	27	4.01	66	3.46	0.55
3030	Insurance	45	9.14	67	4.55	4.60
3510	Real Estate	32	4.75	53	1.30	3.45
4010	Automobiles and Parts	7	0.68	31	1.53	-0.85
4020	Consumer Products and Services	25	2.67	55	2.64	0.03
4030	Media	12	1.74	22	1.25	0.49
4040	Retailers	9	1.87	23	2.31	-0.45
4050	Travel and Leisure	21	2.27	36	1.10	1.17
4510	Food Beverage and Tobacco	51	11.26	60	2.96	8.30
4520	Personal Care Drug and Grocery Stores	28	7.85	30	2.82	5.04
5010	Construction and Materials	13	0.97	33	1.19	-0.22
5020	Industrial Goods and Services	68	8.71	168	11.31	-2.60
5510	Basic Resources	6	0.82	36	1.36	-0.54
5520	Chemicals	23	2.41	52	2.30	0.11
6010	Energy	27	3.79	40	3.63	0.16
6510	Utilities	32	6.31	43	1.60	4.71
Totals		593	100.00	1122	100.00	

## **Index Characteristics**

Attributes	FTSE4Good Developed Minimum Variance	FTSE4Good Developed	FTSE Developed
Number of constituents	593	1122	2107
Dividend Yield %	2.89	2.02	1.85
Constituent (Wgt %)			
Average	0.17	0.09	0.05
Largest	0.86	7.60	4.78
Median	0.12	0.03	0.01
Top 10 Holdings (Wgt %)	6.96	28.13	21.08

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