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1. Global and Regional Corporate Bond Defaults *Publication Date*

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| ■ Default and Recovery Rates of Asia-Pacific Corporate Bond and Loan Issuers, Excluding Japan, 1990 -1H2007 | October 2007 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Canadian Corporate Bond Issuers, 1989-2006 | June 2007 |
| ■ European Corporate Default and Recovery Rates, 1985-2006 | March 2007 |
| ■ Compendium of 2006 Corporate Defaults | March 2007 |
| ■ Corporate Default and Recovery Rates, 1920-2006 | February 2007 |

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| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Sovereign Bond Issuers, 1983-2005 | April 2006 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Canadian Corporate Bond Issuers, 1989-2005 | April 2006 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of European Corporate Bond Issuers, 1985-2005 | March 2006 |
| ■ Compendium of Corporate Bond and Loan Defaults in 2005 | March 2006 |
| ■ Default and Recover Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers, 1920-2005 | January 2006 |
| ■ Default Correlation among Non-Financial Corporate Affiliates | June 2005 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Canadian Corporate Bond Issuers, 1989-2004 | April 2005 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers, 1920-2004 | January 2005 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Asia-Pacific Corporate Bond Issuers, 1990-2003 | August 2004 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Canadian Corporate Bond Issuers, 1989-2003 | April 2004 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of European Corporate Bond Issuers, 1985-2003 | March 2004 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers, 1920-2003 | January 2004 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Canadian Corporate Bond Issuers, 1989-2002 | September 2003 |
| ■ Default and Recovery Rates of European Corporate Bond Issuers, 1985-2002 | May 2003 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers 1920-2002 | February 2003 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of European Corporate Bond Issuers, 1985-2001 | July 2002 |
| ■ Default & Recovery Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers 1970-2001 | February 2002 |
| ■ Default and Recovery Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers: 2000 | February 2001 |
| ■ Historical Default Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers, 1920-1999 | February 2000 |
| ■ Historical Default Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers, 1920 - 1998 | February 1999 |
| ■ Historical Default Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers, 1920 - 1997 | February 1998 |
| ■ Historical Default Rates of Corporate Bond Issuers, 1920-1996 | January 1997 |
| ■ Corporate Bond Defaults and Default Rates 1938-1995 | February 1996 |
| ■ Corporate Bond Defaults and Default Rates 1970-1994 | February 1995 |

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2. Recovery Rates on Corporate Bonds

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- Adjusting Moody's LGD Assessments to Meet Basel II Downturn Requirements November 2007
- Moody's Ultimate Recovery Database April 2007
- Bond Prices at Default and at Emergence from Bankruptcy for US Corporate Issuers June 2005
- Determinants of Recovery Rates on Defaulted Bonds and Loans for North American Corporate Issuers: 1983-2003 December 2004

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- Recovery Rates on Defaulted Corporate Bonds and Preferred Stocks, 1982-2003 December 2003
- The Investment Performance of Bankrupt Corporate Debt Obligations: Moody's Bankrupt Bond Index 2000 February 2000
- Returns and Risks for Bankrupt Bonds: The 1998 Bear Market February 1999
- Debt Recoveries For Corporate Bankruptcies June 1999
- Moody's Bankrupt Bond Index April 1998

3. Corporate Bond Rating Transitions

Publication Date

Current

- Rating Transitions and Defaults Conditional on Rating Outlooks Revisited: 1995-2005 December 2005
- Annual Default Study Addendum: Global Corporate Rating Transition Rates March 2004

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- Rating Transitions and Defaults Conditional on Watchlist, Outlook and Rating History February 2004
- Ratings Migration in European High Yield: What's Been Going On? July 2001
- Moody's Rating Migration and Credit Quality Correlation, 1920-1996 November 1997

4. Corporate Bond Rating Performance

Publication Date

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- The Performance of Moody's Corporate Bond Ratings: September 2007 Quarterly Update October 2007
- Analyzing the Tradeoff Between Ratings Accuracy and Stability September 2006
- Measuring The Performance Of Corporate Bond Ratings April 2003

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- The Performance of Moody's Corporate Bond Ratings: June 2007 Quarterly Update August 2007
- The Performance of Moody's Corporate Bond Ratings: March 2007 Quarterly Update April 2007
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- The Performance of Moody's Corporate Bond Ratings: December 2005 Quarterly Update January 2006
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- The Performance of Moody's Corporate Bond Ratings: June 2005 Quarterly Update July 2005
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- The Performance of Moody's Corporate Bond Ratings: Third Quarter Update October 2003
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- Credit Loss Rates on Similarly Rated Loans and Bonds December 2004

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- Syndicated Bank Loans: 2005 Global Default Review and Outlook February 2006
- Syndicated Bank Loans: 2004 Default Review and Outlook January 2005
- Recent Bank Loan Research: Implications for Moody's Bank Loan Rating Practices December 2004
- Characteristics and Performance of Moody's Rated Syndicated Bank Loans March 2004
- Recovery Rates On North American Syndicated Bank Loans, 1989-2003 March 2004
- Relative Default Rates on Corporate Loans And Bonds September 2003
- Bank Loan Loss Given Default November 2000
- Bankrupt Bank Loan Recoveries June 1998
- Defaulted Bank Loan Recoveries November 1997

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6. Structured Finance Default, Loss and Performance *Publication Date*

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- The Performance of Structured Finance Ratings: Mid-Year 2007 Report October 2007
- Default & Loss Rates of Structured Finance Securities: 1993-2006 April 2007
- Measuring Loss-Given-Default for Structured Finance Securities: An Update December 2006

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- The Performance of Structured Finance Ratings: Full-Year 2006 Report May 2007
- The Performance of Structured Finance Ratings: Mid-Year 2006 Report October 2006
- The Performance of Structured Finance Ratings: Full-Year 2005 Report May 2006
- Default & Loss Rates of Structured Finance Securities: 1993- 2005 April 2006
- The Performance of Structured Finance Ratings: Mid-Year 2005 Report October 2005
- Default & Loss Rates of Structured Finance Securities: 1993- 2004 July 2005
- Default & Loss Rates of U.S. CDOs: 1993-2004 March 2005
- Default & Loss Rates on Structured Finance Securities: 2004 First Half Update December 2004
- Default & Loss Rates of Structured Finance Securities: 1993-2003 September 2004
- Measuring Loss Severity Rates of Defaulted Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities: A Methodology April 2004
- Payment Defaults and Material Impairments of U.S. Structured Finance Securities: 1993-2002 December 2003

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- Comparing Ratings on Jointly-Rated International Structured Finance Securities: 2007 Update April 2007
- Comparing Ratings on Jointly-Rated U.S. Structured Finance Securities: 2007 Update March 2007
- Asia-Pacific (ex-Japan) Structured Finance Rating Transitions: 1990-2006 February 2007
- European Structured Finance Rating Transitions: 1988-2006 February 2007
- Structured Finance Rating Transitions: 1983-2006 January 2007

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- Structured Finance Rating Transitions: 1983-2006 H1 August 2006
- Comparing Ratings on Jointly-Rated International Structured Finance Securities July 2006
- Comparing Ratings on Jointly-Rated U.S. Structured Finance Securities May 2006
- Japanese Structured Finance Rating Transition: 1998-2005 April 2006
- Credit Migration of CDO Notes: 1996-2005 March 2006
- Structured Finance Rating Transitions: 1983-2005 February 2006
- European Structured Finance Rating Transitions: 1988-2005 February 2006

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■ Credit Shifts in Residential Mortgage Pass-Through Securities: A Rating Transition Study Update	May 1996
■ How and Why Do Structured Finance Ratings Change? Rating Transition Study for Single-Family Residential Mortgage Pass-Through Securities	May 1995

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■ Deal Sponsor and Credit Risk of U.S. ABS and MBS Securities	December 2006
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- Sovereign Default and Recovery Rates, 1983-2006 June 2007

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- Default and Recovery Rates of Sovereign Bond Issuers, 1983-2005 April 2006
- Sovereign Bond Rating Defaults, Transitions, and Recoveries (1985-2002) February 2003

10. Convertible Bond Defaults

Publication Date

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- Default & Recovery Rates of Convertible Bond Issuers July 2001

11. Commercial Paper Defaults

Publication Date

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- Short-Term Corporate and Structured Finance Rating Transition Rates June 2007
- Short-Term Rating Performance and Corporate Commercial Paper Defaults, 1972-2004 October 2004

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- Commercial Paper Defaults and Rating Transitions, 1972-2000 November 2000
- Commercial Paper Defaults and Rating Transitions, 1972-1998 June 1998
- Commercial Paper Defaults and Rating Transitions, 1972-1995 November 1997

12. Subscription-based Reports (samples)

Publication Date

Current

- Monthly Corporate Bond and Loan Default Report
Sample: September 2004 Default Report August 2007
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- Quarterly Rating Actions, Reviews and Outlook Report
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- Moody's Financial Metrics™ Key Ratios By Rating and Industry For North American Non-Financial Corporations: October 2007
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- A Cyclical Model of Multiple-Horizon Credit Rating Transitions and Default August 2007
- Confidence Intervals for Corporate Default Rates April 2007
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