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## **Dirtiest & Cleanest ESG Funds**

A little over two years ago, I wrote "<u>Fossil Fuel Free ETFs That Aren't</u>," about how the vast majority of <u>environmental</u>, <u>social and governance (ESG)</u> ETFs had exposure—sometimes significant—to fossil fuel companies.

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Even ETFs designed and marketed specifically for the avoidance of fossil-fuel-related businesses—such as low carbon intensity ETFs, or ETFs of companies without fossil fuel reserves—still generally contain some oil, coal and natural gas stocks in their portfolio.

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## **Finding Fossil-Fuel-Free Funds**

I ran the 107 socially responsible ETFs currently available through the <u>Fossil</u> <u>Free Funds</u>' database, a free tool from <u>As You Sow</u> that allows investors to search thousands of mutual funds and ETFs for "dirty energy" companies.

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## The 'Clean Dozen'

Of the 73 ESG ETFs screened for greenhouse gas emissions and/or company involvement in the fossil fuel industry, only 11 funds were completely free from fossil-fuel-related activity. ....

The "clean dozen" are listed in the table below:

The 'Clean Dozen': ESG ETFs With No Exposure To Fossil Fuels					
Ticker	Fund	Expense Ratio	AUM		
<u>PBW</u>	Invesco WilderHill Clean Energy ETF			0.70%	\$341.19

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As one might expect, several of these zero-fossil-fuel ETFs are thematic renewable power plays, such as .... , the <u>Invesco WilderHill</u> <u>Clean Energy ETF (PBW)</u>, which invests across several green power companies, including those in geothermal and biofuels.

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There's no purity test for ESG ETFs, and it's debatable whether there even should be. But if climate change matters to you, as it does for millions of investors, then make sure you read beyond a label or a name and check inside the portfolio of any potential ESG investment first.