CRSP/COMPUSTAT RELEASE NOTES

SEPTEMBER 2018 MONTHLY UPDATE

ABOUT THE SEPTEMBER 2018 CRSP/COMPUSTAT MERGED DATABASE

The cut date for these release notes is 20180908. This shipment includes the following version of the CRSP/ Compustat Merged Database:

CMZ20180907

– the CCM format database using Compustat's Xpressfeed delivery.

DATABASE CHARACTERISTICS

The following table summarizes general characteristics of the CCM database.

ATTRIBUTE	CCM FORMAT DATABASE
Source	Compustat Xpressfeed
Volume Label	CMZyyyymm
Size	10.98 GB
Delivery	MOVEit Cloud
CRSPAccess version	3.22 and higher —
	ts_print
	ccm_print
CRSPSift Version	Yes — all currently supported versions.
(Windows only)	
SASEXCCM Engine	Version 9.3 (Early Adopters)
С	Yes — CA3.22 and higher
Number of Data Items	Over 4,000 quarterly & annual data items

PROGRAMMERS

C-programming is supported with all CRSPAccess versions. C sample programs are included for use with the Xpressfeed data.

FORTRAN-95 continues to be supported in CRSPAccess. Information about usage are available in the CRSPAccess Utilities and Program Libraries Release Notes and the Programming Guide, which can be accessed online at: http://www.crsp.ChicagoBooth.edu/documentation.

A SAS Engine that supports the CCM data was released to early adopters in SAS Version 9.3. Since their first maintenance release of SAS version 9.40, the SASEXCCM engine is in full production. The most current ETS release in the field, ETS 13.1 is needed to use the engine. Note that the original SASECRSP engine is still in the field but does not have support for the CCM database.

PARAMETERS

CMZ MONTHLY	
Total Compustat Records	48,607
Total GVKEY Companies	46,409
Total GVKEYX Indexes	2,198
Total GVKEY/IID Securities	59,666
Total CRSP Securities Linked	29,180
Total GVKEYs in Link	46,366
Total Link Records	102,985
Total Link Records with a Link to CRSP	33,885
Database Size	10.98GB

CALENDARS

The CCM database utilizes the CRSP stock calendars to align properly with CRSP data. Data in the CRSP daily Stock (and Indexes) file use daily and annual calendars. Data in the monthly files use monthly, quarterly and annual calendars.

CALENDAR	DATE RANGE	DATE INDEX RANGE
Daily trading calendar	19251231-20180907	1-24463
Monthly trading calendar	19251231-20221231	1-1165
Annual trading calendar	19251231-20191231	1-95
Quarterly trading calendar	19251231-20191231	1-377
Semi-Annual trading calendar	19251231-20191231	1-189
Weekly trading calendar	19260102-20180907	1-4836

SEPTEMBER 2018 LINK EDITS

GVKEY 165556 CHAPARRAL ENERGY INC

OLD:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMNO	LPERMCO	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
20020101	99999999	0	0	00X	NR	С

NEW:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMN0	LPERMC0	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
20020101	20170530	0	0	00X	NR	С
20170531	20180723	0	0	10	NR	Р
20180724	99999999	17981	56468	10	LC	Р
20180430	99999999	0	0	11	NR	J

GVKEY 13312 BHP BILLITON GROUP

OLD:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMN0	LPERMCO	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
19820129	99999999	75039	653	90	LC	"P

NEW:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMNO	LPERMCO	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
19820129	99999999	75039	653	90	LC	Р
20010731	20030624	0	0	91	NR	J
20030625	99999999	89760	44121	91	LC	J

GVKEY 13431 BERRY PETROLEUM

OLD:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMN0	LPERMC0	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
19850101	19870630	0	0	00X	NU	С
19870701	20131231	11478	9309	1	LU	Р

NEW:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMN0	LPERMCO	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
19850101	19870630	0	0	00X	NU	С
19870701	20131216	11478	9309	1	LC	Р
20170630	20180730	0	0	3	NR	С
20180731	99999999	17956	56450	3	LC	С

GVKEY 23002 COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC -OLD

OLD:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMN0	LPERMCO	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
19870101	19870129	0	0	00X	NR	С
19870130	19870827	0	0	2	NR	Р
19870828	99999999	11644	9465	2	LC	Р

NEW:

LINKDT	LINKENDDT	LPERMN0	LPERMC0	LIID	LINKTYPE	LINKPRIM
19870101	19870129	0	0	00X	NR	С
19870130	19870827	0	0	2	NR	Р
19870828	20180813	11644	9465	2	LC	P

STEPS TO INSTALL:

- From the directory containing your downloaded zip file, right click (in Windows) or run File Roller (in Red Hat)
- Set the extract destination to the current higher level directory where data is normally stored and unzip will add the rest of the path (default is C:\ in Windows or /home in Red Hat)
- For example, in Windows, extracting to C:\ will install the data under C:\crspdata

Contact CRSP Client Services for assistance at: support@crsp.chicagobooth.edu or call 312-263-6400, Option 2.

SETTING ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

The zip process will not automatically set environment variables for use with command line tools. The following steps will do so. NOTE: CRSPSift does not use and therefore does not require environment variables.

LINUX

NOTE: The new zip installs are now saving to directories with lower case letters – for example, ~/crspdata/diz201308 Check the current state of the environment variables by entering this command: env | grep crsp

- If you have admin privileges on your machine, open the .profile file, and make updates to the following lines to update the paths for the new data installed:
 - CRSP_CCM=<full path name>/<compustat directory> (example: CRSP_CCM=~/crspdata/cmz201309)
- If you are using the bash shell (or any Bourne-style shell), enter the same commands above and export each one. This will make changes for your current session only and does not save to the .profile file.
- A shell script is available to make changes that can be reused for each update done. Note that this will only make changes to your current session and does not save to the .profile file.
 - Navigate to where the CUPL tools are loaded and then enter: cd accbin
 - Start the script by entering: ./crsp_setup.sh
 - The script will prompt for the following:
 - File name (will be appended with .kshrc)
 - Top level directory (this should be where CUPL tools are located (example: ~/crsp)
 - Scratch directory for error messages name can be anything
 - Enter path for daily stock directory (example: ~/crspdata/diz201308)
 - Enter path for monthly stock directory (example: ~/crspdata/miz201308)
 - Enter path for index directory (example: ~/crspdata/ifz201308)
 - Enter path for CCM directory enter to leave blank (example: CRSP CCM=~/crspdata/cmz201309)
 - Enter path for CST directory enter to leave blank
 - Execute script by running: ../<file name created above>.kshrc (note there is a space between the two dots)

WINDOWS:

The CRSP Client Environment utility provides users a way to check the location of the software and to set environment variables. The utility can be started by locating it under installed programs CRSPAccess/CRSP Client Environment, or by navigating to the / accbin folder where the CUPL tools are installed and running: Client_Environment.exe. After making any changes, be sure to log off and back into Windows for the settings to be saved.