

Markit iBoxx ABF Indices

Independent, objective and transparent coverage and insight across all asset classes

Markit iBoxx ABF Indices cover local currency sovereign and quasi-sovereign debt from 8 Asian markets.

The indices serve as benchmarks for asset managers and investors and may form the basis for traded products, such as ETFs. Multiple-source pricing ensures that they are an accurate reflection of the underlying markets.

\$80billion

AUM in ETFs

14,000+

indices

20,000+

bonds in indices

50+

price sources

500+

clients

Index structure

Overall

Markets		Maturity		Sector
China	Philippines	1-3	10+	Sovereigns
Hong Kong	Singapore	3-5	15+	Sub-sovereigns
Indonesia	South Korea	5-7		
Malaysia	Thailand	7-10		
		10-15		

Inclusion criteria

Bond types **Eligible:** Fixed zero coupon and step-up coupon bonds, sinking funds and amortising bonds with a fixed redemption schedule.

Excluded: Bonds with embedded call or put options, floating rate notes and fixed-to-floater bonds, Bonds with warrants, convertibles, undated bonds, Index-linked and credit-linked notes.

Eligible issuers Sovereign and quasi-sovereign issues.

Issuer domicile Issuers - apart from Supranationals - must be domiciled in the 8 markets.

Issuer type Sovereign and quasi-sovereign issues.

Minimum time to maturity **Existing index constituents:** 1 year

New index constituents: 1.5 years, measured from issue date to maturity date

Amount outstanding	Market	Currency	Sovereigns (in m)	Sub-sovereigns (in m)
	China	CNY	20,000	10,000
	Hong Kong	HKD	500	500
	Indonesia	IDR	2,000,000	1,000,000
	Korea	KRW	1,000,000	100,000
	Malaysia	MYR	2,000	500
	Philippines	PHP	5,000	3,000
	Singapore	SGD	500	200
	Thailand	THB	20,000	2,000

Rating All bonds need to have an average rating of an investment grade. Ratings from Fitch Ratings, Moody's Investor Service and Standard & Poor's Rating Services are considered. If more than one agency provides a rating, the average rating is attached to the bond

Clients

Investment banks

Asset managers

Hedge funds

Insurance companies

ETF managers

More information

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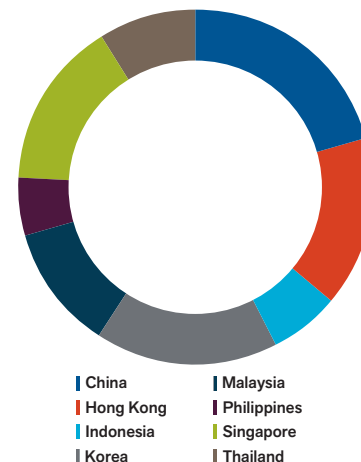
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Index details

Indices	All indices are calculated in local currency and hedged and unhedged into USD
Pricing sources	Bonds are priced using multi-source pricing in accordance with the methodology available on www.markit.com/indices .
Calculation frequency	Daily at the end of each trading day on www.markit.com
Rebalancing	Monthly in accordance with the rules available on www.markit.com/indices
Base date	December 31, 2000
Weighting	<p>Market weights: Fundamentally weighted based on a combination of market size, rating, Gemloc Investability Indicator and additional restriction for markets with low securities market access score. The market weights are reviewed annually and become effective on 31 October each year.</p> <p>Bond weighting: Market capitalisation</p>

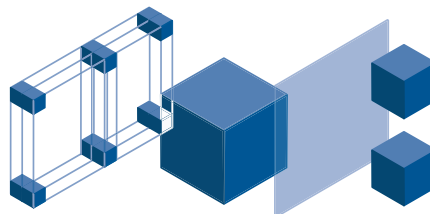
Index Weights as of October 31st 2013



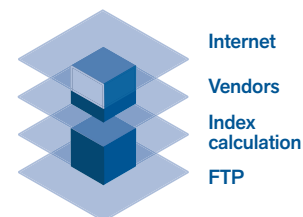
Raw data points



Validating, verifying and parsing



Publication



Construction

Research & design

Index rules
Market research documentation
Index calculation methodology
Data procurement
Prototyping and testing
Project management

Index development and administration

Manage rebalancing process
Index research and previews
Custom index development
Daily control of constituent lists
Client services
Reference database control

Daily price data collection
Quality reporting and control
Index and analytics calculation
Challenge process

Distribution

Index and data publication
Feeds to vendors
Vendor management

