

2021

# **Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF**

As of 30 Sep 2021

Effective 28 Sep 2021, the expense ratio has been restated to reflect a reduction in the Fund's contractual management fee. For more information please refer to the Fund's prospectus.

#### Average annualized total returns (%)

<b>G</b>	Inception	1	3	Since
	date	year	years	inception
Net Asset Value (NAV)	13 Dec 16	47.45	13.20	13.68
Market Price	13 Dec 16	47.41	13.23	13.70
TIAA ESG USA Small-Cap Index		48.08	13.67	14.16

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate so that shares redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance shown. Total returns for a period of less than one year are cumulative. Returns assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Market price returns are based on the closing market price. For performance current to the most recent month-end visit nuveen com

Shares of ETFs are bought and sold at market price as opposed to net asset value. As a result, an investor may pay more than net asset value when buying and receive less than net asset value when selling. In addition, brokerage commissions will reduce returns. Fund shares are not individually redeemable directly with the Fund, but blocks of shares may be acquired from the Fund and tendered for redemption to the Fund by certain institutional investors in Creation Units.

## Calendar year returns (%)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	YTD
Net Asset Value (NAV)	16.62	-9.28	26.82	23.48	13.44
Market Price	16.50	-9.56	27.09	23.68	13.41
TIAA ESG USA Small-Cap Index	17.13	-8.88	27.37	23.97	13.80

## **Current expense ratio (%)**

Total	0.30
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Total annual fund operating expenses. See the Fund's prospectus for full information on expenses.

#### SEC 30-day yield (%)

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The SEC 30-day yield is computed under an SEC standardized formula.

## **Distribution frequency**

Annually

## Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup>

Category: 603 Small Blend funds

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Momingstar ratings are based on historical risk-adjusted total returns, which are not indicative of future results.

## **MSCI ESG Quality Score**



vs. 5.14 for the Morningstar Small Blend Category average

**Higher ESG Score** indicates stronger ESG practices and ability to manage material ESG issues relative to industry peers.

## **Carbon Intensity Score**



vs. 135.57 for the Morningstar Small Blend Category average

**Lower Carbon Intensity Score** indicates a more favorable (lower) level of CO2 emissions per \$MM

#### Portfolio statistics

Total net assets – (\$mil.)	\$1,029.53
Number of positions	644
Weighted average market cap (\$b)	\$5.31
P/E ratio (forward 12-months)	15.72

This data relates to the portfolio and the underlying securities held in the portfolio. It should not be construed as a measure of performance for the Fund itself.

## Top positions (%)

Darling Ingredients Inc	0.90
WEX Inc	0.74
First Horizon Corp	0.73
SiteOne Landscape Supply Inc	0.72
Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co	0.68
Popular Inc	0.63
Toro Co	0.62
CyrusOne Inc	0.61
Axon Enterprise Inc	0.60
SPS Commerce Inc	0.58
Positions subject to change	

## **Sector allocation (%)**

Industrials	16.06
Information Technology	15.32
Consumer Discretionary	15.13
Health Care	14.86
Financials	14.23
Real Estate	9.84
Materials	4.44
Energy	3.35
Consumer Staples	3.22
Utilities	1.84
Communication Services	1.49
Short Term Investments, Other	
Assets & Liabilities, Net	0.22

## **NUSC – Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF**

As of 30 Sep 2021

## **Fund description**

The Fund employs a passive management (or "indexing") approach, investing primarily in small-capitalization U.S. equity securities that satisfy certain environmental, social and governance ("ESG") criteria. The Fund seeks to track the investments results, before fees and expenses, of the TIAA ESG USA Small-Cap Index.

## **Index description**

The TIAA ESG USA Small-Cap Index (the "Index") is primarily composed of equity securities issued by small-capitalization companies listed on U.S. exchanges. The Index uses a rules-based methodology that seeks to provide investment exposure that generally replicates that of small-cap benchmarks through a portfolio of securities that adhere to predetermined ESG, controversial business involvement and low-carbon screening criteria. The Index is rebalanced on a quarterly basis.

## **Fund highlights**

- Core exposure to U.S. small-cap stocks for investors who value ESG principles
- · A tool for building a tactical equity allocation
- · Intraday exchange-traded liquidity
- A transparent, tax-efficient\* and low-cost investment solution

Fund facts		Index facts		
Intra-day Indicative Ticker	NUSC.IV	Index Ticker	M2CXTNCR	
NAV Ticker	NUSC.NV	Index Provider	MSCI	
Primary Exchange	Cboe			

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\* ETFs have generally low portfolio turnover and do not need to sell securities to meet shareholder redemptions, potentially reducing taxable gains.

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For the period ended 30 September 2021, Morningstar rated this Fund for the overall, three-, five-, and 10-year periods (if applicable). The Fund received 5 and 5 stars among 603 and 603 Small Blend Funds, respectively. For the most current ratings, please visit nuveen.com.

The Morningstar Rating<sup>™</sup> for funds, or "star rating", is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds, variable annuity and variable life subaccounts, exchange-traded funds, closed-end funds, and separate accounts) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open-ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a managed product is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. The weights are: 100% three-year rating for 36-59 months of total returns, 60% five-year rating/40% three-year rating for 60-119 months of total returns, and 50% 10-year rating/30% five-year rating/20% three-year rating for 120 or more months of total returns. While the 10-year overall star rating formula seems to give the most weight to the 10-year period, the most recent three-year period actually has the greatest impact because it is included in all three rating periods. ©2021 Morningstar, Inc. All Rights Reserved. The information contained herein: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar and/or its content providers; (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) is not warranted to be accurate, complete, or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information.

MSCI ESG Quality Score ("Quality Score") measures the ability of underlying holdings to manage key medium to long-term risks and opportunities arising from environmental, social, and governance factors. The Quality Score is calculated as the weighted average of the underlying holdings' ESG Scores. The Quality Score is provided on a 0-10 score, with 0 and 10 being the respective lowest and higherist possible fund scores. MSCI rates underlying holdings according to their exposure to 37 industry specific ESG risks and their ability to manage those risks relative to peers. Carbon Intensity Score is measured in tons CO2/\$M sales. Since companies with higher carbon intensity are likely to face more exposure to carbon related market and regulatory risks, this metric indicates a fund's exposure to potential climate

change-related risks relative to other funds or a benchmark. To be included in MSCI Fund Metrics, 65% of the fund's gross weight must come from securities covered by MSCI ESG Research, the fund's holdings date must be less than one year old, and the fund must have at least ten securities. Data sources: MSCI, Morningstar

#### Glossary

**P/E ratio** of a stock is calculated by dividing the current price of the stock by its forecasted 12 months' earnings per share. The average of the price/earnings ratio of a fund is a weighted harmonic average of all the current P/E ratios (excluding negatives) of the stocks in the fund's portfolio. This should not be construed as a forecast of the Fund's performance. **Weighted average market capitalization** is the portfolio-weighted mean capitalizations of all equity securities.

TIAA ESG USA Small-Cap Index is a custom index that is owned and calculated by MSCI, is based on the MSCI USA Small-Cap Index and aims to increase exposure to positive environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors and exhibit lower carbon exposure as compared to the MSCI USA Small-Cap Index

It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

#### A word on risk

Investing involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. This ETF seeks to generally track the investment results of an index; however the Fund may underperform, outperform or be more volatile than the referenced index. In addition, because the Index selects securities for inclusion based on environmental, social, and governance (ESG) criteria, the Fund may forgo some market opportunities available to funds that don't use these criteria. The value of equity securities may decline significantly over short or extended periods of time. Investments in smaller companies are subject to greater volatility than those of larger companies. These and other risk considerations are described in detail in the Fund's prospectus.

Before investing, carefully consider fund investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. For this and other information that should be read carefully, please request a prospectus or summary prospectus from your financial professional or Nuveen at 800.257.8787 or visit nuveen.com.

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