

Strategy Objective

The First Trust MSCI ACWI xUS Protestant strategy seeks capital appreciation by providing exposure to large and mid cap international companies that have been screened based on Protestant values. The strategy is expected to closely track the performance of the MSCI ACWI xUS Index while allowing for greater customization.

Performance Summary Growth of \$1M Since Inception



Key Investment Personnel

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Portfolio Information

Inception Date	8/1/21
Investment Advisor	First Trust Advisors L.P.
Account Type	Direct Indexing
Strategy Type	Global/International
Benchmark	MSCI ACWI xUS Index

Representative Account

Characteristics	Account	Benchmark		
Predicted Tracking Error	0.9%			
Number of Holdings	530	2,085		
Dividend Yield	2.5%	3.1%		
Beta	1.0	1.0		
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$Billions)	\$107.8	\$109.1		

Top 10 Holdings	Account	Benchmark
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Sponsored ADR	3.3%	3.1%
Tencent Holdings Ltd. Unsponsored ADR	1.5%	1.4%
ICICI Bank Limited Sponsored ADR	1.4%	0.3%
SAP SE Sponsored ADR	1.3%	1.0%
HDFC Bank Limited Sponsored ADR	1.3%	0.5%
Novo Nordisk A/S Sponsored ADR Class B	1.2%	1.1%
Toyota Motor Corp. Sponsored ADR	1.1%	0.8%
ASML Holding NV ADR	1.1%	1.1%
Nestle S.A. Sponsored ADR	0.9%	0.8%
Infosys Limited Sponsored ADR	0.9%	0.3%

Composite Performance (%)

	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	Since Inception	2024	2023	2022	2021
Gross-of-Fees^	-6.26	7.02	7.02	1.63	1.75	7.02	17.67	-16.65	N/A
Net-of-Fees	-6.34	6.65	6.65	1.27	1.39	6.65	17.26	-16.95	N/A
Benchmark	-7.60	5.53	5.53	0.82	0.85	5.53	15.62	-16.00	N/A
Composite Assets (\$Million)	4.7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4.7	6.2	4.7	4.7
Number of Portfolios	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	2

^Gross-of-fees returns are presented before management and custodial fees but after all trading expenses. Net-of-fees returns are calculated by deducting a model management fee of 0.35%, the highest management fee, from the monthly

The above characteristics are from a representative portfolio. Actual account characteristics of individual accounts may be different. Portfolio characteristics are as of the date indicated and are based on individual securities in the Portfolio on that date. Securities in the Portfolio are subject to change. Statistics shown are not indicative of future statistics and are not representative of future Portfolio performance.

The First Trust MSCI ACWI xUS Protestant Strategy is for the investor who seeks capital appreciation by investing in large and mid cap international companies that have been screened based on Protestant values.

References to specific securities should not be construed as a recommendation to buy or sell and should not be assumed

For additional information, please refer to First Trust Advisor L.P.'s Form ADV Part 2A.

Effective October 31, 2024, First Trust Direct Indexing ("FTDI") merged into First Trust Advisors L.P. ("FTA"). All business activities, including portfolio management and business records are now performed under FTA. The investment strategy performance presented for periods prior to October 31, 2024 was achieved by the same portfolio manager while affiliated with FTDI. The investment performance from the prior firm has been linked to the current performance in accordance with the portability requirements of the GIPS standards and the predecessor requirements of Rule 206(4)-1 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

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Definitions

Predicted Tracking Error ("TE") - A statistical measure used to determine how a portfolio's returns correlate with its benchmark returns based on the portfolio's current factor exposures and security concentrations relative to the benchmark. Predicted TE is calculated using a risk model that applies statistical techniques to model risk factor returns. A lower predicted TE signifies closer alignment with the benchmark. Predicted TE does not predict or project the portfolio's future absolute returns. The reliability of the measuredepends on the accuracy and completeness of the input data and is subject to limitations in the risk model's methodology or assumptions, which may impact the precision of its predictions.

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Annual GIPS Composite Report 12/31/24

Annualized as of 12/31/24	Composite Gross Return (%)	Composite Model Net (%)	Benchmark (%)		
1 Year	7.02	6.65	5.53		
3 Year	1.63	1.27	0.82		

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Year	Total Gross Return AWR (%)	Total Model Net AWR (%)	Benchmark (%)	3 Yr Ex-Post Std. Dev. Composite Gross (%)	3 Yr Ex-Post Std. Dev. Benchmark (%)	Internal Equal Wtd. Dispersion	Number of Portfolios	Composite Assets (MM)	Total Firm Assets (MM)
2020 ¹	18.99	18.83	19.02	N/A	17.93	N/A	1	\$1	\$116,247
3/31/212	4.02	3.93	3.49	N/A	17.41	N/A	1	1	127,207
4/30/213	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
6/30/214	2.46	2.40	2.46	N/A	17.36	N/A	1	2	141,422
7/31/215	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/31/216	1.08	0.93	0.43	N/A	16.79	N/A	2	5	153,913
2022	-16.65	-16.95	-16.00	N/A	19.26	N/A	2	5	135,658
2023	17.67	17.26	15.62	N/A	16.07	N/A	2	6	152,663
2024	7.02	6.65	5.53	17.11	16.02	N/A	1	5	189,042

¹Represents data from 8/1/20 through 12/31/20

⁶Represents partial period performance from 8/1/21 through 12/31/21

- 1. First Trust Direct Indexing L.P. is an equity investment manager. On July 15, 2022, First Trust Capital Partners LLC acquired a controlling interest in Veriti Management LLC. On January 31, 2023, Veriti Management LLC changed its name to First Trust Direct Indexing L.P.
- 2. The First Trust MSCI ACWI xUS Protestant strategy includes all fully discretionary non-taxable portfolios that invest in developed market stocks benchmarked to the MSCI ACWI xUS Index and are restricted from owning stocks that are screened out based on Protestant values. The account minimum for the composite is \$1,000,000.
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- 6. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS reports are available upon request.
- 7. The composite was created in December 2022, and the inception date is August 1, 2020.
- 8. The internal dispersion is calculated using the equal-weighted standard deviation of annual gross returns of those portfolios that were included in the composite for the entire year. If the composite contained 5 or fewer accounts at any time during the year, the internal dispersion is reported as not applicable (N/A).
- 9. The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite gross returns, and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.
- 10. Portfolios are removed from the composite if the net contribution or withdrawal for the month exceeds 25% of the beginning market value of the portfolio. The portfolio is removed from the composite for the month in which the significant net contribution or withdrawal occurred.
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You could lose money by investing in the strategy. There can be no assurance that the strategy will achieve its investment objectives.

²Represents partial period performance from 1/1/21 through 3/31/21

³Break in Composite Performance from 4/1/21 through 4/30/21

⁴Represents partial period performance from 5/1/21 through 6/30/21

⁵Break in Composite Performance from 7/1/21 through 7/31/21