What Do We Really Know About Index Funds?

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Invesco ETFs leadership profile

With $227.6 billion in global assets and $184.6 billion in U.S. assets including QQQ, Invesco ETFs rank the 4th largest ETF provider in the U.S. by AUM

Invesco ETFs leadership profile

- Brand strength
- Recognized industry leader & innovator
- Broad product line including leadership position in Smart Beta
- Strategic relationships
- Global reach
- Dedicated client service/ relationship management

1. Beta is a measure of risk representing how a security is expected to respond to general market movements. Smart Beta represents an alternative and selection index based methodology that seeks to outperform a benchmark or reduce portfolio risk, both in active or passive vehicles. Smart beta funds may underperform cap-weighted benchmarks and increase portfolio risk.

Source: Invesco Finance. AUM Data as of March 31, 2020
Today’s Discussion

A Short History of Indexing

The Rise of Index Investing

How Passive is Passive?

Innovations in Index Investing

Putting this into Action
What is an Index?

**Index**: a number derived from a series of observations used as an indicator or measure

Where does it say “and serve as the basis for a strategy?”

Source: Merriam Webster
Overview of First Available Indexes

When indexing was first introduced, it was originally designed to gauge the general direction of the overall broad market.

- These initial indexes were based on the best knowledge and technology of their day
- However, advances in technology over the past century have greatly improved both our understanding of the financial markets and our ability to create indexes that track them

**Dow Jones Industrial Average**
- Originated in 1896
- Originally consisted of 12 companies that Charles Dow considered to be the backbone of the industrial economy
- In 1916 the index was revamped to include eight additional stocks, thus increasing the total to 20
- In 1928, 10 additional stocks were added to bring the total to 30
- Today, 30 stocks still comprise the index with additions/deletions occurring on an ad hoc basis

**S&P 500® Index**
- Originated in 1923
- Originally consisted of 223 companies (S&P 223) grouped into 26 industries based on Standard & Poor’s methodology
- The S&P index committee gradually added names in order to create new industry group indexes
- In 1957, the index was expanded to include 500 companies (S&P 500) that encompassed approximately 90 industry groupings
- Today, 500 stocks still comprise the index with additions/deletions occurring on an ad hoc basis

Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices.
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### Indexing Innovations

- Dow Jones Industrial Average (1896)
- S&P 500 Index (1923)
- S&P 1500 Index (1995)
- Russell 1000 Style Indexes (1995)
- Wilshire Style Indexes (1986)
- S&P 1500 Index (1995)
- MSCI Style Indexes (2002)
- Mstar Style Indexes (2002)
- S&P EW Indices (2005)
- S&P/Citi Pure Style Indexes (2011)
- S&P Factor Indices (2011)

### Global Innovations

- (1891) Edison’s Kinetoscope Introduced
- (1903) Wright Brothers First Powered Flight
- (1908) Ford’s 1st Model-T Produced
- (1913) First Moving Assembly Line Introduced
- (1923) First Portable Radio Developed
- (1938) First Photocopier Introduced
- (1946) First Microwave Oven Introduced
- (1954) First Color TV Broadcast
- (1969) First Man on the Moon
- (1969) First Portable Computer Available
- (1975) First Personal Computer Available
- (1981) First Space Shuttle Flight
- (1981) First Public Availability of Internet
- (1984) First Computer Tablet Introduced
- (1991) First Smartphone Introduced
- (2000) First Computer Tablet Introduced
- (2005) First Space Shuttle Flight
- (2010) First Smartphone Introduced

Source: Index methodology papers; Various historical website postings.
The pace of change has increased in recent years

1890’s
First price weighted index

1920’s
First market cap weighted index

1970’s
First index mutual fund

1990’s
First ETF (1993)

2000’s
First smart beta ETF (2003)

For illustrative purposes only.

1 Source: Bloomberg, L.P. as of Dec. 31, 2020
2 Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices, djindexes.com
3 Source: Vanguard, vanguard.com
4 Source: State Street Global Advisors, spdrs.com.
5 Source: Invesco.com
An investor cannot invest directly in an index.

Smart Beta represents an alternative and selection index based methodology that seeks to outperform a benchmark or reduce portfolio risk, both in active or passive vehicles. Smart beta funds may underperform cap-weighted benchmarks and increase portfolio risk.
How Are Market Capitalization Weighted Benchmarks Constructed?

Size of Company = \( \text{Share Price} \times \text{Number of Shares Outstanding} \)

**S&P 500 Weight By Decile (%)**

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<td>Microsoft</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Apple</td>
<td>$1.102T</td>
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Source: Bloomberg L.P., as of March 31, 2020. An investor cannot invest directly in an index.
How Diversified are Benchmark Indexes?

Cumulative Weight of Largest Five Companies in the S&P 500®

Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices, LLC
What If Stock Prices Don’t Always Represent Fair Value?

“In the short term the market is like a voting machine – tallying up which firms are popular and unpopular but in the long run the market is like a weighing machine – assessing the substance of a company”

- Benjamin Graham
Growth in Passive Investing

U.S. Mutual Fund Industry Assets:
Actual and Projected Active/Passive Split

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Source: PwC Analysis based upon data from ICI. Estimates for 2025 based upon PwC analysis
Percent of U.S. Domestic Equity Funds Underperforming the S&P 1500

Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices; data as of 12/31/2019
Case #1: Technology Bubble

Tech Exposure Grew from 19% to 33% in Just One Year
Did U.S. equity investors intend to increase their exposure to Technology by 70% during the Tech Bubble?

How Passive is Passive?

Case Study #2: Japan Equity Bubble

Japan Exposure Grew from 22% to 44% in Just Three Years

Did global equity investors intend to double their exposure to Japan during the Japanese Equity Bubble?

How Passive is Passive?

Aggregate Market Cap by Country

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Source: Research Affiliates, LLC, based on data from FactSet as of 12/31/2019. Most recent data used. Market cap for countries represents the sum of the market caps for their constituents in the Morningstar Global Markets Index. Market caps for Facebook, Apple, Netflix, Microsoft, Amazon, & Google (FANMAG) are excluded from the United States. The total market capitalization for the United States is $25.7 trillion, which is cut off at $6.0 trillion in this graph for scaling purposes.
Innovations in Indexing
Transcending the traditional investment paradigm

Smart Beta: An alternative selection and weighting index based methodology that may outperform a benchmark, mitigate portfolio risk, or both.

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** Diversification does not guarantee a profit or eliminate the risk of loss.

1 Liquidity: Shares are not individually redeemable and owners of the shares may acquire those shares from the Fund and tender those shares for redemption to the Fund in Creation Unit aggregations only, typically consisting of 50,000, 75,000, 100,000 or 200,000 shares. 2Low Cost: Since ordinary brokerage commissions apply for each buy and sell transaction, frequent activity may increase the cost of ETFs. 3Transparency: ETFs disclose their holdings daily.
Innovations in Indexing

Common ingredients smart beta/factor-based indexes and ETFs

- Based on formulaic and transparent rules-based index
- Typically not market-cap-weighted
- Provide exposure to investment factors
- Systematically rebalanced

Also known as:
- Strategic beta
- Alternative beta
- Advanced beta

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Invesco S&P 500 Equal Weight Portfolio (ticker: RSP)  
Based on the S&P 500® Quality Index. Provides exposure to S&P 500 Index constituents on an equal weighted basis (1/500th allocated to each stock)  

Potential Benefits:  
- Reduce concentration weight to largest stocks in economy  
- Quarterly rebalancing imposes strict rebalancing discipline  

Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility Portfolio (ticker: SPLV)  
Based on the S&P 500® Low Volatility Index. Provides exposure to the 100 least volatile constituents from the S&P 500 Index  

Potential Benefits:  
- Enables investors to participate in equity market returns while potentially mitigating risk  
- Quarterly rebalancing discipline enables ongoing exposure to lower volatility companies within the S&P 500  

Invesco S&P 500 Quality Portfolio (ticker: SPHQ)  
Based on the S&P 500® Quality Index. Provides exposure to 100 companies from the S&P 500 Index that meet criteria regarding profitability, earnings quality, & financial health  

Potential Benefits:  
- Higher quality stocks have the potential to generate lower volatility and higher returns than low-quality stocks  
- Semi-annual rebalancing discipline enables continued exposure to quality companies within the S&P 500  

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There is no guarantee that low-volatility stocks will provide low volatility.

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A value style of investing is subject to the risk that the valuations never improve or that the returns will trail other styles of investing or the overall stock markets.

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## Index Definitions

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<td>S&amp;P 1500® Index</td>
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<td>MSCI World Index</td>
<td>An unmanaged index considered representative of stocks of developed countries.</td>
<td>FactSet Research Systems, Inc.</td>
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<td>S&amp;P 500® Equal Weight Index</td>
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