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Nasdaq-100 ESG[™] Index (NDXESG[™])

June 2025 Reconstitution

June 2025 Reconstitution NDXESG Index Objectives

- Reduce the degree to which the portfolio's economic value is at risk because of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) factors, or more technically, aim to significantly improve the portfolio's Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating Score;
- Exclude enterprises that create reputational risks or violate fundamental values;
- Eliminate business exposures that are off-limit for most ESG-conscious investors and
- Aim to deliver similar performance to the Nasdaq-100[®] (NDX[®]) (very low tracking error).

June 2025 Reconstitution NDXESG Index Mechanics

- At all times, the Nasdaq-100 ESG Index (NDXESG) consists of a selection of securities in the Nasdaq-100 Index.
- The Nasdaq-100 Index is reconstituted annually in December.
- The ESG characteristics of the underlying issuers are re-evaluated each quarter (March, June, December, and December). Hence, there is an NDXESG reconstitution and rebalancing each quarter.
- Securities removed from the Nasdaq-100 Index outside of a reconstitution are removed from the Nasdaq-100 ESG Index and are not replaced.

June 2025 Reconstitution NDXESG Weighting Scheme

- The Nasdaq-100 ESG Index is a modified market capitalization-weighted index that considers a company's ESG Risk Rating Score as an adjustment factor.
- Two factors play into the index weight of an issuer:
 - The Nasdaq-100 Market Value, and
 - The ESG Risk Rating Score.
- In general, for each issuer:
 - Everything else equal, the higher the weight in the Nasdaq-100 and/or the better the ESG Risk Rating Score, the higher the weight in the NDXESG Index, and vice versa.

June 2025 Reconstitution NDXESG[™] ESG Exclusions: 10

Symbol	Company Name	ICB Industry	Nasdaq-100 ESG: Reason(s) for Exclusion	Nasdaq-100® Weight (%)
HON	Honeywell International	Industrials	Revenue from military contracting weapons. Involvement in Controversial Weapons: Tailor- made and essential.	0.88
ADI	Analog Devices	Technology	Revenue from military contracting weapon- related products and/or services.	0.69
CEG	Constellation Energy	Utilities	Revenue from nuclear production and oil & gas generation.	0.59
AXON	Axon Enterprise	Industrials	Manufactures protection equipment and riot control weapons. Revenue from small arms by military/law enforcement	0.38
CSX	CSX Corp	Industrials	Revenue from thermal coal extraction and supporting products/services	0.36

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Symbol	Company Name	ICB Industry	Nasdaq-100 ESG: Reason(s) for Exclusion	Nasdaq-100® Weight (%)
AEP	American Electric Power	Utilities	Revenue from thermal coal power generation, nuclear production, and oil & gas generation.	0.32
FANG	Diamondback Energy	Energy	Revenue from oil & gas production. Involvement in shale energy extraction and/or production.	0.23
XEL	Xcel Energy	Utilities	Revenue from thermal coal power generation, nuclear production, and oil & gas generation and production.	0.23
BKR	Baker Hughes	Energy	Revenue from oil & gas supporting products/services, production of refining oil, transportation and storage of natural gas, exploration and production of oil, refining of natural gas, and exploration and production of natural gas.	0.22
ARM	ARM Holdings	Technology	ESG Risk Rating Score Unavailable	0.13

June 2025 Reconstitution Top 10 Constituents by Index Weight (%)

NDXESG Top 10 Weight = 51.9%







Data as of EOD 6/30/2025 Source: Nasdaq Global Indexes

June 2025 Reconstitution Sector Exposure by Index Weight (%)



Data as of EOD 6/30/2025 Source: Nasdag Global Indexes

- Discretionary Basic Materials
- Telecommunications
- Consumer Staples
- Health Care
- Utilities





June 2025 Reconstitution Nasdaq-100 by Thematic Exposures



Source: Nasdaq, FactSet. Data as of 6/30/2025.

Based on overlap with existing Nasdaq Thematic Indexes, except for 5G and Smartphones, Streaming, and Video Gaming/eSports & Betting where competitor products were analyzed.

June 2025 Reconstitution Nasdaq-100 ESG by Thematic Exposures



of Constituents per Theme

Source: Nasdaq, FactSet. Data as of 6/30/2025.

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Top 10 Largest Overweights: NDXESG vs. NDX

Symbol	Company Name	ICB Industry	Nasdaq-100 ESG Weight (%)	Nasdaq-100 Weight (%)	Weight Difference (%)
NVDA	NVIDIA	Technology	12.8	9.2	3.6
MSFT	Microsoft	Technology	10.1	8.8	1.3
NFLX	Netflix	Consumer Discretionary	4.1	3.3	0.7
CSCO	Cisco Systems	Telecommunications	2.2	1.6	0.6
LIN	Linde	Basic Materials	1.8	1.3	0.6
AMD	AMD	Technology	1.9	1.3	0.5
AAPL	Apple	Technology	7.7	7.3	0.5
INTU	Intuit	Technology	1.7	1.3	0.4
AMAT	Applied Materials	Technology	1.2	0.9	0.4
QCOM	QUALCOMM	Technology	1.4	1.0	0.3

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Top 10 Largest Underweights: NDXESG vs. NDX

Symbol	Company Name	ICB Industry	Nasdaq-100 ESG Weight (%)	Nasdaq-100 Weight (%)	Weight Difference (%)
META	Meta Platforms A	Technology	1.4	3.8	-2.4
AMZN	Amazon.com	Consumer Discretionary	3.9	5.5	-1.6
COST	Costco Wholesale	Consumer Discretionary	1.4	2.6	-1.2
TSLA	Tesla	Consumer Discretionary	2.1	2.7	-0.6
GOOGL	Alphabet A	Technology	1.9	2.4	-0.6
GOOG	Alphabet C	Technology	1.8	2.3	-0.5
MSTR	MicroStrategy A	Technology	0.3	0.6	-0.3
TMUS	T-Mobile US	Telecommunications	1.4	1.6	-0.2
PDD	PDD Holdings ADR A	Technology	0.2	0.4	-0.2
PCAR	PACCAR	Industrials	0.1	0.3	-0.2



June 2025 Reconstitution Performance – NDXESG vs. NDX

Since Beginning of NDXESG Backtest 3/21/2016 – 6/30/2025



Total Return Data* as of 6/30/2025. Source: Nasdaq Global Indexes, FactSet, Bloomberg.

Since NDXESG Inception 6/21/2021 – 6/30/2025



*XNDX: Nasdaq-100® Total Return™; NDXESGT: Nasdaq-100 ESG Total Return™; SPXESUT: S&P 500 ESG Index TR; SPXT: S&P 500 TR; Select: MSCI USA ESG Universal Sel Business Screens TR; ; Focus: MSCI USA Extended ESG Focus TR; Leaders: MSCI USA Extended ESG Leaders TR

June 2025 Reconstitution ESG Comparisons – NDXESG vs. NDX

Index Name	Benchmark	# of Securities	% Exclusion from	Sustainalytics ESG Risk Score		
	Denchinark		the Benchmark	Weighted Average	Simple Average	
Nasdaq-100 Index®		101	n/a	19.6	19.6	
Nasdaq-100 ESG™ Index	Nasdaq-100®	91	10%	17.8	18.8	
MSCI USA Index		547	n/a	20.8	20.8	
MSCI USA Extended ESG Focus Index	MSCI USA	293	46%	20.2	20.2	
MSCI USA Extended ESG Leaders Index	MSCI USA	280	49%	18.5	19.5	
MSCI USA ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index	MSCI USA	517	5%	19.7	20.4	
S&P 500 Index		504	n/a	20.8	20.7	
S&P 500 ESG Index	S&P 500	322	36%	19.7	19.9	

Data as of 6/30/2025 Source: Nasdaq Global Indexes, Sustainalytics, FactSet, Bloomberg. RESOURCES

RESOURCES

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- Overview
 - https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/Index/Overview/NDXESG
- Methodology
 - https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/docs/methodology_NDXESG.pdf
- Research
 - <u>https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/docs/NDXESG_Research.pdf</u>
- Fact Sheet
 - <u>https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/docs/FS_NDXESGT.pdf</u>
- Carbon Credit Report
 - NDXESG: <u>https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/docs/Carbon%20Footprint%20Report%20-%20NDXESG.pdf</u>
 - NDX: https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/docs/Carbon%20Footprint%20Report%20-%20NDX.pdf

APPENDIX

APPENDIX NDXESG Exclusions Based on ESG Risk

Companies with a "Severe" ESG Risk Rating Score are automatically disqualified from inclusion.

• A rating of greater than 40 is considered "Severe"; 30-40 is considered "High"; 20-30 is "Medium"; 10-20 is "Low"; and 0-10 is "Negligible".

Exclude any company that has not been researched yet.



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NDXESG Exclusions Based on ESG Risk – continued

- Exclude any company that has a Controversy Rating equal to 5:
 - The Controversy Rating reflects:
 - o Incidents with negative Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) implications.
 - A company's level of involvement in and how it manages these issues.
 - Categorical scores are on a scale of 1 to 5.

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NDXESG Exclusions Based on International Norms

- A company must not violate the United Nations Global Compact and related international norms and standards, such as the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines and United Nations (UN) Guiding Principles.
 - o 10 principles around human rights, labor, environment, and anti-corruption.
 - o <u>https://www.unglobalcompact.org/what-is-gc/mission/principles</u>
- Securities are excluded from NDXESG/NGXESG that are classified as non-compliant.
 - Each company in the index is therefore classified as either compliant or on the watch list with the UN Global Compact framework for following international norms.



APPENDIX NDXESG Exclusions Based on Business Involvements

Business Involvements Considered*:

- 1. Energy (Arctic Oil & Gas; Nuclear Power; Oil & Gas; Oil Sands; Shale Energy; Thermal Coal)
- 2. Health & Life (Alcohol; Recreational Cannabis; Tobacco)
- 3. Defense & Military (Controversial weapons; Military Contracting; Riot Control; Small Arms)
- 4. Values-Based (Adult Entertainment; Gambling)

APPENDIX NDXESG Weighting Scheme



- Initial security weights are calculated by dividing a security's ESG Risk-Adjusted NDX Market Value by the sum of the ESG Risk-Adjusted NDX Market Values of all Index Securities.
- Afterwards, the same four-stage weight adjustment process as exists for NDX at its annual reconstitution is applied to produce final weights on a quarterly basis for NDXESG.

APPENDIX NDXESG Weighting Scheme – continued

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Security	Parent Index	ESG Risk	(40-ESG	ESG Adjusted	Weight in	Weight in	ESG
	Market Value	Rating	Risk	Market Value	ESG	Parent	Excess
		Score	Rating		Index	Index	Weight
			Score)/40		(before		
					capping)		
Company A	157,440,900.96	9.669091	0.76	119,383,139.64	5%	2%	3%
Company B	408,425,550.79	10.14988	0.75	304,788,747.93	12%	5%	7%
Company C	466,765,510.49	10.33926	0.74	346,115,277.80	14%	6%	8%
Company D	337,399,212.20	10.56613	0.74	248,274,134.49	10%	4%	6%
Company E	36,052,270.56	12.02819	0.70	25,211,182.25	1%	0%	1%
Company F	590,398,129.57	16.18527	0.60	351,504,303.67	14%	7%	7%
Company G	268,545,835.16	19.19268	0.52	139,692,956.82	6%	3%	2%
Company H	311,917,708.29	20.84302	0.48	149,385,045.36	6%	4%	2%
Company I	547,470,308.53	22.79236	0.43	235,516,830.87	10%	7%	3%
Company J	24,733,442.74	24.69826	0.38	9,461,619.64	0%	0%	0%
Company K	435,838,825.61	27.38121	0.32	137,493,977.85	6%	5%	0%
Company L	118,577,295.32	27.73561	0.31	36,356,957.07	1%	1%	0%
Company M	307,719,744.86	28.36004	0.29	89,546,103.32	4%	4%	0%
Company N	441,090,355.41	33.1488	0.17	75,549,938.88	3%	6%	-2%
Company O	834,726,757.15	35.35263	0.12	96,982,201.14	4%	10%	-7%
Company P	550,834,597.82	37.24048	0.07	38,001,025.35	2%	7%	-5%
Company Q	269,359,777.85	37.4192	0.06	17,379,073.33	1%	3%	-3%
Company R	844,981,656.98	38.72938	0.03	26,841,302.95	1%	11%	-10%
Company S	359,845,558.64	39.02818	0.02	8,742,612.50	0%	5%	-4%
Company T	646,652,051.08	39.70698	0.01	4,736,994.67	0%	8%	-8%

Source: Nasdaq Global Indexes.

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