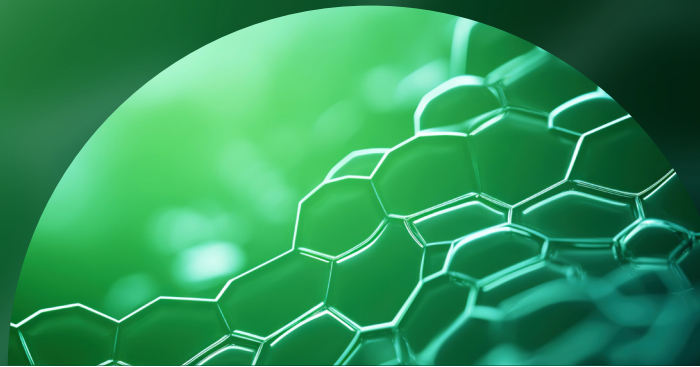


FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Fixed Income Index

Japanese corporate bond index that supports multi-asset sustainable investment solutions



Overview

Worldwide, investors are developing strategies that aim to evaluate environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations in their investment approaches, and are growing in sophistication. Following this global trend, the Japanese sustainable market has blossomed in recent times and continued to flourish, driving a demand to incorporate ESG criteria into the benchmark construction and passive strategies of investors. Investors are looking to:

- Incorporate ESG considerations to mitigate potential ESG risks and improve ESG metrics of the portfolio without deviating significantly from the performance of the broad market benchmark
- Provide an established transparency reference in the capital markets to facilitate company disclosure and enable company engagement and stewardship practices
- Facilitate ESG integration into the Japanese market by enabling better corporate sustainability performance and practices

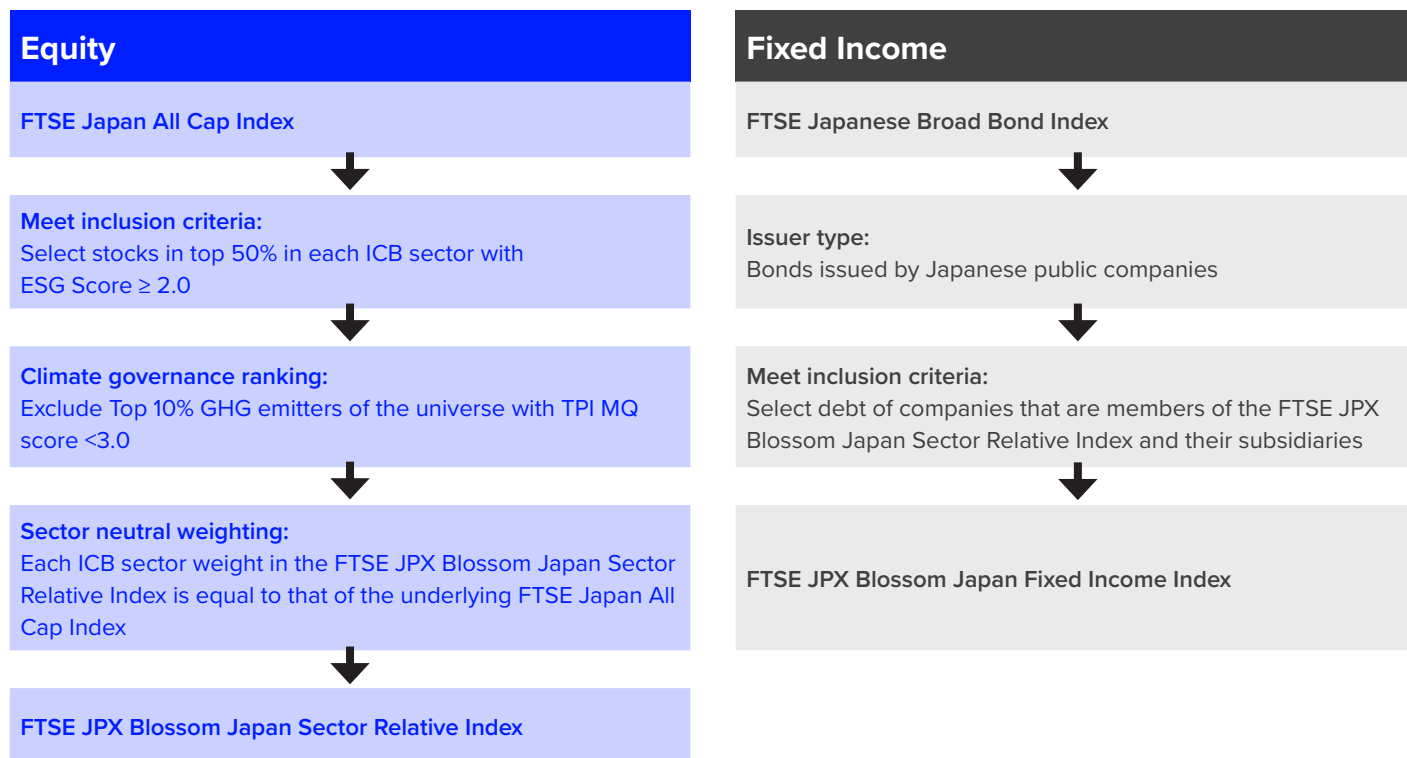
The FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Fixed Income Index is designed to measure the performance of Japanese Yen-denominated corporate bonds issued by public traded companies demonstrating specific environmental, social and governance (ESG) practices in Japan. Based on the underlying FTSE Japanese Broad Bond Index (JPBBI), the FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Fixed Income Index focuses on bonds issued by Japanese public companies and selects issuers from the members of the FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index and their subsidiaries.

FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index is an equity flagship index, which selects stocks in the top 50% of each Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB) sector with ESG Scores 2.0 and above. It also supports climate transition to a low carbon economy by evaluating companies' climate governance and climate change efforts with Transition Pathway Initiative (TPI) Management Quality (MQ) Score.

Core Features

- **Transparent FTSE ESG Scores:** FTSE Russell assesses a wide universe of companies on their ESG performance. Within the global universe there are approximately 1300 Japanese companies covered.
- **Consistency Across Asset Classes:** Issuer parity and industry classification alignment between fixed income and equity indices facilitates multi-asset strategies and a holistic approach to portfolio construction.
- **Flexibility of Customisation:** FTSE Russell allows flexibility to build fully customisable sustainable solutions tailored to each investor and reflecting a specific investment philosophy, view and purpose.
- **Rich Data Sets:** The index is underpinned by a comprehensive set of daily and monthly, issue-level and index-level files, containing a robust set of performance and analytics metrics. Pricing is provided by LSEG Data & Analytics, a recognised reliable pricing source and one of the world's largest providers of financial market data and infrastructure.
- **Rigorous Governance Framework:** FTSE Russell is committed to global best practice standards in index governance. The index ground rules are publicly available and continually evaluated to ensure the index remains a relevant and reliable performance measure for the market. Our governance structure based on an independent committee whose members are independent experts drawn from asset managers, asset owners, consultants and other stakeholders.

Index Construction Approach



FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index	FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Fixed Income Index
Selects Japanese companies in the top 50% of each sector and with ESG Score 2.0 and above	Selects debt issued by public companies that are included in the FTSE JPX Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index and their subsidiaries
Supports climate transition to a low carbon economy by evaluating companies' climate governance and climate change efforts with the TPI Management Quality Score	Focuses on Japanese public companies and their subsidiaries demonstrating specific environmental, social and governance practices (ESG), supporting multi-asset ESG solutions

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