

These release notes pertain to the July 2013 Monthly release of the CRSP US Stock and Index databases.

HEADS UP! NEW DELIVERY METHOD, INSTALLS, AND DATA FORMATS ON THE HORIZON!

DELIVERY

CRSP is pleased offer data delivery via the “Cloud”. By utilizing IPSwitch’s MOVEit Cloud product (<http://www.ipswitchft.com/Products/MOVEit/Cloud.aspx>), you will be able to effortlessly download data products either on demand, or with scheduled processes.

We plan to have the Stock databases available in the next several months. We understand that transition can require time and coordination, so we will initially offer this delivery option on an ‘opt-in’ basis. Should you wish to download the data, please contact our billing department at billing@crsp.chicagobooth.edu and provide us with the name, email address and telephone number of the contact person authorized to receive notification of and access to downloads.

INSTALLS

In next month’s stock shipment, CRSP will replace the InstallAnywhere process with a ZIP file process. This transition offers more flexibility and stability over the long term and allows CRSP to better support our data products into the future. This change will be transparent to end users. CRSP will provide detailed instructions and specifications in the release notes that will accompany the data shipping in September.

FILE FORMATS

A number of subscribers have requested flat-file versions of the CRSP databases that can be more easily consumed and built into automated processes. In response to these requests, CRSP is actively working on creating these flat-file versions, which once created, will also be available through the “MFT” delivery.

JULY 2013 DATA EDITS

PERMNO	COMNAM	BEGDT	ENDT	DESC
13286	BANCO BRADESCO S A	6/28/2013	6/28/2013	Changed distribution amount to .084173 from .088030 and distribution code to 1272 from 1222, on ex-date 20130628.
92851	BANK OF KENTUCKY FINANCIAL CORP	1/9/2013	4/3/2013	Changed distribution code to 1232 from 1242 on ex-dates 20130109 and 20130403.
75418	VODAFONE GROUP PLC NEW	6/12/2013	6/12/2013	Changed distribution amount to 1.06263 from 1.04879 for exdate 20130612.
90917	X T L BIOPHARMACEUTICALS LTD	4/17/2009	7/14/2013	Added zero name line for 20090417-20130714 to reflect off-exchange activity.

FILE VERSION SPECIFICS

This table contains version specific information for the CRSP Stock Files with data ending July 2013. It contains the number of securities and information about the maximums of the event arrays.

FILE CODE	# OF SECURITIES	MAX NAMES	MAX DISTS	MAX SHARES	MAX DELISTS	MAX GROUPS	MAX NASDIN	FIRST PERMNO	LAST PERMNO
DAZ	29837	39	1538	1556	1	4	2440	10000	93436
MAZ	29808	39	1538	1556	1	4	2440	10000	93436

CALENDAR	DATE RANGE	DATE INDEX RANGE
Daily trading calendar	19251231-20130731	1-23177
Month-end trading calendar	19251231-20130731	1-1052
Year-end trading calendar	19251231-20141231	1-90
Quarter-end trading calendar	19251231-20141231	1-357
Weekly trading calendar	19260102-20130731	1-4570

CRSPACCESS PRODUCT INFORMATION

To simplify installation for our subscribers, data are bundled into product groups. Information relevant to each product group is listed in the table below.

PRODUCT NAME	DATABASE	MEDIA	SIZE	INDEXES	PORTFOLIOS	COMPONENTS & DESCRIPTION
CRSP 1925 US Stock and Index Database	FIZyyyyymm	DVD	3.8 GB	All CRSP indexes and portfolio assignments	All portfolios	DI - 1925 Daily US Stock & Index Database MI - 1925 Monthly US Stock & Index Database IF - CRSP Supplemental US Indexes
CRSP 1925 US Stock	FAZyyyyymm	DVD	3.4 GB	CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Value-weighted Market, CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Equal-weighted Market, S&P 500 Composite, NASDAQ Composite		DA - 1925 Daily US Stock MA - 1925 Monthly US Stock IN - CRSP Limited US Indexes
CRSP 1962 US Stock	A6Zyyyyymm	DVD	3.0 GB	CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Value-weighted Market, CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Equal-weighted Market, S&P 500 Composite, NASDAQ Composite		D6 - 1962 Daily US Stock M6 - 1962 Monthly US Stock IN - CRSP Limited US Indexes
CRSP 1962 US Stock and Index Database	AXZyyyyymm	DVD	3.3 GB	See FIZ	All portfolios	DX - 1962 Daily US Stock & Index Database MX - 1962 Monthly US Stock & Index Database IF - CRSP Supplemental US Indexes
CRSP 1925 US Indexes	IFZyyyyymm	DVD	118 MB			IF - CRSP Supplemental US Indexes
CRSP/Compustat Merged Database	CMZyyyyymm	DVD	8.28 GB			CM - Compustat Data formatted in CRSPAccess Database
Daily & Monthly Treasuries in CRSPSift	TRZyyyyymm	DVD	251 MB			TR - Database format for use with CRSPSift
Daily & Monthly Treasuries Files	TFZyyyyymm	DVD	1.3 GB			TF - New expanded daily and monthly files in EXCEL, SAS, and ASCII formats

PRODUCT NAME	DATABASE	MEDIA	SIZE	INDEXES	PORTFOLIOS	COMPONENTS & DESCRIPTION
Daily & Monthly Legacy Treasuries Files	TLZyymm	DVD	1.19 GB			TL - Legacy daily and monthly files in EXCEL, SAS, and ASCII formats
Mutual Fund Database	MFZyyyyymm	DVD	8.72 GB			MF - Mutual Funds
CRSP/Ziman Daily & Monthly REIT	RAZyyyyymm	DVD	222 MB			RD - Daily REITs RM - Monthly REITs

DATA INSTALLATION

Instructions and screen shots for installation are written for Windows. Differences related to Linux and Sun or media are noted.

WINDOWS:

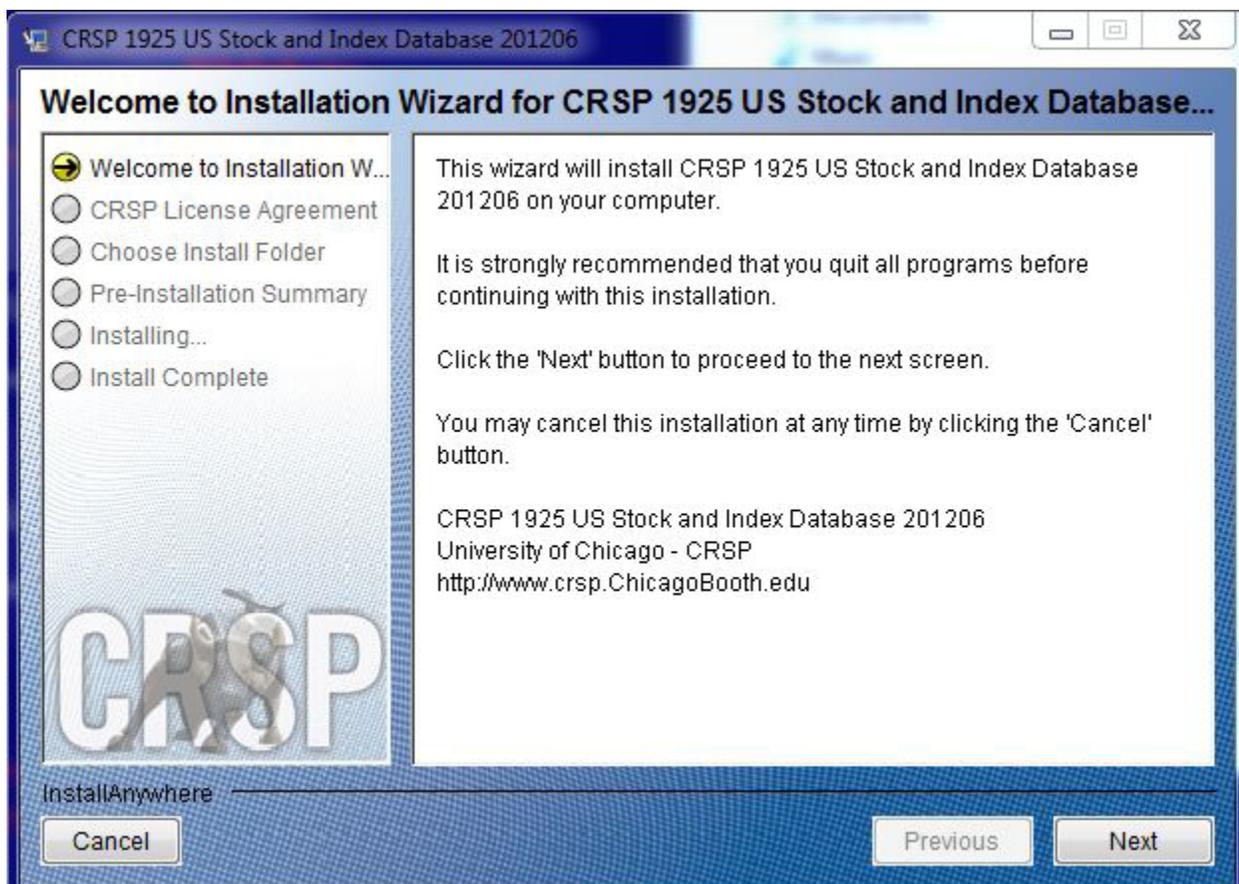
To install data, insert your DVD into the drive and from the Start Menu, select Run d:\setupwin32.exe. Click OK.

SUN SOLARIS (DVD INSTALL):

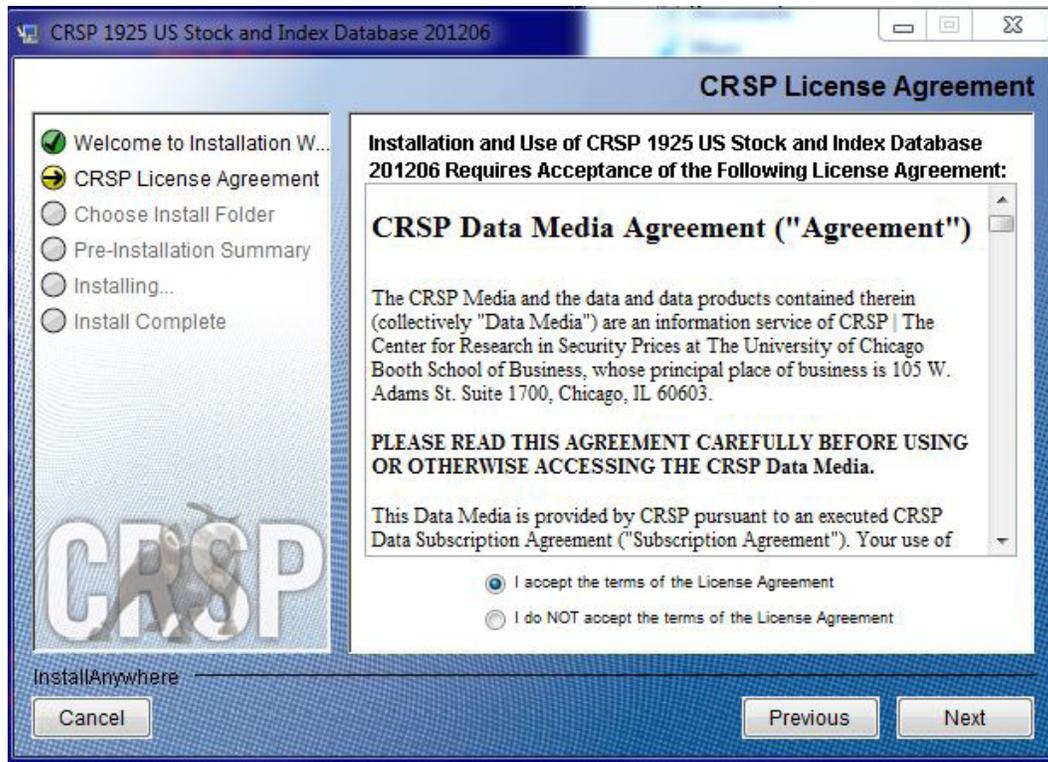
After inserting the DVD, a file manager will open with the file, setupsolaris.bin. Double click on this setup file to begin the installation process.

LINUX(DVD INSTALL):

Upon insertion of the DVD, a file manager will open with the file, setuplinux.bin. Double click on this setup file to begin the installation process.

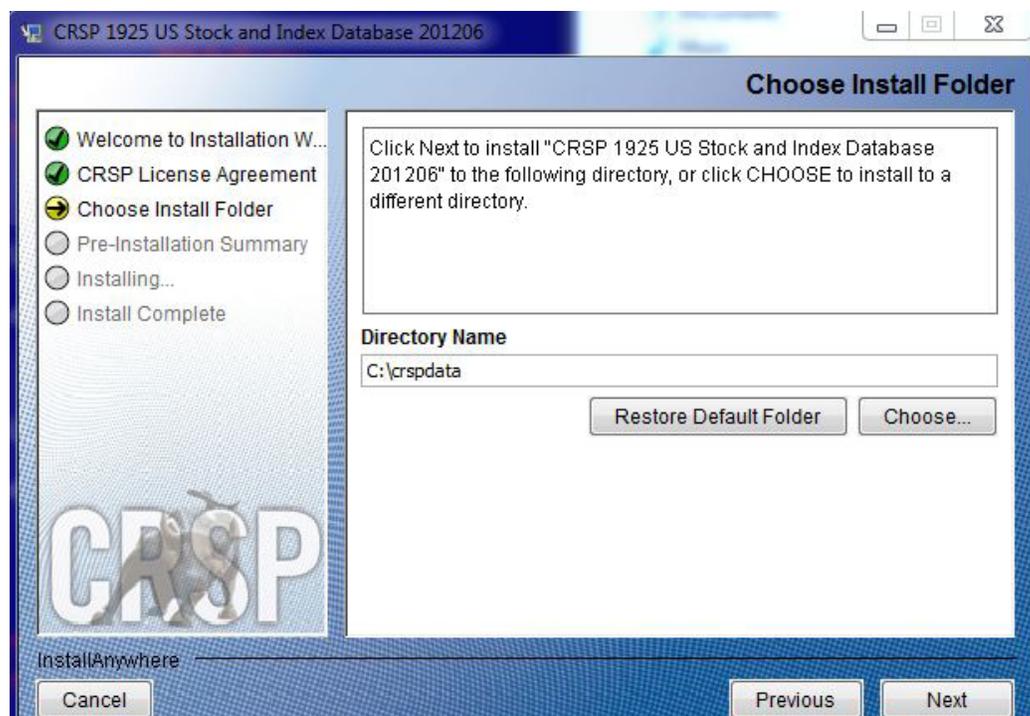


After clicking on **Next** on the Welcome screen, scroll through and read the CRSP Data and Utilities Agreement. Click to accept the terms of the license agreement. Click **Next**.

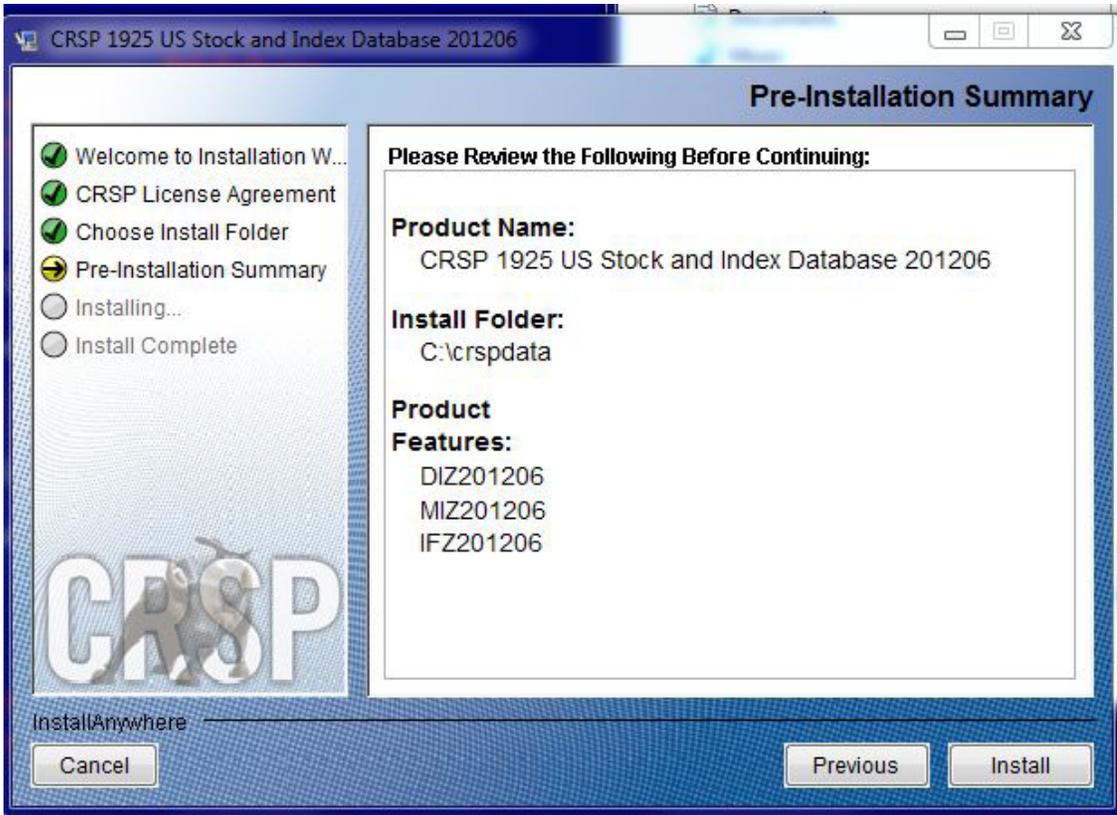


WINDOWS: The default directory for the data installation is `c:\crspdata`. You may accept or modify it. Click **Next**.

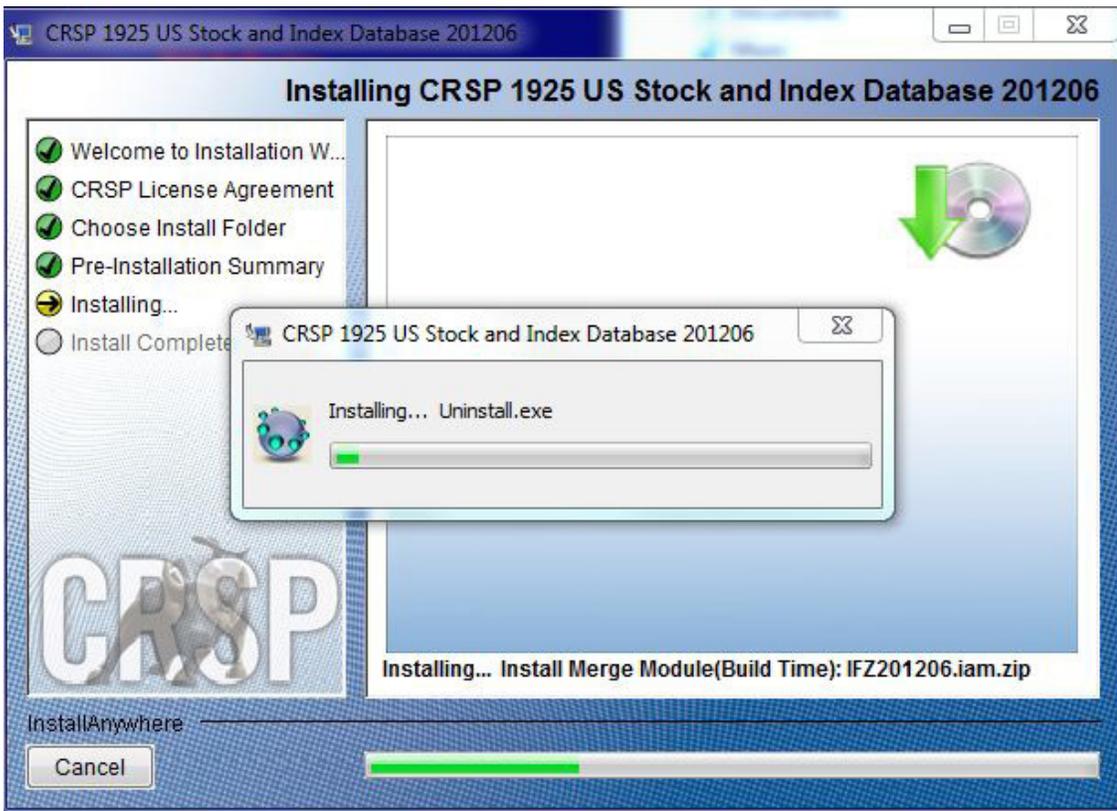
SUN SOLARIS & LINUX: The default directory for the data installation is `/crspdata`. You must have write permission to the directory you specify, for example, `/home/username/crspdata`.



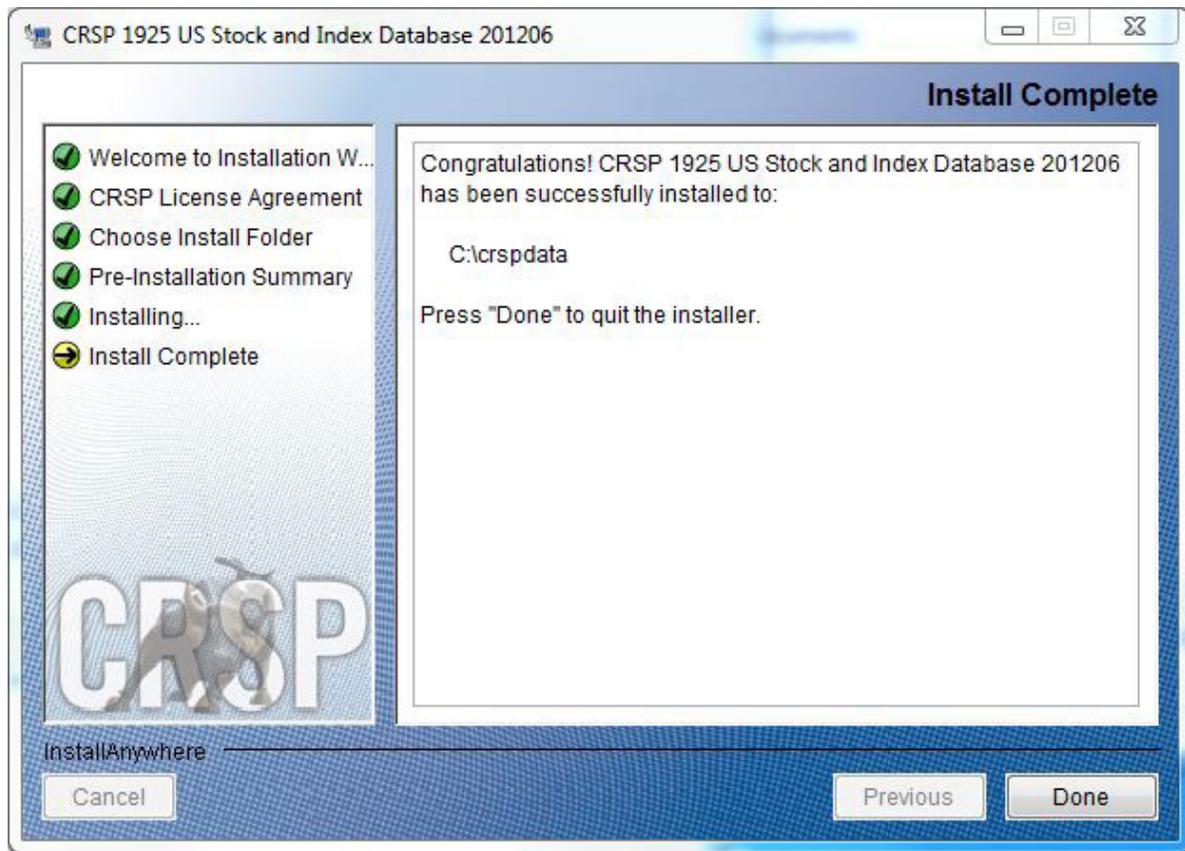
Summary information is displayed: Location, data components and the amount of space that is required for the data. Click on **Install** to proceed.



The screen will display the status of the installation.



A message indicating the success of the installation appears when the process is complete. Click **Done**.



LINUX AND SUN SOLARIS ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

Important Change for Sun Solaris & Linux Installations:

Following previous installs, the `crsp.kshrc` file was run upon completion to set both environment variables and software alias values. This new version of InstallAnywhere sets the environment variables directly on the system when the software is installed. The `crsp.kshrc` file must still be run to set the aliases.

A user may wish to revert back to a previous cut of data or a previous version of the software. In order to do so, CRSP provides shell scripts for users to run that will create a custom-named `kshrc` file that the user may run to set environment variables at the session level. This process also provides a way for a system administrator to create a script that can be put into the system login process so that the environment variables are seen by all users.

To use a shell script for generating an initialization script file, follow these steps:

1. `cd` to the root directory where program files have been loaded.

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cd accbin
```

2. If you are running `csh` shell, enter

```
source crsp_setup.csh
```

If you are running `ksh` or `bash` shell, enter

```
./ crsp_setup.sh
```

3. The script will prompt for data, root, and log directories. Follow the instructions on the prompts in terms of trailing slashes in directory names.

4.

The script will create new scripts, `mycrsp.cshrc` in `csh` or `mycrsp.kshrc` in `ksh`. `mycrsp` is the default that may be changed.

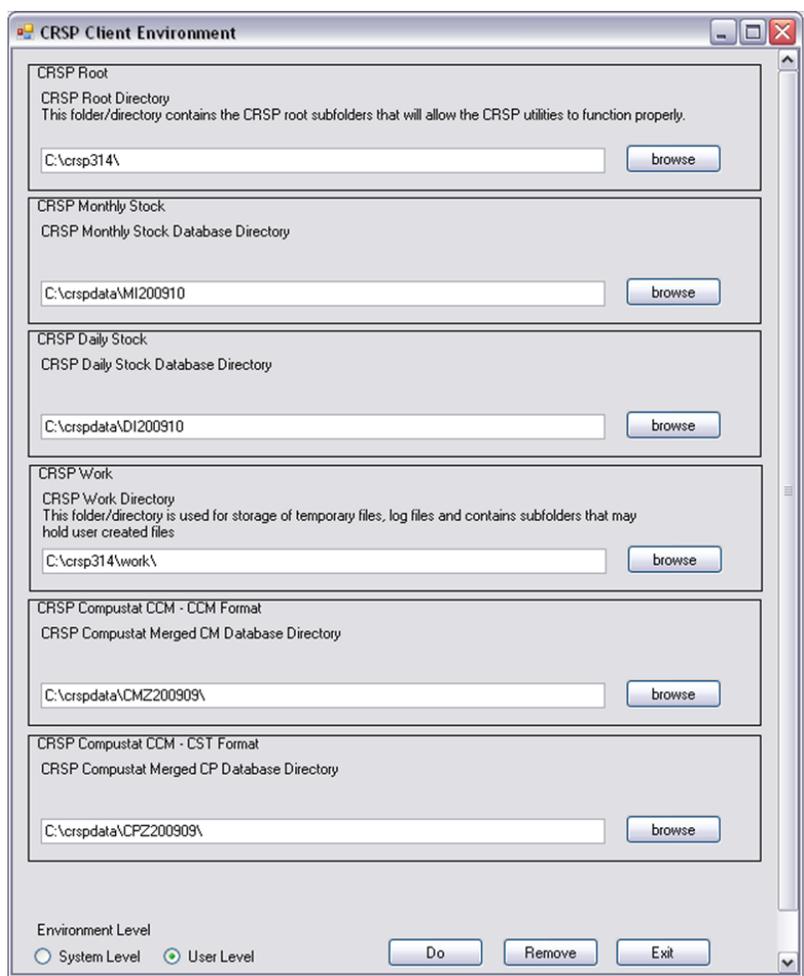
Note: When creating a custom `kshrc` file, be aware that it will overwrite a like-named file if one exists rather than create a new version. The `kshrc` file will overwrite all environment variables, so must be completely filled in.

`env | grep CRSP` can be used to check the CRSP environment variables set.

WINDOWS:

Location of the software and data may be checked by opening CRSP Client Environment from the CRSPAccess menu. This new utility provides users a quick and simple way of both checking and switching environment variables if necessary. Where, in the past, users had to go through the Control Panel to manipulate the environment variables, this can now be done by quick editing of the Client Environment screen.

Note: For subscribers of the CRSP Compustat Merged database, additional CCM database environments will be displayed for the location of the Compustat data.



UNINSTALL

To uninstall the data, go through Start > Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs. The data will appear in the Add or Remove Programs list as the volume label and cut date of the database. For example, the October cut of the 1925 US Stock and Index Database will be displayed as FIZ200910. Highlight your selection, click on the Change/Remove button and follow the prompts.