

Table 1205. Foreign Purchases and Sales of U.S. Securities by Type of Security, 1990 to 2010, and by Selected Country, 2010

[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 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). Data by country show the country of domicile of the foreign buyers and sellers of the securities; in the case of outstanding issues, this may differ from the country of the original issuer. Excludes U.S. equities acquired through mergers and reincorporations that involve stock swaps and 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 \$716 billion in 2010. Minus sign (-) indicates net sales by foreigners or a net outflow of capital from the United States]

| Year and country | Net purchases | | | | Total transactions ¹ | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | U.S. govt. | | | | U.S. govt. | | | | | |
| | Treasury bonds and notes ² | corporations ³ | Corporate bonds ⁴ | Corporate stocks | Treasury bonds and notes ² | corporations ³ | Corporate bonds ⁴ | Corporate stocks | | |
| Total | | | | | Total | | | | | |
| 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 |
| 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..... | 414.9 | 314.9 | -38.7 | 93.9 | 44.8 | 61,035 | 28,944 | 5,219 | 2,841 | 24,031 |
| 2009..... | 638.9 | 538.4 | -11.5 | -40.8 | 152.7 | 40,321 | 22,648 | 2,098 | 2,420 | 13,155 |
| 2010, total ⁵..... | 933.9 | 707.9 | 115.0 | -1.8 | 112.8 | 49,041 | 31,623 | 1,997 | 2,035 | 13,386 |
| United Kingdom..... | 397.9 | 343.6 | 31.5 | -5.0 | 27.8 | 17,585 | 14,629 | 405 | 708 | 1,843 |
| Cayman Islands..... | 59.9 | 18.4 | 7.1 | 18.3 | 16.1 | 8,698 | 3,392 | 329 | 465 | 4,513 |
| France..... | 27.9 | -5.0 | 16.4 | -6.4 | 23.0 | 7,720 | 5,896 | 62 | 38 | 1,725 |
| Canada..... | 95.8 | 80.2 | 7.8 | 1.6 | 6.2 | 2,194 | 1,296 | 69 | 97 | 732 |
| Japan..... | 200.8 | 124.1 | 68.0 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 2,096 | 1,535 | 362 | 67 | 133 |
| Bermuda..... | 15.0 | 3.1 | 4.6 | 1.7 | 5.5 | 1,250 | 186 | 96 | 72 | 896 |
| Bahamas, The..... | -8.8 | -8.8 | 0.7 | -0.9 | 0.1 | 927 | 432 | 9 | 128 | 358 |
| British Virgin Islands..... | -2.2 | -4.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.6 | 1,094 | 568 | 4 | 41 | 482 |
| Anguilla..... | -0.2 | -1.4 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 1,003 | 43 | 0 | 2 | 958 |
| China ⁶ | 24.3 | 51.2 | -29.3 | -0.4 | 2.8 | 505 | 356 | 103 | 8 | 38 |
| Israel..... | 4.5 | 3.4 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 297 | 259 | 5 | 4 | 29 |
| Ireland..... | -9.1 | -3.1 | -4.0 | -3.0 | 1.0 | 458 | 278 | 70 | 40 | 70 |

¹ Total purchases plus total sales. ² Marketable bonds and notes. ³ Includes federally sponsored agencies. ⁴ Includes transactions in directly placed securities abroad by U.S. corporations and issues of states and municipalities. ⁵ Includes other countries, not shown separately. ⁶ See footnote 3, Table 1206.

Source: U.S. Department of Treasury, *Treasury Bulletin*, quarterly, Capital Movements Tables (Section IV).

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Table 1206. Foreign Holdings of U.S. Securities by Country: 2008 to 2010

[In billions of dollars (3,253.0 represents \$3,253,000,000,000). Covers only private holdings of U.S. securities, except as noted. See also Table 1209]

| Country | 2008 | 2009 | 2010, prel. | Country | 2008 | 2009 | 2010, prel. |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| U.S. Treasury securities ^{1, 2}..... | 3,253.0 | 3,671.4 | 4,385.3 | Japan..... | 265.2 | 261.2 | 270.5 |
| China ³ | 808.3 | 1,036.4 | 1,280.1 | Taiwan ³ | 36.4 | 43.5 | 52.2 |
| Japan..... | 660.1 | 750.2 | 871.5 | Hong Kong..... | 23.4 | 24.6 | 31.9 |
| OPEC Asia ⁴ | 180.6 | 166.1 | 165.8 | Africa..... | 3.4 | 2.7 | 2.4 |
| Brazil..... | 140.1 | 170.3 | 184.7 | Other countries ² | 48.2 | 48.9 | 43.5 |
| Russia..... | 133.8 | 156.3 | 169.4 | Australia..... | 28.9 | 25.7 | 23.5 |
| Hong Kong..... | 78.2 | 145.9 | 133.5 | Corporate stocks..... | 1,850.1 | 2,494.3 | 2,991.6 |
| Taiwan ³ | 94.5 | 125.8 | 153.7 | Europe ² | 964.4 | 1,281.1 | 1,550.4 |
| Belgium and Luxembourg..... | 112.9 | 111.3 | 117.7 | United Kingdom..... | 282.7 | 372.0 | 451.8 |
| Switzerland..... | 73.6 | 91.0 | 105.5 | Belgium and Luxembourg..... | 147.4 | 197.6 | 231.6 |
| United Kingdom..... | 84.7 | 29.7 | 98.5 | Switzerland..... | 118.0 | 166.0 | 202.7 |
| Corporate and agency bonds..... | 2,770.6 | 2,825.6 | 2,868.5 | Netherlands..... | 124.6 | 159.5 | 179.9 |
| Europe ² | 1,753.3 | 1,782.6 | 1,762.2 | France..... | 87.3 | 116.1 | 163.6 |
| Belgium and Luxembourg..... | 668.9 | 705.7 | 677.2 | Ireland..... | 56.0 | 78.3 | 95.3 |
| United Kingdom..... | 566.0 | 546.4 | 549.6 | Germany..... | 45.3 | 57.2 | 67.4 |
| Ireland..... | 153.0 | 154.5 | 151.0 | Sweden..... | 31.4 | 46.0 | 57.9 |
| Switzerland..... | 98.8 | 113.4 | 121.2 | Canada..... | 234.1 | 306.0 | 365.7 |
| Germany..... | 90.5 | 85.5 | 83.7 | Caribbean financial centers ² | 305.0 | 424.2 | 511.2 |
| Netherlands..... | 84.7 | 73.7 | 66.8 | Cayman Islands..... | 214.9 | 299.2 | 357.8 |
| France..... | 41.0 | 49.0 | 59.8 | Latin America, excluding | | | |
| Canada..... | 63.8 | 70.1 | 87.7 | Caribbean financial centers | 39.1 | 54.5 | 65.4 |
| Caribbean financial centers ² | 480.2 | 516.8 | 536.9 | Mexico..... | 10.3 | 14.5 | 20.8 |
| Cayman Islands..... | 336.8 | 354.1 | 363.8 | Asia ² | 239.6 | 336.4 | 391.3 |
| Bermuda..... | 109.5 | 124.1 | 131.4 | Japan..... | 161.9 | 231.2 | 275.0 |
| Latin America, excluding Caribbean financial centers ² | 33.8 | 26.6 | 32.2 | Africa..... | 5.1 | 5.9 | 6.6 |
| Asia ² | 387.9 | 377.9 | 403.6 | Other countries ² | 62.8 | 86.2 | 101.0 |
| | | | | Australia..... | 57.3 | 77.5 | 91.5 |

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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, *Survey of Current Business*, July 2011.