

# FTSEurofirst Supersector Indices

The FTSEurofirst Supersector Indices provide investors with 18 highly tradable pan-European sector indices. The indices are derived from the FTSEurofirst 300 Index and are available in pan-European and Eurozone only form.

They are the first FTSEurofirst indices to be launched based on the Industry Classification Benchmark ([www.ftse.com/icb](http://www.ftse.com/icb)), the new industry classification system from FTSE and Dow Jones Indexes. The design of the Supersector tier applied to the blue chip companies in the FTSEurofirst 300 Index creates a set of indices that are an ideal tool for European investment products.

The FTSEurofirst 300 Index covers 93.3% of the FTSE Developed Europe Index.

For real-time performance information and index rules visit [www.ftseurofirst.com](http://www.ftseurofirst.com).

## The FTSEurofirst Supersector Indices

Supersector	Description
FTSEurofirst Automobiles & Parts Index	Covers companies involved in the manufacture of cars, tyres and new or replacement parts. Excludes vehicles used for commercial or recreational purposes.
FTSEurofirst Banks Index	Contains banks whose business is primarily retail.
FTSEurofirst Basic Resources Index	Comprises companies involved in the extraction and basic processing of natural resources other than oil and gas. For example coal, metal ore (including the production of basic aluminium, iron and steel products), precious metals and gemstones. This sector also includes the forestry and paper industry.
FTSEurofirst Chemicals Index	Encompasses companies that produce and distribute either commodity or finished chemical products.
FTSEurofirst Construction & Materials Index	Includes companies engaged in the construction of buildings and infrastructure, and the producers of materials and services used by this sector.
FTSEurofirst Financial Services Index	Comprises companies involved in corporate banking and investment services, including real estate activities.
FTSEurofirst Food & Beverages Index	Encompasses those companies involved in the food industry, from crop growing and livestock farming to production and packing. This includes those manufacturing and distributing beverages, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic, but excludes retailers.
FTSEurofirst Health Care Index	Includes companies involved in the provision of health care, pharmaceuticals, medical equipment and medical supplies.
FTSEurofirst Industrial Goods & Services Index	Contains companies involved in the manufacturing industries, including service providers to these companies. Includes engineering, aerospace and defence, containers and packaging companies, electrical equipment manufacturers and commercial transport services.
FTSEurofirst Insurance Index	Encompasses companies that offer insurance, life insurance or reinsurance, including brokers or agents.
FTSEurofirst Media Index	Constituents are companies that produce TV, radio and filmed entertainment. These include media agencies and both print and electronic publishing.
FTSEurofirst Oil & Gas Index	Covers companies engaged in the exploration, production and distribution of oil and gas, including suppliers of equipment and services to the industry.
FTSEurofirst Personal & Household Goods Index	Constituents include companies engaged in the production of durable and non-durable personal and household products, including furnishings, clothing, home electrical goods, recreational equipment and tobacco products.
FTSEurofirst Retail Index	Comprises companies that provide retail consumer goods and services, including food and drugs.
FTSEurofirst Technology Index	Constituents offer computer and telecommunications hardware and related equipment, software and services, including internet access.
FTSEurofirst Telecommunications Index	Includes providers of fixed-line and mobile telephone services. Excludes manufacturers and suppliers of telecommunications equipment.
FTSEurofirst Travel & Leisure Index	Encompasses companies providing leisure services, such as hotels, theme parks, restaurants, bars, cinemas and consumer travel services (airlines and auto rentals).
FTSEurofirst Utilities Index	Covers companies that provide electricity, gas and water services.

## FTSEurofirst Supersectors Overview

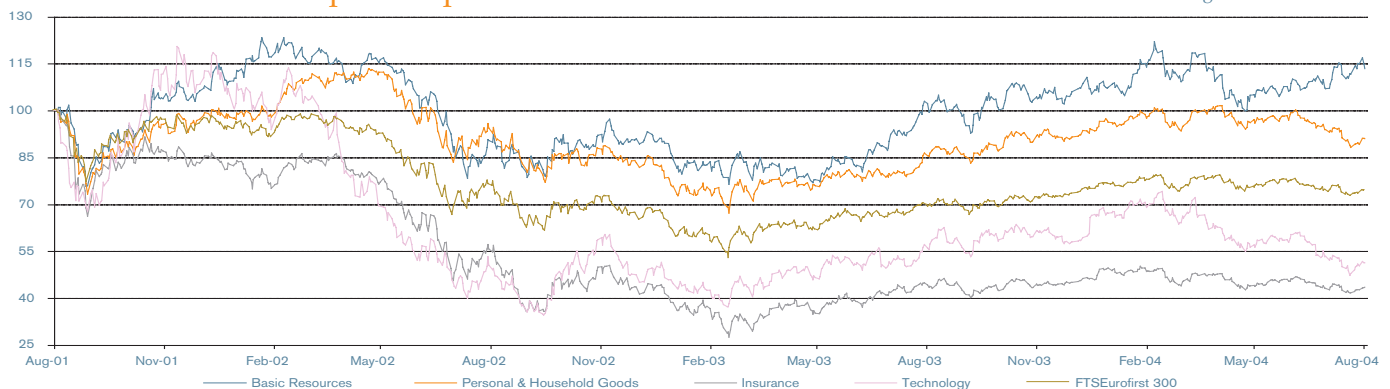
	FTSEurofirst Supersectors
Index universe	FTSE Developed Europe Index
Number of indices	18 pan-European indices
Calculation currencies	Euro (base currency), British Pound, US Dollar
Review dates	The Wednesday after the first Friday of March, June, September and December.
Hours	9:00 – 17:30 (CET or CEST)
Frequency of calculation	Every 15 seconds
End of day data	17:30 (CET or CEST)



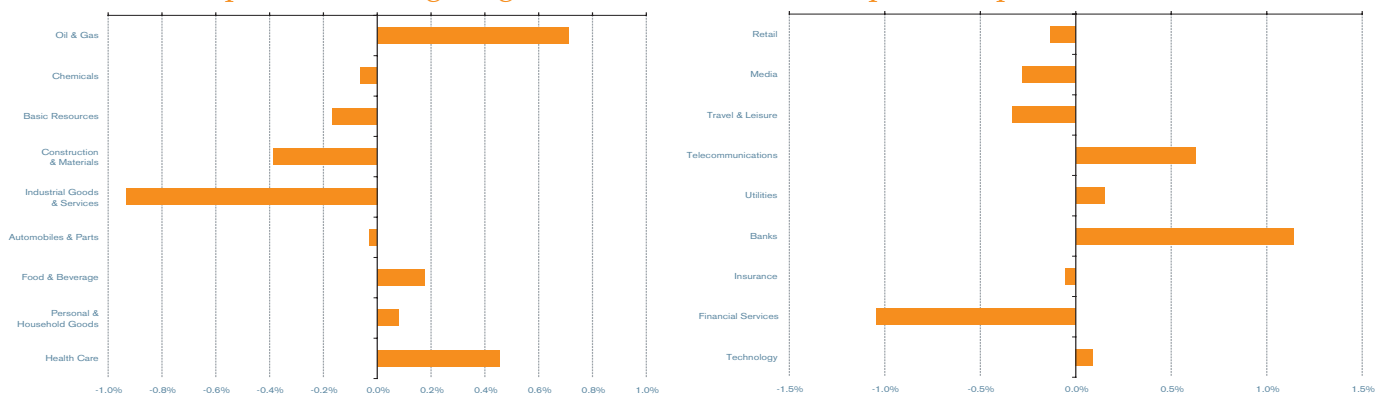
## FTSEurofirst Supersector Indices Breakdown<sup>1</sup> As at 25th August 2004

Supersector	No. of Constituents	Inv Mkt Cap (EUR bn)	1 Yr Performance	3 Yr Performance	3 Yr Volatility	Annual Velocity <sup>2</sup>
FTSEurofirst Automobiles & Parts Index	9	93.8	5.5%	-21.2%	39.9%	186.4%
FTSEurofirst Banks Index	52	948.4	7.5%	-17.6%	28.7%	127.5%
FTSEurofirst Basic Resources Index	8	105.9	10.9%	13.4%	27.6%	154.6%
FTSEurofirst Chemicals Index	12	95.4	5.7%	-18.2%	27.9%	131.6%
FTSEurofirst Construction & Materials Index	10	71.6	17.2%	-10.3%	24.6%	122.8%
FTSEurofirst Financial Services Index	13	51.7	5.4%	-25.7%	28.0%	157.2%
FTSEurofirst Food & Beverage Index	17	243.2	3.2%	-16.2%	18.5%	114.3%
FTSEurofirst Health Care Index	19	434.1	6.8%	-25.6%	25.7%	140.0%
FTSEurofirst Industrial Goods & Services Index	28	198.3	6.1%	-25.2%	19.6%	87.9%
FTSEurofirst Insurance Index	19	260.5	10.1%	-12.0%	34.2%	165.3%
FTSEurofirst Media Index	16	109.0	-1.6%	-56.6%	45.1%	145.7%
FTSEurofirst Oil & Gas Index	11	501.5	0.5%	-47.3%	33.7%	190.0%
FTSEurofirst Personal & Household Goods Index	20	173.0	10.2%	-20.4%	26.4%	117.0%
FTSEurofirst Retail Index	16	157.2	6.4%	-9.1%	26.5%	137.9%
FTSEurofirst Technology Index	11	151.9	5.2%	-29.2%	24.0%	176.9%
FTSEurofirst Telecommunications Index	20	412.8	-8.5%	-48.8%	51.4%	241.9%
FTSEurofirst Travel & Leisure Index	10	48.0	8.6%	-18.9%	32.9%	161.2%
FTSEurofirst Utilities Index	21	224.9	2.7%	-20.0%	31.9%	196.7%
FTSEurofirst 300 Index	312 <sup>3</sup>	4,281.1	19.0%	-17.6%	19.7%	153.4%

## FTSEurofirst Pan-European Supersector Indices Best & Worst Performers<sup>1</sup> Between 25th August 2001- 2004



## FTSEurofirst Supersectors Weightings Relative to FTSE Developed Europe As at 25th August 2004



<sup>1</sup> Back history performance data calculated by FTSE using data provided by FactSet.

<sup>2</sup> The number of shares traded over a given period divided by the free-float adjusted shares in issue at the end of that period.

<sup>3</sup> The FTSEurofirst 300 Index currently contains 312 constituents, including 12 companies represented by two lines of stock.

## Vendor Codes

The FTSEurofirst Supersector indices are available from multiple data vendors. For a comprehensive list of vendors and the associated codes, please visit: [www.ftseurofirst.com/vendorcodes](http://www.ftseurofirst.com/vendorcodes)

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