

Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Derivatives Clearing

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Record-Setting Exchange Volume

The number of futures and options traded on US exchanges reached 1.43 billion contracts in March, the highest volume on record

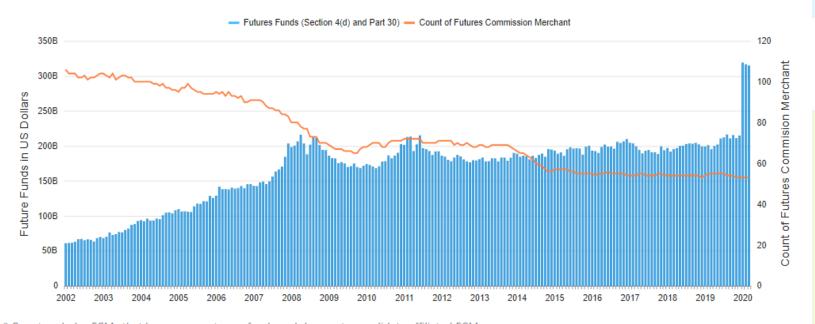




Record-Setting Increase in Customer Funds in March

Customer Seg Funds in Futures Accounts and FCM Count over Time

This visualization shows the amount of customer funds in futures accounts held by futures commission merchants in the U.S. as well as the total number of FCMs that are holding those funds.

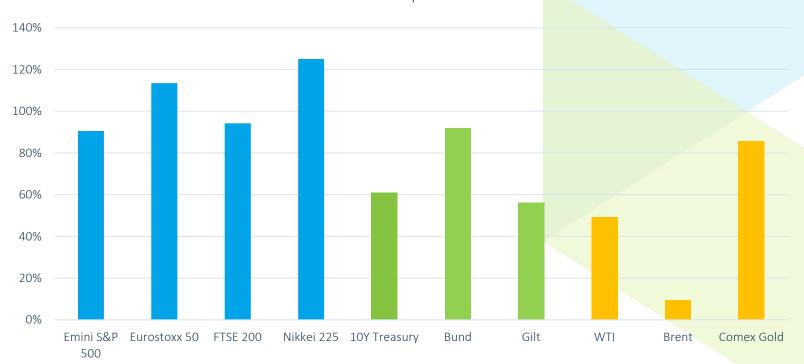


^{*} Count excludes FCMs that have zero customer funds and does not consolidate affiliated FCMs.



Impact of Volatility on Margin Requirements

Initial margin requirements for many widely-used futures contracts rose dramatically in the first quarter

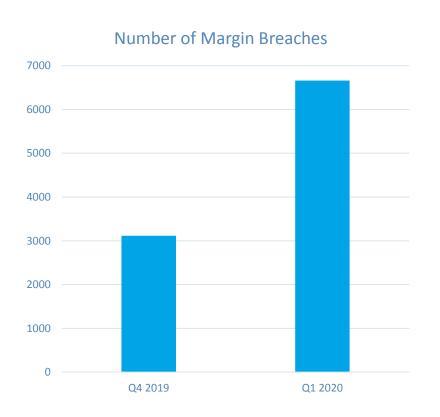


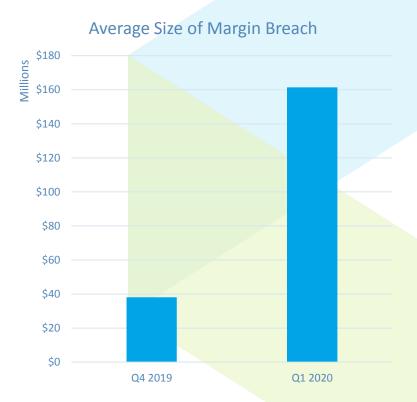


Rising Margin Requirements – Examples of Per Contract IM Changes



Margin Breaches Escalate





Based on quarterly disclosures covering 27 clearing services operated by seven CCPs (CME, Eurex, ICE, JSCC, LCH, LME, OCC)

