# S&P Dow Jones Indices

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# S&P Global 1200 Fossil Fuel Free Indices Consultation on Fossil Fuel Reserves Exclusion Screening Results

**NEW YORK, JUNE 12, 2020:** S&P Dow Jones Indices ("S&P DJI") has conducted a consultation with market participants on potential changes to the S&P Global 1200 Fossil Fuel Free Indices.

S&P DJI will change the fossil fuel reserves ("FFR") screening data source from SAM (a part of S&P Global) ("SAM") to S&P Trucost Limited ("Trucost"). In addition, S&P DJI will amend the scope of the quarterly FFR exclusion screenings for all S&P Global 1200 Fossil Fuel Free Indices to align with the Trucost data. The table below summarizes the changes.

	Methodology		
Change	Previous	Updated	
Exclusion Screening Data Source	SAM Exclusion Data	Trucost Exclusion Data	
Scope of Quarterly Exclusion Screening	FFR exclusion screening is performed on the entire index universe once per year as part of the June quarterly rebalancing. For the March, September and December quarterly rebalancings, only universe additions are subject to FFR exclusion screening.	FFR exclusion screening is performed on the entire index universe as part of each quarterly rebalancing.	

Please note that with these changes, spin-offs from existing index constituents will remain in the corresponding S&P Global 1200 Fossil Fuel Free Indices until the next index rebalancing. At the rebalancing, spin-offs will be assigned the exclusion designations of the respective parent company as of the ex-date and will retain these designations until they are assessed by Trucost in their own right. Except for spin-offs, companies without Trucost coverage will be ineligible for index inclusion until they receive such coverage.

## **Trucost Fossil Fuel Data Dictionary**

Companies are excluded from the eligible universe if they have any exposure to the following categories listed in the table on the following page, as specified and measured by Trucost:

	Trucost Category of Involvement		S&P DJI
Name	Description	Proxy	Threshold
Thermal Coal	The company has proven (1P) and/or probable (2P) thermal coal reserves (coal used to generate power – also known as 'steam coal').		
'Other' (non- Metallurgical) Coal	The company has proven (1P) and/or probable (2P) coal reserves used for all other non-metallurgical or thermal coal uses, such uses as chemical biproducts, coal briquettes, residential use, liquid fuel, cement production, paper manufacturing, pharmaceutical, alumina refineries, ferrochrome, anthracite. This also includes all coal reserves reported where reserves are not disclosed transparently as for either thermal or metallurgical uses.	1P or 2P <sup>1</sup> Fossil Fuel Reserves (millions of tonnes	
Conventional and Unconventional Oil	The company has proven (1P) and/or probable (2P) conventional (crude) or unconventional oil reserves. Unconventional oils include natural gas liquids (NGL), oil sands, condensates and liquid petroleum gas (LPG).	(Mt)/ millions of barrels (mmbbl)/billion cubic feet (bcf)/	>0
Natural Gas	The company has proven (1P) and/or probable (2P) natural gas reserves – a naturally occurring hydrocarbon gas mixture consisting primarily of methane.	million barrels of oil equivalents (mmboe))	
Shale Gas	The company has proven (1P) and/or probable (2P) shale gas – gas trapped in rock, commonly shale or tight siltstone limestone or dolomite, below the earth's surface.		
'Other' Oil and Gas	The company has proven (1P) and/or probable (2P) oil and/or gas reserves, but these are not disclosed transparently as specific types of oil or gas, or are disclosed as one aggregate quantity of oil and gas reserves combined.		

For more information on Trucost, please refer to <u>www.trucost.com</u>.

These changes will be implemented in conjunction with the upcoming rebalancing, which will take effect prior to the market open on Monday, June 22, 2020.

Please note that the S&P Global 1200 Fossil Fuel Free Indices Methodology on S&P DJI's website is being updated to reflect these changes.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 1P, or 'proven' reserves, are those with a 90% probability level of being present, and 2P, or 'probable' reserves, are those with a 50% probability level of being present.