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### **ASX GROUP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – APRIL 2026**

Attached is a copy of the ASX Group Monthly Activity Report for April 2026.

ASX typically publishes its monthly activity report on the fourth business day of the month. The activity report for April 2026 has been published a day earlier than usual as ASX's CEO, Helen Lofthouse, will be speaking at the Macquarie Investor Conference today and may reference market activity levels for April 2026. Ms Lofthouse will not be providing any materials as part of her interview at the conference.

Release of market announcement authorised by:

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# Market Announcement

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## ASX Group Monthly Activity Report – April 2026

### Listings and Capital Raisings

- In April 2026, total new capital quoted was \$7.1 billion, compared to \$2.1 billion in the previous corresponding period (pcp). The total quoted market capitalisation of entities de-listed was \$4.4 billion compared to \$0.3 billion in the pcp.
- Total net new capital quoted was \$2.7 billion, compared to \$1.9 billion in the pcp. On an April YTD basis total net new capital quoted was \$37.2 billion, compared to \$25.6 billion in the pcp.

<b>Listings and Capital Raisings</b>	<b>April 2026 Month</b>	<b>April 2025 Month</b>	<b>April 2026 Financial YTD</b>	<b>April 2025 Financial YTD</b>
Quoted market capitalisation of new listings (\$million)	1,144	225	31,940	10,206
Change on pcp	large		large	
Secondary capital raised (\$million)	2,949	1,696	32,447	26,349
Other capital raised including scrip-for-scrip (\$million)	3,005	218	19,778	35,607
Total secondary capital raised (\$million)	5,954	1,914	52,225	61,956
Change on pcp	large		-16%	
<b>Total new capital quoted (\$million)</b>	<b>7,098</b>	<b>2,139</b>	<b>84,165</b>	<b>72,162</b>
Change on pcp	large		17%	
Quoted market capitalisation of entities de-listed (\$million)	(4,436)	(286)	(46,990)	(46,539)
<b>Total net new capital quoted (\$million)</b>	<b>2,662</b>	<b>1,853</b>	<b>37,175</b>	<b>25,623</b>
Change on pcp	44%		45%	
New listed entities <sup>1</sup>	5	3	81	53
Entities de-listed <sup>1</sup>	(7)	(12)	(124)	(125)
Total listed entities <sup>1</sup>	2,040	2,083		
Change on pcp	-2%			

<sup>1</sup>Includes all entities admitted to the ASX official list. This includes equity listings, wholesale and retail debt listings, listed investment companies and trusts, and stapled entities. It does not include exchange-traded funds or mFunds.

### Trading – Cash Markets (including equities, interest rate and ETP trades)

- In April 2026, the average daily number of trades was up 16% on the pcp. The average daily value traded on-market of \$7.524 billion was up 1% on the pcp.
- Volatility (as measured by the average daily movement in the All Ordinaries Index) was 0.6% in April, compared to 1.3% in the pcp.
- Future volatility (as measured by the S&P/ASX 200 VIX) in April was an average of 14.2, down 11% on pcp.

Cash Markets	April 2026 Month	April 2025 Month	April 2026 Financial YTD	April 2025 Financial YTD
Total trading days (Cash market includes equity, ETP and interest rate market transactions)	20	19	212	211
Cash market volume				
Total trades	56,213,723	45,963,260	554,223,488	386,126,055
Change on pcp	22%		44%	
Average daily trades	2,810,686	2,419,119	2,614,262	1,829,981
Change on pcp	16%		43%	
Cash market value				
Open trading (\$billion)	85.774	81.577	883.482	699.645
Auctions trading (\$billion)	52.454	46.416	533.118	438.754
Centre Point (\$billion)	12.257	13.994	138.110	118.767
<b>On-market value</b>	<b>150.485</b>	<b>141.987</b>	<b>1,554.710</b>	<b>1,257.166</b>
Change on pcp	6%		24%	
Trade reporting* (\$billion)	24.969	23.899	305.160	223.854
<b>Total cash market value (\$billion)</b>	<b>175.454</b>	<b>165.886</b>	<b>1,859.870</b>	<b>1,481.020</b>
Change on pcp	6%		26%	
On-market average daily value (\$billion)	7.524	7.473	7.334	5.958
Change on pcp	1%		23%	
Total average daily value (\$billion)	8.773	8.731	8.773	7.019
Change on pcp	0%		25%	
Average value per trade (\$)	3,121	3,609	3,356	3,836
Change on pcp	-14%		-13%	
All Ordinaries Index (average daily movement)	0.6%	1.3%		
Change on pcp	-67bps			
S&P/ASX 200 VIX (average daily value)	14.2	16.0		
Change on pcp	-11%			

\*Trade reporting means the value of trades executed outside the order book of ASX that is subsequently reported to ASX for publication

## Trading – Futures

- In April 2026, the average daily futures volume was down 25% on the pcp and average daily options volume was up significantly on the pcp. Total average daily futures and options on futures volumes were down 25% on the pcp.

<b>Futures</b>	<b>April 2026 Month</b>	<b>April 2025 Month</b>	<b>April 2026 Financial YTD</b>	<b>April 2025 Financial YTD</b>
Futures and options total trading days (includes interest rate, ASX SPI 200, commodities and energy contracts)	20	20	213	213
<b>Futures volume</b>				
Total contracts	13,538,282	18,040,404	181,501,764	160,981,942
Change on pcp	-25%		13%	
Average daily contracts	676,914	902,020	852,121	755,784
Change on pcp	-25%		13%	
<b>Options on futures volume</b>				
Total contracts	31,285	8,435	383,267	197,363
Change on pcp	large		94%	
Average daily contracts	1,564	422	1,799	927
Change on pcp	large		94%	
<b>Total futures and options on futures volume</b>				
Total contracts	13,569,567	18,048,839	181,885,031	161,179,305
Change on pcp	-25%		13%	
Average daily contracts	678,478	902,442	853,920	756,710
Change on pcp	-25%		13%	

Volume of futures trading by individual contract is available at the following link:

<https://www.asx.com.au/content/dam/asx/documents/unlinked-docs/monthly-futures-markets-report-300426.pdf>

## Clearing – OTC Markets

- In April 2026, the notional value of OTC interest rate derivative contracts centrally cleared was \$479.590 billion, compared to \$720.353 billion in the pcp.

<b>OTC Markets</b>	<b>April 2026 Month</b>	<b>April 2025 Month</b>	<b>April 2026 Financial YTD</b>	<b>April 2025 Financial YTD</b>
Total notional cleared value (\$billion) <sup>1</sup>	479.590	720.353	7,659.521	5,940.305
Change on pcp	-33%		29%	
Open notional cleared value (\$billion) <sup>1</sup> (at end of month)	5,328.769	4,499.657		
Change on pcp	18%			

<sup>1</sup>Cleared notional value is double sided

## Trading – Equity Options

- In April 2026, single stock options average daily contracts traded were down 11% and index options average daily contracts traded were down 23% on the pcp.

Equity Options	April 2026 Month	April 2025 Month	April 2026 Financial YTD	April 2025 Financial YTD
Exchange-traded options total trading days (includes single stock equity options and index options)	20	19	213	211
Single stock equity options volume				
Total contracts	5,101,720	5,415,294	50,236,460	52,045,933
Change on pcp	-6%		-3%	
Average daily contracts	255,086	285,015	235,852	246,663
Change on pcp	-11%		-4%	
Index options volume				
Total contracts	637,552	782,610	6,414,643	6,030,031
Change on pcp	-19%		6%	
Average daily contracts	31,878	41,190	30,116	28,578
Change on pcp	-23%		5%	

## Clearing – Exchange-Traded Markets

- Participant margin balances held on balance sheet totalled \$11.1 billion at 30 April 2026, compared to \$12.9 billion at 30 April 2025. Participant margin balances subject to risk management haircuts were \$7.8 billion at 30 April 2026, compared to \$9.3 billion at 30 April 2025.
- Average participant margin balances held on balance sheet were \$9.4 billion for the month of April 2026, compared to \$12.4 billion for the month of April 2025. Average participant margin balances subject to risk management haircuts were \$6.0 billion for the month of April 2026, compared to \$8.8 billion for the month of April 2025.

ASX Clearing Corporation Collateral Balances - At End of Month	April 2026 Month	April 2025 Month	April 2026 Financial YTD	April 2025 Financial YTD
Total Margins held: <sup>1</sup>				
- ASX Clear (\$billion)	1.0	1.1		
- ASX Clear (Futures) (\$billion)	8.4	11.1		
Debt Collateral – ASX Clear (Futures) (\$billion)	1.7	0.7		
<b>Total margins held <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>12.9</b>		
Change on pcp	-14%			
Total billable cash market value cleared (\$billion)	165.686	154.781	1,711.273	1,375.442
Change on pcp	7%		24%	

<sup>1</sup>Excludes cash commitments

## Settlement

- The value of securities held in CHESSE was 13% higher than the pcp. The number of dominant settlement messages in April 2026 was 15% higher than the pcp.
- The value of securities held in Austraclear was 11% higher than the pcp.

<b>ASX Settlement</b>	<b>April 2026 Month</b>	<b>April 2025 Month</b>	<b>April 2026 Financial YTD</b>	<b>April 2025 Financial YTD</b>
Value of CHESSE holdings – period end (\$billion)	3,420.9	3,029.5		
Change on pcp	13%			
Dominant settlement messages (million)	2.205	1.915	21.723	18.498
Change on pcp	15%		17%	
<b>Austraclear Settlement and Depository</b>				
Austraclear securities holdings – period end (\$billion)	3,537.1	3,194.9		
Change on pcp	11%			

## Participants

- During the month of April, there were no admissions and 1 resignation.

	<b>April 2026 Month</b>	<b>April 2025 Month</b>
<b>ASX Participants<sup>1</sup></b>		
New admissions	0	0
Resignations and removals	1	0
Market/Clearing/Settlement Participants at month end	89	94
<b>ASX 24 Participants</b>		
New admissions	0	0
Resignations and removals	0	0
Trading/Clearing Participants at month end	41	43

<sup>1</sup>Figures exclude Special Settlement Participants set up to effect a specific corporate action as their participation is only temporary.

### ASX Rule Changes, Waivers and Exemptions

- Details of rule and guidance note changes can be accessed online at:  
<http://www.asx.com.au/regulation/rules/recent-rule-amendments.htm>
- Details of waivers and exemptions granted by ASX can be accessed online at:  
<http://www.asx.com.au/regulation/rules-guidance-notes-and-waivers.htm>
- The weekly Australian Cash Market Report is available here:  
<http://www.asx.com.au/services/trading-services/australian-cash-market-report.htm>

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