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### **U.S. Treasury Securities Market**

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# **Overview**

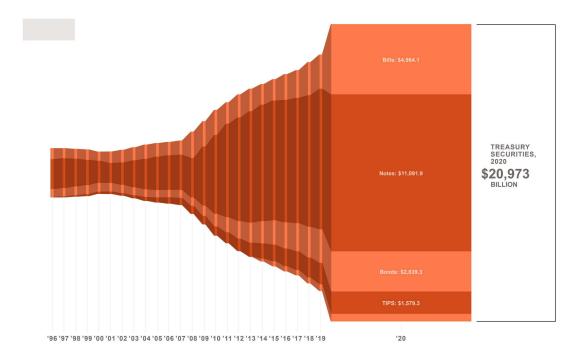
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# The U.S. Treasury Market

- The Department of the Treasury is the largest single issuer of debt in the world.
- The large volume of total debt and the large size of any single issue have contributed to making the Treasury market the most active and hence the most liquid market in the world

#### SIFMA Fixed Income Statistics

### **U.S. Treasury Debt Amount Outstanding**



Link to SIFMA

# **Types of Treasury Securities**

- Where to get information about U.S. Treasury securities?
- Go to webpage of the U.S. Treasury.
- In the middle panel, click on Treasury securities Overview.







# Treasury Bill (T-bill)

- Short-term securities with maturities of 4, 13, 26, and 52 weeks.
- Treasury bills do not pay interest before maturity.
  - This is often referred to as a discount security or zero-coupon security.
- Instead, Treasury bills are issued at a price less than their par value and at maturity, Treasury bills pay back their par value.
  - Intuitively, the "interest" to the investor is the difference between par value and the purchase price.
  - Example: a 52-week T-bill with par value of \$100 has a price of \$98.

### **Example of 52-week Treasury Bill**



- How to get there on the Bloomberg terminal?
- Open a terminal and on the keyboard type T Bill.
- In the popup window, select B Govt United States Treasury Bill (Multiple Matches).
- Next, click on one of the different Treasury bills in the list.
- Then, click on DES on the top-right, or type DES on the keyboard and press enter.

# **Treasury Note (T-Note)**

- Medium-term securities with maturities of 2, 3, 5, 7, and 10 years.
- Treasury notes pay interest every six months up to and including the maturity date.
  - Example: A 2-year T-note has its last interest payment in two years, and it pays interest after 6 months, 12 months, and 18 months.
- At maturity, Treasury notes pay back their par value.

### **Example of 10-year Treasury Note**



- How to get there on the Bloomberg terminal?
- Open a terminal and on the keyboard type T Note.
- In the popup window, select T Govt United States Treasury Note/Bond (Multiple Matches).
- Next, click on one of the different Treasury notes in the list.
- Then, click on DES on the top-right, or type DES on the keyboard and press enter.
- Let's look at price quotes for this Treasury note.
- If you were to purchase this Treasury note, would you pay \$95.02?
- The answer is *no*. Prices for Treasury notes are quoted in a specific way, which we will discuss in the next lecture.



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- From the Description page where you are currently at, type GP and press enter.

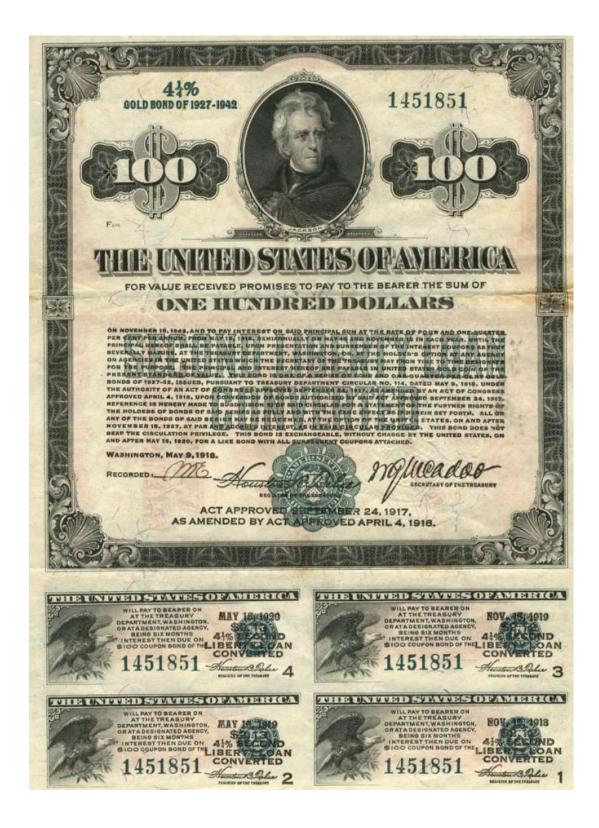
# **Treasury Bond (T-Bond)**

- Long-term securities with maturities of 20 and 30 years.
  - Currently, the Treasury does not issue 15-year Treasury bonds.
- Treasury bonds notes pay interest every six months up to and including the maturity date. At maturity, Treasury notes pay back their par value.
  - Similar to Treasury notes.

Treasury Marketable Securities

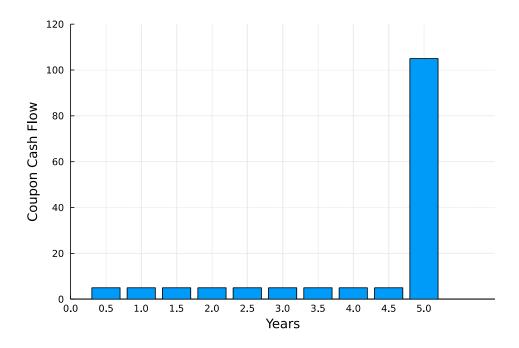
### Coupon bonds

- Treasury notes and bonds are referred to as **coupon** securities.
- Why?



# **Example of Treasury Note Cash Flows**

- Par Value F = \$100.
- Coupon Rate *c* [% p.a.]:
- Time to maturity T [years]: 5.0



# **Treasury Floating Rate Note (FRN)**

- First issued in 2014 by the U.S. Treasury.
- Maturity of 2 years.
- Pay interest every three months up to and including the maturity date.
  - o At maturity, FRNs pay back their par value.
- The interest on an FRN varies with interest rate on 13-week Treasury bills.

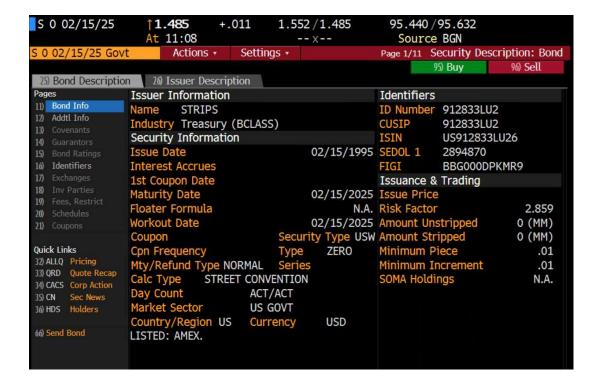
# **Treasury STRIPS**

- The Treasury does not issue zero-coupon notes or bonds.
- However, because of the demand for zero-coupon instruments with no credit risk, the private sector has created such securities.
- The process of separating the interest on a bond from the underlying principal is called coupon stripping
- Zero-coupon Treasury securities were first created in August 1982 by large Wall-Street firms.
  - The problem with these securities was that they were identified with particular dealers and therefore reduced liquidity.
  - Moreover, the process involved legal and insurance costs.
  - Today, all Treasury notes and bonds (fixed-principal and inflation-indexed) are eligible for stripping.
- The zero-coupon Treasury securities created under the STRIPS program are direct obligations of the U.S. government

### **Treasury STRIPS in Bloomberg**

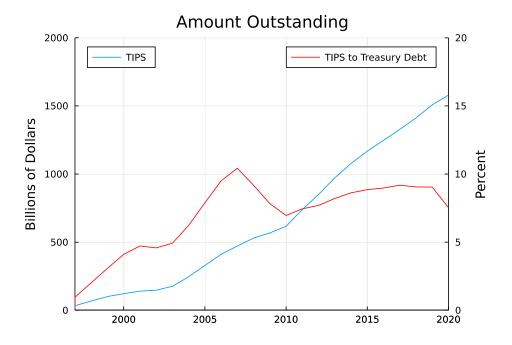
Name	Tic	Coupon	Maturity Mty Ty	/pe Ctry/Reg	Curr	Identifier
STRIP*	S		*	• US	USD	
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	08/15/2051 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834XG8
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	05/15/2051 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834WZ7
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	02/15/2051 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834WR5
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	11/15/2050 NORM	AL US	USD	912834WJ3
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	08/15/2050 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834WC8
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	05/15/2050 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834VV7
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	02/15/2050 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834VM7
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	11/15/2049 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834VE5
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United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	05/15/2049 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834UR7
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	02/15/2049 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834UH9
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United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	08/15/2048 NORMA	AL US	USD	912834TV0
United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	05/15/2048 NORM/	AL US	USD	912834TP3
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United States Treasury Strip Coupon	S	0.000	11/15/2046 NORM	AL US	USD	912834QV3

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- Next, click on one of the different Treasury bills in the list.
- Then, click on DES on the top-right, or type DES on the keyboard and press enter.



# **Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS)**

- First issued in 1997 by the U.S. Treasury.
- Maturities of 5, 10, and 30 years.
- TIPS pay interest every six months up to and including the maturity date. At maturity, Treasury notes pay back their par value.
  - Similar to Treasury notes and bonds.
- Key difference is that both par value and interest go up with the rate of inflation.
- Why inflation matters ...
  - WSJ, June 10, 2022: U.S. Inflation Hit 8.6% in May. Energy, groceries, shelter costs drive fastest rise in consumer-price index since December 1981
  - o WSJ, January 12, 2022: U.S. Inflation Hit 7% in December, Fastest Pace Since 1982
  - o WSJ, February 10, 2022: U.S. Inflation Rate Accelerates to a 40-Year High of 7.5%
  - o WSJ, February 6, 2022: What Investors Should Know About TIPS



### **Example of a Treasury TIPS**



- How to get there on the Bloomberg terminal?
- Open a terminal and on the keyboard type Treasury TIPS.
- In the popup window, select TII Govt United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds (Multiple Matches).
- Next, click on one of the different Treasury bills in the list.
- Then, click on DES on the top-right, or type DES on the keyboard and press enter.
- Let's look at price quotes for this Treasury TIPS.
- If you were to purchase this Treasury TIPS, would you pay \$105.28?
- The answer is *no*. Prices for Treasury TIPS are quoted in a specific way, which we will discuss in the next lecture.

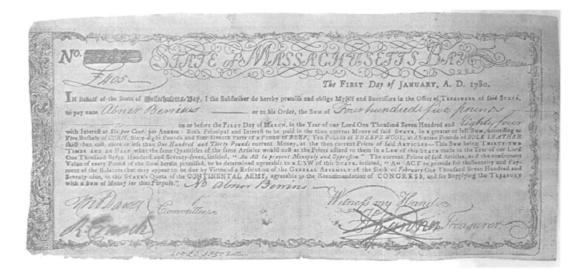


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### Inflation-Linked notes date back centuries

Both Principal and Interest to be paid in the then current Money of said State, in a greater or less Sum, according as Five Bushels of Corn, Sixty-eight Pounds and four-seventh Parts of a Pound of Beef, Ten Pounds of Sheeps Wool, and Sixteen Pounds of Sole Leather shall then cost more or less than One Hundred and Thirty Pounds current Money, at the then current Prices of said Articles.

Source: "Inflation-indexed Securities: Bonds, Swaps and Other Derivatives", 2nd Edition, M. Deacon, A. Derry, D. Mirfendereski, Wiley.



# **Indexing Bonds to Inflation**

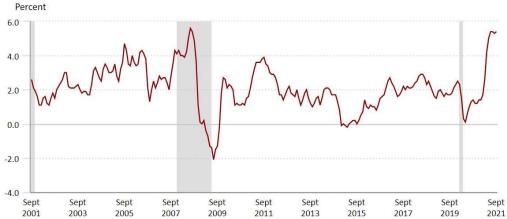
- Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS) are index-linked bonds.
  - An index-linked bond is one whose *cash flows* are linked to movements in a specific price index.
- The principal amount of a TIPS is indexed to the price level.
  - Since a fixed coupon rate is applied to the principal that varies with the price level, the actual coupon cash flows vary in response to the realized rate of inflation.
- Index-linked bonds are usually indexed to a broad measure of prices, typically a domestic *Consumer Price Index (CPI)*.

### **U.S. Consumer Price Index**

- In the U.S. this price index is the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U).
- The CPI-U measures the level of prices paid by consumers for goods and services.
- This index is published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) every month.
- Bureau of Labor Statistics; Bureau of Labor Statistics Release

# 12-month percentage change, Consumer Price Index, selected categories, not seasonally adjusted



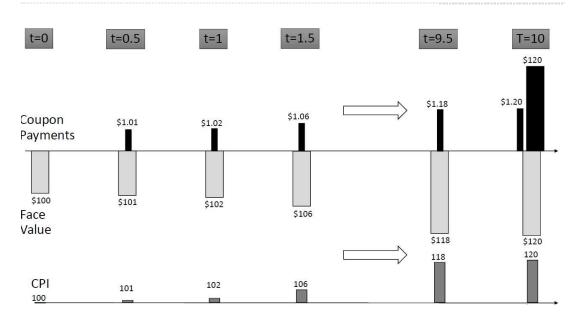


Hover over chart to view data. Note: Shaded area represents recession, as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Source: BLS.gov

## TIPS Inflation-Adjustment



# **TIPS Inflation Adjustment Details**

- The principal amount of a TIPS (assume 100 at issuance) is adjusted daily based on the CPI-U.
- The inflation adjustment  $I_t$  is computed as the ratio of the **Reference CPI** at the time t divided by the reference CPI when the TIPS was first issued (t=0).

$$I_t = rac{ ext{Reference CPI at time } t}{ ext{Reference CPI at TIPS issue date}}$$

- The Reference CPI for a particular date t during a month is linearly interpolated from the
  Reference CPI for the beginning of that month and the Reference CPI for the beginning of the
  subsequent month.
  - The **Reference CPI** for the first day of *any* calendar month is the CPI-U index for the third preceding calendar month.
- Example 1: the **Reference CPI** for *April 1* is the CPI-U index for the month of *January* (which is reported by the BLS during February).
- Example 2: the **Reference CPI** for April 15 is roughly the average of the CPI-U index for the month of *January* and the CPI-U index for the month of February.



### **Deflation Protection**

- TIPS have an embedded option that protects against deflation.
- The Treasury guarantees that the *final redemption value is no less than \$100 per \$100 nominal* amount, irrespective of the movements in the CPI over the life of the bond.
- Let F be the TIPS principal amount and T the time to maturity of the TIPS.
- ullet The principal cash flow at maturity T is

$$F imes \max[I_T, 1]$$

• This deflation protection does not apply to coupon cash flows.

# **Inflation-Adjusted Coupon Interest**

Security:
Description:
CUSIP Number:
Dated Date:
Original Issue Date:
Additional Issue Date:

Maturity Date: Ref CPI on Dated Date: 3-3/8% 10-Year Notes Series A-2007 9128272M3 January 15, 1997 February 6, 1997 April 15, 1997

January 15, 2007 158.43548

- The Reference CPI is then turned into a ratio to caclulate the inflation adjustment by taking the Reference CPI on the date and dividing by the Reference CPI at issue.
  - For example, the Reference CPI for January 15, the official issue date of the inaugural TIPS bond is 158.43548. Assume \$100 par value at issuance.
  - Suppose we are on July 15 and the first coupon cash flow is about to be paid. Suppose that the reference CPI on July 15 turns out to be 168.53226.
  - Then, the inflation adjustment factor is 168.53226/158.43458 = 1.063734
  - This means coupon rate is paid on par value of \$100  $\times$  1.063734 = \$106.3734.

# Inflation-Adjusted Coupon Interest Example

- Let F be the TIPS principal value.
- Let c denote the (fixed) real coupon rate on the TIPS.
- ullet Let T denote the time to maturity of the TIPS (in years).

- Principal F [\$]:
  Real Coupon Rate c [%]:
  Time to Maturity T [years]:
  Reference CPI at issue date:
  100
- Suppose, c=3.0% and F=100.
- In real terms, the coupon cash flows at each coupon date are

$$\frac{c}{2}F = \frac{0.03}{2}100 = 1.5$$

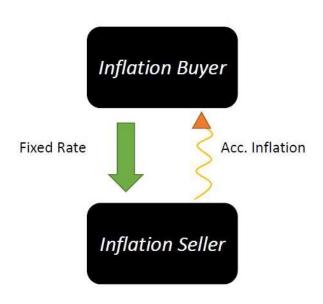
- Suppose there is inflation (or deflation).
- The actual cash flows (in nominal terms) of the TIPS are:

	Time	Reference_CPI	It	Adjusted_Principal	Cashflows
1	0.5	101.209	1.01209	101.209	1.51814
2	1.0	100.344	1.00344	100.344	1.50515
3	1.5	102.195	1.02195	102.195	1.53293
4	2.0	103.319	1.03319	103.319	1.54979
5	2.5	104.589	1.04589	104.589	1.56884
6	3.0	103.968	1.03968	103.968	1.55952
7	3.5	103.605	1.03605	103.605	1.55408
8	4.0	104.347	1.04347	104.347	1.5652
9	4.5	104.563	1.04563	104.563	1.56844
10	5.0	105.198	1.05198	105.198	106.776

### **Inflation Derivatives**

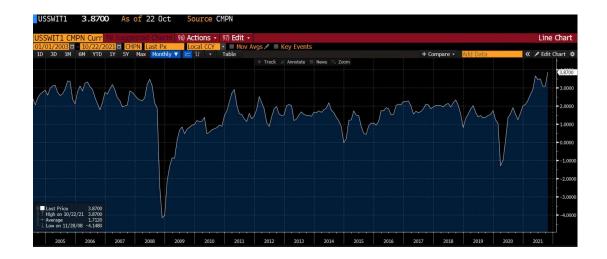
• In addition to the cash inflation market, there is an active derivatives market that consists mainly of inflation swap contracts and inflation options.

# **Inflation Swap Basics**





USSWIT1 3.8700	As of 22 Oct	Source	CMPN	N		
USSWIT1 CMPN Curncy	Export	Settin	gs			
USD INFL SWAP ZC 1Y				High	2.1300 on	09/29/06
Range 09/29/2006 = -	10/31/2006 H	eriod Daily		Low	1.7300 on	10/18/06
Market Last Price •	C	urrency USD	-	Average	1.8417	
View Price Table	· S	ource CMPN		Net Chg	3400	-15.96%
Date		Last Price		Date		Last Price
Fr 11/03/06			Fr 1	.0/13/06		1.8100
Th 11/02/06				.0/12/06		1.8400
We 11/01/06			We 1	0/11/06		1.8600
Tu 10/31/06		1.7900	Tu 1	0/10/06		1.8500
Mo 10/30/06		1.8300	Mo 1	.0/09/06		1.9900
Fr 10/27/06				.0/06/06		1.8100
Th 10/26/06				.0/05/06		1.8500
We 10/25/06				.0/04/06		1.7900
Tu 10/24/06				.0/03/06		1.8600
Mo 10/23/06		1.7500	Mo 1	.0/02/06		1.9000



# **Inflation Swap Cash Flows**

- ullet The swap is executed between two counterparties at time t=0 and has only one cash flow that occurs at maturity in T years.
- For example, imagine that at time t=0, the five-year zero-coupon inflation swap rate is 200 basis points and that the inflation swap has a notional of \$1.
- ullet There are no cash flows at time t=0 when the swap is executed.
- ullet At the maturity of the swap in T=5 years, suppose that realized inflation is  $I_T$ , then the counterparties to the inflation swap exchange a cash flow of

$$\left[(1+0.0200)^5-1
ight]-[I_T-1],$$

• Thus, if the realized inflation rate was 1.50% per year over the five-year horizon of the swap,

$$I_T = 1.015^5 = 1.077284$$

• In this case, the net cash flow per \$1 notional of the swap from the swap would be

$$\left[(1+0.0200)^5-1\right]-[1.077284-1]=0.026797$$

# **Inflation Swap Example**

- Cash flow on the fixed leg of the inflation swap:

$$N imes \lceil (1+f)^T - 1 \rceil = 100 imes \lceil (1+0.03)^5 - 1 \rceil = 15.9274$$

• Cash flow on the floating leg of the swap:

$$N imes \left[ (1+I)^T - 1 
ight] = 100 imes \left[ (1+0.02)^5 - 1 
ight] = 10.4081$$

• Net cash flow of inflation buyer: -5.5193

### Wrap-Up

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