



DTCC: PROTECTING STABILITY IN A TURBULENT MARKET

One of the most important ways that DTCC provides stability to the markets and the financial system is by ensuring that no matter what happens, day in and day out, we have the capacity to seamlessly handle daily trading volumes.

This has been particularly evident during the past several weeks of market stress, when the number of trades flowing through our systems has spiked dramatically. As a point of comparison, on a typical trading day we usually process around 100 million equity transactions. On Thursday, March 12, 2020, we set a new single day record, processing over 363 million transactions. In fact, we've been averaging over 350 million transactions daily for the past week. This new peak of 363 million transactions is more than 15% higher than our last peak of 315 million transactions in October 2008, at the height of the financial crisis.

