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Regulators Looking Into Role 'Quote Stuffing' May Have Played in Flash Crash

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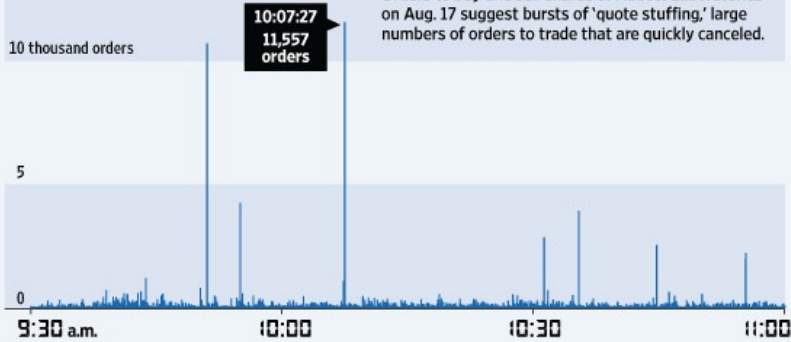
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The SEC is looking at what role, if any, 'quote stuffing' played during the May 6 flash crash. Above, traders at the New York Stock Exchange that day, when the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 700 points in minutes.

Stuffing Stocks

Orders to buy and sell shares of Abbott Laboratories on Aug. 17 suggest bursts of 'quote stuffing,' large numbers of orders to trade that are quickly canceled.



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