

The S&P 500 hit an all-time closing high on January 15th and then began a mini-correction in the second half of January. With equities showing signs of weakness, short-sellers pounced and stepped up their bets on continued downside action. For the S&P 1500 as a whole, the average short interest as a percentage of float (SIPF) rose to 5.4% from the prior reading of 5.3%. In mid and small cap indices (S&P 400 and S&P 600) average SIPF levels also increased, while the S&P 500 was the only index where average SIPF levels actually saw a modest decline. At current levels, SIPF levels for all four indices are right in the middle of their range over the last year.

Across the ten S&P sectors, short interest levels saw across the board increases, although short interest levels for most sectors are still closer to 52-week lows than 52-week highs. The only exceptions are Energy, Telecom Services, and Utilities where average SIPF levels are at 52-week highs. On an absolute basis, though, Utilities has the lowest average SIPF level (2.99%), while Consumer Discretionary has the highest (8.04%).

Of the 24 S&P industry groups, we saw declines in average SIPF levels for five groups, with two (Autos and Banks) falling to 52-week lows. On the other end of the spectrum, of the 19 industry groups that saw increases in their average SIPF level, four are currently at 52-week highs (Energy, Telecom Services, Transportation, and Utilities).

The drop in stocks that we saw in the second half of January certainly brought some short-sellers out of the woodwork. With equities seeing a rebound over the last week, though, a lot of them are probably starting to feel a little like Wild E. Coyote in his pursuit of the Roadrunner. Every time they think they have a chance, the market turns around. Unlike the cartoon, though, eventually the short-sellers will be proven right.



Please see pages three through six for a list of S&P 1500 stocks with the highest and lowest SIPF.

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S&P 1500 Short Interest Summary: 1/31/14

| | Short Interest | Notable Names | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| Indices | vs. Float (%) | Largest Increases | Largest Decreases | Current Short Interest vs. One Year Range |
| S&P 500: Large Cap | 3.61 | GD, CAT, ALLE | TSCO, HRL, CMI | • |
| S&P 400: Mid Cap | 5.78 | AFG, FTNT, BRO | FHN, CLC, IEX | • |
| S&P 600: Small Cap | 6.66 | AAWW, VECO, CPSI | FELE, UCBI, MSTR | • |
| S&P 1500: All Caps | 5.41 | GD, AFG, FTNT | FHN, TSCO, CLC | • |
| Sectors | | | | Two Week Change |
| Consumer Discret. | 8.04 | DORM, SIG, HHS | TSCO, GM, CBS | • / |
| Consumer Staples | 5.27 | ENR, PM, ADM | HRL, CL, MDLZ | → <u>↓</u> |
| Energy | 6.78 | TESO, BRS, DO | MPC, TSO, HP | |
| Financials | 4.17 | AFG, BRO, JNS | FHN, UCBI, SBNY | ► ► |
| Health Care | 5.72 | CPSI, STE, EBS | BIO, ISRG, REGN | • |
| Industrials | 4.01 | GD, AAWW, GFF | CLC, CMI, IR | Current level. |
| Info Technology | 5.67 | FTNT, VECO, STMP | LSI, FB, MSTR | • |
| Materials | 4.64 | FUL, MLM, ZEP | PX, SHW, VMC | • |
| Telecom Svcs | 5.81 | ATNI, CTL, VZ | TWTC, CCI, USMO | • |
| Utilities | 2.99 | WGL, CNL, BKH | PCG, ETR, SRE | • |
| Goups | | | | |
| Autos & Parts | 3.18 | DORM, F, WGO | GM, GT, JCI | • |
| Banks | 4.80 | PFS, PBCT, TCBI | FHN, UCBI, SBNY | • |
| Capital Goods | 3.86 | GD, GFF, CAT | CLC, CMI, IR | • |
| Commercial Svcs | 4.08 | GK, MSA, BCO | TW, DLX, WM | • |
| Cons. Durables | 9.98 | COH, GRMN, ACAT | VFC, SKX, LEN | • |
| Consumer Services | 6.87 | PNK, CEC, SGMS | ESI, SBUX, EAT | • |
| Diversified Fin'ls | 5.11 | JNS, GHL, VRTS | COF, ETFC, GS | • |
| Energy | 6.78 | TESO, BRS, DO | MPC, TSO, HP | • |
| Fd & Staples Retail | 4.73 | CASY, WMT, UNFI | COST, WFM, KR | |
| Food Bevg & Tob. | 5.58 | PM, ADM, SJM | HRL, MDLZ, DAR | • |
| HC Equipment | 5.79 | CPSI, STE, ABAX | ISRG, CYH, NEOG | • |
| Hhold & Pers Prod. | 4.60 | ENR, AVP, IPAR | CL, KMB, EL | • |
| Insurance | 3.13 | AFG, BRO, IPCC | RGA, LNC, CINF | • |
| Materials | 4.64 | FUL, MLM, ZEP | PX, SHW, VMC | • |
| Media | 4.79 | HHS, JW/A, AMCX | CBS, DIS, DTV | → |
| Drugs & Biotech | 5.57 | EBS, LMNX, IPXL | BIO, REGN, AGN | • |
| Real Estate | 3.54 | SSS, AIV, SKT | UDR, PCL, PKY | • |
| Retailing | 9.35 | SIG, GPI, AEO | TSCO, TRIP, DLTR | • |
| Semiconductors | 6.87 | VECO, COHU, XLNX | LSI, ENTR, ATML | _ |
| Software | 6.19 | FTNT, STMP, EBAY | FB, MSTR, INFA | • |
| Techn Hardware | 4.16 | PKE, JBL, EFII | APH, JNPR, AVT | ● |
| Telecom Services | 5.81 | ATNI, CTL, VZ | TWTC, CCI, USMO | |
| Transportation | 4.55 | AAWW, RRTS, KSU | JBLU, KEX, FDX | • |
| Utilities | 2.99 | WGL, CNL, BKH | PCG, ETR, SRE | • |
| | | | 52- | Week Low 52 Week High |

Short Interest Report Explained:

Short Interest vs. Float (%): Average short interest as a percentage of float for companies in that index, sector, or group.

Largest Increases: Highlights the three stocks in each group that have seen their short interest as a percentage of float rise by the largest margin relative to their one-year range.

Largest Decreases: Highlights the three stocks in each group that have seen their short interest as a percentage of float fall by the largest margin relative to their one-year range.



| | Seef 500 Most Heaving Shorted Stocks (70 of Float) | | | | | |
|--------|--|---------------|----------|----------------------------|--|--|
| Ticker | Name | Sector | Price Sł | nort Interest vs Float (%) | | |
| CLF | Cliffs Natural | Materials | 22.27 | 36.39 | | |
| GME | GameStop | Cons Discret. | 36.63 | 31.46 | | |
| ADT | ADT Corp | Industrials | 30.98 | 22.09 | | |
| х | United States Steel | Materials | 26.24 | 21.10 | | |
| CVC | Cablevision | Cons Discret. | 16.75 | 20.91 | | |
| JOY | Joy Global | Industrials | 56.66 | 20.60 | | |
| FTR | Frontier Comm. | Telecom Svcs | 4.61 | 20.11 | | |
| DHI | DR Horton | Cons Discret. | 23.40 | 18.59 | | |
| DGX | Quest Diagnostics | Health Care | 52.32 | 17.69 | | |
| LEN | Lennar | Cons Discret. | 40.59 | 17.45 | | |
| FSLR | First Solar | Technology | 52.28 | 16.44 | | |
| WIN | Windstream | Telecom Svcs | 7.47 | 15.57 | | |
| DO | Diamond Offshore | Energy | 48.01 | 15.28 | | |
| GRMN | Garmin | Cons Discret. | 45.83 | 15.27 | | |
| VRSN | VeriSign | Technology | 54.07 | 14.60 | | |
| PBI | Pitney Bowes | Industrials | 24.90 | 14.16 | | |
| EA | Electronic Arts | Technology | 27.63 | 14.05 | | |
| HAS | Hasbro | Cons Discret. | 52.32 | 13.75 | | |
| TRIP | TripAdvisor | Cons Discret. | 90.58 | 13.38 | | |
| SPLS | Staples | Cons Discret. | 13.60 | 12.70 | | |
| TSN | Tyson | Cons Staples | 36.92 | 12.57 | | |
| AA | Alcoa | Materials | 11.44 | 12.25 | | |
| DNB | Dun & Bradstreet | Industrials | 97.12 | 11.64 | | |
| РВСТ | People's United | Financials | 14.05 | 11.44 | | |
| MTB | M&T Bank | Financials | 114.53 | 11.24 | | |
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S&P 500 Most Heavily Shorted Stocks (% of Float)

S&P 500 Least Heavily Shorted Stocks (% of Float)

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|--------|---------------------|---------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Ticker | Name | Sector | Price | Short Interest vs Float (%) |
| DLPH | Delphi Automotive | Cons Discret. | 63.57 | 0.54 |
| TEL | TE Connectivity | Technology | 57.44 | 0.58 |
| ABBV | AbbVie | Health Care | 50.67 | 0.59 |
| PEP | Pepsi | Cons Staples | 81.78 | 0.61 |
| L | Loews | Financials | 44.23 | 0.62 |
| HON | Honeywell | Industrials | 94.81 | 0.63 |
| А | Agilent | Health Care | 60.32 | 0.65 |
| CVX | Chevron | Energy | 112.51 | 0.69 |
| ВК | Bank of New York | Financials | 32.20 | 0.69 |
| UNP | Union Pacific | Industrials | 178.11 | 0.69 |
| GE | General Electric | Industrials | 25.60 | 0.70 |
| WFC | Wells Fargo | Financials | 46.20 | 0.70 |
| AXP | American Express | Financials | 88.88 | 0.70 |
| ABT | Abbot Labs | Health Care | 38.25 | 0.71 |
| SBUX | Starbucks | Cons Discret. | 74.64 | 0.71 |
| PG | Procter & Gamble | Cons Staples | 78.21 | 0.72 |
| MDLZ | Mondelez | Cons Staples | 33.35 | 0.72 |
| PM | Philip Morris Int'l | Cons Staples | 78.94 | 0.73 |
| ZTS | Zoetis | Health Care | 29.63 | 0.74 |
| TMO | Thermo Fisher | Health Care | 121.21 | 0.74 |
| UTX | United Technologies | Industrials | 112.60 | 0.74 |
| PFE | Pfizer | Health Care | 31.97 | 0.77 |
| MON | Monsanto | Materials | 111.12 | 0.77 |
| AON | Aon | Financials | 83.89 | 0.79 |
| FIS | Fidelity National | Technology | 53.50 | 0.82 |
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| | S&P 400 Most Heavily Shorted Stocks (% of Float) | | | | | | |
|--------|--|---------------|--------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Ticker | Name | Sector | Price | Short Interest vs Float (%) | | | |
| JCP | JC Penney | Cons Discret. | 6.03 | 42.08 | | | |
| KBH | KB Home | Cons Discret. | 18.64 | 28.00 | | | |
| GMCR | Green Mountain Coffee | Cons Staples | 119.88 | 27.41 | | | |
| ANR | Alpha Natural | Energy | 5.35 | 24.93 | | | |
| BBG | Bill Barrett | Energy | 23.08 | 24.55 | | | |
| RMD | ResMed | Health Care | 45.94 | 23.97 | | | |
| AMD | Advanced Micro | Technology | 3.70 | 20.76 | | | |
| LTM | Life Time Fitness | Cons Discret. | 44.15 | 20.68 | | | |
| EQIX | Equinix Inc | Technology | 188.98 | 20.51 | | | |
| DBD | Diebold | Technology | 34.03 | 20.45 | | | |
| CAB | Cabela's | Cons Discret. | 70.44 | 20.31 | | | |
| LXK | Lexmark International | Technology | 40.55 | 20.07 | | | |
| CNVR | Conversant | Technology | 25.90 | 20.02 | | | |
| CIEN | Ciena | Technology | 23.10 | 19.71 | | | |
| SVU | SUPERVALU | Cons Staples | 5.88 | 19.61 | | | |
| CRR | CARBO Ceramics | Energy | 117.78 | 19.59 | | | |
| IPI | Intrepid Potash | Materials | 15.81 | 19.48 | | | |
| JBLU | JetBlue Airways | Industrials | 8.43 | 19.03 | | | |
| ANF | Abercrombie | Cons Discret. | 34.41 | 19.01 | | | |
| DECK | Deckers Outdoor | Cons Discret. | 83.06 | 18.88 | | | |
| OLN | Olin | Materials | 26.02 | 18.03 | | | |
| NSR | NeuStar | Technology | 35.02 | 17.67 | | | |
| SUNE | SunEdison | Technology | 14.04 | 17.58 | | | |
| DDD | 3D Systems | Technology | 67.34 | 17.49 | | | |
| NNN | National Retail | Financials | 33.40 | 17.42 | | | |
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S&P 400 Most Heavily Shorted Stocks (% of Float)

S&P 400 Least Heavily Shorted Stocks (% of Float)

| Ticker | Name | Sector | Price | Short Interest vs Float (%) |
|--------|------------------------|-------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| HCC | HCC Insurance Holdings | Financials | 43.39 | 0.45 |
| GGG | Graco | Industrials | 73.36 | 0.46 |
| KMPR | Kemper | Financials | 38.33 | 0.47 |
| ACM | AECOM | Industrials | 29.89 | 0.50 |
| ANSS | ANSYS | Technology | 81.37 | 0.53 |
| ITT | ITT Corp | Industrials | 40.99 | 0.57 |
| CPWR | Compuware | Technology | 10.38 | 0.59 |
| XLS | Exelis | Industrials | 19.39 | 0.63 |
| SEIC | SEI Investments | Financials | 34.75 | 0.63 |
| MAN | Manpowergroup | Industrials | 76.38 | 0.65 |
| SNPS | Synopsys | Technology | 40.74 | 0.66 |
| RGA | Reinsurance Of America | Financials | 73.32 | 0.68 |
| WAFD | Washington Federal | Financials | 22.41 | 0.71 |
| UGI | UGI | Utilities | 43.35 | 0.73 |
| RS | Reliance Steel | Materials | 72.43 | 0.78 |
| Υ | Alleghany | Financials | 374.76 | 0.83 |
| IM | Ingram Micro | Technology | 25.33 | 0.83 |
| AJG | Arthur J Gallagher | Financials | 45.66 | 0.84 |
| OGE | OGE Energy | Utilities | 34.97 | 0.84 |
| LECO | Lincoln Electric | Industrials | 70.12 | 0.87 |
| DST | DST Systems | Technology | 94.30 | 0.89 |
| RKT | Rock-Tenn | Materials | 106.40 | 0.92 |
| HII | Huntington Ingalls | Industrials | 94.10 | 0.93 |
| MTX | Minerals Technology | Materials | 52.32 | 0.93 |
| MDU | MDU Resources | Utilities | 33.37 | 0.94 |

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| | S&P 600 Wost Heavily Shorted Stocks (% of Float) | | | | | | |
|--------|--|---------------|-------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Ticker | Name | Sector | Price | Short Interest vs Float (%) | | | |
| BTH | Blyth | Cons Discret. | 9.64 | 79.76 | | | |
| WRLD | World Acceptance | Financials | 95.36 | 45.82 | | | |
| EBIX | Ebix | Technology | 14.65 | 44.00 | | | |
| GPRE | Green Plains Renewable | Energy | 23.90 | 43.22 | | | |
| JAKK | JAKKS Pacific | Cons Discret. | 5.91 | 42.30 | | | |
| RBCN | Rubicon Technology | Technology | 11.00 | 39.12 | | | |
| CHE | Chemed Corp | Health Care | 78.62 | 38.67 | | | |
| GY | GenCorp | Industrials | 17.98 | 38.53 | | | |
| LNN | Lindsay | Industrials | 88.55 | 36.61 | | | |
| QCOR | Questcor Pharm. | Health Care | 69.89 | 35.80 | | | |
| SFY | Swift Energy | Energy | 11.83 | 34.12 | | | |
| PACW | PacWest Bancorp | Financials | 40.88 | 31.83 | | | |
| ARO | Aeropostale | Cons Discret. | 6.63 | 31.62 | | | |
| ESI | ITT Educational Services | Cons Discret. | 30.36 | 31.07 | | | |
| OUTR | Outerwall | Cons Discret. | 71.19 | 30.35 | | | |
| BRLI | Bio-Reference Labs | Health Care | 26.33 | 30.32 | | | |
| AKS | AK Steel Holding | Materials | 6.71 | 29.22 | | | |
| LQDT | Liquidity Services | Technology | 24.51 | 28.72 | | | |
| DMND | Diamond Foods | Cons Staples | 25.21 | 26.50 | | | |
| SYNA | Synaptics | Technology | 59.70 | 26.06 | | | |
| RGR | Sturm Ruger | Cons Discret. | 74.43 | 25.82 | | | |
| PVA | Penn Virginia | Energy | 12.47 | 25.64 | | | |
| SPPI | Spectrum Pharma | Health Care | 8.10 | 24.84 | | | |
| CRUS | Cirrus Logic | Technology | 18.60 | 24.56 | | | |
| GTAT | GT Advanced Tech. | Technology | 11.24 | 24.50 | | | |
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S&P 600 Most Heavily Shorted Stocks (% of Float)

S&P 600 Least Heavily Shorted Stocks

| Ticker | Name | Sector | Price | Short Interest vs Float (%) |
|--------|-----------------------|---------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| SIGI | Selective Insurance | Financials | 22.37 | 0.67 |
| NAVG | On Assignment | Financials | 59.80 | 0.67 |
| SXI | Standex Int'l | Industrials | 54.78 | 0.68 |
| UNF | UniFirst | Industrials | 105.48 | 0.70 |
| PRA | Drew Industries | Financials | 45.84 | 0.73 |
| PSEM | Pericom Semiconductor | Technology | 8.65 | 0.73 |
| VVI | Viad | Industrials | 24.02 | 0.75 |
| NP | Neenah Paper | Materials | 44.23 | 0.75 |
| SCSC | ScanSource | Technology | 37.01 | 0.77 |
| NCI | Navigant | Industrials | 17.78 | 0.79 |
| SUPX | Supertex | Technology | 32.96 | 0.79 |
| DAKT | Daktronics | Technology | 14.23 | 0.80 |
| HMN | Horace Mann | Financials | 28.37 | 0.80 |
| SAFT | Brooks Automation | Financials | 55.23 | 0.81 |
| BRKS | Brooks Automation | Technology | 9.99 | 0.81 |
| CIR | CIRCOR Int'l | Industrials | 72.34 | 0.82 |
| MCS | Market Axess | Cons Discret. | 13.41 | 0.82 |
| DSPG | DSP Group | Technology | 8.71 | 0.82 |
| UEIC | Universal Electronics | Cons Discret. | 34.99 | 0.83 |
| BFS | Saul Centers | Financials | 46.54 | 0.84 |
| EXPO | Exponent | Industrials | 71.20 | 0.84 |
| GLT | PH Glatfelter | Materials | 31.79 | 0.84 |
| GB | Greatbach | Health Care | 41.09 | 0.85 |
| ASGN | AMERISAFE | Industrials | 30.35 | 0.86 |
| SHLM | A Schulman | Materials | 33.10 | 0.86 |

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S&P 1500 Most Heavily Shorted Stocks a/o 1/31/14

| | | | | | Short Interest | YTD 2014 |
|--------|--------------------------|------------|---------------|--------|----------------|-----------------|
| Ticker | Name | Market Cap | Sector | Price | vs Float (%) | Performance (%) |
| BTH | Blyth | Small Cap | Cons Discret. | 9.52 | 79.76 | -12.50 |
| WRLD | World Acceptance | Small Cap | Financials | 95.60 | 45.82 | 9.22 |
| EBIX | Ebix | Small Cap | Technology | 14.45 | 44.00 | -1.77 |
| GPRE | Green Plains Renewable | Small Cap | Energy | 24.23 | 43.22 | 25.03 |
| JAKK | JAKKS Pacific | Small Cap | Cons Discret. | 5.93 | 42.30 | -11.76 |
| JCP | JC Penney | Mid Cap | Cons Discret. | 6.02 | 42.08 | -34.21 |
| RBCN | Rubicon Technology | Small Cap | Technology | 11.05 | 39.12 | 11.06 |
| CHE | Chemed | Small Cap | Health Care | 77.53 | 38.67 | 1.19 |
| GY | GenCorp | Small Cap | Industrials | 17.98 | 38.53 | -0.22 |
| LNN | Lindsay | Small Cap | Industrials | 87.84 | 36.61 | 6.15 |
| CLF | Cliffs Natural Resources | Large Cap | Materials | 22.00 | 36.39 | -16.06 |
| QCOR | Questcor Pharm. | Small Cap | Health Care | 69.65 | 35.80 | 27.92 |
| SFY | Swift Energy | Small Cap | Energy | 11.92 | 34.12 | -11.70 |
| PACW | PacWest Bancorp | Small Cap | Financials | 40.46 | 31.83 | -4.17 |
| ARO | Aeropostale | Small Cap | Cons Discret. | 6.52 | 31.62 | -28.27 |
| GME | GameStop | Large Cap | Cons Discret. | 36.51 | 31.46 | -25.88 |
| ESI | ITT Educational | Small Cap | Cons Discret. | 30.43 | 31.07 | -9.38 |
| OUTR | Outerwall | Small Cap | Cons Discret. | 71.69 | 30.35 | 6.57 |
| BRLI | Bio-Reference Labs | Small Cap | Health Care | 26.32 | 30.32 | 3.05 |
| AKS | AK Steel Holding | Small Cap | Materials | 6.66 | 29.22 | -18.78 |
| LQDT | Liquidity Services | Small Cap | Technology | 24.33 | 28.72 | 7.37 |
| КВН | KB Home | Mid Cap | Cons Discret. | 18.51 | 28.00 | 1.26 |
| GMCR | Green Mountain Coffee | Mid Cap | Cons Staples | 117.75 | 27.41 | 55.88 |
| DMND | Diamond Foods | Small Cap | Cons Staples | 24.92 | 26.50 | -3.56 |
| SYNA | Synaptics | Small Cap | Technology | 58.77 | 26.06 | 13.43 |
| | | | | | Average | -0.41 |
| | | | | | S&P 1500 | -1.65 |