

Table 1169. Foreign Holdings of U.S. Securities by Country: 2006 to 2008

[In billions of dollars (2,126.2 represents \$2,126,200,000,000). Covers only private holdings of U.S. securities, except as noted. See also Table 1253]

Type of security and country	2006	2007	2008, prel.	Type of security and country	2006	2007	2008, prel.
U.S. Treasury securities ^{1, 2}	2,126.2	2,376.4	3,210.6				
China ³	445.2	486.8	807.5	China ³	65.6	56.1	33.8
Japan	636.4	616.8	668.9	Taiwan ³	30.1	30.7	33.8
OPEC Asia ⁴	101.5	116.1	173.4	OPEC Asia ⁴	7.3	16.0	22.7
Brazil	53.0	135.5	136.7	Hong Kong	26.2	35.1	20.0
Russia	18.3	41.1	134.7	Africa	3.1	3.5	2.1
Cayman Islands	33.8	50.4	124.9	Other countries ²	32.7	44.7	42.5
Belgium and Luxembourg	72.8	94.6	119.9	Australia	22.7	32.2	30.2
Hong Kong	53.2	54.5	81.6				
Taiwan ³	54.3	52.6	75.8	Corporate stocks	2,547.5	2,901.0	1,837.6
Switzerland	37.4	42.0	65.1	Europe ²	1,396.7	1,560.7	981.0
				United Kingdom	377.8	443.7	295.0
Corporate and agency bonds	2,824.9	3,289.1	2,865.9	Belgium and Luxembourg	243.5	246.3	144.5
Europe ²	1,762.4	2,068.3	1,792.4	Netherlands	167.6	193.1	126.7
Belgium and Luxembourg	648.3	753.0	671.9	Switzerland	162.2	173.2	113.9
United Kingdom	593.4	709.3	595.9	France	116.1	144.1	88.4
Ireland	120.8	168.7	142.6	Ireland	75.3	82.1	53.3
Germany	90.4	113.4	104.3	Germany	84.3	99.2	48.2
Switzerland	88.6	97.7	95.4	Sweden	50.6	50.2	31.7
Netherlands	103.3	104.2	89.9	Canada	318.4	353.0	225.0
France	54.6	58.4	47.3	Caribbean financial centers ²	391.7	500.8	303.3
Canada	77.3	78.0	72.0	Cayman Islands	220.8	324.4	212.3
Caribbean financial centers ²	503.9	590.4	505.6	Bermuda	72.0	76.0	39.6
Cayman Islands	353.7	430.7	365.9	Latin America, excluding Caribbean financial centers	40.2	49.5	37.1
Bermuda	110.8	119.8	106.3	Asia ²	309.8	332.4	227.8
Latin America, excluding Caribbean financial centers ²	38.3	50.0	51.8	Japan	213.3	217.0	153.9
Mexico	11.6	24.8	27.4	Singapore	45.5	44.7	21.4
Asia ²	407.2	454.2	399.5	Africa	5.4	9.2	4.6
Japan	253.3	286.7	268.2	Other countries ²	85.3	95.4	58.8
				Australia	74.8	88.0	55.0

¹ Includes foreign official holdings. ² Includes other countries not shown separately. ³ With the establishment of diplomatic relations with China on January 1, 1979, the U.S. government recognized the People's Republic of China as the sole legal government of China and acknowledged the Chinese position that there is only one China and that Taiwan is part of China.

⁴ Comprises Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates.