



MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

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Monthly Trading Report for October 2007

ASX Limited (ASX) announces its monthly trading information for cash and derivatives markets for October 2007.

Trading activity across the group remained buoyant throughout October, although derivatives markets in particular were less volatile than in previous months.

Cash markets (including equities, interest rates and warrants trades):

- Total cash markets trades for October 2007 were 7.1 million, the second-highest month ever, up 104% on the previous corresponding period (pcp). Average daily trades of 307,394 were 95% up on pcp.
- Total cash market traded value was \$146.4 billion, up 47% on pcp, with a daily average value of \$6.4 billion, up 40% on pcp.
- A monthly value record of \$1.3 billion was traded on the warrants market in October 2007, up 0.7% on the previous record, comprising 80,714 warrants trades. This included a new daily warrants value record of \$221.9 million traded on 24 October and a new daily record for number of warrants trades of 5,212 on 22 October.

Derivatives markets:

- Total derivatives contracts volume (excluding equity options) for October 2007 was 5.8 million, down 8% on the pcp, with a notional value of \$2.6 trillion. Average daily contracts during October 2007 of 250,113 were down 12% on pcp.
- Equity options volume for October was 2.2 million, up 15% on pcp with a daily average of 94,846, up 10% on pcp.

Listings and capital raisings:

In October 2007, 19 new entities¹ were listed, compared to 24 in the pcp, bringing total listed entities to 2,143 (1,967 pcp). Total capital raised in the month amounted to \$4.5 billion, down 2% on the pcp but up 70% on a year-to-date basis. This comprised \$179 million in initial capital and \$4.4 billion in secondary raisings.

A detailed activity statement for ASX and SFE-traded markets for October 2007 is attached.

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¹ Entities include companies and trusts with quoted equities (including individual entities that trade as stapled securities) and also other entities with debt securities only.

	Oct 2007	Oct 2006	Oct 2007 Financial YTD	Oct 2006 Financial YTD
ASX Markets				
Total Trading Days	23	22	88	87
Cash Market Volume				
Total Trades	7,070,052	3,463,752	26,438,682	13,338,930
Increase on PCP	104%		98%	
Average Daily Trades	307,394	157,443	300,440	153,321
Increase on PCP	95%		96%	
Cash Market Value (including value of crossed trades)				
Total Value (\$billion)	146.396	99.800	578.066	368.908
Increase on PCP	47%		57%	
Average Daily Value (\$billion)	6.365	4.536	6.569	4.240
Increase on PCP	40%		55%	
Cash Market Behaviour Statistics				
Percentage of Turnover crosses (%)	27%	33%	27%	31%
Off-Market crossings represent 13% and On-Market 14% of Turnover				
Non Billable Value (Above Cap) (\$billion)	4.696	N/A	21.766	N/A
Total Billable Value (\$billion)	141.700	N/A	556.300	N/A
Billable Value - Off-Market crossings (%)	10%	N/A	10%	N/A
Billable Value - On-Market crossings (%)	14%	N/A	15%	N/A
Note - Cash Market includes equity, warrant and interest rate market transactions				
Derivatives Volume				
Total Derivatives Contracts	2,181,447	1,891,765	8,966,298	7,124,720
Increase on PCP	15%		26%	
Average Daily Contracts	94,846	85,989	101,890	81,893
Increase on PCP	10%		24%	
New Listed Entities				
	19	24	92	74
Increase on PCP	-21%		24%	
Capital Raisings				
Initial Capital raised (\$million)	179	1,052	5,488	5,111
Secondary Capital raised (\$million)	4,360	3,573	22,850	11,556
Total Capital raised (\$million)	4,539	4,625	28,337	16,667
SFE Markets				
Total Trading Days	23	22	88	87
Total Derivatives Volume				
Total Contracts	5,752,597	6,223,181	30,850,132	27,978,183
Increase on PCP	-8%		10%	
Average Daily Contracts	250,113	282,872	350,570	321,588
Increase on PCP	-12%		9%	
Futures Volume				
Total Contracts	5,544,980	5,824,948	29,848,317	26,559,727
Increase on PCP	-5%		12%	
Average Daily Contracts	241,086	264,770	339,185	305,284
Increase on PCP	-9%		11%	
Options Volume				
Total Contracts	207,617	398,233	1,001,815	1,418,456
Increase/(Decrease) on PCP	(48%)		(29%)	
Average Daily Contracts	9,027	18,102	11,384	16,304
Increase/(Decrease) on PCP	(50%)		(30%)	
Margin Balances - as at end of month				
Cash Margins held (\$billion)	4.2	3.4		
Cash Equivalents held (\$billion)	0.0	0.2		
Collateral Cash Cover held - Equities and Guarantees (\$billion)	3.2	2.1		