

Closing ETF Price as of 10/15/2021: \$106.41 Dividend Yield: 0.7%

# **IUSG**

# **Attractive Rating**

### iShares Trust: iShares Core S&P US Growth ETF

Predictive Ratin	Attractive				
Quality of Earnings Components: Ratings & Values					
Very Attractive	Economic vs Reported EPS	Rising EE			
Very Attractive	Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)	47%			
Valuation Comp	oonents: Ratings & Values				
Neutral	Free Cash Flow Yield	1%			
Unattractive	Price to Economic Book Value Ratio	2.8			
Unattractive	Growth Appreciation Period	32 year(s)			
Fund Expenses	: Rating & Value				
Very Attractive	Total Annual Costs	0.04%			

- We recommend investors buy IUSG.
- IUSG ranks in the 71st percentile of the 650+ ETFs we cover.
- Rising EE means that economic earnings are positive, the ETF's ROIC is greater than its WACC, and ROIC is rising.
- The Price to Economic Book Value Ratio compares market expectations for future cash flows to existing cash flows. When the ratio is greater than one, the market predicts cash flows will increase, and vice versa.
- Growth Appreciation Period measures the number of years of future profit growth implied by the stock price.
- Get the **PROOF** that our research outperforms.

### **ETF Details**

Net Asset Value (\$MM)	\$12,137.20
Issuer	iShares
Category	Large Cap Growth
Index	Russell 3000 Growth
Management Style	Passive
Exposure	Long
Inception Date	07/24/2000
Number of Holdings	474
Avg. Daily Volume (3 Mo.)	373,476
Geography	U.S.

## **Predictive Rating Methodology**

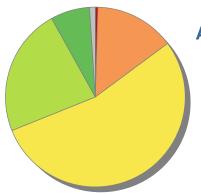
Our predictive rating is based on the aggregation of our financial models for the ETF's holdings, the fund's expenses, and the fund's overall rank.

Our ETF models enable us to asses the profitability and valuation of an ETF just like a stock.

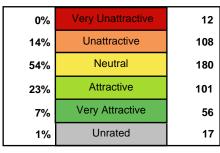
### **Total Annual Costs**

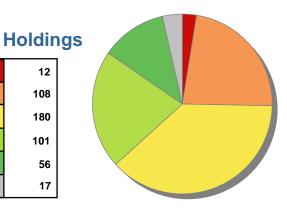
Expense Ratio	0.04%
Total Annual Costs	0.04%
Rank (percentile)	99%

IUSG's Accumulated Total Costs are \$103.56 over 10 years assuming a \$10,000 investment and 10% returns.



# **Allocations**





## **Top 5 Holdings**

Apple Inc. (AAPL)	10.9%
Microsoft Corporation (MSFT)	10.4%
Alphabet, Inc. (GOOGL)	7.8%
Amazon.com Inc. (AMZN)	6.8%
Facebook Inc. (FB)	4.1%

Our Predictive ETF Rating includes an analysis of the total cost of owning an ETF. Please contact us for more information.

# **Capitalization Exposure**

Large Cap	96%
Mid Cap	3%
Small Cap	0%

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## **Explanation of Predictive ETF Rating System**

<u>Predictive ETF Ratings</u> enable smarter investing by assessing the key drivers of future fund performance. We start by analyzing every fund holding based on New Constructs' <u>stock ratings</u>, which are regularly featured as among the best by <u>Barron's</u>.

	Portfolio Rating					
Predictive Rating	Quality of Earnings		Valuation			Total Annual Costs Rating
	Economic vs Reported EPS	Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)	FCF Yield	Price-to-EBV Ratio	Growth Appreciation Period (yrs)	
Very Unattractive	Misleading Trend	Bottom Quintile	< -5%	> 3.5 or -1 < 0	> 50	> 4%
Unattractive	False Positive	4th Quintile	-5% < -1%	2.4 < 3.5 or < -1	20 < 50	2% < 4%
Neutral	Neutral EE	3rd Quintile	-1% < 3%	1.6 < 2.4	10 < 20	1% < 2%
Attractive	Positive EE	2nd Quintile	3% < 10%	1.1 < 1.6	3 < 10	0.5% < 1%
Very Attractive	Rising EE	Top Quintile	> 10%	0 < 1.1	0 < 3	< 0.5%

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#### Key quotes from the paper:

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