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Q2 2022 Derivatives Highlights



MX's strong performance in Q2 was thanks to its diverse product offerings in both IRD and EQD

TOTAL ADV
of 606k
contracts

In 2022, up
2.2%
vs 2021

Total open interest reaching ~12M contracts at June 30 2022, up

25% vs **2021**

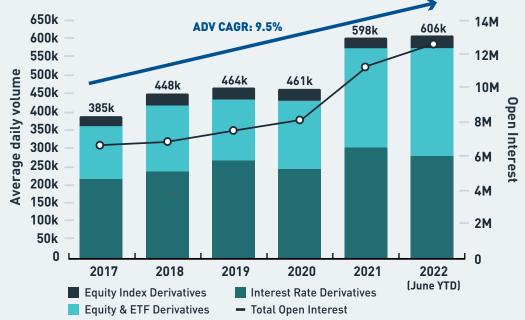
Resilient monthly volume in a volatile environment: 621k contracts ADV in June (up 5% vs 2021)

Record monthly volume for 2Y (CGZ) and 5Y (CGF) GoC bond futures: 27k and 48k respectively in May

Strong Q2 volume observed in key IRD and EQD products despite market headwinds:

2Y GoC bond futures (CGZ[™]): **21k** contracts ADV 5Y GoC bond futures (CGF[™]): **41k** contracts ADV S&P/TSX 60 Index* futures (SXF[™]): **34k** contracts ADV Equity and ETF Options: **214k** contracts ADV

Average Daily Volume and Open Interest (all products)



Segment	Product	2022 YTD ADV	YoY CHG (%)
	3М ВАХ	69k	-37%
	3M OBX™ options	1k	-19%
	3M CORRA (CRA)	$2k^1$	+350%
IRD	2Y CGZ	21k	155%
	5Y CGF	41k	38%
	10Y CGB™	149k	-2%
	All IRD products	280k	-7%
	Index futures	34k	19%
	Share futures	82k	-7%
EQD	ETF options	53k	11%
	Equity options	156k	21%
	All EQD products	326k	11%
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¹ Since the start of the new market-making program in May 2022

Market Observations

- Interest rates: Expectations of higher interest rates continued to dent government debt appetite pushing bond yields and Canada's 10-year yield to a yearly high of 3.5% in June. Strong jobs data for the month of May and inflation concerns triggered two consecutive 50bps rate hikes from the BoC in April and June. BAX prices faced some price pressure around central bank decisions but maintained resilient volume while CRA showed positive signs of interest. The short-to-medium part of the curve traded actively in the futures space.
- Equity: Volatility persisted during the quarter on the back of high inflation, persistent supply chain issues and uncertainties about central banks' ability to soothe markets. The S&P/TSX Composite Index* was down 14% during the quarter but continued to outperform its U.S. counterpart, thanks in part to upward earnings revisions in the Energy sector.

Volume and Open Interest displayed in number of contracts.

Product Highlights

Introduction of CORRA liquidity provide boost to STIR futures

CRA open interest at quarter end: ~13k contracts

- ADV up 350% vs. 2021 reflecting a growing interest in CORRA futures
- Pick up in BAX™-CRA spread strategies
- Activity developing in all 12 quarterly expiries

Strong quarter for 2Y (CGZ) and 5Y (CGF) GoC bond futures

Open interest at the end of Q2:

- CGZ: 56k contracts (up 56% vs Q2 2021)
- CGF: 94k contracts (stable vs Q2 2021)

Active basis trading:

- CGZ EFP volume in Q2: 4k contracts ADV (16% of CGZ volume)
- CGF EFP volume in Q2: 6k contracts ADV (13% of CGF volume)

Record quarterly volume for 2Y/5Y curve spread: 125k contracts traded 5Y/10Y curve spread actively traded in Q2: 15k contracts ADV, up 127% YoY

Growth continues in S&P/TSX 60 Index Futures (SXF)

SXF ADV in Q2: 34k contracts (up 22% vs Q2 2021)

Interest in Canadian Equity options remained very strong

- Energy, Financials and Materials were the most active sectors
- Equity Options open interest: 5.9M contracts (up 24% YoY)

Institutional Content

CORRA Futures (CRA): Learn more

New total return sector index futures

Article alert: New oil trade insights

Investing in Canada's growth sectors using Total return Futures

A potential opportunity mid/post sell-off

Potential opportunity: wide 2-year swap spreads

Potential LGB Trading Strategies

CGZ: A use case for Portfolio Managers

Canada CTA Trading Model

Key Milestones and Facts

Overnight trading in flagship products

- Global participants took advantage of the Overnight Trading Hours (8 p.m to 6 a.m (ET)) to manage their Canadian exposure during non-local business hours. As of Q3 2021, the MX is now open 20.5 hours a day. Visit m-x.ca/yourtime for more information.
- Overnight Trading Hours statistics:

Products	Q2 2022 ADV	
All products	14k	
BAX	1k	
CGB	11k	
CGF	1k	
SXF	2k	

The activity taking place during the overnight trading hours represents about 5% of MX daily volume on average for eligible products.

Updates on the 30-Year GoC Bond Futures (LGB™)

A <u>new market making partnership</u> has been developed on the 30-year point of the Canadian listed yield curve, in collaboration with National Bank Financial and Desjardins Securities. Take advantage of:

- Robust liquidity in the front contract and quarterly calendar roll
- Strong basis market offering
- More trading opportunities

Visit the <u>LGB landing page</u> for additional resources on the LGB product.

A specification change to the delivery period is coming up and should be implemented this fall (on the March 2023 expiry and onwards), subject to regulatory approvals (<u>Circular 084-22</u>).

• Consequently, the Bourse has suspended order entry and trading on the relevant LGB expiries in anticipation of this change (Advisory Notice A22-006).

New market making initiative - 3M CORRA Futures (CRA)

In May 2022, MX implemented a new market making partnership with National Bank of Canada and TD Securities aimed at driving growth in CORRA futures as the industry moves towards benchmark transition. June trades have already demonstrated increased interest in the new Canadian reference rate futures. Learn more now.

Benchmark Transition roadmap for MX products (CDOR to CORRA)

MX is committed to facilitate the access and transition to CORRA, by developing a robust and efficient market for 3M CORRA Futures. As announced in Advisory Notice A22-004, the Bourse outlined the following plan regarding the future of BAX and CORRA futures ecosystems:

- Continuation of BAX contract listing (until further notice)
- Conversion mechanism from BAX to equivalent CRA contracts for post-June 2024 expiries
- Cessation of OBX contract listing for post June 2024 expiry dates
- Launch of Options on CRA in mid-2023

New Total Return Sector Index Futures!

In May, six new total return sector index futures were launched at MX website.



New Market Making Obligations on Equity/ETF options

Market making obligations with tighter bid-ask spreads and larger size requirements have been implemented since May on selected expiries.

News from the Regulatory Division

- Memorandum of understanding between IIROC and MX
 Please consult the summary of key features and the FAQ for more details.
- Upcoming cybersecurity incident reporting requirements

 Please see details regarding the <u>proposed amendments</u> to the rules to introduce cybersecurity incident reporting requirements applicable to all Canadian and foreign approved participants.
- Call for nomination

The Bourse seeks applications from interested and qualified persons in order to fill an independent seat within the Regulatory Division's:

- <u>Special Committee</u>, which is mandated to oversee the Division's functions and activities.
- <u>Disciplinary Committee</u>, which is charged with hearing complaints as well as accepting or rejecting offers of settlement.

Last MX Technical User Roadmap Group Webinar

The Technology Quarterly Roadmap for Q2 2022 was replaced for this quarter by a speaking panel at the Canadian Annual Derivatives Conference (CADC)™ on June 21st, 2022, titled "Trends in Technology, Front to Back and Beyond". The diverse panel of representatives from both Exchange and third-party vendors in a conversation on various topics, including what technical innovations they are prioritizing for their clients in 2022, what technology delivery challenges they are facing in the post-pandemic world, and where they see Tech in their organization in the future. The panel was moderated by Colm Boyle of the MX, and the speakers on the panel included Russell Levens, from ION Markets, Patti Paladino from Trading Technologies, Etienne Phaneuf CEO of ArchES Computing, and Joséphine Tran from TMX Group. The next Quarterly roadmap in Q3 2022 will be planned for August 2022.

Covered Trade functionality coming up in Q4

In response to client demand, in Q4, MX will be launching the covered trade feature used to trade delta neutral strategies between futures options and their underlying (ex. OBX and BAX) or futures vs futures (ex. CGZ vs a Strip of BAX). Please reach out for more information.

Upcoming Option Education Events!

The MX offers multiple options education events designed to provide retail investors with the knowledge needed to successfully navigate the options market. Check out the periodic updates on upcoming events on the Option Matters blog!

Key Exchange Notices

- Advisory Notice 22-004:
 Update on 3M CORRA Futures and BAX following the CDOR cessation announcement
- Advisory Notice 22-003:
 Listing of New Total Return Sector Index Futures
- Technical Notice 22-007:
 Implement Sequence Number Rollover Patch in HSVF D6
- Technical Notice 22-006: 2022 Protocol Upgrade

Did you know?

- On June 20-21, MX hosted the 21st edition of the Canadian Annual Derivatives Conference (CADC) in Montréal. This flagship event brought together industry experts from across Canada and the world to exchange ideas on the Canadian derivatives landscape. Panel write-ups will be available on the MX website shortly. Access the latest recap of the conference here and get a taste of the incredible panel thematics.
- MX offers <u>listed options</u> on 4 Bitcoin ETFs and 4 Ether ETFs from different ETF providers, enabling investors to access diversification and growth potential of cryptocurrencies.
- Put/Call ratios are available on a daily basis on the trading activity section of the <u>MX website</u>.
- Real-Time bid/ask quotes are available on the MX website for Canadian options and futures contracts. <u>Sign up</u> for a free account and create a "My Quotes" portfolio to easily keep track of your options and future positions.

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