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Key Facts

Fund Manager:



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Since Oct-20

Management Co: Threadneedle Inv. Services Ltd.
 Umbrella Fund: Columbia Threadneedle Specialist Funds (UK) ICVC

Fund Inception Date: 20/05/16
 Target Benchmark: S&P 500 - Yield
 Comparator: S&P 500
 Fund Currency: USD
 Fund Domicile: United Kingdom
 EX-Dividend Date: Quarterly
 Pay Date: Quarterly
 Portfolio Size: £281.3m
 No. of Securities: 63
 Share Class Price: 2.3033
 Historic Yield: 2.2%

All information expressed in GBP

Ratings/Awards



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Income Yield

	Rolling over 3 years
Share Class – Yield	2.12%
S&P 500 - Yield	1.47%

The above share class and index yield calculations use the average yield for a rolling 3-year period.

Investment Objective & Policy

The Fund aims to provide income combined with prospects for investment growth over the long term. It looks to provide an income yield higher than the S&P 500 Index over rolling 3-year periods, after the deduction of charges.

The Fund is actively managed, and invests at least 75% of its assets in the shares of companies domiciled in the United States of America (US), or which have significant US business operations.

The Fund selects companies that exhibit above average income generation potential, as well as those considered to offer opportunities more by way of share price or dividend growth. These companies may be chosen from any industry or economic sector, and whilst there is no restriction on size, investment tends to focus on larger companies, such as those included in the S&P 500 Index.

The S&P 500 Index is a US stock market index, the constituents of which represent around 500 of the largest companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange or NASDAQ. The income yield of this index (calculated using dividends declared by its constituent companies) provides a suitable target benchmark against which the level of income generated by the Fund will be measured and evaluated over time.

The Fund typically invests in fewer than 70 companies, which may include shares of some companies not within the Index. The Fund may also invest in other assets such as cash and deposits, and hold other funds (including funds managed by Columbia Threadneedle companies) when deemed appropriate.

The Fund is not permitted to invest in derivatives for investment purposes, but derivatives may be used with the aim of reducing risk or managing the Fund more efficiently. Derivatives are sophisticated investment instruments linked to the rise and fall of the price of other assets.

Key Risks

- The value of investments can fall as well as rise and investors might not get back the sum originally invested.
- Where investments are in assets that are denominated in multiple currencies, or currencies other than your own, changes in exchange rates may affect the value of the investments.
- The Fund may invest in derivatives (complex instruments linked to the rise and fall of the value of other assets) with the aim of reducing risk or minimising the cost of transactions. Such derivative transactions may benefit or negatively affect the performance of the Fund. The Manager does not intend that such use of derivatives will affect the overall risk profile of the Fund.
- The fund typically carries a risk of high volatility due to its portfolio composition or the portfolio management techniques used. This means that the fund's value is likely to fall and rise more frequently and this could be more pronounced than with other funds.
- The risks currently identified as applying to the Fund are set out in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.

Investment Approach

The fund provides exposure to companies in the US or with significant operations there.

The fund will typically hold 50 to 70 companies in the USA. The portfolio manager believes that holding this number of stocks should provide a balance of portfolio diversification and conviction at the individual security level. The portfolio manager has the flexibility to select stocks from across the North American market. This enables the fund to focus on the best individual stock opportunities. We believe that a clear understanding of the macroeconomic and thematic background is a vital starting point for managing the fund.

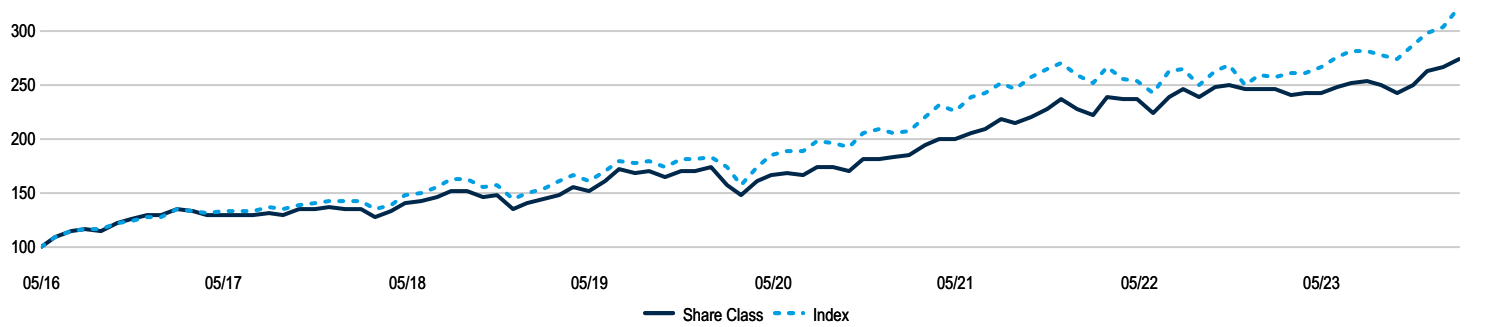
We believe that investment decisions are supported by engaging with company management at face-to-face meetings, which enable the team to gain an understanding of the performance drivers of each company. We place great importance on fundamental research and industry analysis and believe that this approach will tend to identify companies that are more likely to outperform over the long term.

We are in contact with more than 700 companies each year to ensure that we gain a thorough understanding of the performance drivers of the business and to help build their conviction in the prospects for the firm. We search for companies with a sound underlying business and financial model which are able to add value for their customers, and where management has the expertise to oversee long-term growth.

Performance

Past Performance does not predict future returns. The return of your investment may change as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation.

NAV Since Inception (GBP)



Calendar Year Performance (GBP)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Share Class (Net)	6.7	4.2	30.0	7.0	25.4	-0.9	5.4	--	--	--
Fund (Gross)	7.5	5.4	30.2	8.8	26.5	1.1	7.1	--	--	--
Index (Gross)	19.2	-7.8	29.9	14.7	26.4	1.6	11.3	--	--	--

Annualised Performance (GBP)

	1M	3M	6M	YTD	1 YR	2 YR	3 YR	5 YR	SI
Share Class (Net)	2.3	9.1	7.8	4.2	10.9	11.2	14.1	13.8	14.0
Fund (Gross)	4.4	9.2	8.7	4.9	12.6	11.8	15.7	15.0	15.2
Index (Gross)	6.0	12.1	14.1	7.9	24.9	13.0	15.7	15.9	16.5

Since Inception Returns from: 24/05/16

12M Rolling Period (GBP)

	03/23 - 02/24	03/22 - 02/23	03/21 - 02/22	03/20 - 02/21	03/19 - 02/20	03/18 - 02/19	03/17 - 02/18	03/16 - 02/17	03/15 - 02/16	03/14 - 02/15
Share Class (Net)	10.9	11.4	20.3	16.7	9.9	5.9	0.7	--	--	--
Fund (Gross)	12.6	11.0	24.0	16.0	12.1	8.0	1.8	--	--	--
Index (Gross)	24.9	2.3	21.3	19.9	12.7	8.4	5.8	--	--	--

Source Morningstar UK Limited © 2024 as at 29/02/24. Net Fund returns - based on the bid-to-bid and assuming income is reinvested including ongoing charges excluding entry and exit charges.

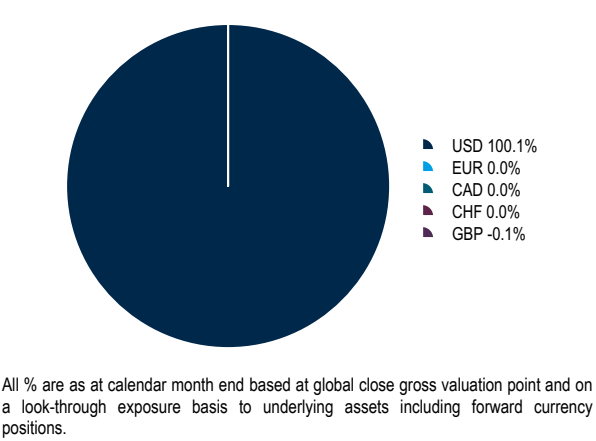
Index returns include capital gains and assume reinvestment of any income. The index does not include fees or charges and you cannot invest directly in it.

Gross Fund returns - Source Columbia Threadneedle as at 29/02/24. Gross of fee portfolio returns are time-weighted rates of return net of commissions, transaction costs and non-reclaimable taxes on dividends, interest, and capital gains using pricing of investments which is either the last traded price or a bid basis. Cash flows are factored as of the end of the day and exclude entry and exit charges.

Top 10 Holdings (%)

Security Name	Fund	Index	
Microsoft Corporation	8.1	7.2	Information Technology
Broadcom Inc.	5.6	1.3	Information Technology
Eli Lilly and Company	3.0	1.4	Health Care
Merck & Co., Inc.	3.0	0.8	Health Care
Procter & Gamble Company	2.9	0.9	Consumer Staples
Exxon Mobil Corporation	2.9	1.0	Energy
Republic Services, Inc.	2.8	0.1	Industrials
Eaton Corp. Plc	2.8	0.3	Industrials
KLA Corporation	2.4	0.2	Information Technology
Apple Inc.	2.4	6.2	Information Technology
Total	35.9	19.3	

Fund Currency Exposure including Hedging



Weightings (%)

Sector	Fund	Index	Diff
Information Technology	25.0	29.8	-4.8
Industrials	14.4	8.7	5.7
Financials	12.9	13.0	-0.1
Health Care	10.6	12.5	-1.9
Consumer Staples	7.7	6.0	1.8
Consumer Discretionary	7.3	10.6	-3.3
Energy	7.1	3.7	3.4
Real Estate	6.1	2.3	3.8
Utilities	4.6	2.1	2.4
Communication Services	2.6	8.9	-6.3
Materials	1.0	2.3	-1.3
Other	0.2	--	0.2
Cash	0.6	--	0.6

Top 10 Overweight/Underweight (%)

Overweight	Fund	Index	Diff	Underweight	Fund	Index	Diff
Broadcom Inc.	5.6	1.3	4.3	NVIDIA Corporation	--	4.6	-4.6
Republic Services, Inc.	2.8	0.1	2.7	Amazon.com, Inc.	--	3.8	-3.8
Eaton Corp. Plc	2.8	0.3	2.5	Apple Inc.	2.4	6.2	-3.7
Merck & Co., Inc.	3.0	0.8	2.2	Meta Platforms Inc Class A	--	2.5	-2.5
KLA Corporation	2.4	0.2	2.2	Alphabet Inc. Class A	--	1.9	-1.9
Procter & Gamble Company	2.9	0.9	2.0	Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Class B	--	1.7	-1.7
TJX Companies Inc	2.2	0.3	2.0	Alphabet Inc. Class C	--	1.6	-1.6
Prologis, Inc.	2.2	0.3	1.9	Tesla, Inc.	--	1.3	-1.3
Philip Morris International Inc.	2.2	0.3	1.9	UnitedHealth Group Incorporated	--	1.1	-1.1
Exxon Mobil Corporation	2.9	1.0	1.9	Visa Inc. Class A	--	1.1	-1.1

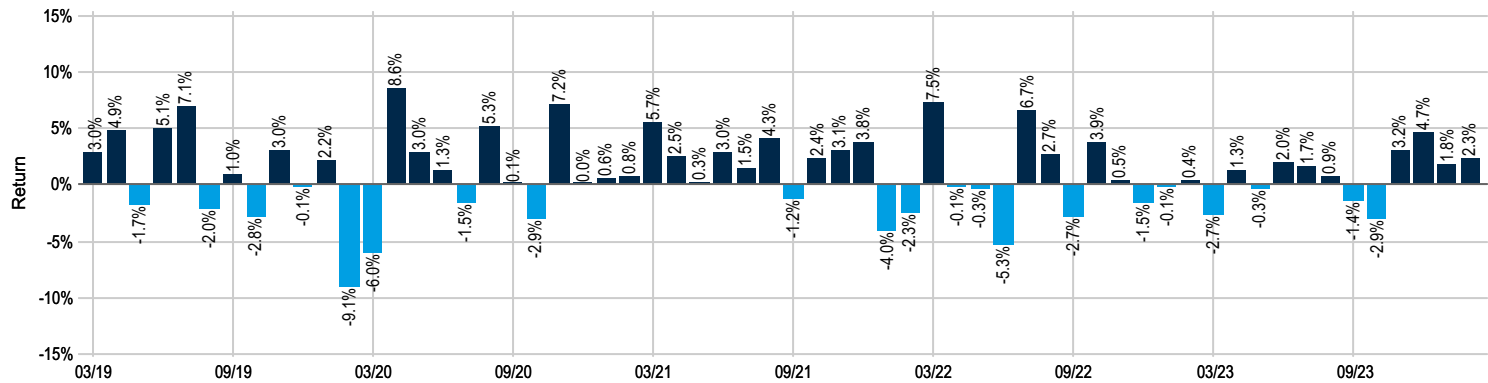
3 Month Largest Position Changes

Security Name	3 Mth Change
Broadcom Inc.	1.4
Eli Lilly and Company	0.5
Eaton Corp. Plc	0.5
Merck & Co., Inc.	0.5
KLA Corporation	0.4
Microsoft Corporation	0.3
Apple Inc.	-0.3
Prologis, Inc.	0.2
Republic Services, Inc.	0.2
Xcel Energy Inc.	-0.2

Top Positive/Negative Security Attribution (3 Months)

Security Name - 10 Highest							Security Name - 10 Lowest						
Fund			Index			Attri.	Fund			Index			Attri.
Avg. Weight	Total Return	Contr. To Return	Avg. Weight	Total Return	Geo. Total Effect		Avg. Weight	Total Return	Contr. To Return	Avg. Weight	Total Return	Geo. Total Effect	
Broadcom Inc.	5.0	41.2	1.8	1.2	41.2	0.8	NVIDIA Corporation	--	--	--	3.5	69.3	-1.5
Apple Inc.	2.6	-4.7	-0.1	6.8	-4.6	0.7	Meta Platforms Inc Class A	--	--	--	2.1	50.1	-0.6
Tesla, Inc.	--	--	--	1.5	-15.8	0.4	Amazon.com, Inc.	--	--	--	3.5	21.1	-0.3
Eaton Corp. Plc	2.4	27.0	0.6	0.2	27.0	0.3	Philip Morris International Inc.	2.3	-2.2	-0.1	0.4	-2.2	-0.3
UnitedHealth Group Incorporated	--	--	--	1.2	-10.4	0.3	Xcel Energy Inc.	1.1	-12.7	-0.1	0.1	-12.6	-0.2
KLA Corporation	2.2	25.7	0.5	0.2	25.7	0.2	Ameren Corporation	1.2	-7.5	-0.1	0.0	-7.4	-0.2
Merck & Co., Inc.	2.8	24.9	0.6	0.7	25.1	0.2	Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	--	--	--	0.6	59.0	-0.2
Eli Lilly and Company	2.6	27.8	0.7	1.3	27.8	0.2	United Parcel Service, Inc. Class B	2.0	-1.2	0.0	0.3	-1.1	-0.2
Alphabet Inc. Class A	--	--	--	2.1	4.6	0.1	Starbucks Corporation	1.5	-3.8	-0.1	0.3	-3.8	-0.2
Adobe Inc.	--	--	--	0.7	-8.2	0.1	Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc.	1.1	-4.7	-0.1	--	--	-0.2

Monthly Net Returns



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Risk Analysis

	3 YR		5 YR	
	Fund	Index	Fund	Index
Absolute Volatility	10.6	12.9	12.0	13.9
Relative Volatility	0.8	--	0.9	--
Tracking Error	5.4	--	4.6	--
Sharpe Ratio	1.3	--	1.1	--
Information Ratio	0.0	--	-0.2	--
Beta	0.7	--	0.8	--
Sortino Ratio	2.5	--	2.0	--
Jensen Alpha	3.4	--	1.8	--
Annualised Alpha	3.7	--	1.9	--
Alpha	0.3	--	0.2	--
Max Drawdown	-6.4	-10.7	-14.4	-14.5
R²	83.1	--	90.0	--

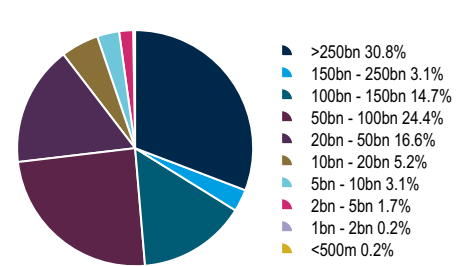
Ex post risk calculations are based on monthly gross global close returns.

Portfolio Statistics

	Fund	Index
Price to Earnings	21.0	24.6
Price to Book	3.8	4.5
Dividend Yield	2.4	1.4
Return On Assets	4.4	5.3
Return on Equity	17.9	18.2
Active Share	73.0	--

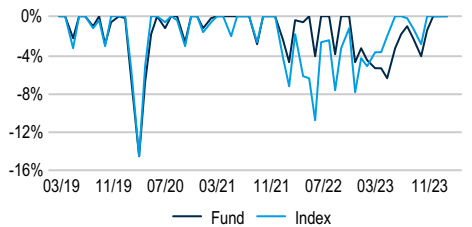
Analytics are based on global close valuations using Columbia Threadneedle Investments sourced market attributes. Underlying securities data may be provisional or based on estimates. Market cap weightings include cash in the % calculations.

Market Cap Breakdown Chart



Currency: GBP

Drawdown



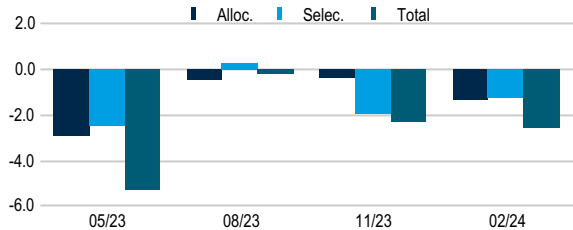
Performance Attribution (Year to Date)

	Var. In Avg. Weight	Fund Total Return	Index Total Return	Rel. Total Return	Index Rel. to Total	Geometric Attrib.		
						Alloc. Effect	Selec. Effect	Total Effect
Communication Services	-6.3	1.3	11.9	-9.5	3.6	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5
Consumer Discretionary	-3.4	3.7	5.7	-1.9	-2.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Consumer Staples	1.6	2.7	4.7	-1.9	-3.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Energy	3.1	5.0	3.6	1.3	-4.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0
Financials	-0.4	2.4	8.2	-5.3	0.2	0.0	-0.7	-0.7
Health Care	-2.6	13.1	7.2	5.5	-0.7	0.0	0.5	0.5
Industrials	5.1	7.3	7.1	0.1	-0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	-5.3	7.8	11.4	-3.2	3.2	-0.2	-0.8	-1.0
Materials	-1.3	-9.0	3.1	-11.7	-4.5	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Other	0.2	-4.0	--	-4.0	-7.4	0.0	--	0.0
Real Estate	3.8	-3.2	-1.5	-1.7	-8.8	-0.3	-0.1	-0.4
Utilities	2.4	-2.3	-1.2	-1.1	-8.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3
Total	--	4.9	7.9	-2.8	--	-1.2	-1.6	-2.8

Performance Attribution - Rolling 3 Month Total Effects

	Fund Total Return	Index Total Return	Geometric Attrib.		
			Alloc. Effect	Selec. Effect	Total Effect
Feb-23 - May-23	-2.1	3.3	-2.9	-2.4	-5.2
May-23 - Aug-23	5.8	5.9	-0.4	0.3	-0.1
Aug-23 - Nov-23	-0.4	1.8	-0.3	-1.9	-2.2
Nov-23 - Feb-24	9.2	12.1	-1.3	-1.2	-2.5

3 Month Effect Totals

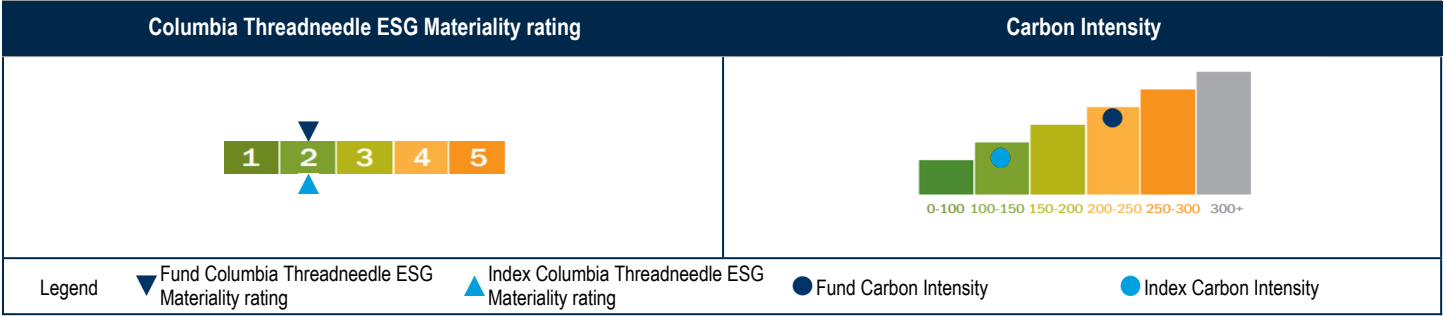


Attribution analysis is calculated on a daily geometric basis unless otherwise stated. Fund returns may result in residual factors when compared to geometric attribution total returns due to data and calculation methodologies. Variation in weights is the average daily under/overweight position of the fund verses the index over the period. The Attribution table and graph only display a maximum of 12 groupings based on the highest portfolio end weight. The Rolling 3 Month Total Effect Attribution summary is based on the same groupings as the Year to Date Attribution.

This Fund does not promote a sustainable investment strategy in its objective and policy. Sustainability related risks are considered in the investment decision-making process by incorporating an issuer’s responsible investment practices and risks in the research available for the Fund’s portfolio management team.

Responsible Investment Metrics

	Fund	Index*	Tilt
Columbia Threadneedle ESG Materiality rating Weighted average (1 is highest quality, 5 is lowest quality)	2.48	2.54	+0.06
Carbon Intensity Weighted average (tCO2e/\$1m sales)	234.31	116.61	-117.69
Controversies Exposure Exposure to controversial names ¹	--	--	--
MSCI ESG Score Weighted average (10 is highest quality, 0 is lowest quality)	6.74	6.57	+0.17



*S&P 500 Index.
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Columbia Threadneedle ESG Materiality (ESGM) rating

The Columbia Threadneedle ESG Materiality ratings provide an initial assessment of how well a company is managing its financially material ESG risks. We use the Sustainability and Accounting Standards Board (SASB) framework to identify which are the most financially material ESG risk factors for a company. These factors are industry dependent. The model processes public data for over 10,000 global issuers, and the ratings are updated daily, or as new data is published. The output is a rating from 1 to 5, where companies rated 5 are most exposed to material ESG risks, and those rated 1 are the least exposed (i.e. a lower score signals better quality). We use the ratings in our investment processes to help guide our research and identify opportunities to engage with companies.

Carbon Intensity

This measures carbon emissions relative to the size of a company, measured by revenues not market capitalisation. The measure used is tonnes of CO2 emitted (tCO2e) per \$1M of revenues. We give data for the overall Fund based on the weightings of the securities held, and a comparison with similar data for the Index. Carbon intensity provides an indication of carbon efficiency. This measure enables comparison with other funds and asset classes.

Controversies Exposure

We assess exposure to controversies using three international frameworks covering standards of operating practice: the UN Global Compact; the International Labour Organisation Core Labour Standards; and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. We measure the proportion of the Fund associated with breaches of the three frameworks and give a comparison with similar data for the index.

MSCI ESG Score

The MSCI ESG score uses MSCI’s own methodology to assess companies’ effectiveness at managing their ESG exposure. Companies with the highest ratings are those assessed as best managing their exposures to those material ESG risks and opportunities. If the portfolio score is above the benchmark, the portfolio is overweight in issuers that manage their ESG exposures better than others.

Tilt

The “Tilt” figure shows the bias of the Fund relative to the Index. It is expressed as the arithmetic difference in the weighting. A positive tilt indicates a bias towards a “better” RI profile than the Index.

Measures are being used to compare the ESG characteristics of the fund against the Index. This index also provides a helpful benchmark against which the financial performance can be compared. Accordingly, the index is not designed to specifically consider environmental or social characteristics.
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The ESG materiality and carbon intensity scores are calculated on a trailing 12-month weighted average. For periods less than 12 months the rolling average will be calculated using the months available. Weighted average is computed using an equal weighting of the metric for each of the business days contained in the prior 12-month period. The carbon intensity denominator “sales” figure is a revenue measure. Coverage is the portfolio’s percent of market value consisting of holdings for each applicable metric. Cash and derivatives are excluded from coverage. MSCI gives issuers a score of “Pass”, “Watch List”, or “Fail” depending on the degree to which they measure against principles in three documents: The UN Global Compact, the International Labor Organization Core Labour Standards, and the UN Principles on Business and Human Rights. An assignment of “Fail” for any of the three causes the holdings to reflect as controversial.

We made some changes to the ESG materiality rating methodology on 17 April 2023. This means some fund and benchmark ratings have changed, but this does not reflect a material change to the portfolio or our investment approach.
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Share Classes Available

Share	Class	Hedged	Curr	Tax	OCF	OCF Date	Max Entry Charge	Max Exit Charge	Transaction Costs	Min Inv.	Launch	ISIN	SEDOL	BBID	WKN/Valor/CUSIP
Inst.	Inc	No	GBP	--	1.07%	31/10/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.04%	500,000	23/05/16	GB00BZ563Q47	BZ563Q4	THUEIGI LN	A2AELM
Inst.	Inc	Yes	EUR	--	1.07%	31/10/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.13%	750,000	23/05/16	GB00BZ563R53	BZ563R5	THUEIEI LN	A2AELN
Retail	Acc	No	USD	--	1.53%	31/10/23	3.75%	0.00%	0.04%	3,000	04/10/16	GB00BD37P697	BD37P69	THURNAU LN	A2AQ89
Retail	Acc	No	GBP	--	1.53%	31/10/23	3.75%	0.00%	0.04%	2,000	04/10/16	GB00BD37P705	BD37P70	THUERAG LN	A2AQ9A
Retail	Inc	No	GBP	--	1.54%	31/10/23	3.75%	0.00%	0.04%	2,000	23/05/16	GB00BZ563H55	BZ563H5	THUERG I LN	A2AELF
Retail	Inc	No	USD	--	1.54%	31/10/23	3.75%	0.00%	0.04%	3,000	23/05/16	GB00BZ563J79	BZ563J7	THUERUI LN	A2AELG
Retail	Inc	No	EUR	--	1.54%	31/10/23	3.75%	0.00%	0.04%	2,500	23/05/16	GB00BZ6TF223	BZ6TF22	THUEREI LN	A2AELT
Z	Acc	No	GBP	--	0.89%	31/10/23	3.00%	0.00%	0.04%	2,000	04/10/16	GB00BD37PD61	BD37PD6	THUZNAG LN	A2AQ9F
Z	Inc	No	USD	--	0.89%	31/10/23	3.00%	0.00%	0.04%	3,000	23/05/16	GB00BZ563M09	BZ563M0	THUEZUI LN	A2AELJ
Z	Inc	No	GBP	--	0.89%	31/10/23	3.00%	0.00%	0.04%	2,000	20/05/16	GB00BZ563P30	BZ563P3	THUEZGI LN	A2AELL

Share classes in the table may not be open to all investors, please refer to the Prospectus for further information. Overall impact of costs: Costs and expected returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations, if costs are to be paid in another currency than your local currency. The ongoing charges figure (OCF), exit charges (maximum amount to be deducted shown in the table above) and transaction costs show the percentage that may be deducted from your expected returns. The OCF is usually based on the last year's expenses, includes charges such as the Fund's annual management charge and operating costs. Transaction costs displayed are based on a three year average total and are calculated based on FYE Report and Account figures. Where the fund is less than 3 years old the transaction costs are based on proxy and actual costs. All transaction costs are as at 30/04/23. Additional distributor or intermediary fees may not be included. In some cases, the OCF may be based on an estimate of future charges. For a more detailed breakdown please visit www.columbiathreadneedle.com/fees.

Distribution History Of Share Class (Net)

	Feb-24	Nov-23	Aug-23	May-23
CT US Equity Income Fund - Z Inc GBP	£0.0132 ^E	£0.0125 ^A	£0.0126 ^A	£0.0125 ^A

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