

# Franklin US Equity Index

Ticker: FTUELX

Factsheet as of March 31, 2026

## Index Overview

The Franklin US Equity Index is designed to pursue long-term steady growth and seeks to outpace traditional market-cap-weighted indices by targeting attractively valued, high-quality US large-cap equities.

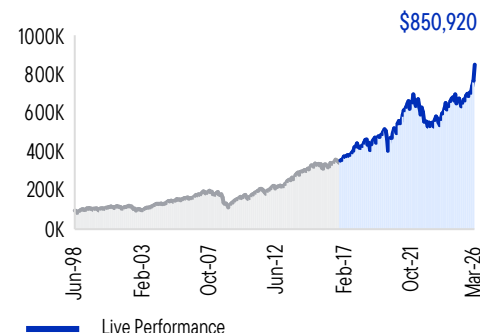
### Index designed to pursue three powerful benefits:

**Steady Returns:** Designed to minimize drawdowns and lower overall volatility, the index is positioned to pursue long-term growth and stay invested for the future.

**Manage Risk:** After a loss, it takes a greater gain to fully recover. Because the index seeks to minimize losses in times of market volatility, it may be better positioned to provide positive returns as market conditions stabilize.

**Smart Approach:** The index targets the factors our proprietary research has shown to be the most reliable indicators of a stock's future performance and uses them to select attractively valued stocks poised for strong performance.

## Hypothetical Growth of \$100,000



## Average Annual Total Returns (%)

	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception	Inception Date
Franklin US Equity Index	10.39	9.75	7.54	9.44	8.02	6/30/1998

## Cumulative Total Returns (%)

	3-Mth	YTD	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Franklin US Equity Index	2.74	2.74	8.50	8.69	12.41	-10.40	24.47	8.21	25.87	-4.03	19.06	8.79

**Performance data quoted represents hypothetical and past performance, which does not guarantee future results.** Current performance may differ from figures shown. Hypothetical back test for illustrative purposes only. The Franklin US Equity Index performance and weights data are based on back-tested data prior to the actual launch of the index. The Franklin US Equity Index back-test inception is June 30, 1998. **All information for the index and any growth prior to its launch date is back-tested, based on the methodology that was in effect on the launch date of December 16, 2016.**

The performance of the Index may include certain embedded transaction costs but does not include fees or costs of any financial instrument referencing the Index. This "embedded index cost" will reduce any change in index value over the index term that would otherwise have been used in the calculation of index interest and it funds certain operational and licensing costs for the index. It is not a fee paid by you. **Please see disclosures on page 2.**

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## Index Information

Ticker	FTUELX
Volatility Target	N/A
Back-Test Inception	06/30/1998
Live Inception	12/16/2016
Use of Leverage	No
Index Currency	US Dollar
Rebalance Frequency	Semi-Annual
Calculation Frequency	End of Day

## Top Constituents (% of Total)

	Index
ConocoPhillips	1.45
Exxon Mobil Corporation	1.43
Lam Research	1.34
Chevron	1.34
Applied Materials	1.32
Lockheed Martin Corp	1.26
KLA Corporation	1.22
Caterpillar	1.20
Verizon Communications	1.19
EOG Resources	1.17

## Constituent Allocation Weights (% of Total)

	Index
US Large Cap Equity	100.00

Weightings are based on total index, are subject to change at any time, and are provided for informational purposes only. Not to be construed as a recommendation to purchase or sell any security.

## Design Team

Franklin Templeton Investment Solutions translates a wide variety of investor goals into portfolios powered by Franklin Templeton's best thinking around the globe. The team includes more than 100 investment professionals, specializing in strategic asset allocation and tactical positioning, fundamental and quantitative research, active integration, and risk management.

## Index Risks

Stock prices fluctuate, sometimes rapidly and dramatically, due to factors affecting individual companies, particular industries or sectors, or general market conditions. During times of extreme market volatility, the Index will not be able to eliminate market losses or capture all market gains.

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