

Horizons Big Data & Hardware Index ETF (HBGD, HBGD.U)

ETF Snapshot

Name:

Horizons Big Data & Hardware Index ETF[†]

Launch Date:

June 21, 2018

Ticker:

HBGD; HBGD.U¹

Management Fee:²

0.45%

Investment Manager:

Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc.

Underlying Index:

Solactive Big Data & Hardware Index

Bloomberg Index Ticker:

SOLBCTH

Distribution Frequency:

Annually, if any

Currency Hedged:

Yes

Eligibility:

All registered and non-registered investment accounts

¹Trades in U.S. dollars.

²Plus applicable sales tax. Annual management fee reduced from 0.65% to 0.45%, effective November 1, 2019.

[†]Previously named Horizons Blockchain Technology & Hardware Index ETF (BKCH;BKCH.U) until February 26, 2020.

Invest in the Building Blocks of Big Data

The Horizons Big Data & Hardware Index ETF ("HBGD") seeks to replicate, to the extent possible, the performance of the Solactive Big Data & Hardware Index ("the Index"), net of expenses. The Index tracks a portfolio of global companies focused on data development, storage and data management-related services and solutions, as well as hardware and hardware-related services used in data-intensive applications such as blockchain.

Is Big Data the New Oil?

The need to gather and analyze large amounts of data has become one of the single most important drivers of technological innovation. According to Statista, the big data analytics market is expected to surpass US\$103 billion in revenue by 2027. Central to this industry growth are hardware and data servicing companies that provide key infrastructure for the development of data-intensive technologies.

Companies that HBGD invests in:

- **Semiconductors:** Companies focused on the hardware required for rapid data processing
- **Relevant hardware and services supporting data-intensive technology:** Includes memory and storage producers, and services important to large-scale data mining on a commercial level, such as data centre real estate investment trusts
- **Development of blockchain technology:** Blockchain technology is typically associated with cryptocurrencies, however, it has wider potential applications in data management and encryption. HBGD will invest in companies directly developing blockchain technology if they meet minimum market-cap thresholds

Solactive Big Data & Hardware Index

To achieve the ETF's investment objective, HBGD invests in and holds the equity securities of the Index constituents in substantially the same proportion as the Index.

The Index intends to track a portfolio of global companies focusing directly on big data through blockchain and cryptocurrency innovation and development as well as companies providing hardware and hardware-related services used in the process of mining, an essential part in supporting blockchain and cryptocurrency technologies.

The Index takes a three-tier approach, selecting one-third of its components from companies focusing on the development of blockchain technologies, one-third from the semiconductor industry — which is at the heart of much of the hardware required for data mining — and one-third from industries that directly supply other relevant hardware (e.g. memory and storage producers), or provide services increasingly important to large-scale data storage and management.

Although the ETF may provide exposure to cryptocurrency miners, exchanges and companies which may have exposure to cryptocurrency assets, the ETF itself will not have direct exposure to crypto-assets and/or cryptocurrencies like bitcoin or initial coin offerings. The ETF will not be directly involved in cryptocurrency mining.

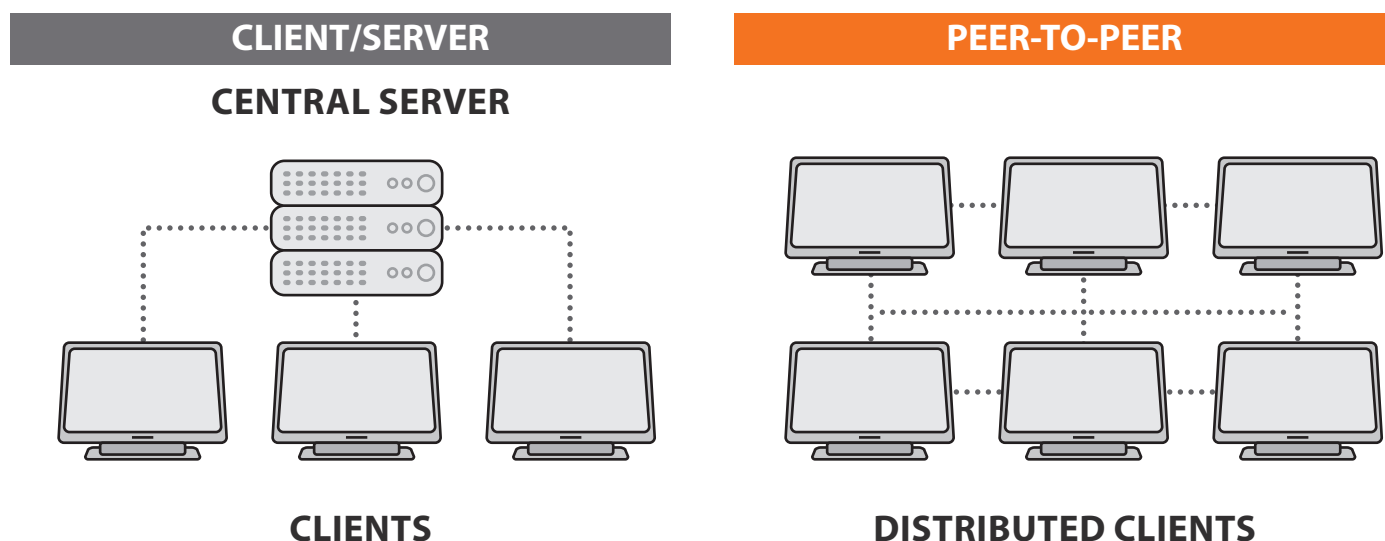


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Blockchain Basics

Blockchain is an emerging technology within the big data space that allows for decentralized storage and sharing of large amounts of data among peer-to-peer users. Its application is wide-ranging, from being used in digital banking and crypto currencies to data management in healthcare and manufacturing.

The blockchain is a digitized place where information of value, such as transactions or assets, can be logged and tracked into an online and shared repository. Its structure resembles a general ledger made up of a chain of “blocks,” arranged in chronological order and collectively managed by its users. While most digital transactions are centralized, blockchain is decentralized and is a peer-to-peer sharing platform.



To learn more, please visit www.HorizonsETFs.com/HBGD



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