

## Adjustments to Amount Outstanding for Australia Government Bonds in FTSE Fixed Income Indexes

On 3 November 2020, the Reserve Bank of Australia announced that starting 5 November 2020, they would begin purchasing Australian government securities (AGS) and securities issued by the state and territory central borrowing in the secondary market under the \$100 billion bond purchase program set out in the Governor's Statement on 3 November 2020. The allocation of bond purchases is planned to be around 80 per cent AGS and around 20 per cent semis; inflation-linked bonds will not be purchased under this program. FTSE Russell announces that security amount outstanding values for nominal and inflation-linked Australia government bonds will be adjusted for holdings of the Reserve Bank of Australia in the FTSE fixed income indexes effective with the March 2021 profiles.

In advance of fixing for the March 2021 profiles, FTSE Russell will publish additional details on the projected adjustments for this purchase program in the FTSE World Government Bond Index (WGBI). As of the December 2020 profiles, Australia comprised 2.22% of the WGBI on a market value weighted basis with 28 bonds and AUD 688.1 billion (USD 507.0 billion) in par amount outstanding.

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