Trading Analytics | TCA for fixed income

An independent Fixed Income TCA tool that provides global empirical performance data to help measure and manage best execution.

Our tool facilitates the regular supervision and rigorous review of the fixed income best execution process, which is aimed at increasing the transparency and efficiency associated with trading bonds.

Fixed income markets are inherently opaque. Individual instruments can go weeks or even months without trading, leaving accurate benchmark data difficult to come by. Regulatory changes now require best execution across all asset classes, including fixed income. To comply with the regulatory requirements, firms need reliable data to benchmark their trades against.

Our service provides the buyside and sellside with trade performance data that is needed to support a fixed income best execution process. Trading activity is benchmarked using our independent, multi-sourced evaluated bond pricing providing transparent and accuracy.

Customizable
Efficient and configurable reporting that can meet business and regulatory needs to demonstrate a best execution process. A flexible report generation tool facilitates surveillance, supervision and management reporting requirements including MiFID II best execution requirements.

Multifaceted
Our solution supports a multi-dimensional evaluation of “best execution” that reflects the parameters and priorities of institutional trading. Multiple benchmarks and metrics, and our proprietary liquidity score assist customers in monitoring the quality of fixed income trades and identifying and interpreting outliers.

Transparency
Our bond pricing process incorporates unique statistical distributions which provide enhanced transparency into the volatility of instruments.

Insight
A dedicated team of analysts monitor global trends in the fixed income markets and trading technology, routinely resulting in new evaluation metrics and analysis functionality.

Exception management
Manage outliers with our Exceptions Management Tool. Standardized reason and resolution codes combined with functionality for free form text comments provide a flexible interface for tracking costs and order implementation decisions.

RFQ analysis
Analyze requests for quotes with our RFQ Analysis Tool. Obtain insights into your RFQs and counterparty selections, including frequency of quotes and hit rates.
Web-based analytics & reporting services

The Fixed Income TCA platform is a fully functional research interface. It combines the industry’s most advanced T+1 trade reporting system with cutting edge trading analytics for Fixed Income Trading. With multi-dimensional filtering and group by functionality, data enrichment options allow for a more comprehensive analysis of trade execution quality in the context of our customers investment process.

Trade by trade analysis

A custom-built view from the front end showing execution quality across a subset of bonds.

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Exception management

A custom-built view from the front end showing an auditable workflow of exception and outlier management.

Fixed Income TCA report example

Example of a typical page from a Fixed Income TCA report that can be driven from the TCA platform.

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