

STOXX

Thematics Monthly Monitor

April 2026



STOXX thematic solutions capture megatrends across three broad categories

Megatrends – powerful, transformative forces that could change the global economy, business and society



Future technology

Technological advancements that are changing our daily lives



Socio-demographics

Changes in global demographics will bring significant challenges and opportunities for societies and businesses

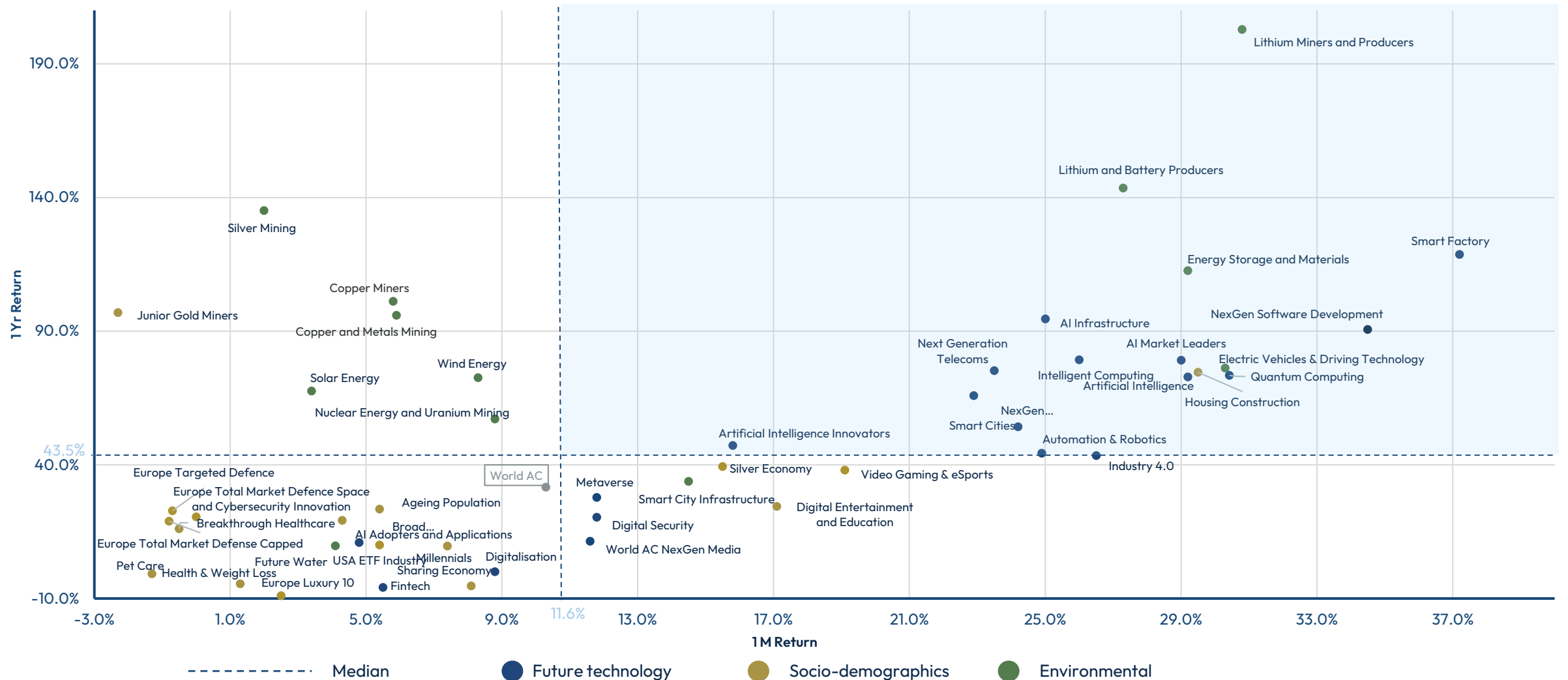


Environmental

Benefit from the increasing societal awareness of environmental and sustainability issues that are impacting our quality of life

STOXX thematic indices

Performance overview



Source: STOXX, Daily data May 01, 2025 to Apr 30, 2026, USD GR.

STOXX thematic indices

Focusing in on the top 5 performing indices – April 2026

01

Smart Factory

37.2% 1M performance



02

NexGen Software Development

34.5% 1M performance



03

Lithium Miners and Producers

30.8% 1M performance



04

Quantum Computing

30.4% 1M performance



05

Electric Vehicles & Driving Technology

30.3% 1M performance



Future technology

Performance & risk characteristics

Future technology

Index name	Returns				Risk				Dividend Yield		Return / Risk	
	1M	YTD	1Y	3Y	1M	YTD	1Y	3Y	1Y	3Y	1Y	3Y
STOXX Global AI Adopters and Applications	4.8%	-5.9%	10.9%	15.5%	18.2%	15.4%	13.0%	14.1%	1.5%	2.0%	0.84	1.10
STOXX Global AI Infrastructure	25.0%	24.3%	94.6%	47.3%	24.2%	25.0%	21.2%	22.7%	1.6%	3.3%	4.46	2.09
STOXX Global Artificial Intelligence	29.2%	21.1%	72.9%	42.2%	26.2%	27.9%	23.7%	25.1%	0.9%	1.7%	3.10	1.68
STOXX Global Artificial Intelligence Innovators	15.8%	8.0%	47.2%	33.9%	18.3%	17.4%	14.8%	17.3%	1.4%	2.3%	3.18	1.96
STOXX Global Automation & Robotics	24.9%	16.5%	44.3%	21.8%	28.0%	24.5%	19.0%	19.0%	1.2%	1.5%	2.33	1.14
STOXX Global Digital Security	11.8%	5.8%	20.4%	20.6%	24.4%	21.7%	17.7%	17.5%	1.0%	1.4%	1.15	1.18
STOXX Global Digitalisation	8.8%	-6.3%	0.0%	12.9%	20.8%	20.2%	16.2%	16.9%	0.9%	1.1%	0.00	0.76
STOXX Global Fintech	5.5%	-10.6%	-5.8%	9.9%	21.2%	21.9%	17.5%	16.7%	0.9%	1.3%	-0.34	0.59
STOXX Global Industry 4.0	26.5%	17.9%	43.5%	28.7%	23.9%	23.9%	19.2%	19.8%	1.5%	2.5%	2.27	1.45
STOXX Global Intelligent Computing	26.0%	28.6%	79.3%	28.4%	25.5%	25.0%	20.5%	19.4%	2.0%	2.4%	3.89	1.46
STOXX Global Metaverse	11.8%	-0.5%	27.8%	27.3%	20.6%	21.5%	19.0%	20.2%	0.8%	1.5%	1.46	1.35
STOXX Global Next Generation Telecoms	23.5%	31.7%	75.3%	33.1%	21.0%	20.6%	15.8%	15.8%	3.2%	4.7%	4.80	2.10
STOXX Global Quantum Computing	30.4%	14.0%	73.4%	53.2%	36.2%	33.4%	32.4%	25.3%	2.0%	4.8%	2.26	2.10
STOXX Global Smart Cities	24.2%	22.7%	54.3%	31.8%	23.1%	23.8%	21.5%	24.6%	0.7%	1.2%	2.54	1.29
STOXX Global Smart Factory	37.2%	41.4%	118.7%	36.1%	27.1%	28.2%	23.7%	24.7%	2.1%	2.8%	5.03	1.46
STOXX World AC AI Market Leaders	29.0%	23.9%	79.2%	45.4%	25.7%	24.6%	19.3%	20.0%	1.5%	2.9%	4.09	2.27
STOXX World AC NexGen Connectivity	22.9%	25.7%	65.9%	34.5%	19.1%	19.5%	15.4%	16.3%	2.4%	4.0%	4.27	2.11
STOXX World AC NexGen Software Development	34.5%	29.6%	90.6%	41.1%	26.5%	27.9%	22.5%	24.2%	1.1%	1.5%	4.02	1.70
Category average	21.8%	16.0%	55.1%	31.3%	23.9%	23.5%	19.6%	20.0%	1.5%	2.4%	2.74	1.54

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Key performance metrics

Future technology

Index name	1Y Excess Return*	1Y Volatility	1Y Dividend yield	1Y Beta*	Google Trend**
STOXX Global AI Adopters and Applications	-20.7%	13.0%	1.5%	1.05	3.54
STOXX Global AI Infrastructure	63.0%	21.2%	1.6%	1.65	3.54
STOXX Global Artificial Intelligence	41.3%	23.7%	0.9%	1.72	3.54
STOXX Global Artificial Intelligence Innovators	15.6%	14.8%	1.4%	1.30	3.54
STOXX Global Automation & Robotics	12.7%	19.0%	1.2%	1.57	5.26
STOXX Global Digital Security	-11.2%	17.7%	1.0%	1.14	6.35
STOXX Global Digitalisation	-31.6%	16.2%	0.9%	1.12	6.51
STOXX Global Fintech	-37.4%	17.5%	0.9%	1.07	6.00
STOXX Global Industry 4.0	11.9%	19.2%	1.5%	1.47	6.13
STOXX Global Intelligent Computing	47.7%	20.5%	2.0%	1.50	3.54
STOXX Global Metaverse	-3.8%	19.0%	0.8%	1.47	1.08
STOXX Global Next Generation Telecoms	43.7%	15.8%	3.2%	1.22	1.65
STOXX Global Quantum Computing	41.8%	32.4%	2.0%	1.77	7.73
STOXX Global Smart Cities	22.7%	21.5%	0.7%	1.55	6.49
STOXX Global Smart Factory	87.1%	23.7%	2.1%	1.77	6.40
STOXX World AC AI Market Leaders	47.6%	19.3%	1.5%	1.56	3.54
STOXX World AC NexGen Connectivity	34.3%	15.4%	2.4%	1.23	1.65
STOXX World AC NexGen Software Development	59.0%	22.5%	1.1%	1.77	4.69

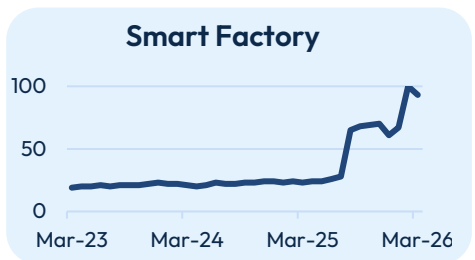
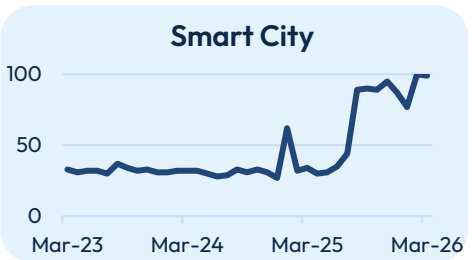
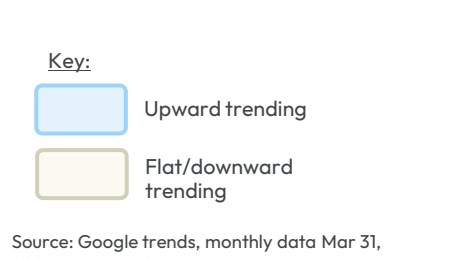
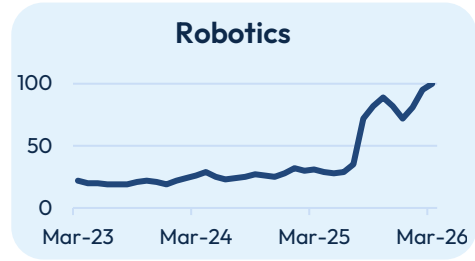
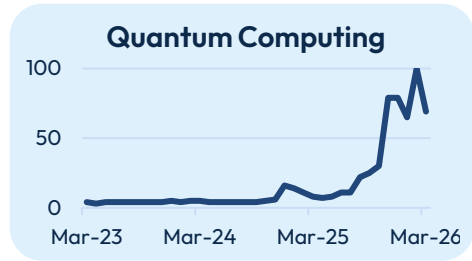
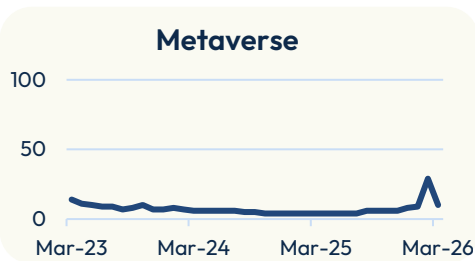
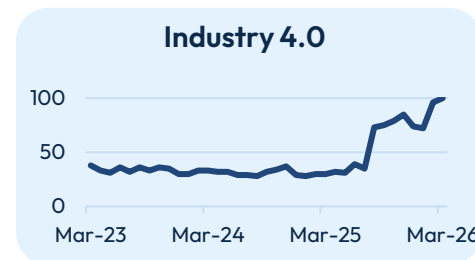
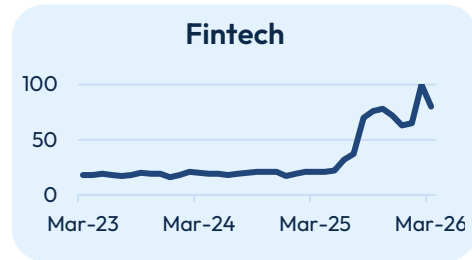
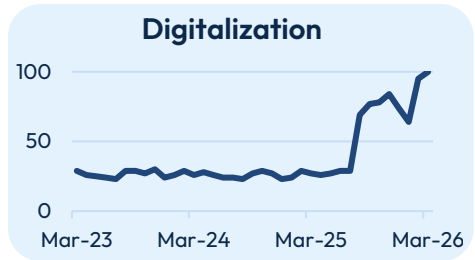
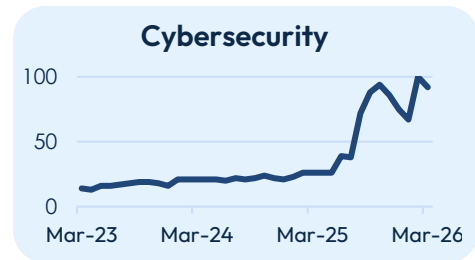
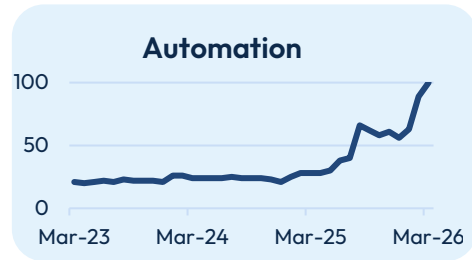
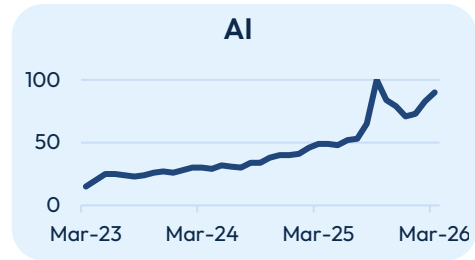
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*vs STOXX World AC

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Google trends

Future technology



Index	Keywords
STOXX Global AI Adopters and Applications	AI
STOXX Global AI Infrastructure	AI
STOXX Global Artificial Intelligence	AI
STOXX Global Artificial Intelligence Innovators	AI
STOXX Global Automation & Robotics	Automation, Robotics
STOXX Global Digital Security	Cybersecurity
STOXX Global Digitalisation	Digitalization
STOXX Global Fintech	Fintech
STOXX Global Industry 4.0	Industry 4.0
STOXX Global Intelligent Computing	AI
STOXX Global Intelligent Computing ADTV5	AI
STOXX Global Metaverse	Metaverse
STOXX Global Next Generation Telecoms	5G
STOXX Global Quantum Computing	Quantum Computing
STOXX Global Smart Cities	Smart City
STOXX Global Smart Factory	Smart Factory
STOXX World AC AI Market Leaders	AI
STOXX World AC NexGen Connectivity	5G
STOXX World AC NexGen Software Development	Software Development

Key:

- Upward trending
- Flat/downward trending

Source: Google trends, monthly data Mar 31, 2023 to Mar 31, 2026.

Socio-demographics

Performance & risk characteristics

Socio-demographics

Index name	Returns				Risk				Dividend Yield		Return / Risk	
	1M	YTD	1Y	3Y	1M	YTD	1Y	3Y	1Y	3Y	1Y	3Y
STOXX Global Ageing Population	5.4%	1.7%	23.4%	14.2%	16.1%	13.5%	11.3%	12.6%	2.6%	2.9%	2.07	1.13
STOXX Global Breakthrough Healthcare	-0.5%	-4.6%	16.1%	5.2%	21.7%	16.8%	15.5%	15.1%	1.1%	1.0%	1.04	0.34
STOXX Global Broad Infrastructure	4.3%	9.9%	19.2%	12.6%	12.5%	10.9%	9.0%	10.1%	3.6%	4.3%	2.13	1.25
STOXX Global Digital Entertainment and Education	17.1%	6.2%	24.4%	30.5%	21.1%	21.8%	17.2%	18.0%	0.6%	1.6%	1.42	1.70
STOXX Global Health & Weight Loss	1.3%	-10.0%	-4.5%	-6.4%	18.6%	14.9%	14.4%	14.8%	1.5%	1.1%	-0.31	-0.43
STOXX Global Housing Construction	29.5%	31.8%	74.6%	27.2%	28.0%	26.2%	20.6%	20.0%	2.4%	3.1%	3.65	1.36
STOXX Global Junior Gold Miners	-2.3%	3.1%	96.9%	47.2%	44.8%	51.2%	40.1%	33.4%	1.5%	3.1%	2.41	1.41
STOXX Global Millennials	7.4%	-6.3%	9.6%	21.4%	19.9%	17.5%	14.7%	16.2%	0.6%	0.9%	0.66	1.32
STOXX Global Pet Care	-1.3%	-2.5%	-0.8%	0.4%	16.9%	14.6%	13.5%	12.6%	2.0%	1.9%	-0.06	0.03
STOXX Global Sharing Economy	8.1%	-10.1%	-5.3%	15.3%	21.6%	22.6%	18.2%	18.6%	0.4%	0.6%	-0.29	0.82
STOXX Global Silver Economy	15.5%	11.8%	39.3%	19.8%	20.3%	18.0%	14.9%	15.1%	1.8%	2.1%	2.65	1.32
STOXX Global Video Gaming & eSports	19.1%	6.0%	38.0%	26.3%	20.5%	20.0%	17.0%	18.2%	1.1%	1.6%	2.24	1.44
STOXX World AC NexGen Media	11.6%	-4.5%	11.4%	25.8%	21.2%	20.4%	17.1%	19.5%	0.6%	1.2%	0.66	1.32
STOXX Europe Luxury 10	2.5%	-20.8%	-9.0%	-4.0%	42.6%	32.2%	26.0%	25.0%	1.7%	1.5%	-0.35	-0.16
STOXX Europe Targeted Defence	-0.7%	6.0%	22.8%	57.4%	44.9%	37.0%	31.5%	28.2%	1.2%	4.5%	0.73	2.03
STOXX Europe Total Market Defense Capped	-0.8%	-0.4%	18.9%	45.6%	47.1%	36.1%	28.9%	25.9%	1.3%	3.7%	0.66	1.76
STOXX Europe Total Market Defence Space and Cybersecurity Innovation	0.0%	0.7%	20.5%	42.7%	42.9%	32.7%	26.0%	23.4%	1.3%	3.9%	0.80	1.82
STOXX USA ETF Industry	5.4%	-1.5%	10.0%	15.9%	16.4%	20.7%	15.9%	16.1%	2.1%	3.0%	0.63	0.99
Category average	6.8%	0.9%	22.5%	22.1%	26.5%	23.7%	19.5%	19.1%	1.5%	2.3%	1.15	1.08

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Key performance metrics

Socio-demographics

Index name	1Y Excess Return*	1Y Volatility	1Y Dividend yield	1Y Beta*	Google Trend**
STOXX Global Ageing Population	-8.2%	11.3%	2.6%	0.87	3.39
STOXX Global Breakthrough Healthcare	-15.5%	15.5%	1.1%	0.92	6.21
STOXX Global Broad Infrastructure	-12.4%	9.0%	3.6%	0.40	6.17
STOXX Global Digital Entertainment and Education	-7.2%	17.2%	0.6%	1.21	5.88
STOXX Global Health & Weight Loss	-36.1%	14.4%	1.5%	0.91	3.05
STOXX Global Housing Construction	43.0%	20.6%	2.4%	1.58	7.53
STOXX Global Junior Gold Miners	65.3%	40.1%	1.5%	1.38	6.44
STOXX Global Millennials	-22.0%	14.7%	0.6%	1.10	0.88
STOXX Global Pet Care	-32.4%	13.5%	2.0%	0.55	2.32
STOXX Global Sharing Economy	-36.9%	18.2%	0.4%	1.21	4.09
STOXX Global Silver Economy	7.7%	14.9%	1.8%	1.16	3.39
STOXX Global Video Gaming & eSports	6.4%	17.0%	1.1%	1.29	3.84
STOXX World AC NexGen Media	-20.2%	17.1%	0.6%	1.20	5.88
STOXX Europe Luxury 10	-40.6%	26.0%	1.7%	1.30	8.27
STOXX Europe Targeted Defence	-8.8%	31.5%	1.2%	0.92	6.47
STOXX Europe Total Market Defense Capped	-12.7%	28.9%	1.3%	1.07	6.47
STOXX Europe Total Market Defence Space and Cybersecurity Innovation	-11.1%	26.0%	1.3%	1.07	6.47
STOXX USA ETF Industry	-21.6%	15.9%	2.1%	0.67	5.96

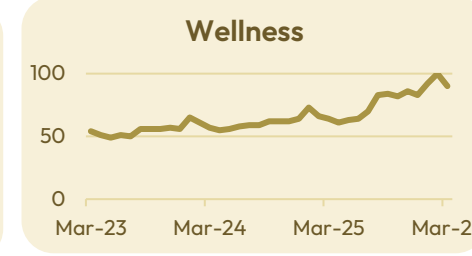
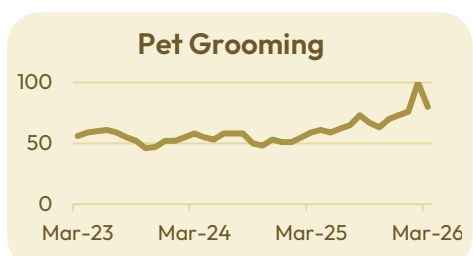
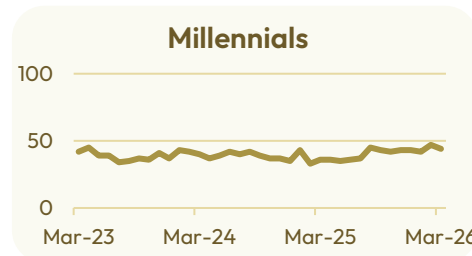
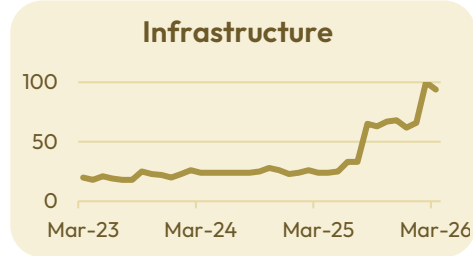
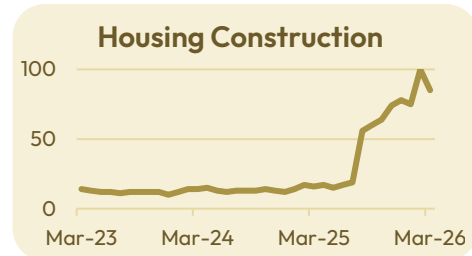
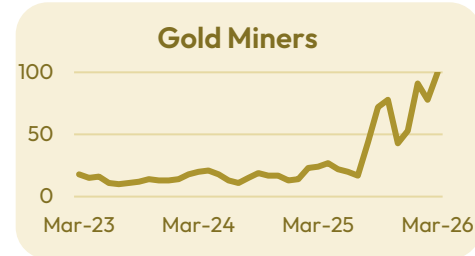
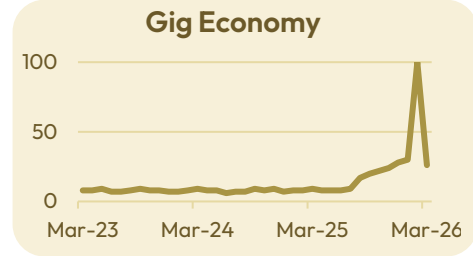
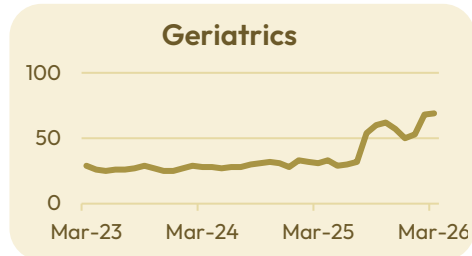
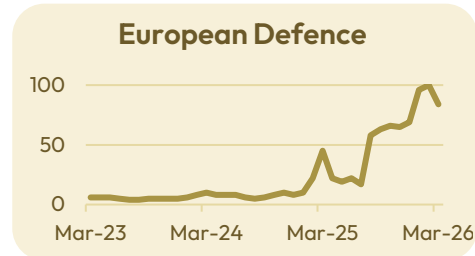
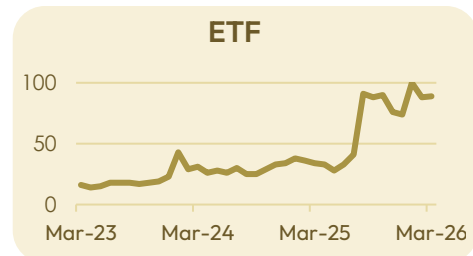
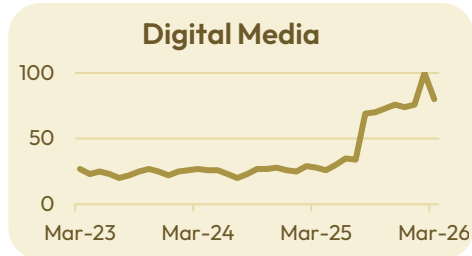
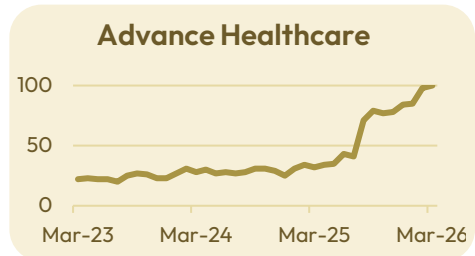
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STOXX Global Ageing Population	Geriatrics
STOXX Global Breakthrough Healthcare	Advanced Healthcare
STOXX Global Broad Infrastructure	Infrastructure
STOXX Global Digital Entertainment and Education	Digital Media
STOXX Global Health & Weight Loss	Wellness
STOXX Global Housing Construction	Housing Construction
STOXX Global Junior Gold Miners	Gold Miners
STOXX Global Millennials	Millennials
STOXX Global Pet Care	Pet Grooming
STOXX Global Sharing Economy	Gig Economy
STOXX Global Silver Economy	Geriatrics
STOXX Global Video Gaming & eSports	Video Gaming
STOXX World AC NexGen Media	Digital Media
STOXX Europe Luxury 10	European Luxury Goods
STOXX Europe Targeted Defence	European Defence
STOXX Europe Total Market Defence Capped	European Defence
STOXX Europe Total Market Defence Space and Cybersecurity Innovation	European Defence
STOXX USA ETF Industry	ETF

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STOXX Global Copper and Metals Mining	5.9%	11.9%	95.9%	29.4%	39.9%	41.9%	29.8%	28.7%	3.7%	4.8%	3.22	1.02
STOXX Global Copper Miners	5.8%	12.6%	101.1%	29.7%	39.1%	41.1%	29.9%	28.9%	4.0%	5.0%	3.38	1.03
STOXX Global Electric Vehicles & Driving Technology	30.3%	30.2%	76.2%	22.5%	27.0%	25.8%	20.8%	20.2%	2.4%	2.8%	3.66	1.11
STOXX Global Energy Storage and Materials	29.2%	49.8%	112.6%	16.4%	26.0%	27.7%	22.4%	20.0%	3.2%	2.6%	5.03	0.82
STOXX Global Lithium and Battery Producers	27.3%	43.7%	143.5%	13.8%	34.7%	33.6%	27.8%	25.6%	2.1%	1.8%	5.16	0.54
STOXX Global Lithium Miners and Producers	30.8%	42.9%	202.8%	1.6%	38.0%	42.4%	41.0%	35.0%	1.3%	0.8%	4.95	0.05
STOXX Global Nuclear Energy and Uranium Mining	8.8%	15.2%	57.1%	42.2%	23.4%	22.3%	17.3%	16.7%	2.8%	5.0%	3.29	2.53
STOXX Global Silver Mining	2.0%	5.9%	135.1%	47.2%	46.1%	57.5%	43.9%	38.3%	2.7%	3.3%	3.07	1.23
STOXX Global Smart City Infrastructure	14.5%	14.6%	33.8%	19.5%	20.9%	18.4%	14.2%	14.8%	2.0%	2.4%	2.39	1.32
STOXX Global Solar Energy	3.4%	10.9%	67.6%	-6.0%	29.1%	32.1%	32.2%	29.2%	1.3%	1.0%	2.10	-0.21
STOXX Global Wind Energy	8.3%	25.9%	72.6%	11.8%	14.4%	18.2%	16.7%	19.1%	3.1%	2.5%	4.35	0.62
STOXX Future Water ESG	4.1%	1.4%	9.7%	8.5%	18.9%	15.4%	12.9%	13.2%	2.0%	2.5%	0.76	0.65
Category average	14.2%	22.1%	92.3%	19.7%	29.8%	31.4%	25.7%	24.1%	2.6%	2.9%	3.45	0.89

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Key performance metrics

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Index name	1Y Excess Return*	1Y Volatility	1Y Dividend yield	1Y Beta*	Google Trend**
STOXX Global Copper and Metals Mining	64.3%	29.8%	3.7%	1.81	6.63
STOXX Global Copper Miners	69.5%	29.9%	4.0%	1.81	6.63
STOXX Global Electric Vehicles & Driving Technology	44.6%	20.8%	2.4%	1.54	3.24
STOXX Global Energy Storage and Materials	81.0%	22.4%	3.2%	1.33	7.13
STOXX Global Lithium and Battery Producers	111.9%	19.6%	2.0%	1.21	6.29
STOXX Global Lithium Miners and Producers	171.2%	41.0%	1.3%	1.28	6.29
STOXX Global Nuclear Energy and Uranium Mining	25.5%	17.3%	2.8%	1.08	4.67
STOXX Global Silver Mining	103.5%	43.9%	2.7%	1.84	6.09
STOXX Global Smart City Infrastructure	2.2%	14.2%	2.0%	1.16	6.17
STOXX Global Solar Energy	36.0%	32.2%	1.3%	1.42	4.47
STOXX Global Wind Energy	41.0%	16.7%	3.1%	0.78	4.21
STOXX Future Water ESG	-21.9%	12.9%	2.0%	0.72	7.45

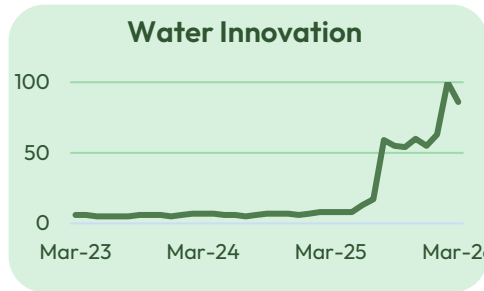
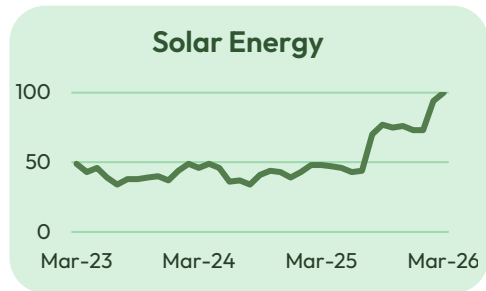
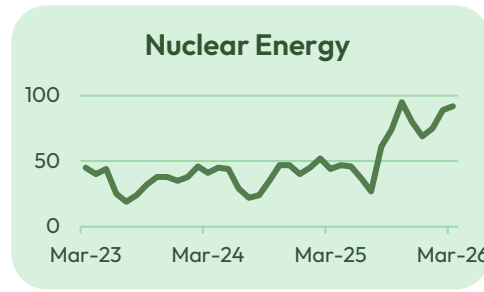
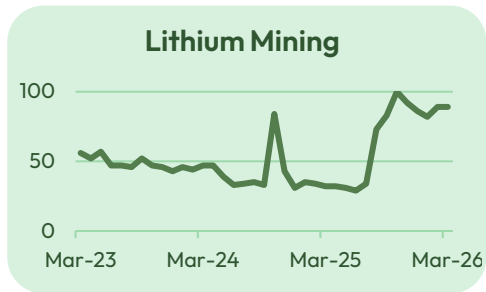
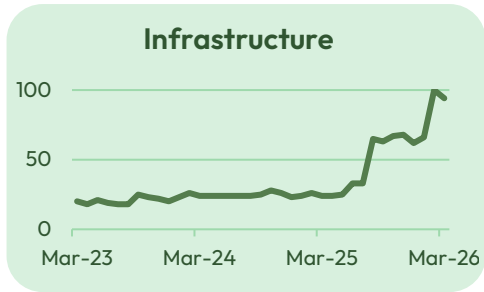
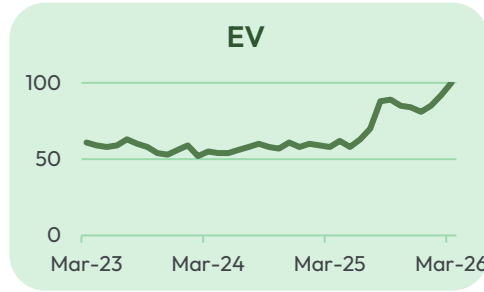
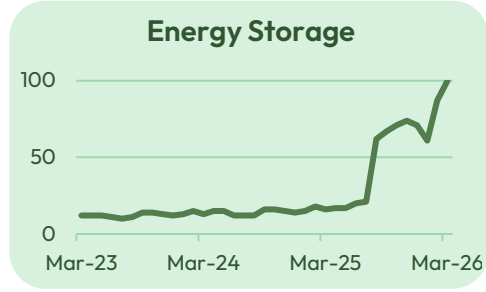
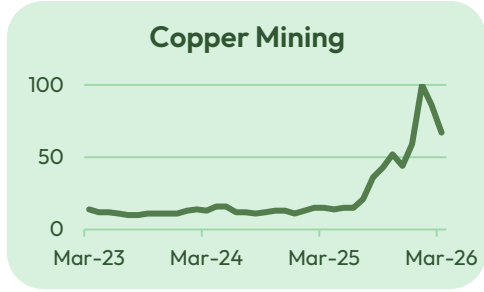
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*vs STOXX World AC

**Google trend, is calculated as the slope of the 1-year trend scores (monthly Mar 31, 2023 to Mar 31, 2026)

Google trends

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Index	Keywords
STOXX Global Copper and Metals Mining	Copper Mining
STOXX Global Copper Miners	Copper Mining
STOXX Global Electric Vehicles & Driving Technology	EV
STOXX Global Energy Storage and Materials	Energy Storage
STOXX Global Lithium and Battery Producers	Lithium Mining
STOXX Global Lithium Miners and Producers	Lithium Mining
STOXX Global Nuclear Energy and Uranium Mining	Nuclear Energy
STOXX Global Smart City Infrastructure	Infrastructure
STOXX Global Silver Mining	Silver Mining
STOXX Global Solar Energy	Solar Energy
STOXX Global Wind Energy	Wind Energy
STOXX Future Water ESG	Future Water

Key:

- Upward trending
- Flat/downward trending

Source: Google trends, monthly data Mar 31, 2023 to Mar 31, 2026.

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