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On April 1, 2010, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated issued the following press release.

**CBOE News Release**

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**CBOE MARCH VOLUME AVERAGES 4.5 MILLION CONTRACTS/DAY**

**March 2010 ADV: Down 8% from March 2009, up 7% from February 2010**

**First-Quarter 2010: CBOE Volume Up 2%**

**CHICAGO, April 1, 2010** The Chicago Board Options Exchange (CBOE) today reported average daily volume (ADV) of 4.5 million contracts in March for a monthly total of 104.4 million contracts. March's average daily volume reflects an eight-percent decline from March 2009 and a seven-percent increase from February 2010 ADV.

For the first quarter of 2010, average daily volume at CBOE rose two percent from the same period one year ago. Quarterly index option ADV rose 26 percent, while equity option and ETF option volume declined by two and ten percent, respectively.

(trades in thousands)	March 2010	March 2009	Current Month % Chg	February 2010	% Chg	March 2010	Year-To-Date March 2009	% Chg
Trading Days	23	22		19		61	61	
Total Exchange	104,431.7	108,888.8	-4%	80,670.8	29%	277,263.1	273,103.4	2%
Total Exchange ADV	4,540.5	4,949.5	-8%	4,245.8	7%	4,545.3	4,477.1	2%
Equity Options	56,230.0	58,137.9	-3%	39,529.0	42%	146,171.1	148,665.2	-2%
Equity Options ADV	2,444.8	2,642.6	-7%	2,080.5	18%	2,396.2	2,437.1	-2%
Index Options	25,096.0	21,310.0	18%	21,263.9	18%	67,670.3	53,689.9	26%
Index Options ADV	1,091.1	968.6	13%	1,119.2	-3%	1,109.3	880.2	26%
ETF Options	23,105.7	29,439.6	-22%	19,877.8	16%	63,421.4	70,744.8	-10%
ETF Options ADV	1,004.6	1,338.2	-25%	1,046.2	-4%	1,039.7	1,159.8	-10%

Expanded March volume information for index and ETF options is available at: [www.cboe.com/data/monthlyvolume.aspx](http://www.cboe.com/data/monthlyvolume.aspx).

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- During the first quarter, CBOE's market share of total U.S. options industry volume was 30.0 percent, 0.1 of a percentage point under the same period in 2009. March 2010 market share was down 1.5 percentage points from March 2009 and 0.8 of a percentage point from February 2010.

- By product category during the first quarter, equity option market share rose 0.1 of a percentage point; index and ETF market share declined by 1.0 and 0.4 percentage points, respectively. CBOE March market share for index options was 91.9 percent, up 1.2 percentage points from March 2009. ETF and equity option market share declined by 2.0 and 3.4 percentage points, respectively, from March 2009.

	March 2010	March 2009	Current Month % pt. Chg	February 2010	% pt. Chg	March 2010	Year-To-Date March 2009	% pt. Chg
Total Exchange	30.0%	31.5%	-1.5%	30.7%	-0.7%	30.0%	30.1%	-0.1%
Equity Options	25.1%	28.5%	-3.4%	25.2%	-0.1%	25.1%	25.0%	0.1%
Index Options	91.9%	90.7%	1.2%	94.7%	-2.8%	93.6%	94.6%	-1.0%
ETF Options	22.8%	24.8%	-2.0%	23.8%	-1.0%	23.4%	23.8%	-0.4%

**March 2010 Highlights:**

- On March 5, CBOE announced that it had entered into a license agreement with CME Group that extends the reach of CBOE's volatility franchise. Under the agreement, CBOE will apply its proprietary CBOE Volatility Index® (VIX®) methodology to price data of, initially, up to five products that will be listed on one of CME Group's exchanges and create new volatility benchmark indexes that it will license for use to CME Group. CBOE also will disseminate real-time data on the new benchmark indexes to CME Group and industry data providers.

- On March 5, CBOE launched trading in options on the S&P 500® Dividend Index (ticker symbol DVS). The first contract of its kind in the U.S., S&P 500 Dividend Index options are listed exclusively at CBOE.

- March was the second busiest trading month ever for the CBOE Futures Exchange (CFE), with 217,429 contracts changing hands (nearly 9,500 contracts ADV). For the month, trading volume was up 333 percent when compared to 50,271 contracts in March 2009 and up 16 percent from 188,236 contracts in February 2010. March 2010's ADV ranked in the top five all-time monthly ADV at CFE.

- On March 5, the CBOE Stock Exchange (CBSX) celebrated its third anniversary. During March 2010, CBSX trading volume totaled 256.0 million shares, down 33 percent from March 2009 when 381.0 million shares changed hands.

- **The top five most actively traded index and ETF options** at CBOE were the S&P 500 Index (**SPX**), Standard & Poor's Depository Receipts (**SPY**), CBOE Volatility Index (**VIX**), PowerShares QQQ Trust (**QQQQ**) and iShares Trust-Russell 2000 Index Fund (**IWM**).

- **The top five most actively traded equity options** at CBOE were Citigroup (**C**), Apple (**AAPL**), Bank of America (**BAC**), Ford Motor Company (**F**) and General Electric (**GE**).

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Chicago Board Options Exchange (CBOE), the largest U.S. options exchange and creator of listed options, continues to set the bar for options trading through product innovation, trading technology and investor education. CBOE offers equity, index and ETF options, including proprietary products, such as S&P 500 options (SPX), the most active U.S. index option, and options on the CBOE Volatility Index (VIX), the world's barometer for market volatility. Other groundbreaking products engineered by CBOE include equity options, security index options, LEAPS, FLEX options, and benchmark products such as the CBOE BuyWrite Index (BXM). CBOE's Hybrid Trading System incorporates electronic and open-outcry trading, enabling customers to choose their trading method. CBOE's Hybrid is powered by CBOEdirect, a proprietary, state-of-the-art electronic platform that also supports the CBOE Futures Exchange (CFE), CBOE Stock Exchange (CBSX) and OneChicago. CBOE is home to the world-renowned Options Institute and [www.cboe.com](http://www.cboe.com), named "Best of the Web" for options information and education.

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In connection with the proposed restructuring transaction, CBOE Holdings, Inc. ( "CBOE Holdings" ) has filed certain relevant materials with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including a registration statement on Form S-4. Members are encouraged to read the registration statement, including the proxy statement/prospectus that are a part of the registration statement, because it contains important information about the proposed transaction. Members are able to obtain a free copy of the proxy statement/prospectus, as well as the other filings containing information about CBOE Holdings and the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ( "CBOE" ), without charge, at the SEC's Web site, <http://www.sec.gov/>, and the companies' website, <http://www.cboe.com/>. In addition, CBOE members may obtain free copies of the proxy statement/prospectus and other documents filed by CBOE Holdings or the CBOE from CBOE Holdings by directing a request to the Office of the Secretary, CBOE Holdings, Inc., 400 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60605.

CBOE Holdings, the CBOE and their respective directors, executive officers and other employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in connection with the proposed transaction. Information about the directors and executive officers of CBOE Holdings and of the CBOE is available in the prospectus/proxy statement.

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