

Datastream Advance

Thomson Datastream Advance is a global database that contains time series data for stocks, stock indices, bonds, futures, options, interest rates, commodities, derivatives, currencies and economic data. Market data is generally available on a daily basis while economic data is available either monthly or quarterly. Datastream is available on the library computers. From the start menu, select Datastream from the list of programs or open Excel and click on the Datastream tab.

How To Find Data

Creating a request requires 4 variables:

- 1) Data Category: click on a category from the list (i.e. equities, bonds, interest rates)
- 2) Data Series: click on the Find Series box to access the Data Series Navigator OR click/hover over the data category to access the link to both the Criteria Search and Explorer. Search for your specific instrument, and then select by clicking on the hyperlink.
- 3) Analysis: select a format type for your data (i.e. series, charts, and reports.)
- 4) **Time Period:** click on the fixed length of time options listed or you may also click on the **Time Period** button to customize your time series selection.
- 5) Click **Run Now** to view your results in the **Output window.** You may download your results into Excel, Word or PowerPoint by using the **Tools** option in the top menu bar, then selecting **Transfer** and then the preferred file type.

