

Composite: MFS Blended Research - Emerging Markets Equity Composite in CAD

Benchmark: MSCI EMF (Emerging Markets) - Net Return

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Composite Description: The MFS Blended Research - Emerging Markets Equity Composite includes all discretionary portfolios managed to the MFS Blended Research - Emerging Markets Equity strategy that seek to outperform the MSCI Emerging Markets Index over a full market cycle with controlled tracking error. The strategy seeks to provide long-term growth of capital through investment primarily in emerging markets securities selected through a blend of fundamental and quantitative research. Fundamental research focuses on quality and valuation with a long-term investment horizon. Quantitative research, which utilizes multi-factor models, provides an objective appraisal that complements the qualitative perspective of fundamental research. MFS' investment analysis, development and use of quantitative models, and selection of investments may not produce the intended results and/or can lead to an investment focus that results in underperforming portfolios with similar investment strategies and/or the markets in which the portfolio invests. The proprietary and third party quantitative models used by MFS may not produce the intended results for a variety of reasons, including the factors used, the weight placed on each factor, changing sources of market return, changes from the market factors' historical trends, and technical issues in the development, application, and maintenance of the models (e.g., incomplete or inaccurate data, programming/software issues, coding errors and technology failures). Emerging markets can have less market structure, depth, and regulatory, custodial or operational oversight and greater political, social, geopolitical and economic instability than developed markets. Stock markets and investments in individual stocks are volatile and can decline significantly in response to or investor perception of, issuer, market, economic, industry, political, regulatory, geopolitical, and other conditions.

Institutional Separate Accounts Fee Schedule

Asset Breakpoints (CAD)	Fee
For Assets Up To 50 MM	50 bp
For Assets From 50 MM To 100 MM	45 bp
For Assets Over 100 MM	40 bp

Period	Composite and Benchmark Return %			Composite Dispersion	Accounts in Composite at End of Period	Annualized 3-Year Standard Deviation		Assets (CAD million)	
	Gross of fees	Net of fees^	Benchmark			Composite	Benchmark	Composite	Firm
2024	27.28	26.49	17.26	n/a	<6	15.23	14.81	\$436.9	\$829,207.9
2023	8.38	7.72	6.88	n/a	<6	14.93	14.12	\$578.7	\$758,972.6
2022	-12.83	-13.28	-14.28	n/a	<6	16.96	16.13	\$663.7	\$714,369.6
2021	3.52	2.89	-3.37	n/a	<6	14.18	13.63	\$797.2	\$851,837.8
2020	10.05	9.39	16.23	n/a	<6	15.25	14.35	\$977.3	\$763,223.3
2019	14.08	13.40	12.43	n/a	<6	12.49	11.53	\$1,059.3	\$672,454.2
2018	-8.19	-8.80	-6.87	n/a	<6	12.81	12.35	\$737.1	\$582,573.1
2017	31.30	30.36	28.26	n/a	<6	12.75	13.06	\$27.7	\$615,214.6
2016	11.75	10.96	7.34	n/a	<6	12.62	12.79	\$16.2	\$570,670.1
2015	3.06	2.42	2.04	n/a	<6	11.50	11.44	\$7.2	\$572,882.1

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Net of fee returns presented in this table are gross of fee returns reduced by management fees and performance fees if applicable (actual fees). For certain accounts where the actual fees are unavailable, the maximum applicable annual institutional separate account fees were applied.

Total returns of the benchmark are provided for each period depicted, expressed in CAD. Source of Benchmark Performance: FACTSET ®.

MSCI EMF (Emerging Markets) - Net Return - a market capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure equity market performance in the global emerging markets.

Composite Dispersion is measured by the asset-weighted standard deviation of gross of fees account returns for all accounts in the composite for the full period. For composites containing less than six accounts for the full period, dispersion is deemed not meaningful and is not presented. The three-year annualized ex post standard deviation measures the variability of the gross of fees composite returns and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

Historical performance results may have differed had the composite included assets of client accounts during these time periods for various reasons including the impact of cash flows.

The MFS Blended Research - Emerging Markets Equity composite is a US Dollar based composite available globally. The regional composite depicted here was created on 22-April-2015 for presentation in the Canadian market. Where appropriate, data has been converted to Canadian Dollar and the fees and breakpoints depicted are applicable to clients in this market.

Prior to 1-May-2015, the maximum institutional separate account fee charged for this product was 75 bps. From 1-May-2015 through 30-Jun-2020, the maximum institutional separate account fee charged for this product was 60 bps.

The composite asset minimum changed from 2MM USD to 1MM USD effective 1-Nov-2022.



Accounts are eligible for inclusion in the composite if they have assets greater than 1 MM USD (1.4 MM CAD). Accounts are included as of their first full month of performance.

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