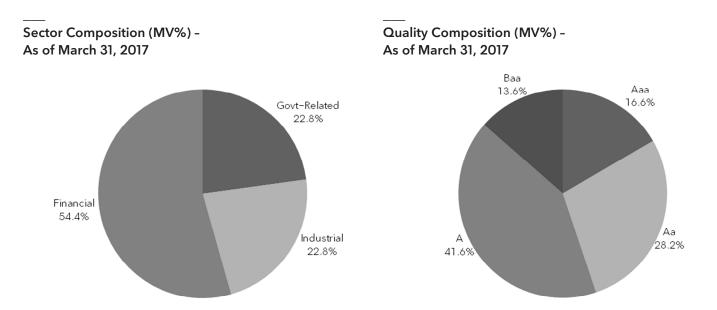
US FRN < 5 Years Index

The Bloomberg Barclays US FRN < 5 Years Index is a subset of the US Floating-Rate Note (FRN) Index, which measures the performance of USD denominated, investment-grade, floating-rate notes across corporate and government-related sectors. This index has a maximum maturity of 4.9999 years and is not part of the US Aggregate Index, which is a fixed coupon index. The index was incepted on October 1, 2003.



Rules for Inclusion		
USD300mn minimum par amount outstanding.		
Securities must be rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB-/BBB- or higher) using the middle rating of Moody's, S&P and Fitch; when a rating from only two agencies is available, the lower is used; when only one agency rates a bond, that rating is used. In cases where explicit bond level ratings may not be available, other sources may be used to classify securities by credit quality:		
 Expected ratings at issuance may be used to ensure timely index inclusion or to classify split-rated issuers properly. 		
• Unrated securities may use an issuer rating for index classification purposes if available. Unrated subordinated securities are included if a subordinated issuer rating is available.		
 Minimum of 1 month to final maturity with an issue date of 1998 or later. Maximum of 4.9999 years to final maturity. Prior to April 1, 2007, the minimum time to maturity was 13 months. 		
• Must have an original maturity of at least 18 months.		
Senior and subordinated issues are included.		
Only fully taxable issues are eligible, including taxable municipal securities.		
3-month LIBOR-based fixed spread securities.Step-up coupons		

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Rules for Inclusion

Currency	Principal and coupons must be denominated in USD		
Market of Issue	 SEC-registered securities, bonds exempt from registration at time of issuance, or SEC Rule 144A securities with or without registration rights are index eligible. A security with both SEC Regulation S (Reg-S) and SEC Rule 144A tranches is treated as one security in par value; to prevent double-counting, the 144A tranche is used to represent the issue and comprises the combined amount outstanding of the 144A and Reg-S tranches. 		
	 Issues with global market of issue are included. 		
3-month LIBOR-based fixedCorporate entities and fundi	Included	Excluded	
	 FRNs with coupon step-ups 	• Fixed-rate bullet, putable, and callable bonds	
	 3-month LIBOR-based fixed-spread securities Corporate entities and funding agreements 	• Fixed-rate and fixed-to-floating securities; securities not floating rate at issuance	
	Bullet and callable structures	 Bonds with equity-type features (e.g., warrants, convertibles, contingent capital securities) 	
		 Inflation-linked bonds 	
		• Fixed-rate perpetuals	
		• Securitized bonds (MBS, ABS, CMBS, covered)	

- Yankee CDs
- FDIC-guaranteed bank debt
- Illiquid securities with no available market quotes



*Note: *2003-2016 data are as of year-end; 2017 data are as of March 2017.

Rebalancing Rules

Frequency	For each index, Bloomberg maintains two universes of securities: the Returns (Backward) and the Projected (Forward) Universes. The composition of the Returns Universe is rebalanced at each month-end and represents the fixed set of bonds on which index returns are calculated for the next month. The Projected Universe is a forward-looking projection that changes daily to reflect issues dropping out of and entering the index but is not used for return calculations. On the last business day of the month (the rebalancing date), the composition of the latest Projected Universe becomes the Returns Universe for the following month.	
Index Changes	During the month, indicative changes to securities (credit rating change, sector reclassification, amount outstandir changes, corporate actions, and ticker changes) are reflected daily in the Projected and Returns Universe of the in These changes may cause bonds to enter or fall out of the Projected Universe of the index on a daily basis, but wi affect the composition of the Returns Universe at month-end only, when the index is next rebalanced.	
Reinvestment of Cash Flows	Intra-month cash flows from interest and principal payments contribute to monthly index returns but are not reinvested at a short-term reinvestment rate between rebalance dates. At each rebalancing, cash is effectively reinvested into the returns universe for the following month so that index results over two or more months reflect monthly compounding.	

Rebalancing Rules

New Issues

Qualifying securities issued, but not necessarily settled on or before the month-end rebalancing date, qualify for inclusion in the following month's index if the required security reference information and pricing are readily available.

Pricing and Related Issues

Sources & Frequency	All index-eligible bonds are priced on a daily basis by Bloomberg's evaluated pricing service, BVAL.	
Pricing Quotes	Prices are quoted as a percentage of par.	
Timing	• 3pm (New York time) each day.	
	• On early market closes, prices are taken as of 1pm (New York time) unless otherwise noted.	
	• If the last business day of the month is a US holiday, prices from the previous day are used.	
Bid or Offer Side	Bonds in the index are priced on the bid side.	
Settlement Assumptions	• T+1 calendar day settlement basis.	
	• At month-end, settlement is assumed to be the first calendar day of the following month, even if the last business day is not the last day of the month, to allow for one full month of accrued interest to be calculated.	
Verification	Daily price moves for each security are analyzed and compared with other third-party pricing sources by the index pricing team to identify outliers. Index users may also challenge price levels, which are then reviewed and updated.	
Calendar	The US FRN < 5 Years Index follows the US bond market holiday schedule.	

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