Global Financial Data
Reference Guide

Overview
The Global Financial Database (GFD) is the most comprehensive collection of financial and economic data ever to be compiled from original data sources, covering more than 200 countries and extending back to 1265. GFD also includes a compilation of proprietary total return data on stocks, bonds and bills that extends back to 1800.

Data Content
Global Financial Database contains the following historical datasets:
- Equities to 1693.
- Fixed Income to 1520.
- Exchange Rates to 1383.
- Inflation to 1209.
- Commodities to 1252.
- Economic Data to 1168.
- Asset Allocation to 1800.
- US Securities to 1790.
- Foreign Stocks to 1693.
- Delisted Stocks to 1693.
- Real Estate to 1835.

Available Media
Data is available through the GFD website and can be downloaded in CSV or Excel formats.

Access & Limitations
- Access is through the GFD website: https://www.globalfinancialdata.com/platform/login.aspx.
- Access is for academic use only and is limited to members of the Chicago Booth community.
- First time users will need to register with GFD (see below).
- You will need to use the Booth VPN to access GFD from outside of Chicago Booth.

Further Information
Please contact the Chicago Booth Information Technology HelpDesk at HelpDesk@ChicagoBooth.edu.
First-time User Registration

If you are outside of Chicago Booth, you will need to connect to the Booth VPN before registering with Global Financial Data.

To register for GFD:

2. Click on the Create New Account link.
3. Click on the Academic radio button.
4. Click on the Proceed button.
5. Scroll through the license agreement.
6. Click on the Agree button.
7. Complete the registration form.
8. In the Email: field, enter your Chicago Booth email address.

   **Note:** You may not get access if a non-Booth email is used to register for GFD.

9. Click on the Save button. You will receive an email from GFD with a temporary password.
10. Click on the link in the email to go to the GFD website.
11. Log in using the email address and password provided from GFD.
12. When finished with SNL, click on the Logout link.