

# US Monetary Policy: Winding & Unwinding QE

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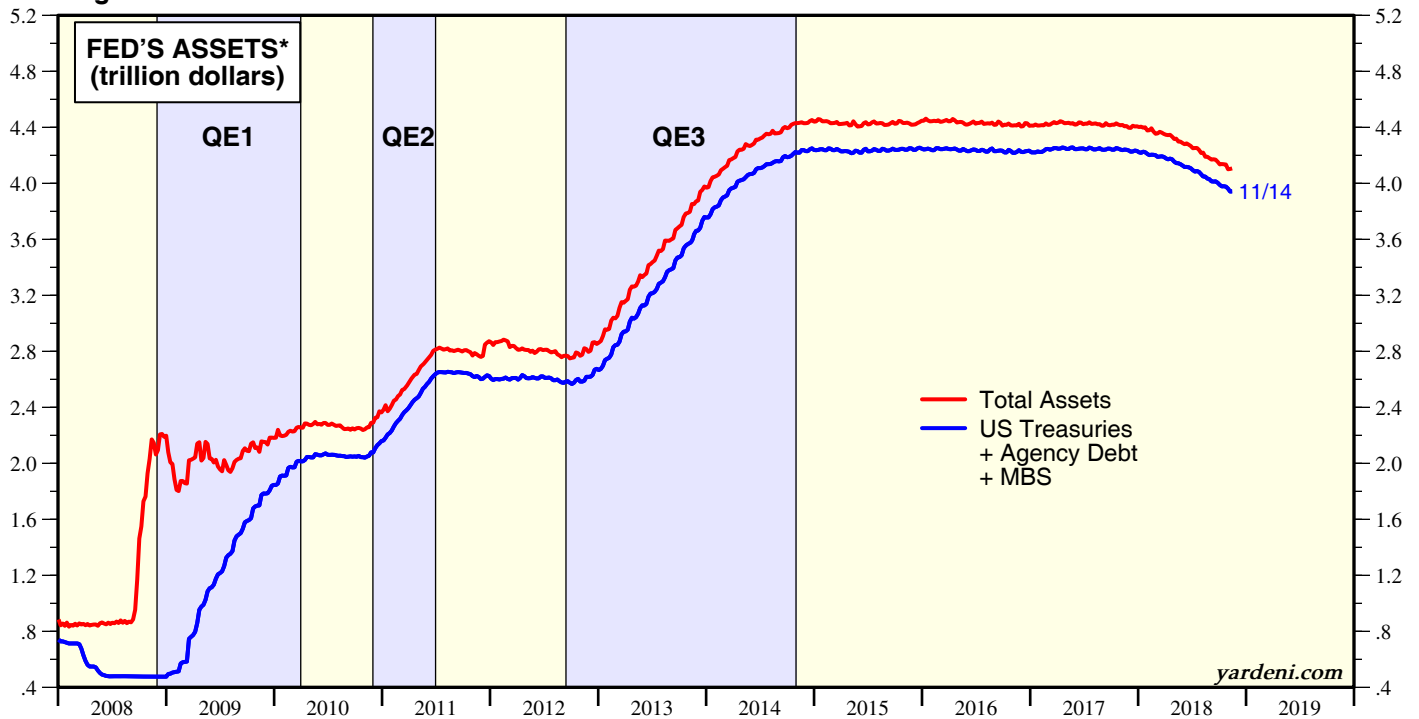
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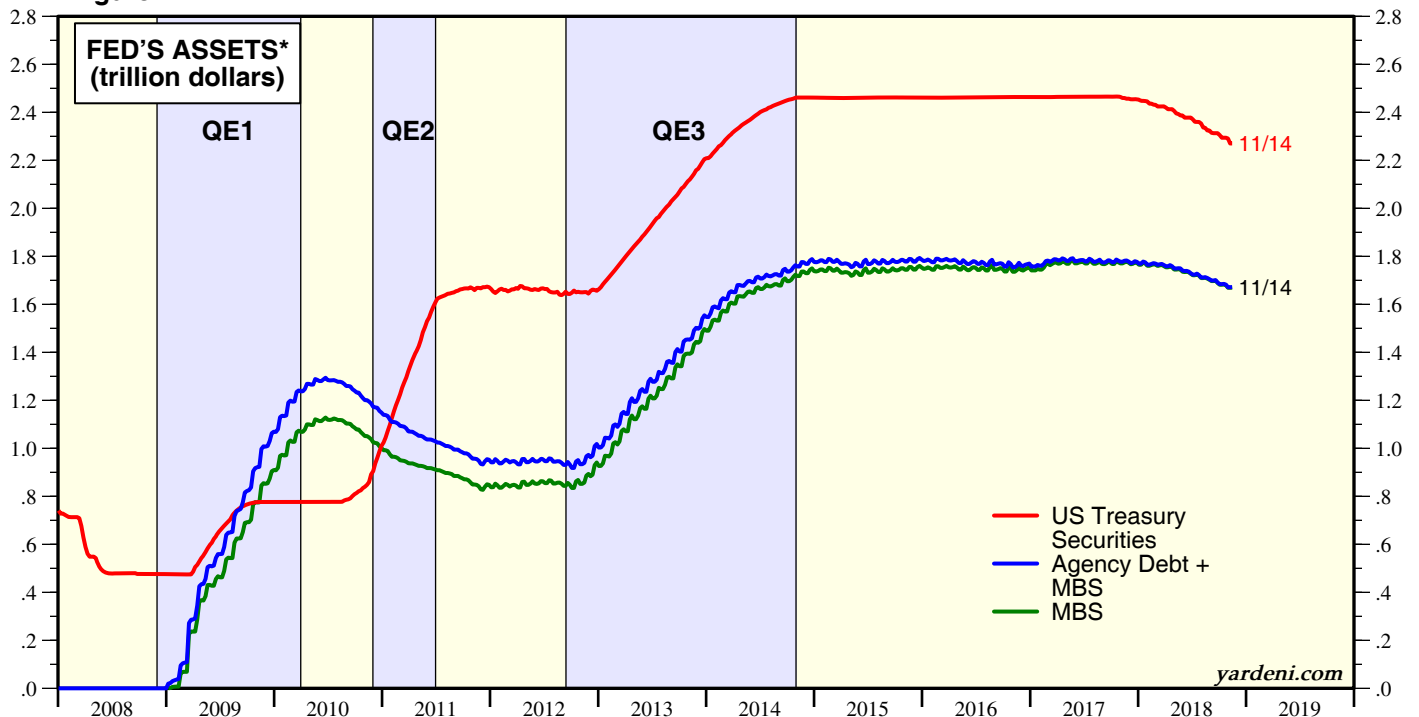
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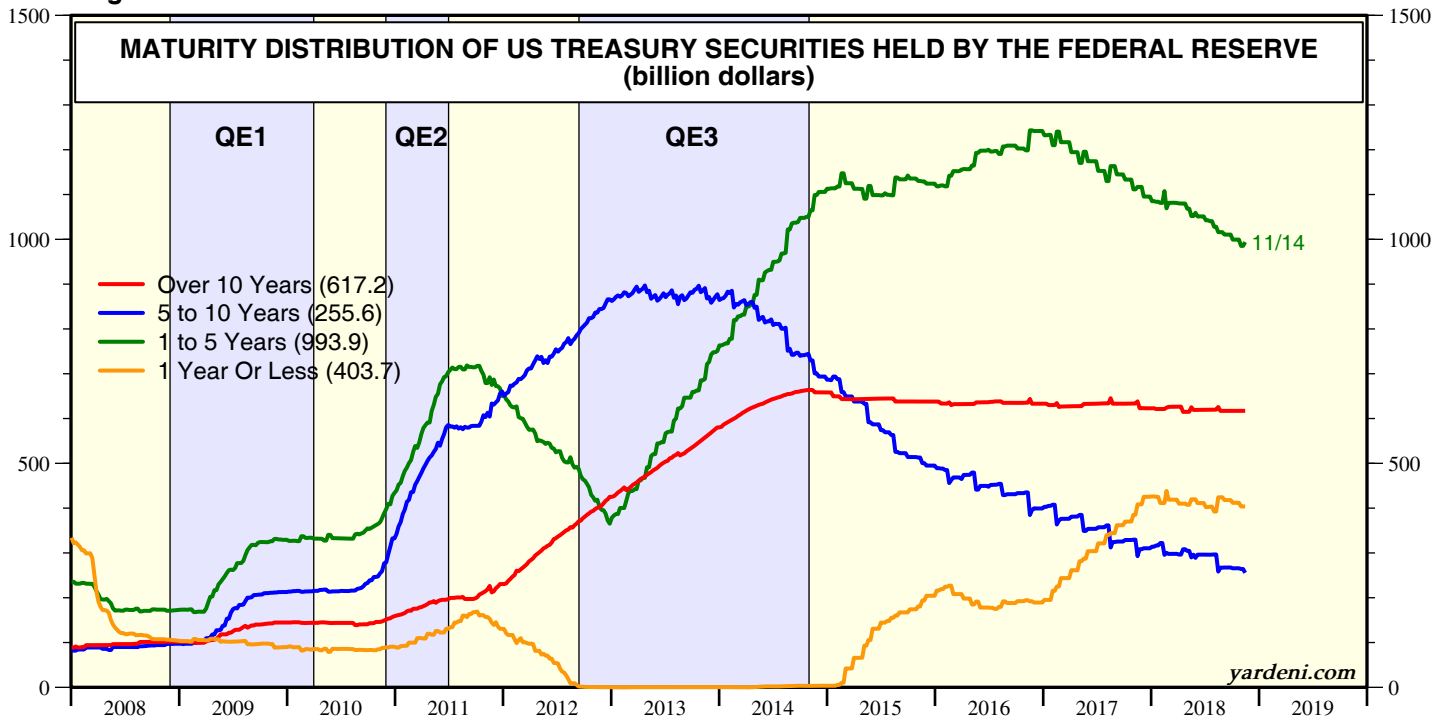
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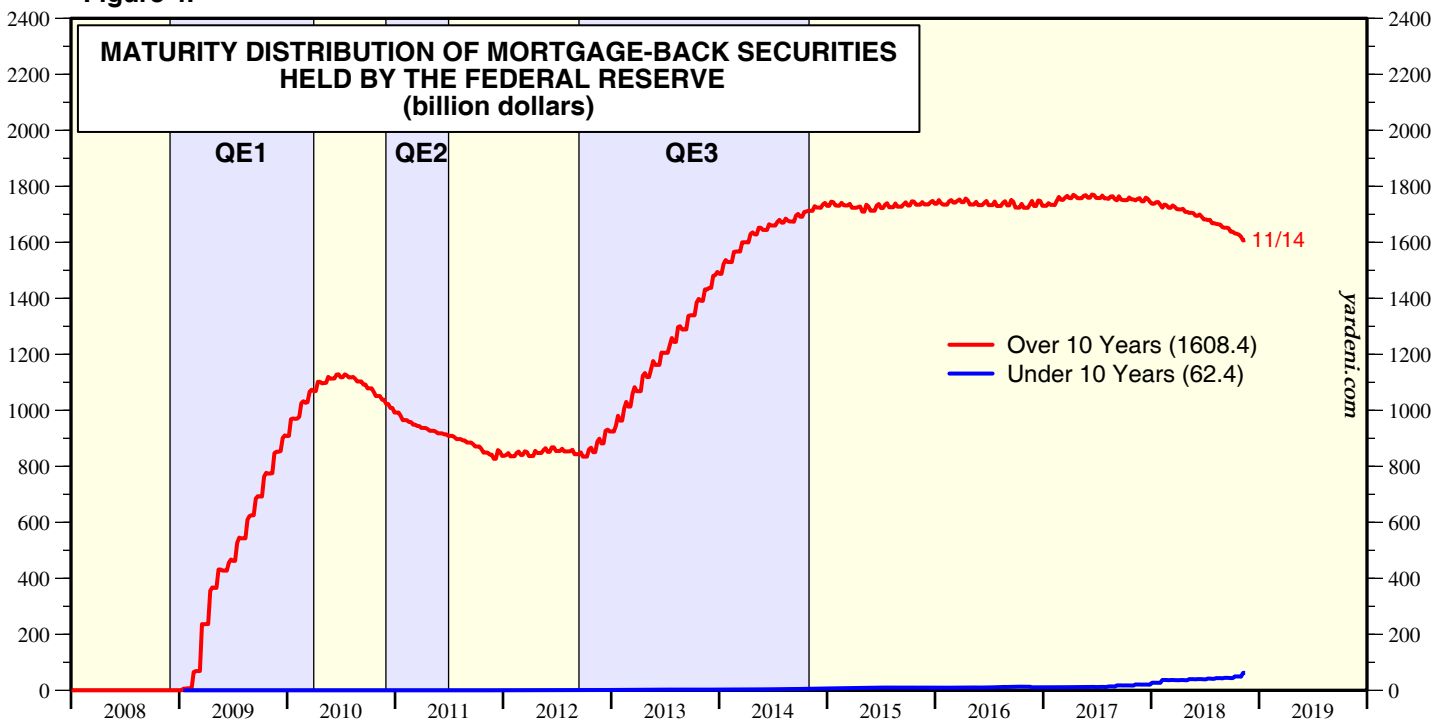
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Source: Federal Reserve Board, H.4.1 (Table 2).

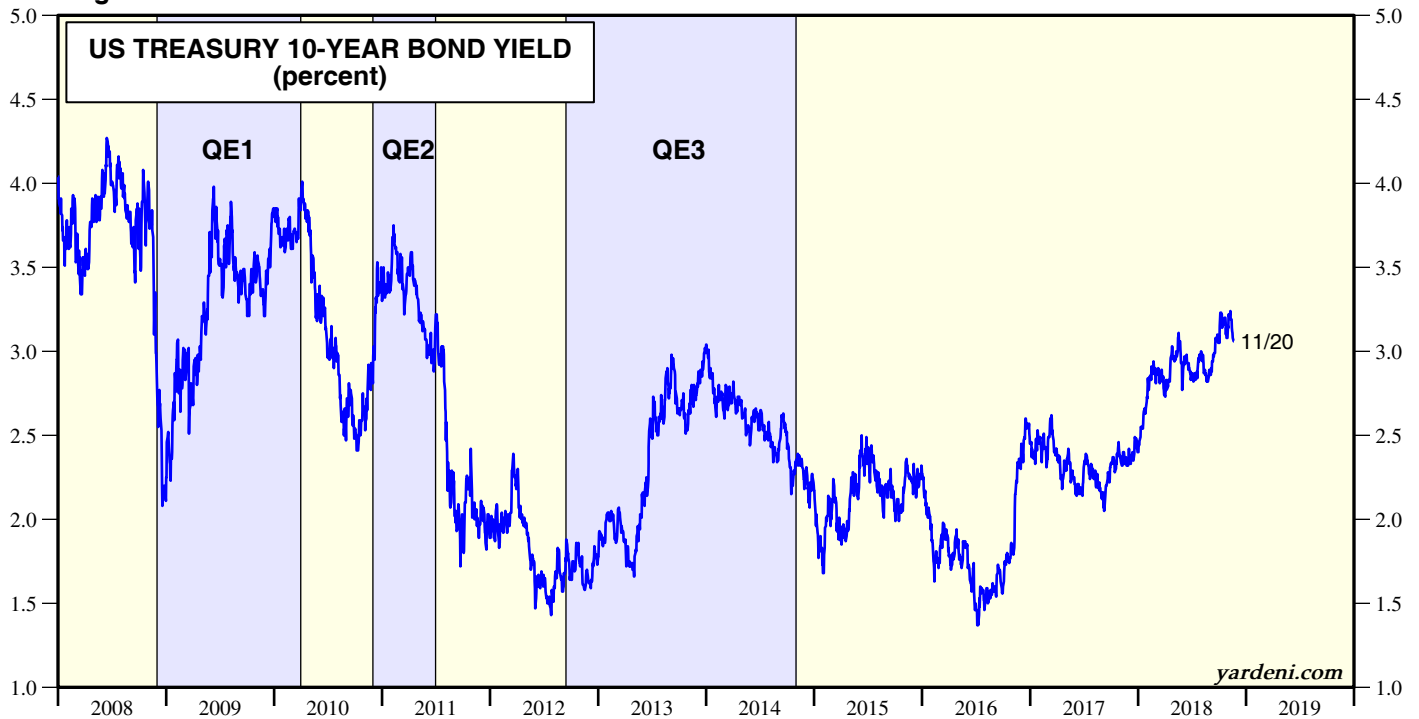
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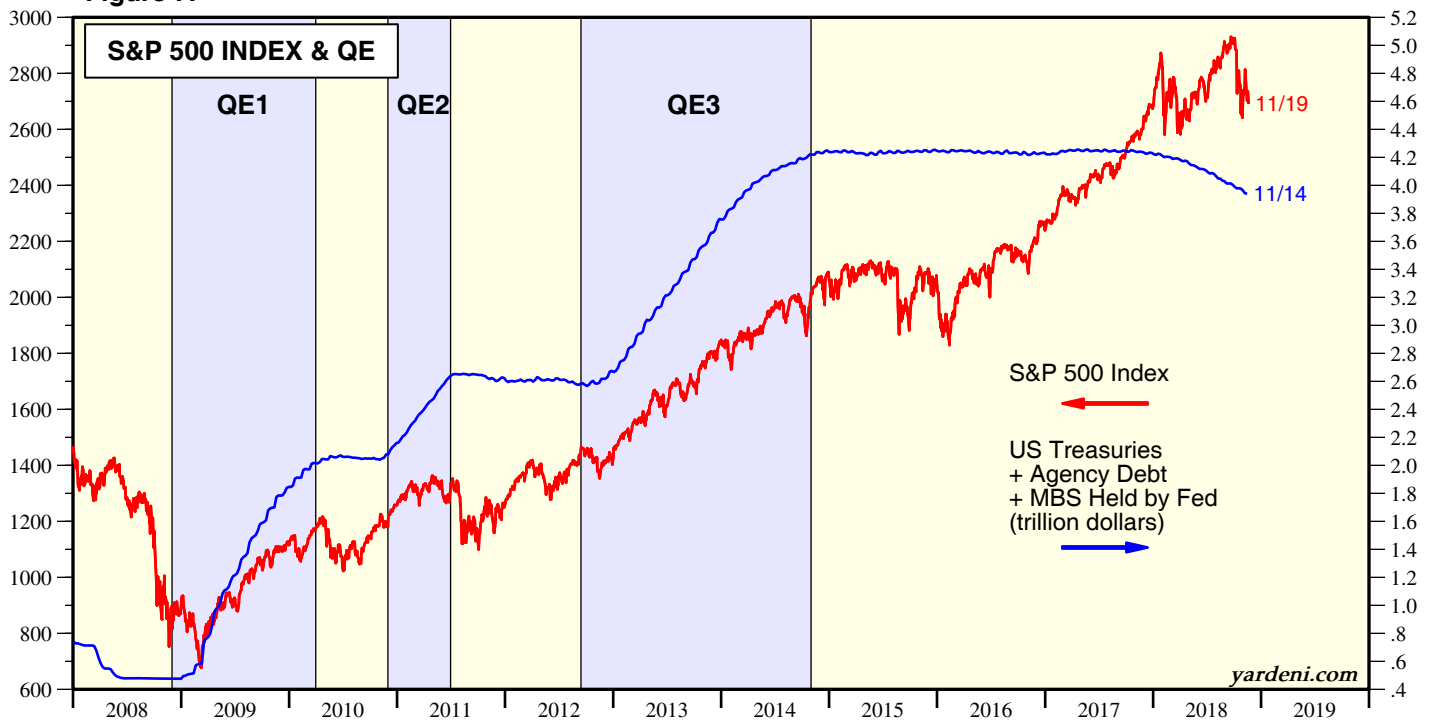
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\* Ten-year Treasury yield less federal funds rate.  
Note: QE1 (announced 11/25/08) = Fed buys \$1.24tn in mortgage securities. QE2 (announced 11/3/10) = Fed buys \$600bn in Treasuries. QE3 (announced 9/13/12) = Fed buys \$40bn/month in mortgage securities (to infinity and beyond). QE3 extended (announced 12/12/12) = Fed buys \$45bn/month in Treasuries.  
Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Conference Board.

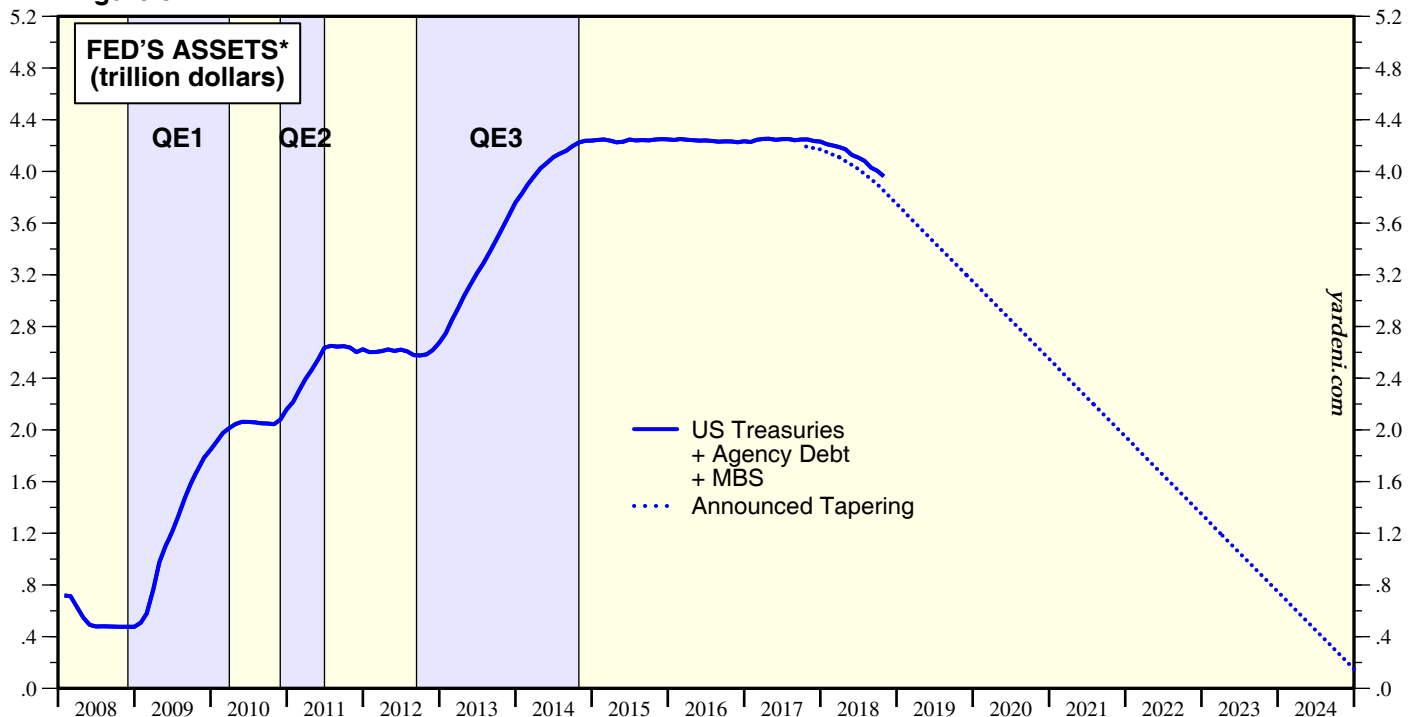
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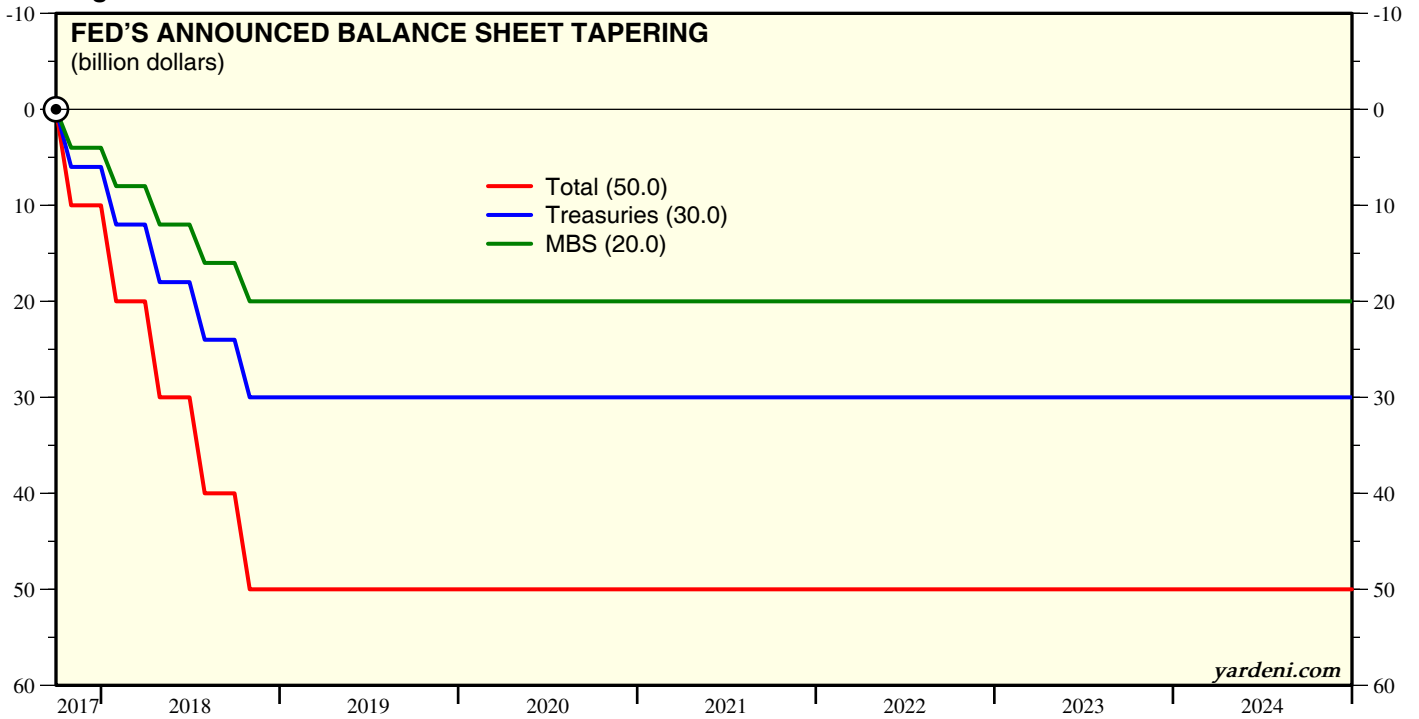
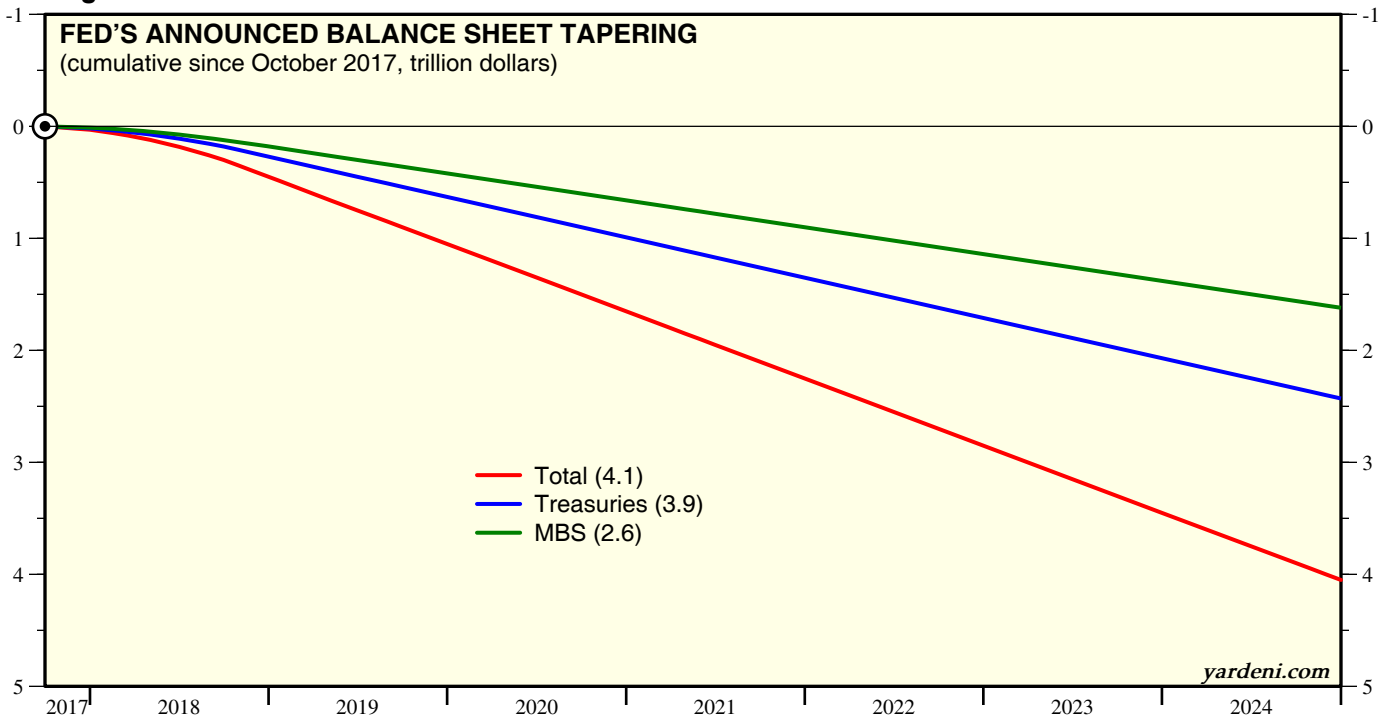
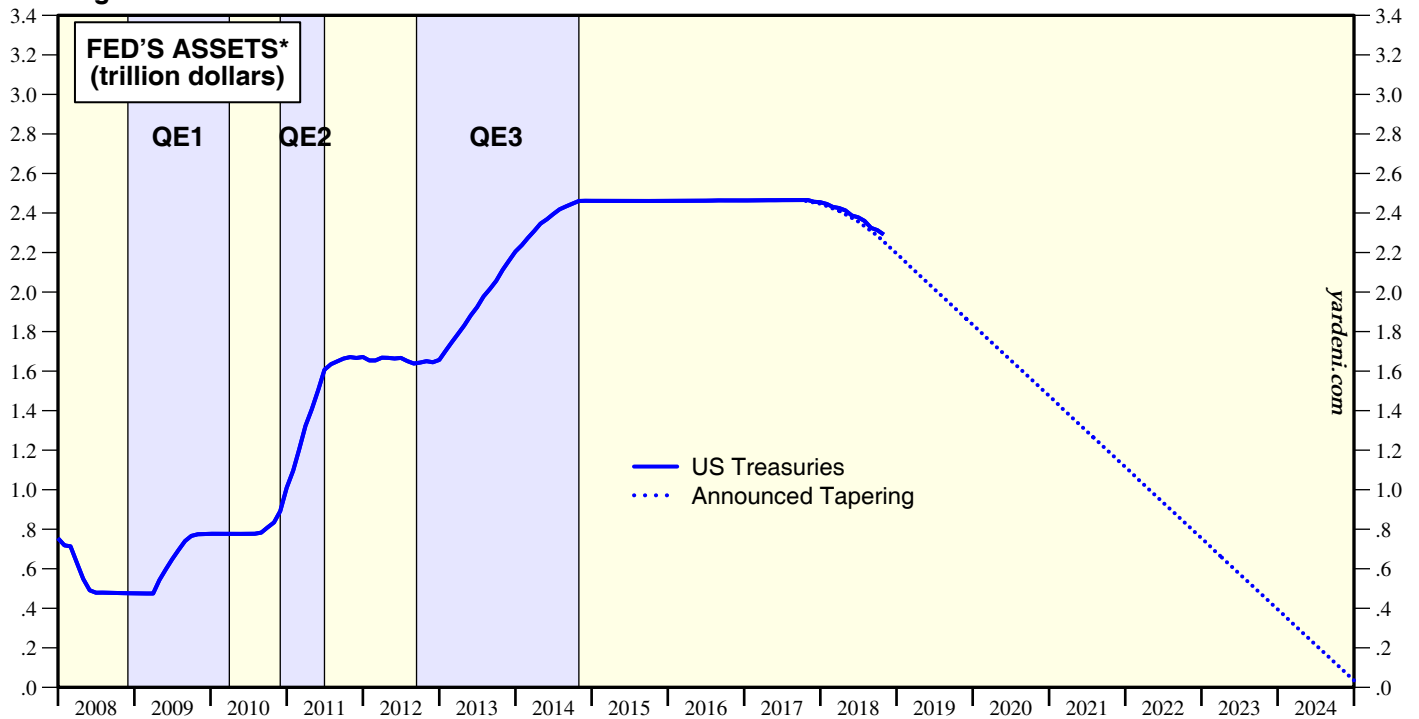


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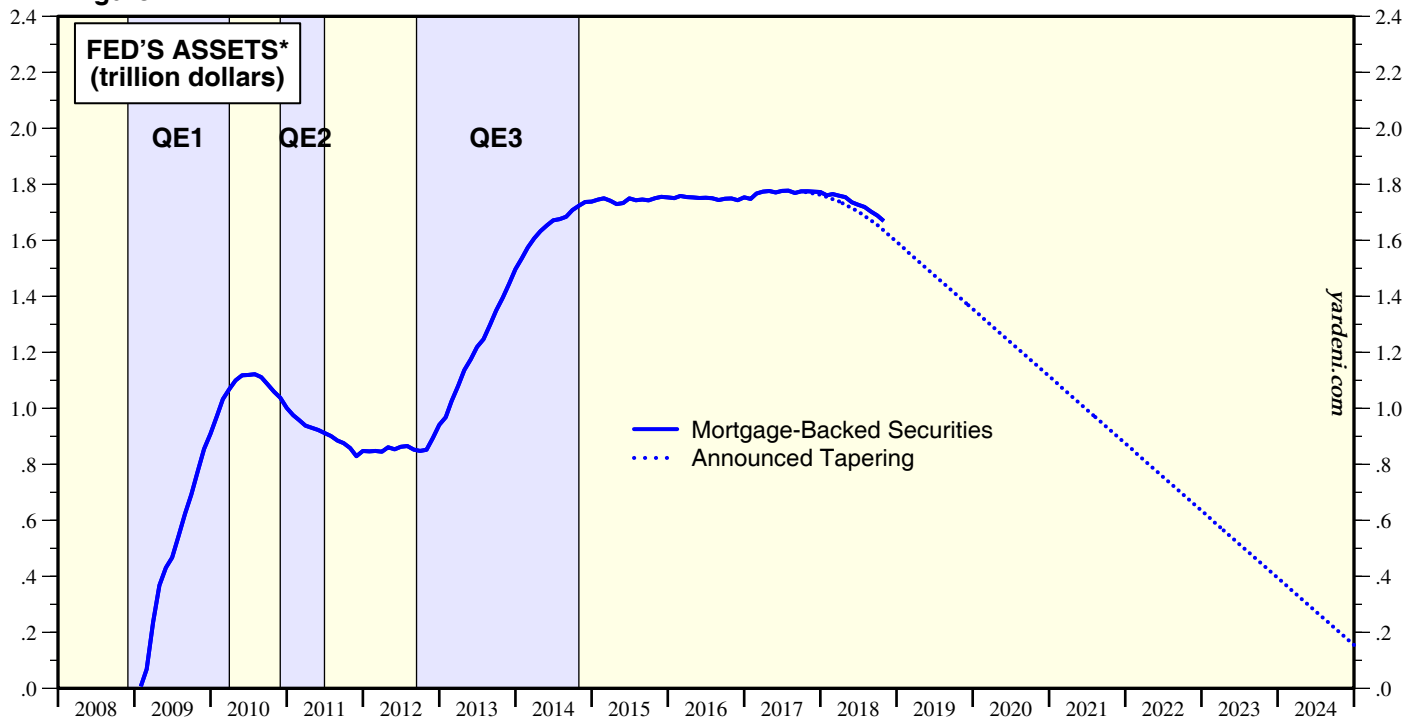
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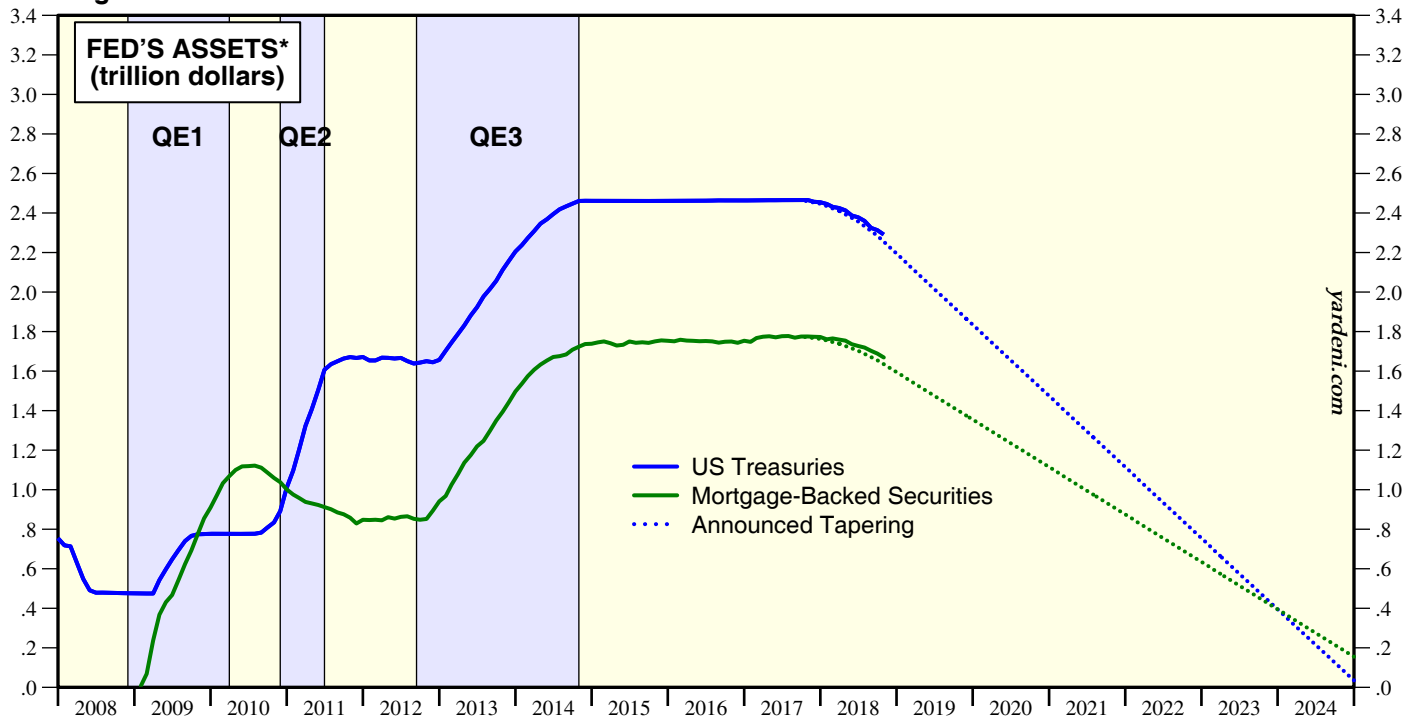


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