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As the title suggest I don't quite understand how a stock split benefits us?

I get how for stock splits if you the price of the share is \$100 per share and I have 10 shares (total value = \$1000), for a 4:1 split I'll have 40 shares at the cost of \$25 per share (which doesn't change the total value = \$1000).

Sure you can make the argument that there is less barrier of entry (as now it's cheaper to own 1 share vs prior to the split).

But overall, how does it benefit retail investors? Wouldn't the action of stock split mean there are more shares available? Doesn't that mean the hedgies have more methods of being able to short our favourite GME stock?

Would love to hear thoughts on this.