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# iShares ESG Advanced Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF

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**iShares**<sup>®</sup>  
by **BLACKROCK**<sup>®</sup>

The iShares ESG Advanced Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment grade corporate bonds that applies extensive climate-based screens and other extensive screens for involvement in controversial activities, and reflects the performance of issuers with a favorable environmental, social and governance rating as identified by the index provider.

## KEY FACTS

Fund Launch Date	11/08/2021
Expense Ratio	0.18%
Benchmark	iBoxx MSCI ESG Advanced USD Liquid Investment Grade Index (USD)
30 Day SEC Yield	5.29%
Number of Holdings	543
Net Assets	\$12,065,271

Ticker	ELQD
CUSIP	46436E437
Exchange	NYSE Arca

## TOP HOLDINGS (%)

BLK CSH FND TREASURY SL AGENCY	1.69
BARCLAYS PLC	1.69
MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP INC	1.62
SUMITOMO MITSUI FINANCIAL GROUP IN	1.58
APPLE INC	1.47
MITSUBISHI UFJ FINANCIAL GROUP INC	1.40
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC	1.39
COMCAST CORPORATION	1.25
AERCAP IRELAND CAPITAL DAC	1.14
MORGAN STANLEY MTN	0.96
	<b>14.19</b>

Holdings are subject to change.

## WHY ELQD?

- 1 Obtain exposure to investment grade corporate bonds from issuers with favorable environmental, social, and governance (ESG) ratings.
- 2 Pursue income while avoiding exposure to issuers with low ESG ratings and severe controversies while applying extensive screens, including fossil fuel-related activities.
- 3 Use to build a sustainable fixed income portfolio and diversify your equities for the long-term.

## GROWTH OF HYPOTHETICAL 10,000 USD SINCE INCEPTION



The Growth of \$10,000 chart reflects a hypothetical \$10,000 investment and assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Fund expenses, including management fees and other expenses were deducted.

## PERFORMANCE

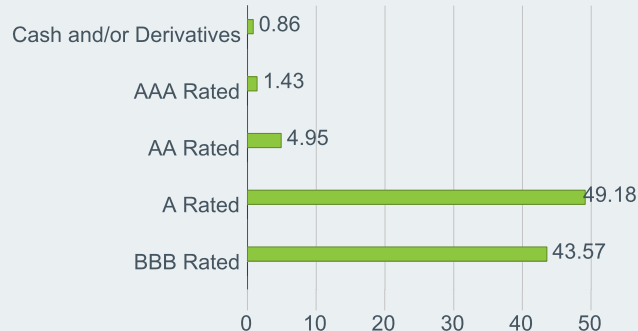
	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
NAV	3.65%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-4.82%
Market Price	3.66%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-4.72%
Benchmark	3.97%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-4.60%

The performance quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end may be obtained by visiting [www.iShares.com](http://www.iShares.com) or [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com).

Beginning 8/10/20, the market price returns are calculated using the closing price.

Prior to 8/10/20, the market price returns were calculated using the midpoint of the bid/ask spread at 4:00 PM ET. The returns shown do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times.

## CREDIT RATINGS (%)



Credit quality ratings on underlying securities of the fund are received from S&P, Moody's and Fitch and converted to the equivalent S&P major rating category. This breakdown is provided by BlackRock and takes the median rating of the three agencies when all three agencies rate a security, the lower of the two ratings if only two agencies rate a security, and one rating if that is all that is provided. Unrated securities do not necessarily indicate low quality. Below investment-grade is represented by a rating of BB and below. Ratings and portfolio credit quality may change over time.

## MATURITY BREAKDOWN (%)



## FEES AND EXPENSES BREAKDOWN

Expense Ratio	Percentage (%)
Management Fee	0.18%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses	0.00%
Foreign Taxes and Other Expenses	0.00%

## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

Weighted Average Maturity	12.65 yrs
Standard Deviation (1 yr)	0.12%
Effective Duration	8.16

## GLOSSARY

**Weighted Average Maturity** is the length of time until the average security in the fund will mature or be redeemed by its issuer. It indicates a fixed income fund's sensitivity to interest rate changes. Longer average weighted maturity implies greater volatility in response to interest rate changes.

**Effective Duration** is a measure of the potential responsiveness of a bond or portfolio price to small parallel shifts in interest rates. Effective Duration takes into account the possible changes in expected bond cash flows due to small parallel shifts in interest rates.

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Carefully consider the Fund's investment objectives, risk factors, and charges and expenses before investing. This and other information can be found in the Fund's prospectus, and if available, summary prospectus, which may be obtained by calling 1-800-iShares (1-800-474-2737) or by visiting [www.iShares.com](http://www.iShares.com) or [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com). Read the prospectus carefully before investing.

Investing involves risk, including possible loss of principal.

Fixed income risks include interest-rate and credit risk. Typically, when interest rates rise, there is a corresponding decline in bond values. Credit risk refers to the possibility that the bond issuer will not be able to make principal and interest payments.

The Fund's environmental, social and governance ("ESG") investment strategy limits the types and number of investment opportunities available to the Fund and, as a result, the Fund may underperform other funds that do not have an ESG focus. The Fund's ESG investment strategy may result in the Fund investing in securities or industry sectors that underperform the market as a whole or underperform other funds screened for ESG standards. In addition, companies selected by the index provider may not exhibit positive or favorable ESG characteristics.

Diversification may not protect against market risk or loss of principal. Shares of ETFs are bought and sold at market price (not NAV) and are not individually redeemed from the fund. Any applicable brokerage commissions will reduce returns.

**Index returns are for illustrative purposes only. Index performance returns do not reflect any management fees, transaction costs or expenses. Indexes are unmanaged and one cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance does not guarantee future results.**

"Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" reflect the Fund's pro rata share of the indirect fees and expenses incurred by investing in one or more acquired funds, such as mutual funds, business development companies, or other pooled investment vehicles. AFFE are reflected in the prices of the acquired funds and thus included in the total returns of the Fund.

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Sustainability Characteristics provide investors with specific non-traditional metrics. Alongside other metrics and information, these enable investors to evaluate funds on certain environmental, social and governance characteristics. Sustainability Characteristics do not provide an indication of current or future performance nor do they represent the potential risk and reward profile of a fund. They are provided for transparency and for information purposes only. Sustainability Characteristics should not be considered solely or in isolation, but instead are one type of information that investors may wish to consider when assessing a fund.

**This fund seeks to follow a sustainable, impact or ESG investment strategy, as disclosed in its prospectus.** For more information regarding the fund's investment strategy, please see the fund's prospectus.

MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC)	A	MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10)	6.92
MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile	90.85%	MSCI ESG % Coverage	97.00%
Fund Lipper Global Classification	Bond USD Corporates	MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES)	30.31
Funds in Peer Group	295	MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage	94.96%

All data is from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings as of **21-Jun-2024**, based on holdings as of **31-May-2024**. As such, the fund's sustainable characteristics may differ from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings from time to time.

To be included in MSCI ESG Fund Ratings, 65% (or 50% for bond funds and money market funds) of the fund's gross weight must come from securities with ESG coverage by MSCI ESG Research (certain cash positions and other asset types deemed not relevant for ESG analysis by MSCI are removed prior to calculating a fund's gross weight; the absolute values of short positions are included but treated as uncovered), the fund's holdings date must be less than one year old, and the fund must have at least ten securities.

**ESG GLOSSARY:**

**MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC):** The MSCI ESG Rating is calculated as a direct mapping of ESG Quality Scores to letter rating categories (e.g. AAA = 8.6-10). The ESG Ratings range from leader (AAA, AA), average (A, BBB, BB) to laggard (B, CCC).

**MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile:** The fund's ESG Percentile compared to its Lipper peer group.

**Fund Lipper Global Classification:** The fund peer group as defined by the Lipper Global Classification.

**Funds in Peer Group:** The number of funds from the relevant Lipper Global Classification peer group that are also in ESG coverage.

**MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10):** The MSCI ESG Quality Score (0 - 10) for funds is calculated using the weighted average of the ESG scores of fund holdings. MSCI rates underlying holdings according to their exposure to industry specific ESG risks and their ability to manage those risks relative to peers.

**MSCI ESG % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which the MSCI ESG ratings data is available. The MSCI ESG Fund Rating, MSCI ESG Quality Score and MSCI ESG Quality Score – Peer Percentile metrics are displayed for funds with at least 65% coverage (or 50% for bond funds and money market funds).

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES):** Measures a fund's exposure to carbon intensive companies. This figure represents the estimated greenhouse gas emissions per \$1 million in sales across the fund's holdings. This allows for comparisons between funds of different sizes.

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which MSCI Carbon Intensity data is available. The MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity metric is displayed for funds with any coverage. Funds with low coverage may not fully represent the fund's carbon characteristics given the lack of coverage.

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