Standard & Poor's Celebrates 150 Years of Leadership in Serving Capital Markets Worldwide

2010 marks the 150th anniversary of the founding of Standard & Poor's. Standard & Poor's traces its origins to the 1860 publication of *The History of Railroads and Canals in the United States* by Henry Varnum Poor, an early champion of investor rights and pioneer in the then-emerging industry of financial research and reporting, and the 1906 founding of Luther Blake's Standard Statistics Bureau, which provided previously-unavailable financial information on approximately 100 U.S. companies.



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After 150 years, S&P is still a learning institution determined to find new ways to serve capital markets more effectively, to maintain a leadership position, and to grow the business. In ratings, for example, strengthening analytics, increasing transparency, and reinforcing the integrity and value of the rating process are important steps that are enabling S&P to enhance the value of its global benchmarks for credit risk to investors.

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Serving the Global Capital Markets

McGraw-Hill Financial Services At-a-Glance

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Key markets:

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The complexity and growth of ever-evolving capital markets are expected to help boost the demand for S&P products and services. Markets continue to emerge while global economic expansion fuels demand for capital. For example, the increase in capital needs can be correlated to the rise in demand for S&P's ratings. Global issuance of rated debt has grown from approximately \$2.7 trillion in 1999 to \$4.4 trillion in 2009. S&P continues to expand internationally and to extend into new markets to capitalize on these trends.

	Pre-1980s	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010+
	Bank-Led Financing	Disintermediation & Global Growth	Global Growth & Securitization	Securitization Growth	Recovery & Growth
External Factors & Environment	Bank-driven financing Institutional investing Equity & bonds Deep recession	M&A and leveraged buyouts Junk bonds Mutual funds & indices Financial globalization Crash of '87	Structured/derivatives growth Commodities as asset class Private equity and hedge funds Emerging markets Unprecedented expansion Asian crisis	Hedge funds, venture capital, and sovereign wealth funds as major players Rapid growth/decline of securitization Dot-com bubble/bust Housing bubble/bust Financial innovation Interdependent capital markets Regulatory scrutiny	Return to growth in capital markets New forms of funding (covered bonds in U.S.) Securitization returns in simpler form Continued growth in exchange-traded funds and derivatives Emerging markets to outpace developed markets Growing use of multi-asset class solutions
Standard & Poor's Products and Services	'Plain vanilla' debt ratings S&P 500® Index Ωuantitative equity rankings	Ratings: Global, asset-backed securities, collateralized mortgage-backed securities, servicer evaluations Derivatives on indices Qualitative equity rankings	Ratings: Bank loans, rating evaluation services, covered bonds, collateralized debt obligations SPDR exchange-traded funds Index data platform Equity research Pricing & security data	Non-traditional ratings Ratings: Recovery, LEVELS Platforms: Capital IQ, MarketScope® Advisor, Global Credit Portal® Portfolio analytics Credit risk solutions Custom, global, and non-equity indices	Customized platforms New risk benchmarks Multi-asset class offerings Portfolio analytics and investment solutions Wealth management & advisory Real-time models & tools

S&P: Growing with the Global Capital Markets

Standard & Poor's Revenue												
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(dollars in millions)	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	Total	2008	2008
Credit Market Services	\$391.4	\$427.3	\$457.4	\$507.9	\$426.1	\$423.2	\$473.4	\$396.3	\$1,748.2	67.0%	\$1,754.8	(0.4%)
Investment Services	218.8	217.0	216.4	227.6	210.9	228.2	215.8	226.7	861.9	33.0%	899.5	(4.2%)
Total revenue	\$610.2	\$644.3	\$673.8	\$735.5	\$637.0	\$651.5	\$689.2	\$623.1	\$2,610.1	100.0%	\$2,654.3	(1.7%)

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Two Views of Credit Market Services Revenue

(dollars in millions)	10 2009	20 2009	30 2009	40 2009	2009	Total
Transaction ^(a)	\$111.6	\$146.8	\$127.8	\$153.0	\$ 539.2	30.8%
Non-Transaction (b)	\$279.8	\$310.6	\$298.3	\$320.3	\$1,209.0	69.2%

(dollars in millions)	10 2009	20 2009	30 2009	40 2009	2009	% of 2009 Total
International	\$177.9	\$211.5	\$209.3	\$233.7	\$ 832.4	47.6%
Domestic	\$213.5	\$245.9	\$216.8	\$239.7	\$ 915.8	52.4%

Note: Totals for each category may not sum due to rounding

(a) Transaction: Revenue related to rating new issuance of corporate, public finance, and structured finance instruments; bank loans; and corporate credit estimates

(b) Non-transaction: Revenue from annual fees for frequent issuer programs, surveillance, and subscriptions

S&P Credit Market Services: Expanding World of S&P Ratings

From pre-issuance to post-issuance, financial decision makers are utilizing a growing range of S&P products and services to identify, measure, and manage credit risk. These S&P offerings are creating additional growth opportunities. Globally, S&P rated more than \$4 trillion in new debt and published more than 870,000 new and revised ratings in 2009

	Pre-Issuance	Issuance	Post-Issuance	
How Standard & Poor's Plays a Role in Changing Markets	Benchmarking data, tools, and analysis help issuers and related parties analyze and gauge the ratings impact of strategic decisions	Credit ratings and rationales serve as tools to help investors during the investment process	Products and services for monitoring and modeling creditworthiness and/or transaction performance help market participants make informed decisions and evaluate ongoing risks	
Representative	Small Business Portfolio Evaluator	Issue Ratings	Market-Derived Signals	
S&P Products and Services	Analytics on Demand	Issuer Ratings	S&P ABSX	
and Services	Rating Evaluation Service	Bank Loan and Recovery Ratings	RatingsDirect [®] on the Global	
	LEVELS (Loan Evaluation and	Counterparty Credit Ratings	Credit Portal®	
	Estimate of Loss System)		S&P Leveraged Commentary & Data	
	CDO Evaluator		CreditMattersTV	

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S&P's Rating Track Record: Meeting the Test of Time

What is an S&P credit rating?

It is an opinion about credit risk—the ability and willingness of an issuer to meet a financial obligation in full and on time. Credit ratings also indicate credit quality—the relative likelihood that an issue may default. S&P's global ratings scale provides a benchmark for evaluating the relative credit risk of issuers and issues worldwide.

How S&P ratings perform:

The tables (below) show the default rates experienced for each rating category over 30 years. For example, the 5-year cumulative default rate for corporate bonds rated AAA has been 0.39%, or less than four defaults for every 1,000 ratings. The 5-year cumulative default rate for AAA-rated structured finance issues has been 0.81%.

Global Corporate Average Cumulative Default Rates (1981-2009) (%) (a)

	Ti	me ho	rizon (years)											
Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
AAA	0.00	0.03	0.14	0.26	0.39	0.51	0.58	0.68	0.74	0.82	0.86	0.90	0.94	1.04	1.14
AA	0.02	0.07	0.14	0.24	0.33	0.43	0.52	0.60	0.67	0.74	0.81	0.87	0.93	0.98	1.02
A	0.08	0.21	0.35	0.53	0.72	0.95	1.22	1.46	1.70	1.97	2.20	2.39	2.58	2.75	2.99
BBB	0.26	0.72	1.23	1.86	2.53	3.20	3.80	4.40	5.00	5.60	6.21	6.72	7.24	7.80	8.36
BB	0.97	2.94	5.27	7.49	9.51	11.48	13.19	14.75	16.21	17.45	18.49	19.39	20.18	20.84	21.57
В	4.93	10.76	15.65	19.46	22.30	24.57	26.47	28.06	29.44	30.82	32.04	33.04	33.99	34.85	35.74
CCC/C	27.98	36.95	42.40	45.57	48.05	49.19	50.26	51.09	52.44	53.41	54.32	55.33	56.38	57.28	57.28
Investment-grade	0.13	0.35	0.60	0.91	1.24	1.58	1.90	2.20	2.50	2.80	3.08	3.31	3.55	3.78	4.04
Speculative-grade	4.44	8.68	12.42	15.46	17.90	19.96	21.72	23.25	24.67	25.96	27.08	28.02	28.91	29.68	30.45
All rated	1.63	3.23	4.67	5.89	6.90	7.79	8.55	9.23	9.86	10.45	10.97	11.40	11.82	12.20	12.60

Source: Standard & Poor's "2009 Annual Global Corporate Default Study and Rating Transitions," March 17, 2010

These default rate tables underscore a key point: Over time, the higher the S&P rating, the fewer defaults that have been experienced

Global Structured Finance Average Cumulative Default Rates 1978-2009 (%) $^{\rm (a,\ b)}$

	Ti	me ho	rizon (y	(ears)						
Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
AAA	0.11	0.46	0.71	0.78	0.81	0.83	0.85	0.86	0.88	0.89
AA	0.31	2.68	4.99	5.55	5.75	5.90	6.04	6.12	6.17	6.21
A	0.64	4.45	8.48	10.10	10.62	11.05	11.52	11.85	12.03	12.21
BBB	1.44	7.77	14.21	18.35	20.50	21.82	22.69	23.38	23.92	24.35
BB	3.47	13.51	20.29	25.37	27.43	28.63	29.60	30.26	30.73	31.14
В	8.53	21.84	30.02	36.97	41.04	43.04	44.41	45.37	46.03	46.39
CCC/C	52.74	64.54	68.62	70.99	72.57	73.50	74.12	74.47	74.79	75.00
Investment-grade	0.54	3.33	6.10	7.37	7.90	8.22	8.46	8.61	8.72	8.80
Speculative-grade	17.67	28.15	34.57	39.63	42.20	43.57	44.58	45.28	45.77	46.11
All rated	3.62	7.59	10.89	12.71	13.52	13.97	14.29	14.49	14.62	14.72

Source: Standard & Poor's "Global Structured Finance Default Study—1978-2009: Downgrades Accelerate In 2009 Due To Criteria Changes and Credit Performance," March 22, 2010

(a) Average cumulative default rates are derived by calculating "conditional on survival" marginal default rates from experiences of each static pool and time horizon

(b) AAA ratings from the same transaction are treated as a single rating in the calculation of this table

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U.S. Debt Market

In 2009, Standard & Poor's rated approximately 95% of the \$1.5 trillion of addressable debt issued in the U.S. market compared to 94% of the addressable market in 2008. S&P experienced declines in market penetration in U.S. ABS, CDOs, and MBS primarily due to the revision of key criteria in 2009. The strengthening of criteria to enhance stability, transparency, comparability, and to make criteria more forward-looking may have led to some share declines as investors evaluate the new criteria. It will be more difficult for securities in the areas that have performed poorly in the past to achieve the highest ratings. Finally, proactive interpretation of proposed regulatory changes affecting the FDIC Safe Harbor Rule for credit card securitizations and the trend toward single ratings also adversely affected penetration for certain asset classes.

(annual figures; dollar volume in billions; data by domicile of issuer/assets)

Corporates (c)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Thomson Reuters

Municipals (a)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Thomson Reuters

Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) (b,d,f)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

Notes for debt issuance:

(a) Excludes municipal student loans and private placements

(b) Excludes confidential transactions

(c) Includes industrial and financial services issuers. Also includes Rule 144a (private placements), MTN takedowns, convertibles, and preferred stocks. Excludes sovereign issuers, private placements (except Rule 144a issues), retail notes, commercial paper, and all agency issues

Rated U.S. Debt Market ^(a, b, c, d, e, f)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Thomson Reuters; Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

The rated debt market is a component of the total debt market and includes only the debt securities issued with a rating. The rated U.S. debt market chart above is comprised of five new-issue categories:

(1) Corporates

(2) Municipals

(3) Mortgage-Backed Securities (Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities and Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities)

(4) Asset-Backed Securities(5) Collateralized Debt Obligations

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume \$300 225 150 75 104 105 106 107 108

\$202

\$205

338

\$280

\$282

394

\$264

\$270

433

\$279

\$284

393

86%

\$124

\$144

186

\$222

\$227

243

Source: Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

S&P Rated Volume

of Rated Issues

Rated Volume

Asset-Backed Securities (ABS) (b,e)

Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDOs) (b)



(d) Excludes agency deals. Includes home equity loans

(e) Excludes asset-backed commercial paper and letters of credit

(f) Includes commercial mortgage-backed securities and residential mortgage-backed securities; includes U.S. CRE CDOs

European and Asian Debt Markets

European Region Debt Market

In 2009, Standard & Poor's rated approximately 90% of the \$1.7 trillion of addressable debt issued in the European market, which includes the Middle East and Africa. Rated debt issuance in the region grew 27% from 2008 to 2009, while Standard & Poor's rated approximately 41% more addressable debt in 2009 than it did in 2008.

Asia-Pacific Region Debt Market

In 2009, rated debt issue volume for corporates in Asia was \$268 billion, up 34% from 2008. Standard & Poor's 2009 market penetration was 88% for corporates, compared to 81% in 2008. For structured finance, even though rated issuance was down 19% from 2008, Standard & Poor's rated approximately 72% of that volume, up from 62% in 2008.

(annual figures; dollar volume in billions; data by domicile of issuer/assets)

European Corporates (b,e)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Thomson Reuters

European Asset-Backed Securities (ABS) (a,c,e)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

Asian Corporates (b)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Thomson Reuters

Notes for debt issuance:

- (a) Excludes confidential and repo transactions
- (b) Includes industrial and financial services issuers. Also includes Rule 144a (private placements), MTN takedowns, convertibles, and preferred stocks. Excludes sovereign

issuers, private placements (except Rule 144a issues), retail notes, commercial paper, and all agency issues

Rated European Debt Market ^(a, b, c, d, e, f)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Thomson Reuters; Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

European Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) (a,d,e,f)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

European Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDOs) ^(a,e) S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

Asian Structured Finance (a,c,b)

S&P penetration rate as a % of rated dollar volume



Source: Harrison Scott Publications/Standard & Poor's

(c) Excludes asset-backed commercial paper and letters of credit

(d) Includes home equity loans

(e) European data includes Middle East and Africa regions

 (f) Includes commercial mortgage-backed securities and residential mortgage-backed securities

Ratings Diversification

Standard & Poor's continues to diversify its business beyond new bond ratings. Product expansion has reduced S&P's reliance on bond issuance or interest-rate sensitive businesses by expanding offerings in such areas as bank loan and recovery ratings, counterparty ratings, and financial strength ratings. S&P also offers evaluations, including Rating Evaluation Services, which assess how actions may affect creditworthiness, and Servicer Evaluations, which assess a company's operational capability to service loan and asset portfolios.



* Formerly Claims-Paying Ability Ratings

Global Bank Loan Ratings Total Outstanding Ratings 3.000 2.250 1,500 750 Π4 U.S. 1.079 1.079 1.481 1.357 2.105 2.101 Europe 291 274 385 456 203 217 416 Rest 130 133 182 218 297 Total 1,412 1,429 1,954 1,849 2,787 2,973

Counterparty Ratings* Total Outstanding Ratings 320



* Total for those organizations whose only rating is a Counterparty Rating

Recovery Ratings



Secured Recovery Ratings Unsecured and Subordinated Recovery Ratings

Evaluations

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Servicer Evaluations: An independent, objective view of a company's operational capability to service loan and asset portfolios. The Servicer Evaluation rankings serve as consistent, objective benchmarks for assessing operational risk that provide valuable transparency and enable global market participants to make informed decisions.

Rating Evaluation Service Evaluations





Source: Standard & Poor's

Servicer Evaluations

Ratings

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Corporate Credit Ratings*



* Total for those organizations whose only rating is a Counterparty Rating Source: Standard & Poor's

	idard & Poor's Recovery ng and Description	Recovery Expectations*
1+	Highest expectation of full recovery	100%**
1	Very high recovery	90-100%
2	Substantial recovery	70-90%
3	Meaningful recovery	50-70%
4	Average recovery	30-50%
5	Modest recovery	10-30%
6	Negligible recovery	0-10%

As of April 7, 2010

Recovery of principal plus accrued but unpaid interest at the time of default

** Very high confidence of full recovery resulting from significant overcollateralization or strong structural features

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Sovereign Ratings



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Example	RatingsDirect [®] on the	Capital IQ Platform	S&P 500®	MarketScope® Advisor						
Products and Services	Global Credit Portal®	Xpressfeed	S&P/Case-Shiller [®] Home	Stock research and tools						
Services	Securities classifications	Compustat [®]	Price Indices*	Fund management ratings						
	and intrinsic valuations	ClariFI®	S&P GSCI [®] Commodities	Exchange-traded fund						
	Market, credit, and risk strategies	Alphaworks	S&P Credit Default Swap	research and tools						
	0		U.S. Indices	Mutual fund research						
	Credit risk and structured finance analysis		S&P/Experian Consumer	and tools						
			Credit Default Indices	Portfolio tools						
			S&P Global BMI							
			S&P Index Data Platform							
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Structured Finance Data: U.S. RMBS loanlevel data feed on nearly 4,000 transactions

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Capital IQ's Compustat won the *Inside Market Data* award for "Best Analytics Provider" in 2010

Capital IQ Platform	Robust information for fundamental analysis, screening, and more
Xpressfeed	Integrated delivery of the world's leading data set for quantitative research
Compustat	Covering 99% of the world's market capitalization with data on more than 68,000 global securities, Compustat is the premier global fundamental database for backtesting and other quantitative analysis
ClariFl	Advanced alpha research and portfolio management platform for investment managers
Alphaworks	Quantitative research to uncover market anomalies and differentiated stock selection strategies
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Research Estimates: View detailed estimates and real-time research on more than 19,000 companies

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Screening and Targeting: Build lists of companies, stocks, deals, and more with over 4,700 financial and 1,200 qualitative criteria

Fixed Income: Access details on securities, ratings, capital structure, and more on almost 400,000 global fixed income securities

Global Transactions Data: Analyze more than 400,000 M&A and private/public capital market transactions

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Index-related licensing fees, which are either annual fees based on assets under management or flat fees for over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives and retail-structured products

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Growing Regional Diversification in ETFs

	20	04	20	2009			
	No. of ETFs	% of Total	No. of ETFs	% of Total			
Asia	4	7%	7	3%			
Europe	3	6%	28	13%			
Canada	9	17%	36	17%			
U.S.	38	70%	146	67%			
Total	54	100%	217	100%			

Creating Indices that Measure Constantly Evolving Markets

Standard & Poor's is creating a diverse range of indices for a number of different markets and investors. For example:

S&P Credit Default Swap (CDS) Indices seek to reflect the credit default swap market for U.S. corporate credits and to increase transparency for market participants.

S&P U.S. Carbon Efficient Index is a broad market index that comprises companies with relatively low carbon emissions and also seeks to track the return of the S&P 500.

S&P U.S. Style Index Series measures growth and value in separate dimensions across six risk factors (sales growth, earnings change to price, momentum, book value to price, sales to price, and earnings to price ratio) at the stock level.

S&P Risk Control Index Series enables investors to target and control the level of risk in an underlying S&P index.

New Investable Products Based on S&P Indices

S&P indices serve as the basis for exchange-traded funds (ETFs), futures, options, and other investable products across the globe. In 2009, 24 new ETFs linked to S&P indices were launched, ending the year with 217 ETFs. 2010 highlights include:

Barclays Capital launched the first exchangetraded note linked inversely to a volatility index, the S&P 500[®] VIX Short-Term Futures[™] Index Excess Return

Standard & Poor's licensed the S&P 500 to Vanguard enabling them to create and list an ETF based upon the Index. The licensing agreement also enables Vanguard to launch new equity funds and ETFs targeting the S&P MidCap 400 and the S&P SmallCap 600, in addition to the S&P 500, as well as each of the indices' growth and value segments Standard & Poor's licensed seven European ETF sponsors to create and list S&P 500 ETFs on exchanges in major European cities

Standard & Poor's licensed the National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) to create and list Indian Rupee-denominated futures contracts on the S&P 500

Record-Level ETFs Linked to S&P Indices

Exchange-traded funds (ETFs)—which represent share ownership of an index fund but trade like shares of stocks-have become some of the most actively-traded securities on stock markets around the world. Standard & Poor's has been at the forefront of ETF development since the launch of the S&P 500 SPDR (Standard Poor's Depositary Receipts) in 1993.





MidCap SPDR Trust Value/Average Daily Trading Volume*

(dollars in billions) (shares in thousands)



Source: American Stock Exchange

* MidCap SPDRS (MDY) started trading May 4, 1995

S&P 500 Option Contracts Traded on the CBOE

(contracts in millions)



Source: Chicago Board Options Exchange

SPDR Trust Value/Average Daily Trading Volume (dollars in billions) (shares in thousands)



Select Sector SPDR Trust Value/Average Daily Trading Volume* (dollars in billions) (shares in thousands)



Source: American Stock Exchange

* Select Sector SPDRs started trading December 22, 1998

S&P 500 Futures and "E-mini 500"* Contracts Traded on the CME (contracts in millions)



Source: Chicago Mercantile Exchange

* E-mini 500 contracts started trading on September 9, 1997

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Workflow utilities including alerts, securities tracking, and portfolio analysis tools

