

FINANCIAL MARKETS - INDUSTRY ABBREVIATIONS

AAII = American Association of Individual Investors

ABI = Absolute Breadth Index

ABS = Asset Backed Security

ACWI = All Country World Index

A/D = Advance-Decline

ADR = American Depository Receipt

ADX = Average Directional Movement Index

AH = After Hours

AMEX = American Stock Exchange (also called ASE)

AMT = Alternative Minimum Tax

ASE = American Stock Exchange

ATH = All Time High

ATL = All Time Low

ATR = Average True Range

BB = Bollinger Band

BDI = Baltic Dry Index

BEA = Bureau of Economic Analysis

BLS = Bureau of Labor Statistics

BO = Breakout

BOE = Bank of England

BOJ = Bank of Japan

BOP = Balance of Power Indicator

BOX = Boston Options Exchange

BRIC = Brazil, Russia, India and China

BSE = Boston Stock Exchange

CAFTA = Central America Free Trade Agreement

CAPEX = Capital Expenditures

CAPM = Capital Asset Pricing Model

CBOE = Chicago Board Options Exchange

CBT = Chicago Board of Trade (also called CBOT)



CCI = Commodity Channel Index

CD = Certificate of Deposit

CDO = Collateralized Debt Obligation

CDS = Credit Default Swap

CFP = Certified Financial Planner

CE = Chip Equipment

CFA = Chartered Financial Analyst

CFTC = Commodity Futures Trading Commission

CME = Chicago Mercantile Exchange

CMO = Collateralized Mortgage Obligation

CMT = Chartered Market Technician

CMX = Commodity Exchange of New York (also called COMEX)

CNG = Compressed Natural Gas

COT = Commitment of Traders

CP = Commercial Paper

CPA = Certified Public Accountant

CPFF = Commercial Paper Funding Facility

CPI = Consumer Price Index

CPO = Commodity Pool Operator

CPPCC = Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference

CRB = Commodity Research Bureau

CSE = Chicago Stock Exchange

CSI = Commodity Selection Index

CTA = Commodity Trading Advisor

CVI = Cumulative Volume Index

DI = Directional Index

DJIA = Dow Jones Industrial Average

DJT = Dow Jones Transportation Average

DRIP = Dividend Reinvestment Plan

E&P = Exploration and Production

EAFE = Europe, Australia and the Far East

EBIT = Earnings before Interest and Taxes



EBITDA = Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization

ECB = European Central Bank

ECN = Electronic Communication Network

ECRI = Economic Cycle Research Institute

EESA = Emergency Economic Stabilization Act

EFSF = European Financial Stability Facility

EFT = Electronic Funds Transfer

EMA = Exponential Moving Average

EOD = End of Day

EOM = End of Month

EPS = Earnings per Share

ERISA = Employee Retirement Income Security Act

ESOP = Employee Stock Ownership Plan

ETF = Exchange Traded Fund

ETN = Exchange Traded Note

EU = European Union

EWA = Elliot Wave Analysis

EZFIG = Euro Zone Future Inflation Gauge

FA = Fundamental Analysis

FAF = Financial Analysts Federation

FASB = Financial Accounting Standards Board

FBN = Fox Business Network

FDIC = Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

FF = Fed Funds

FGIC = Federal Guaranty Insurance Corporation

FHA = Federal Housing Administration

FIFO = First In, First Out

FIG = Future Inflation Gauge

FINRA = Financial Industry Regulatory Authority

FOB = Free on Board

FOMC = Federal Open Market Committee

FOREX = Foreign Exchange



FTC = Federal Trade Commission

FTSE = Financial Times Stock Exchange (pronounced foot-sie)

FY = Fiscal Year

GAAP = Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

GAAS = Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

GDP = Gross Domestic Product

GSE = Government-Sponsored Enterprise

GTC = Good 'til Canceled

HOD = High of Day

HPI = Herrick Payoff Index

H&S = Head and Shoulders

IB = Investment Banker

IBD = Investor's Business Daily

ICE = Intercontinental Exchange

IMF = International Monetary Fund

IO = Interest Only

IPO = Initial Public Offering

IRA = Individual Retirement Account

IRS = Internal Revenue Service

ISM = Institute of Supply Management

IT = Intermediate-term

ITM = In the Money

JIBs = Japan, Israel and Britain

JIT = Just-in-Time

JOLT = Job Openings and Labor Turnover

LBO = Leveraged Buyout

LCE = London Commodity Exchange

LDC = Less Developed Country

LEAPS = Long-term Equity Anticipation Securities

LHPI = Leading Home Price Index

LIBOR = London InterBank Offered Rate

LIFO = Last In, First Out



LNG = Liquefied Natural Gas

LOC = Letter of Credit

LOD = Low of Day

LT = Long-term

M&A = Mergers and Acquisitions

MA = Moving Average

MACD = Moving Average Convergence Divergence

MACRS = Modified Accelerated Cost Recovery System

MAE = Maximum Adverse Excursion

MBS = Mortgage Backed Security

MENA = Middle East and North Africa

MFE = Maximum Favorable Excursion

MFI = Money Flow Index

MIT = Market if Touched

MM = Market Maker

MOU = Memorandum of Understanding

MSR = Member Short Ratio

MTA = Market Technicians Association

MTM = Mark to Market

NAFTA = North American Free Trade Agreement

NASD = National Association of Securities Dealers

NASDAQ = National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System

NAV = Net Asset Value

NBER = National Bureau of Economic Research

NDX = Nasdaq 100 Index

NFIB = National Federation of Independent Business

NH = New High

NH52 = New 52-week High

NH-NL = New Highs-New Lows

NL = New Low

NL52 = New 52-week Low

NPC = National People's Congress (China)



NR = Narrow Range

NR7 = Narrowest Range Bar Last 7 Days

NVI = Negative Volume Index

NYMEX = New York Mercantile Exchange

NYSE = New York Stock Exchange

O&G = Oil and Gas

OB = Overbought

OS = Oversold

OBV = On Balance Volume

OCA = One Cancels All

OCC = Options Clearing Corporation

OCO = One Cancels Other

OHLC = Open-High-Low-Close

OLBI = Odd Lot Balance Index

OLSR = Odd Lot Short Ratio

OPEC = Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries

OTC = Over the Counter

OTCBB = Over the Counter Bulletin Board

OTM = Out of the Money

P&F = Point & Figure

P&L = Profit and Loss

PBOC = People's Bank of China

P/C = Put/Call

PDT = Pattern Day Trader

PE or P/E = Price to Earnings Ratio

PHLX = Philadelphia Stock Exchange

PIIGS = acronym for Portugal, Ireland, Italy, Greece and Spain (re: debt problems)

PM = Pre-market

PMI = Purchasing Manager's Index

PO = Principal Only

PPI = Producer Price Index

PPIP = Public-Private Investment Program



PPT = Plunge Protection Team

P/S = Price to Sales

PSE = Pacific Stock Exchange

PSR = Public Short Ratio

PV = Present Value

PVI = Positive Volume Index

R&D = Research and Development

REIT = Real Estate Investment Trust

RFC = Reconstruction Finance Corp

RMT = Resolution Mortgage Trust

ROA = Return on Assets

ROC = Rate of Change

ROE = Return on Equity

ROI = Return on Investment

RP = Repurchase Agreement

R/R = Reward versus Risk or Reward-to-Risk

RS = Relative Strength

RSI = Relative Strength Index

RTC = Resolution Trust Corporation

S&L = Savings and Loan

S&P = Standard & Poor's

SAR = Stop-and-Reversal

SAS = Software and Service

SEC = Securities and Exchange Commission

SEP = Simplified Employee Pension Plan

SH = Swing High

SHU = Staples, Healthcare and Utilities

SIA = Semiconductor Industry Association

SIC = Standard Industrial Classification System

SIV = Structured Investment Vehicle

SL = Swing Low

SMA = Simple Moving Average



SOES = Small Order Execution System

SPDR = Standard & Poor's Depository Receipt

SPR = Strategic Petroleum Reserve

S/R = Support and Resistance

SRL = Speed Resistance Lines

SSF = Single Stock Futures

ST = Short-Term

STP = Straight Through Process

TA = Technical Analysis

TALF = Term Asset-Backed Securities Loan Facility

TARP = Troubled Asset Relief Program

TED Spread = Treasury Bills vs. Euro Dollars

TICK = NYSE Tick Index

TIPS = Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities

T/L = Trendline

TO = Takeover

TOS = Time of Sale

TRIN = Trading Index (Arm's Short-term Trading Index)

TSA = Tax Sheltered Annuity

TSR = Total Short Ratio

TSV = Time Segmented Volume Indicator

TVI = Trade Volume Index

UN = United Nations

UW = Underwriter

VAT = Value Added Tax

VC = Venture Capital

VIX = Volatility Index

VOIP = Voice Over Internet Protocol

WLI = Weekly Leading Index

WTI = West Texas Intermediate (Light Sweet Crude Oil)

WTO = World Trade Organization

WMA = Weighted Moving Average



YTM = Yield to Maturity