

News Release

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Summary of April 2012 Activities at TOCOM

TOCOM April 2012 Average Daily Volume Down 22.4% from March 2012

(**Tokyo, May 10, 2012**) The Tokyo Commodity Exchange (TOCOM) announced today that April 2012 trading volume averaged 92,493 contracts per day. This was down 22.4% from March 2012 and was broad-based, affecting all listed commodities except Gas Oil.

The leading contracts at TOCOM saw month-over-month decreases in average daily volume which led to a significant overall drop in volume; Gold Standard was down 25.7% to 40,917 contracts, Gold Mini was down 27.2% to 11,340 contracts, Crude Oil was down 19.3% to 5,137 contracts and Kerosene was down 24.5% to 2,551 contracts.

In the past month, trading volumes were impacted by a resurgence of the European debt crisis and clouded prospects for a recovery of the U.S. economy.

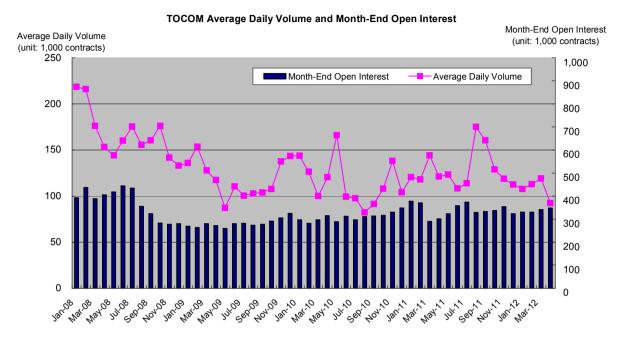
Open interest at the end of April for all listed contracts totaled 347,707, an increase of 6,780 (up 1.99%) from the prior month.

TOCOM - Trading Volume Breakdown

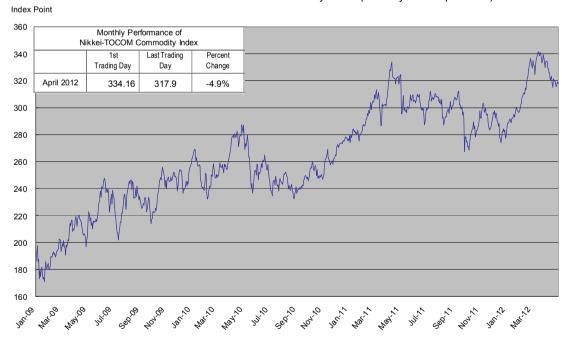
	Monthly Trading Volume		Average Daily Volume			
Contract	April '12	March '12	April '12	March '12	month-to-month change	year-to-year change
Gold	818,339	1,156,449	40,917	55,069	-25.7%	-30.1%
Gold Mini	226,802	326,978	11,340	15,570	-27.2%	15.1%
Silver	8,035	11,527	402	549	-26.8%	-88.5%
Platinum	243,080	330,375	12,154	15,732	-22.7%	-7.6%
Platinum Mini	27,974	43,480	1,399	2,070	-32.4%	24.8%
Palladium	4,442	5,953	222	283	-21.7%	-37.6%
Crude Oil	102,746	133,747	5,137	6,369	-19.3%	9.7%
Gasoline	206,188	238,242	10,309	11,345	-9.1%	-3.1%
Kerosene	51,012	70,905	2,551	3,376	-24.5%	-18.2%
Gas Oil	771	762	39	36	6.2%	-24.5%
Chukyo-Gasoline	7,334	8,145	367	388	-5.5%	25.5%
Chukyo-Kerosene	2,029	3,492	101	166	-39.0%	-29.2%
Rubber	151,109	173,969	7,555	8,284	-8.8%	-51.3%
TOCOM NEXT ¹	0	0	0	0	0.0%	-100.0%
TOCOM NEXT ²	0	0	0	0	-	-
Gold Options	0	0	0	0	-	-
Total	1,849,861	2,504,024	92,493	119,239	-22.4%	-23.6%
Trading Days	20	21				

^{*1.} Contract day transaction, which terminated on February 29, 2012

^{*2} Contract month transaction, which started on May 2, 2011.



Performance of Nikkei-TOCOM Commodity Index (January 2009-April 2012)



TOCOM "Contingency Plan for Cases Including System Failure" Revised

TOCOM's "Contingency Plan for Cases Including System Failure" has been revised and became effective on April 1, 2012. It is now available on the Exchange website at http://www.tocom.or.jp/profile/efforts/index.html.

TOCOM to Enhance Visibility among Chinese Market Participants with Chinese Language Contents

In April, TOCOM started developing Chinese language contents on its website with the aim of enhancing the presence of the Exchange and its benchmark price information within the rapidly growing community of Chinese market participants. Currently, information such as contract specifications and the latest news from the Exchange is available in Chinese. TOCOM plans to cover more information in Chinese in order to facilitate an easier understanding of the Exchange and its market for Chinese investors.

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