CRSP SURVIVOR-BIAS-FREE US MUTUAL FUND DATABASE

These Release Notes accompany the July 2010 quarterly release of the CRSP Survivor-Bias-Free US Mutual Fund Database, and contain data through June 2010.

FUND LISTINGS

There are still funds that were in the original CRSP Mutual Funds database that have not yet been included in the current database. These include 529 funds and some that still require further research. The list of these funds is available on the CRSP website at: **www.crsp.chicagobooth. edu/support/funds/mf_funds.html**

FILE VERSION SPECIFICS

The database has 44,888 total funds. Of these 27,323 are active and 17,565 are delisted.

The mutual fund database is available in both SAS and ASCII formats. Due to file sizes, the SAS and ASCII formats of the database are shipped on DVD only.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- SAS version 8, SAS version 9.1, or a relational database of your choice.
- Sufficient disk space to load and manipulate the database:

DATABASE FORMAT	DISK SPACE REQUIRED
SAS V 9.1	4.99 GB
ASCII Data	4.74 GB

NUMBER OF ROWS SUMMARY

The following table identifies the number of rows for each table in the database.

TABLE NAME	ROWS
contact_info	157,340
crsp_portno_map	30,112
daily_nav	61,259,814
daily_returns	61,621,898
dividends	1,971,230
front_load_det	86,713
front_load_grp	29,660
fund_fees	275,724
fund_hdr	44,888
fund_hdr_hist	285,826
fund_style	108,516
fund_summary	1,032,090
holdings	22,814,190
holdings_co_info	330,872
monthly_nav	4,079,687
monthly_returns	4,080,970
monthly_tna	3,791,940
rear_load_det	133,541
rear_load_grp	42,707

INSTALLATION

The data are installed with a new InstallAnywhere wizard.
To install the data insert the CD and click on the appropriate setup icon.

GENERAL NOTES:

- The table with the largest number of rows is the Daily Returns table, containing 61,621,898 rows.

- A blank field means either that data was not applicable to a fund or that data is not available.

- A field with a "?" in it is a flag to indicate further research is required.

- A field has a zero in it when 1) The fund did not exist; 2) No value could be found; or 3) A calculated value could not be calculated because information was missing.

NEW INSTALLS

The new installs used for the CRSP data products behave slightly differently than those used previously. The overall time it takes to install the data is much as it was previously, but is distributed differently. Initializing the installation take several minutes or more, with some relationship to the power of your computer. Once the initialization process is complete, the actual installation of the data is relatively quick. Please be patient during the initialization, and your install will run smoothly.