

Federated Hermes Max-Cap Index Fund

Nasdaq symbol — IS: FISPX | SS: FMXSX | C: MXCCX | R: FMKXX

3/31/24

Product highlights

- Pursues returns that generally correspond to the S&P 500[®] Index.
- Invests primarily in a portfolio of stocks that seeks to replicate the composition of the S&P 500[®] Index.
- Serves as a core large-cap stock holding.
- Features a track record of more than 30 years.

Morningstar category

Large Blend

Benchmark

S&P 500[®] Index

Key investment team

Ian Miller, CFA

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Fund statistics

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| Portfolio assets | \$221.4 m |
| Dividends | Paid quarterly |
| Portfolio beta (Source: Bloomberg trailing 3 year versus S&P 500 [®] Index) | 1.00 |
| Weighted median P/E (NTM) | 24.4x |
| Weighted median P/E (LTM) | 30.9x |
| Weighted median market cap | \$224.7 b |
| Weighted median price/book | 8.1x |

Top holdings (%)

| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Microsoft Corp. | 6.8 |
| Apple Inc. | 5.5 |
| NVIDIA Corporation | 5.0 |
| Amazon.com, Inc. | 3.7 |
| Meta Platforms, Inc. | 2.4 |
| Alphabet Inc. | 2.0 |
| Alphabet Inc. | 1.7 |
| Berkshire Hathaway Inc. | 1.7 |
| Lilly Eli & Company | 1.4 |
| JPMorgan Chase & Co. | 1.3 |

Overall Morningstar Rating™

Institutional Shares



Rating is based on risk adjusted total return for Institutional Shares out of 1293 Funds in Large Blend Category as of 3/31/24. The overall rating is derived from a weighted average of the fund's three-, five-, and ten-year average annual returns, as applicable.

Sector weightings (%)



S&P 500[®] Index Futures were 3.1%. Futures contracts do not require cash outlay; the notional value is reported.

Average annual total returns (%)

Performance shown is before tax.

| NAV | Performance inception | Cumulative 3-month | 1-year | 3-year | 5-year | 10-year | Expense ratio* | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| | | | | | | | Since inception | Before waivers | After waivers |
| IS | 7/11/90 | 10.46 | 29.86 | 11.09 | 14.62 | 12.61 | 10.23 | 0.58 | 0.37 |
| SS | 9/7/93 | 10.52 | 29.44 | 10.76 | 14.27 | 12.27 | 9.74 | 1.15 | 0.67 |
| C | 11/10/97 | 10.17 | 28.46 | 9.89 | 13.41 | 11.42 | 7.39 | 1.60 | 1.45 |
| R | 7/11/90 | 10.31 | 28.75 | 10.24 | 13.78 | 11.77 | 9.41 | 1.29 | 1.12 |
| Benchmark | | 10.56 | 29.88 | 11.49 | 15.05 | 12.96 | - | - | - |
| Maximum offering price | | | | | | | | | |
| C | 11/10/97 | 9.17 | 27.46 | 9.89 | 13.41 | 11.42 | 7.39 | 1.60 | 1.45 |

Calendar year total returns (%)

Institutional Shares/NAV

| | YTD | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| NAV | 10.46 | 26.15 | -18.57 | 28.34 | 17.98 | 30.70 | -4.62 | 21.73 | 11.79 | 1.08 |
| Benchmark | 10.56 | 26.29 | -18.11 | 28.71 | 18.40 | 31.49 | -4.39 | 21.82 | 11.95 | 1.37 |

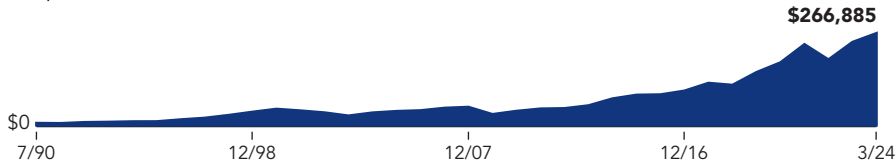
Performance quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than what is stated. To view performance current to the most recent month-end, and for after-tax returns, contact us or visit FederatedHermes.com/us. Maximum offering price figures reflect the maximum contingent deferred sales charge of 1% for C Shares. See the prospectus for other fees and expenses that apply to a continued investment in the fund.

* The fund's expense ratio is from the most recent prospectus. The expense ratio may reflect voluntary fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements determined by the fund's Advisor and its affiliates. The voluntary waivers and/or reimbursements, if applicable, are in effect up to but not including the later of 1/1/25 or the date of the fund's next effective prospectus.

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Growth over time

If you had invested \$10,000 in Institutional Shares on 7/31/90 (month end of the fund's performance inception) and reinvested all distributions, here's how your account would have grown by 3/31/24.



The fund's R Shares commenced operations on April 7, 2003. For the period prior to the commencement of operations of the R Shares, the performance information shown is for the fund's Institutional Shares, adjusted to reflect the expenses of the R Shares. See the prospectus for other fees and expenses that apply to a continued investment in the fund.

A word about risk

Mutual funds are subject to risks and fluctuate in value.

Diversification does not assure a profit nor protect against loss.

Definitions

The holdings percentages are based on net assets at the close of business on 3/31/24 and may not necessarily reflect adjustments that are routinely made when presenting net assets for formal financial statement purposes. Because this is a managed portfolio, the investment mix will change.

Total return represents the change in value of an investment after reinvesting all income and capital gains. Total return would have been lower in the absence of temporary expense waivers or reimbursements.

Growth over time performance is for the fund's Institutional Shares. The fund offers additional share classes whose performance will vary due to differences in charges and expenses.

Beta analyzes the market risk of a fund by showing how responsive the fund is to the market. The beta of the market is 1.00. Accordingly, a fund with a 1.10 beta is expected to perform 10% better than the market in up markets and 10% worse in down markets. Usually the higher betas represent riskier investments.

Weighted median P/E (LTM - latest twelve months) is a ratio comparing share price to earnings per share using data from the previous twelve months.

Weighted median P/E (NTM - next twelve months) in calculating this, individual holdings with values greater than 60 are capped at 60 in accordance with Morningstar's methodology for calculating "weighted Median P/E."

Weighted median market capitalization is the calculation represented by the median market capitalization of the stocks in the portfolio, weighted by the amount of each stock.

Weighted median price/book is a ratio comparing share price to book value or assets minus liabilities.

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Indexes are unmanaged and cannot be invested in directly.

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Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Ratings and rating agencies

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