

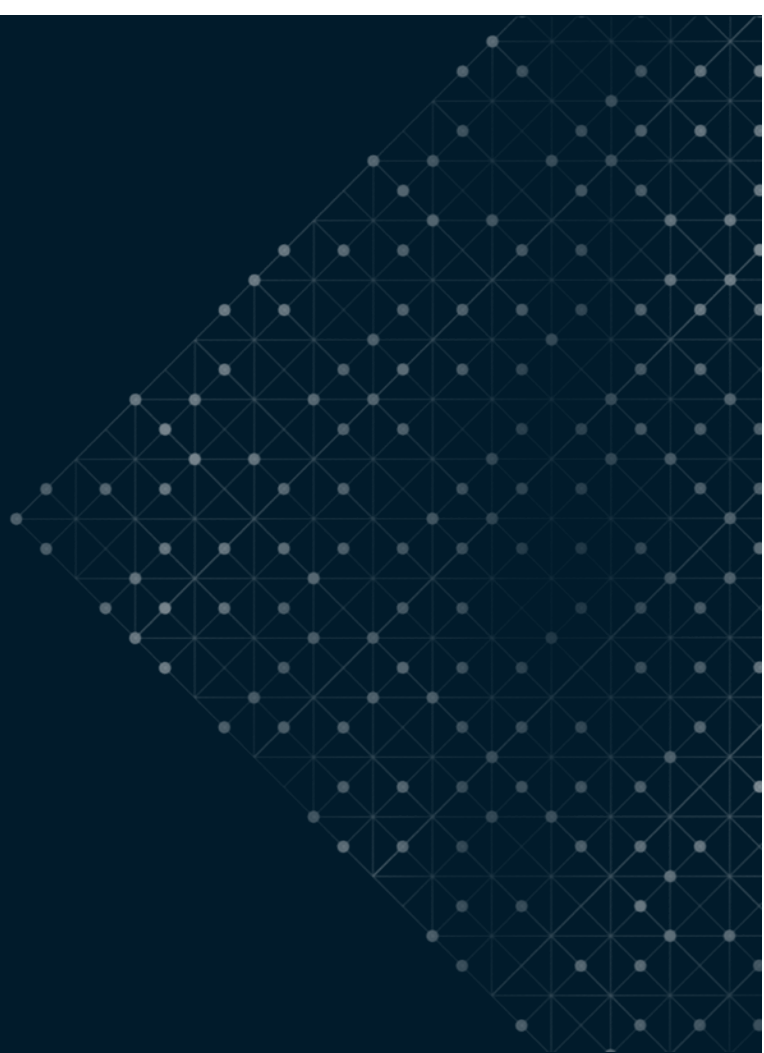


# MSCI Inc.

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# Company overview

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# Global Franchise Serving the Who's Who of the Investment Industry



## What We Do

Provide critical decision support tools and services for the global investment community

**5,005**  
employees<sup>1</sup>

**~\$2.5B**  
Total Run Rate<sup>1</sup>

**30+**  
Office locations<sup>1</sup>

**12%**  
YoY

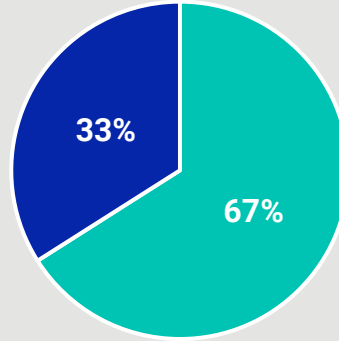
**Must-have investment data, tools, models and technology**

across asset classes for performance and risk

**~6,500**  
clients<sup>1</sup> in

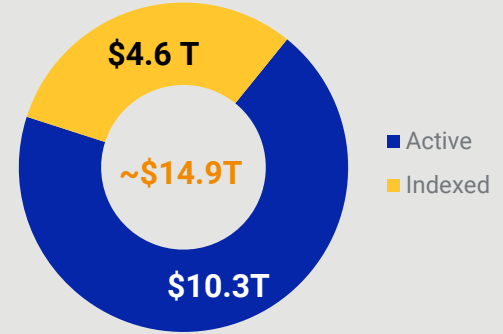
**95+**  
countries<sup>1</sup>

- Providing solutions to enable all participants in the investment process
- Driving innovation for industry-leading solutions
- 50+ years of establishing standards in the investment industry



**33%**<sup>1</sup> of employees located in developed market centers

**67%**<sup>1</sup> of employees located in emerging market centers

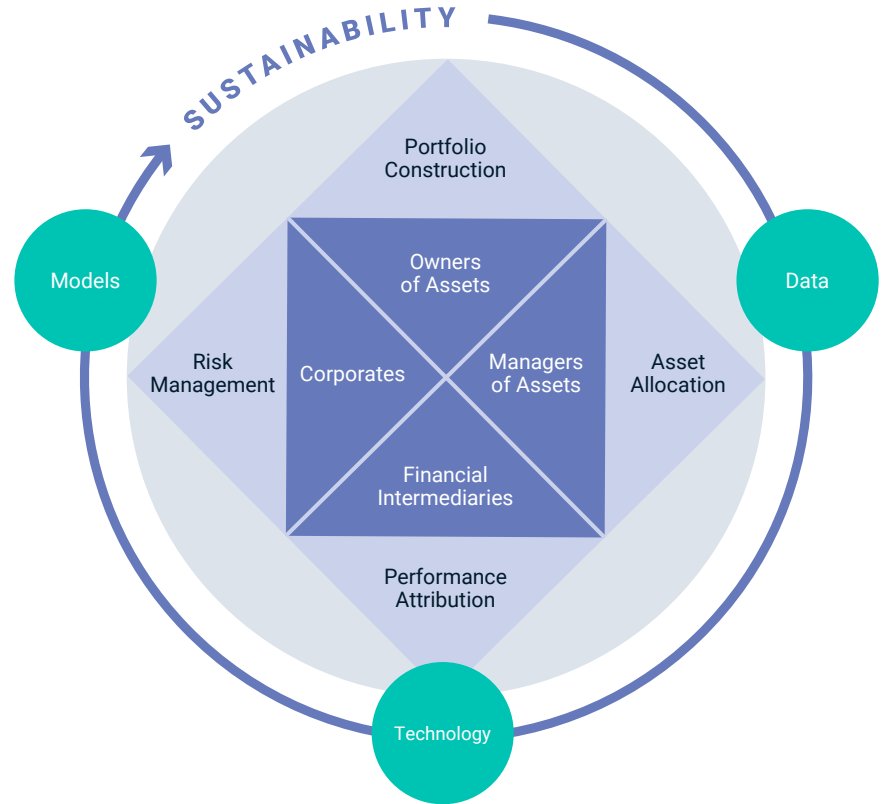


**in AUM benchmarked to MSCI Indexes as of June 30, 2023**

**Extensive knowledge of the investment process**

# Our Strategy

Support the Investment Process  
Needs of our Clients with Highly  
Differentiated Solutions Supported  
by Best-in-Class Capabilities



# Helping Investors Navigate Increasingly Complex Global Landscape



**\$98T+** Managed Assets

**115,000+** Public Equities

**Millions** Fixed Income Instruments

**12,800+** Private Equity (PE) Funds

**185,000+** PE-owned Companies

**\$13T+** Global Investment Properties

**\$618T** Notional Derivatives Contracts

**\$150T+** Bank Assets



## More:

### Investors

- Proliferation of institutional and individual investors

### Markets

- New geographies and markets are accessible

### Choices

- Securities
- Instruments
- Asset classes

### Styles

- Factors
- ESG percentage climate consideration
- Thematics and mega themes

### Vehicles

- Funds
- Co-investing
- Direct investments

### Scale

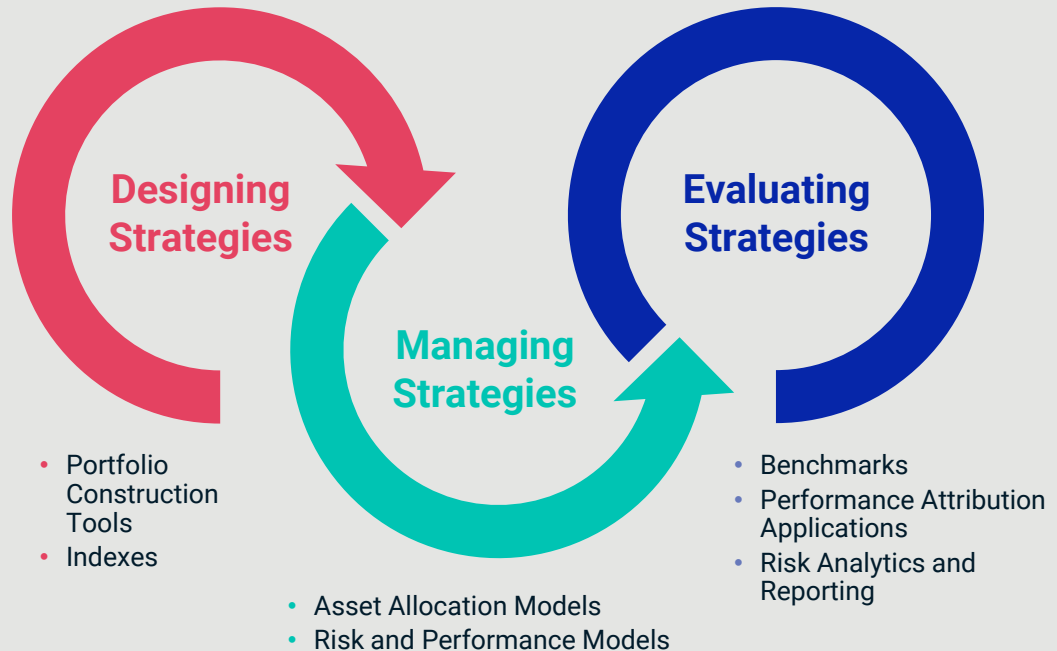
- Investable assets growing as a % of global economies
- Increased allocations to private markets

# Addressing Client Needs to Power Better Investment Decisions

## Investors rely on MSCI for

- Data- and research-driven insights into drivers of risk and performance
- Broad asset class coverage
- Innovative tools to help bring investment strategies to market
- Exceptional quality
- Reliability, technology and business continuity infrastructure

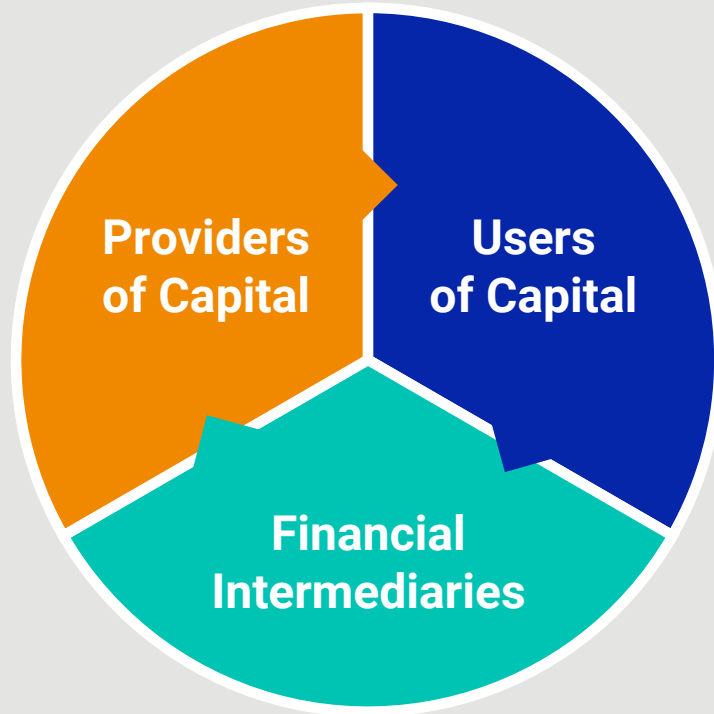
## Supporting Investors' Needs in Every Part of the Investment Cycle





# Enabling All Participants in the Investment Process

Enabling asset owners  
and managers  
**make better investment  
decisions and build  
better portfolios**

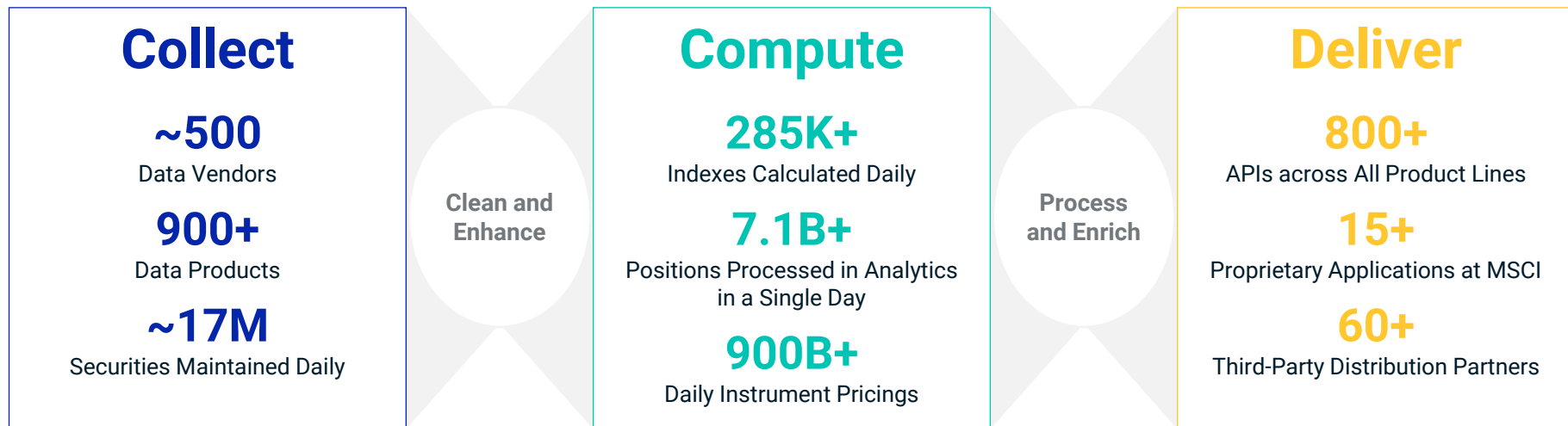


Enabling corporates  
and others  
**understand ESG and  
climate risk, benchmark  
against peers and inform  
engagement with  
shareholders**

Enabling banks, broker dealers, exchanges, custodians and others  
**improve the investment process with more transparency**

# MSCI Data and Technology Capabilities

## Proven Ability to Handle Complex, Integrated and High-volume Workflows with Flexible and Scalable Solutions for Clients



To Stay Ahead of Client Demands, MSCI Will Deliver Everything We Do “As a Service”

# Widespread Demand for MSCI's Offerings



## Clients

- Asset managers
- Asset owners
- Broker-dealers
- Wealth managers
- Corporates
- Insurance companies
- Private asset managers
- Regions (Americas, EMEA, APAC)



## Solutions for

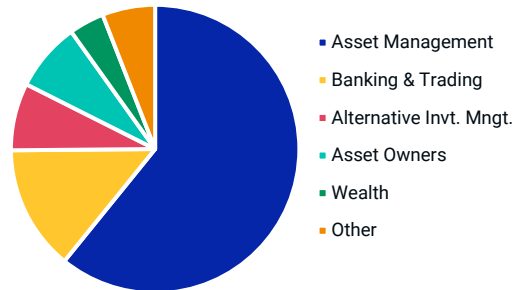
- ESG and climate investing
- Customized Indexes
- Derivatives
- Factor Investing
- Private Asset Investing
- Fixed income and liquidity
- Investment Themes



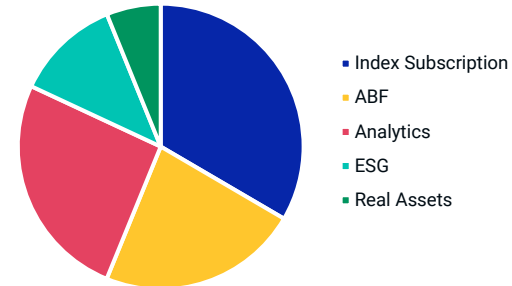
## Capabilities

- Data
- Technology
- Talent

Client Segment Run Rate (\$2.5B)



Product Run Rate (\$2.5B)



# Well Positioned In All Markets From All Weather Franchise

	Times of Strength	Times of Stress
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 97% recurring revenue<sup>1,4</sup></li> <li>• ~74% recurring subscription<sup>4</sup></li> <li>• Retention rates &gt;90% across products<sup>4</sup></li> </ul>	
REVENUE	AUM-Based Revenue	Futures & Options Volumes
	Performance-oriented Products	Risk-oriented Products
	~83% of Revenue in USD <sup>2,4</sup> ~Balances Non-USD Expense <sup>1,4</sup>	
EXPENSES	Upturn Growth Investment	Expense Management
	Refi Callable Debt	Share Repurchases
EPS		

← **Diversified Geographic & Product Footprint** →

## Upturn / Downturn Expense Levers

	Approx. Annual Impact of ~10% or higher Flex <sup>3</sup>
<b>Self-Adjusting</b> Metric-based Annual Incentives Plans	+/- \$15M
<b>Pacing of Investments</b> Reprioritization, Pace of Hiring Headcount Optimization	+/- \$15M
<b>Non compensation Actions</b> T&E Training Professional Fees Marketing	+/- \$20M

(1) Includes ABF and Subscription Recurring Revenue;  
 (2) Remaining non-US dollar revenue exposure primarily in EUR, GBP or JPY  
 (3) Based on respective categories of current FY23 guidance  
 (4) Financial numbers for the quarter ending September 30, 2023

# Robust and Compelling Financial Model



## Recurring, visible revenue model

~97% recurring revenues<sup>1</sup> as percent of total revenue from 2016 to YTD 2023



## Operating efficiency strength

Disciplined operating expense management



## Triple-Crown investment opportunities to grow business

Investing in multiple strategic product areas, client segments and capabilities, including technology and partnerships, to drive growth



## Attractive cash generation profile

High free cash flow conversion and growth driven by favorable working capital dynamics, capital-light business model and track record of operating leverage



## Creating value for shareholders

Double digit annual adjusted EPS growth every year since 2014 to 2022

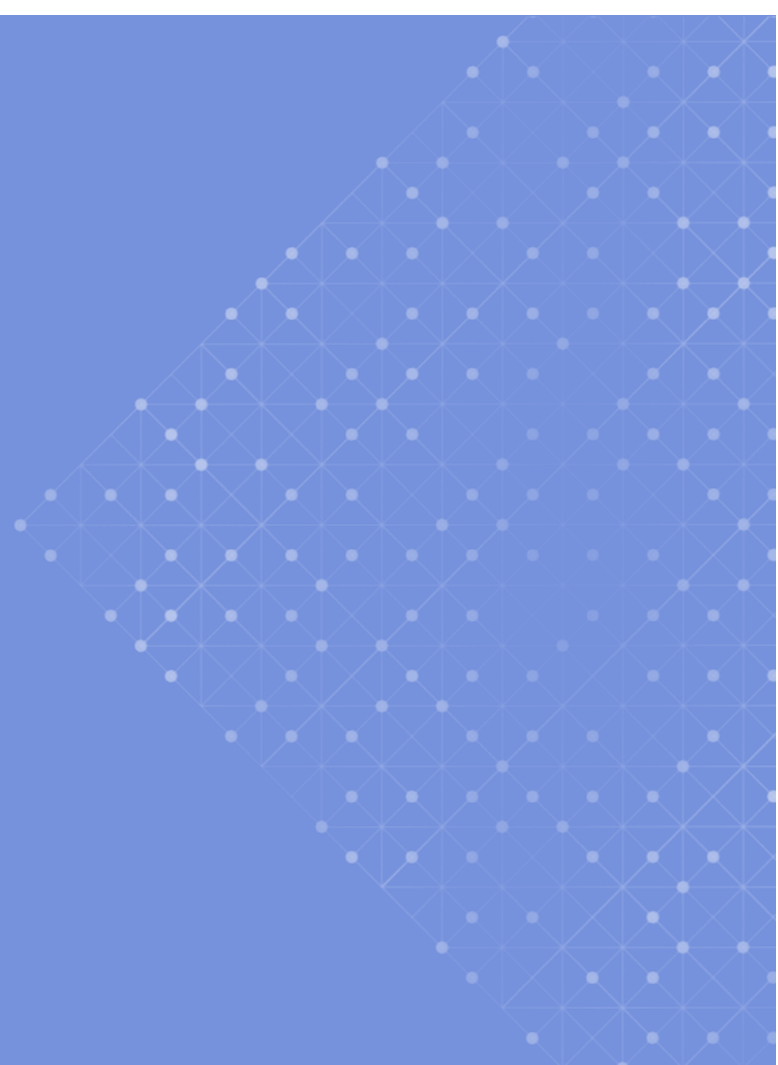


## Strong balance sheet and liquidity

Total cash and equivalents of \$929M as of September 30, 2023 and \$351M as of October 31, 2023

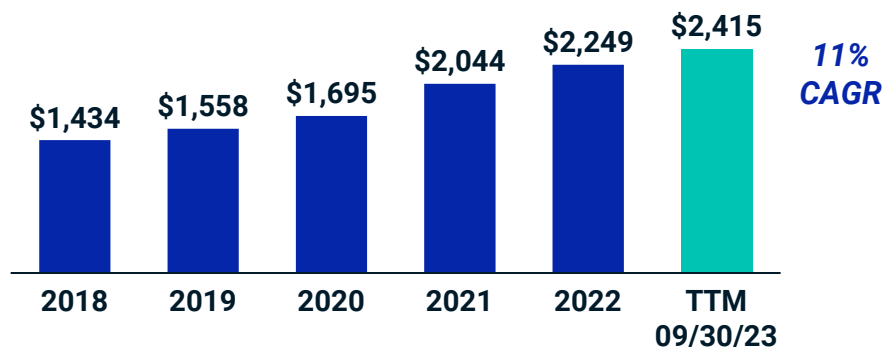
# Financial review

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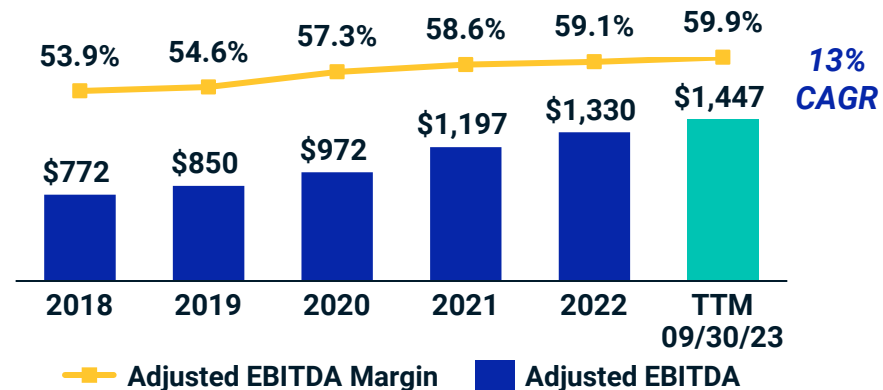


# Exceptional Track Record of Financial Execution

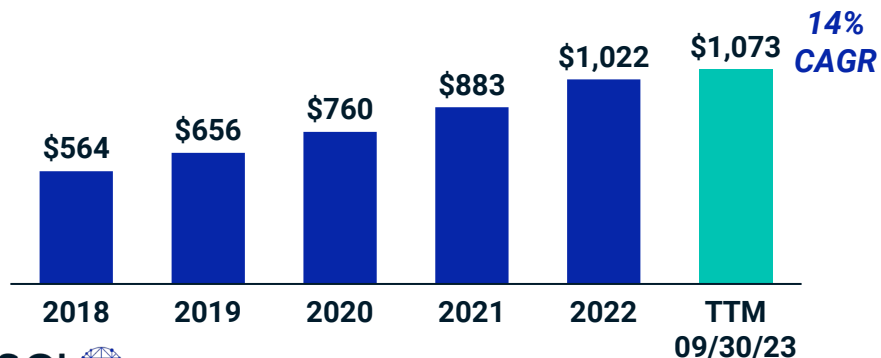
## Revenue (\$m)



## Adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> (\$m)



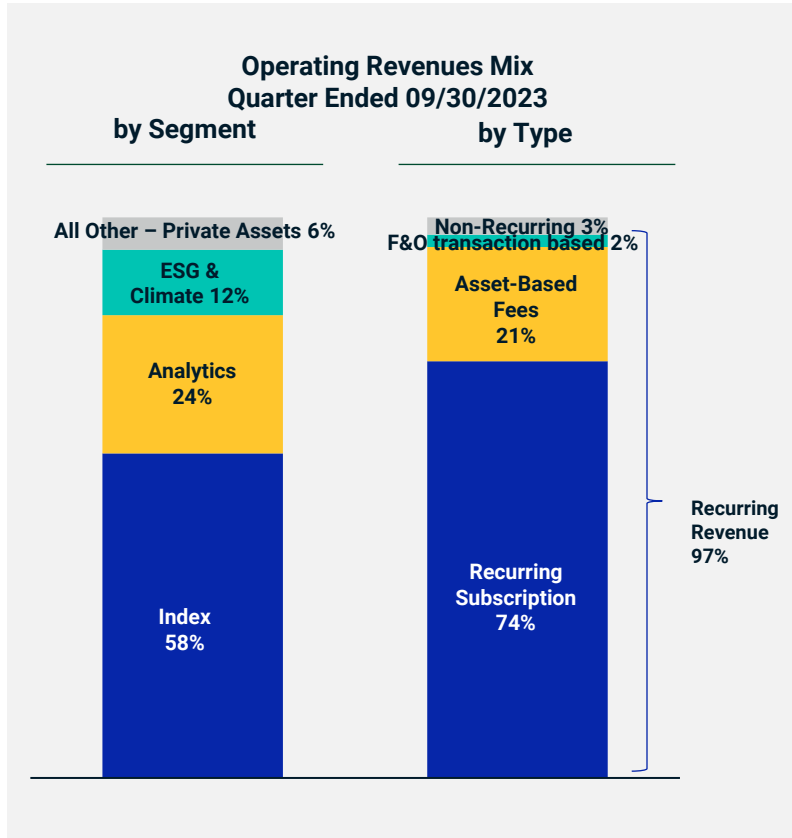
## Free Cash Flow<sup>1</sup> (\$m)



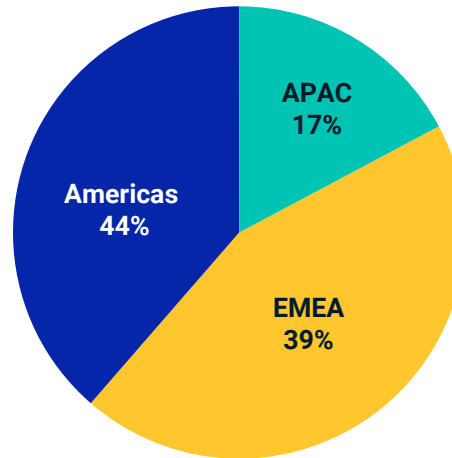
## Adjusted EPS<sup>1</sup>



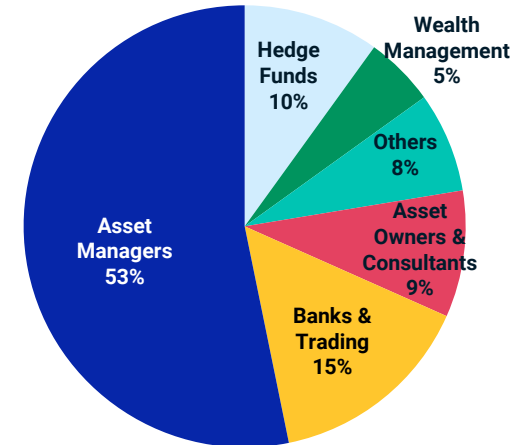
# Significant Recurring Revenue Model with Global Client Base



**MSCI Subscription Run Rate**  
as of 09/30/2023 by Geography



**MSCI Subscription Run Rate**  
as of 09/30/2023 by Client Base

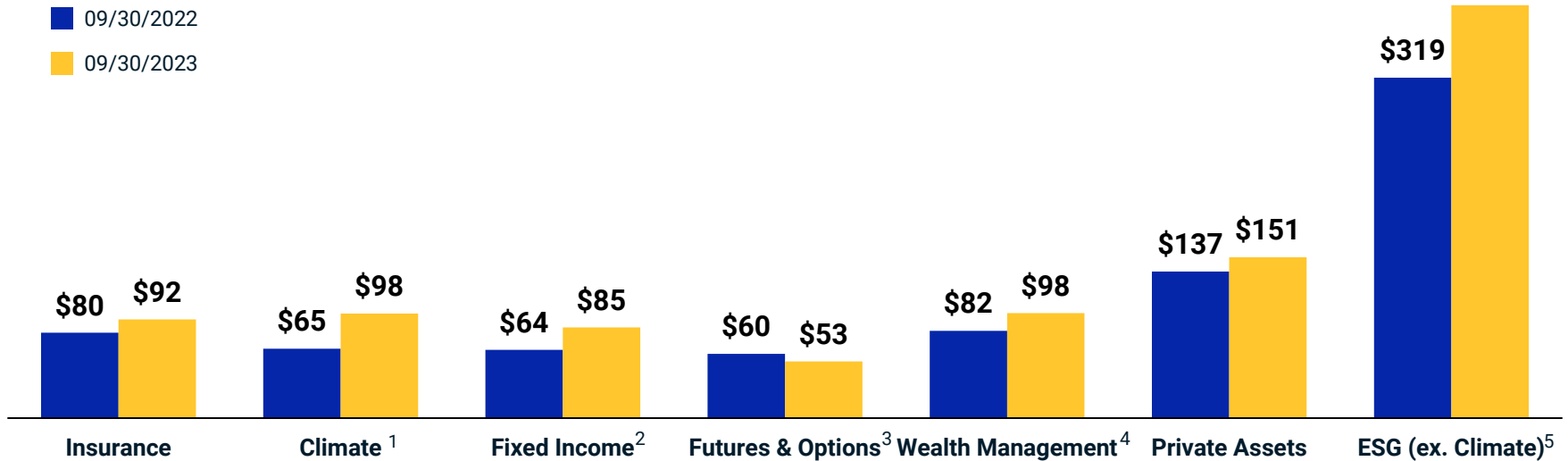




# Emerging Growth Opportunities

## Run Rate

(US\$ in millions)



**Expanding in attractive additional addressable markets**

Note: Run Rate totals may include overlap between different client segments. <sup>1</sup>Includes Climate run rate reported in Index, ESG & Climate, Analytics and Private Asset segments. <sup>2</sup>Excludes Analytics Enterprise Risk & Performance. <sup>3</sup>Listed only. <sup>4</sup>Represents total subscription run rate from wealth management client base. <sup>5</sup>Includes ESG (ex. Climate) Research Run Rate, reported in the ESG & Climate, Analytics and Real Assets Segments, and ESG (ex. Climate) related Index subscription and asset-based fees Run Rate reported in the Index segment.

# Innovation and Investment in Key Growth Areas



## New Growth

Drive new business capabilities through new products and services

Examples:

- Climate
- Thematic Indexes
- Fixed income Indexes
- Private Assets



## Scale

Expand existing products and capabilities to accelerate growth

Examples:

- Innovative Factors & ESG Indexes
- ESG securities coverage expansion
- Expanding Futures and Options



## Efficiencies

Avoid and/or repurpose costs; achieve productivity gains

Examples:

- Cloud migration
- Streamline technology development
- Data process improvements

## Triple-Crown Investment Criteria



### High Returns

Projects must have a high return (ROI)



### Quick Payback <3 Years

Earlier payback preferred



### Strong Valuation

Prefer investments with greater impact to MSCI's valuation

**Rigorous metric-driven approach to allocate capital across different business areas**

# Strong Balance Sheet Provides Optionality

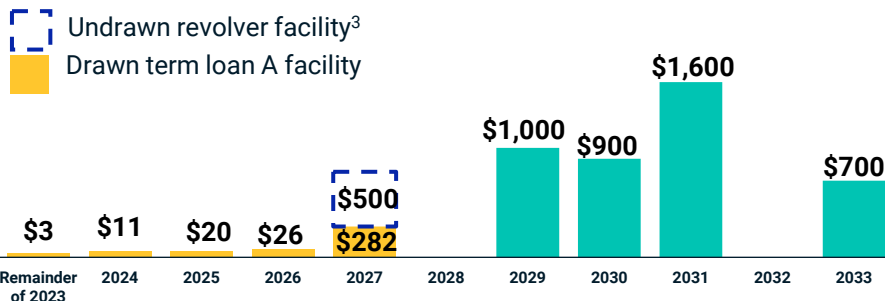
(US\$ in millions, unless otherwise noted)

## Cash<sup>1</sup> and Debt as of 09/30/2023

Total Cash	\$929M
Total Debt <sup>2</sup>	\$4,509M
Net Debt (total Debt less total cash)	\$3,580M
Total Debt / LTM Adjusted EBITDA	3.1x
Net Debt / LTM Adjusted EBITDA	2.5x

- In 3Q23, returned \$127.1M to shareholders through share repurchases of \$17.9M and quarterly dividends of \$109.2M.
- Strong balance sheet provides optionality
  - Next maturity not until 2027
- Disciplined and consistent approach to capital deployment
  - Triple-Crown framework to evaluate internal opportunities and MP&A (mergers, partnerships and acquisitions)

## Unsecured Debt Maturity Profile as at 09/30/2023



## Credit Ratings<sup>4</sup> as of 10/31/2023:

	Moody's	S&P	Fitch
Outlook	Positive	Stable	Stable
Long-term issuer rating	Ba1	BBB-	BBB-
Senior unsecured	Ba1	BBB-	BBB-

1. MSCI typically seeks to maintain minimum cash balances globally of approximately \$225.0 million to \$275.0 million for general operating purposes

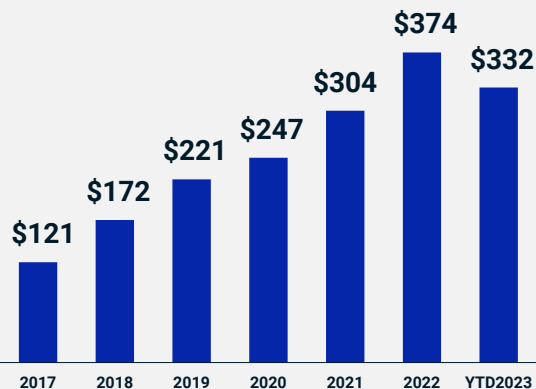
2. Reflects gross debt, net of deferred financing fees and premium.

3. Aggregate revolver commitments of \$500.0 million until February 2027.

4. Credit ratings reflect the views of the different agencies and are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any security including our common stock or debt securities. These ratings are subject to periodic review and may be raised upward, downward or revoked at the sole discretion of the agencies.

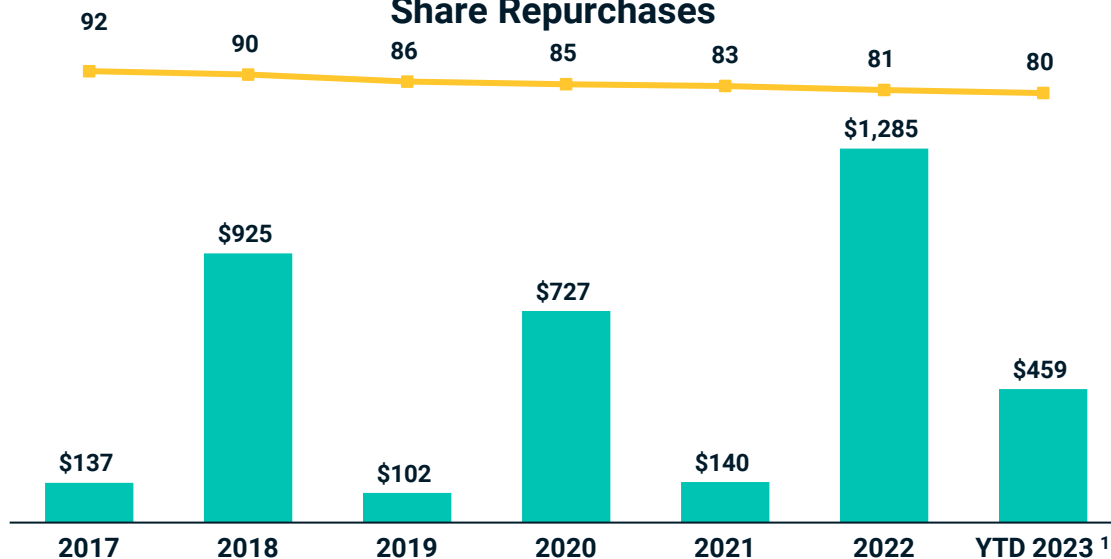
# Disciplined Approach to Capital Deployment for Shareholders

## Dividends (\$M)



- Meaningful dividend with strong historical growth
- Historical payout ratio target of 40% – 50% of Adjusted EPS
- For Q4 2023, cash dividend of \$1.38 per share declared by MSCI Board of Directors

## Share Repurchases



— Weighted Average Diluted Shares Outstanding (in millions)

■ Aggregate Dollar Value of Shares Repurchased (\$ in millions)

**Opportunistic Share Repurchases** Capitalize on Attractive Values and Volatility

**\$5.8B** of Share Repurchases since 2012<sup>1</sup>

# Full-Year 2023 Guidance

Full-Year 2023 Guidance Item	Previous Guidance	Current Guidance
Operating Expense	\$1,090 to \$1,130 million	\$1,135 to \$1,165 million
Adjusted EBITDA Expense	\$965 to \$995 million	\$1,000 to \$1,020 million
Interest Expense <sup>1</sup> (including amortization of financing fees)	\$185 to \$187 million	\$187 million
Depreciation & Amortization Expense	\$125 to \$135 million	\$135 to \$145 million
Effective Tax Rate	17.0% to 20.0%	16.5% to 18.0%
Capital Expenditures	\$80 to \$90 million	\$85 to \$95 million
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$1,145 to \$1,195 million	\$1,145 to \$1,195 million
Free Cash Flow	\$1,060 to \$1,120 million	\$1,060 to \$1,120 million

<sup>1</sup>A portion of our annual interest expense is from our variable rate Term Loan A facility, while the majority is from fixed rate senior unsecured notes. Changes to the secured overnight funding rate ("SOFR") can cause our annual interest expense on the Term Loan A facility to vary, and changes in our indebtedness levels would cause our interest expense to vary.

MSCI's guidance for the year ending December 31, 2023 ("Full-Year 2023") is based on assumptions about a number of factors, in particular related to macroeconomic factors and the capital markets. These assumptions are subject to uncertainty, and actual results for the year could differ materially from our current guidance, including as a result of the uncertainties, risks and assumptions discussed in the "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" sections of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as updated in quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K filed or furnished with the SEC. See "Forward-Looking Statements" on slide 2.

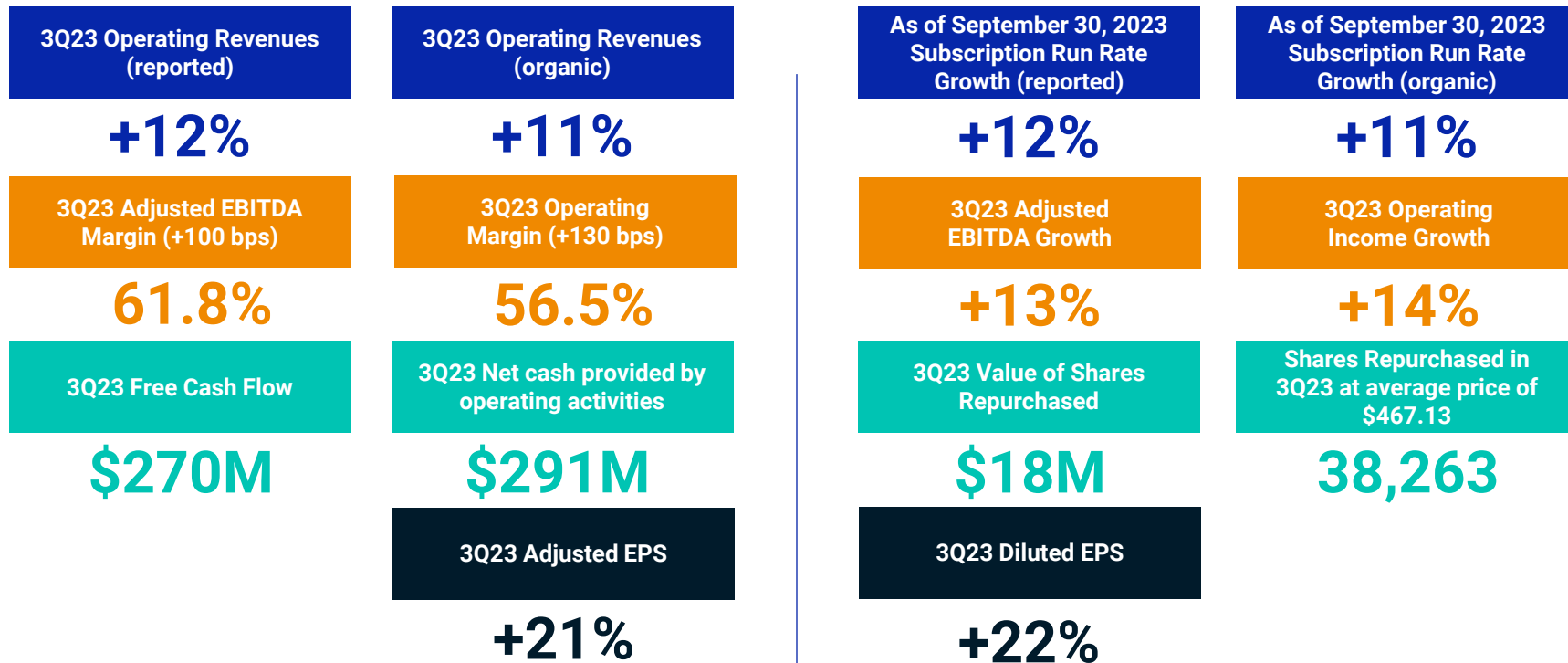
# Long-term Targets

	Revenue Growth Rate <sup>1</sup>	Adj. EBITDA Expense Growth Rate	Adj. EBITDA Growth Rate	Adj. EBITDA Margin %
<b>MSCI</b>	<b>Low Double Digit</b>	<b>High Single Digit to Low Double Digit</b>	<b>Low to Mid Teens</b>	<b>High 50s</b>
<b>Index</b>	Low Double Digit	Low Double Digit		
<b>Analytics</b>	High Single Digit	Mid Single Digit		
<b>ESG &amp; Climate</b>	Mid to High 20s	Mid to High 20s		
<b>All Other - Private Assets</b>	High Teens	Mid Teens		



# 3Q23 Financial Results Snapshot

## Robust earnings growth reflecting all weather franchise



# Segment highlights

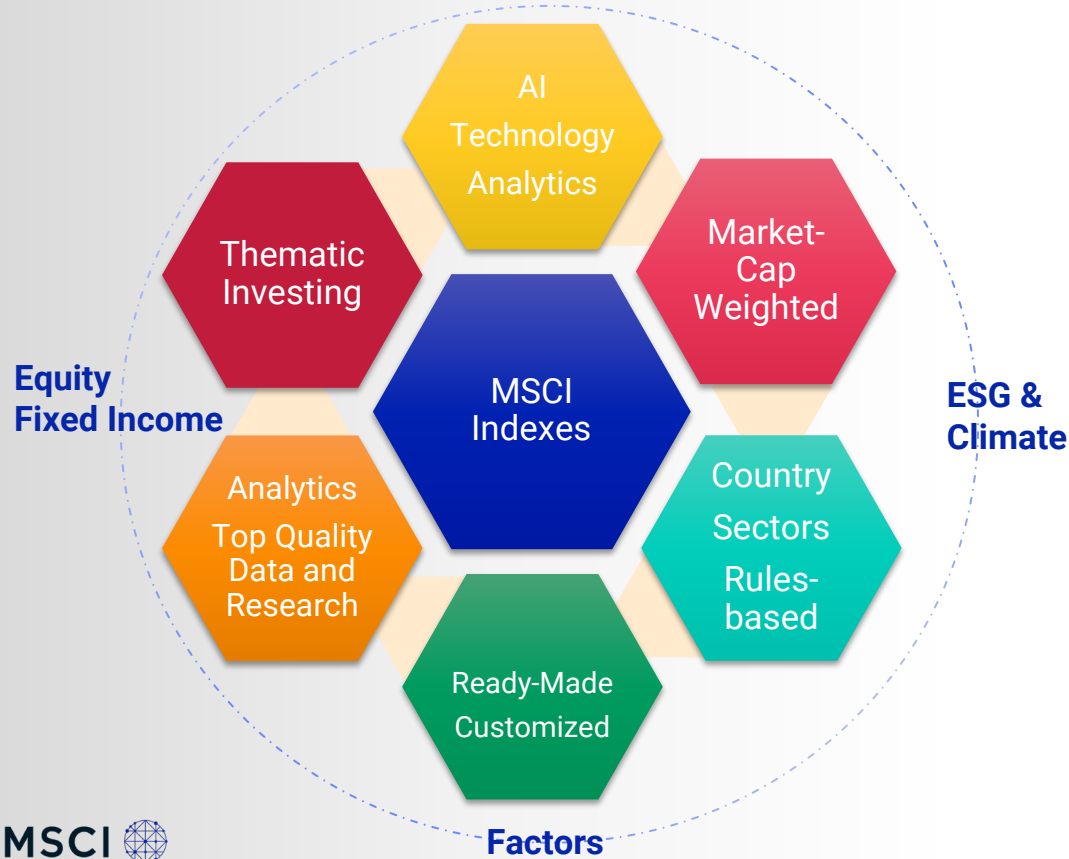
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# Index: We are Uniquely Positioned to Meet the Industry's Needs

By Leveraging Our Entire Firm, We Offer Clients a Comprehensive Toolset



- MSCI Indexes are built using a **modular approach** with a **rules-based, consistent and transparent** methodology
- Indexes designed to represent **full opportunity set** across geographies and products with **no gaps or overlaps**
- Can be used as **building blocks for portfolio construction in indexed and active portfolios** representing the performance of investment strategies, using a consistent framework

# Index: Ready-Made Indexes Across Market-Cap, Size and Geographic Exposures and Across Investment Thesis Areas for Equity and Fixed Income

## Market Cap Weighted



## Factors



## ESG & Climate Indexes

### Climate Integration

- MSCI Climate Change
- MSCI Climate Paris Aligned
- MSCI Low Carbon Target

### ESG Integration

- MSCI ESG Leaders
- MSCI ESG Focus
- MSCI ESG Universal

### Screening & Values

- MSCI Ex Controversial Weapons
- MSCI Ex Tobacco Involvement
- MSCI Ex Fossil Fuel
- MSCI Faith Based

### Impact Investing

- MSCI Global Environment
- MSCI Sustainable Impact
- MSCI Women's Leadership

## Thematic Indexes Aligned with Megatrends



### Transformative Tech

Future mobility, robotics, digital economy, fintech innovation



### Society & Lifestyle

Smart cities, ageing societies, future education, food revolution



### Health & Healthcare

Genomic innovation, digital health



### Environment & Resources

Efficient energy  
Circular economy

# Index: Ongoing Client Demand for Customized Indexes for Specified Needs

1

- Define your benchmark needs beyond MSCI core indexes

2

- Develop it through customizable options

3

- Choose deployment options (e.g. Real Time/End of the Day, File Format etc.)



## Customized indexes for specific needs use cases

### Client can use the MSCI Custom Indexes to:

- Avoid benchmark misfit by using an index that more accurately reflects the investment strategy or constraints
- Benchmark socially responsible investment strategies (environmental, political, social)
- Carry out bespoke reporting, performance and risk analysis
- Manage currency risk via custom hedged indexes
- Outsource the calculation of specialized in-house indexes
- Comply with regulatory guidelines through the application of certain capping criteria
- Construct and issue index-linked products to meet specific investment themes applying investability and liquidity criteria



## Benefits



### Broad Coverage

Clients can customize and adapt any MSCI index such as Market Cap, Factor, Thematic, ESG and Climate to reflect their specific benchmark or product requirements.



### Data Reliability

Clients can make use of MSCI's well-established, reliable index administration and calculation process – same as used for calculating all MSCI Standard indexes.



### Rigorous Methodology

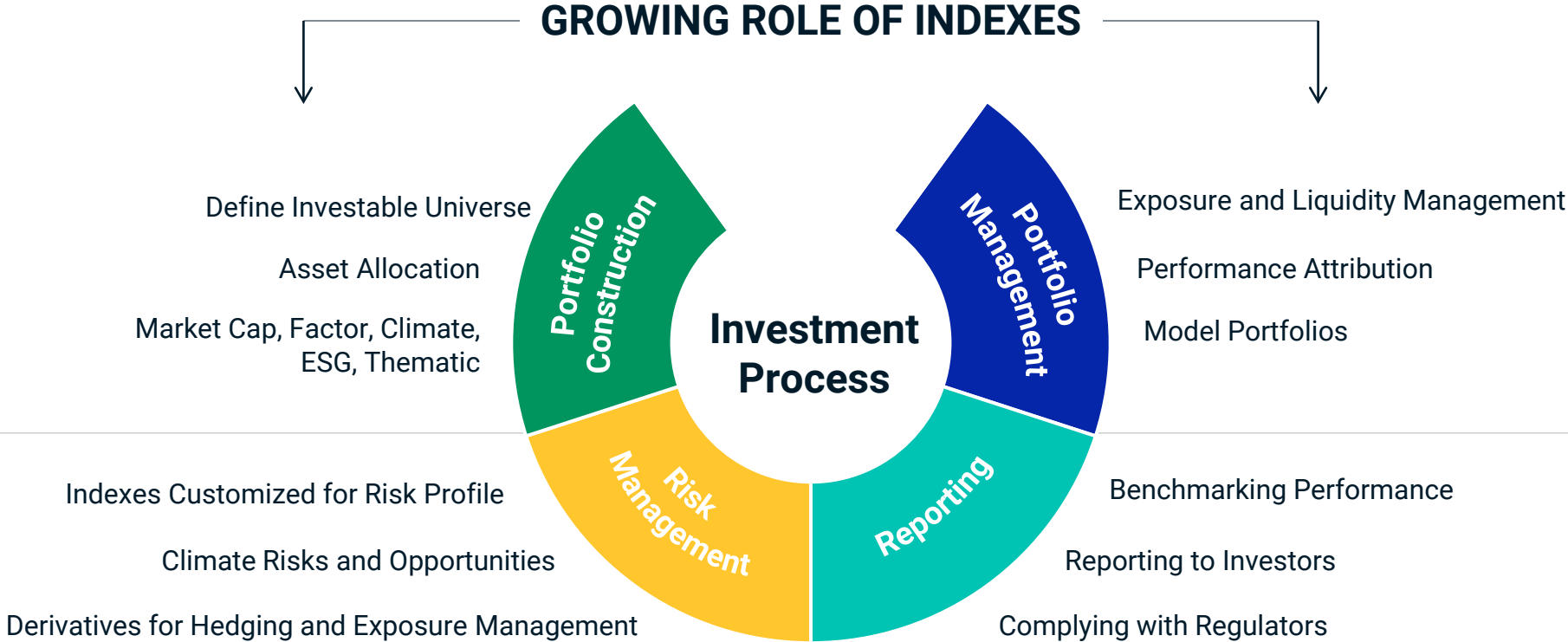
Investable, transparent and replicable indexes designed by clients, and with the same rigorous calculation and maintenance methodology as applied to the MSCI Standard Indexes.



### Global Support

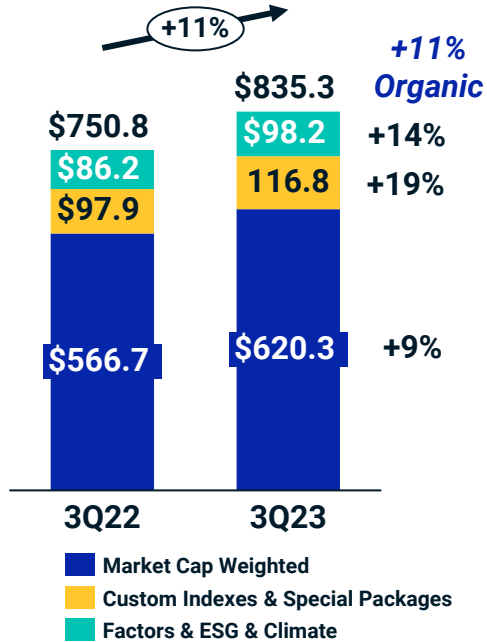
Cross-functional custom index team of experts in Research, Index Production, Technology and Product Management supports the administration of client-designed custom indexes.

# Index: Helping Integrate Indexes at the Center of the Investment Process

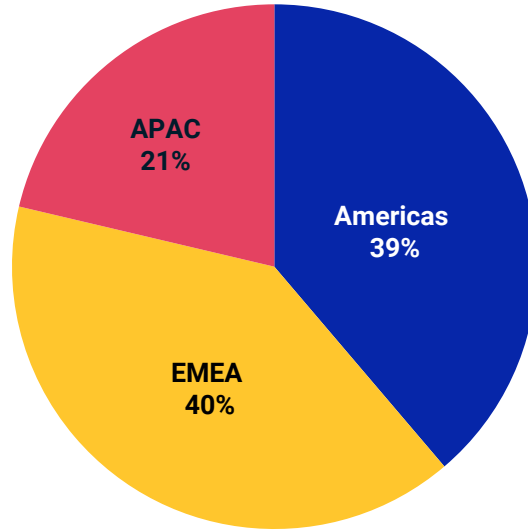


# Index Subscription at a Glance

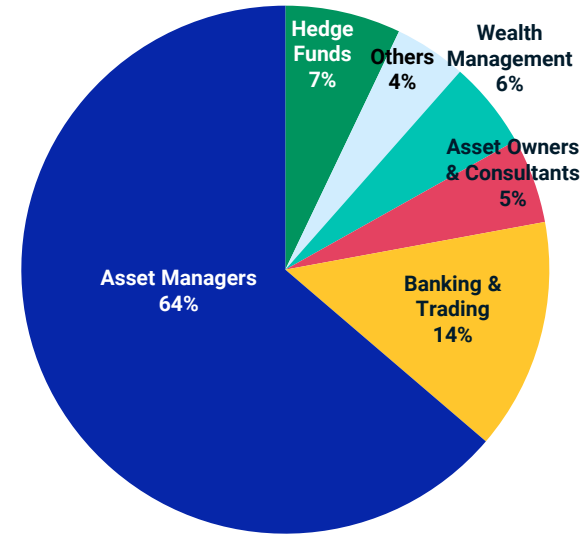
## Index Subscription Run Rate



## Index Subscription Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Geography



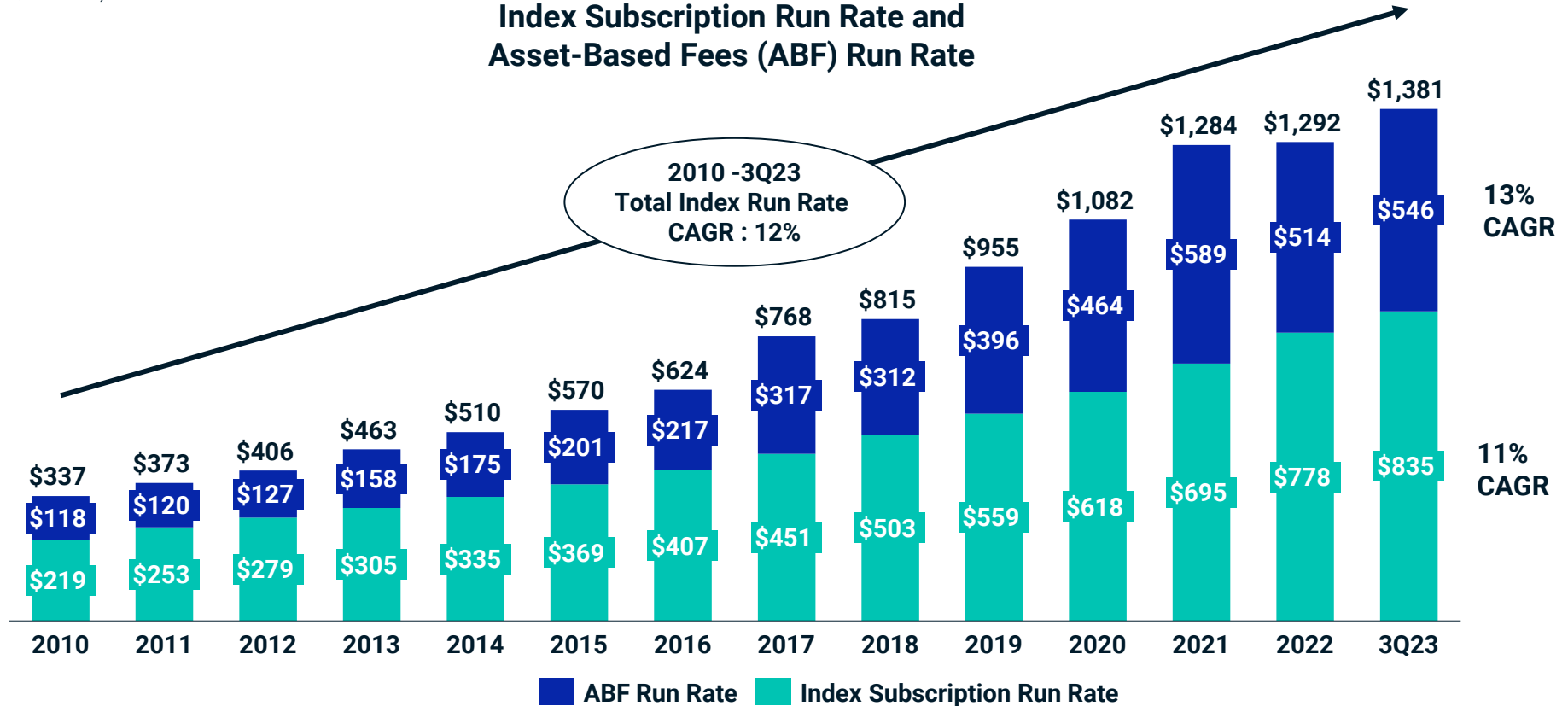
## Index Subscription Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Client base



# Index: Growth through the Index Revolution

(US\$ in millions)

## Index Subscription Run Rate and Asset-Based Fees (ABF) Run Rate



# Strong Market Movement and Momentum in Cashflows Continues

(US\$ in billions)

## AUM of ETFs linked to MSCI Equity Indexes

- Total
- Market Appreciation / (Depreciation)
- Cash Inflow / (Outflow)

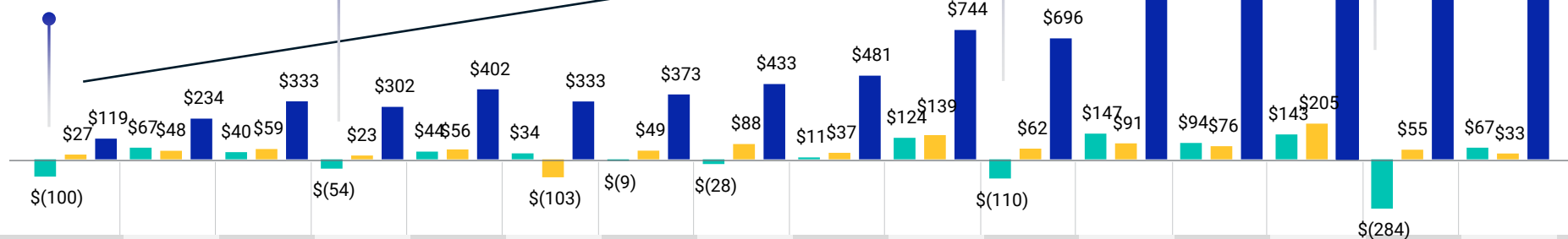
4Q18: MSCI-linked equity ETF AUM balance declined 9% QoQ amid concerns on global growth, US-China trade, Brexit and yield curve flattening, while ABF run-rate only declined 4%

9M22: MSCI-linked equity ETF AUM balance declined 26% vs Dec-21 amid high inflation, interest rate hikes, Russia's invasion of Ukraine and supply chain concerns, while ABF run-rate only declined 19% vs Dec-21

3Q11: MSCI-linked equity ETF AUM balance declined 20% QoQ amid EU sovereign debt concerns, while ABF run-rate declined 16% QoQ

AUM CAGR from year 2008 to YTD23: 18%

Financial crisis of 2008

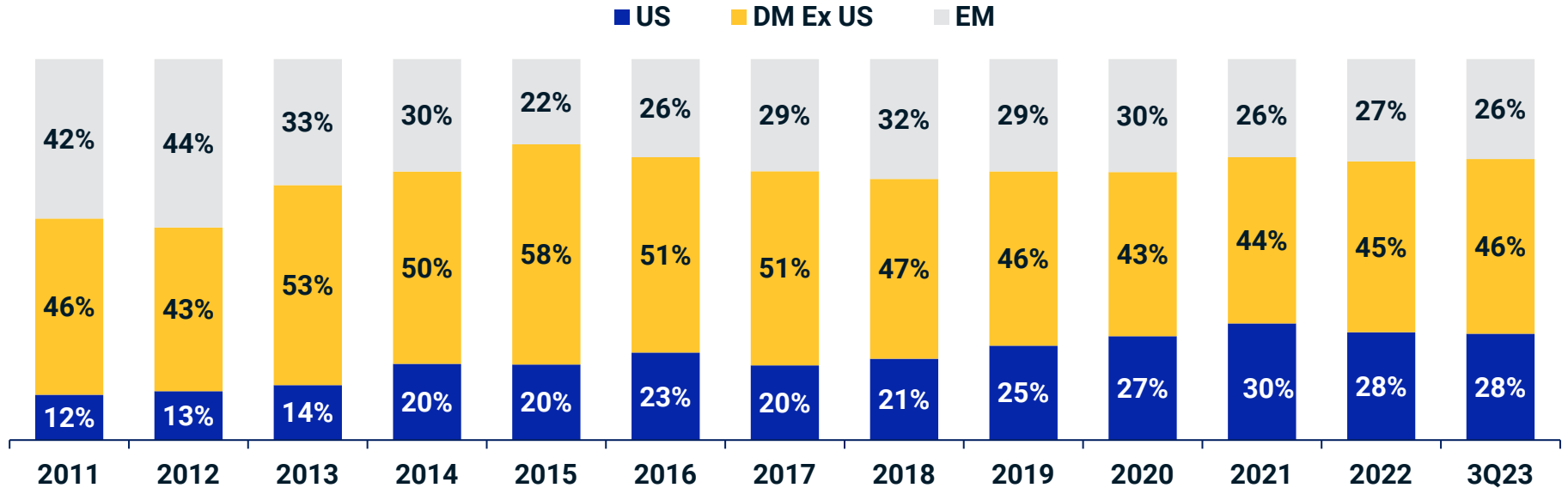


	2008 <sup>1</sup>	2009 <sup>1</sup>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD23
AUM YoY%	(38%)	97%	42%	(10%)	33%	(17%)	12%	16%	11%	55%	(7%)	34%	18%	32%	(16%)	22%
ABF RR YoY%	(30%)	68%	22%	2%	6%	25%	10%	15%	8%	46%	(2%)	27%	17%	27%	(13%)	14%

**Positive annual cash inflows for all years in ETFs linked to MSCI indexes except 2013**

# Geographic Market Exposures Of MSCI-Linked ETFs Increasingly Diversified Over Time

Mix of MSCI linked equity ETF AUM balance by geographic exposure %



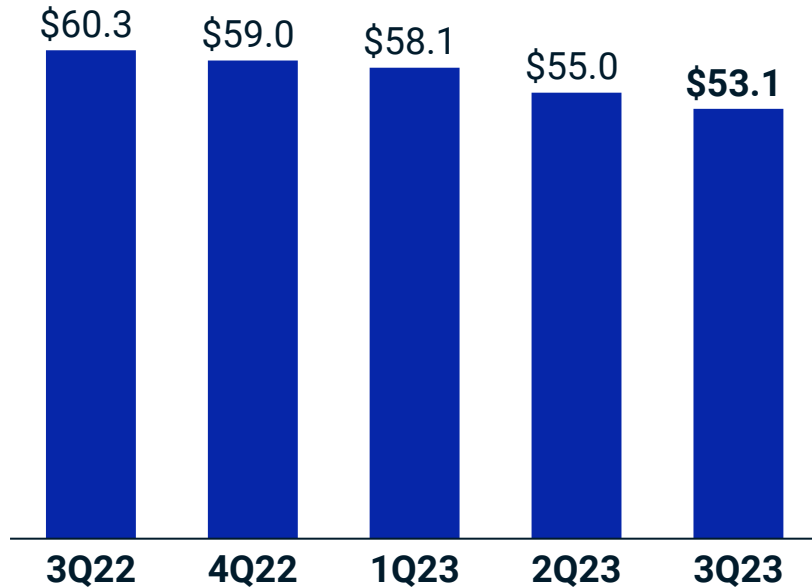
US = ETFs linked to MSCI equity indexes, the majority of whose weight is comprised of securities in MSCI Developed Market (DM) countries, primarily or exclusively in the US; DM ex US = ETFs linked to MSCI equity indexes, the majority of whose weight is comprised of securities in MSCI DM countries; EM = ETFs linked to MSCI equity indexes, the majority of whose weight is comprised of securities that are not in MSCI DM countries.



# Listed Futures & Options Linked to MSCI Indexes

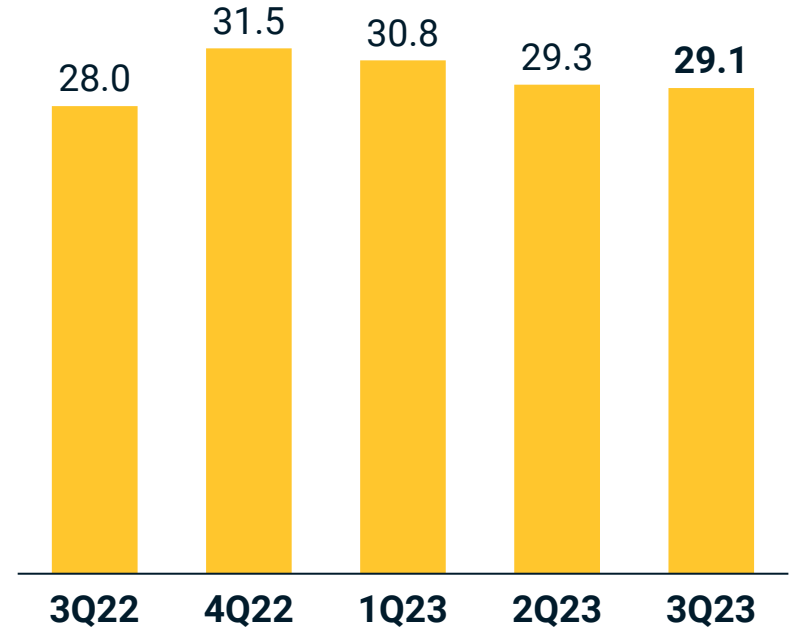
## Run Rate From Listed Futures & Options Linked to MSCI Indexes

(US\$ in millions)



## Futures & Options Volume Linked to MSCI Indexes

(in millions of contracts traded<sup>1</sup>)



# Analytics: Significant Opportunities in Equity Portfolio Management: \$1B+ TAM

## Growth Drivers

Asset Owners

- > **Increasingly using Factors** for portfolio construction and asset allocation

Asset Managers

- > **Portfolio customization** through end-user applications

Hedge Funds and Broker Dealers

- > **Large consumers of model data** to embed into their investment processes. Eager to consume all the new content we produce

## Accelerators

Integration of **ESG and Climate** in portfolio construction

- **Client-facing applications**
- **ESG/climate/thematic** integration
- **Capabilities to customize indexes**

Content distribution through **APIs, partners and digital marketplaces**

**Broad Adoption of Factors and Portfolio Customization Driving Growth**

# Analytics: Multi-Asset Class Solutions Well Positioned to Grow in a \$2B+ TAM

## Growth Drivers

### Multi-Asset Class Portfolio Management

Large demand for **multi-asset solutions** from **institutional and individual** investors

### Multi-Asset Class Risk Management

**Demand** for solutions to new problems from **asset managers and asset owners**  
Need to **innovate, decrease complexity and achieve scale**

## Accelerators

- **Tools for multi-asset solution managers**
- **Asset allocation solutions for asset owners**
- **Mass portfolio personalization for wealth managers**
- Solutions for **liquidity, climate change, long horizon risk, private asset investing** and **new regulations**
- Models and analytics through **cloud-hosted APIs** and **integration with clients' infrastructure**

**Solving Two Critical Needs: Building MAC Portfolios and Managing Portfolios across Asset Classes**

# Build Better Solutions with MSCI Multi-Asset Class Solutions

1

## ESG & Climate Data

- Integrated **Climate** and **ESG** data to build solutions aligned with climate and ESG objectives
- Hundreds of data points covering carbon emissions, climate value at risk (**CVaR**), and ESG risks
- **Multi-asset class** coverage

2

## Differentiated Content

- Across **global** geographies & asset classes
- **Differentiated**, for construction: factors, stress testing, optimization
- **Long-term risk** and return
- Models **customized** to the investment process
- Attribution of risk and performance on same factors

3

## Enterprise Data Workflows

- High-performance, **high-availability workflows** to integrate with internal systems
- Leverage MSCI's automated data quality checks, results monitoring, and **established processes**
- Distribute **high-quality, standardized result sets** to multiple applications

# Analytics: Fast Growth Potential in Fixed Income Portfolio Management

## Key Drivers

- **Systematic investing in fixed income is growing** as data becomes widely available and price transparency improves
- Fixed income investors **need to integrate ESG/Climate considerations**

## Key Opportunities

- **Estimated \$200M opportunity** to help **asset owners and asset managers** build fixed income portfolios
- Expansion into **insurance companies**

## 2022 Results

- **~25% YoY run rate growth as of December 31, 2022** for Fixed Income Analytics<sup>1</sup>
- Resulted from **cross-selling** fixed income teams of our large **multi-asset class client base**, as well as **winning new clients**

## MSCI is Offering Differentiated Solutions

Developed Closely with Clients to Solve Unmet Needs

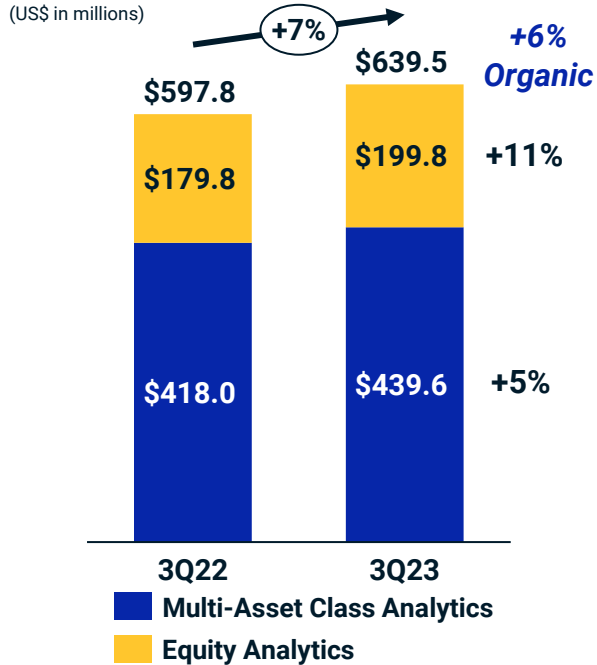
Distributed through Order Management System, which Simplifies Workflows and Creates Consistency

Integrated with MSCI Fixed Income Indexes and ESG/Climate Data, which are Competitive Differentiators

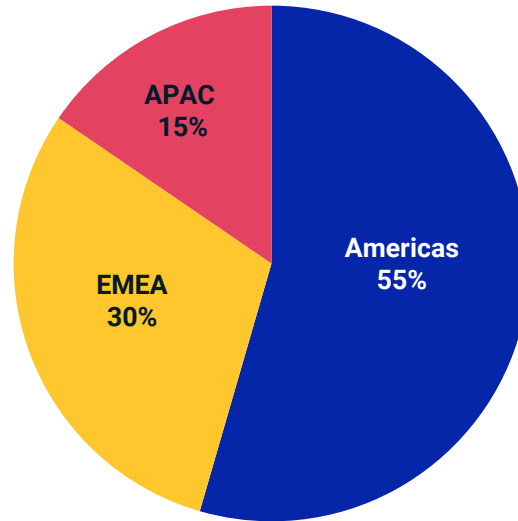
**Investors are Demanding Innovative Solutions and Better Service**

# Analytics Segment at a Glance

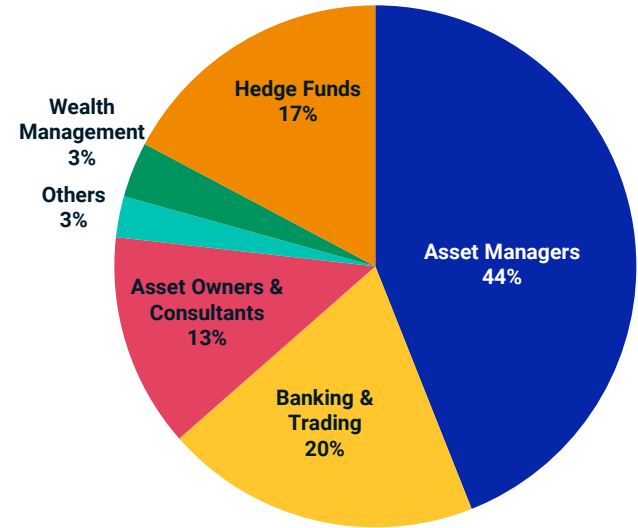
## Analytics Run Rate



## Analytics Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Geography



## Analytics Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Client base



# ESG & Climate: A Pioneer and Market Leader

## Setting Standards and Providing a Common Language

45+

**years experience** in objectively measuring and modeling ESG characteristics<sup>1</sup>

1,500+

**MSCI ESG equity and fixed income indexes**<sup>2</sup>

1,200+

**employees**<sup>10</sup> **working on ESG & Climate matters**, including experts and technologists providing the most efficient investment signals

Deep integration across MSCI products catering to the investment value chain

Extensive set of solutions for ESG and Climate integration

## Leadership and Depth of Coverage:

ESG Indexes

- #1 ESG Index Provider by Equity ETF Assets Linked to its ESG Indexes<sup>3</sup>;
- \$664B in institutional, retail and ETF assets benchmarked to MSCI ESG & Climate Indexes as of 12/31/22

ESG Ratings & Data

- 48 of the top 50 Asset Managers<sup>4</sup> leverage MSCI ESG Research Products;
- ~3,000 ESG Clients<sup>5</sup> Globally with Coverage of 17,320+ Issuers and 961,000+ Securities,
- Approximately 20% penetration of UN-PRI signatories<sup>6</sup>

Climate Data & Analytics

- Climate Data Provider to 45 of the World's Top 50 Asset Managers<sup>7</sup>;
- 2,250+ Climate Change Metrics, Covering 19,610+ Issuers<sup>8</sup>

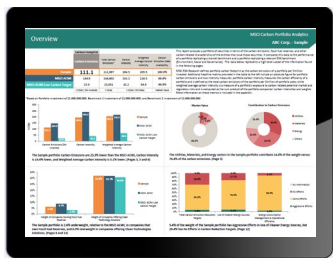
Climate Indexes

- #1 Climate Index Provider by Equity ETF Assets Linked to its Climate Indexes<sup>9</sup>

## Multiple Years of Creating a Comprehensive Ecosystem

<sup>1</sup> Through MSCI legacy companies KLD, Innovest, IRR, and GMI Ratings; <sup>2</sup> Source MSCI Inc. as of January 2023; <sup>3</sup> Data based on Refinitiv Universe as of June 2023, only primary listings, and not cross-listings; <sup>4</sup> MSCI ESG solutions are used by 48 of the top 50 world's largest Asset Managers as determined by the report "The world's largest 500 asset managers" – a Thinking Ahead Institute and Pensions & Investments joint study. AUM and rankings calculated as of December 2021. Report published October 2022. MSCI clients as of June 2023 ; <sup>5</sup> As of December 2022, client count is based on the shipping address of the ultimate customer utilizing the product, and affiliates, user locations or business units within a single organization are considered as separate clients, <sup>6</sup> As of December 2022. Analysis includes ESG & Climate reportable segment <sup>7</sup> MSCI ESG Research's climate solutions are used by 45 of the top 50 world's largest Asset Managers as determined by the report "The world's largest 500 asset managers" – a Thinking Ahead Institute and Pensions & Investments joint study. AUM and rankings calculated as of December 2021. Report published October 2022. MSCI clients as of June 2023 <sup>8</sup> Source: MSCI ESG Research as of Feb 2023 <sup>9</sup> Data as of June 2023, based on eVestment for Institutional funds, Morningstar for Retail funds and Refinitiv Universe for ETFs <sup>10</sup> As of June 30, 2023

# ESG & Climate: Comprehensive Solutions Backed by Unique Capabilities



## Financial Materiality<sup>1</sup>

- One of the first ESG provider to assess companies based on industry financial materiality, dating back to 1999<sup>1</sup>
- Focus on the issues that are most relevant to a company's core business model

## Deep Knowledge

- Regularly evaluating new datasets, monitoring emerging ESG issues and exploring new technologies to improve our research process and the value for clients.
- Deep climate expertise with dedicated MSCI Climate Risk Center

## Broad ESG and Climate coverage

- Broad ESG Ratings coverage with 90% of equity and fixed income market value<sup>2</sup>
- Provide consistent solutions across investment instruments

## Alternative data beyond corporate disclosure

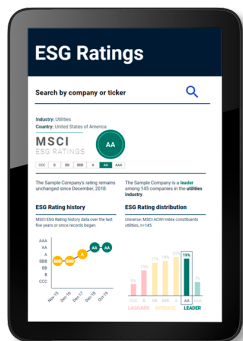
- Our cutting-edge modelling capabilities transform varied sources of unstructured data into meaningful insights
- Leverage technology and AI to increase timeliness and precision of data collection and analysis

## Leading Technology

- Approximately 300 Technologists dedicated to ESG and Climate<sup>3</sup>
- 100+ data scientists develop robust models turning unstructured data into meaningful output<sup>3</sup>

## Long Track Record<sup>4</sup>

- Extensive track record, analyzed by multiple academic studies
- Tried and tested solution



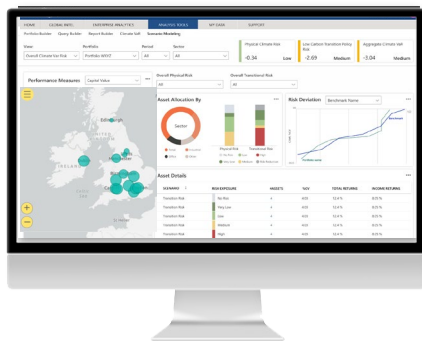
**“One way out of the dilemma of uncorrelated ratings is to use the one with the most predictive power, which they found to be MSCI ESG Ratings” Linda-Eling Lee<sup>5</sup>**

<sup>1</sup> Origins of MSCI ESG Ratings from 1999; Financial materiality - ratings focus key ESG issues that could become financially material over the medium to long term; <sup>2</sup> Source: MSCI ESG Research as of February 2023, coverage subject to change; <sup>3</sup> Source: MSCI ESG Research as of June 2023. Includes full time employees, employees of foreign affiliates providing investment advisory services to MSCI ESG Research LLC, and global allocated staff performing non-investment advisory tasks; <sup>4</sup> Serafeim, G & Yoon, A, (2021). [Stock Price Reactions to ESG News: The Role of ESG Ratings and Disagreement](#) Harvard Business School Accounting & Management Unit; <sup>5</sup> Linda-Eling Lee's February 2021 comment on the results of the Serafeim, G & Yoon, A, (2021) paper



# A Clear View of The Climate Transition at Every Step of The Process: Identify, Measure and Monitor Risks and Opportunities

## Integration and Analysis of Climate Exposure

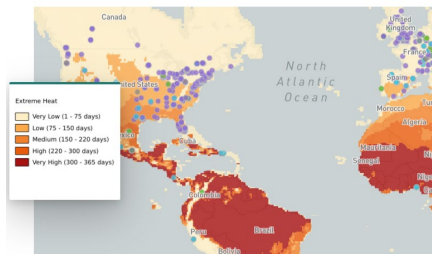
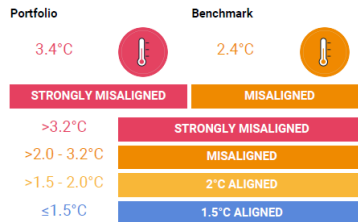


- Measure and monitor the carbon emissions of issuers and portfolio companies
- Broad asset class offering through **Total Portfolio Footprinting** covering 4m+ securities and coverage via on demand services.
- Tools to help investors monitor **climate transition** and **physical risks**, including leaders and laggards in the portfolio, and advance their net zero strategy

## Forward-Looking Climate Insights

Implied Temperature Rise (ITR) provides a forward-looking portfolio level metric in degrees Celsius demonstrating how aligned the companies in the portfolio are to global temperature targets

### Implied Temperature Rise



## Climate Models and Metrics



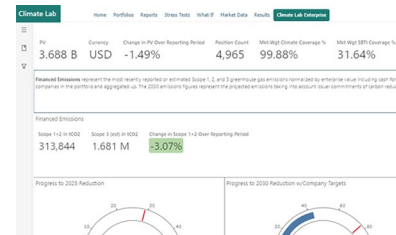
**Carbon Emissions & Footprinting**



**Physical Risk Assessment  
Low Carbon Transition Risk**



**MSCI Climate Scenario Analysis  
(Portfolio Climate Insights)**



**MSCI Climate Lab** - an application that provides investors with the data and tools to track and assess companies' progress towards net-zero commitments and align their portfolios with climate targets

# MSCI ESG Research: Large and Comprehensive Universe of Data

*Robust metrics & scores, building blocks and data sets to provide more transparency into the underlying inputs into our models and offer clients tools to address their key data needs.*

## Source Data and Documents (L0)

Unstructured source-level data – includes document extracts, “as-reported” data (no additional QC).

*Sustainability Report excerpt, information on company website, news article*



## Standardized Data (L1)

Structured qualitative and quantitative data. Converted to comparable units, subject to QC. Includes estimates and simple calculations.

*Carbon Emissions (t), Fossil Fuel Revenue (USD), Women on Board (%)*



## Derived Data and Scores (L2)

Rules-based derived data calculated using L1 input data and proprietary MSCI ESG Research models and methodologies.

*Key Issue Scores*

## MSCI Ratings and Assessments (L3)

MSCI assessments combining aggregation of scores, MSCI ESG Research analyst view, and committee approval (including overrides, truncations).

*MSCI ESG Rating, MSCI ESG Controversies Flag*

**MSCI ESG Research undertakes extensive work to normalize, standardize and clean up data so that disclosed information is comparable between issuers and usable in a dataset.**

## Global Issuers and Securities

**Rates 10,000+ issuers from 95 countries**

**Rates 17,320+ issuers through subsidiary mapping**

**ESG data mapped to 961,000+ securities**

**175+ Government Fixed Income issuers covered**

**Covers 90%<sup>1</sup> of the equity and fixed income market value**

# MSCI ESG & Climate Standardized Data

## Production and Capacity Data

Standardized production and capacity data including fossil fuels, reserves, fuel mix, etc.

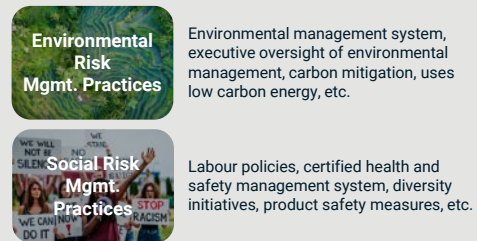


## Company Targets and Commitments Data

Forward-looking company-reported targets and commitments and companies' progress toward achieving those targets.



## Environmental and Social Qualitative Data

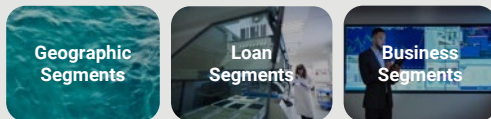


Environmental management system, executive oversight of environmental management, carbon mitigation, uses low carbon energy, etc.

Labour policies, certified health and safety management system, diversity initiatives, product safety measures, etc.

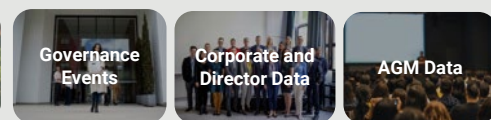
## Company Segment Data

Business and geographic revenue and asset segments mapped to key ESG risk exposures

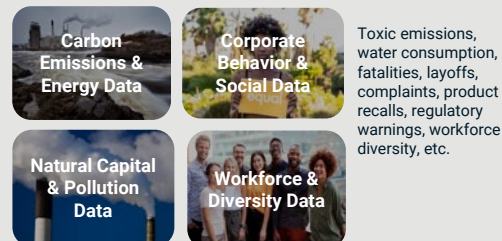


## Governance Data

Company level board, pay, ownership and accounting characteristics



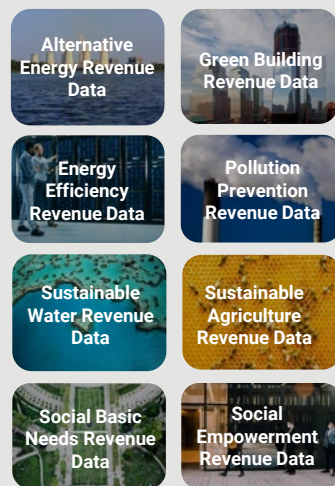
## Environmental and Social Quantitative Data



Toxic emissions, water consumption, fatalities, layoffs, complaints, product recalls, regulatory warnings, workforce diversity, etc.

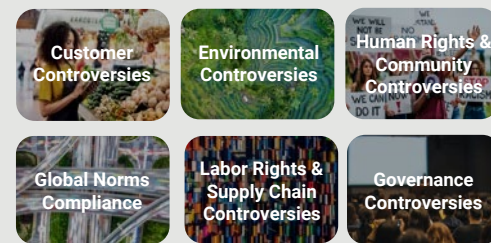
## Sustainable Activity Revenue Data

Revenue from products / services with positive impact on the society and the environment.



## Controversies and Global Norms Data

Controversies involving the impact of company operations, governance practices, and/or products and services.



## Controversial Activity Involvement Data

Involvement in Tobacco, Alcohol, Nuclear Weapons, Cannabis, Abortion etc.



## Global Sanctions Data

Datapoints relating to existing global sanctions – typically measuring involvement



# MSCI ESG Research: Data to Help Clients with Critical Investing Decisions

## Drill down into MSCI model

Helping clients understand the components that drive an MSCI ESG Research top level assessment by diving into the data.

## Data to report on the ESG characteristics of portfolios

MSCI ESG data sets and specific metrics to report on portfolio exposures to different ESG issues.

## Data to build thematic strategies

Helping clients optimize their portfolios by specific ESG themes and exposures.



## Data to measure and communicate the impact of portfolios

Assess and communicate the net impact of portfolios on each of the 17 UN SDGs.

## Data for shareholder engagement

Helping clients identify outliers that lag on specific ESG related risks to inform their engagement strategy.

## Data to Build House Views

Helping clients build models based on weighing issues and themes they consider aligned to their ESG integration strategies.

# MSCI ESG & Climate Data – Quality Assurance

MSCI ESG & Climate products are based on **7 million data points** per month with inputs from more than **4,700 news sources**, **150 alternative data sources**, **12,000 corporate websites** and submissions from more than **5,200 corporate issuers**.

## Data Governance

**Overarching Governance principles** through data methodology, cataloging, data structure, QA methodologies, data receipts **help maintain data consistency and quality**.

## Domain Expertise

**Global Industry expertise** (11 Sectors), **deep and broad content knowledge** (10 differentiated domain expertise) coupled with **strong local market presence**.

## Data Quality

We look at a broad range of dimensions when defining quality: **completeness, exhaustivity, timeliness, accuracy** as well as **traceability back to source** (evidences).

## Technology Driven

**We leverage technology in all steps of our content creation**, to provide scale, speed, and unique and differentiated content.

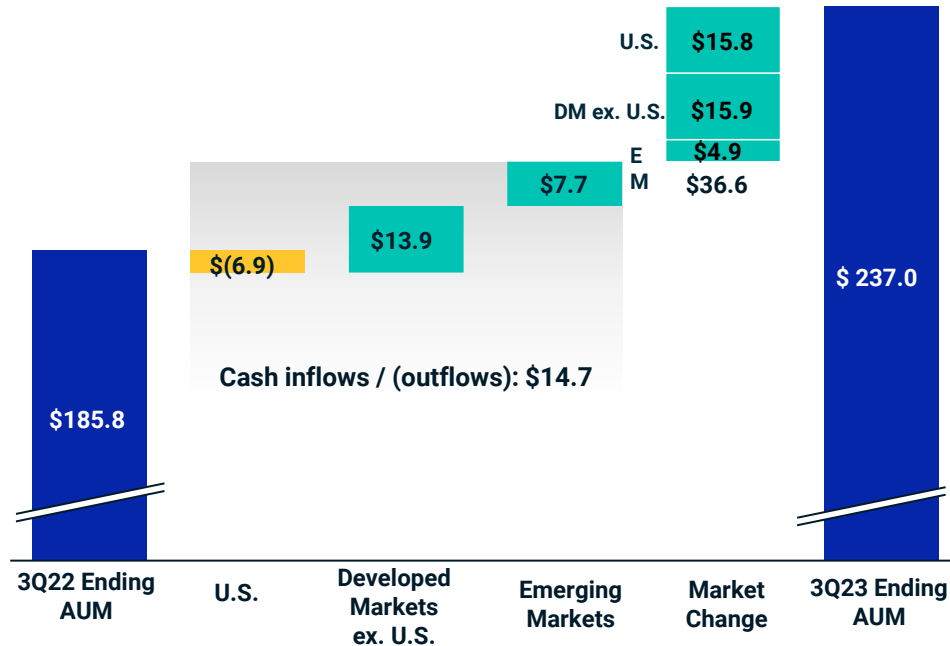
## Data Science Powered

We are using various **Data Science techniques** ranging from Natural Language Processing (**NLP**) for document identification, classification and data extraction, to Machine Learning (**ML**) **models** to identify contextual anomalies.

# Significant Growth Across ESG and Climate Franchise

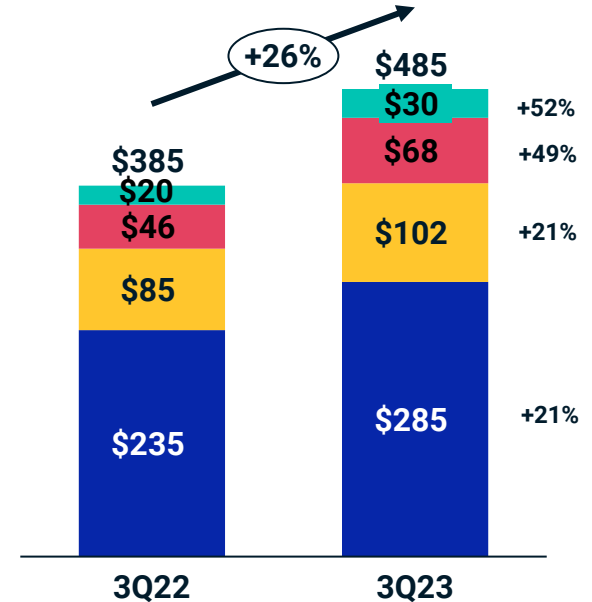
## AUM in ETFs Linked to MSCI ESG and Climate Equity Indexes

(US\$ in billions)



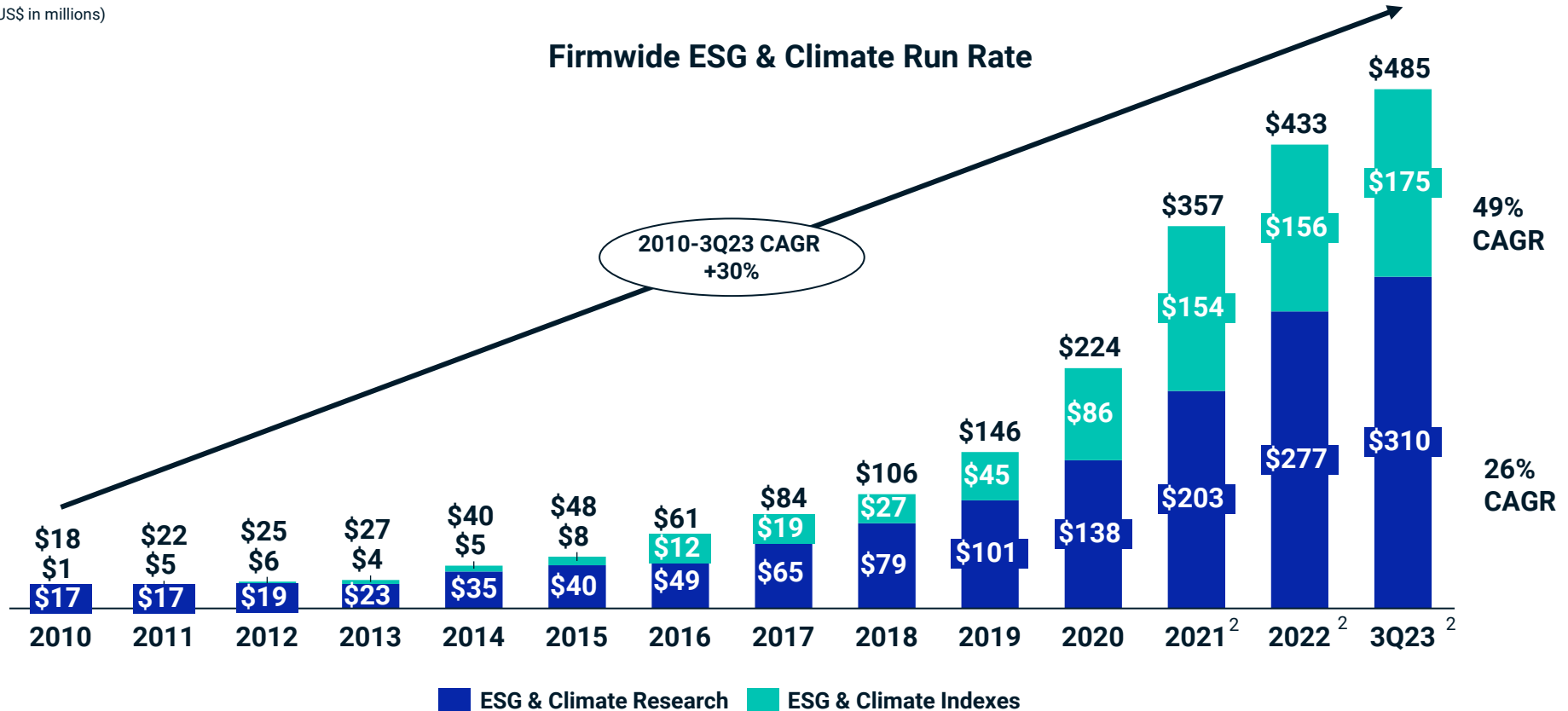
## ESG & Climate Run Rates Across all Segments<sup>1</sup>

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# ESG & Climate: Continued Growth Across Firmwide Franchise

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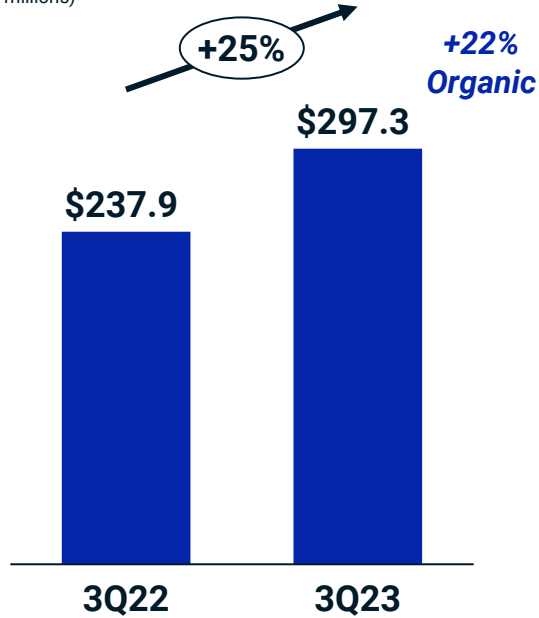
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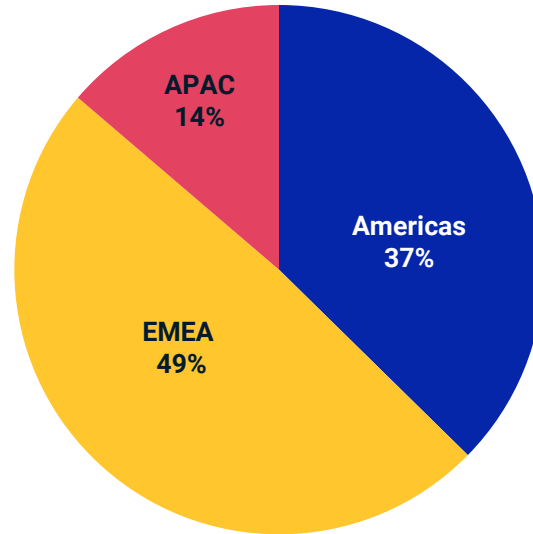
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## ESG & Climate Segment Run Rate

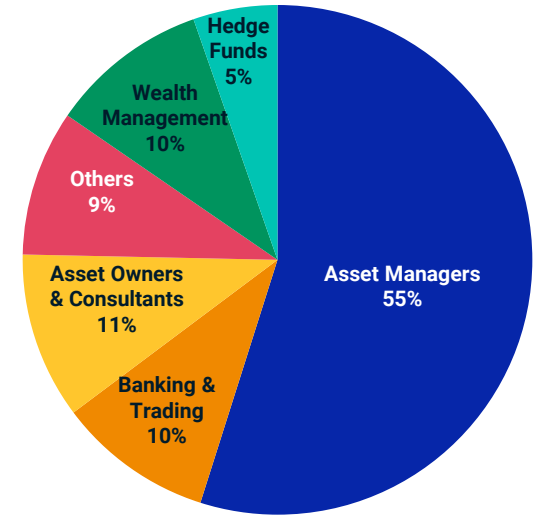
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## ESG & Climate Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Geography



## ESG & Climate Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Client base





# Our Real Assets Solutions

## Game-changing data

MSCI Real Assets is the only global partner in data, portfolio services and insights for investments in commercial real estate and infrastructure assets.

### Market Data Products

Macro and micro commercial real estate data related to properties, performance, transactions, pricing, markets, capital flows and investment trends, including:

- Real Capital Analytics:
  - \$42T+ of transactions covering property transactions, Mortgage Debt Intelligence®, Construction Intel and Climate Intel
  - A global investor universe with 200,000+ investors, lenders, brokers and deal participants
- Property Intel: UK and Nordics property search platform that collects, matches and visualizes data including owner/occupier, valuation, market, leasing, planning, zoning and construction data
- Index Intel: real data collected directly from asset managers, pension funds, insurance companies and REITs to measure performance and risk

### Portfolio Services Products

Analytics for stronger, sustainable portfolios, strategies and decisions – across the entire investment process:

- Portfolio Performance Insights:
  - Headline performance & risk of your global holdings compared with industry standard or custom benchmarks
  - Attribution of property portfolio, fund, asset and tenancy performance
- Portfolio Climate Insights: forward-looking return-based valuation assessment of climate risk and systematic disclosure tools across commercial and residential real estate portfolios
- Portfolio Income Insights: providing forward-looking income risk monitoring and property or tenant due diligence assessment based on dataset of 500m companies globally

### MSCI Property Indexes and Property Fund Indexes

Over 3000+ Real Assets Indexes created to help you track performance and measure risk of direct real estate investments, including:

- MSCI Global Property Index (GPI)
- Asia Pacific, North America, EMEA regional indexes plus sub-regional composites
- MSCI Property Indexes for 30+ countries
- MSCI Real Capital Analytics CPPI™ Commercial Property Prices Indexes
- MSCI Global quarterly infrastructure asset index

**70+ headlined indexes • 2000+ clients • 170+ countries • 950+ data contributors**

# Burgiss has Leading Data, Analytics and Software Solutions

*Comprehensive, high quality private equity, private real assets and private debt investment data*

## Private Asset Universe Data and Analytics

Gives clients context for performance, exposure and cash flows at the portfolio, fund and underlying holding levels; provides context for both pre- and post- investment activity



- Benchmark managers and portfolios
- Due diligence and research
- Asset allocation
- Support capital raising and investor relations
- *Delivered through Private i Platform: Universe Data*



## Private Asset Portfolio Management Platform and Funds Transparency

Purpose-built platform to allow investment, risk and operations teams to manage, measure and report on their portfolio of private asset commitments



- Measure and monitor exposures and existing managers
- Identify sources of return and drivers of value creation
- Cash flow and liquidity management
- Investment Book of Record (IBOR) for private assets
- *Delivered through Private I Platform: Portfolio Management and Transparency Data*



## Multi-Asset Class Solutions For Public and Private Investments

Unique platform designed to provide a comprehensive view of both public and private investments for institutional allocators



- Exposures, risk, liquidity, performance attribution across multi-asset class portfolios
- Data inputs from custodians, investor letters, SMAs, and 13Fs for both public and private assets
- Investment Book of Record (IBOR) for total portfolio
- *Delivered through Caissa Platform*

# Burgiss: Leading the Evolution of Private Asset Investing

35+ Years of Expertise

Global, market-leading provider of data and analytics solutions for **investors of private asset**

~650 Specialists

**Focused on private asset** investments across the globe

~1,000 Institutional Clients in 40 Countries

Clients include endowments, foundations, family offices, pension funds and sovereign wealth funds

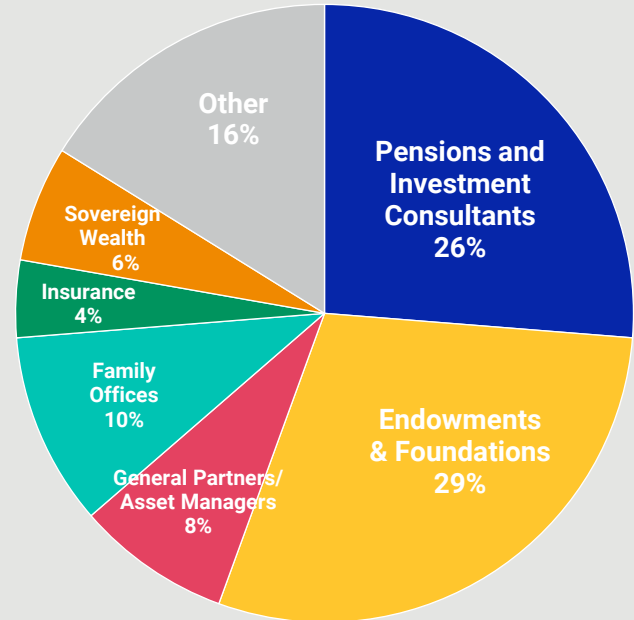
\$15T+ in Private Asset Data

**Sourced without bias from LPs, and covers 13k funds** of PE, RE, private debt, infrastructure, natural resources and other private assets **since 1978**

Private Asset and Total Portfolio Management Tools

**Leading portfolio management, analytics and benchmarks**, powered by fund and holding-level data

## Clients that Use Burgiss

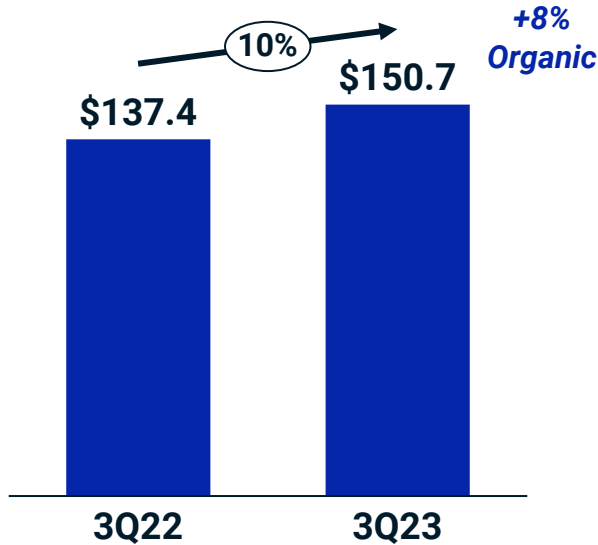


Note: Burgiss client segment mix as of July 2023 based on annualized contract value

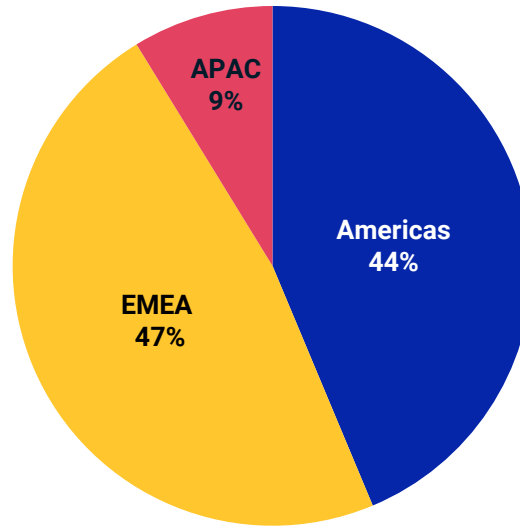
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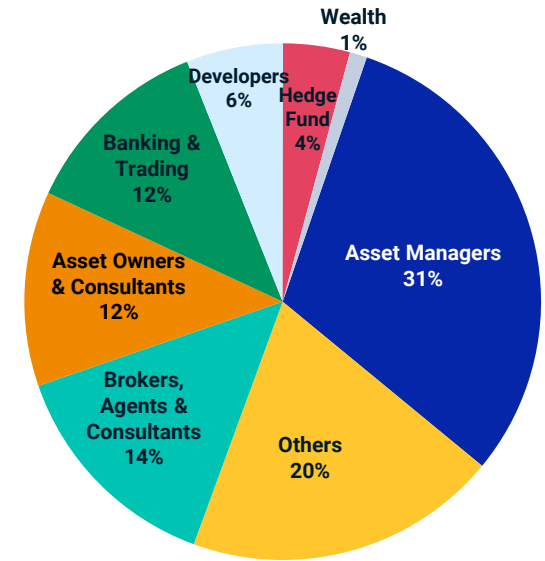
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All other- Private Assets Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Geography



All other- Private Assets Run Rate as of 09/30/2023 by Client base



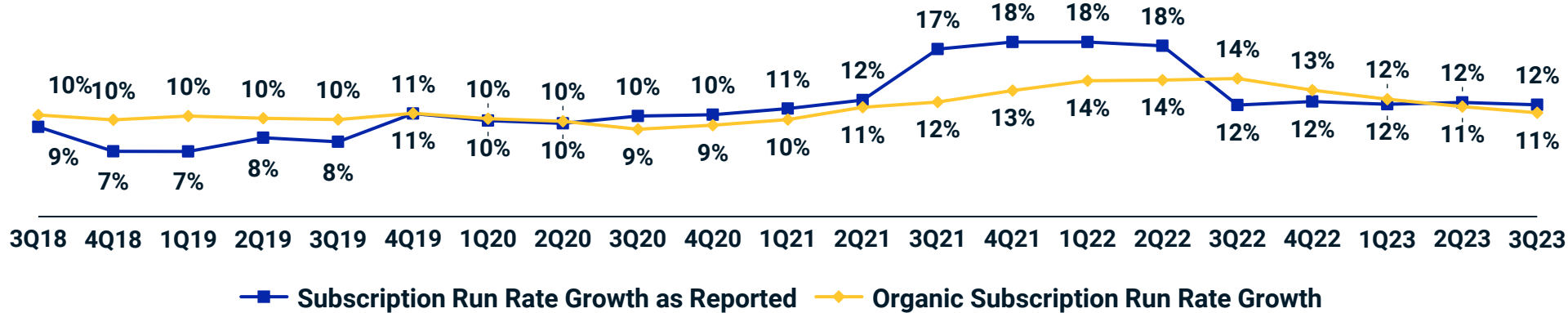
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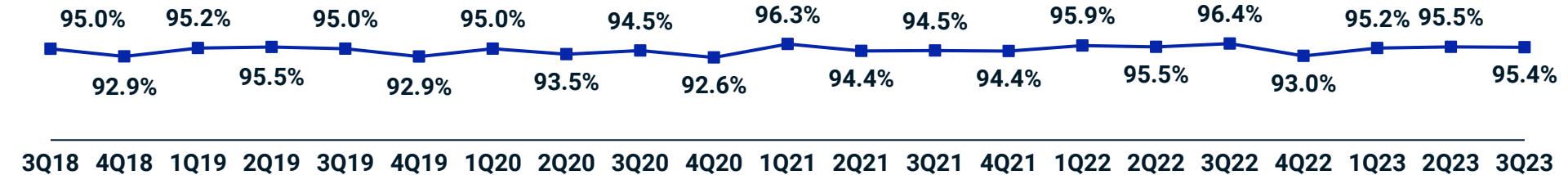


# Continued Resilient Key Operating Metrics

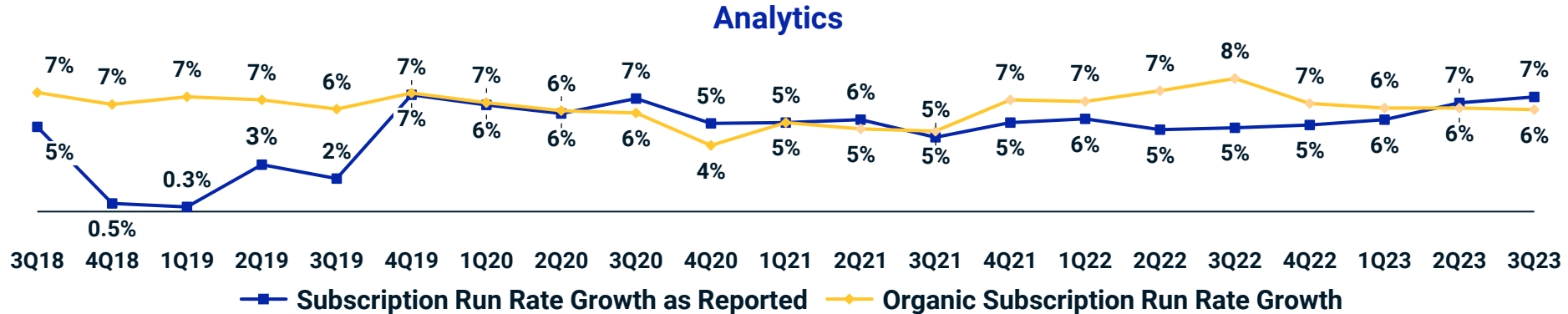
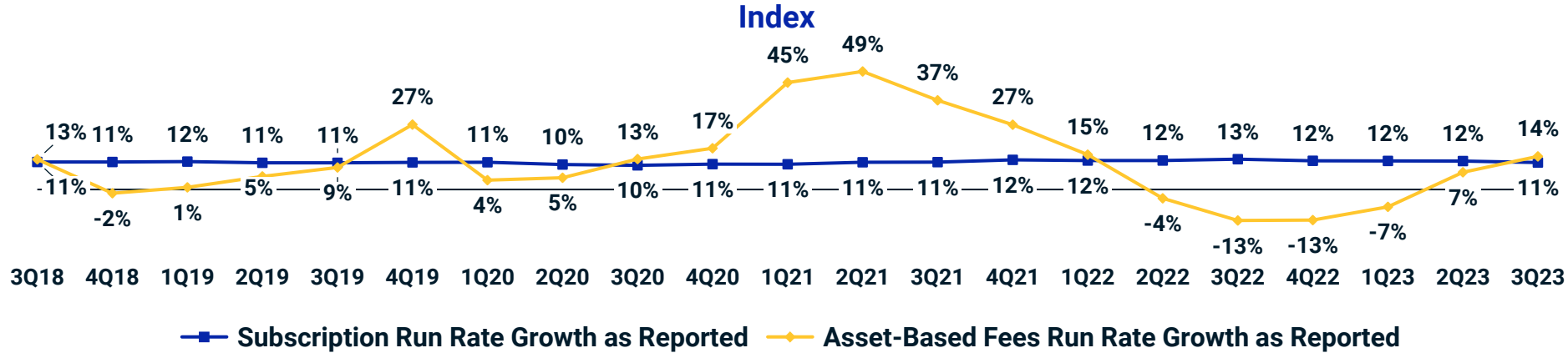
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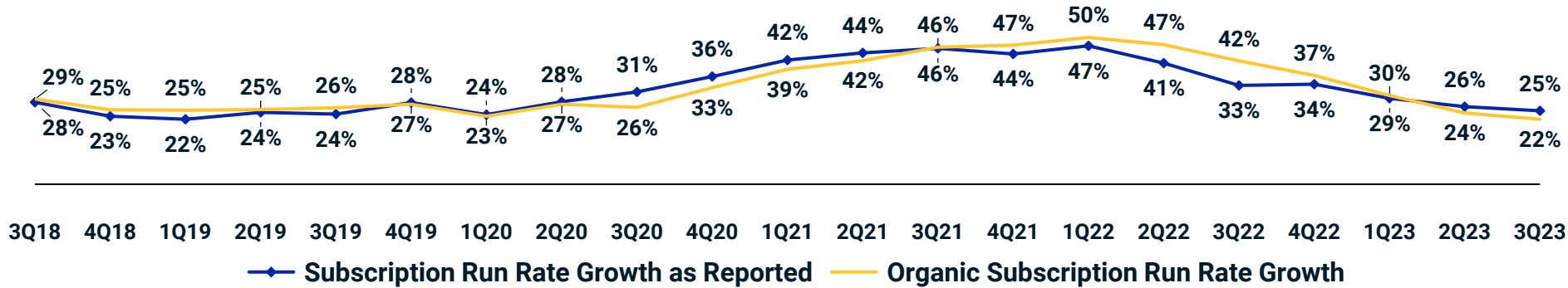


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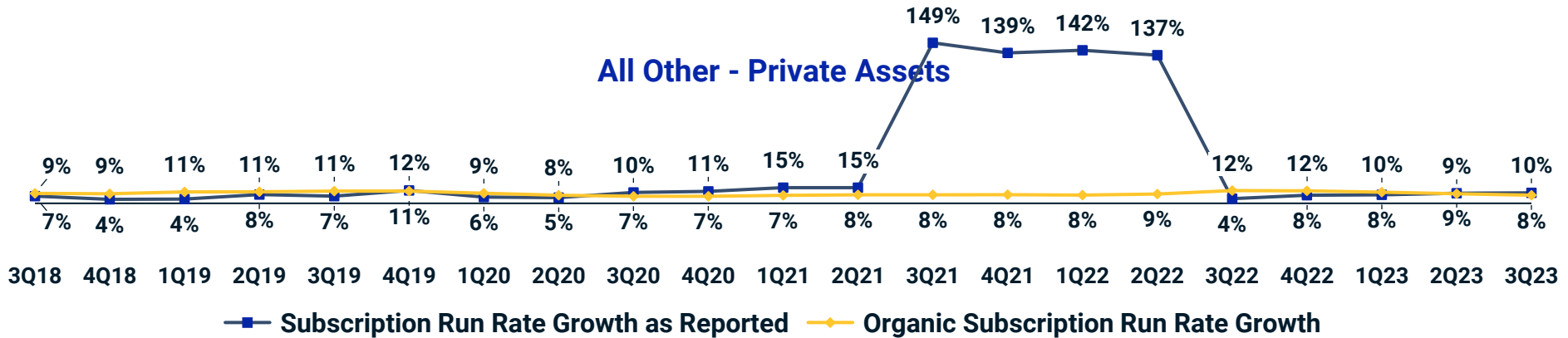


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## ESG & Climate



## All Other - Private Assets

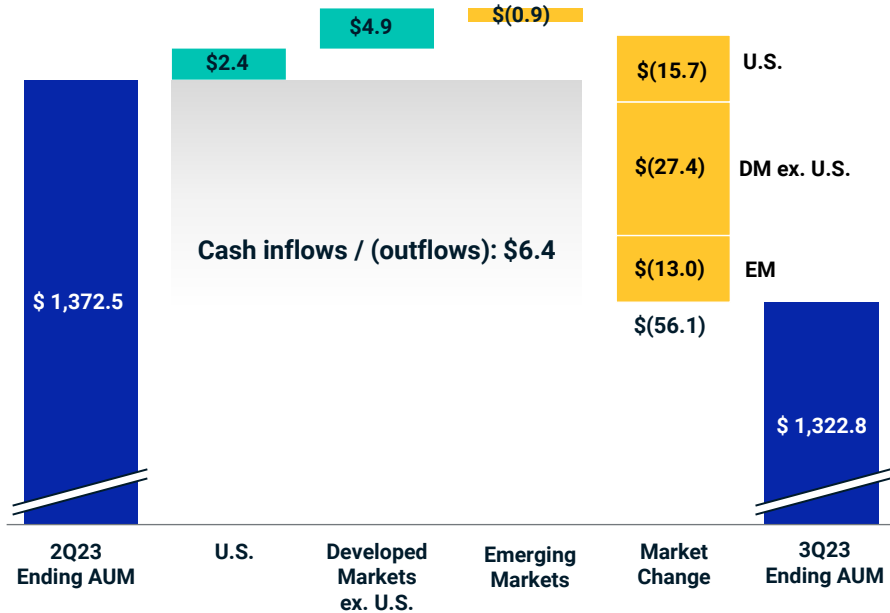




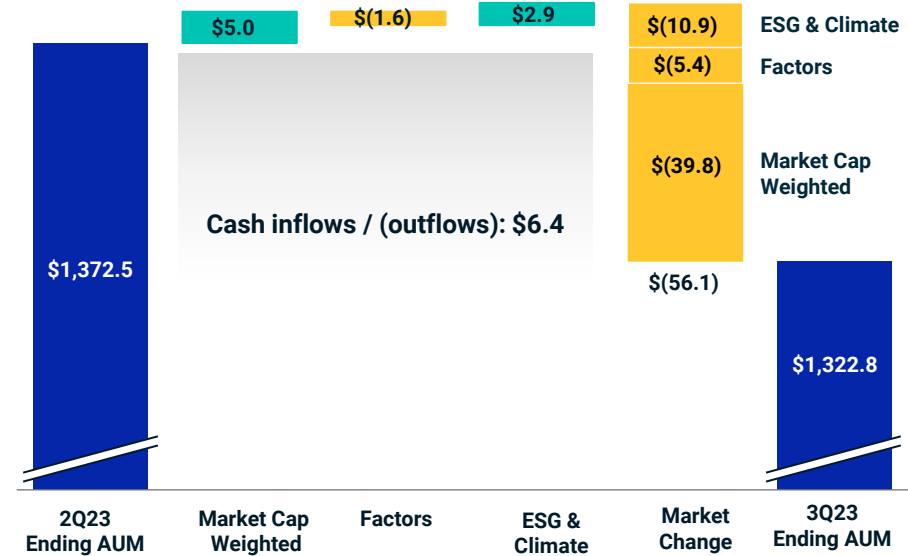
# 3Q23 QoQ AUM Drivers: MSCI-Linked Equity ETFs

(US\$ in billions)

## By Geographic Exposure



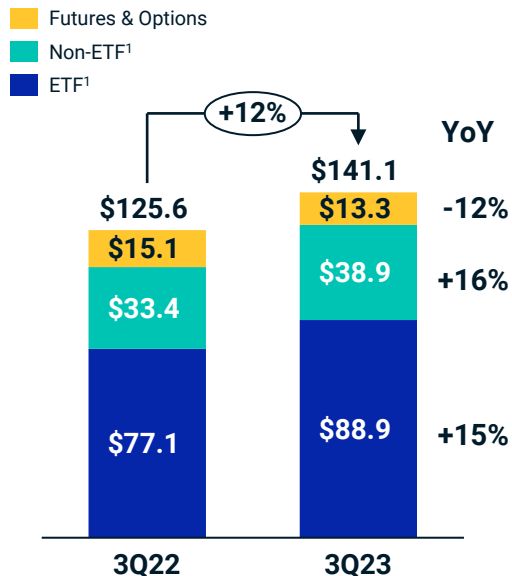
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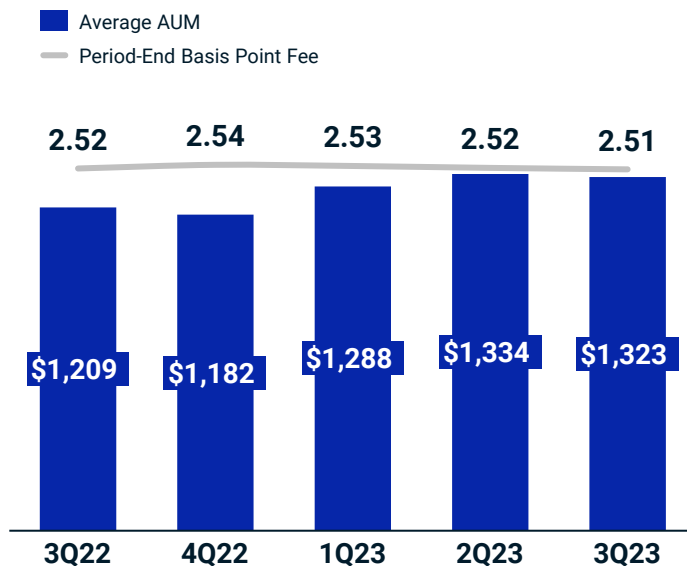
# Index Segment: Asset-Based Fees Details

(US\$ in millions, except AUM in billions and Average BPS)

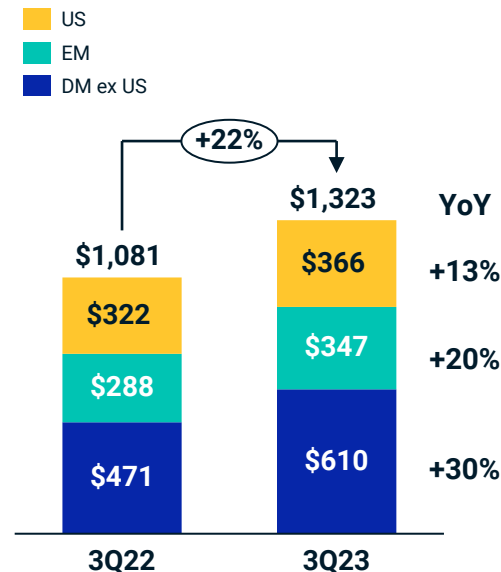
## Asset-based Fees (ABF) Revenue



## Quarterly Average AUM and Period-End Basis Point Fee<sup>2</sup> of ETFs linked to MSCI Equity Indexes



## Quarter-End AUM by Market Exposure<sup>3</sup> of ETFs linked to MSCI Equity Indexes



<sup>1</sup> Primarily from products linked to MSCI equity indexes. Also includes contributions from products linked to MSCI Fixed Income indexes

<sup>2</sup> Based on period-end Run Rate for ETFs linked to MSCI equity indexes using period-end AUM. Please refer to Table 7: AUM in ETFs Linked to MSCI equity Indexes (unaudited) of the press release reporting MSCI's financial results for third quarter 2023.

<sup>3</sup> US = ETFs linked to MSCI equity indexes, the majority of whose weight is comprised of securities in MSCI Developed Market (DM) countries, primarily or exclusively in the US; DM ex US = ETFs linked to MSCI equity indexes, the majority of whose weight is comprised of securities in MSCI DM countries other than the US; EM = ETFs linked to MSCI equity indexes, the majority of whose weight is comprised of securities that are not in MSCI DM countries. Note: The AUM in equity ETFs also includes AUM in Exchange Traded Notes, the value of which is less than 1% of the AUM amounts presented.

# Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

- MSCI has presented supplemental non-GAAP financial measures as part of this earnings presentation. Reconciliations are provided in the following slides below that reconcile each non-GAAP financial measure with the most comparable GAAP measure. The non-GAAP financial measures presented in this earnings release should not be considered as alternative measures for the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. The non-GAAP financial measures presented in this earnings release are used by management to monitor the financial performance of the business, inform business decision-making and forecast future results.
- “Adjusted EBITDA” is defined as net income before (1) provision for income taxes, (2) other expense (income), net, (3) depreciation and amortization of property, equipment and leasehold improvements, (4) amortization of intangible assets and, at times, (5) certain other transactions or adjustments, including, when applicable, certain acquisition-related integration and transaction costs.
- “Adjusted EBITDA expenses” is defined as operating expenses less depreciation and amortization of property, equipment and leasehold improvements and amortization of intangible assets and, at times, certain other transactions or adjustments, including, when applicable, certain acquisition-related integration and transaction costs.
- “Adjusted EBITDA margin” is defined as adjusted EBITDA divided by operating revenues.
- “Adjusted net income” and “adjusted EPS” are defined as net income and diluted EPS, respectively, before the after-tax impact of: the amortization of acquired intangible assets, including the amortization of the basis difference between the cost of the equity method investment and MSCI’s share of the net assets of the investee at historical carrying value and, at times, certain other transactions or adjustments, including, when applicable, the impact related to certain acquisition-related integration and transaction costs and the impact related to gain from changes in ownership interest of investees.
- “Capex” is defined as capital expenditures plus capitalized software development costs.
- “Free cash flow” is defined as net cash provided by operating activities, less Capex.
- “Organic operating revenue growth” is defined as operating revenue growth compared to the prior year period excluding the impact of acquired businesses, divested businesses and foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations.
- Asset-based fees ex-FX does not adjust for the impact from foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations on the underlying assets under management (“AUM”).
- We believe adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA margin and adjusted EBITDA expenses are meaningful measures of the operating performance of MSCI because they adjust for significant one-time, unusual or non-recurring items as well as eliminate the accounting effects of certain capital spending and acquisitions that do not directly affect what management considers to be our ongoing operating performance in the period.
- We believe adjusted net income and adjusted EPS are meaningful measures of the performance of MSCI because they adjust for the after-tax impact of significant one-time, unusual or non-recurring items as well as eliminate the impact of any transactions that do not directly affect what management considers to be our ongoing operating performance in the period. We also exclude the after-tax impact of the amortization of acquired intangible assets and amortization of the basis difference between the cost of the equity method investment and MSCI’s share of the net assets of the investee at historical carrying value, as these non-cash amounts are significantly impacted by the timing and size of each acquisition and therefore not meaningful to the ongoing operating performance in the period.
- We believe that free cash flow is useful to investors because it relates the operating cash flow of MSCI to the capital that is spent to continue and improve business operations, such as investment in MSCI’s existing products. Further, free cash flow indicates our ability to strengthen MSCI’s balance sheet, repay our debt obligations, pay cash dividends and repurchase shares of our common stock.
- We believe organic operating revenue growth is a meaningful measure of the operating performance of MSCI because it adjusts for the impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations and excludes the impact of operating revenues attributable to acquired and divested businesses for the comparable prior year period, providing insight into our ongoing operating performance for the period(s) presented.
- We believe that the non-GAAP financial measures presented in this earnings presentation facilitate meaningful period-to-period comparisons and provide a baseline for the evaluation of future results.
- Adjusted EBITDA expenses, adjusted EBITDA margin, adjusted EBITDA, adjusted net income, adjusted EPS, Capex, free cash flow and organic operating revenue growth are not defined in the same manner by all companies and may not be comparable to similarly-titled non-GAAP financial measures of other companies. These measures can differ significantly from company to company depending on, among other things, long-term strategic decisions regarding capital structure, the tax jurisdictions in which companies operate and capital investments. Accordingly, the Company’s computation of these measures may not be comparable to similarly-titled measures computed by other companies.

# Use of Operating Metrics

- MSCI has presented supplemental key operating metrics as part of this earnings presentation, including Retention Rate, Run Rate, subscription sales, subscription cancellations and non-recurring sales.
- Retention Rate is an important metric because subscription cancellations decrease our Run Rate and ultimately our future operating revenues over time. The annual Retention Rate represents the retained subscription Run Rate (subscription Run Rate at the beginning of the fiscal year less actual cancels during the year) as a percentage of the subscription Run Rate at the beginning of the fiscal year.
- The Retention Rate for a non-annual period is calculated by annualizing the cancellations for which we have received a notice of termination or for which we believe there is an intention not to renew or discontinue the subscription during the non-annual period, and we believe that such notice or intention evidences the client's final decision to terminate or not renew the applicable agreement, even though such notice is not effective until a later date. This annualized cancellation figure is then divided by the subscription Run Rate at the beginning of the fiscal year to calculate a cancellation rate. This cancellation rate is then subtracted from 100% to derive the annualized Retention Rate for the period.
- Retention Rate is computed by operating segment on a product/service-by-product/service basis. In general, if a client reduces the number of products or services to which it subscribes within a segment, or switches between products or services within a segment, we treat it as a cancellation for purposes of calculating our Retention Rate except in the case of a product or service switch that management considers to be a replacement product or service. In those replacement cases, only the net change to the client subscription, if a decrease, is reported as a cancel. In the Analytics and the ESG and Climate operating segments, substantially all product or service switches are treated as replacement products or services and netted in this manner, while in our Index and Real Assets operating segments, product or service switches that are treated as replacement products or services and receive netting treatment occur only in certain limited instances. In addition, we treat any reduction in fees resulting from a down-sell of the same product or service as a cancellation to the extent of the reduction. We do not calculate Retention Rate for that portion of our Run Rate attributable to assets in index-linked investment products or futures and options contracts, in each case, linked to our indexes.
- Run Rate estimates at a particular point in time the annualized value of the recurring revenues under our client license agreements ("Client Contracts") for the next 12 months, assuming all Client Contracts that come up for renewal, or reach the end of the committed subscription period, are renewed and assuming then-current currency exchange rates, subject to the adjustments and exclusions described below. For any Client Contract where fees are linked to an investment product's assets or trading volume/fees, the Run Rate calculation reflects, for ETFs, the market value on the last trading day of the period, for futures and options, the most recent quarterly volumes and/or reported exchange fees, and for other non-ETF products, the most recent client-reported assets. Run Rate does not include fees associated with "one-time" and other non-recurring transactions. In addition, we add to Run Rate the annualized fee value of recurring new sales, whether to existing or new clients, when we execute Client Contracts, even though the license start date, and associated revenue recognition, may not be effective until a later date. We remove from Run Rate the annualized fee value associated with products or services under any Client Contract with respect to which we have received a notice of termination, non-renewal or an indication the client does not intend to continue their subscription during the period and have determined that such notice evidences the client's final decision to terminate or not renew the applicable products or services, even though such notice is not effective until a later date.
- "Organic recurring subscription Run Rate growth" is defined as the period over period Run Rate growth, excluding the impact of changes in foreign currency and the first year impact of any acquisitions. It is also adjusted for divestitures. Changes in foreign currency are calculated by applying the currency exchange rate from the comparable prior period to current period foreign currency denominated Run Rate.
- Sales represents the annualized value of products and services clients commit to purchase from MSCI and will result in additional operating revenues. Non-recurring sales represent the actual value of the customer agreements entered into during the period and are not a component of Run Rate. New recurring subscription sales represent additional selling activities, such as new customer agreements, additions to existing agreements or increases in price that occurred during the period and are additions to Run Rate. Subscription cancellations reflect client activities during the period, such as discontinuing products and services and/or reductions in price, resulting in reductions to Run Rate. Net new recurring subscription sales represent the amount of new recurring subscription sales net of subscription cancellations during the period, which reflects the net impact to Run Rate during the period.
- Total gross sales represent the sum of new recurring subscription sales and non-recurring sales. Total net sales represent the total gross sales net of the impact from subscription cancellations.

# 3Q23 Summary Financial Results

In thousands, except per share data (unaudited)	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	% Change	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	% Change
Operating revenues	\$ 625,439	\$ 560,639	11.6 %	\$ 1,838,814	\$ 1,672,390	10.0 %
Operating income	\$ 353,309	\$ 309,531	14.1 %	\$ 1,013,864	\$ 898,890	12.8 %
Operating margin %	56.5 %	55.2 %		55.1 %	53.7 %	
Net income	\$ 259,659	\$ 216,592	19.9 %	\$ 745,212	\$ 655,602	13.7 %
Diluted EPS	\$ 3.27	\$ 2.68	22.0 %	\$ 9.32	\$ 8.05	15.8 %
Adjusted EPS	\$ 3.45	\$ 2.85	21.1 %	\$ 9.85	\$ 8.61	14.4 %
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 386,289	\$ 340,961	13.3 %	\$ 1,108,324	\$ 990,649	11.9 %
Adjusted EBITDA margin %	61.8 %	60.8 %		60.3 %	59.2 %	

# Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA (Unaudited)

In thousands	TTM	Year Ended				
	Sep. 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022	Dec. 31, 2021	Dec. 31, 2020	Dec. 31, 2019	Dec. 31, 2018
<b>Net income</b>	\$ 960,183	\$ 870,573	\$ 725,983	\$ 601,822	\$ 563,648	\$ 507,885
Provision for income taxes	206,665	173,268	132,153	84,403	39,670	122,011
Other expense (income), net	155,766	163,799	214,589	198,539	152,383	57,002
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>\$ 1,322,614</b>	<b>\$ 1,207,640</b>	<b>\$ 1,072,725</b>	<b>\$ 884,764</b>	<b>\$ 755,701</b>	<b>\$ 686,898</b>
Amortization of intangible assets	101,348	91,079	80,592	56,941	49,410	54,189
Depreciation and amortization of property, equipment and leasehold improvements	22,378	26,893	28,901	29,805	29,999	31,346
Impairment related to sublease of leased property	—	—	7,702	—	—	—
Acquisition-related integration and transaction costs(1)	1,006	4,059	6,870	—	—	—
Multi-Year PSU payroll tax expense	—	—	—	—	15,389	—
<b>Consolidated adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 1,447,346</b>	<b>\$ 1,329,671</b>	<b>\$ 1,196,790</b>	<b>\$ 971,510</b>	<b>\$ 850,499</b>	<b>\$ 772,433</b>
<b>Operating Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 2,415,022</b>	<b>\$ 2,248,598</b>	<b>\$ 2,043,544</b>	<b>\$ 1,695,390</b>	<b>\$ 1,557,796</b>	<b>\$ 1,433,984</b>
<b>Operating Margin</b>	<b>54.8%</b>	<b>53.7%</b>	<b>52.5%</b>	<b>52.2%</b>	<b>48.5%</b>	<b>47.9%</b>
<b>Adjusted EBITDA Margin</b>	<b>59.9%</b>	<b>59.1%</b>	<b>58.6%</b>	<b>57.3%</b>	<b>54.6%</b>	<b>53.9%</b>

(1) Represents transaction expenses and other costs directly related to the acquisition and integration of acquired businesses, including professional fees, severance expenses, regulatory filing fees and other costs, in each case that are incurred no later than 12 months after the close of the relevant acquisition.

# Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA (cont'd) (Unaudited)

In thousands	Three Months Ended			
	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022
<b>Net income</b>	\$ 259,659	\$ 216,592	\$ 745,212	\$ 655,602
Provision for income taxes	57,997	52,612	155,974	122,577
Other expense (income), net	35,653	40,327	112,678	120,711
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>353,309</b>	<b>309,531</b>	<b>1,013,864</b>	<b>898,890</b>
Amortization of intangible assets	26,722	23,375	77,543	67,274
Depreciation and amortization of property, equipment and leasehold improvements	5,252	7,127	15,911	20,426
Acquisition-related integration and transaction costs(1)	1,006	928	1,006	4,059
<b>Consolidated adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 386,289</b>	<b>\$ 340,961</b>	<b>\$ 1,108,324</b>	<b>\$ 990,649</b>
Index adjusted EBITDA	\$ 277,672	\$ 245,967	\$ 808,424	\$ 737,012
Analytics adjusted EBITDA	71,781	67,634	197,710	181,484
ESG and Climate adjusted EBITDA	25,440	15,910	66,114	42,334
All Other - Private Assets adjusted EBITDA	11,396	11,450	36,076	29,819
<b>Consolidated adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 386,289</b>	<b>\$ 340,961</b>	<b>\$ 1,108,324</b>	<b>\$ 990,649</b>

(1) Represents transaction expenses and other costs directly related to the acquisition and integration of acquired businesses, including professional fees, severance expenses, regulatory filing fees and other costs, in each case that are incurred no later than 12 months after the close of the relevant acquisition.

# Reconciliation of Operating Expenses to Adjusted EBITDA Expenses (Unaudited)

In thousands	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		Full-Year
	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	2023 Guidance (1)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	\$ 272,130	\$ 251,108	\$ 824,950	\$ 773,500	\$1,135,000 - \$1,165,000
Amortization of intangible assets	26,722	23,375	77,543	67,274	
Depreciation and amortization of property, equipment and leasehold improvements	5,252	7,127	15,911	20,426	\$135,000 - \$145,000
Acquisition-related integration and transaction costs(2)	1,006	928	1,006	4,059	
<b>Consolidated adjusted EBITDA expenses</b>	<b>239,150</b>	<b>219,678</b>	<b>730,490</b>	<b>681,741</b>	<b>\$1,000,000 - \$1,020,000</b>
Index adjusted EBITDA expenses	\$ 84,450	\$ 76,273	\$ 255,396	\$ 236,936	
Analytics adjusted EBITDA expenses	82,487	77,281	253,509	244,912	
ESG and Climate adjusted EBITDA expenses	47,598	41,685	145,201	122,418	
All Other - Private Assets adjusted EBITDA expenses	24,615	24,439	76,384	77,475	
<b>Consolidated adjusted EBITDA expenses</b>	<b>239,150</b>	<b>219,678</b>	<b>730,490</b>	<b>681,741</b>	<b>\$1,000,000 - \$1,020,000</b>

(1) We have not provided a full line-item reconciliation for total operating expenses to adjusted EBITDA expenses for this future period because we believe such a reconciliation would imply a degree of precision and certainty that could be confusing to investors and we are unable to reasonably predict certain items contained in the GAAP measure without unreasonable efforts. This is due to the inherent difficulty of forecasting the timing or amount of various items that have not yet occurred and are out of the Company's control or cannot be reasonably predicted. For the same reasons, the Company is unable to address the probable significance of the unavailable information. Forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures provided without the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures may vary materially from the corresponding GAAP financial measures. See "Forward-Looking Statements" above.

(2) Represents transaction expenses and other costs directly related to the acquisition and integration of acquired businesses, including professional fees, severance expenses, regulatory filing fees and other costs, in each case that are incurred no later than 12 months after the close of the relevant acquisition.



# Reconciliation of Net Income and Diluted EPS to Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EPS (Unaudited)

	TTM		Year Ended			
	Sep. 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022	Dec. 31, 2021	Dec. 31, 2020	Dec. 31, 2019	Dec. 31, 2018
<b>In thousands, except per share data</b>						
Net income	\$ 960,183	\$ 870,573	\$ 725,983	\$ 601,822	\$ 563,648	\$ 507,885
Plus: Amortization of acquired intangible assets and equity method investment basis difference	67,165	67,373	47,001	37,413	34,773	43,981
Plus: Multi-Year PSU payroll tax expense	—	—	—	—	15,389	—
Less: Discrete excess tax benefit related to Multi-Year PSU vesting	—	—	—	—	(66,581)	—
Plus: Debt extinguishment costs associated with the 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027 senior notes redemptions	—	—	59,104	44,930	16,794	—
Plus: Write-off of internally developed capitalized software	—	—	16,013	—	—	—
Plus: Impairment related to sublease of leased property	—	—	8,702	—	—	—
Plus: Acquisition-related integration and transaction costs(1)(2)	1,006	4,220	7,041	—	—	—
Less: Gain from changes in ownership interest of equity method invest	(447)	—	(6,972)	—	—	—
Less: Gain on sale of FEA (not tax effected)	—	—	—	—	—	(10,646)
Less: Gain on sale of InvestorForce	—	—	—	—	—	(46,595)
Less: Valuation allowance released related to InvestorForce dispositio	—	—	—	—	—	(7,758)
Less: Tax Reform adjustments	—	—	—	(6,256)	—	(8,272)
Less: Income tax effect (3)	(12,098)	(11,883)	(26,462)	(16,490)	(13,226)	1,678
<b>Adjusted net income</b>	<b>\$ 1,015,809</b>	<b>\$ 930,283</b>	<b>\$ 830,410</b>	<b>\$ 661,419</b>	<b>\$ 550,797</b>	<b>\$ 480,273</b>
Diluted EPS	\$ 11.99	\$ 10.72	\$ 8.70	\$ 7.12	\$ 6.59	\$ 5.66
Plus: Amortization of acquired intangible assets and equity method investment basis difference	0.84	0.83	0.56	0.44	0.41	0.49
Plus: Multi-Year PSU payroll tax expense	—	—	—	—	0.18	—
Less: Discrete excess tax benefit related to Multi-Year PSU vesting	—	—	—	—	(0.78)	—
Plus: Debt extinguishment costs associated with the 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027 senior notes redemptions	—	—	0.71	0.53	0.20	—
Plus: Write-off of internally developed capitalized software	—	—	0.19	—	—	—
Plus: Impairment related to sublease of leased property	—	—	0.10	—	—	—
Plus: Acquisition-related integration and transaction costs(1)(2)	0.01	0.05	0.08	—	—	—
Less: Gain from changes in ownership interest of equity method invest	(0.01)	—	(0.08)	—	—	—
Less: Gain on sale of FEA (not tax effected)	—	—	—	—	—	(0.12)
Less: Gain on sale of InvestorForce	—	—	—	—	—	(0.52)
Less: Valuation allowance released related to InvestorForce dispositio	—	—	—	—	—	(0.09)
Plus: Tax Reform adjustments	—	—	—	(0.07)	—	(0.09)
Less: Income tax effect (3)	(0.14)	(0.15)	(0.31)	(0.19)	(0.16)	0.02
<b>Adjusted EPS</b>	<b>\$ 12.69</b>	<b>\$ 11.45</b>	<b>\$ 9.95</b>	<b>\$ 7.83</b>	<b>\$ 6.44</b>	<b>\$ 5.35</b>
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	80,075	81,215	83,479	84,517	85,536	89,701

# Reconciliation of Net Income and Diluted EPS to Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EPS (cont'd) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022
<b>In thousands, except per share data</b>				
Net income	\$ 259,659	\$ 216,592	\$ 745,212	\$ 655,602
Plus: Amortization of acquired intangible assets and equity method investment basis difference	16,722	16,811	50,356	50,564
Plus: Acquisition-related integration and transaction costs(1)	1,006	928	1,006	4,220
Less: Gain from changes in ownership interest of investees	—	—	(447)	—
Less: Income tax effect	(3,327)	(3,537)	(8,880)	(8,630)
<b>Adjusted net income</b>	<b>\$ 274,060</b>	<b>\$ 230,794</b>	<b>\$ 787,247</b>	<b>\$ 701,756</b>
Diluted EPS	\$ 3.27	\$ 2.68	\$ 9.32	\$ 8.05
Plus: Amortization of acquired intangible assets and equity method investment basis difference	0.21	0.21	0.63	0.62
Plus: Acquisition-related integration and transaction costs(1)	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.05
Less: Gain from changes in ownership interest of investees	—	—	(0.01)	—
Less: Income tax effect	(0.04)	(0.05)	(0.10)	(0.11)
<b>Adjusted EPS</b>	<b>\$ 3.45</b>	<b>\$ 2.85</b>	<b>\$ 9.85</b>	<b>\$ 8.61</b>

(1) Represents transaction expenses and other costs directly related to the acquisition and integration of acquired businesses, including professional fees, severance expenses, regulatory filing fees and other costs, in each case that are incurred no later than 12 months after the close of the relevant acquisition.

# Reconciliation of Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities to Free Cash Flow (Unaudited)

In thousands	TTM	Year Ended				
	Sep. 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022	Dec. 31, 2021	Dec. 31, 2020	Dec. 31, 2019	Dec. 31, 2018
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 1,162,503	\$ 1,095,369	\$ 936,069	\$ 811,109	\$ 709,523	\$ 612,762
Capital expenditures	(24,547)	(13,617)	(13,509)	(21,826)	(29,116)	(30,257)
Capitalized software development costs	(64,933)	(59,278)	(39,285)	(29,149)	(24,654)	(18,704)
Capex	(89,480)	(72,895)	(52,794)	(50,975)	(53,770)	(48,961)
<b>Free cash flow</b>	<b>\$ 1,073,023</b>	<b>\$ 1,022,474</b>	<b>\$ 883,275</b>	<b>\$ 760,134</b>	<b>\$ 655,753</b>	<b>\$ 563,801</b>

In thousands	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		Full-Year
	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	Sep. 30, 2023	Sep. 30, 2022	2023 Guidance (1)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 291,131	\$ 323,069	\$ 847,076	\$ 779,942	<b>\$1,145,000 - \$1,195,000</b>
Capital expenditures	(3,564)	(3,275)	(18,942)	(8,012)	
Capitalized software development costs	(17,417)	(14,726)	(50,080)	(44,425)	
Capex	(20,981)	(18,001)	(69,022)	(52,437)	<b>(\$85,000 - \$95,000)</b>
<b>Free cash flow</b>	<b>\$ 270,150</b>	<b>\$ 305,068</b>	<b>\$ 778,054</b>	<b>\$ 727,505</b>	<b>\$1,060,000 - \$1,120,000</b>

(1) We have not provided a line-item reconciliation for free cash flow to net cash from operating activities for this future period because we believe such a reconciliation would imply a degree of precision and certainty that could be confusing to investors and we are unable to reasonably predict certain items contained in the GAAP measure without unreasonable efforts. This is due to the inherent difficulty of forecasting the timing or amount of various items that have not yet occurred and are out of the Company's control or cannot be reasonably predicted. For the same reasons, the Company is unable to address the probable significance of the unavailable information. Forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures provided without the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures may vary materially from the corresponding GAAP financial measures. See "Forward-Looking Statements" above.

# Third Quarter 2023 Reconciliation of Operating Revenue Growth to Organic Operating Revenue Growth (UNAUDITED)

Comparison of the Three Months Ended September 30, 2023 and 2022				
	Total	Recurring Subscription	Asset-Based Fees	Non-Recurring Revenues
Index	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage
Operating revenue growth	12.4 %	11.3 %	12.3 %	31.7 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	0.1 %	0.1 %	— %	— %
Organic operating revenue growth	12.5 %	11.4 %	12.3 %	31.7 %
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage
<b>Analytics</b>				
Operating revenue growth	6.5 %	6.0 %	— %	38.6 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	0.1 %	0.1 %	— %	(2.0)%
Organic operating revenue growth	6.6 %	6.1 %	— %	36.6 %
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage
<b>ESG and Climate</b>				
Operating revenue growth	26.8 %	27.3 %	— %	4.2 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	(6.5)%	(6.6)%	— %	(2.9)%
Organic operating revenue growth	20.3 %	20.7 %	— %	1.3 %
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage
<b>All Other - Private Assets</b>				
Operating revenue growth	0.3 %	(0.1)%	— %	55.8 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	(1.6)%	(1.6)%	— %	(1.6)%
Organic operating revenue growth	(1.3)%	(1.7)%	— %	54.2 %
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage	Change Percentage
<b>Consolidated</b>				
Operating revenue growth	11.6 %	10.7 %	12.3 %	30.9 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	(0.7)%	(0.9)%	— %	(0.6)%
Organic operating revenue growth	10.9 %	9.8 %	12.3 %	30.3 %

# Nine Months 2023 Reconciliation of Operating Revenue Growth to Organic Operating Revenue Growth (UNAUDITED)

	Comparison of the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023 and 2022			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>
<b>Index</b>				
Operating revenue growth	9.2 %	11.9 %	2.3 %	52.1 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	0.2 %	0.2 %	0.1 %	— %
Organic operating revenue growth	9.4 %	12.1 %	2.4 %	52.1 %
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>
<b>Analytics</b>				
Operating revenue growth	5.8 %	5.5 %	— %	25.1 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	0.4 %	0.4 %	— %	(0.1)%
Organic operating revenue growth	6.2 %	5.9 %	— %	25.0 %
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>
<b>ESG and Climate</b>				
Operating revenue growth	28.3 %	28.9 %	— %	0.1 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	0.5 %	0.6 %	— %	(0.3)%
Organic operating revenue growth	28.8 %	29.5 %	— %	(0.2)%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>
<b>All Other - Private Assets</b>				
Operating revenue growth	4.8 %	4.7 %	— %	14.7 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	1.4 %	1.4 %	— %	(0.1)%
Organic operating revenue growth	6.2 %	6.1 %	— %	14.6 %
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Subscription</b>	<b>Asset-Based Fees</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Revenues</b>
	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>	<u>Change Percentage</u>
<b>Consolidated</b>				
Operating revenue growth	10.0 %	11.3 %	2.3 %	42.5 %
Impact of acquisitions and divestitures	— %	— %	— %	— %
Impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	0.3 %	0.4 %	0.1 %	— %
Organic operating revenue growth	10.3 %	11.7 %	2.4 %	42.5 %