

These release notes pertain to the May 2010 Monthly release of the CRSP US Stock and Indices databases.

NEW INSTALLATION PROGRAM

The stock databases are shipped this month with an upgraded installation package. For Windows subscribers, the screens will have a new look, but the process and outcome will be the same as with previous installs.

Silent installs have been tested and are successful on all platforms. If you are running installs using a response.txt file, this file will need to be modified.

Linux and Solaris users should note a change in how the environment variables are set. Prior installs set environment variables at the session or process-level and program aliases by running crsp.kshrc. New installs will do the following:

- ♦ If the install is run by a non-administrator, the environment variables will be set at the user level, and will be automatically set for this user at all times.
- ♦ If the install is run by an administrator, the environment variables will be set at the system level and available to all users on the system.
- ♦ Running the crsp.kshrc file now only sets up session level alias values.
- ♦ Environment variables will always be set to the latest data installation values as they are overwritten by each new data installation.

If you wish to change the environment variables, a shell script, crsp_setup.sh, can be run to create a “mycrsp.kshrc” file that will set environment variables at the session level. More details about the shell script are included in the “Data Installation” section of these notes.

NYSE DATA ISSUE

Due to market events on the afternoon of May 6, 2010, low prices for several hundred securities are potentially erroneous or missing. Securities affected are those trading on NYSE, AMEX, and ARCA. The only data item affected is Low Price. Close, High, Open Closing Bid and Closing Ask data are fine. We are working with our data vendor and the NYSE exchange to confirm accuracy and await any corrections that may be needed. CRSP will keep our subscribers information as we find resolution.

DATA EDITS

INDIVIDUAL EDITS

PERMNO	COMPANY NAME	BEGIN DATE	END DATE	DESCRIPTION
10517	AARONS INC	20090420	20100528	Changed tsymbol to AANA from AAN for 20090420-present
84603	CRESUD S A C I F Y A			Changed SIC code to 0190 from 1900 for 19970319-20000229 and to 0191 from 1900 for 20000301-present
93298	CRUDE CARRIERS CORP	20100315	20100315	changed volume to 1396400 from 1396500 and added closing bid, closing ask and open price for 20100315
93298	CRUDE CARRIERS CORP	20100312	20100312	changed volume to 4377100 from 5568600 and added closing bid, closing ask and open price for 20100312
87658	EMAGIN CORP	20070312	20100517	Added zero name line for period 20070312-20100517 to reflect off-exchange activity.
91887	FLAGSTONE REINSURANCE HLDGS LTD	20070330	20100517	Name change to FLAGSTONE REINSURANCE HLDGS LTD from FLAGSTONE REINSURANCE HOLDS LTD for 20070330-20100517
47723	HALLADOR ENERGY CO	19930803	20100520	Added zero namelines for 19930803-20100520 to reflect off-exchange activity
40272	INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAG INC	20051111	20051113	Changed SIC code to 2865 from 9000 for 20051111-20051113
46392	INVESTMENT TECHNOLOGY GP INC NEW	19990428	19990930	Changed SIC code to 6211 from 6828 for 19990428-19990930
48063	M H I GROUP INC	19880224	19931121	Ticker change to MH from QMH for 19880224-19931121
58094	NORTH FORK BANCORPORATION NY INC	19820902	19860331	Changed SIC code to 6710 from 6911 for 19820902-19860331
89602	NUVEEN INS NY TX FR ADV MUN FD			Name change to NUVEEN INS NY TX FR ADV MUN FD from NUVEEN INS NY TX FR ADV throughout entire history
79702	PALATIN TECHNOLOGIES INC	20041110	20041111	Changed SIC code to 3861 from 9000 for 20041110 20041111
87021	SEMINIS INC			Changed SIC code to 0180 from 1800 for 19990630-20000531 and to 0181 from 1800 for 20000601-20030929
88239	U B S AG	20000929	20100430	Changed all shares outstanding values for 20000929-present

FILE VERSION SPECIFICS

This table contains version specific information for the CRSP Stock Files with data ending May 2010. It contains the number of securities and information about the maximums of the event arrays.

FILE CODE	# OF SECURITIES	MAX NAMES	MAX DIST	MAX SHARES	MAX DELISTS	MAX GROUPS	MAX NASDIN	FIRST PERMNO	LAST PERMNO
DAZ	28432	39	1188	770	1	4	2145	10000	93402
MAZ	28402	39	1188	770	1	4	2145	10000	93402

CALENDAR	DATE RANGE	DATE INDEX RANGE
Daily trading calendar	19251231-20100528	1-22359
Month-end trading calendar	19251231-20100528	1-1013
Year-end trading calendar	19251231-20111230	1-87
Quarter-end trading calendar	19251231-20111230	1-345
Weekly trading calendar	19260102-20100528	1-4400

CRSPACCESS PRODUCT INFORMATION

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

PRODUCT NAME	DATABASE	MEDIA	SIZE	INDICES	PORTFOLIOS	COMPONENTS & DESCRIPTION
CRSP 1925 US Stock with Indices	FIZyyyyymm	DVD	3.5 GB	All CRSP indices and portfolio assignments	All portfolios	DI - 1925 Daily US Stock & Indices MI - 1925 Monthly US Stock & Indices IF - CRSP Supplemental US Indices
CRSP 1925 US Stock	FAZyyyyymm	DVD	3.2 GB	CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Value-weighted Market, CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Equal-weighted Market, S&P 500 Composite, NASDAQ Composite	NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Capitalization Deciles	DA - 1925 Daily US Stock MA - 1925 Monthly US Stock IN - CRSP Limited US Indices
CRSP 1962 US Stock	A6Zyyyyymm	DVD	2.8 GB	CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Value-weighted Market, CRSP NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Equal-weighted Market, S&P 500 Composite, NASDAQ Composite	NYSE/ AMEX/ NASDAQ Capitalization Deciles	D6 - 1962 Daily US Stock M6 - 1962 Monthly US Stock IN - CRSP Limited US Indices
CRSP 1962 US Stock with Indices	AXZyyyyymm	DVD	3.1 GB	See FIZ	All portfolios	DX - 1962 Daily US Stock & Indices MX - 1962 Monthly US Stock & Indices IF - CRSP Supplemental US Indices
CRSP 1925 US Indices	IFZyyyyymm	DVD	113 MB			IF - CRSP Supplemental US Indices
Daily & Monthly Treasuries	TRZyyyyymm	DVD	142 MB			TRZ - Daily and Monthly Treasuries
Daily Treasuries	BDZyyyyymm	DVD	980 MB			BD - Daily Treasuries
Monthly Treasuries	BMZyyyyymm	DVD	91.4 MB			BM - Monthly Treasuries
Mutual Fund Database	MFZyyyyymm	DVD	4.7 GB			MF - Mutual Funds
CRSP/Ziman Daily & Monthly REIT	RAZyyyyymm	DVD	170 MB			RD - Daily REITs RM - Monthly REITs
CRSP/Ziman Monthly REIT	RMZyyyyymm	DVD	8 MB			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):

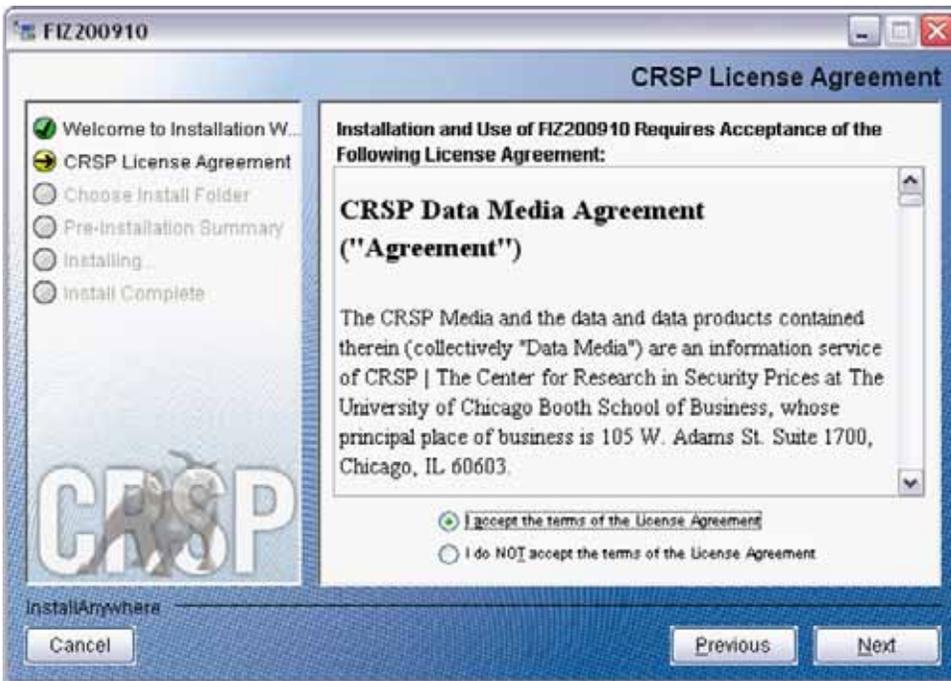
After inserting the DVD, a file manager will open with the file, `setupsolaris.bin`. Double click on this setup file to begin the installation process.

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**.

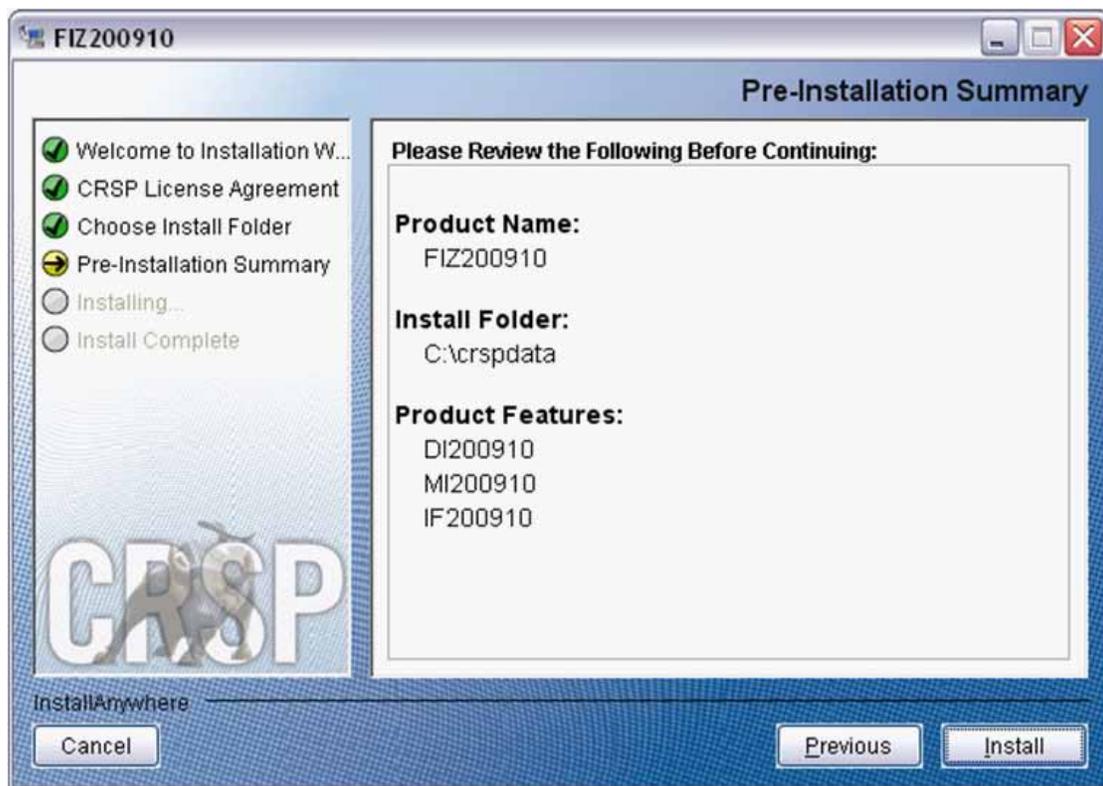


WINDOWS: The default directory for the data installation is `c:\crspdata`. You may accept or modify it. Click **Next**.

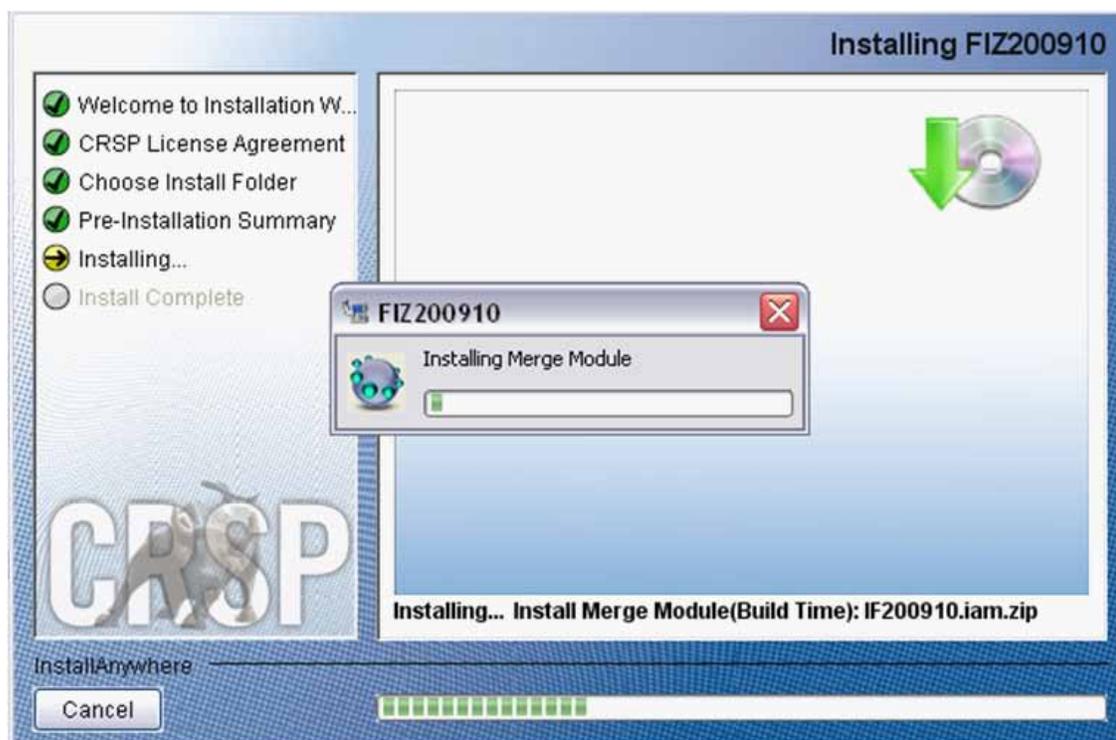
SUN SOLARIS & LINUX: The default directory for the data installation is `/crspdata`. You must have write permission to the directory you specify, for example, `/home/username/crspdata`.



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 **Finish**.



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
```

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

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 Indices Database will be displayed as FIZ200910. Highlight your selection, click on the Change/Remove button and follow the prompts.