

Vanguard® Industrials Index Fund

Product Summary

Seeks to track the performance of the MSCI US Investable Market Industrials 25/50 Index.

Multicapitalization equity in the industrials sector.

Passively managed, uses full-replication strategy when possible.

If regulatory constraints prevent full replication, uses sampling strategy to approximate the index's key characteristics.

Fund remains fully invested.

Low expenses minimize net tracking error.

Quarterly Commentary

Some of the concerns that had been weighing on market sentiment carried into the fourth quarter of 2021. Year-on-year inflation readings accelerated to levels well above central bank targets in a number of developed markets amid rising energy prices and ongoing supply shortages, and the Omicron variant pushed COVID cases up even as vaccination rates climbed. Although volatility occasionally picked up, market fundamentals remained positive, with the global economy continuing to expand, labor markets recovering, and interest rates hovering at historically low levels across much of the globe.

Stocks as a whole weakened in November but finished the quarter up more than 6%, as measured by the FTSE Global All Cap Index. The U.S. and, to a lesser extent, Europe outperformed, while the Asia-Pacific region and emerging markets lagged.

Yields of longer-dated U.S. Treasuries declined, while yields of shorter-term Treasuries rose as the Federal Reserve tapered its asset purchases and signaled it could soon begin to raise short-term interest rates. The broad U.S. investment-grade bond market returned 0.05% (as measured by the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index).

The MSCI US Investable Market Industrials 25/50 Index returned 8.36% for the three-month period ended December 31. The MSCI US Investable Market 2500 Index, which measures the U.S. stock market, returned 9.33%.

Union Pacific (+29.2%), United Parcel Service (+18.3%), and CSX (+26.8%) were the top contributors.

Boeing (-8.5%), General Electric (-8.2%), and Southwest Airlines (-16.7%) were the biggest detractors.

For the 12-month period ended December 31, 2021, the MSCI US Investable Market Industrials 25/50 Index returned 20.83%. United Parcel Service (+30.0%), Union Pacific (+23.3%), and Deere (+28.9%) were the top contributors. The biggest detractors were Uber Technologies (-17.8%), CoStar Group (-14.5%), and Plug Power (-25.2%).

People and Process

Vanguard Industrials Index Fund seeks to track the investment performance of the MSCI US Investable Market Industrials 25/50 Index, a benchmark of large-, mid-, and small-cap U.S. stocks in the industrials sector, as classified under the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS). This GICS sector is made up of companies whose businesses are dominated by one of the following activities: the manufacture and distribution of capital goods (including aerospace and defense, construction, engineering and building products, electrical equipment, and industrial machinery); the provision of commercial services and supplies (including printing, employment, environmental, and office services); or the provision of transportation services (including airlines, couriers, marine, road and rail, and transportation infrastructure). Whenever possible, the fund attempts to fully replicate the target index, holding each stock in approximately the same proportion as its weighting in the index. However, the fund will use a sampling strategy if regulatory constraints or other considerations prevent it from replicating the index. Vanguard's Equity Index Group uses proprietary software to implement trading decisions that accommodate cash flows and maintain close correlation with index characteristics. Vanguard's refined indexing process, combined with low management fees and efficient trading, has provided tight tracking net of expenses.

Vanguard Equity Index Group

Launched in 1975, The Vanguard Group, Malvern, Pennsylvania, is among the world's largest equity and fixed income managers. As chief investment officer, Gregory Davis, CFA, oversees Vanguard's Equity Index, Quantitative Equity, and Fixed Income Groups. Rodney Comegys, Principal and global head of Vanguard's Equity Index Group, is responsible for all equity index funds. The Equity Index Group manages indexed equity portfolios covering U.S. and international markets. It has developed sophisticated portfolio construction methodologies and efficient trading strategies that seek to deliver returns that are highly correlated with target portfolio benchmarks. The group has advised Vanguard Industrials Index Fund since 2004.

Investment Manager Biographies

Walter Nejman. Portfolio manager. Advised the fund since 2015. Worked in investment management since 2008. B.A., Arcadia University. M.B.A., Villanova University.

Michelle Louie, CFA. Portfolio manager. Advised the fund since 2017. Worked in investment management since 2011. B.S., The American University. M.B.A., Georgia Institute of Technology.

Total Returns

| | Expense Ratio | Quarter | Year to Date | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years |
|--|------------------|---------|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| Industrials Index Fund | | | | | | | |
| Admiral Shares (5/8/2006) | 0.10% | 8.34% | 20.72% | 20.72% | 20.85% | 13.04% | 14.47% |
| Spliced U.S. Investable Market Industrials 25/50 Index | _ | 8.36 | 20.83 | 20.83 | 20.96 | 13.14 | 14.57 |

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Note: Spliced U.S. Investable Market Industrials 25/50 Index: MSCI US Investable Market Industrials; Index through February 26, 2010; MSCI US Investable Market Industrials 25/50 Index thereafter. Admiral class shareholders are required to maintain specific minimum balances and meet other special criteria.

Quarterly Returns

| | | | | | | | Year-End |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|--|----------------------|
| Year | 1st Quarter | 2nd Quarter | 3rd Quarter | 4th Quarter | Industrials Index | Spliced US IMI Indust. 25/50 Index | Assets (Millions) |
| 2021 | 11.49% | 4.19% | -4.07% | 8.34% | 20.72% | 20.83% | \$388 |
| 2020 | -27.87 | 18.18 | 11.85 | 17.80 | 12.32 | 12.43 | 269 |
| 2019 | 16.76 | 4.59 | 0.72 | 5.82 | 30.16 | 30.28 | 222 |
| 2018 | -1.85 | -2.00 | 9.20 | -18.06 | -13.93 | -13.85 | 171 |
| 2017 | 4.35 | 4.13 | 5.04 | 6.46 | 21.51 | 21.60 | 214 |
| 2016 | 4.74 | 1.49 | 4.80 | 8.04 | 20.36 | 20.43 | 128 |
| 2015 | 0.46 | -2.47 | -7.95 | 6.91 | -3.58 | -3.55 | 66 |
| 2014 | 0.58 | 3.66 | -2.74 | 7.05 | 8.55 | 8.67 | 77 |
| 2013 | 12.11 | 2.15 | 9.55 | 13.13 | 41.92 | 42.13 | 30 |
| 2012 | 12.01 | -4.23 | 3.74 | 5.25 | 17.13 | 17.17 | 14 |
| 2011 | 8.75 | -1.38 | -22.15 | 17.12 | -2.21 | -2.02 | 14 |

Fund Facts

| Fund Number | 5482 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Ticker | VINAX |
| Newspaper Listing | IndustAd |
| CUSIP Number | 92204A819 |
| Assets (millions) | \$388 |
| Inception | 5/8/2006 |
| Expense Ratio (as of 12/2021) | 0.10% |

Equity Characteristics

| | Industrials Index | MSCI US IMI Indus. 25/50 |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Number of stocks | 353 | 353 |
| Median market cap | \$45.9 Billion | \$45.9 Billion |
| Average market cap | \$61.1 Billion | \$61.0 Billion |
| Price/earnings ratio | 25.4x | 25.4x |
| Price/book ratio | 4.5x | 4.5x |
| Return on equity | 19.4% | 19.4% |
| Earnings growth rate | 10.2% | 10.2% |
| Equity yield (dividend) | 1.2% | 1.2% |
| Foreign holdings | 0.8% | 0.0% |
| Short-term reserves | 0.0% | _ |
| Turnover rate (fiscal year end) | 5.2% | _ |

Volatility Measures

| | R-Squared | Beta |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------|
| Spliced US IMI Industrials 25/50 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| MSCI US Investable Market 2500 ldx | 0.88 | 1.15 |

R-squared and beta are calculated from trailing 36-month fund returns relative to the associated benchmark.

Top 10 Largest Holdings

| | % of |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| | Total Net Assets |
| Union Pacific Corp. | 3.9% |
| United Parcel Service Inc. | 3.7 |
| Honeywell International Inc. | 3.4 |
| Raytheon Technologies Corp. | 3.0 |
| Caterpillar Inc. | 2.7 |
| Boeing Co. | 2.6 |
| General Electric Co. | 2.4 |
| 3M Co. | 2.4 |
| Deere & Co. | 2.4 |
| Lockheed Martin Corp. | 2.1 |
| Total | 28.6% |
| | |

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

Sector Diversification (% of Stocks)

| | Industrials Index | MSCI US IMI Indus. 25/50 | Overweight/ Underweight |
|---|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Aerospace & Defense | 14.5% | 14.6% | -0.1 |
| Agricultural & Farm Machinery | 2.9 | 2.8 | 0.1 |
| Air Freight & Logistics | 6.5 | 6.5 | 0.0 |
| Airlines | 2.3 | 2.3 | 0.0 |
| Building Products | 7.7 | 7.7 | 0.0 |
| Commercial Printing | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Construction & Engineering | 1.9 | 1.9 | 0.0 |
| Construction Machinery & Heavy Trucks | 5.3 | 5.3 | 0.0 |
| Diversified Support Services | 2.2 | 2.2 | 0.0 |
| Electrical Components & Equipment | 7.6 | 7.6 | 0.0 |
| Environmental & Facilities Services | 4.2 | 4.1 | 0.1 |
| Heavy Electrical Equipment | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Human Resource & Employment Services | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.0 |
| Industrial Conglomerates | 9.4 | 9.4 | 0.0 |
| Industrial Machinery | 11.7 | 11.6 | 0.1 |
| Marine | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Office Services & Supplies | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Railroads | 7.6 | 7.6 | 0.0 |
| Research & Consulting Services | 6.4 | 6.4 | 0.0 |
| Security & Alarm Services | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Trading Companies & Distributors | 3.7 | 3.7 | 0.0 |
| Trucking | 4.2 | 4.2 | 0.0 |
| Total | 100.0% | 100.0% | |

Sector categories are based on the Global Industry Classification Standard ("GICS"), except for the "Other" category (if applicable), which includes securities that have not been provided a GICS classification as of the effective reporting period.



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