

## **THOMSON ONE BANKER STRUCTURAL OVERVIEW**

Thomson ONE Banker provides integrated access to several financial databases providing a wide range of data on internationally quoted companies, international stock exchange indices, private equity, and financial deals (mergers and acquisitions, IPOs, equity deals, loan deals).

- Company Analysis is the core module providing company financials, filings and stock prices for over 80,000 quoted companies, from over 200 international exchanges. There is also some information on private companies.
- The ownership module provides details on the top investors and insider holdings in internationally quoted companies. For investment managers and mutual funds it also provides details of their investment portfolios.
- The deals module includes more than 400,000 global mergers and acquisitions, more than 80,000 global equity transactions including IPOs, more than 260,000 global fixed income deals, and data on syndicated loans and project finance.
- The private equity module provides access to global data on venture capital firms, private equity investment deals and companies backed by venture capital.

Thomson ONE Banker also provides Excel Add-In that can be used to pull data from its databases directly into Excel spreadsheets.

## **INTRODUCTION**

Thomson One Banker is a powerful financial analysis database providing a wide range of data for over 80,000 internationally quoted companies, international stock exchange indices and details of international mergers and acquisitions since 1977.

Thomson One Banker provides up to 5 years financial data although company filings date back further.

**NB:** More advanced users can download a powerful excel add-in tool and research up to 10 years financial data.

## **USE THOMSON ONE BANKER TO:**

- Analyse company financial data, share price data and forecast estimates.
- Locate and download company filings documents (Annual Reports and IPO reports)
- Analyse company performance against standard / customised peer groups
- Analyse performance and constituents of international stock exchange indices
- Analyse company / industry mergers & acquisitions activity
- Analyse currency exchange rates

## **SEARCHING THE DATABASE**

1. Search for Company Information
2. Search for Indices Information
3. Search for Mergers & Acquisitions
4. Search for Currency Exchange Rates
5. Create and Search a set of companies/indices (Portfolio)

## 1. SEARCH FOR COMPANY INFORMATION

- Select “*Company Analysis*” Tab (on the Left in the main screen)
- Enter Company Name or Stock Exchange Symbol in the search box eg: “*Tesco*” and select “*Go*”  
**Tip:** Not sure of company name use the **Name Look Up or Company Search**
- A list of matching names will be displayed
- Select relevant company name eg: “*Tesco Plc*”
- Use the tabs in the main screen to view available information eg: “*Overview Reports, Prices, Financials, Estimates, Filings, Deals, Ownership, Comparables, Report Writer*”
- Click on the sub-menus within each tab to either customise data or display pre-formatted data, such as a financial snapshot.
- Various icons will be displayed within each tab to either change the time period or currency, print or download data into excel. Note: displayed icons will vary from tab to tab. These are *Calendar, Scale, Currency, Excel download and Print*.  
**Tip:** Annual reports/IPO filings can be found in “*Filings*”, “*Filings List*” in pdf format but the download can be a little slow.

## 2. SEARCH FOR INDICES INFORMATION

- Select “*Indices*” Tab (on the Left in the main screen)
- Enter Name of Indices in the search box eg: FTSE 100 and select “*Go*”  
**Tip:** Not sure which indices you want: use the **Index Look Up or MSCI Index Search**
- Use the tabs in the main screen to view available information eg: “*Overview, Prices, Performance*”. Note that the top 10 constituents of the index are given.
- Click on the sub-menus within each tab to either customise data or display pre-formatted data
- Use the time frames and the drop down sub-menus in Prices/Performance to customise time periods and/or compare against other indices/companies
- Various icons will be displayed within each tab to either change the currency, print or download data into excel. Note: displayed icons will vary from tab to tab.

## 3. SEARCH FOR MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS DATA

### Find Deals using Company Information Search

Use this option to quickly view latest deal data

- Conduct a company search as above in “*Search for Company Information*”
- Select the “*Deals Analysis*” tab on the left in the main screen. The latest deals will be displayed.
- Select the report icon for full deal details.
- Use sub-menus in “*Deals*” tab to display further deals options

### Using Deals Search

Use this option to analyse the M&A market or search for all deals by company/industry

- Select “*Deals*” Tab (Left)
- Library Search will display latest deals data by a number of pre-defined searches.
- Use either Basic Search or Advanced Search for a customised search.

**Basic Deals Search:** Search by a number of pre-defined search menus for deals from 2002

- Select Announced/Completed Date and complete date range
- Enter required search details in the company criteria/deal criteria boxes  
**Note:** you must use the “*look up*” option to enter search terms EG: Select the magnifying glass next to Company Name, enter company name in search box eg: Rio Tinto from the matching names and select “*apply to search*”
- Select “*View Results*”
- A list of deals will be displayed. To see a tear sheet of the deals transaction information choose Rio Tinto (767202) and click the page icon on the left of the screen.

**Advanced Deals Search:** Search over a wide range of company/deal criteria

- Tick the “*All Mergers & Acquisitions*” box. Select “*Continue*”
- Select a search tab to display available search options from a drop down menu.
- Enter search terms and “*Apply to search*”, continue until all search options required have been completed
- Select “*Execute*”
- Select “*Standard Report*” to view matching deals.
- Select the report icon to view full deal data or select the excel icon to download as a spreadsheet.

#### 4. SEARCH FOR CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES

- Select “Market Awareness” from the left side of the main screen
- Select “Currencies” Tab. Current exchange rates will be displayed
- Enter currencies to compare in the right hand search box
- **Tip:** use the magnifying glass to look up currencies
- Enter the time period and frequency
- Select “Update” to display data in the scroll-down frame below the search box
- Select the excel icon to download data into a spreadsheet

#### 5. CREATING AND USING PORTFOLIOS

Use the Portfolio setting to create a saved set of companies that can be used for regular analysis and comparisons without having to perform any searches or queries. This is a useful tool if wanting to track or monitor a set of companies over a period of time and saves having to create and run searches each time Thomson One Banker is used.

##### Creating a Portfolio

- Select “Comparables” from the left side of the main screen.
- On the left hand side of the screen under Companies Set is a Portfolio Screen
- Select the “new” portfolio icon (blank page icon). “Working Set-New set” will be displayed.
- Type the identifier of any company you wish to add into the company set text box, eg: Tesco Plc then click the “Add” button.
- **Tip:** not sure which company? Use the company look up, then click “Add to Working Set” icon to the left of the display.
- The company selected will be displayed on the left hand frame under the Portfolio section
- Continue until all companies required for the set have been selected
- Select the “Save” icon and name the set EG: “Supermarkets” , or with your own matriculation number
- Portfolios can be edited using the “Edit” icon. EG: to delete any companies selected, tick the checkboxes and select “Edit”, and delete “Checked”
- To load a saved portfolio select the “Open Folder” icon, a scroll-down screen will be displayed listing all saved portfolios. Find the required portfolio name and double click to load.

##### Analysing a Portfolio

To analyse data select “Comparables” from the left side of the screen

- Create or load a saved portfolio as above
- Use the “Overview, Corporate Snapshot, Financial Snapshot, Price Chart” tabs and sub-menus to display pre-formatted data.

#### USING THE EXCEL ADD-IN TOOL

The Excel Add-In tool pulls live data directly into excel from Thomson One Banker. The add-in provides dynamic search functions and customised analytical models can be created using over 2,000 data fields. Data available goes back for a period of 10 years. To use this interface you open and use the Excel package directly.

**Further Help:** Thomson One Banker has a detailed online help facility.

- Select the “Help” icon from the top right hand menu to display help contents

## APPENDIX

### MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS WEB SITES

- [European Competition Policy](#): Provides an overview and links to European merger and acquisitions legislation and procedures.  
[http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/index\\_en.html](http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/index_en.html)
- [The UK Take Over Panel](#): UK regulatory body administering the "City Code on Takeovers & Mergers". Known as "The Blue Book". The Site provides the Code in full text plus consultation papers, reports and disclosure details.  
<http://www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk/>
- [The UK Listing Rules \(UKLA Sourcebook\)](#): Known as "The Yellow Book". Handbook produced by the Financial Services Authority detailing regulations and guidance for UK listed companies and stock market traders. Provides details of the conditions and methods of listing, the listing procedures and the contents of listing particulars.  
<http://fsahandbook.info/FSA/html/handbook/LR>
- [UK Competition Commission](#): Independent public body responsible for in-depth inquiries into mergers, markets and the regulation of the major regulated industries. This site provides details of current inquiries, current and previously published reports in addition to consultation and regulatory documents.  
<http://www.competition-commission.org.uk/>
- [US Federal Trade Commission](#): Enforces federal consumer protection laws that prevent fraud, deception and unfair business practices. Site provides a comprehensive overview of US merger and acquisition best practice.  
<http://www.ftc.gov/>

### COMPANY INFORMATION WEB SITES

- [BVD Free Business Directory](#): A free online business directory for over 12 million international companies. Data is very limited but useful as a quick reference tool.  
<http://suite.bvdep.com/cgi/template.dll?product=3&user=anonymous>
- [CAROL](#): Provides direct access to over 4,500 European and USA annual reports. Access is free but requires registration. <http://www.carol.co.uk/>
- [Companies House](#): Search over 2 million UK company records free of charge. Company financial accounts, annual returns and director details are available from as little as £1 although this data is held on the library's UK company database FAME.  
<http://companieshouse.gov.uk/>
- [Corporate Information.com](#): Research tool providing access to over 20,000 quoted company profiles and industry profiles. Access is free but requires registration.  
<http://www.corporateinformation.com/>
- [D&B UK Business Directory](#): Quick online business directory providing free business contacts for UK public and private companies  
<http://dbuk.dnb.com/english/default.htm>
- [D&B International Business Directory](#): Quick online business directory providing free business contacts for over 8 million international companies. <http://www.dnb.com/us/>
- [EDGAR](#): US Securities and Exchange Commission's database providing access to US public company filings such as annual reports (10K), interim reports (10Q), shareholder reports and prospectuses. <http://www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml>

- [FT Annual Report Service](#): Free annual report service providing access to over 1,300 UK company reports. <http://ft.ar.wilink.com/>
- [Hemscott](#): Predominantly a subscription service but provides free top line data for UK quoted companies including 5 year financial summaries, daily share prices, director and share dealings and filing dates. Requires registration. <http://www.hemscott.com/equities/atoz.htm>
- [Hoovers](#): Predominantly a subscription service but does provide top line data for international public/private companies. <http://www.hoovers.com/free/>
- [International Annual Report Gallery](#): Access to over 2,000 annual reports <http://www.annualreports.com/>
- [International Company Registrations](#): International company registrations vary from country to country. This site provides a gateway to international company registration departments which can be a useful source if struggling to find information on international private companies. (Note: not all the sites are in English). <http://www.commercial-register.sg.ch/home/worldwide.html>
- [Moody's](#): Access to credit opinions and rating history for over 85,000 international public/private companies. Access is free but requires registration. <http://www.moody.com/>
- [SCORE](#): Details of annual report holdings in participating academic institutions. <http://www.score.ac.uk>
- [Value Added Scoreboard - The Top 800 UK and 600 European Companies](#): A key benchmarking tool compiled by the DTI for companies of all sizes to compare their wealth creating characteristics against their European competitors. Provides access to latest research findings and an online database. [http://213.219.8.102/value\\_added/home.asp?p=home](http://213.219.8.102/value_added/home.asp?p=home)