



# Markit Equities

**Markit Equities is a critical data service for derivative professionals requiring an accurate source of equity index and ETF composition data in combination with global dividend and ex-date forecasts.**

Combining an independent benchmark in dividend forecasting with validated index constituent data, our unique suite of services includes additional functional modules such as Dividend Index Points, Future Index Compositions and customised Index Management.

All data from **Markit Equities** is provided in a single cross referenced XML data feed via a front-end application, or via Markit's platform partners, for easy integration.

## Markit Equities: clients

Clients include traders, middle office and risk control professionals in investment banks and hedge funds. Specific functions include:

- single stock/index option trading
- delta one trading
- fund administrators
- securities lending
- single and multi strategy hedge funds
- index/ETF providers
- structured products trading
- convertible bond trading
- statistical and volatility arbitrage
- income fund management
- asset managers, and
- derivative exchanges (including LIFFE and Eurex).

## Markit Equities: modules

### Dividend Forecast

Up to four years of independent discrete dividend forecasts and dates (e.g. ex, pay and record dates) for more than 6,000 stocks globally.

- Cleansed of all aspects of tax.
- All forecast dividends and splits according to each firm's distribution policy.
- Ex-dates individually tracked and monitored by Markit's research team.
- Full access to a dedicated multi-lingual research team for specific queries.

Markit Equities	
Dividend Forecast	Index Management
Dividend Index Points (DIP)	Future Index Composition
Dividend Forecast History	Custom Index Management
Markit RED for Equities	Global ETF Composition

### Dividend Index Points (DIP)

Calculates accurate current and forecast dividend index points on any index or sector, taking into account special treatment of dividends by index providers.

### Dividend Forecast History

Up to two years historical forecast dividend estimate amounts and dates. Global and regional modules are available.

Indices

Market Data

OTC Valuations

Trade Processing

Content Distribution

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## Index Management

Processes and validates over 800,000 global equity indices.

- Source any index family from MSCI, FTSE, Russell, Dow Jones and any required local index provider.
- All indices available in a single XML, real-time feed.
- All data is cleansed and validated by Markit's research team for each region's market open.
- Positional index views available:

**Open Tradable Index:** Official index data for next day opening, adjusted for corporate actions, as provided by the exchange, and

**Close Benchmark Index:** Official closing index data.

*The above "core services" - either open or close indices - are required before the following modules can be added:*

### Future Index Composition (T+ Services)

Displays the future index composition based on upcoming officially announced changes by effective date.

Released in conjunction with the open index, therefore deltas are visible until the effective date of rebalancing.

Announcement date, start date and end date of stocks joining and leaving the index, including NOSH, free float and other index information when available.

### Sector Index Module

Includes sector classifications such as Topix, GICS and ICB. Complete, ongoing, cross-mapping available against indices and sectors.

### Global Etf Composition

Provides full ETF coverage in the same XML feed as the underlying equity indices.

## Markit Red For Equities

In collaboration with **Markit RED**, the market standard that confirms reference entities and their reference obligation pairs, Markit provides an automated cross-asset mapping product that enables secure multi-asset trading.

- Links 2,800 equities to Markit RED identifiers.
- Allows users to map across the issuer of the debt to the tradable equity entity.
- Enables multi-asset trading and risk mitigation.

## Custom Index Management

Outsourced solution to process, rebalance, calculate and publish clients' custom basket/indices or INAV on ETFs. Benefits include:

- index calculation agnostic
- independent calculating agent
- published on end-of-day or real-time basis
- publication direct to clients, exchanges and other data vendors, and
- full access to our index support and design team.

## More Information on Markit Equities

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