

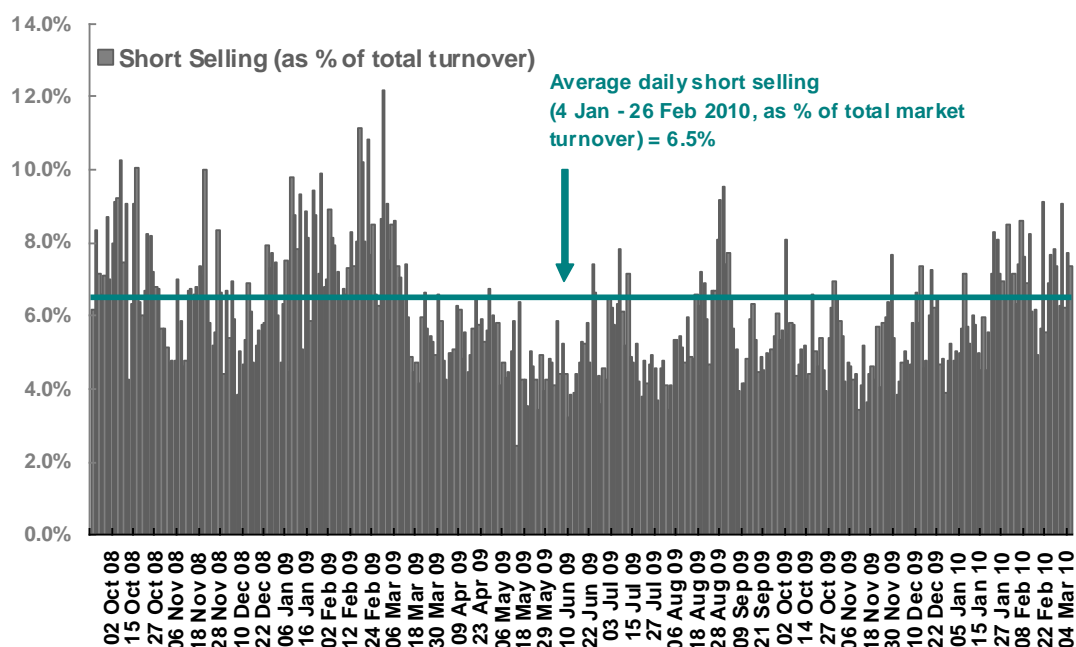
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Weekly update on Hong Kong's short-selling pattern (1 March to 5 March 2010)¹

Compared to earlier period, local short-selling turnover was higher in both absolute terms and relative to total market turnover. During the week (1 March to 5 March 2010), the average daily short-selling turnover was \$4.9 billion or 7.4% of the total market turnover, compared to:

- \$5.4 billion or 8.5% for the third quarter in 2008 up to 19 September 2008;
- \$3.5 billion or 6.6% for 22 September to 31 December 2008;
- \$3.2 billion or 7.2% for the first quarter in 2009;
- \$3.4 billion or 4.8% for the second quarter in 2009;
- \$3.6 billion or 5.4% for the third quarter in 2009;
- \$3.4 billion or 5.3% for the fourth quarter in 2009; and
- \$4.4 billion or 6.5% for 4 January 2010 to 26 February 2010.

Recent short-selling turnover patterns for Hang Seng Index constituents, Hang Seng China Enterprises Index constituents and the top 10 short-sold stocks are also shown below.



Total Short Selling Turnover in Hong Kong (as percentage of total market turnover)

Source: SFC Research

Remark: Some major overseas markets have prohibited/restricted short selling since late September 2008.

¹ For previous short-selling updates, please click [here](#).



Short Selling Trading as % of Stocks' Turnover

Source: SFC Research

Remarks:

- (a) Some major overseas markets have prohibited/restricted short selling since late September 2008.
- (b) Figures for the whole market represent the share of short selling to total market turnover in Hong Kong.