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2005 ASX year-end statistics

	2005	2004	% Change
Equity Market Statistics			_
Domestic market capitalisation	\$1,110 billion	\$991 billion	12.0
Average market cap as % of GDP	113%	102%	
Market liquidity	89.6%	83%	
Equities Trading statistics			
Number of Equities transactions	25.03 million	18.66 million	34.14
Average daily transactions	99,339	73,172	35.76
Turnover value	\$886.5 billion	\$708.9 billion	25.05
Average daily value	\$3.5 billion	\$2.78 billion	25.90
All Ordinaries			
End-of-year close	4708.8	4053.1	16.18
High	4715.2 (29 Dec)	4057.0 (30 Dec)	
Low	3905.5 (4 May)	3274.9 (5 Feb)	
S&P/ASX 200			
End-of-year close	4763.4	4050.0	17.61
High	4772.5 (29 Dec)	4054.9 (30 Dec)	
Low	3947.1 (4 May)	3262.0 (5 Feb)	

Trading Highs	2005		Pre-2005	
Value of Equity Trades				
Single day	\$6.08 billion	30 Sept 05	\$6.90 billion	22 June 98
Month	\$88.22 billion	Sept 05	\$75.11 billion	Nov 04
Quarter	\$238.72	July-Sept 05	\$208.24 billion	Oct-Dec 04
Half Year	\$459.2 billion	July-Dec 05	\$381.31 billion	July-Dec 04
No. of Equity Trades				
Single day	147,421	07 July 05	118,046	30 Nov 04
Month	2.38 million	Aug 05	2.02 million	Nov 04
Quarter	6.77 million	July-Sept 05	5.48 million	Oct-Dec 04
Half Year	13.24 million	July-Dec 05	10.21 million	July-Dec 04

- Equity transactions and values reflect all equities trades, but do not include warrant or interest rate securities that are also traded on SEATS. They also include transactions to deliver on exercised option and futures contracts that are not billed for trading purposes. These totalled 67,200 transactions valued at \$38.3 billion.
- Market liquidity calculated on a 12-month moving average.
- There were 252 trading days in CY2005, compared with 255 in CY2004.

Companies	2005	2004
New Entities* Listed	232	202
Entities Listed as at Dec 31	1,873	1,709
IPO capital raising	\$22.55 billion	\$14.64 billion
Subsequent capital raised	\$22.04 billion	\$19.73 billion

^{*}Entities includes companies and trusts with quoted equities (including individual entities that trade as stapled securities) and also other entities with debt securities only.

Derivatives Markets	2005	2004	% Change
Option Contracts Traded	23.20 million	20.42 million	13.6
Options Contracts (premium value)	\$19.36 billion	\$13.65 billion	41.8
New warrant series issued	4,256	2,935	45.0
New warrant series on issue	2,447	1,771	38.2
Warrant Trades	543,000	364,000	49.2
Warrant turnover (premium value)	\$6.5 billion	\$3.7 billion	75.7

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