FACTOR & STRATEGY STOXX® EUROPE 600 INDUSTRY NEUTRAL AX MULTI-FACTOR INDEX

Index description

STOXX Industry Neutral Single and Multi-Factor Indices aim to harvest the risk premia of several academically validated style factors — Value, Momentum, Quality, Size and Low Risk within each ICB Industry. At the same time the rules ensure tradability and diversification as well as limit untargeted systematic exposures.

STOXX uses Axioma's risk model and optimizer to construct the industry neutral factor indices. The STOXX industry neutral single and multi-factor indices are based on the respective STOXX country or regional benchmark indices.

Key facts

»Invest in targeted factor exposures with managed liquidity and risk profiles across various regions

»Use of Axiomas factor risk models and portfolio construction expertise to define the factors based on extensive validation from research and having a clear economic rationale

»Factor family consists of 5 single factor indices (Value, Momentum, Quality, Low Risk, and Size) and one multi-factor index

»Same index construction rules applied across the factor family

»Strict neutrality imposed on ICB Industries to remove industry bets relative to the respective benchmarks

»Single factor indices maximize the target factor while constraining the exposure to other factors

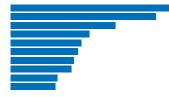
»Multi-factor index employs a bottom-up approach by maximizing the exposure to an equally weighted aggregated multi-factor score

»Ensures tradability by managing turnover and exposure to illiquid positions

Descriptive statistics

Index	Market	Market cap (EUR bn.)		Components (EUR bn.)			Component weight (%)		Turnover (%)	
	Full	Free-float	Mean	Median	Largest	Smallest	Largest	Smallest	Last 12 months	
STOXX Europe 600 Industry Neutral Ax Multi-Factor Index	N/A	97.2	0.9	0.3	4.7	0.0	4.9	0.0	50.3	
STOXX Europe 600 Index	12,330.3	9,680.5	16.1	5.6	304.5	0.4	3.1	0.0	3.4	

Supersector weighting (top 10)



16.2% Health Care 13.8% Industrial Goods & Services 10.0% Banks 7.5% Technology 6.7% Automobiles & Parts 6.4% Energy 6.0% Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores 5.8% Financial Services 4.4% Food, Beverage & Tobacco 4.3% Utilities

Country weighting

28.1% Great Britain
15.4% France
11.7% Switzerland
8.8% Germany
7.3% Italy
6.6% Netherlands
6.2% Denmark
4.6% Norway
2.6% Spain
2.4% Luxembourg

Risk and return figures¹

Index returns				R	eturn (%)			An	nualized ret	:urn (%)
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
STOXX Europe 600 Industry Neutral Ax Multi-Factor Index	-1.7	7.8	2.8	39.4	39.5	N/A	N/A	2.8	11.8	7.0
STOXX Europe 600 Index	-2.3	8.8	5.3	41.2	37.4	N/A	N/A	5.3	12.3	6.6
Index volatility and risk	Annualized volatility (%) Annualized Sharpe					pe ratio²				
STOXX Europe 600 Industry Neutral Ax Multi-Factor Index	11.0	11.7	14.9	15.4	17.5	N/A	N/A	0.0	0.7	0.4
STOXX Europe 600 Index	11.6	12.9	15.5	16.3	17.9	N/A	N/A	0.2	0.7	0.4
Index to benchmark		Correlation Track				Tracking	error (%)			
STOXX Europe 600 Industry Neutral Ax Multi-Factor Index	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	4.4	4.4	4.3	5.1	5.2
Index to benchmark	Beta Annualized informa					tion ratio				
STOXX Europe 600 Industry Neutral Ax Multi-Factor Index	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.5	-0.5	-0.6	-0.1	0.0

¹ For information on data calculation, please refer to STOXX <u>calculation reference guide</u> ² Based on EURIBOR1M



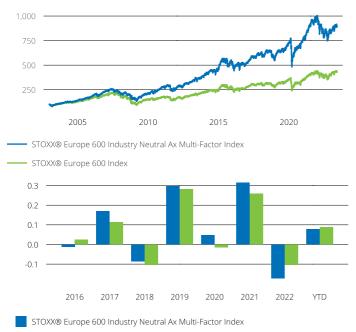
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Fundamentals (for last 12 months)

Index		Price/earnings incl. negative	Price/earnings excl. negative		Price/ book	Dividend yield (%) ³	Price/ sales	Price/ cash flow	
	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing	
STOXX Europe 600 Industry Neutral Ax Multi-Factor Index	8.7	9.4	8.6	9.4	1.1	4.4	0.7	1.4	
STOXX Europe 600 Index	15.2	12.7	13.4	12.5	1.8	3.4	1.2	1.7	

Performance and annual returns⁴



Methodology

Bringing together the powerful indexing and analytics capabilities of Qontigo, the STOXX Industry Neutral Factor Index suite delivers more clarity to the market for factor investors by relying on the institutionally tested analytics of Axioma Factor Risk Models and advanced portfolio construction techniques. The use of Axiomas risk models ensures strong exposure to the respective target factor (Value, Momentum, Quality, Low Risk, Size, Multi-Factor) while allowing for ease of control over unintended exposures. The inclusion of constraints targets benchmark tracking with country controls and industry neutrality constraints, and ensures tradability by limiting exposure to less liquid names and turnover while controlling for effective number of names and weights.

STOXX® Europe 600 Index

Versions and symbols						
Index		ISIN	Symbol	Bloomberg	Reuters	
Gross Return	EUR	CH0462360543	SAXPNMFU	SAXPNMFU INDEX	.SAXPNMFU	
Net Return	EUR	CH0462360535	SAXPNMFR	SAXPNMFR INDEX	.SAXPNMFR	
Price	EUR	CH0462360527	SAXPNMFP		.SAXPNMFP	
Gross Return	USD	CH0462360576	SAXPNMFS		.SAXPNMFS	
Net Return	USD	CH0462360568	SAXPNMFV		.SAXPNMFV	
Price	USD	CH0462360550	SAXPNMFL		.SAXPNMFL	

Complete list available here: www.stoxx.com/data/vendor_codes.html

Quick facts

Weighting	Optimization
Cap factor	4.5%/ 8% / 35%
No. of components	Variable
Review frequency	Quarterly (Mar.,Jun.,Sep.,Dec.)
Calculation/distribution	dayend
Calculation hours	18:00:00 18:00:00
Base value/base date	100 as of Mar. 19, 2012
History	Available since 31 Dec 2002
Inception date	Feb. 17, 2021
To learn more about the ince see our data vendor code she	ption date, the currency, the calculation hours and historical values, please et.

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CUSTOMIZATION

The index can be used as a basis for the definition of STOXX Customized Indices, which can be tailored to specific client or mandate needs. STOXX offers customization in almost unlimited forms for example in terms of component selection, weighting schemes and personalized calculation methodologies.

³ gr. div. yield is calculated as gr. return index return minus price index return ⁴ STOXX <u>data from Jan. 02, 2003 to May 31, 2023</u>

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Top 10 Components⁵

Company	Supersector	Country	Weight (%)	
ROCHE HLDG P	Health Care	Switzerland	4.89	
3I GROUP PLC.	Financial Services	Great Britain	4.69	
BAE SYSTEMS	Industrial Goods & Services	Great Britain	3.96	
IMPERIAL BRANDS	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Great Britain	3.71	
GRP SOCIETE GENERALE	Banks	France	3.70	
BMW	Automobiles & Parts	Germany	3.69	
EQUINOR	Energy	Norway	3.65	
AHOLD DELHAIZE	Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores	Netherlands	3.39	
NOVARTIS	Health Care	Switzerland	3.20	
KUEHNE + NAGEL	Industrial Goods & Services	Switzerland	3.18	

 $^{\rm 5}$ Based on the composition as of May 31, 2023