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**EMTA SURVEY:  
EMERGING MARKETS CDS TRADES  
AT US\$1.79 TRILLION IN 2019**

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***2019 Annual Volumes Down 2% vs. 2018***

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**NEW YORK, March 4, 2020** — Emerging Markets CDS trading stood at US\$1.79 trillion in 2019, according to a Survey of 12 major dealers released today by EMTA, the EM debt trading and investment industry trade association. This was 2% below the US\$1.823 trillion reported in 2018.

Emerging Markets CDS trading stood at US\$434 billion in the fourth quarter of 2019, according to the report. This was 22% above the US\$357 billion reported in the fourth quarter of 2018, while an 11% decrease on the US\$486 billion in reported transactions in the third quarter of 2019.

The largest CDS volumes in the Survey during the fourth quarter were those on Brazil, at US\$47 billion. EMTA Survey participants also reported US\$41 billion in Turkish volumes, and US\$35 billion on both China and Mexico in the last three months of the year.

The EMTA Survey also included volumes on nine corporate CDS contracts, with the highest reported quarterly volume on Pemex (at approximately US\$4.1 billion).

For a copy of EMTA's Fourth Quarter 2019 CDS Trading Volume Survey, please contact Jonathan Murno at [jmurno@emta.org](mailto:jmurno@emta.org).

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**NOTE TO EDITORS:**

*Founded in 1990, EMTA (formerly the Emerging Markets Traders Association) is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to promoting the orderly development of fair, efficient and transparent trading markets for Emerging Markets instruments, and the integration of the Emerging Markets into the global financial marketplace. EMTA, with over 180 member firms worldwide, has published its Annual Volume Surveys of Debt Trading since 1992. EMTA began publishing CDS volumes in 2009.*

*For its Survey, EMTA collected data from 12 major international banks and broker-dealers on Emerging Market CDS contracts. Participants were asked to report their CDS volumes on 23 Emerging Markets countries and 9 EM corporate issuers. The Survey is based on notional value of CDS trades and includes rollovers, but not netting trades or internal transfers.*