

# Vanguard FTSE All-World ex-US Small-Cap ETF | VSS

As of September 30, 2023

## Investment approach

- Seeks to track the performance of the FTSE Global Small Cap ex US Index.
- Passively managed, using index sampling.
- Fund remains fully invested.
- Broad exposure across developed and emerging non-U.S. small-cap equity markets around the world.

## About the benchmark

- The FTSE Global Small Cap ex US Index measures the investment return of stocks of small-cap companies located in developed and emerging markets around the world, excluding the United States.
- Includes approximately 3,300 holdings in 47 countries.

## Performance history

Total returns <sup>2</sup> for period ended September 30, 2023

VSS (Inception 04/02/2009)	Quarter	Year to					10 years	Since inception
		date	1 year	3 years	5 years	6 months		
Net asset value (NAV) return <sup>3</sup>	-3.37%	4.36%	18.08%	2.99%	1.58%	3.46%	7.88%	
Market price return <sup>4</sup>	-3.34	4.77	18.17	3.04	1.63	3.43	7.89	
FTSE Global Small Cap ex US Index	-2.75	4.74	17.90	3.16	1.54	3.37	8.03	
FTSE Global Small Cap ex US FV Ix	-3.24	4.35	17.99	2.99	1.50	—	—	

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## Quick facts

Benchmark	FTSE Global Small Cap ex US Index
Expense ratio <sup>1</sup>	0.07%
Dividend schedule	Quarterly
ETF total net assets	\$8,459 million
Fund total net assets	\$10,278 million
Inception date	April 2, 2009

## Trading information

Ticker symbol	VSS
CUSIP number	922042718
IIV (intra-day ticker)	VSS.IV
Index ticker (Bloomberg)	TGPVA09U
Exchange	NYSE Arca

## ETF attributes

	FTSE All-World ex-US Small-Cap ETF	FTSE Global Small Cap ex US Index
Number of stocks	4,654	4,631
Median market cap	\$1.6B	\$1.6B
Price/earnings ratio	13.1x	13.2x
Price/book ratio	1.3x	1.3x
Return on equity	9.9%	9.9%
Earnings growth rate	12.0%	12.0%
Turnover rate <sup>5</sup>	17.5	—
Standard deviation <sup>6</sup>	18.54%	18.22%

1. As reported in the most recent prospectus. A fund's current expense ratio may be lower or higher than the figure reported in the prospectus.

2. Figures for periods of less than one year are cumulative returns. All other figures represent average annual returns. Fund performance figures assume the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions; the figures are pre-tax and net of expenses. The above widely used comparative index represents unmanaged or average returns on various financial assets that can be compared with the fund's total returns for the purpose of measuring relative performance.

3. As of 4 p.m., Eastern time, when the regular trading session of the New York Stock Exchange typically closes.

4. Market price returns are calculated using the midpoint between the bid and offer prices at the time NAV is calculated, typically 4 p.m., Eastern time.

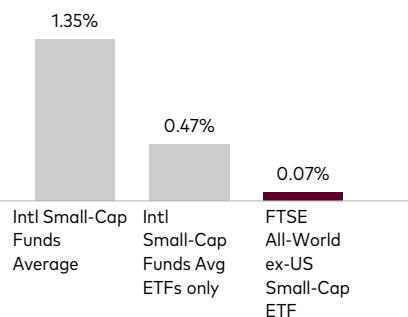
5. For most recent fiscal year. Turnover rate excludes the value of portfolio securities received or delivered as a result of in-kind purchases or redemptions of the fund's capital shares, including Vanguard ETF Creation Units.

6. A measure of the volatility of a fund—based on the fund's last three years of monthly returns—used to indicate the dispersion of past returns. A higher standard deviation means a greater potential for volatility. For funds with less than 36 months of performance history, standard deviation is not calculated.

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## Expense ratio comparison<sup>1</sup>



## Ten largest holdings and % of total net assets<sup>2</sup>

Cameco Corp.	0.6%
WSP Global Inc.	0.6
First Quantum Minerals Ltd.	0.5
RB Global Inc.	0.4
TFI International Inc.	0.4
ARC Resources Ltd.	0.4
Emera Inc.	0.4
Open Text Corp.	0.4
Stantec Inc.	0.3
CAE Inc.	0.3
Top ten as % of total net assets	4.3%

## Ten largest market allocations as % of common stock

Canada	15.4%
Japan	14.0
United Kingdom	9.0
Taiwan	8.4
India	6.8
China	5.1
Australia	4.5
Korea	4.4
Sweden	3.3
Germany	3.1

## Sector Diversification<sup>3</sup>

Industrials	20.6%
Consumer Discretionary	13.8
Technology	12.7
Basic Materials	11.0
Financials	10.4
Real Estate	9.1
Health Care	6.4
Energy	5.7
Consumer Staples	4.8
Utilities	3.8
Telecommunications	1.7
Other	0.0

1. Represents the expense ratio for the Vanguard ETF as reported in the most recent prospectus. There are material differences between mutual funds and ETFs. Unlike mutual funds, ETFs are priced continuously and bought and sold throughout the day in the secondary market (at a premium or discount to net asset value) with the assistance of a stockbroker, which entails paying commissions. Sources: Lipper, a Thomson Reuters Company, and Vanguard, December 31, 2022.

2. The holdings listed exclude any temporary cash investments and equity index products.

3. 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.

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