

# Global Economic Briefing: Central Bank Balance Sheets

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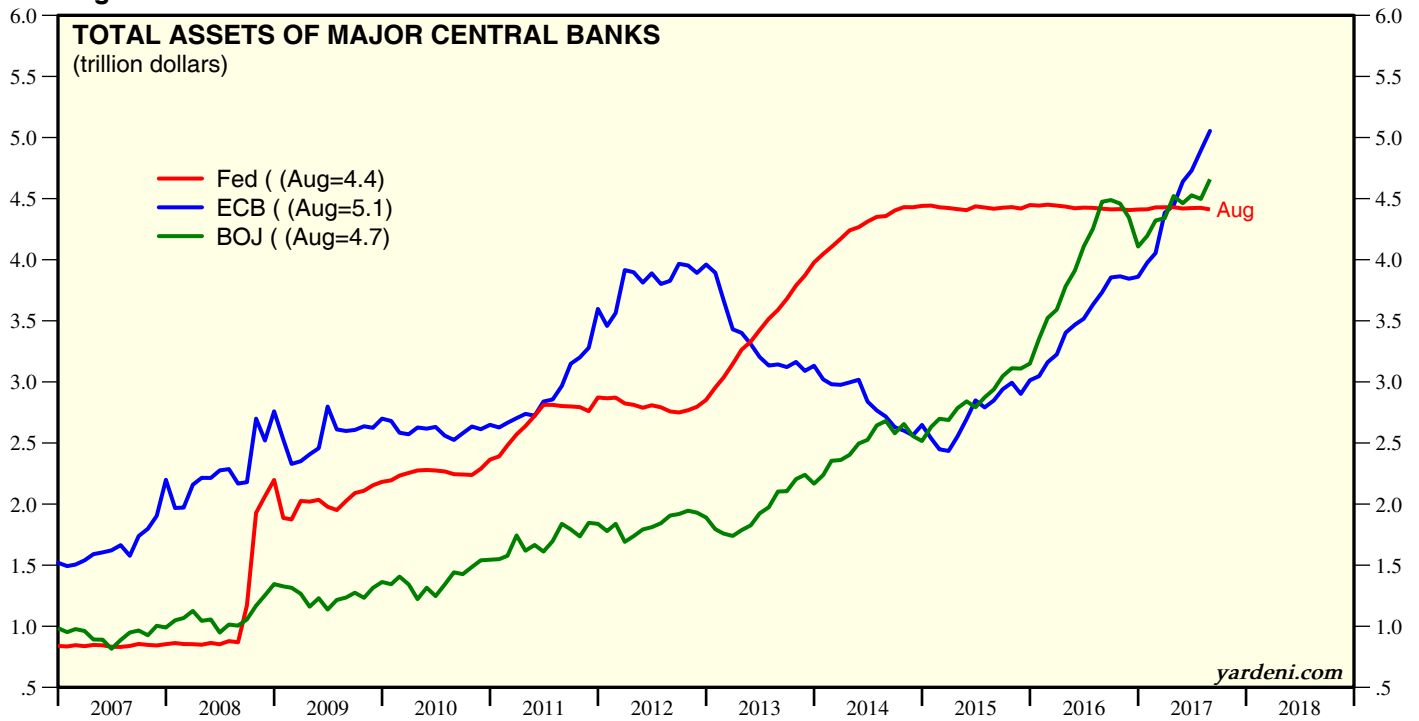
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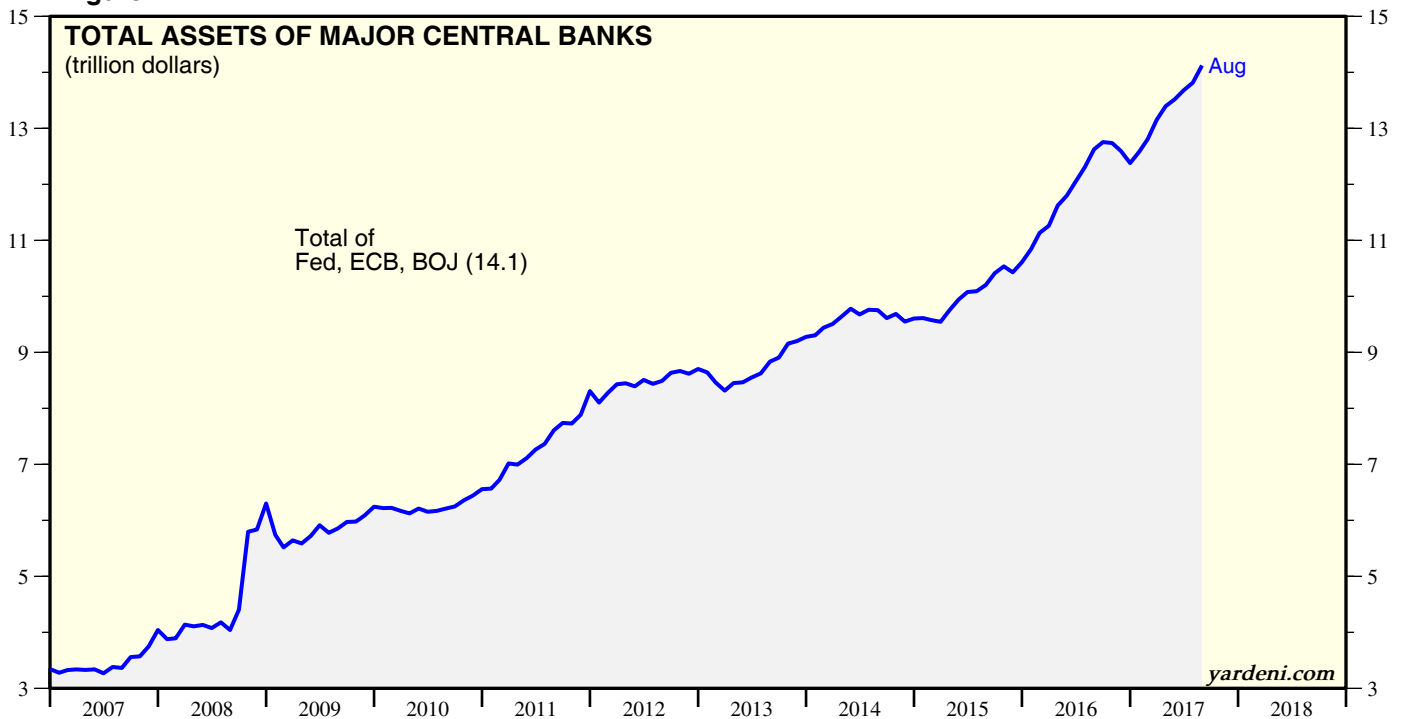
# Total Assets of Major Central Banks

Figure 1.



Source: Haver Analytics.

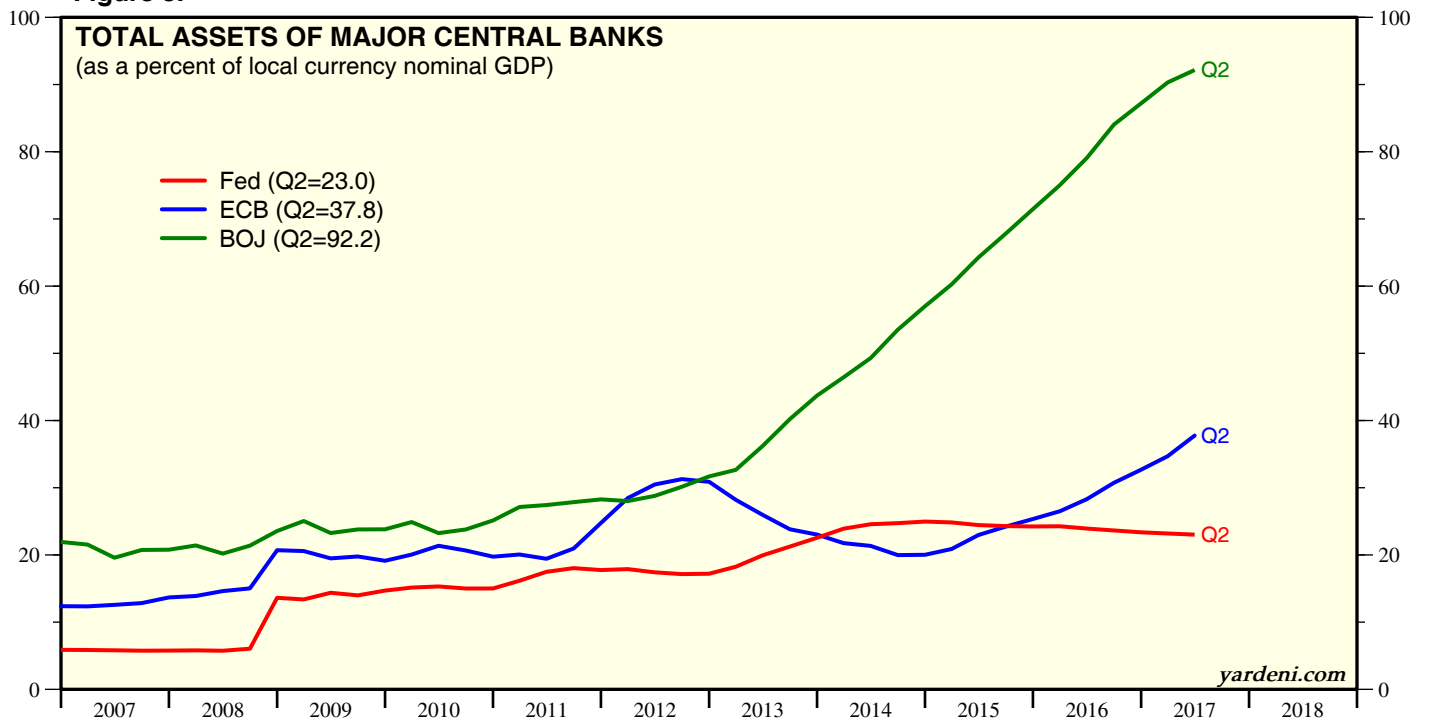
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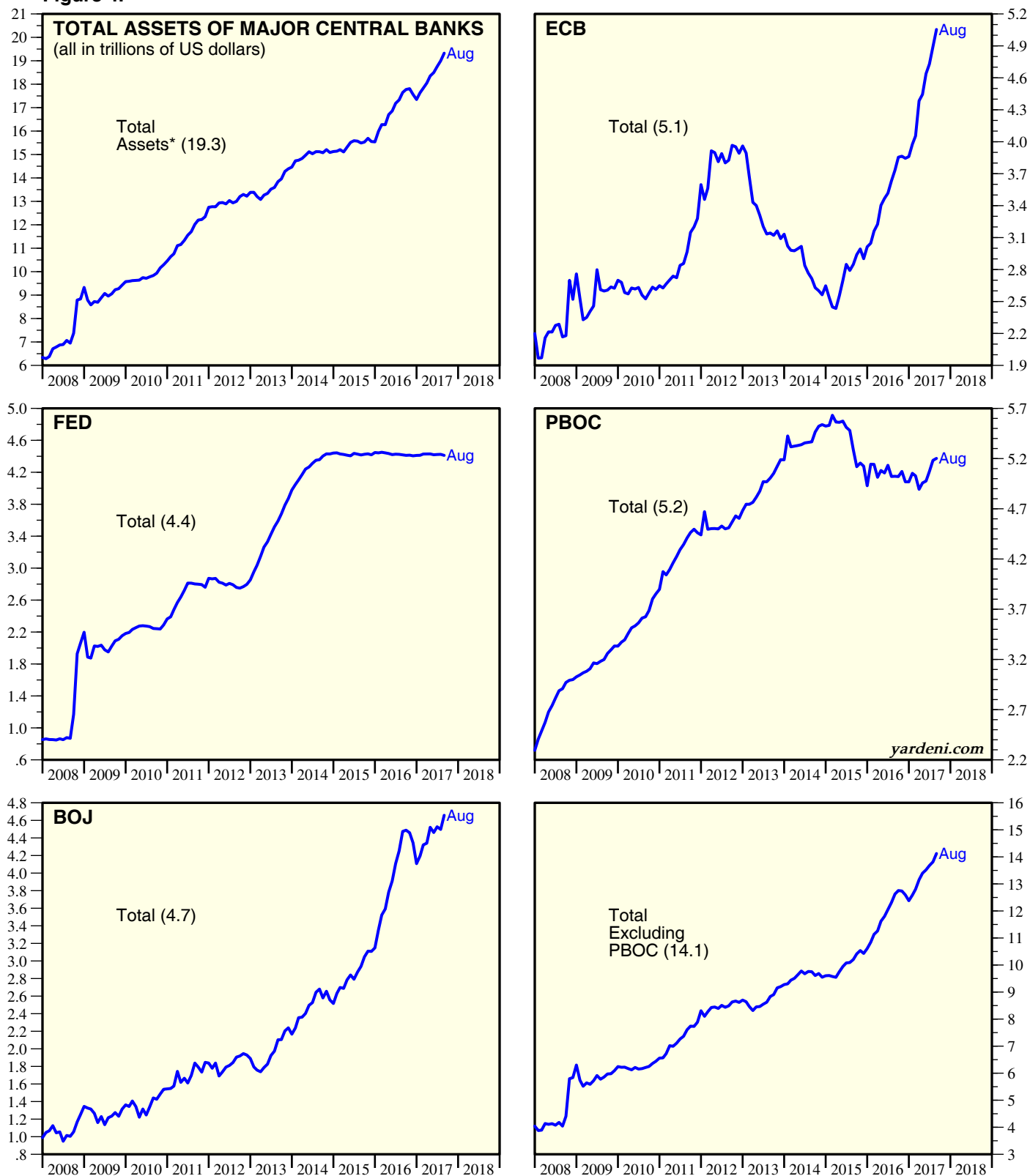
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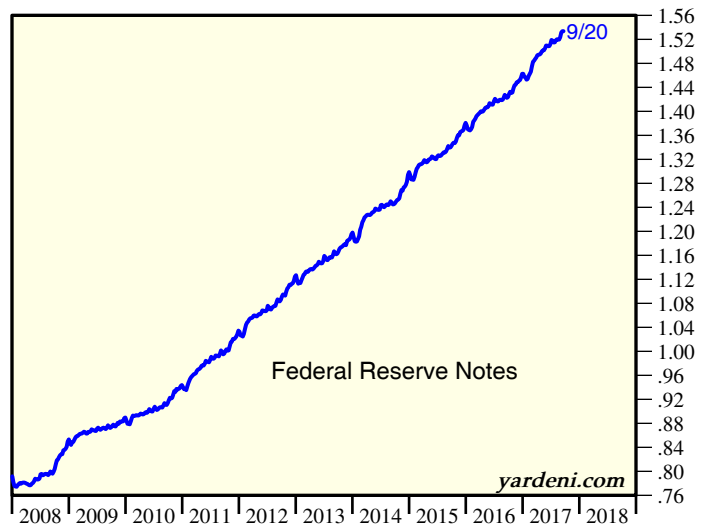
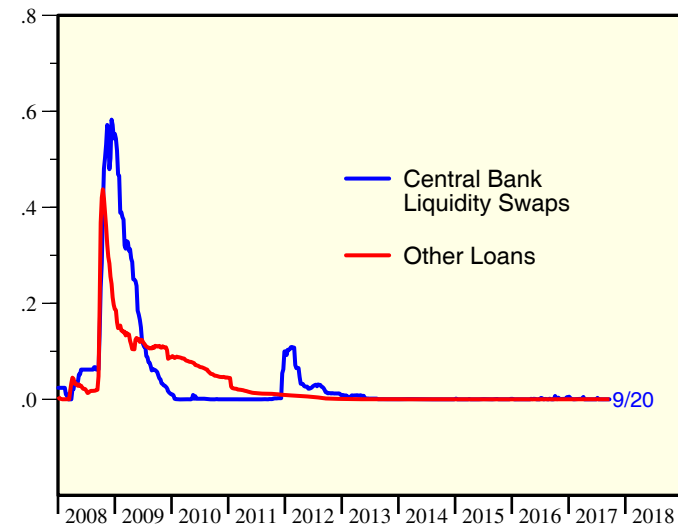
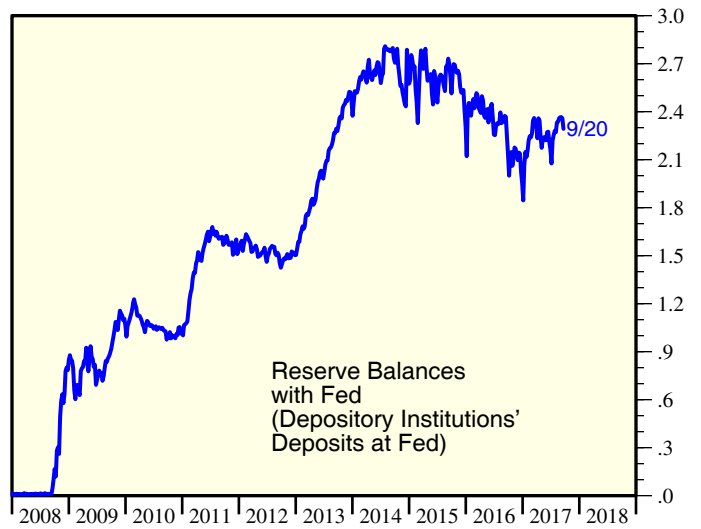
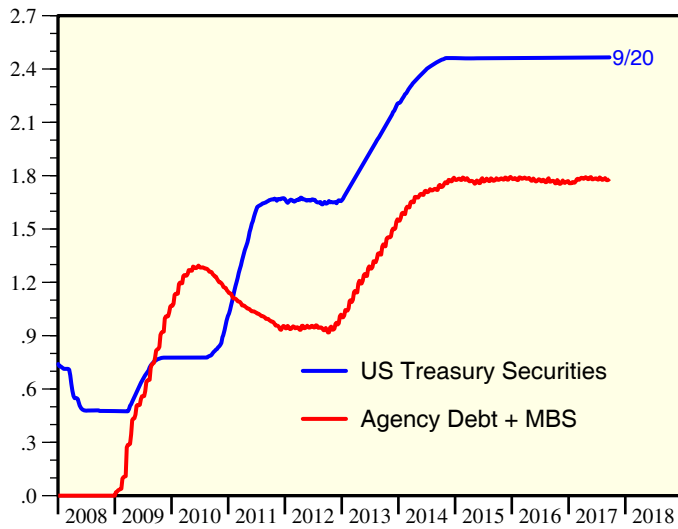
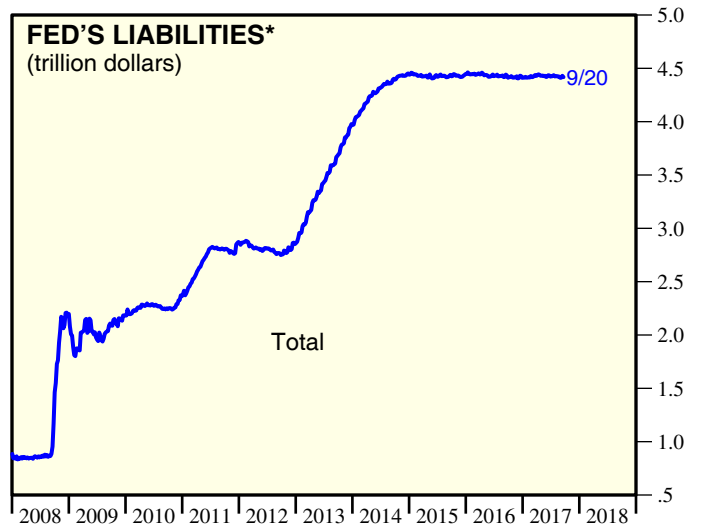
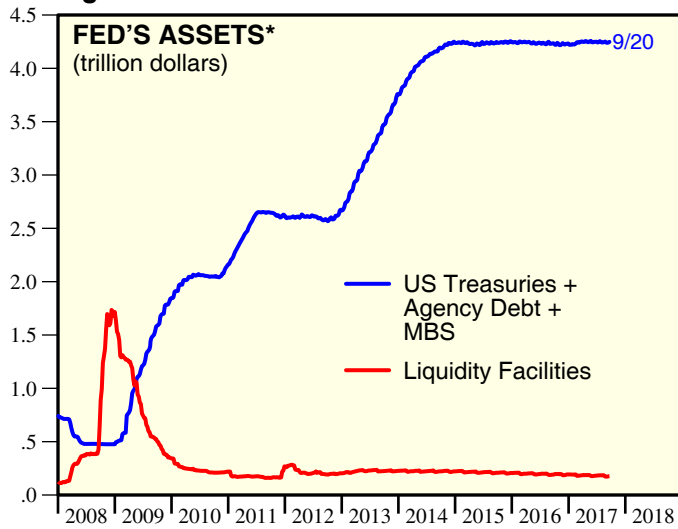
Figure 4.



\*Includes US, ECB, Bank of Japan, and PBOC.  
Source: Haver Analytics.

# Fed Balance Sheet

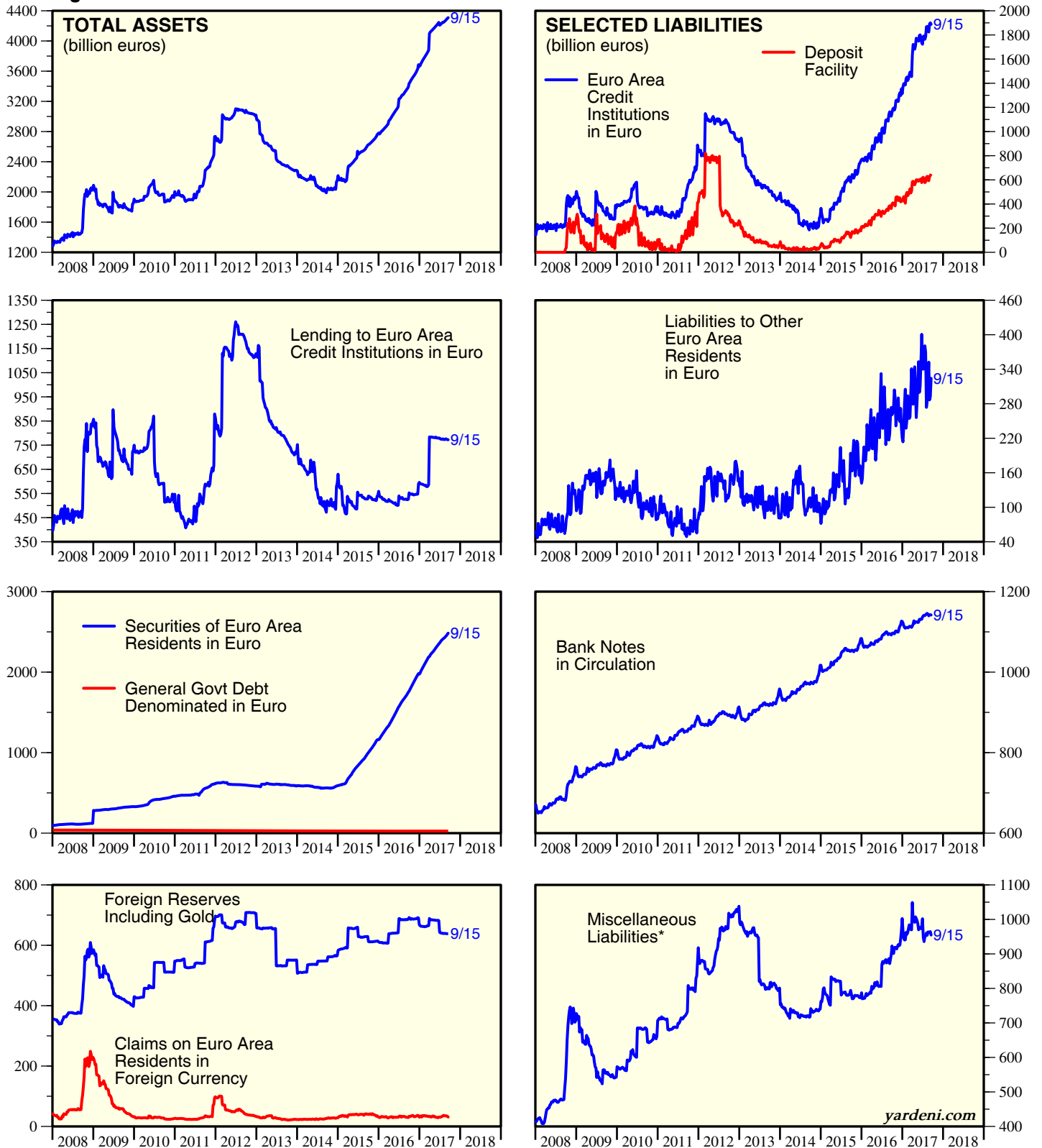
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\*Average of daily figures for weeks ending Wednesdays.  
Source: Federal Reserve Board.

# ECB Balance Sheet

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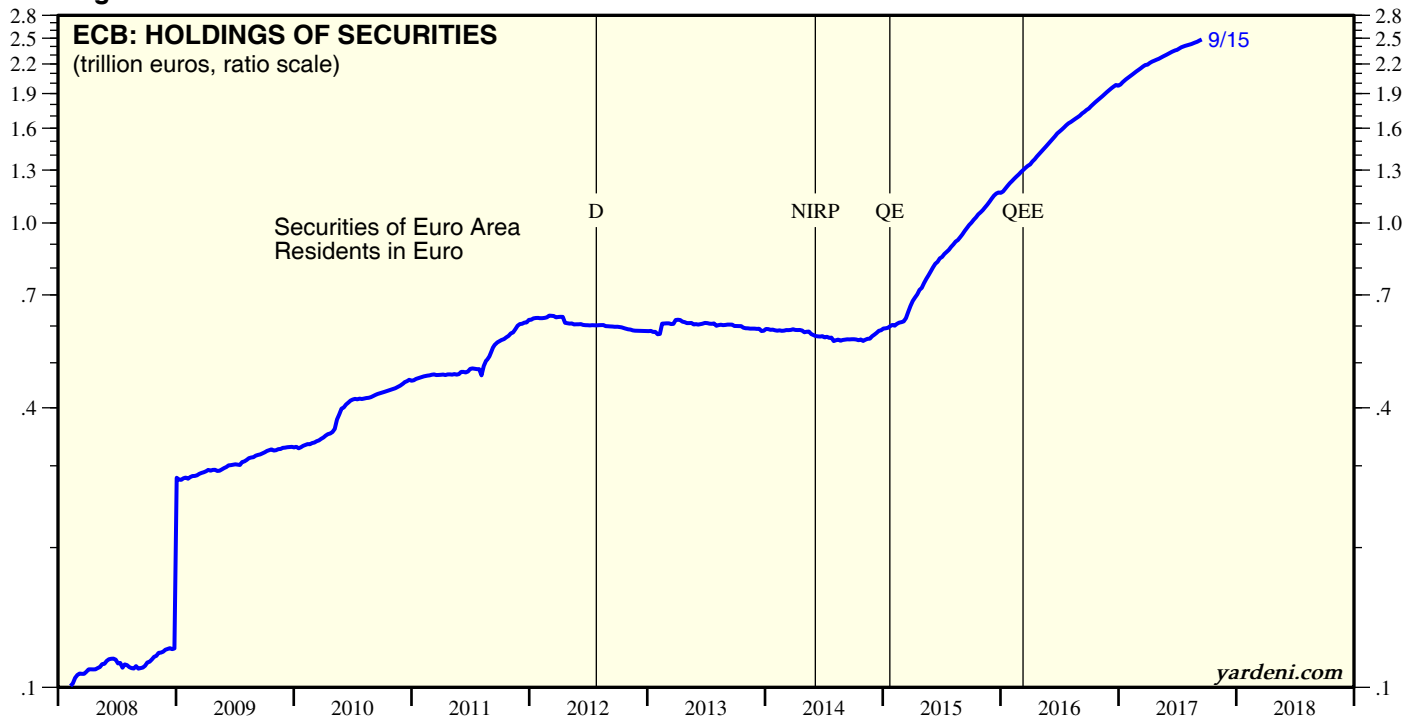


\* Total liabilities minus sum of lending to euro area credit institutions in euro, liabilities to other euro area residents in euro, and bank notes in circulation.

Source: European Central Bank.

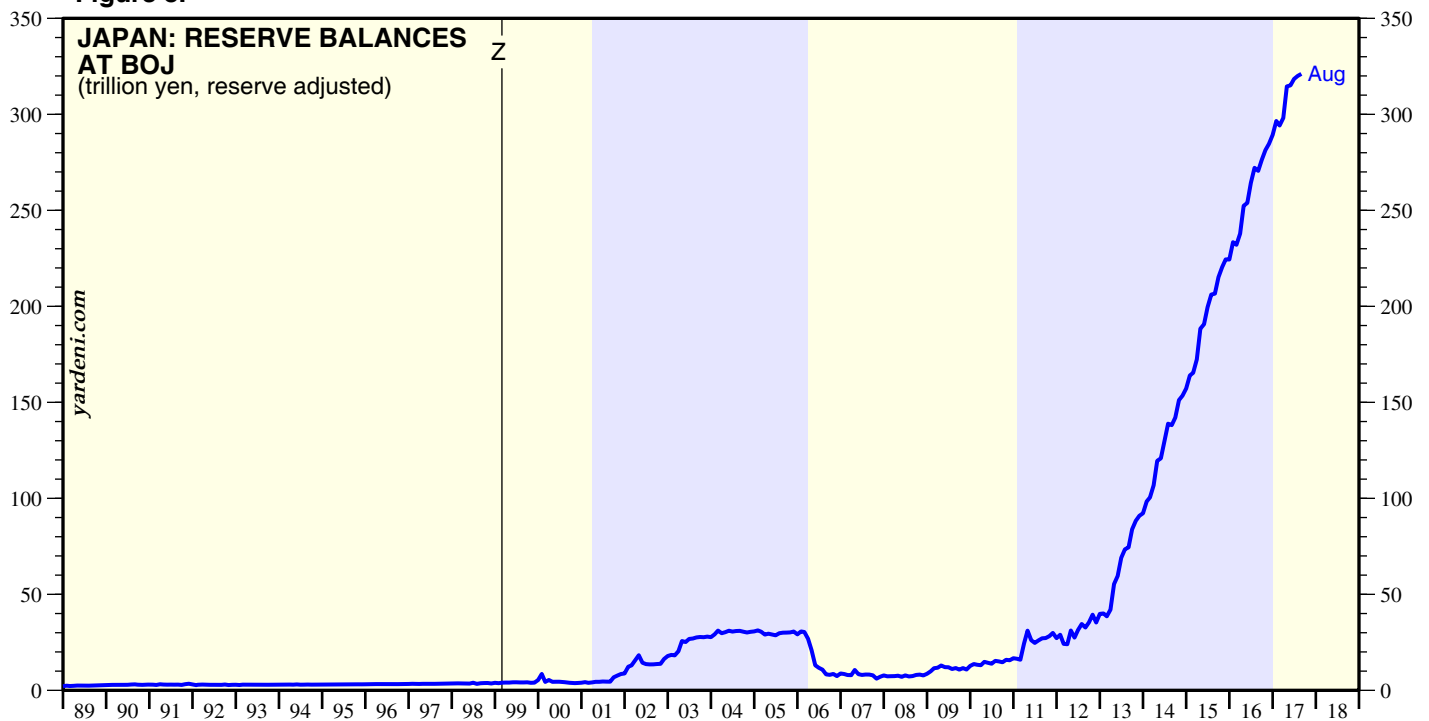
# ECB & BOJ Balance Sheets

Figure 7.



D = ECB President Mario Draghi pledged to do "whatever it takes" to defend the euro (7/26/12). NIRP = negative interest-rate policy (6/5/2014). QE (1/22/15). QEE = expansion and extension of QE (3/10/16, corporate bond purchases started 6/1/16).  
Source: European Central Bank.

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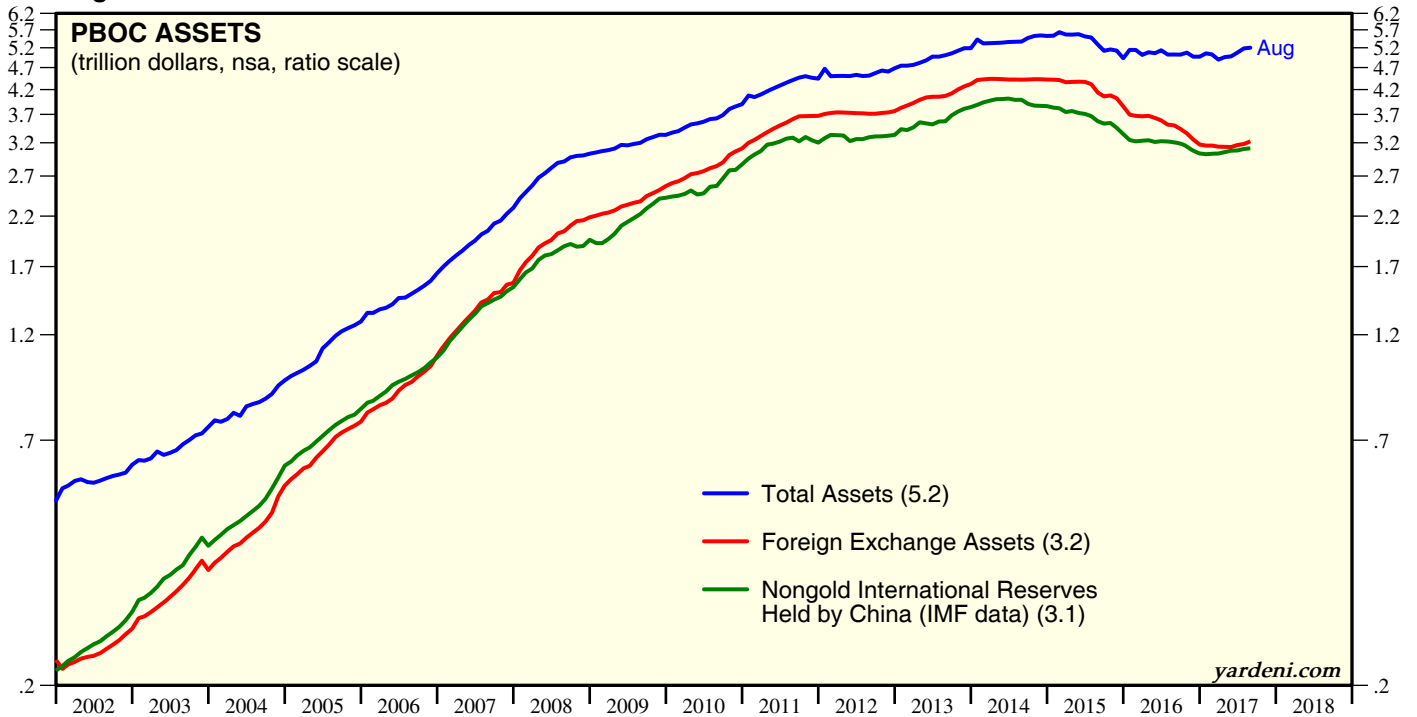


Z = Zero Interest Rate Policy.  
Note: Blue shade is Quantitative Easing Policy.  
Source: Bank of Japan.



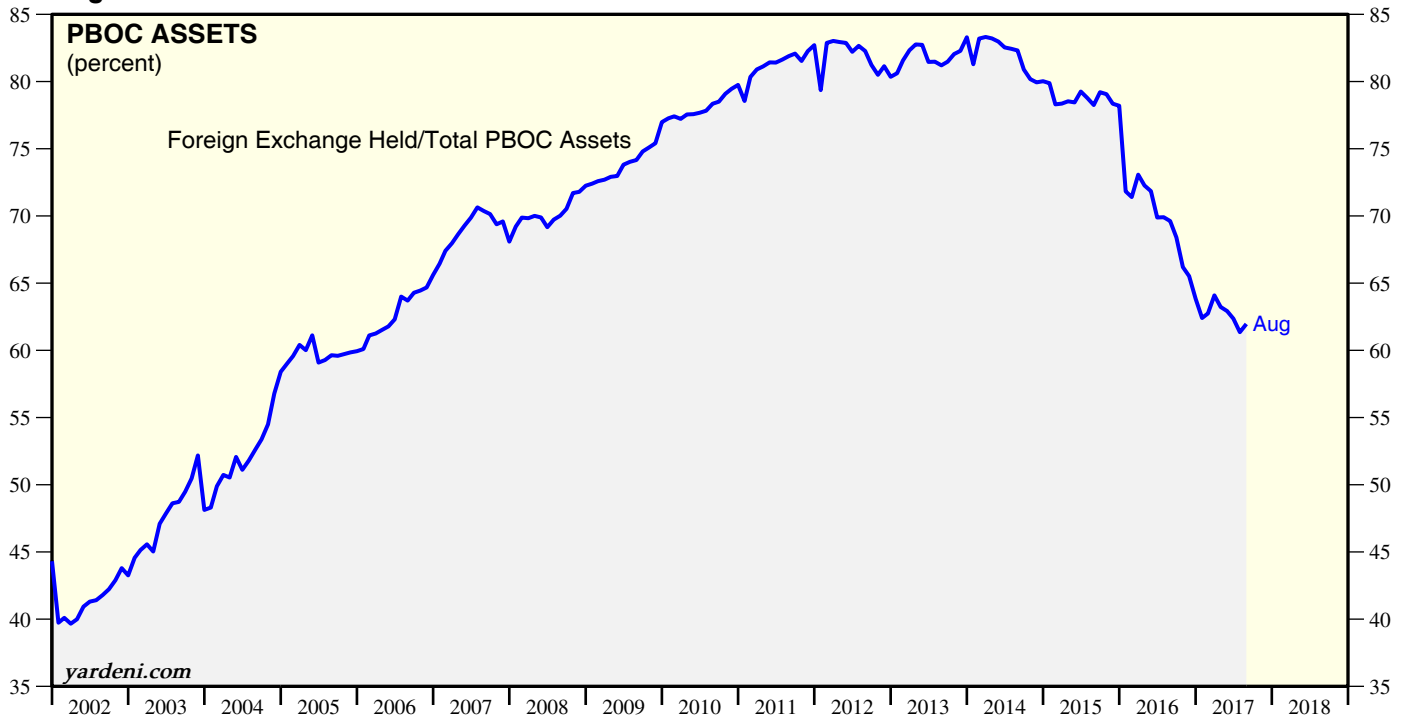
# PBOC

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Source: People's Bank of China and IMF.

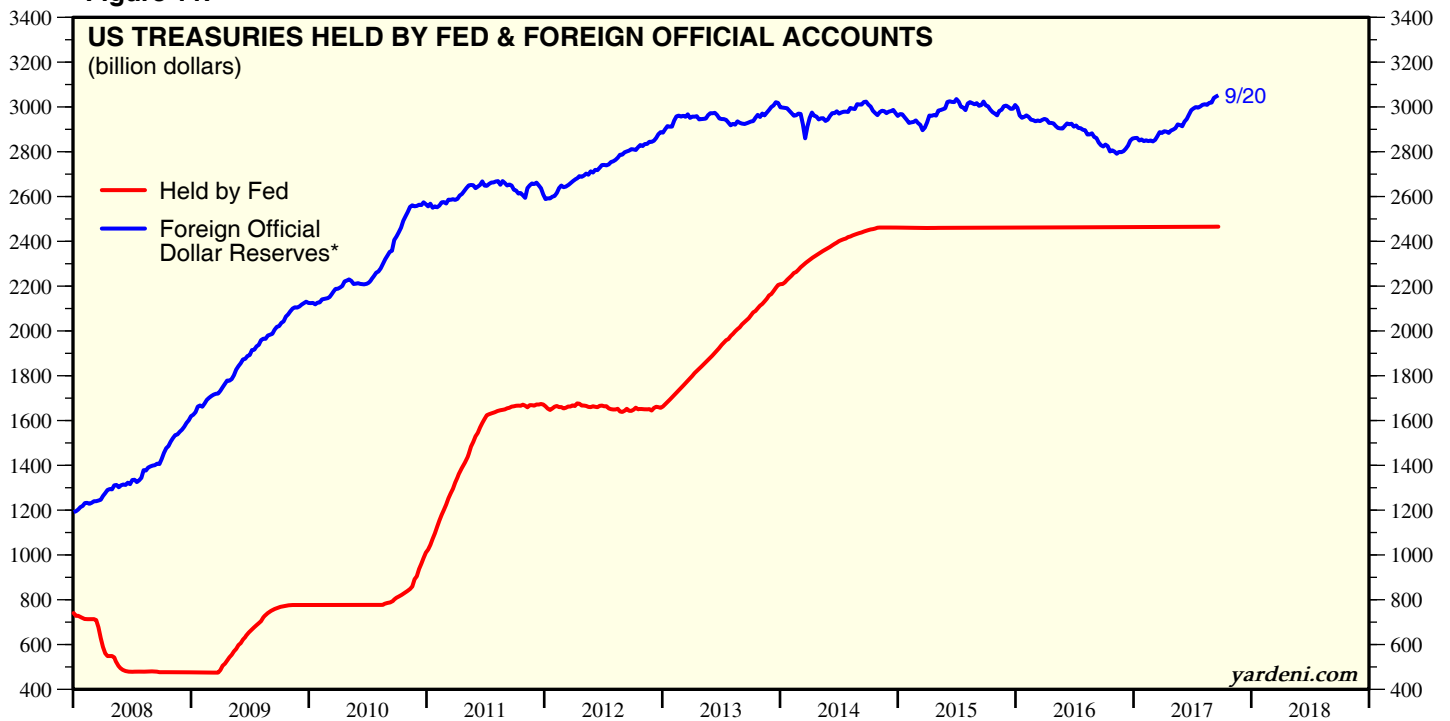
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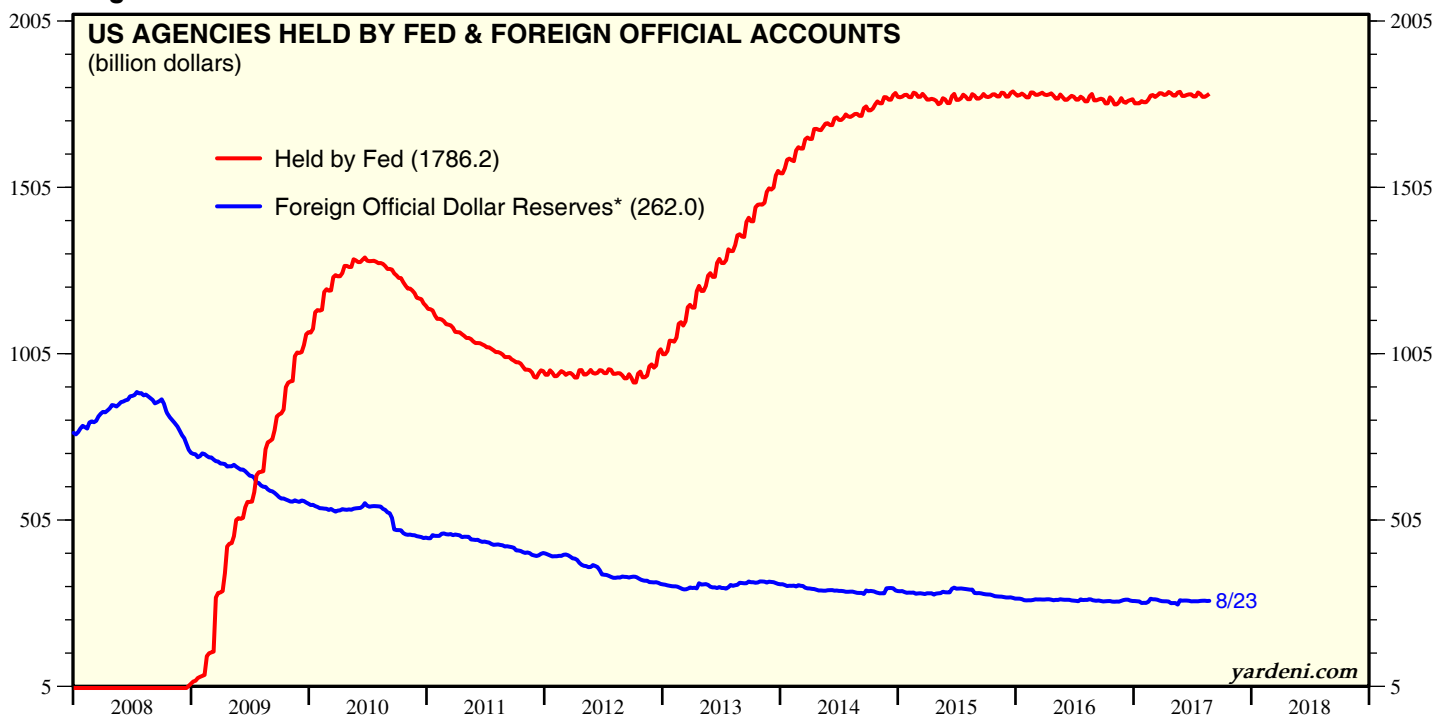
# US Treasuries & Agencies Held by Central Banks

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\* Held by foreign official institutions at the Fed. Average of week ending Wednesday.  
Source: Federal Reserve Board, Table H.4.1.

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