

USD/CNH Futures and Options and Mini USD/CNH Futures

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The USD/CNH derivative products suite, together with other RMB currency futures listed on HKEX, are widely traded and popular risk management tools for investors to manage their RMB and USD exposures and cater to the needs of various market participants who may prefer physically delivered or cash settled, bigger or smaller contracts

Trading benefits

USD/CNH Futures and Mini USD/CNH Futures contracts specifications

	USD/CNH Futures	Mini USD/CNH Futures		
HKATS Code	CUS	MCS		
Contract Size	USD 100,000	USD 20,000		
Price Quotation	RMB per USD (e.g. RMB 6.2486 per	RMB per USD (e.g. RMB 6.2486 per USD)		
Min. Fluctuation	RMB 0.0001 (4 decimal places)	RMB 0.0001 (4 decimal places)		
Tick Value	RMB 10	RMB 2		
Last Trading Day	Two Trading Days prior to the third	Two Trading Days prior to the third Wednesday of the Contract Month		
Final Settlement Day	The third Wednesday of the Contract Month	The first Trading Day after the Last Trading Day		
Final Settlement Price		USD/CNY (HK) Spot Rate published by Hong Kong Treasury Markets Association (TMA) at or around 11:30am on the Last Trading Day		
Contract Months	Spot month, the next 3 calendar mo	Spot month, the next 3 calendar months, the next 6 calendar quarter months		
Trading Hours	8:30 am - 4:30 pm (Day Session) 5:15 pm - 3:00 am (AHT Session) (Expiring contract month closes at 11:00 am on the Last Trading Day)			
Settlement Method	Delivery of US dollars by the Seller payment of the Final Settlement Va RMB by the Buyer			
Margin Offset		Margin offset can be offered between any two of the USD/CNH Futures & Options, Mini USD/CNH Futures and CNH/USD Futures		

* For Block Trade quote enquiries, please email FICD@hkex.com.hk.

USD/CNH Options contract¹ specifications

	USD/CNH Options				
HKATS Code	CUS				
Contract Size	USD 100,000				
Price Quotation	RMB per USD (e.g. RMB 6.2486 per USD)				
Min. Fluctuation	RMB 0.0001 (4 decimal places)				
Tick Value	RMB 10				
Expiry Day	Two Trading Days prior to the Final Settlement Day				
Final Settlement Day	The third Wednesday of the Contract Month				
Official Settlement Price	USD/CNY (HK) Spot Rate published by Hong Kong Treasury Markets Association (TMA) at or around 11:30am on the Expiry Day				
Contract Months	Spot month, the next 3 calendar months, the next 6 calendar quarter months				
Trading Hours	8:30 am to 4:30 pm (8:30 am to 11:00 am on the Expiry Day)				
Exercise Style	European style				
Strike Price	Strike intervals will be set at 0.05				
Settlement on Exercise	Physical delivery on Exercise				
	Holder Writer				
	Call Options Payment of the Final Settlement Delivery of US dollars Value* in RMB				
	Put Options Delivery of US dollars Payment of the Final Settlement Value* in RMB				
	* Final Settlement Value is the Strike Price multiplied by the Contract Size; applies to both Call and Put Options				
Margin Offset	Margin offset can be offered between any two of the USD/CNH Futures & Options, Mini USD/CNH Futures and CNH/USD Futures				

¹ Currency Options are of high risk and not suitable for inexperienced investors or people who are less risk tolerant

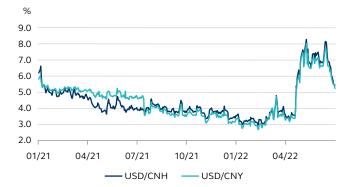
Market snapshot





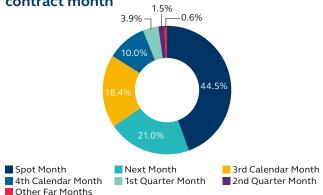
Data Period: Jan 2021 - Jun 2022 Source: Bloomberg

1-Month implied volatility: USD/CNH vs USD/CNY

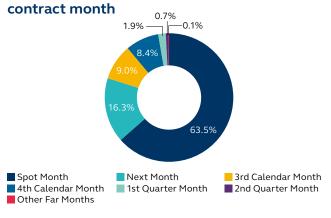


Market landscape

USD/CNH Futures volume distribution by contract month



Mini USD/CNH Futures volume distribution by



Data period: Jan-Jun 2022 Source: Bloomberg

Market strategies

Calendar Spreads

Calendar spreads are available to all individual contract month futures series for efficient calendar rolling.

Upon placing of calendar spread orders, bait orders, system-generated orders that adjust prices according to the prevailing market price, would be placed on outright series legs to increase the chance of execution.



Tailor-Made Combinations

Strategies can also be traded through the Tailor-Made Combinations (TMC) facility which enables trading of self-defined futures and options strategies^, including strategies for delta hedging and rollover, through a single order.

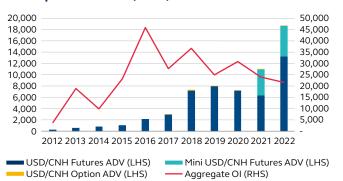
Benefits

Execution Certainty:	Option strategy will be executed only if all legs are simultaneously executed hence no risk of failed legs
Efficiency:	Each TMC consists of a maximum of 4 legs and is traded through a single net price
Quotation:	Investors may request for quotes from liquidity providers* for additional liquidity on TMC series

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^ For the list of eligible strategies please refer to "List of Prescribed Strategies for Tailor-Made Combinations" on HKEX website

USD/CNH Futures & Options and Mini USD/ CNH Futures average trading volume ("ADV") and open interest ("OI")



Block trade

A block trade comprises large buy and sell orders privately negotiated apart from the public auction market.

Criteria

Benefits

- Gain large size of FX exposure
- Price and execution certainty
- OTC flexibility with central clearing benefits
- Added liquidity

Items	Mini USD/CNH Futures	USD/CNH Futures	USD/CNH Option	s
Minimum volume threshold	100 contracts	50 contracts	50 contracts	
Permissible price range	±3%	±3%	if price >= 0.4000 if price < 0.4000	10% 0.040
Execution must be	within product trad	ing hours		
Telephone recordin	g is required to reco	ord all block trade o	orders	

Execution Procedures



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