

INDEX METHODOLOGY

# NASDAQ NEXT GENERATION 100 INDEX®

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# **INDEX DESCRIPTION**

The Nasdaq Next Generation 100 Index<sup>®</sup> is designed to measure the performance of the next generation of Nasdaq-listed non-financial companies; that is, the largest 100 companies outside of the Nasdaq-100 Index<sup>®</sup>.

# SECURITY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for inclusion in the Index, a security must meet the existing Nasdaq-100 Index<sup>®</sup> eligibility criteria.

### INDEX CALENDAR

The Nasdaq Next Generation 100 Index<sup>®</sup> follows the same Reconstitution and Rebalancing schedule as the Nasdaq-100 Index<sup>®</sup>.

# CONSTITUENT SELECTION

#### **Constituent selection process**

At each Index Reconstitution, all issuers that meet the applicable Security Eligibility Criteria are ranked by market capitalization, with the issuer having the highest market capitalization getting a rank of 1, the issuer having the second highest market capitalization getting a rank of 2, and so on. The largest 100 ranked issuers by market capitalization that are not in the Nasdaq-100 Index<sup>®</sup> are included in the Index.

# CONSTITUENT WEIGHTING

#### Constituent weighting scheme

The Index is a modified market capitalization-weighted index.

#### **Constituent weighting process**

Index Securities' initial weights are determined by dividing each Index Security's market capitalization by the aggregate market capitalization of all Index Securities.

The initial index weights are adjusted to meet the following constraint:

• No Index Security weight may exceed 4%.

For additional information about index weighting, see Nasdaq Index Weight Adjustment Guidelines.

### INDEX MAINTENANCE

#### **Deletion policy**

If, at any time other than an Index Reconstitution, Nasdaq determines that an Index Security has or will undergo a fundamental alteration that would make it ineligible for Index inclusion, the Index Security is removed and not replaced.

Such alterations may include:

- A listings switch to an ineligible Index Exchange.
- Merger, acquisition, or other major corporate event that would adversely impact the integrity of the Index.
- If a company is reorganized as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REITs").
- If an Index Security is reclassified as a Financial company (those companies that are classified under the Financials Industry) according to the Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB), a product of FTSE International Limited that is used under license.
- If an Index Security is added into the Nasdaq-100 Index<sup>®</sup>.

In the case of mergers and acquisitions, the effective date for the removal of an Index Issuer or security will be largely event-based, with the goal to remove the issuer or security as soon as completion of the acquisition or merger has been deemed highly probable. Notable events include, but are not limited to, completion of various regulatory reviews, the conclusion of material lawsuits and/or shareholder and Board approvals.

#### **Replacement policy**

Index Securities are not replaced in the Index outside of the Index Reconstitution.

#### **Corporate actions**

In the periods between scheduled index reconstitution and rebalancing events, individual Index securities may be the subject to a variety of corporate actions and events that require maintenance and adjustments to the Index. Specific treatment of each type of corporate action or event is described in **Nasdaq Corporate Actions and Events Manual – Equities**, which is incorporated herein by reference.

In certain cases, corporate actions and events are handled according to the weighting scheme or other index construction techniques employed. Wherever alternate methods are described, the Index will follow the "Market Cap Corporate Action Method."

At the quarterly rebalancing, no changes are made to the Index from the previous month end until the quarterly share change effective date, with the exception of corporate actions with an ex-date.

#### Index share adjustments

For handling of changes in TSO greater than or equal to 10.0% arising from other corporate events, please refer to Nasdaq Corporate Actions and Events Manual – Equities.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Announcements

Nasdaq announces Index-related information via the Nasdaq Global Index Watch (GIW) website at http://indexes.nasdaqomx.com.

For more information on the general Index Announcement procedures, please refer to the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

#### Holiday schedules

The Indexes are calculated Monday through Friday, except on days when the Nasdaq exchange is closed.

#### **Unexpected market closures**

For information on Unexpected Market Closures, please refer to the Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide.

#### **Calculation types**

For information on the Index calculation types as well as the mathematical approach used to calculate the Index(es), please refer to the **Nasdaq Index Policies & Procedures: Calculation Manual – Equities & Commodities**.

#### Recalculation and restatement policy

For information on the Recalculation and Restatement Policy, please refer to the **Nasdaq Index Recalculation Policy**.

#### Data sources

For information on data sources and the classification of dividends and associated tax rates, please refer to the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

#### **Contact information**

For any questions regarding an Index, please contact the Nasdaq Index Client Services team at indexservices@nasdaq.com.

#### Index dissemination

Index values and weightings information are available through Nasdaq Global Index Watch (GIW) website at https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/ as well as the Nasdaq Global Index FlexFile Delivery Service (GIFFD) and Global Index Dissemination Services (GIDS). Similar to the GIDS offerings, Genium Consolidated Feed (GCF) provides real-time Index values and weightings for the Nordic Indexes.

For more detailed information regarding Index Dissemination, see the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

#### Index calculation and dissemination schedule

The Indexes are calculated during the trading day based on the Last Sale Price and are disseminated once per second from 09:30:01 to 17:16:00 ET. The closing value of the indexes may change up until 17:15:00 ET due to corrections to the Last Sale Price of the Index Securities.

#### Website

For further information, please refer to Nasdaq GIW website at https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/.

#### FTP and dissemination service

Index values and weightings are available via FTP on the Nasdaq Global Indexes FlexFile Delivery Service (GIFFD). Index values are available via Nasdaq's Global Index Dissemination Services (GIDS).

### GOVERNANCE

#### Index governance

Nasdaq Indexes follow the same governance structure. For a detailed list of this information, please see the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

#### Nasdaq Index Management Committee

A methodology document is created for all new Index Methodologies. The methodology document includes the following: Index Objective, Security Eligibility Criteria, Index Construction, Index Maintenance, Index Governance, Index Policy, and Index Dissemination.

The Nasdaq Index Management Committee approves all new Index Methodologies. This committee is comprised of full-time professional members of Nasdaq. The committee meets regularly, and reviews items including, but not limited to, pending corporate actions that may affect Index constituents, statistics comparing the composition of the indexes to the market, companies that are being considered as candidates for addition to an Index, and any significant market events.

For a detailed overview of the Index Management Committee, please see the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

#### Internal reviews of methodology

For a detailed description on internal reviews of the Methodology, please see the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

#### Communication with stakeholders and consultations

For a detailed description on Consultations and Communications with Stakeholders, please see the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

#### Index cessation

Nasdaq has a documented procedure that is followed for Index Cessation that includes termination/retirement of an Index or Index Family.

For more information, please refer to the Nasdaq Index Cessation Policy.

#### **Discretionary adjustment**

This Index Methodology was created by Nasdaq to achieve the aforementioned objective of measuring the underlying purpose of each Index governed by this methodology document. Any deviations from this methodology are made in the sole judgment and discretion of Nasdaq so that the Index continues to achieve its objective.

For more information on potential adjustments including Calculation and Pricing Disruptions, Expert Judgment, and Unexpected Reconstitution/Rebalances, please refer to the **Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide**.

## **GLOSSARY OF TERMS AS USED IN THIS DOCUMENT**

See Nasdaq Index Methodology Guide.

### **APPENDIX: METHODOLOGY CHANGE LOG**

Effective date	Methodology section	Description or summary of changes
June 9, 2021	Index Maintenance:	Such alterations may include:
	Deletion policy	If a company is reorganized as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REITs").
June 9, 2021	Index Maintenance:	Section Removed
	Addition policy	
June 9, 2021	Index Maintenance:	Section Removed
	Corporate action exceptions	

### DISCLAIMER

Nasdaq may, from time to time, exercise reasonable discretion as it deems appropriate in order to ensure Index integrity, including but not limited to, quantitative inclusion criteria. Nasdaq may also, due to special circumstances, if deemed essential, apply discretionary adjustments to ensure and maintain the high quality of the index construction and calculation. Nasdaq does not guarantee that any Index accurately reflects future market performance.

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