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SWX and virt-x key figures for June and Q2 2006

In June 2006, a cumulative total of CHF 157 billion was transacted on SWX Swiss Exchange and virt-x. This corresponds to a 28 % decline versus the record-breaking month of May. However, the quarter-on-quarter comparison reveals that turnover still holding at a very high level. As compared to the second quarter of 2005, the volume of trading in shares (+59 %), derivatives (+58 %) and ETFs (+78 %) registered a marked increase. In contrast, the opposite trend was to be observed in the bond segment, which saw turnover decline by roughly 9 % versus Q2 2005.

A look at the index charts reveals that prices in June 2006 stabilised to a certain extent. If the entire second quarter is taken into consideration, it becomes clear how extensive the correction in the equity markets actually was: since the end of March 2006, the blue chip SMI® index lost 4.6 %, while the broad-based SPI® recorded a 3.4 % drop.

Month of June

Trading days: 21

	Turnover in m CHF	Variation against previous month	Variation against same month in previous year	No. of trades
Equities incl. funds	138,606	-29.8 %	43.9 %	1,874,810
Bonds CHF	12,104	-9.4 %	-23.4 %	26,073
International Bonds	1,510	1.9 %	-8.7 %	12,201
Securitised Derivatives	3,265	-28.0 %	23.2 %	120,857
Exchange Traded Funds (ETF)	1,552	-17.5 %	57.1 %	10,049
Total	157,037	-28.2 %	33.8 %	2,043,990

	Monthly close	Performance since end of previous month	Performance year-to-date
SMI®	7,652.1	0.63 %	0.90 %
SMIM® Price	1,276.1	0.10 %	12.65 %
SMI Expanded® Total Return	1,176.9	0.62 %	3.24 %
SPI®	5,955.6	0.52 %	3.71 %
SPI Extra® Total Return	1,666.0	-0.43 %	13.03 %
SXI Life Science® Total Return	1,637.7	0.67 %	3.48 %
SXI Bio+Medtech® Total Return	1,786.3	0.29 %	5.28 %
SBI® Total Return	127.6	-0.49 %	-2.79 %

Second quarter 2006

Trading days: 60

	Turnover in m CHF	Change vs. previous quarter	Change vs. prior-year quarter	No. of trades
Equities incl. funds	521,175	5.3 %	59.2 %	5,738,954
Bonds CHF	37,738	-17.5 %	-9.0 %	79,755
International Bonds	5,215	-5.3 %	17.5 %	35,359
Securitised Derivatives	11,573	-11.9 %	58.1 %	474,678
Exchange Traded Funds (ETF)	4,660	-1.3 %	77.5 %	28,823
Total	580,360	2.9 %	51.5 %	6,357,569

	Quarter-end level	Change since end of previous quarter	Change since end of 2005
SMI [®]	7,652.1	-4.63 %	0.90 %
SMIM [®] Price	1,276.1	-2.79 %	12.65 %
SMI Expanded [®] Total Return	1,176.9	-3.40 %	3.24 %
SPI [®]	5,955.6	-3.37 %	3.71 %
SPI Extra [®] Total Return	1,666.0	-2.45 %	13.03 %
SXI Life Science [®] Total Return	1,637.7	-2.67 %	3.48 %
SXI Bio+Medtech [®] Total Return	1,786.3	-3.47 %	5.28 %
SBI [®] Total Return	127.6	-1.16 %	-2.79 %

More detailed information is available in the statistical monthly report

www.swx.com/market/statistics/monthly_data

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