

Fixed Income Guide

Global yields soared during the first nine months of 2013, driven by China's discussions on their latest structural reform and talks by the U.S. Federal Reserve on possibly tapering its asset purchase program. With global growth prospects appearing to lose momentum, investors are faced with even more challenging global market environments. Our indices can help understand these challenging markets.

S&P Dow Jones Indices delivers a wide array of investable and benchmark indices that measure constantly evolving financial markets—globally, regionally and locally. Our indices provide the tools investors need to gauge markets and chart their investment course. And since investors around the world have varying needs, our spectrum of index offerings also extends throughout Pan Asia.

THESE TARGETED OFFERINGS ARE DESIGNED TO:

Enhance transparency and measure specific and growing local and regional markets

Provide a comprehensive picture of the market and help identify potential opportunities

Serve as the basis for investment vehicles such as structured products and ETFs

They range from an index that tracks the performance of the offshore RMB bond market, to an index series measuring the performance of the Australian dollar denominated bonds to indices measuring U.S. fixed income markets generating strong interest from Asian investors.

A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF SOME OF OUR FIXED INCOME INDICES

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S&P/DB ORBIT INDEX

LAUNCH DATE: July 1, 2011

BI NOMBERG TICKER: DRCNH Index

What you should know:

- A joint collaboration between S&P DJI and Deutsche Bank, the S&P/DB ORBIT Index is a total return index that tracks the performance of the offshore RMB bond market [also known as the dim sum market].
- Highly transparent, independent and tradable index that aims to capture a more liquid segment of the market.
- Calculated in offshore RMB, while un-hedged index levels in USD and HKD are also available

And why?

- Underpinned by the growing confidence in the economy and regulatory efforts in Renminbi liberalization, it appears that China's growth story remains intact.
- Outperformed both the U.S. treasury market and the Asian credits market on a risk-adjusted basis, largely due to the different interest rate mechanism and market composition.
- Compared with Asian Credits in USD space, it has a higher composition of sovereigns and quasi-sovereigns credits.
- Exhibited negative correlation to the U.S. treasury market.
- Provides investors an excellent way to diversify their fixed income portfolio.

EXHIBIT 1: Risk Adjusted Return and Correlation				
	S&P/BGCantor U.S. Treasury Bond Index	JACI Composite Total Return Index	S&P/DB ORBIT USD Index	
1- Yr Risk Adjusted Return	-0.69	-0.12	1.88	
2- Yr Risk Adjusted Return	0.17	1.31	1.93	
Correlation	-0.19	0.75	1.00	

Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices and J,P. Morgan Stanley. Data as of September 30, 2013. This table is provided for illustrative purposes. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

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S&P/ASX AUSTRALIAN FIXED INTEREST INDEX

LAUNCH DATE: OCTOBER 13, 2011

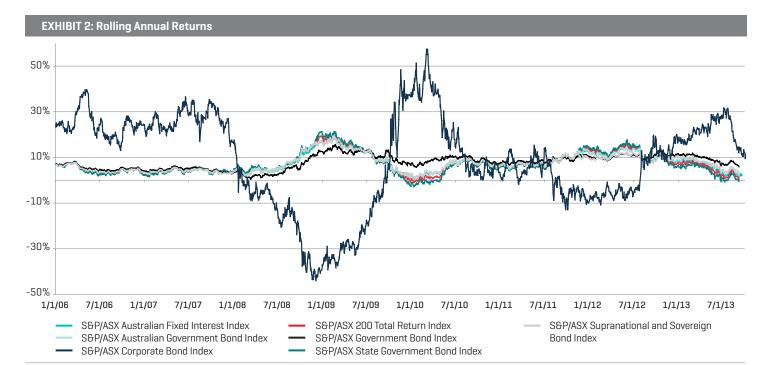
BLOOMBERG TICKER: SPBDASXT Index

What you should know:

- Launched by S&P Dow Jones Indices and the Australia Securities Exchange
- The S&P/ASX Australian Fixed Interest Index Series is a broad benchmark index series measuring the performance of the Australian dollar denominated bonds issued in the local market with maturity greater than one year.
- Established a strong investor recognition and created the global indexing standard.
- We also offer over 18 real-time indices that allow investors to timely measure the performance of the Australian fixed income market.
- Multi-dealer pricing source via Yieldbroker.

And why?

- Investors continue to favor Australian credits, as Australia is one of the 11 countries that retain the AAA credit rating from both S&P Ratings and Moody's $^{\rm 1}$.
- The S&P/ASX Australian Fixed Interest Index provides yield premiums over Europe and U.S. markets.
- Since year-end 2007, the S&P/ASX Australian Fixed Interest Index delivered a risk-adjusted return of 2.25 while S&P/ASX 200 Total Return Index was -0.22.
- Exhibit 2 further illustrates the defensiveness of the fixed income market over the equity market in the long-run.



Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices. Data as of September 30, 2013. This chart is provided for illustrative purposes. Past Performance is not a quarantee of future results.

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S&P U.S. ISSUED HIGH YIELD INDEX

LAUNCH DATE: April 9, 2013

BLOOMBERG TICKER: SPUSCHY Index

What you should know:

- The S&P U.S. Issued High Yield Corporate Bond Index measures the high yield bond market performance of U.S. dollar denominated bonds issued by U.S. domiciled corporations.
- Minimum par amount outstanding is US\$100 million and the maximum credit rating for inclusion is BB+/Ba1/BB+ (from S&P Ratings or Moody's or Fitch's equivalents).
- Sub-index of the S&P U.S. Issued Corporate Bond Index, which
 is a broad index family designed to measure investment
 grade and high yield bond market performance for U.S. dollar
 denominated bonds issued by U.S. domiciled corporations.

And why?

- Supported by the strong sales growth and low default rate, inflows into U.S. corporates sector continue this year.
- In the low rate environment, the S&P U.S. High Yield Corporate Bond provides a significant yield pickup over the treasury bonds.
- Higher yielding assets are generally less sensitive to yield changes.

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S&P/LSTA U.S. LEVERAGED LOAN 100 INDEX

LAUNCH DATE: October 20, 2008

BLOOMBERG TICKER: SPBDLL Index

What you should know:

- The S&P/LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 Index is a daily investable index that seeks to mirror the market-weighted performance of the largest institutional senior loans.
- It consists of the top 100 loans drawn from a larger benchmark, the S&P/LSTA Leverage Loan Index.
- The minimum par amount outstanding is US\$50 million and it is rebalanced weekly.

And why?

- Leveraged loans are the senior bank loans that are made to leveraged borrowers, whose credit ratings are speculative grade.
- They are floating rate instruments, which the coupons reset periodically with the prevailing benchmark rate. Due to its short duration, the loans generally hold their value better than the fixed rate bonds in rising rate environments.
- While strongly correlated with high yield bonds, the senior loans are secured by the assets of the operating company, which are superior to the terms often seen in high yield bonds. The senior loans are also less volatile compared to high yield bonds.



EXHIBIT 3: Comparison of S&P/LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 Index and S&P U.S. Issued High Yield Corporate Bond Index				
	S&P/LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 Index	S&P U.S. Issued High Yield Corporate Bond Index		
Coupon payment	Floating	Fixed		
Security	Secured	Mostly unsecured		
2013 YTD Return	3.17%	3.11%		
5 Year Standard Deviation	11.58%	12.88%		
Yield	5.41%	6.35%		

Source: SGP Dow Jones Indices. Data as of September 30, 2013. This table is provided for illustrative purpose. Past performance is no quarantee of future results.

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The launch date of the S&P/ASX Australian Fixed Interest Index was October 13, 2011, at the market close. The launch date of the S&P/DB ORBIT Index was July 1, 2011, at the market close. The launch date of the S&P U.S. Issued High Yield Corporate Bond Index was April 9, 2013.

All information presented prior to the Launch Date are back-tested. Back-tested performance is not actual performance, but is hypothetical. The back-test calculations are based on the same methodology that was in effect on the Launch Date. Complete index methodology details are available atwww.spdji.com.

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