

The U.S. GLOBAL SEA TO SKY CARGO ETF (NYSE: SEA) seeks to provides investors diversified access to the global sea shipping and air freight industries. SEA seeks to track the performance, before fees and expenses, of the U.S. Global Sea to Sky Index. The Index uses a SMART BETA 2.0 strategy to help determine the most efficient marine shipping, air freight and courier, and port and harbor companies in the world. All holdings must have a minimum market cap of \$100 million and must have an average three-month dollar traded value of \$5 million. Companies should be listed as either Air Freight/Couriers or Marine Shipping.

# Why Invest In Shipping And Air Freight Companies?

We believe an investment in shipping and air freight companies can offer investors exposure to a fundamental aspect of the global economy. Shipping and cargo companies are integral to global trade, transporting goods across continents and connecting businesses worldwide – from manufacturing and retail to agricultural and energy.

SEA provides access to companies that have exhibited a favorable ability to increase prices, a key driver of revenue growth. The shipping industry is unique in that there are several mechanisms in place to prevent large increases in capacity. Such mechanisms include fleet idling (voluntarily parking unused fleets), ship scrapping (dismantling ships when they reach 25 years old) and reducing ship speeds (to reduce effective capacity by sailing slower).







#### **Leading Indicator:**

Monitoring the volume and types of goods being shipped can provide insights into the health of different sectors of the economy.



#### Increasing Trade:

Trade has been increasing for decades alongside the expansion of the global middle class.



#### **Pricing Power:**

A combination of supply chain disruptions, container shortages, rising fuel costs and port congestion.



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## Muted Shipping Capacity Growth:

In 2022, the world fleet grew only 3.1%, far below demand growth.

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#### **FUND DETAILS**

CUSIP:	26922B865
INTRADAY NAV:	N/A
<b>EXPENSE RATIO:</b>	Gross: 3.03%
	Net: 0.60%*
INCEPTION DATE:	01/20/2022
NUMBER OF HOLDINGS:	29

STOCK EXCHANGE: NYSE

\*Pursuant to a contractual operating expense limitation between U.S. Global Investors, Inc., the Fund's investment adviser (the "Adviser"), and the Fund, the Adviser has agreed to waive its management fees and/or reimburse Fund expenses to ensure that Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses do not exceed 0.60% for the first \$100 million of the Fund's average daily net assets and 0.70% for net assets greater than \$100 million, through at least October 27, 2022, unless terminated sooner by, or with the consent of, the Trust's Board of Trustees.

### **Index Weighting - A Quant Approach**

The Top 6 Shipping Companies

by a combined ranking of market capitalization, cash flow return on invested capital, cash-flow-to-price and earnings-to-price get a 5% weighting each. Market capitalization must be at least \$400 million.

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The Next 7 Shipping Companies

by a combined ranking of market capitalization, cash flow return on invested capital, cash-flow-to-price and earnings-to-price get a 4% weighting each. Market capitalization must be at least \$300 million.

The Next 6 Shipping Companies
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by a combined ranking of market capitalization, cash flow return on invested capital, cash-flow-to-price and earnings-to-price get a 2% weighting each. Market capitalization must be at least \$100 million.

The Top 10 Air Freight Companies

by a combined ranking of market capitalization, cash flow return on invested capital, cash-flow-to-price and earnings-to-price each get a 3% weighting each. Market capitalization must be at least \$200 million.

The index is rebalanced and reconstituted quarterly in March, June, September and December.

MINIMUM MARKET CAPITALIZATION OF \$400 MILLION

MINIMUM MARKET CAPITALIZATION OF \$300 MILLION

MINIMUM MARKET CAPITALIZATION OF \$100 MILLION

MINIMUM MARKET CAPITALIZATION OF \$200 MILLION



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Please consider carefully a fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. For this and other important information, obtain a statutory and summary prospectus for SEA by visiting usglobaletfs.com. Read it carefully before investing.

Investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal. Shares of any ETF are bought and sold at market price (not NAV), may trade at a discount or premium to NAV and are not individually redeemed from the funds. Brokerage commissions will reduce returns. Because the funds concentrate their investments in specific industries, the funds may be subject to greater risks and fluctuations than a portfolio representing a broader range of industries. The funds are non-diversified, meaning they may concentrate more of their assets in a smaller number of issuers than diversified funds. The funds invest in foreign securities which involve greater volatility and political, economic and currency risks and differences in accounting methods. These risks are greater for investments in emerging markets. The funds may invest in the securities of smaller-capitalization companies, which may be more volatile than funds that invest in larger, more established companies. The performance of the funds may diverge from that of the index. Because the funds may employ a representative sampling strategy and may also invest in securities that are not included in the index, the funds may experience tracking error to a greater extent than funds that seek to replicate an index. The funds are not actively managed and may be affected by a general decline in market segments related to the index.

Foreign and emerging market investing involves special risks such as currency fluctuation and less public disclosure, as well as economic and political risk. By investing in a specific geographic region, such as China and/or Taiwan, a regional ETFs returns and share price may be more volatile than those of a less concentrated portfolio.

Cargo companies may be adversely affected by a downturn in economic conditions that can result in decreased demand for sea shipping and freight.

Fund holdings and allocations are subject to change at any time. Click to view fund holdings for SEA.

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The U.S. Global Sea to Sky Cargo Index is a 29-stock index that seeks to provide diversified access to the marine shipping, air freight and courier, and port and harbor industries. The index uses various fundamental screens to determine the most efficient marine shipping, air freight and courier, and port and harbor companies in the world. The index consists of common stocks listed on developed and emerging market exchanges across the globe.

It is not possible to invest in an index.

Smart beta 2.0 refers to investment strategies that emphasize the use of alternative weighting schemes to traditional market capitalization based indices