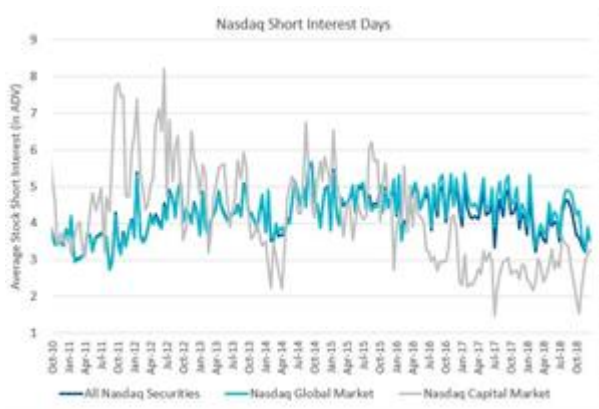




Nasdaq Announces Mid-Month Open Short Interest Positions in Nasdaq Stocks as of Settlement Date December 14, 2018

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NEW YORK, Dec. 26, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- At the end of the settlement date of December 14, 2018, short interest in 2,369 Nasdaq Global MarketSM securities totaled 7,664,483,327 shares compared with 7,708,952,189 shares in 2,377 Global Market issues reported for the prior settlement date of November 30, 2018. The mid-December short interest represents 3.55 days average daily Nasdaq Global Market share volume for the reporting period, compared with 3.90 days for the prior reporting period.



Nasdaq Short Interest Days

Short interest in 934 securities on The Nasdaq Capital MarketSM totaled 851,084,985 shares at the end of the settlement date of December 14, 2018 compared with 873,574,784 shares in 930 securities for the previous reporting period. This represents 3.30 days average daily volume, compared with the previous reporting period's figure of 3.16.

In summary, short interest in all 3,303 Nasdaq[®] securities totaled 8,515,568,312 shares at the December 14, 2018 settlement date, compared with 3,307 issues and 8,582,526,973 shares at the end of the previous reporting period. This is 3.52 days average daily volume, compared with an average of 3.81 days for the previous reporting period.

The open short interest positions reported for each Nasdaq security reflect the total number of shares sold short by all broker/dealers regardless of their exchange affiliations. A short sale is generally understood to mean the sale of a security that the seller does not own or any sale that is consummated by the delivery of a security borrowed by or for the account of the seller.

For more information on Nasdaq Short interest positions, including publication dates, visit <http://www.nasdaq.com/quotes/short-interest.aspx> or http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/asp/short_interest.asp.

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