

Northern Trust North America Custom ESG Equity Index Fund

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Engagement by region

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Global

We engaged with **162** companies over the last quarter.



Emerging & Developing Markets

We engaged with **two** companies over the last quarter.



Europe

We engaged with **four** companies over the last quarter.



North America

We engaged with **156** companies over the last quarter.

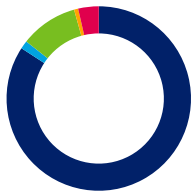


Engagement by theme

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Environmental

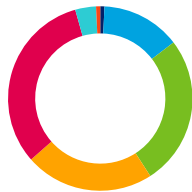
Environmental topics featured in **22.5%** of our engagements over the last quarter.



- Climate Change **84.2%**
- Forestry and Land Use **1.4%**
- Pollution and Waste Management **10.1%**
- Supply Chain Management **0.7%**
- Water **3.6%**

Social and Ethical

Social and Ethical topics featured in **22.2%** of our engagements over the last quarter.



- Bribery and Corruption **0.7%**
- Conduct and Culture **13.9%**
- Diversity **26.3%**
- Human Capital Management **22.6%**
- Human Rights **32.1%**
- Labour Rights **3.6%**
- Tax **0.7%**

Governance

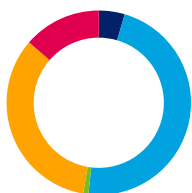
Governance topics featured in **37.4%** of our engagements over the last quarter.



- Board Diversity, Skills and Experience **15.6%**
- Board Independence **13.4%**
- Executive Remuneration **49.4%**
- Shareholder Protection and Rights **18.2%**
- Succession Planning **3.5%**

Strategy, Risk and Communication

Strategy, Risk and Communication topics featured in **17.8%** of our engagements over the last quarter.



- Audit and Accounting **4.5%**
- Business Strategy **47.3%**
- Cyber Security **0.9%**
- Integrated Reporting and Other Disclosure **33.6%**
- Risk Management **13.6%**

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