

**SUSC**

# iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate Bond ETF

Fact Sheet as of 03/31/2023

**iShares**  
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The iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment-grade corporate bonds issued by companies that have positive environmental, social and governance characteristics while seeking to exhibit risk and return characteristics similar to those of the parent index of such index.

## KEY FACTS

Fund Launch Date	07/11/2017
Net Expense Ratio	0.18%
Benchmark	Bloomberg MSCI US Corporate ESG Focus Index
30 Day SEC Yield	5.15%
Number of Holdings	3,677
Net Assets	\$988,572,493

Ticker	SUSC
CUSIP	46435G193
Exchange	NASDAQ

## TOP HOLDINGS (%)

NATIONAL BANK OF CANADA MTN	0.79
USD CASH	0.60
BANCO BILBAO VIZCAYA	
ARGENTARIA SA	0.56
AVANGRID INC	0.47
SALESFORCE.COM INC.	0.47
ECOLAB INC	0.44
BLK CSH FND TREASURY SL AGENCY	0.44
DIAGEO CAPITAL PLC	0.41
NATIONAL BANK OF CANADA AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC	0.37
	0.35
	4.90

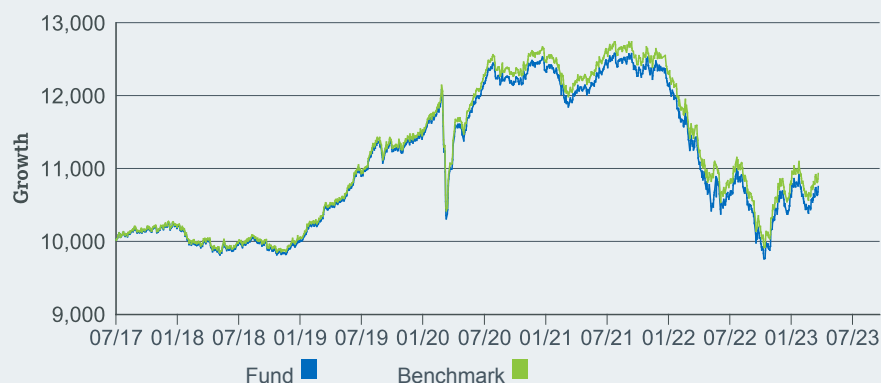
Holdings are subject to change.

## WHY SUSC?

- 1 Obtain exposure to companies that have higher environmental, social and governance (ESG) ratings through a broad range of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment grade corporate bonds.<sup>1</sup>
- 2 Seek stability and income in a sustainable portfolio with similar risk and return to the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Index.
- 3 Use as a sustainable building block for the core of your portfolio at a low cost.

<sup>1</sup>ESG ratings provided by MSCI on over 6,000 securities based on 37 industry-specific issues weighted based on the industry's impact and the time horizon of the risk / opportunity

## GROWTH OF 10,000 USD SINCE INCEPTION



The Growth of \$10,000 chart reflects a hypothetical \$10,000 investment and assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Fund expenses, including management fees and other expenses were deducted.

## PERFORMANCE

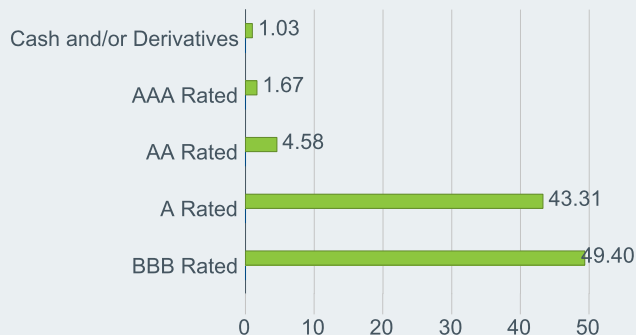
	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
NAV	-5.89%	-0.80%	1.44%	N/A	1.28%
Market Price	-6.20%	-1.16%	1.39%	N/A	1.31%
Benchmark	-5.66%	-0.43%	1.73%	N/A	1.57%

The performance quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end may be obtained by visiting [www.iShares.com](http://www.iShares.com) or [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com).

Beginning 8/10/20, the market price returns are calculated using the closing price.

Prior to 8/10/20, the market price returns were calculated using the midpoint of the bid/ask spread at 4:00 PM ET. The returns shown do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times.

## CREDIT RATINGS BREAKDOWN (%)



Credit quality ratings on underlying securities of the fund are received from S&P, Moody's and Fitch and converted to the equivalent S&P major rating category. This breakdown is provided by BlackRock and takes the median rating of the three agencies when all three agencies rate a security, the lower of the two ratings if only two agencies rate a security, and one rating if that is all that is provided. Unrated securities do not necessarily indicate low quality. Below investment-grade is represented by a rating of BB and below. Ratings and portfolio credit quality may change over time.

## MATURITY BREAKDOWN (%)



## FEES AND EXPENSES BREAKDOWN

<b>Expense Ratio</b>	0.18%
Management Fee	0.18%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses	0.00%
Foreign Taxes and Other Expenses	0.00%

## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

Weighted Average Maturity	11.01 yrs
Standard Deviation (3yrs)	9.13%
Effective Duration	7.20

## GLOSSARY

**Weighted Average Maturity** is the length of time until the average security in the fund will mature or be redeemed by its issuer. It indicates a fixed income fund's sensitivity to interest rate changes. Longer average weighted maturity implies greater volatility in response to interest rate changes.

**Effective Duration** is a measure of the potential responsiveness of a bond or portfolio price to small parallel shifts in interest rates. Effective Duration takes into account the possible changes in expected bond cash flows due to small parallel shifts in interest rates.

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**Investing involves risk, including possible loss of principal.**

Fixed income risks include interest-rate and credit risk. Typically, when interest rates rise, there is a corresponding decline in bond values. Credit risk refers to the possibility that the bond issuer will not be able to make principal and interest payments.

International investing involves risks, including risks related to foreign currency, limited liquidity, less government regulation and the possibility of substantial volatility due to adverse political, economic or other developments. These risks often are heightened for investments in emerging/developing markets and in concentrations of single countries.

The Fund's environmental, social and governance ("ESG") investment strategy limits the types and number of investment opportunities available to the Fund and, as a result, the Fund may underperform other funds that do not have an ESG focus. The Fund's ESG investment strategy may result in the Fund investing in securities or industry sectors that underperform the market as a whole or underperform other funds screened for ESG standards.

Diversification may not protect against market risk or loss of principal. Shares of ETFs are bought and sold at market price (not NAV) and are not individually redeemed from the fund. Any applicable brokerage commissions will reduce returns.

**Index returns are for illustrative purposes only. Index performance returns do not reflect any management fees, transaction costs or expenses. Indexes are unmanaged and one cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance does not guarantee future results.**

"Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" reflect the Fund's pro rata share of the indirect fees and expenses incurred by investing in one or more acquired funds, such as mutual funds, business development companies, or other pooled investment vehicles. AFEE are reflected in the prices of the acquired funds and thus included in the total returns of the Fund.

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Sustainability Characteristics provide investors with specific non-traditional metrics. Alongside other metrics and information, these enable investors to evaluate funds on certain environmental, social and governance characteristics. Sustainability Characteristics do not provide an indication of current or future performance nor do they represent the potential risk and reward profile of a fund. They are provided for transparency and for information purposes only. Sustainability Characteristics should not be considered solely or in isolation, but instead are one type of information that investors may wish to consider when assessing a fund.

**This fund seeks to follow a sustainable, impact or ESG investment strategy, as disclosed in its prospectus.** For more information regarding the fund's investment strategy, please see the fund's prospectus.

MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC)	AAA	MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10)	9.44
MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile	99.39%	MSCI ESG % Coverage	100.00%
Fund Lipper Global Classification	Bond USD Medium Term	MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES)	125.71
Funds in Peer Group	163	MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage	99.28%

All data is from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings as of **07-Feb-2023**, based on holdings as of **31-Jan-2023**. As such, the fund's Sustainability Characteristics may differ from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings from time to time.

To be included in MSCI ESG Fund Ratings, 65% of the fund's gross weight must come from securities with ESG coverage by MSCI ESG Research (certain cash positions and other asset types deemed not relevant for ESG analysis by MSCI are removed prior to calculating a fund's gross weight; the absolute values of short positions are included but treated as uncovered), the fund's holdings date must be less than one year old, and the fund must have at least ten securities. For newly launched funds, Sustainability Characteristics are typically available 6 months after launch.

**ESG GLOSSARY:**

**MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC):** The MSCI ESG Rating is calculated as a direct mapping of ESG Quality Scores to letter rating categories (e.g. AAA = 8.6-10). The ESG Ratings range from leader (AAA, AA), average (A, BBB, BB) to laggard (B, CCC).

**MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile:** The fund's ESG Percentile compared to its Lipper peer group.

**Fund Lipper Global Classification:** The fund peer group as defined by the Lipper Global Classification.

**Funds in Peer Group:** The number of funds from the relevant Lipper Global Classification peer group that are also in ESG coverage.

**MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10):** The MSCI ESG Quality Score (0 - 10) for funds is calculated using the weighted average of the ESG scores of fund holdings. The Score also considers ESG Rating trend of holdings and the fund exposure to holdings in the laggard category. MSCI rates underlying holdings according to their exposure to industry specific ESG risks and their ability to manage those risks relative to peers.

**MSCI ESG % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which the MSCI ESG ratings data is available. The MSCI ESG Fund Rating, MSCI ESG Quality Score, and MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile metrics are displayed for funds with at least 65% coverage.

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES):** Measures a fund's exposure to carbon intensive companies. This figure represents the estimated greenhouse gas emissions per \$1 million in sales across the fund's holdings. This allows for comparisons between funds of different sizes.

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which MSCI Carbon Intensity data is available. The MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity metric is displayed for funds with any coverage. Funds with low coverage may not fully represent the fund's carbon characteristics given the lack of coverage.

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