Silver Options Market Volume Surges on Reddit-Fueled Swings 2021-01-28 18:59:07.480 GMT

By Michael Roschnotti (Bloomberg) -- Silver options markets were action-packed after Reddit day traders talked up the metal as the next shortsqueeze target. Options volume in IShares Silver Trust, the biggest exchange-traded vehicle for the metal, climbed to a record 2.24 million contracts as of 1:50 p.m. in New York. Call volume was also a record. READ MORE: Silver Is the Latest Market Hit by Reddit Day-Trader Frenzy On Comex, silver's March options skew, or the measure of what trader will pay for calls minus puts, surged more than 10 percentage points to 14%. Some think the metal will surge to record levels, options for silver at \$100 have traded every day this week, far above the current level in the mid-\$20s

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