

# **U.S. ETF Flows**

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## October 2024: Bracing for the U.S. Election

- U.S. ETFs gathered \$123 billion inflows in October, bringing year-to-date inflows to \$861 billion
- Chinese equity ETFs pulled in their highest month of flows, fueled by a stimulus package announced in September
- Investors rotated to industrial sectors and growth factor ETFs in anticipation of the election and FOMC meeting •
- Strong inflows went to both low-cost index bond ETFs and actively managed bond ETFs in October
- Demand for gold ETFs increased as investors seek alternative investments amid uncertainty

Summary (Table 1, Chart 1): In October, the U.S. listed ETF market saw \$123 billion in flows, marking the second highest month of the year. The increase in demand can be attributed to several factors: heightened ETF usage in anticipation of the U.S. election, a sharp recovery in the Chinese stock market and growing interest in alternative investments like gold and cryptocurrency.

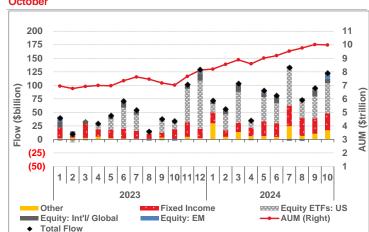
Equity ETFs by Geography (Table 4): Strong inflows into U.S. equity ETFs persisted in October, despite the mixed earnings season and flat performance of the S&P 500 Index during the month.

ETFs offering exposure to Chinese equity beat their alltime monthly inflows record. The \$9.1 billion net inflow into Chinese equity ETFs in October is equivalent to 40% of the category's total assets at the beginning of the month. This trend started in late September following the introduction of a new Chinese government stimulus package which sent local markets soaring. The rally continued for these U.S.-listed ETFs during the first week of October while the Chinese stock market stayed closed during the National Day celebration. However, the surge fizzled on October 8, when the Chinese Economic Planner Chairman failed to provide any further details on the proposed stimulus plans, reining in investor confidence. The story continues to unfold as the Chinese government may approve another \$1.4 trillion yuan debt issuance this week, which may serve as a

#### Table 1: ETF Flows by Category

		Mkt	Oct 2	2024	YTD O	ct 2024
	AUM (\$B)	Shr	Flow	Flow/	Flow	Flow/
		3111	(\$B)	AUM	(\$B)	AUM
Equity	\$7,654		\$74.9	1.0%	\$490.8	7.9%
U.S. Broad/Large-Cap	\$2,788	28%	\$37.6	1.4%	\$228.4	10.7%
U.S. Other	\$3,296	33%	\$18.7	0.6%	\$165.1	6.0%
Int'l / Global	\$1,223	12%	\$7.8	0.6%	\$78.4	7.3%
Emerging Markets	\$347	3%	\$10.7	3.1%	\$18.9	6.3%
Fixed Income	\$1,767	18%	\$31.0	1.7%	\$247.8	16.3%
Commodity	\$169	2%	\$3.6	2.2%	\$3.0	2.3%
Multi-Asset	\$195	2%	\$6.8	3.6%	\$52.2	39.2%
Levered Long	\$107	1%	\$1.1	1.0%	\$2.7	3.3%
Inverse	\$14	0%	-\$0.1	-0.9%	\$2.0	12.6%
Crypto-Asset	\$80	1%	\$5.6	8.2%	\$63.2	3386.1%
Total	\$9,985	100%	\$122.8	1.2%	\$861.6	10.6%

Source: NBF ETF Research, Bloomberg. Data as of Oct 31, 2024.



#### Chart 1: U.S.- Listed ETF Flow and AUM by month - \$123 billion in October

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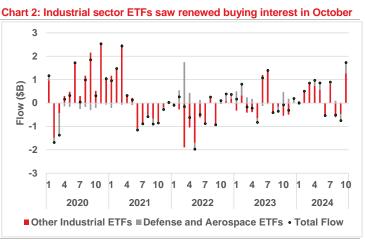
catalyst for further volatile price action in the Chinese stock market.

Despite the short-term trading opportunities the Chinese stock market sometimes offers, over the long haul, Chinese equity ETFs are among the top "wealth destroyers" among U.S.-listed ETFs according to a recent Bloomberg study (China ETFs Join Cathie Wood's as Biggest Wealth Destroyers in US), which can occur when an investment receives high cumulative inflows before price declines. For example, KraneShares CSI China Internet (KWEB) received \$12.3 billion in net inflows since its inception in 2013, but after a decade of weak performance, the ETF's assets amount to just \$7.7 billion as of October 11. The valuation gap of \$4.6 billion is the second highest among the largest U.S. listed stock ETFs, trailing only Cathy Wood's



flagship innovation ETF **ARKK** which "destroyed" \$8.1 billion. This indicates that it must be difficult to time rallies in China and the country's volatile equity market may not be a suitable asset class for safeguarding long-term savings.

Equity Sector ETFs (Tables 5, 12): Industrial sector ETFs had the highest net inflows among sector ETFs. Top products by inflows within the sector include broad industrial ETFs, Aerospace & Defense, and "Industrial Renaissance" (reshoring) themed ETFs. Looking back, Chart 2 shows demand for industrials in October was the highest since the post-COVID recovery in 2020, when Industrial sector ETFs were attracting a billion dollars per month in a long streak. The recent resurgence in flows may be attributed to investors seeking safe havens ahead of the upcoming U.S. election, as the push to boost domestic manufacturing is seen as a bipartisan policy that could benefit industrial stocks over the long term, independent of administration. In addition, the recent Iran-Israel missile attacks many have spurred



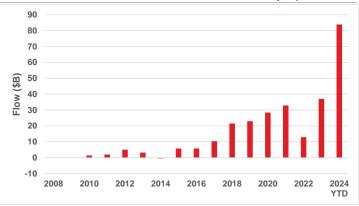
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interest in defense industry ETFs, which often experience spikes of inflows around the start of regional conflicts, as seen following Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February 2022.

Equity Factor ETFs (Tables 8, 15): After two months of value outpacing growth in ETF flows, growth ETFs collectively received \$3.3 billion in October, outselling value ETFs by \$2.2 billion last month. This factor rotation may have been driven by anticipation surrounding the election's outcome, the FOMC meeting scheduled in early November and the relative outperformance of growth over value as measured by the returns of Vanguard Growth ETF (VUG) and Vanguard Value ETF (VTV).

Fixed Income ETFs (Tables 6, 7, 13, 14): Fixed income ETFs attracted \$31 billion in fresh assets in October, primarily driven by demand for broad-term bond ETFs, which received \$19.5 billion in flows. In this category, low-cost index ETFs, such as iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF (AGG) and Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF (BND) continue to lead creations, but actively managed ETFs have recently gained significant traction. For example, Fidelity Total Bond ETF (FBND) saw \$3.1 billion in flows in October, or 24% of its starting AUM. In fact, demand for active fixed income strategies has exploded in 2024, with year-to-date inflows reaching \$84 billion – already exceeding the combined inflows

#### Chart 3: Inflows to U.S.-listed Active Fixed Income ETFs jumped in 2024



Source: NBF ETF Research, Bloomberg. Data as of Oct 31, 2024.

#### Table 2: Top 10 Active Fixed Income ETFs by Year-to-date Inflow

Ticker	Name	Provider	MER (%)	Flow (\$B)
FBND	Fidelity Total Bond ETF	Fidelity	0.36	8.6
JAAA	Janus Henderson AAA CLO ETF	Janus Henderson	0.21	8.5
BINC	iShares Flexible Income Active ETF	BlackRock iShares	0.40	5.6
JPST	JPMorgan Ultra-Short Income ETF	JPMorgan	0.18	4.4
PULS	PGIM Ultra Short Bond ETF	PGIM Investments	0.15	2.6
CGCP	Capital Group Core Plus Income ETF	Capital Group	0.34	2.1
JCPB	JPMorgan Core Plus Bond ETF	JPMorgan	0.38	2.0
CGMU	Capital Group Municipal Income ETF	Capital Group	0.27	2.0
PYLD	PIMCO Multi Sector Bond Active ETF	PIMCO	0.55	1.7
DFCF	Dimensional Core Fixed Income ETF	Dimensional Holdings	0.19	1.5

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from 2021 to 2023. This trend may be attributed to two factors: 1) As interest rates are coming down, reducing the appeal for cash-like ETFs, more investors are shifting from risk-free products to higher-yielding ultra-short-term bond ETFs with



moderate risk, such as JAAA, JPST and PULS. 2) Amid a highly uncertain market with elevated geopolitical tensions, central bank decisions and an upcoming election, investors seek professionally managed active ETFs to capture credit and duration opportunities while mitigating risk (Table 2).

**Commodity ETFs (Chart 4):** In our March report (<u>U.S. ETF Flows – March 2024: Gold ETFs shining once again</u>), we discussed the trend divergence between ETFs' holding of gold and the actual price of gold: the two were historically strongly correlated but appear to have parted ways in 2022. This divergence persisted in 2024 despite the fact that the price of gold continued to reach new highs while net ETF gold holdings declined. However, since July, global ETFs' net holding of gold has ticked up as the price of gold surpassed USD \$2,700 per ounce. U.S.-listed gold commodity ETFs, for example, enjoyed a strong inflow of \$2.6 billion in October, which is the highest monthly figure since March 2022. The renewed interest in gold ETFs might reflect ETF investors' demand for safety amid increasing economic and geopolitical uncertainties, coupled with the classic "goldbug" worries around apparently unconstrained U.S. government spending and borrowing.

ESG ETFs (Table 19): U.S.-listed ESG ETFs experienced the highest monthly inflows since February 2023, attracting \$1.7 billion and marking the sixth consecutive month of positive inflows. The surge was largely driven by climate-related equity ETFs and fixed-income ESG ETFs. Institutional subscriptions played a significant role in October; notably, Xtrackers and iShares' climate action ETFs (USCA and USCL) saw inflows of \$545 million in a single day, while Xtrackers and iShares ESG leaders ETFs (USSG and SUSL) saw \$167 million in redemptions around the same time. It is likely that Ilmarinen, Finland's largest pension company and the ETFs' primary unitholder, executed another switch among these four ETFs, following their earlier \$4.1 billion reallocation in Q2 2023.

## Top Performing ETFs (Table 3):

October's top performing ETFs largely reflect the heightened volatility that has crept into market dynamics. The table includes mostly highly concentrated and speculative thematic ETFs (psychedelics, uranium, crypto) as well as ETFs that benefit from spikes in equity (VXX, VIXY) or interest rate volatility (PFIX, RATE). We advise investors to exercise great caution when navigating such conditions.





Source: NBF ETF Research, Bloomberg. Data as of Oct 31, 2024.

#### Table 3: Best Performing ETFs\* - October 2024

	Tisler	Nome	Total Return	AUM	Flow
	Ticker	Name	(%)	(\$M)	(\$M)
1	PSIL	Advisorshares Psychedelics ETF	56.7	6	-1
2	MSTY	YieldMax MSTR Option Income Strategy ETF	33.3	812	167
3	VXX	iPath Series B S&P 500 VIX Short-Term Futures	16.8	372	67
4	VIXY	ProShares VIX Short-Term Futures ETF	16.7	195	4
5	PFIX	Simplify Interest Rate Hedge ETF	15.9	135	-5
6	NUKZ	Range Nuclear Renaissance Index ETF	15.6	64	33
7	URAN	Themes Uranium & Nuclear ETF	15.4	3	2
8	RATE	Global X Interest Rate Hedge ETF	13.0	2	0
9	PALL	abrdn Physical Palladium Shares ETF	12.7	467	149
10	DAPP	VanEck Digital Transformation ETF	12.7	143	-8

\*Excluding leveraged/inverse ETFs. Source: NBF ETF Research, Bloomberg. Data as of Oct 31, 2024.



## October 2024 ETF Flows: Tables 4 - 10

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U.S. Other	\$3,296	43%	\$18.7	0.6%
International Developed	\$741		\$3.7	0.5%
Broad Int'l Dev	\$583	8%	\$4.5	0.7%
Broad Europe	\$48	1%	-\$0.4	-0.8%
Japan	\$33	0%	-\$0.3	-0.7%
Canada	\$10	0%	\$0.0	-0.5%
Other Developed	\$66	1%	-\$0.1	-0.1%
Emerging Markets	\$347		\$10.7	3.1%
Broad Cap Weighted	\$226	3%	\$1.5	0.6%
China (A+H)	\$30	0%	\$9.1	40.1%
Other EM	\$91	1%	\$0.2	0.2%
Global/Regional	\$482	6%	\$4.1	0.8%
Total Displayed	\$7,654	100%	\$74.9	1.0%
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Sector	AUM (\$B)	Mkt Shr	Flow (\$E	B) Flow/AUM
Industrials	\$50	5%	\$1.	7 3.5%
Communication Services	\$41	4%	\$1	0 2.6%
Financials	\$78	8%	\$0.	7 0.9%
Consumer Discretionary	\$38	4%	\$0.	7 1.8%
Real Estate	\$85	8%	\$0.	7 0.8%
Utilities	\$30	3%	\$0.	6 2.0%
Technology	\$269	27%	<b>\$</b> 0.	3 0.1%
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Consumer Staples	\$28	3%		5 -1.8%
Energy	\$74	7%	\$1.	3 -1.7%
Health Care	\$96	10%	-\$1.	4 -1.4%
ESG	\$94	9%	\$1.	0 1.0%
Thematic	\$71	7%	<b>\$</b> 0.	8 1.1%
Total Displayed	\$1,004	1 <b>00%</b>	\$4.	2 0.4%

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Table 6 - Fixed Income ETF			024
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U.S. Government	\$543	31%	\$6.1 1.1%
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U.S. I.G. Corporate	\$264	15%	\$1.2 0.4%
Developed Markets&Global	\$186	10%	\$7.8 4.3%
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Broad/Mixed	\$877	50%	\$19.5 2.2%
Ultra Short Term	\$251	14%	\$5.8 2.4%
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Factor	AUM (\$B)	Mkt Shr	Flow (\$B) Flow/AUN
Growth	\$594	23%	\$3.3 0.6%
Income	\$435	17%	\$3.1 0.7%
Small/Mid Cap	\$575	22%	\$2.3 0.4%
Value	\$578	22%	\$1.0 0.2%
Momentum	\$31	1%	\$0.8 2.6%
Quality	\$92	4%	\$0.7 0.7%
Low Vol	\$54	2%	-\$0.9 -1.5%
Multi-Factor and Other	\$243	9%	\$4.3 1.8%
Total Displayed	\$2,602	100%	\$14.7 0.6%

\*Includes all geographic focus, excluding sector ETFs; Source: NBC, Bloomberg

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1	voo	Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	\$1	4.5	2.7%	1	HYG	iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF	-\$2.0	-12.2%
2	IVV	iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	\$1	0.5	2.0%	2	VCIT	Vanguard Intermediate-Term Corporate Bond ETF	-\$1.8	-3.4%
3	FXI	iShares China Large-Cap ETF	9	65.1	96.3%	3	IWF	iShares Russell 1000 Growth ETF	-\$1.6	-1.6%
4	IBIT	iShares Bitcoin Trust	<b>\$</b>	64.6	20.0%	4	SHV	iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF	-\$1.1	-5.7%
5	SPY	SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	9	64.2	0.7%	5	VGLT	Vanguard Long-Term Treasury ETF	-\$1.1	-7.4%
6	SCHX	Schwab US Large-Cap ETF	9	3.3	7.2%	6	SHY	iShares 1-3 Year Treasury Bond ETF	-\$1.0	-4.2%
7	TLT	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	9	3.2	5.2%	7	IWD	iShares Russell 1000 Value ETF	-\$ <mark>0.9</mark>	-1.5%
8	FBND	Fidelity Total Bond ETF	9	53.1	24.5%	8	VGSH	Vanguard Short-Term Treasury ETF	-\$ <mark>0.9</mark>	-4.2%
9	BND	Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF	9	52.3	1.9%	9	TIP	iShares TIPS Bond ETF	-\$0.7	-4.0%
10	RSP	Invesco S&P 500 Equal Weight ETF	9	52.1	3.3%	10	EMB	iShares J.P. Morgan USD EM Bond ETF	-\$0.7	-4.6%
11	SPLG	SPDR Portfolio S&P 500 ETF	9	52.1	4.5%	11	IWM	iShares Russell 2000 ETF	-\$0.7	-1.0%
12	AGG	iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF	9	51.8	1.5%	12	XLE	Energy Select Sector SPDR Fund	-\$0.7	-2.0%
13	GLD	SPDR Gold Shares	9	51.7	2.4%	13	LQD	iShares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond	-\$0. <mark>6</mark>	-2.0%
14	GOVT	iShares U.S. Treasury Bond ETF	9	51.7	6.2%	14	HDV	iShares Core High Dividend ETF	-\$0.6	-4.8%
15	VUG	Vanguard Growth ETF	9	61.6	1.2%	15	AIA	iShares Asia 50 ETF	-\$0.6	-39.0%
16	ASHR	Xtrackers Harvest CSI 300 China A-Shares ETF	9	61.6	78.8%	16	XLP	Consumer Staples Select Sector SPDR Fund	-\$0.5	-2.8%
17	SCHD	Schwab US Dividend Equity ETF	9	61.6	2.6%	17	GDX	VanEck Gold Miners ETF/USA	-\$0.5	-3.0%
18	SGOV	iShares 0-3 Month Treasury Bond ETF	9	61.5	6.1%	18	SCHM	Schwab U.S. Mid-Cap ETF	-\$0.5	-3.9%
19	IEFA	iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF	9	51.4	1.1%	19	USMV	iShares MSCI USA Min Vol Factor ETF	-\$0.4	-1.8%
20	JAAA	Janus Henderson AAA CLO ETF	9	51.3	10.7%	20	TLH	iShares 10-20 Year Treasury Bond ETF	-\$0.4	-5.5%

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2	IVV	iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	\$55.9	14.0%	2	HYG	iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF	-\$5.0	-26.4%
3	IBIT	iShares Bitcoin Trust	\$26.1	NA	3	IWM	iShares Russell 2000 ETF	-\$4.3	-6.3%
4	VTI	Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	\$24.5	7.0%	4	SHY	iShares 1-3 Year Treasury Bond ETF	-\$3.7	-14.6%
5	QQQ	Invesco QQQ Trust Series 1	\$19.0	8.2%	5	AMJ	JPMorgan Alerian MLP Index ETN	-\$3.4	-111.8%
6	AGG	iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF	\$17.9	17.7%	6	TFLO	iShares Treasury Floating Rate Bond ETF	-\$3.4	-32.6%
7	SPLG	SPDR Portfolio S&P 500 ETF	\$16.2	62.9%	7	IWD	iShares Russell 1000 Value ETF	-\$3.3	-6.0%
8	BND	Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF	\$13.9	13.3%	8	IWF	iShares Russell 1000 Growth ETF	-\$3.3	-4.0%
9	TLT	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	\$12.2	23.6%	9	XLE	Energy Select Sector SPDR Fund	-\$2.9	-8.0%
10	VUG	Vanguard Growth ETF	\$11.8	11.3%	10	VGSH	Vanguard Short-Term Treasury ETF	-\$2.9	-12.9%
11 (	QQM	Invesco Nasdaq 100 ETF	\$11.5	61.9%	11	ARKK	ARK Innovation ETF	-\$2.7	-29.1%
12	DYNF	iShares U.S. Equity Factor Rotation Active ETF	\$11.1	21950.7%	12		iShares MSCI ACWI ETF	-\$2.7	-13.9%
13	FBTC	Fidelity Wise Origin Bitcoin Fund	\$10.5	NA	13	ESGU	iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	-\$2 <mark>.3</mark>	-17.3%
14	RSP	Invesco S&P 500 Equal Weight ETF	\$10.0	20.1%	14	LQD	iShares iBoxx \$ IG Corporate Bond ETF	-\$2 <mark>.3</mark>	-7.3%
15	IUSB	iShares Core Total USD Bond Market ETF	\$9.6	40.6%	15	SUSA	iShares MSCI USA ESG Select ETF	-\$2 <mark>.3</mark>	-42.2%
16	VXUS	Vanguard Total International Stock ETF	\$9.4	14.9%	16	FVD	First Trust Value Line Dividend Index Fund	-\$2.1	-19.9%
17	IEFA	iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF	\$9.3	8.8%	17	XLC	Communication Services Select Sector SPDR	-\$2.0	-12.0%
18	VEA	Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	\$9.2	7.5%	18	EMB	iShares J.P. Morgan USD EM Bond ETF	-\$2.0	-11.9%
19	VGIT	Vanguard Intermediate-Term Treasury ETF	\$9.2	42.1%	19	SDY	SPDR S&P Dividend ETF	-\$1. <mark>9</mark>	-9.3%
20	SGOV	iShares 0-3 Month Treasury Bond ETF	\$9.1	52.1%	20	SCZ	iShares MSCI EAFE Small-Cap ETF	-\$1. <mark>8</mark>	-17.9%

Source: National Bank of Canada, Bloomberg

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## Table 18: ETF Provider Table

			Mkt	Oct 2024		YTD Oct 2024	
	Provider	AUM (\$B)	Shr	Flow	Flow/	Flow	Flow/
			Shr	(\$B)	AUM	(\$B)	AUM
1	BlackRock iShares	\$3,081	31%	\$32.1	1.0%	\$207.1	8.0%
2	Vanguard	\$2,888	29%	\$26.5	0.9%	\$231.3	9.8%
3	State Street SSGA	\$1,443	14%	<b>\$1</b> 3.1	0.9%	\$41.7	3.4%
4	Invesco	\$587	6%	\$6.2	1.1%	\$61.8	13.5%
5	Charles Schwab	\$386	4%	\$6.6	1.7%	\$29.8	9.3%
6	First Trust	\$183	2%	\$2.6	1.4%	\$16.3	10.7%
7	JPMorgan	\$175	2%	\$4.3	2.5%	\$32.4	24.4%
8	<b>Dimensional Holdings</b>	\$162	2%	\$2.8	1.7%	\$31.0	26.4%
9	Fidelity	\$93	1%	\$5.2	6.0%	\$30.4	59.4%
10	VanEck	\$88	1%	\$0.3	0.4%	\$8.5	12.5%
11	WisdomTree	\$79	1%	-\$0.4	-0.5%	\$1.0	1.4%
12	ProShares	\$74	1%	-\$1.1	-1.5%	-\$6.1	-8.9%
13	American Century	\$54	1%	\$1.0	1.8%	\$13.7	37.3%
14	Global X	\$52	1%	\$0.2	0.3%	\$6.2	14.6%
15	Pacer Financial	\$46	0%	\$0.1	0.1%	\$8.8	25.0%
16	Direxion	\$45	0%	\$1.7	3.6%	\$3.4	9.2%
17	Capital Group	\$44	0%	\$2.1	5.0%	\$21.4	113.6%
18	Goldman Sachs	\$37	0%	\$0.4	0.9%	\$0.8	2.4%
19	PIMCO	\$30	0%	\$1.0	3.3%	\$6.5	27.0%
20	DWS Xtrackers	\$25	0%	\$2.2	9.4%	\$3.1	15.4%
	Top 20 Total	\$9,574	96%	\$107.1		\$749.1	
	Total ETF	\$9,985	100%	\$122.8		\$861.6	

Source: NBF ETF Research, Bloomberg. Data as of Oct 31, 2024.

#### Table 19: ESG ETF Flows by Categories

			Oct	2024	YTD Oct 2024	
Category	AUM (\$M)	AUM (%)	Flow (\$M)	Flow/AUM	Flow (\$M)	Flow/AUM
Equity	\$97,348	89%	\$1,126	1.1%	<b>\$1</b> 387	-1.6%
Broad - U.S.	\$47,610	44%	\$150	0.3%	- <b>\$3</b> 104	-7.1%
Broad - DM	\$10,383	9%	\$103	0.9%	\$490	5.2%
Broad - EM	\$5,047	5%	\$3	0.1%	\$42	0.9%
Broad - Global	\$4,753	4%	-\$1	0.0%	\$149	3.4%
Environment	\$16,921	15%	\$745	4.5%	\$1,470	11.1%
Clean Energy	\$6,656	6%	-\$29	-0.4%	<b>-\$</b> 689	-7.9%
Energy Transition	\$307	0%	\$72	26.2%	\$73	31.8%
Social	\$4,377	4%	\$72	1.7%	\$370	10.3%
Other	\$1,295	1%	\$11	0.8%	- <b>\$</b> 188	-0.2%
Commodities	\$646	1%	\$0	0.0%	\$85	-10.1%
Multi-Asset	\$68	0%	-\$1	-1.3%	-\$6	-9.1%
Fixed Income	\$11,318	10%	\$597	5.4%	\$1,494	15.2%
Total Displayed	\$109,380	100%	\$1,722	1.6%	\$16	0.0%

Source: NBF ETF Research, Bloomberg. Data as of Oct 31, 2024.



#### Appendix 2 - Glossary

Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) are open-ended mutual funds in continuous distribution. This report also includes other Exchange Traded Products such as notes, grantor trusts, limited partnerships and unit investment trusts.

AUM (Assets Under Management): AUM is expressed in local currency, which is the U.S. dollar for the purpose of this report.

Market Share / AUM (%): AUM as % of category total AUM on the last line of the table.

**Flow:** The net dollar amount of fund creations and redemptions for the period based on daily NAV and the change in Shares Outstanding. Flows are expressed in local currency, which is the U.S. dollar for the purpose of this report.

Maturity: We categorize fixed income ETFs into the following maturity brackets:

- Broad/Mixed: ETF that holds issues from across more than one maturity bucket (short, mid and/or long-term).
- Floating Rate: ETF that mainly invests in floating rate issues with periodic interest rate resets.
- Long-Term: ETF that mainly invests in long-term issues and has a weighted average maturity greater than 10 years.
- Mid-Term: ETF that mainly invests in intermediate-term fixed issues and has a weighted average maturity between three and 10 years.
- Short-Term: ETF that mainly invests in short-term issues with weighted average maturity less than three years.
- Target Maturity: ETF that has a target maturity, such as a fixed date or year.
- **Rate Hedged:** ETF that uses derivatives to mitigate interest rate risk and to maintain a zero or negative portfolio duration.

NAV (Net Asset Value per share): ETF price is used when NAV is not available.

Flow/AUM (Flow as % AUM): Flow as a percentage of assets under management from the beginning of the period.

Defensive Sectors: We classify Consumer non-cyclicals, Energy, Health Care, Utilities as defensive sectors.

**Cyclical Sectors:** We classify Consumer Cyclicals, Financials, Real Estate, Industrials, Information Technology, Materials, Communication Services as cyclical sectors.

All numbers are as of last month's final business day.

## Appendix 3 - Equity ETF by Factor Categories

We group Factor Equity ETFs (exclude cap-weighted ETFs, sector ETFs and thematic ETFs) into the categories below. These groupings follow NBF's discretion and can differ from the ETF Provider's definition and classification from other sources.

Small/Mid-Cap: A fund with small/mid-cap focus.

**Income:** A fund with the primary goal of providing income. We classify a fund as belonging to the Income category when its strategy focuses on providing income or the fund self-identifies as using an income strategy, even though it may incorporate other factors in addition to income.

Value: A fund that invests primarily in the stocks that are considered undervalued using metrics such as price-to-earnings, price-to-book, EV/EBITDA, etc.

**Growth:** A fund that invests primarily in fast-growing stocks using metrics such as earnings growth, sales growth, momentum, etc.

Momentum: A fund that invests primarily in high momentum stocks using metrics such as period returns.



Quality: A fund that invests primarily in high quality stocks using metrics like ROE, debt/equity and earnings growth.

Low Vol or Risk: A fund that aims to achieve reduced portfolio volatility, either by screening for low volatility stocks, low beta stocks and/or minimizing the portfolio volatility.

**Other:** Any non-cap weighted factor strategy that is not covered by otherwise defined categories. This includes equal-weight, multi-factor, AlphaDEX and other fundamental-based ETFs.



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