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# iBoxx® MSCI ESG GBP Liquid Investment Grade Ultrashort

# Transparent, independent, objective and multi-dimensional coverage across all asset classes.

The iBoxx MSCI ESG GBP Liquid Investment Grade Ultrashort negatively screens out issuers from the iBoxx GBP Liquid Investment Grade Ultrashort Index that are involved in business lines or activities, as captured by MSCI ESG Research data, such as weapons, firearms, tobacco, adult entertainment, alcohol, gambling, nuclear power, genetically modified organisms, fossil fuel extractives, power generated by the use of fossil fuels, and violators of global norms, specifically the UNGC. Additionally, issuers scoring below a defined threshold based on MSCI ESG Ratings are excluded, as well as those with a notable controversy related to their operations and/or products with a very severe social or environmental impact.

The index covers fixed rate bonds maturing between 0 and 1 year and floating rate securities with a time to maturity between 0 and 3 years. The index is rebalanced on a monthly basis and is market value-weighted with a cap on each issuer of 3%.

The index is part of the global iBoxx index families, fueled by multi-source pricing. iBoxx indices offer representative and objective benchmarks for assessing the performance of bond markets and investments.

## Index Identifiers

Name	ISIN (TRi)	BBG Ticker (TRi)	RIC Code (TRi)
iBoxx MSCI ESG GBP Liquid Investment Grade Ultrashort	GB00BKYPJF88	IBXXGES1	.IBXXGES1

# **Inclusion Criteria**

Issuer Types	The bond must be corporate credit (i.e., debt instruments
issuel Types	backed by corporate issuers that are not secured by specific assets), or covered bonds, or debt issued by quasi-sovereigns, sub-sovereigns and government-backed or guaranteed entities. Debt issued by governments or sovereigns is excluded.
Bond Types	Included: Fixed coupon bonds, step-up bonds with coupon schedules known at issuance (or as functions of the issuer's rating), medium-term notes (MTNs), ratings-driven bonds, callable senior bonds including cleanup calls, putable senior bonds, non-callable Tier 2 bonds and Tier 2 dated bonds, floating rate notes linked to LIBOR or SONIA with coupon reset at least once per year, and subordinated financial debt with a contingent conversion feature at the point of non-viability.
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Time to Maturity	All fixed coupon rate bonds must have at the rebalancing day a time to maturity of less than or equal to one year. Bonds are kept in the index until maturity.
	All floating rate notes must have at the rebalancing day a time to maturity of less than or equal to three years. Notes are kept in the index until maturity.
	All bonds must have at least one year time to maturity at issuance
Issue Amount Outstanding	Minimum GBP 250 million
Issuer Cap	3%
Rating	All bonds need to have an average rating of investment grade. Ratings from Moody's, S&P Global Ratings and Fitch are considered. Investment grade is defined as BBB- or higher from Fitch Ratings or S&P Global Ratings and Baa3 or higher from Moody's Investor Service. If a bond is rated by more than one of the above agencies, then the iBoxx Rating is the average of the provided ratings.
Currency	GBP
ESG	Applies MSCI ESG Research data; see above for description. For further details, please refer to the index methodology guide available on our <u>website</u> .

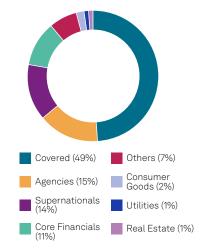
# **Index Details**

Pricing Sources	Multi-source pricing
Calculation Frequency	Daily
Rebalancing Frequency	Monthly
Calculation Time	Close of Business 16:15 (GMT/BST). Please refer to the SFTP guide for standard publication times available on our <u>website</u> .
History Start Date	July 31, 2013
Weighting	Market capitalization with a 3% issuer cap.

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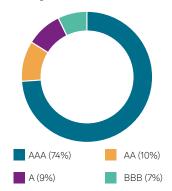
# **Industry Composition**

Index weights as of Jan. 31, 2024.



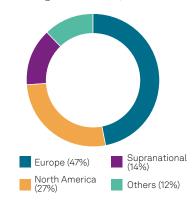
# **Rating Composition**

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# **Regional Composition**

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