# The long / short report

A geographic analysis of the long/short market by sector using the securities finance short interest data of S&P Global Market Intelligence.

## **Global Equities**



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#### Top Sectors by Short Loan Value % of Market Cap Globally



Source : S&P Global Securities Finance

Consumer services is the most shorted sector amongst global equities. Sweetgreen (SG) and Cheesecake factory (CAKE) remain heavily shorted constituents of this sector in the US along with Carnival corp (CCL) and Norwegian cruise line holdings (NCLH). Short loan value has increased in the top five sectors over the month. As central banks pursue their aggressive interest rate hikes, the number of real estate shorts have continued to increase. China Evergrande Group (3333) remains a popular short in Asia with a DCBS of 9 along with A-Living smart city services Co Ltd (BFWK4M2) which has 5,95% of its outstanding shares currently being shorted. Samhallsbyggnadsbolaget I Norden Ab (SBB B) remains under pressure in Europe along with UK housebuilder Hammerson (BK7YQK6).

The transport sector remains in focus as recessionary fears continue to impact ports and shipping companies. Cosco Shipping Holdings Co Ltd (B0B8Z18) in Asia currently has short interest equaling 7.97% of its outstanding shares and Nippon Yusen (6643960) in Japan remains heavily borrowed.

### **Americas Equities**



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Consumer durables is the most shorted sector amongst Americas equities with a short loan percentage of market capitalization standing at 2.53%. Popular names in this sector include Plby group (BMBSDL8) and Pelton Interactive Inc (BJ7WJS2). Short loan value has increased in the Auto sector over the month, increasing by 77 bps to 2.13% of the market capitalization. The Electric Vehicle sector remains under pressure from supply chain constraints and increasing interest rates which is making car financing more expensive. Stocks such as Fiskar Inc (FSR) - DBCS of 8, Lucid Group (LCID) - DCBS of 5 and Workhorse Group Inc (WKHS) - DCBS of 3, remain well known shorts in this sector.

| Top ten Americas equity shorts - Ranked by % Shares outstanding on loan |                |        |               |      |                           |                        |           |  |
|---|----------------|--------|---------------|------|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------|--|
| Instrument Name   | SEDOL          | Ticker | % SOOL<br>(%) | DCBS | % Out of the<br>Money (%) | Short Squeeze<br>Score | Util. (%) | Sector   |
| Briacell Therapeutics Corp  | <b>BKPVPK2</b> | BCTXF  | 87.80         | 9    | 23.52                     | 0                      | 92.68     | North America Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences |
| Aditxt Inc  | BP69X84        | ADTX   | 43.97         | 10   | 9.93                      | 0                      | 97.29     | North America Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences |
| Upstart Holdings Inc  | BL53QN5        | UPST   | 43.05         | 9    | 13.22                     | 10                     | 94.67     | North America Diversified Financials                         |
| Marathon Digital Holdings Inc   | BLR7B52        | MARA   | 40.29         | 7    | 18.52                     | 7                      | 92.24     | North America Software & Services                            |
| Beyond Meat Inc   | BJ1FDK7        | BYND   | 39.23         | 9    | 0.00                      | 10                     | 96.68     | North America Food, Beverage & Tobacco                       |
| Microstrategy Inc   | 2974329        | MSTR   | 35.06         | 10   | 20.34                     | 6                      | 55.17     | North America Software & Services                            |
| Amc Entertainment Holdings Inc  | BH4HLL3        | AMC    | 31.38         | 7    | 0.00                      | 10                     | 94.56     | North America Media and Entertainment                        |
| Cassava Sciences Inc  | BJVLKZ9        | SAVA   | 31.08         | 10   | 70.59                     | 1                      | 93.59     | North America Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences |
| Blink Charging Co   | BYWLZL4        | BLNK   | 28.83         | 7    | 0.36                      | 10                     | 89.01     | North America Retailing                                      |
| Vinco Ventures Inc  | BN7CLB7        | BBIG   | 25.43         | 7    | 52.86                     | 2                      | 80.96     | North America Media and Entertainment                        |

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### **APAC Equities**



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Household and personal products was the most shorted sector in APAC equities over the month with a short loan value as a percentage of market capitalization of 1.91%. Cheerwin Group ltd (BNKLLB1) is the most expensive short in this sector with a DCBS of 8, Amorepacific Corp (B15SK50) remains the most shorted however with short loan as a percentage of shares outstanding at 4.66%. As discussed in the global equity summary, transport remains a popular short sector in Asia as recessionary fears grow. Short loan value in this sector has increased by 30 bps over the month. Other areas to note are food and staples retail where short loan value as a percentage of market capitalization has increased by 79 bps over the month. This sector includes names such as Bgf Retail Co (BD95QN1) where short loan interest has increased by 168 bps and Ban Loong Holdings Ltd (BYQNR65) which has a DCBS of 7.

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|-----------------------------------|---------|--------|------------|-----------|------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Snow Peak Inc                     | BSLVC23 | 7816   | 30.64      | 87.23     | 7    | 1.59                      | 9                         | Japan Consumer Durables & Apparel                    |
| W-Scope Corp                      | B5W49C9 | 6619   | 25.06      | 55.77     | 5    | 35.45                     | 4                         | Japan Materials                                      |
| Pharma Foods International Co Ltd | B14TF15 | 2929   | 24.98      | 79.52     | 5    | 6.10                      | 0                         | Japan Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences |
| V-Cube Inc                        | BGCYZB7 | 3681   | 23.43      | 62.40     | 5    | 0.11                      | 0                         | Japan Telecommunication Services                     |
| Flat Glass Group Co Ltd           | BYQ9774 | 6865   | 20.91      | 49.07     | 2    | 0.00                      | 0                         | Asia Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment        |
| Aruhi Corp                        | BF25643 | 7198   | 20.43      | 76.08     | 5    | 42.33                     | 2                         | Japan Banks  |
| Remixpoint Inc                    | B1GD708 | 3825   | 20.29      | 91.77     | 7    | 9.68                      | 8                         | Japan Software & Services                            |
| Plaid Inc                         | BMCWCB2 | 4165   | 20.06      | 89.99     | 6    | 66.80                     | 0                         | Japan Software & Services                            |
| Bank Of Innovation Inc            | BFWVYM5 | 4393   | 19.96      | 92.87     | 6    | 71.27                     | 0                         | Japan Media and Entertainment                        |
| Kushim Inc                        | 6566089 | 2345   | 19.43      | 67.68     | 5    | 26.10                     | 0                         | Japan Software & Services                            |

#### Top ten APAC equity shorts - Ranked by % Shares outstanding on loan

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### **European Equities**



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In line with Asia, food and staples retailing was the most shorted sector in European equities over the month. Shorting in this sector decreased however when compared with the previous month by 12.22%. Many well known shorts are active in this sector such as Zur Rose Group Ag (B92M6T7), Naked Wines Plc (B021F83) and Casino Guichard Perrachon SA (4178419) which has a DCBS of 7.

Short interest grew significantly (+58 bps) in consumer services over the month as consumers experienced higher inflation, less disposable income and faced higher borrowing costs. DP Eurasia (BZ12PK4) is the most expensive short in this sector with a DCBS of 8 while Basic Fit Nv (BD9Y9B7) remains the most active short (SOOL % 16.18%).

Average short interest as a percentage of market capitalization for the region was 0.34% over the month with sixteen out of the twenty three sectors covered showing as above the average.

|                                     |         |        |            |           |      | % Out of the | Short<br>Squeeze |   |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------|------------|-----------|------|--------------|------------------|---|
| Instrument Name                     | SEDOL   | Ticker | % SOOL (%) | Util. (%) | DCBS | Money (%)    | Score            | Sector  |
| Pharmasimple Sa                     | BD3GJ42 | ALPHS  | 67.86      | 53.63     | 10   | 63.12        | 0                | EMEA Retailing                                      |
| Acheter Louer Fr Sa                 | BP4VYN4 | ALALO  | 26.65      | 88.08     | 10   | 0.00         | 0                | EMEA Media and Entertainment                        |
| Samhallsbyggnadsbolaget I Norden Ab | BD7Y737 | SBB B  | 22.34      | 92.67     | 7    | 0.00         | 10               | EMEA Real Estate                                    |
| Drone Volt Sa                       | BD8R7G8 | ALDRV  | 20.70      | 46.94     | 10   | 64.00        | 0                | EMEA Technology Hardware & Equipment                |
| Neovacs Sa                          | BNLZ2Q4 | ALNEV  | 20.63      | 56.33     | 10   | 0.00         | 0                | EMEA Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences |
| Genomic Vision Sa                   | BKXGDV6 | GV     | 16.38      | 79.42     | 10   | 0.00         | 0                | EMEA Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences |
| Adler Group Sa                      | BYNXBZ5 | ADJ    | 12.61      | 87.52     | 7    | 0.00         | 0                | EMEA Real Estate                                    |
| Varta Ag                            | 5802449 | VAR1   | 11.21      | 91.85     | 9    | 0.00         | 0                | EMEA Capital Goods                                  |
| Victoria Plc                        | BZC0LC1 | VCP    | 10.14      | 92.87     | 7    | 44.36        | 0                | EMEA Consumer Durables & Apparel                    |
| Casino Guichard Perrachon Sa        | 4178419 | СО     | 10.05      | 91.28     | 7    | 0.00         | 0                | EMEA Food & Staples Retailing                       |

#### Top ten European equity shorts - Ranked by % Shares outstanding on loan

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### **Fixed income**

### **Government Bonds**

#### Institutional longs vs Shorts





Institutional Long Value (Inventory) Short Sale Value (Loans)

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| Index                 | 12/10/2022 | Chg   | % Chg | Month % Chg | g 52 Week High    | 52 Week Low       |
|-----------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| USA Bond (Govt)       | 30.25 %    | 0.16  | 0.53  | -2.72       | 34.00 (26-Nov-21) | 29.66 (30-Sep-22) |
| European Bonds (Govt) | 30.25 %    | 0.16  | 0.53  | -2.72       | 34.00 (26-Nov-21) | 29.66 (30-Sep-22) |
| Asian Bonds (Govt)    | 18.24 %    | -0.15 | -0.82 | 0.06        | 20.44 (29-Jun-22) | 13.31 (14-0ct-21) |

#### USA Bond (Govt) vs European Bonds (Govt) vs Asian Bonds (Govt)



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#### Top ten Government bond shorts - Ranked by Utilization (%)

| Instrument Name  | ISIN         | Util. (%) | DCBS |
|--|--------------|-----------|------|
| United States Treasury (0% 15-Aug-2051)                | US912834XG86 | 91.05     | 3.00 |
| United States Treasury (0% 20-Apr-2023)                | US912796V482 | 82.84     | 3.00 |
| United States Treasury (0% 18-May-2023)                | US912796W472 | 66.09     | 3.00 |
| Nederlandse Waterschapsbank Nv (3% 11-Sep-2031)        | XS0969846269 | 62.74     | 6.00 |
| Nrw Bank (2.558% 09-Oct-2024)                          | XS2062919589 | 62.50     | 4.00 |
| United States Treasury (0% 15-Aug-2023)                | US912833LM00 | 50.93     | 3.00 |
| Latvia, Republic Of (Government) (1.375% 23-Sep-2025)  | XS1295778275 | 41.23     | 3.00 |
| Ferrovie Dello Stato Italiane Spa (0.375% 25-Mar-2028) | XS2324772453 | 33.32     | 3.00 |
| Nederlandse Waterschapsbank Nv (0.5% 26-Apr-2051)      | XS2334267098 | 26.59     | 3.00 |
| United States Treasury (0% 15-Nov-2048)                | US912834UB27 | 23.14     | 3.00 |
|  |              |           |      |

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### **Corporate Bonds**



Institutional Long Value (Inventory)
Short Sale Value (Loans)

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| Index         | 12/10/2022 | Chg   | % Chg | Month % Ch | g 52 Week High    | 52 Week Low      |
|---------------|------------|-------|-------|------------|-------------------|------------------|
| GBP Corp Bond | 5.07 %     | -0.01 | -0.14 | -4.29      | 5.59 (23-Sep-22)  | 3.94 (31-Dec-21) |
| USD Corp Bond | 5.07 %     | -0.01 | -0.14 | -4.29      | 5.59 (23-Sep-22)  | 3.94 (31-Dec-21) |
| EUR Corp Bond | 9.41 %     | 0.04  | 0.40  | 3.78       | 10.14 (12-May-22) | 7.22 (14-Oct-21) |

#### GBP Corp Bond vs USD Corp Bond vs EUR Corp Bond



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### Top ten corporate bond shorts - Ranked by Utilization (%)

| Instrument Name                                 | ISIN         | Util. (%) | DCBS      |
|---|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Greentown China Holdings Ltd (2.3% 27-Jan-2025) | XS2434935875 | 100.00    | 5.00      |
| Westrock Coffee Co                              | US96145W1119 | 99.94     | 7.00      |
| Grom Social Enterprises Inc                     | US39878L1180 | 99.84     | 10.00     |
| Pavmed Inc                                      | US70387R1225 | 99.62     | 8.00      |
| Msp Recovery Inc                                | US5537451263 | 99.60     | 7.00      |
| Pointsbet Holdings Ltd                          | AU0000104051 | 99.49     | 5.00      |
| Iheartmedia Inc                                 | US45174J1455 | 99.31     | 6.00      |
| Hall Of Fame Resort & Entertainment Co          | US40619L1109 | 98.74     | 5.00      |
| Bright Lights Acquisition Corp                  | US10920K1198 | 98.07     | 6.00      |
| Aeva Technologies Inc                           | US00835Q1114 | 98.04     | 5.00      |
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### Data term library

**Utilization** — Percentage of securities in lending programs which are currently out on loan calculated as the Lender Value on Loan divided by Lendable Value %.

**%SOOL (%)** - % of shares outstanding on loan— Percentage of shares outstanding that are out on loan

**DCBS**— Daily Cost of Borrow Score; a number from 1 to 10 indicating the cost of borrow based on 7 day fees, where 1 is cheapest and 10 is most expensive.

% Out the money (%) - Short positions that are experiencing losses as a percentage of the total number of shares on loan. A high out of the money percentage is indicative of a potential short squeeze.

**Short squeeze score**— Proprietary model utilizing transaction level data to identify names where short sellers are facing capital constraints, and therefore have increased potential to cover positions. Score of 1-10. Most likely to squeeze names have a rank closer to 1. and less likely to squeeze names have a score closer to 10. A score of 0 indicates negligible capital constraints as this security is not considered as highly shorted.

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