

Table 1168. Foreign Purchases and Sales of U.S. Securities by Type of Security, 1990 to 2008, and by Selected Country, 2008

[In billions of dollars (18.7 represents \$18,700,000,000). Covers transactions in all types of long-term domestic securities by foreigners as reported to the Treasury International Capital Reporting System by banks, brokers, and other entities in the United States (except nonmarketable U.S. Treasury notes, foreign series; and nonmarketable U.S. Treasury bonds and notes, foreign currency series). See headnote, Table 1166. Excludes U.S. equities acquired through mergers and reincorporations that involve stock swaps. Also excludes principal repayment flows on foreign holdings of U.S. government agency and corporate asset-backed securities (ABS). Including stock swaps and accounting for ABS repayment flows, net purchases of U.S. securities was \$219 billion in 2008. Minus sign (-) indicates net sales by foreigners or a net outflow of capital from the United States]

Year and country	Net purchases					Total transactions ⁴				
	Total	Treasury bonds and notes ¹	U.S. gov't. corporations ²	Corporate bonds ³	Corporate stocks	Total	Treasury bonds and notes ¹	U.S. gov't. corporations ²	Corporate bonds ³	Corporate stocks
1990	18.7	17.9	6.3	9.7	-15.1	4,204	3,620	104	117	362
2000	457.8	-54.0	152.8	184.1	174.9	16,910	7,795	1,305	775	7,036
2001	520.8	18.5	164.0	222.0	116.4	20,003	10,517	2,239	1,260	5,986
2002	547.6	119.9	195.1	182.3	50.2	25,498	14,409	3,261	1,459	6,369
2003	719.9	263.6	155.8	265.7	34.7	26,332	15,739	2,725	1,694	6,174
2004	916.5	352.1	226.4	309.5	28.5	29,441	17,520	2,192	2,033	7,696
2005	1,011.5	338.1	219.3	372.2	82.0	33,303	19,764	1,976	2,182	9,382
2006	1,143.2	195.5	286.5	510.8	150.4	41,011	21,720	2,858	2,846	13,587
2007	1,005.8	198.0	219.0	393.4	195.5	58,455	30,057	3,882	3,433	21,083
2008, total ⁵	412.5	316.0	-37.8	93.5	40.8	60,936	28,939	5,216	2,841	23,941
United Kingdom	328.6	188.6	78.1	31.9	29.9	19,668	13,775	933	1,289	3,671
Cayman Islands	-17.1	34.5	-51.4	29.0	-29.2	14,963	3,202	2,276	646	8,839
France	-21.8	-15.4	2.8	-2.0	-7.2	8,832	4,312	77	42	4,401
Bermuda	-30.3	9.2	-38.0	-0.4	-1.2	2,343	364	164	88	1,728
Canada	14.1	-5.9	5.4	7.2	7.4	1,987	1,044	121	66	756
Japan	55.8	6.1	6.1	22.3	21.4	1,580	1,097	281	99	102
British Virgin Islands	-8.0	2.3	0.6	-6.3	-4.6	1,256	152	9	73	1,023
Bahamas, The	-12.2	-12.7	2.1	0.2	-1.8	1,054	632	19	42	361
Ireland	-22.1	-4.3	-3.4	-15.3	0.8	936	677	112	57	91
China ⁶	130.4	84.7	16.7	29.6	-0.7	817	487	243	55	32
Anguilla	-3.5	-0.8	-0.2	-0.3	-2.2	746	39	2	2	704
Germany	-17.1	0.7	-3.4	5.0	-19.3	640	221	54	40	326

¹ Marketable bonds and notes. ² Includes federally sponsored agencies. ³ Includes transactions in directly placed issues abroad by U.S. corporations and issues of states and municipalities. ⁴ Total purchases plus total sales. ⁵ Includes other countries, not shown separately. ⁶ See footnote 3, Table 1169.