US Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index

The Bloomberg US Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index measures the performance of the US Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS) market. The US Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index is subset of the flagship Barclays World Government Inflation-Linked Bond (WGILB) index and US TIPS represent the largest component of the WGILB Index. The US Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index includes the total amount outstanding of each TIPS and does not adjust for amounts held in the Federal Reserve System Open Market (SOMA) Account.

The US Government Inflation-Linked Bond Index was launched in May 2002 with daily history backfilled to February 1997. The index is available in local currency and in 13 major currencies on a hedged and un-hedged basis. Sub-indices are also available.

Rules for Inclusion

Country Eligibility	Only includes TIPS issued by United States.	
Eligible Currencies	Principal and interest must be inflation-linked	and denominated in USD.
Amount Outstanding	USD500mn minimum par amount outstandin	g.
Quality	Securities must be rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB-/BBB- or higher) using the middl 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:	
	• Local currency Treasury issues are classifie each agency for all outstanding bonds, ev	
Maturity	At least 1 year until final maturity	
	• Sub-indices based on maturity are inclusive of lower bounds. 1-10 year maturity bands include bonds with maturities of 1 to 9.9999 years. 10+ year maturity bands include maturities of 10 years or greater.	
Coupon	Fixed-rate coupon.	
and linked to a	Included	Excluded
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	and linked to a commonly used domestic inflation index	Non-government inflation-linked bonds
		• STRIPS, Treasury bills, bellwethers
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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 outstanding changes, corporate actions, and ticker changes) are reflected daily in the Projected and Returns Universe of the index. These changes may cause bonds to enter or fall out of the Projected Universe of the index on a daily basis, but will 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.
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	The index uses mid-market prices according to local market quote conventions.
Timing	• 4pm (New York Time)
	 On early market close, prices are taken as of 1pm, unless otherwise noted.
	• If the last business day of the month is a public holiday, prices from the previous business day are used.
Bid or Offer Side	Bonds in the index are priced on the mid side.
Settlement Assumptions	The index uses standard local settlement (T+1).
Verification	Daily price moves for each security are analyzed by the index pricing team to identify outliers. Index users may also challenge price levels, which are then reviewed and updated as needed.
Calendar	The US Government Inflation-Linked Index is calculated daily and has a value for each calendar day. On US bond market holidays, the index will still be generated using prices from previous business day.

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