

## FTSE 250 celebrates 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary

FTSE Russell is celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of one of its flagship UK indexes, the FTSE 250. Launched in 1992, following a consultation with the FTSE Advisory Committee, the FTSE 250 marked the start of a new era for market participants who wanted to benchmark their investments to mid-cap UK equities.

The market capitalisation of the companies included in the original FTSE 250 was just over £98 billion. Today, that figure now amounts to £384 billion and captures approximately 5.2% of the FTSE UK Index Series' total market capitalisation.

To be a constituent of the FTSE 250 in 1996, the lowest market capitalisation was £41 million, today it stands at £386 million.

Between 1992 and 2022, the index has delivered a total annualised shareholder return of 10.3%. Additionally, if someone had invested £1000 in 1992 into a low-cost FTSE 250 index tracker, this would be worth £18,827 at the end of 2021 – a 1782.68% return.

The FTSE 250 is part of the FTSE UK Index Series, which also includes the FTSE 100 and FTSE All-Share indices. The FTSE UK Index Series is designed to represent the performance of eligible companies listed on London Stock Exchange, providing market participants with a comprehensive and complementary set of indices that measure the performance of all capital and industry segments of the UK equity market.

### Arne Staal, CEO of FTSE Russell, said:

“The FTSE 250 Index has come a long way in 30 years — it is now a prominent member within FTSE Russell’s line-up of indexes. Robust in its ability to mirror a dynamic segment of “UK PLC,” the index is trusted and used daily by the community of asset managers, asset owners, brokers and investment banks in the City and globally.”

### Key FTSE 250 Stats:

- **Return since launch:** 1782.68%
- **Largest daily return:** 8.37% (24<sup>th</sup> March 2020)
- **Smallest daily return:** -9.28% (12<sup>th</sup> March 2020)
- **Highest daily value traded:** £8.32 billion (27 April 2021)
- **Largest Market Cap gain of a 1996 constituent company to now:** 2142.8%
- **How many original 1996 FTSE 250 companies are now in the FTSE 100:** 16
- **First ETF launch:** 26 March 2004 (iShares FTSE 250 UCITS ETF)
- **FTSE Green Revenues:** 44 companies in FTSE 250 have green revenues vs 25 in FTSE 100
- **Greenest constituent:** Impax Environmental Markets (100% green revenues)

### The FTSE 250 constituents of Aug 1996 – where they are now (Aug 2022):

<b>FTSE 100</b>	16	6.40%	(Upgraded)
<b>FTSE 250</b>	39	15.60%	(Neutral)
<b>FTSE Small Cap</b>	12	4.80%	(Downgraded)
<b>Other</b>	183	73.20%	(Delisted, illegible, non-LSE listed ect)

<b>ICB Industry</b>	<b>Aug-96</b>	<b>Aug-22</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>Financials</b>	17.2%	43.37%	<b>26.22%</b>
<b>Real Estate</b>	4.8%	9.75%	<b>4.93%</b>
<b>Technology</b>	0.0%	3.81%	<b>3.81%</b>
<b>Energy</b>	1.5%	2.49%	<b>1.01%</b>
<b>Health Care</b>	3.1%	2.82%	<b>-0.30%</b>
<b>Consumer Staples</b>	4.6%	3.41%	<b>-1.22%</b>
<b>Telecommunications</b>	2.4%	1.12%	<b>-1.32%</b>
<b>Utilities</b>	6.5%	1.88%	<b>-4.59%</b>
<b>Basic Materials</b>	7.9%	3.02%	<b>-4.90%</b>
<b>Consumer Discretionary</b>	20.9%	12.92%	<b>-7.97%</b>
<b>Industrials</b>	31.1%	15.41%	<b>-15.68%</b>

More information on the history of the FTSE 250 along with additional statistics can be found [here](#).

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