

Martin Pring's Data Disk Contents

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Nineteenth Century Data

These files contain Nineteenth Century data and have been compiled from several sources. Please note that the further we go back in history the less reliable the data. We therefore recommend that you do not use this data for precise levels but more for appreciating cyclical swings of a primary trend basis. *Please note that due to plotting constraints the dates will appear as Twentieth Century dates in MetaStock.*

Name	Start Date	End Date
Business Activity 1829-99	10/30/29	12/31/99
Commodities 1815-99	8/31/15	12/31/99
Cowles Com Transports 1871-99	1/29/71	12/31/99
Cowles Com Utilities 1871-99	1/29/71	12/31/09
Commercial Paper Yield 1900	1/31/00	12/31/50
Gold 1850-99	1/31/62	12/31/78
Greenbacks	1/31/62	12/31/78
Railroad Bond Prices 1850-99	1/31/51	12/31/99
Short Rates 1831-99	1/31/31	12/31/99
US Stocks	1/31/00	12/31/99
NYSE Volume 1881-99	1/30/81	12/31/99

Historical Data Monthly

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Historical Currencies	Start Date	End Date
Austraiian Dollar	3/31/65	4/30/02
British Pound	1/31/64	4/30/02
Canadian Dollar	1/31/64	4/30/02
D Mark	1/31/64	4/30/02
Euro FX	1/31/64	4/30/02
Japanese Yen	1/31/64	4/30/02
Swiss Franc	1/31/64	4/30/02
US Dollar Index	2/28/64	4/30/02

Commodities	Start Date	End Date
Cocoa	2/28/73	4/30/02
Coffee	1/31/36	4/30/02
Copper	1/31/50	4/30/02
Corn	1/31/38	4/30/02
Cotton	1/31/36	4/30/02
Crude Oil	7/29/83	4/30/02
Gold	4/30/70	4/30/02
Heating Oil	1/31/75	4/30/02
Live Hogs	1/31/36	4/30/02
Lumber	3/31/36	4/30/02
Oats	1/31/36	4/30/02
Palladium	1/31/36	4/30/02
Platinum	6/30/37	4/30/02
Silver	4/30/37	4/30/02
Soybeans	10/29/37	4/30/02
Sugar	1/31/36	4/30/02
Wheat	1/31/36	4/30/02

International Markets	Start Date	End Date
Affrasvarlden Index (Sweden)	1/29/60	4/30/02
Amsterdam Index	6/30/60	4/30/02
BCI General (Italy)	1/31/49	4/30/02
Dow Industrial	2/27/53	4/30/02
Dow Transports	4/30/64	4/30/02
Dow Utilities	4/30/64	4/30/02
Ft Gold Mines	6/30/70	4/30/02
FTSE	8/31/49	4/30/02
German DAX*	6/30/50	4/30/02
Hang Seng	1/31/75	4/30/02
KFX (Denmark) Index*	8/31/84	4/30/02
Madrid SE Index	1/31/61	4/30/02
Nikkei	8/31/49	4/30/02
Phil-Gold	2/29/84	4/30/02
Straits-Times (Singapore)	1/31/75	4/30/02
Sydney All Ords	2/28/66	4/30/02
TSE-Composite	1/31/49	4/30/02
TSE-Gold	3/31/64	4/30/02
Swiss Market*	10/31/74	4/30/02

Credit Markets and Commodity Indexes	Start Date	End Date
CRB Composite	1/31/57	4/30/02
Eurodollar Cash	2/26/82	4/30/02
Govt-Bond-Yield (20-30 year)**	1/31/19	4/30/02

Historical Data Weekly

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Historical Currencies	Start Date	End Date
Australian Dollar	7/19/74	4/26/02
British Pound	1/4/74	4/26/02
Canadian Dollar	7/19/74	4/26/02
D Mark	7/26/74	4/26/02
Euro FX	7/26/74	4/26/02
Japanese Yen	7/19/74	4/26/02
Swiss Franc	7/12/74	4/26/02
US Dollar Index	10/2/81	4/26/02

Commodities	Start Date	End Date
Cocoa	1/12/73	4/26/02
Coffee	7/19/74	4/26/02
Copper	2/11/77	4/26/02
Corn	1/12/73	4/26/02
Cotton	8/2/74	4/26/02
Crude Oil	4/8/83	4/26/02
Gold	10/11/74	4/26/02
Heating Oil	5/23/75	4/26/02
Live Cattle	7/26/74	4/26/02
Lean Hogs	1/12/73	4/26/02
Lumber	7/12/74	4/26/02
Oats	1/12/73	4/26/02
Palladium	10/30/81	4/26/02
Platinum	7/12/74	4/26/02
Silver	7/19/74	4/26/02
Soybeans	1/12/73	4/26/02
Sugar	1/12/73	4/26/02
Unleaded Gas	3/12/82	4/19/02
Wheat	1/12/73	4/26/02

International Markets	Start Date	End Date
Affrasvarlden Index (Sweden)	9/4/81	4/26/02
Amsterdam Index	1/7/83	4/26/02
Australian SE Gold Index	1/11/85	4/26/02
BCI General (Italy)	7/3/81	4/26/02
CAC 40 Index	9/4/81	4/26/02
Dow Industrial	3/28/31	4/26/02
Dow Transports***	3/28/31	4/26/02
Dow Utilities***	1/3/31	4/26/02
Dow/MSCI World Stock Index*	5/2/75	4/26/02
Eurotop Index	11/6/92	4/26/02
Ft Gold Mines	9/4/81	4/26/02
FTSE	9/11/81	4/26/02
German Dax#	9/11/81	4/26/02
Hang Seng	9/4/81	4/26/02
Helsinki General Index (Finland)	3/8/91	4/26/02
Irish SE ISEQ Overall Index	3/10/89	4/26/02
KFX (Denmark) Index#	2/24/84	4/26/02
KLSE Composite Index (Malasia)	1/8/82	4/26/02
Madrid SE Index	8/10/84	4/26/02
NASDAQ Comp	10/27/72	4/26/02
New Zealand SE Capital Index	7/5/91	4/26/02
Nikkei	9/4/81	4/26/02
NYSE Composite	3/29/74	4/26/02
NYSE Weekly Volume	1/18/80	4/26/02
Phil-Gold	2/29/84	4/26/02
International Market (con't)	Start Date	End Date
S & P Composite	7/9/76	4/26/02
SMI Swiss Market Index*	10/31/74	4/26/02
Straits-Times (Singapore)	1/31/75	4/26/02
Sydney All Ords	12/24/81	4/26/02
TSE-Composite	9/4/81	4/26/02
TSE-Gold & Silver	9/4/81	4/26/02
Value Line Index	12/23/82	4/26/02
Credit Markets and Commodity Indexes	Start Date	End Date
Eurodollar Cash	1/17/75	4/26/02
CRB Composite	7/19/74	4/26/02
Govt-Bond-Yield (20-30 year)**	11/2/73	4/26/02

Historical Manual Update

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Monthly

Name	Start Date	End Date
Commercial-Paper 3-mthYield****	1/31/00	4/30/02
Corp AAA Yield****	1/31/19	3/31/00
Discount Rate	1/31/19	4/30/02
Burlap Monthly	1/31/55	4/30/02
Copper Scrap	1/31/55	4/30/02
Economist All Items*	1/31/00	4/30/02
Govt-Yield 20-year	1/31/55	4/30/02
Hides Monthly	1/31/55	4/30/02
JOC ECRI-IP Index	1/31/55	4/30/02
Rubber Monthly	1/31/55	4/30/02
S&P Yield Monthly	10/31/38	4/30/02
Steel Scrap Monthly	1/31/55	4/30/02
Tallow Monthly	1/31/55	4/30/02

Weekly

3-mth Commercial Paper****	1/31/00	3/29/02
Corporate AAA Yield****	3/29/74	4/30/02
CRB Spot Weekly	5/21/82	4/5/02
Economist Base M	7/17/81	4/5/02
Economist Weekly	8/28/81	4/5/02
JOC ECRI-IP Index	12/20/91	4/30/02
MSCI World Stock	5/2/75	5/29/98
NYSE New Highs	3/22/74	4/5/02
NYSE New Lows	5/31/74	4/5/02
NYSE Weekly Advances	1/31/75	4/5/02
NYSE Weekly Declines	1/24/75	4/5/02
NYSE Weekly Unchanged	1/7/77	4/5/02

Industry Groups Monthly*

These files can be updated using Reuters. The symbols are those of the S&P Groups. Data since 1989 are the current groups. Data prior to that have been spliced with other industry group data. However, since companies have been added and deleted from the series over the years due to takeovers etc the historical data is not a perfect fit. Generally speaking the further back the data, the less the correlation with the current series. It is therefore recommended that data prior to the 1990's be used more for its cyclicity than as a precise measure of trend. Most historical data contains the same observation for open high low and close and will appear as a dot if plotted as a bar chart. It is therefore recommended that they be plotted in a line or close only format.

Names	Start Date	End Date
Airlines	1/31/64	4/30/02
Aluminum	1/29/43	4/30/02
Amex Brokers Index	01/31/78	4/30/02
Apparel	1/31/01	4/30/02
Auto Parts	1/30/70	4/30/02
Automobiles	6/30/12	4/30/02
Banks	1/31/41	4/30/02
Broadcasting	1/31/36	4/30/02
Building Materials	1/31/36	4/30/02
Capital Goods	1/29/43	4/30/02
Chemicals	1/31/19	4/30/02
Communications Equipment	1/31/78	4/30/02
Computer Hardware	3/31/11	4/30/02
Consumer Discretionary	1/29/43	4/30/02
Consumer Durables	1/31/80	4/30/02
Consumer Finance	1/29/43	4/30/02
Department Stores	1/29/43	4/30/02
Distillers & Vintners	1/29/43	4/30/02
Diversified Chemicals	1/31/78	4/30/02
Diversified Metals	1/29/43	4/30/02
Electric Utilities	1/29/43	4/30/02
Electrical Equipment and Components	1/29/43	4/30/02
Electronic Equipment and Instruments	1/31/78	4/30/02
Environmental Services	1/31/64	4/30/02
Energy Index	1/31/36	4/30/02
Financial Index	1/31/70	4/30/02
Food Products	1/31/36	4/30/02
Food Retail	1/31/36	4/30/02
Footware	8/31/15	4/30/02
Forest Products	1/29/43	4/30/02
General Merchandising	1/30/70	4/30/02
Gold Shares	1/31/41	4/30/02
Health Care Facilities (Hosp)	1/31/78	4/30/02
Home Furnishing	1/29/43	4/30/02
Homebuilding	1/29/65	4/30/02
Hotels	1/29/65	4/30/02
Household Products	1/29/43	4/30/02

Leisure	1/29/65	4/30/02
Insurance Life	1/29/43	4/30/02
Insurance Multi Line	1/31/68	4/30/02
Insurance Property Casualty	1/29/43	4/30/02
Metal & Glass Containers	1/31/36	4/30/02
Movies Entertainment	5/29/19	4/30/02
Natural Gas Utilities	1/31/45	4/30/02
Oil Integrated	1/29/43	4/30/02
Oil Drillers	1/29/43	4/30/02
Paper Packaging	1/29/43	4/30/02
Personal Products	1/31/57	4/30/02
Pharmaceuticals	11/30/16	4/30/02
Publishers	1/29/43	4/30/02
Railroads	1/31/00	4/30/02
Restaurants	1/29/65	4/30/02
Retail Composite	10/31/09	4/30/02
S & P Utility Index	1/31/00	4/30/02
S & P Composite	2/29/80	4/30/02
S & P Industrials	2/26/82	4/30/02
S & P Transportation Index	1/31/00	4/30/02
Semiconductors	2/27/70	4/30/02
Soft Drinks	1/29/43	4/30/02
Steels	3/31/01	4/30/02
Telecommunication Sector	1/31/45	4/30/02
Tobacco	2/28/12	4/30/02

Industry Groups Weekly*

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Names	Start Date	End Date
Aero Defense	11/22/74	4/26/02
Airlines	7/26/74	4/26/02
Aluminum	7/26/74	4/26/02
Amex Brokers Index	1/6/78	4/26/02
Apparel Accessories	7/26/74	4/26/02
Auto Parts	7/26/74	4/26/02
Automobiles	7/26/74	4/26/02
Banks	11/29/74	4/26/02
Broadcasting	2/21/75	4/26/02
Building Supplies	7/26/74	4/26/02
Capital Goods	7/26/74	4/26/02
Chemicals	11/15/74	4/26/02
Communications Equipment Manufacturers	1/06/78	4/26/02
Computer Hardware	1/6/78	4/26/02
Consumer Discretionary	8/9/74	4/26/02
Consumer Finance	7/5/74	4/26/02
Distillers & Vintners	3/8/74	4/26/02
Diversified Chemicals	1/6/78	4/26/02
Diversified Metals	8/16/74	4/26/02
Electric Utilities	8/2/74	4/26/02
Electronic Equip & Components	7/26/74	4/26/02
Electronic Equip & Instruments	8/2/74	4/26/02
Energy Index	7/30/82	4/26/02
Environmental Services	7/26/74	4/26/02
Financial Index	5/7/76	4/26/02
Food Products	8/2/74	4/26/02
Footware	1/3/75	4/26/02
Forest Products	7/26/74	4/26/02
Gold Shares	7/19/74	4/26/02
Health Care Facilities (Hosp)	3/24/78	4/26/02
Home Furnishing	8/16/74	4/26/02

Homebuilding	7/26/74	4/26/02
Hotels	7/19/74	4/26/02
Household Durables	1/4/78	4/26/02
Household Products	7/26/74	4/26/02
Integrated Oil	8/23/74	4/26/02
Leisure	7/26/74	4/30/02
Insurance Life	7/26/74	4/26/02
Insurance Property Casualty	1/3/75	4/26/02
Insurance Multi-line	7/26/74	4/26/02
Metal & Glass Containers	8/2/74	4/26/02
Movies Entertainment	7/12/74	4/26/02
Natural Gas	8/16/74	4/26/02
Oils Integrated	10/25/74	4/26/02
Oil Service	7/19/74	4/26/02
Paper Packaging	11/1/74	4/26/02
Personal Products	8/2/74	4/26/02
Pharmaceuticals	7/26/74	4/26/02
Publishing Printing	7/19/74	4/26/02
Railroads	7/26/74	4/26/02
Restaurants	7/26/74	4/26/02
Retail Composite	7/26/74	4/26/02
Retail Department Stores	8/30/74	4/26/02
Retail Drug Stores	8/2/74	4/30/02
Retail Food I	7/26/74	4/26/02
Retail General Merchandising	8/9/74	4/26/02
S & P Composite	7/9/76	4/26/02
S & P Industrials	1/8/82	4/26/02
S & P Trans Index	7/26/74	4/30/02
S & P Utilities	7/5/74	4/26/02
Semiconductors	7/19/74	4/26/02
Soft Drinks	7/26/74	4/26/02
Software	1/6/78	4/26/02
Steel	7/19/74	4/26/02
Tobacco	7/26/74	4/26/02
Truckers	1/3/75	4/26/02

- *Spliced to another index
- **30-year Yield spliced to 20-year Yield in 1994
- ***Data between 1975 and 1979 have been extrapolated from monthly closes. Use with care
- **** Can be updated electronically through Dial Data