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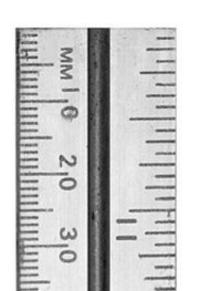
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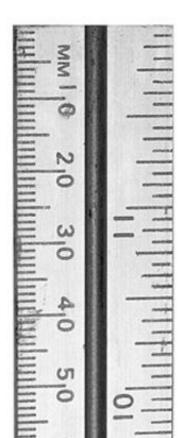
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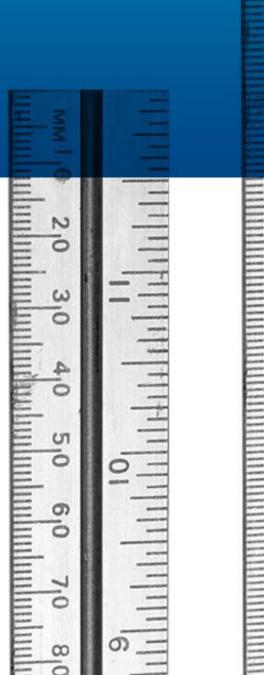
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Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended

INDEX METHODOLOGY







Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended

The Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended (WGBI-Extended) measures the performance of fixed-rate, local currency, investment-grade sovereign bonds. The WGBI-Extended includes any market that meets the size and credit criteria of the Citi World Government Bond Index (WGBI) and is also a market already present in or eligible to be in one of the four regional government bond indices. These regional indices are the Citi Asia Pacific Government Bond Index (APGBI), Citi Central Eastern Europe, Middle East, and Africa Government Bond Index (CEEMEAGBI), Citi Emerging Markets Government Bond Index (EMGBI) and Citi Latin American Government Bond Index (LATAMGBI).

Composition and Design Criteria

Figure 1 details the size and credit criteria, and calculation assumptions for the WGBI, which also apply to the Citi World Government Bond Index - Extended.

Coupon	Fixed-rate	
Minimum Maturity	At least one year ¹	
Market Size	Entry : The outstanding amount of a market's eligible issues must total at least USD 50 billion, EUR 40 billion and JPY 5 trillion for the market to be considered eligible for inclusion.	
	Exit: When the outstanding amount of a market's eligible issues falls below half of all the entry-level market size criteria, namely USD 25 billion, EUR 20 billion and JPY 2.5 trillion, for three consecutive months, the market will be removed from the next month's profile.	
Minimum Issue Size	Americas Canada: CAD 2.5 billion (excludes Bank of Canada Cash Management bond buybacks) Mexico: MXN 10 billion United States: USD 5 billion public amount outstanding (excludes Federal Reserve holdings)	
	Europe, Middle East, and Africa Denmark: DKK 20 billion Eurozone Markets: EUR 2.5 billion Norway: NOK 20 billion Poland: PLN 5 billion South Africa: ZAR 10 billion Sweden: SEK 25 billion Switzerland: CHF 4 billion United Kingdom: GBP 2 billion (excludes Bank of England holdings)	
	Asia Pacific and Japan Australia: AUD 750 million Japan: JPY 500 billion; 20+ year bonds: JPY 450 billion (excludes Bank of Japan holdings and Ministry of Finance buybacks) Malaysia: MYR 4 billion Singapore: SGD 1.5 billion	
Minimum Credit Quality ²	Entry: A- by S&P and A3 by Moody's, for all new markets.	
	Exit: Below BBB- by S&P and Baa3 by Moody's.	

Figure 1 Citi World Government Bond Index — Design Criteria and Calculation Assumptions

¹ Note: Due to the structure of the South African three-legged instruments, the minimum maturity for such instruments (e.g. R186 (10.5%, 12/21/2026)) is one year based on the first maturity date and the three legs from the split of these instruments will not be eligible for index inclusion. By convention, the stated maturity date of a three-legged bond is the middle maturity date. ² Each month, the upcoming month's Index constituents are "fixed" on the profile fixing date. The credit qualifications of the Index are treated as provisional. This distinction will allow a market to be removed from the Index after the fixing if it becomes rated below investment-grade by both S&P and Moody's. This exception window is kept open until 5:00 p.m. New York time on the second to last business day of the month for removal only. Removal from the Index, on or after the fixing date, is not reversible except by qualifying for the Index once again, which takes a minimum of six months. There is no specific rule concerning default or what constitutes default. Conceivably, a market could technically default, but an immediate rescue could leave its existing bonds in the investment-grade category. Only a downgrade to below investment-grade would trigger a credit-related expulsion from the Index.

Composition	Sovereign debt denominated in the domestic currency.	
	Securities included: Fixed-rate non-callable bonds – unless otherwise stated in Figure 3. For Eurozone Markets, fixed-rate bonds originally issued in their euro-converting currency are included.	
	Securities excluded: Variable rate, floating rate, fixed-to-floating rate, index-linked, retail directed, bills, stripped zero coupon, convertibles, savings, and private placements.	
	For more information on market specific security types, refer to Figure 3.	
Weighting	Market capitalization	
Rebalancing	Once a month at the end of the month.	
Reinvestment of Cash Flow	At daily average of the local currency one-month Eurodeposit rate. Calculated from actual scheduled payment date of the cash flow through the end of the reporting period.	
Pricing	Citi trader pricing except for Malaysia (provided by Amanah Butler and Affin), Mexico (provided by Proveedor Integral de Precios S.A. de C.V.), Poland (provided by BondSpot), Singapore (provided by the Monetary Authority of Singapore), and Switzerland (provided by Swiss Exchange). All pricing is generally taken as of local market close.	
	For more information on local market close, refer to Figure 4.	
Calculation Frequency	Daily	
Settlement Date	Monthly - Settlement is on the last calendar day of the month. Daily - Same day settlement except if the last business day of the month is not the last calendar day of the month; then, settlement is on the last calendar day of the month.	
Fixing Date	Each month, the upcoming month's index constituents are "fixed" on the profile fixing date3. Each year's scheduled fixing dates are published on the Citi Fixed Income Indices website (www.yieldbook.com/citi-indices).	

Figure 1 Citi World Government Bond Index — Design Criteria and Calculation Assumptions, continued

Figure 2 Additional Design Criteria and Calculation Assumptions for the Citi World Government Bond Index - Extended

Country Eligibility⁴	Any market that meets the size and credit criteria of the World Government Bond Index (WGBI) and is also present in or eligible to be in one of the four regional government bond indices, namely: - Asia Pacific Government Bond Index (APGBI) - Central Eastern Europe, Middle East and Africa Government Bond Index (CEEMEAGBI) - Emerging Markets Government Bond Index (EMGBI) - Latin American Government Bond Index (LATAMGBI)
Minimum Issue Size	China: CNY 20 billion Korea: KRW 1 trillion
Index Base Date	December 31,1984

Figure 3 Citi World Government Bond Index - Extended Composition

Country	Security Type
Australia	Excludes tax rebate bonds
Austria	Includes Bundesanleihen Excludes Bundesobligationen bonds
China	Excludes zero-coupon bonds, special government bonds, bonds with maturity greater than 30 years from issuance and bonds issued prior to January 1, 2005
Belgium	N/A
Canada	N/A
Denmark	Excludes mortgage credit bonds

3 Fixing dates provide a clear reference point for index users to know in advance of any changes to the composition of the index for the upcoming month. On each fixing date, publicly available securities information is used to determine index eligibility and indicative values for the following month's index profile. 4 As of June 2017, China and Korea met the criteria for the WGBI-Extended for three consecutive months; as such, they will be part of the WGBI-Extended in July 2017. Israel met the criteria in June 2017 and if it continues to meet the criteria for two consecutive months, namely July and August 2017, it will join the WGBI-Extended in December 2017.

Country	Security Type	
Finland	Excludes sinking fund, putable, extendable, housing fund and yield bonds	
France	Includes Obligations Assimilables du Trésor (OATs) and Bons du Trésor a Intérêt Annuel Normalisé (BTANs)	
Germany	Includes Bundesrepublic, Schatzanweisungen, Bundesobligationen, Unity bonds, Treuhandanstalt, and Treuhandobligationen Excludes Schuldscheine, Unverzinsliche, Bundespost, Bundesbahn, and European Recovery Program Bonds	
Ireland	N/A	
Italy	Includes Buoni del Tesoro Poliennale (BTPs)	
Japan	Includes callable bonds Excludes JGBs for individuals and discount bonds	
Korea	Excludes Monetary Stabilization bonds and 10-Years securities issued prior to January 1, 2003	
Malaysia	Includes callable bonds Excludes Government Investment Issues (GII)	
Mexico	Excludes bonds issued prior to January 1, 2003	
Netherlands	N/A	
Norway	Includes benchmark bonds Excludes loans and lottery loans issued before 1991	
Poland	N/A	
Singapore	N/A	
South Africa	Excludes zero-coupon bonds	
Spain	Includes Bonos and Obligationes del Estado Excludes discount bonds (Letras and Pagares del Tesoro)	
Sweden	Includes Riksobligationer	
Switzerland	Includes callable bonds Excludes book liabilities	
United Kingdom	Includes callable, partly paids and convertible (into other gilt issues) bonds Excludes rump gilts and perpetuals (undated)	
United States	Includes callable bonds	

Figure 3 Citi World Government Bond Index - Extended Composition, continued

PRICING

Source

The pricing source for the Citi World Government Bond Index - Extended is discussed in Figure 1.

Timing

Citi's fixed income indices are calculated Monday through Friday except Christmas Day (observed) and New Year's Day (observed). When a market observes a holiday, Citi Fixed Income Indices uses the closing prices from the previous available day as the closing prices for index calculations on such holiday for that market.

In order to determine whether a holiday is applicable for index determination purposes Citi Fixed Income Indices considers the local market where the bond is domiciled as well as the location of the trading hub ("Trading Center") for that sector.

A market is considered to be on holiday if either that market or its defined Trading Center is observing a holiday. Figure 4 shows the local markets, Trading Centers (in parentheses), and local times used to determine the closing prices for Citi's fixed income indices.

As an example, New York is the Trading Center for U.S. and Canada; as such, when the U.S. is observing a holiday, the closing prices used for the bonds in both U.S. and Canadian markets for that day are the closing prices from the previous day irrespective of whether the Canadian market is open or not on such day. If Canada is observing a holiday but New York (its Trading Center) is not, the closing prices for the Canadian bonds for that day are from the previous day.

London is another Trading Center where related markets (Eurozone markets and Sweden) follow the observed holidays and for which the closing prices used on such holiday for those related markets are the previously available closing prices. For example, if London is observing a holiday, the closing

prices used for the bonds in Germany, France, Italy, and other Eurozone countries, Denmark, Norway and Sweden are the prices from the previous available day irrespective of whether these related local markets are open or not on such day⁵.

Eurozone countries are considered as a single bloc and they use the European Central Bank's Trans-European Automated Real Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) calendar in place of the local market calendars to determine holidays. As such, the closing prices used for all Eurozone countries on any holiday under the TARGET closing days' calendar are the previously available closing prices of the respective countries.

Americas		
Canada	3:00 p.m. (New York)	
Mexico	2:00 p.m. (Mexico City)	
United States	3:00 p.m. (New York)	
Europe, Middle East, and Afric	a	
Austria*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
Belgium*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
Finland*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
France*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
Germany*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
Ireland*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
Italy*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
Netherlands*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
Spain*	4:15 p.m. (London)	
*Eurozone member state		

Europe, Middle East, and Africa (continued)		
4:15 p.m. (London)		
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4:30 p.m. (Warsaw)		
5:00 p.m. (Johannesburg)		
4:15 p.m. (London)		
5:00 p.m. (Zurich)		
4:15 p.m. (London)		
4:30 p.m. (Sydney)		
4:30 p.m. (Shanghai)		
3:00 p.m. (Tokyo)		
3:00 p.m. (Seoul)		
5:00 p.m. (Kuala Lumpur)		
4:30 p.m. (Singapore)		

INDEX SECTORS CLASSIFICATIONS

Maturity

In addition to the broad categories published, sub-sector breakdowns are also provided for many of Citi's fixed income indices. One such sub-division is based on the remaining maturity of the underlying securities. The maturity sector buckets are defined by including all underlying issues with a remaining average life at least equal to the lower bound, but less than the upper bound of the particular category. For example, the one-to-three-years sector of the Citi World Government Bond Index - Extended includes all securities with a remaining average life of at least one year, but less than three years. The set of bonds is then held constant for the calculation month, even if the average life declines below the lower bound of the maturity bucket.

Index Quality

An index quality is assigned to each index bond as of profile fixing. The quality is first mapped to the Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P") rating. If a bond is not rated by S&P but it is rated by Moody's Investor Service, Inc. ("Moody's"), the S&P equivalent of the Moody's rating is assigned to the index quality. If a bond is rated by neither S&P nor Moody's, the bond is not assigned an index quality. If a bond is rated as investment-grade by one rating agency and high-yield by the other, the S&P equivalent of the investment-grade rating is assigned to the index quality. These ratings remain unchanged for the entire performance month.

EXCHANGE RATES

Citi Fixed Income Indices uses The World Markets Company Plc ("WM")/Reuters closing spot and forward rates. WM takes several snapshots at regular intervals centered on the fixing time of 4:00 p.m. London time and selects the median rate for each currency. All rates are mid-market quotations and appear on Reuters (see WMRSPOT01).

RETURN COMPUTATION

Total returns are computed on the assumption that each security is purchased at the beginning of the period and sold at the end of the period. An issue's total rate of return is the percentage change in its total value over the measurement period. The components of total return for each security are price

⁵ To be clear, although an individual local market may be open for trading when its defined Trading Center is closed, Citi Fixed Income Indices will not update closing prices for such day for this related local market and we will use previously available closing prices for index calculation. ⁶ Defined Trading Center is shown in parenthesis e.g. (New York) for Canada.

change, principal payments, coupon payments, accrued interest, and reinvestment income on intra-month cash flows. The total returns are market capitalization weighted using the security's beginning-of-period market value (see Figure 5). In the case of multi-currency or non-base indices, the total return also includes currency movement (see Figure 6).

Figure 5 Total Rate of Return Calculation Methodology

Beginning-of-Period Value

(Beginning Price + Beginning Accrued) x Beginning Par Amount Outstanding

End-of-Period Value

[(Ending Price + Ending Accrued) x (Beginning Par Amount Outstanding - Principal Payments)] + Coupon Payments + Principal Payments + Reinvestment Income

Total Rate of Return (%)

 $\left[\left(\frac{\text{End-of-Period Value}}{\text{Beginning-of-Period Value}}\right) - 1\right] x \ 100$

A note on precision: Returns are computed to at least six decimal places but reported to a maximum of five. In addition, owing to rounding errors inherent in computer floating-point arithmetic, the last digit in any reported value may sometimes be off by one from its true value.

Figure 6 Total Rate of Return Calculation Methodology for Base Currency Returns, Unhedged

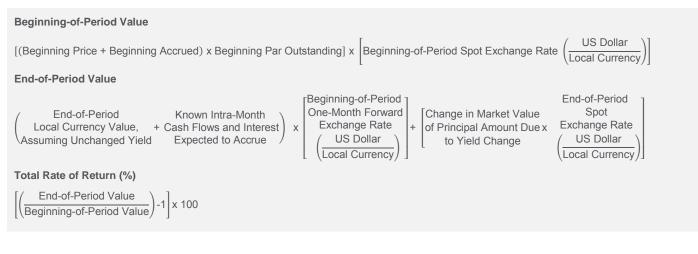
Total Rate of Return (%)

 $\left\{ \left[1 + \left(\frac{\text{Local Currency Return}}{100} \right) \right] \times \left(\frac{\text{End-of-Month Spot Rate}}{\text{Beginning-of-Month Spot Rate}} \right) - 1 \right\} \times 100$

This equation holds true only if the spot rates are quoted as base currency per unit of foreign currency.

The monthly currency-hedged return is calculated by using a rolling one-month forward exchange contract as a hedging instrument. The face value of the contract is equal to the estimated end-of-month full market value. To calculate this value, the bond's yield is assumed to be unchanged from the beginning of the month. Any known cash flows are then taken into account, such as coupon or principal payments, and interest expected to accrue for the period is also added in. This calculation leaves the intra-month changes in bond prices from yield movements unhedged. Any principal movement resulting from yield change is then settled at end-of-month spot exchange rates. Figure 7 gives an example of the calculation formula from the point of view of a US investor.

Figure 7 Total Rate of Return Calculation Methodology, Currency Hedged



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Citi Fixed Income Indices reviews its indices periodically to ensure that their composition adequately represents the intended universe. Index users should be aware that various factors, including factors beyond the control of Citi Fixed Income Indices, might necessitate material changes or termination of an index.

Unless otherwise stated, the index follows the general methodology for Citi's fixed income indices. For details, please see Citi's *Index Guide* on www.yieldbook.com/citi-indices.

CHRONOLOGICAL SUMMARY OF EVENTS

The Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended is introduced in June 2017 including 25 markets. Of these, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States were part of the index since its base date in December 1984. Denmark joined the index in April 1989. Belgium, Italy, Spain and Sweden joined in October 1992. At that time, Switzerland was removed from the index and rejoined it in April 1996. Austria joined in April 1993, Finland in July 1996, Ireland in April 1997, Poland in May 2003, Norway in September 2003, Singapore in January 2005, Malaysia in July 2007, Korea and Mexico in January 2008, South Africa in April 2011 and China in July 2017.

Figure 8 Tickers* for the Citi World Government Bond Index - Extended

Ticker	Index
SBWGEL	Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended, in LCL terms
SBWGEUU	Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended, in USD terms
SBWGEEU	Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended, in EUR terms
SBWGEGU	Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended, in GBP terms
SBWGEYU	Citi World Government Bond Index – Extended, in JPY terms

* The tickers can be used to access data for the index on Bloomberg and other vendor platforms.

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