US Long Treasury Index

The Bloomberg US Long Treasury Index is based on the flagship <u>Bloomberg US Treasury Index</u>, and includes bonds with at least 10 years remaining to maturity. STRIPS are excluded from the index because their inclusion would result in double-counting. The US Treasury Index is a component of the US Aggregate, US Universal, Global Aggregate and Global Treasury Indices. The US Long Treasury Index has launched in March 1994, with history back to January 1, 1973.

This document is intended to be read in conjunction with the <u>Bloomberg Fixed Income Index Methodology</u>; these documents collectively constitute the index methodology for this Index.

Rules for Inclusion

Eligible Currencies	Principal and interest must be denominated ir	n USD.	
Quality	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:		
	• Local currency treasury issues are classified each agency for all outstanding bonds, even		
Amount Outstanding	USD300mn minimum par amount outstanding.		
	and net secondary market transactions) ar outstanding. New issuance bought at auct index. Net secondary market purchases/sa	ion by the Federal Reserve does not enter the ales are adjusted in the Projected Universe of in the Returns Universe once a month, based	
Coupon	• Fixed-rate coupon.		
	• Original zero-coupon issues are included.		
Maturity	Eligible bonds should have a maturity of 10 ye	ears or greater.	
Security Types	Included	Excluded	
	 Bullet, putable, sinkable/amortizing and callable bonds 	 US Treasuries held in the Federal Reserve SOMA account 	
	 Inflation-linked bonds, floating-rate bonds 		
	Certificates of deposit	 STRIPS, Treasury bills, bellwethers 	
		• State and local government series (SLG)	

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¹ All float adjustment updates to the US Treasury amount outstanding in the Projected Universe are made on or prior to T-3 (3 business days before monthend using the U.S. calendar). Further details about indices' treatment of SOMA holdings of US Treasuries can be found in this <u>note</u>.

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 monthend 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	Index-eligible bonds are priced on a daily basis by Bloomberg's evaluated pricing service, BVAL.
Pricing Quotes	Bonds are quoted as percentage of par.
Timing	 Prior to January 14, 2021, bonds are priced at 3 p.m. (New York time). On early market closes, prices are taken as of 1 p.m. (New York time), unless otherwise noted. From January 14, 2021, and onwards, bonds are priced at 4 p.m. (New York time). On early market closes, prices are taken as of 1 p.m. (New York time), 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 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 by the index pricing team to identify outliers. Index users may also challenge price levels, which are then reviewed and updated as needed.

Currency Hedging	Returns hedged to various non-USD currencies are published for the US Long Treasury Index. The indices' FX hedging methodology takes rolling one-month forward contracts that are reset at the end of each month and hedges each non-reporting currency-denominated bond in the index into the reporting currency terms. No adjustment is made to the hedge during the month to account for price movements of constituent securities in the Returns Universe of the index.
Calendar	The US Long Treasury Index follows the US bond market holiday schedule.

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