

Global Economic Briefing: Central Bank Balance Sheets

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Total Assets of Major Central Banks

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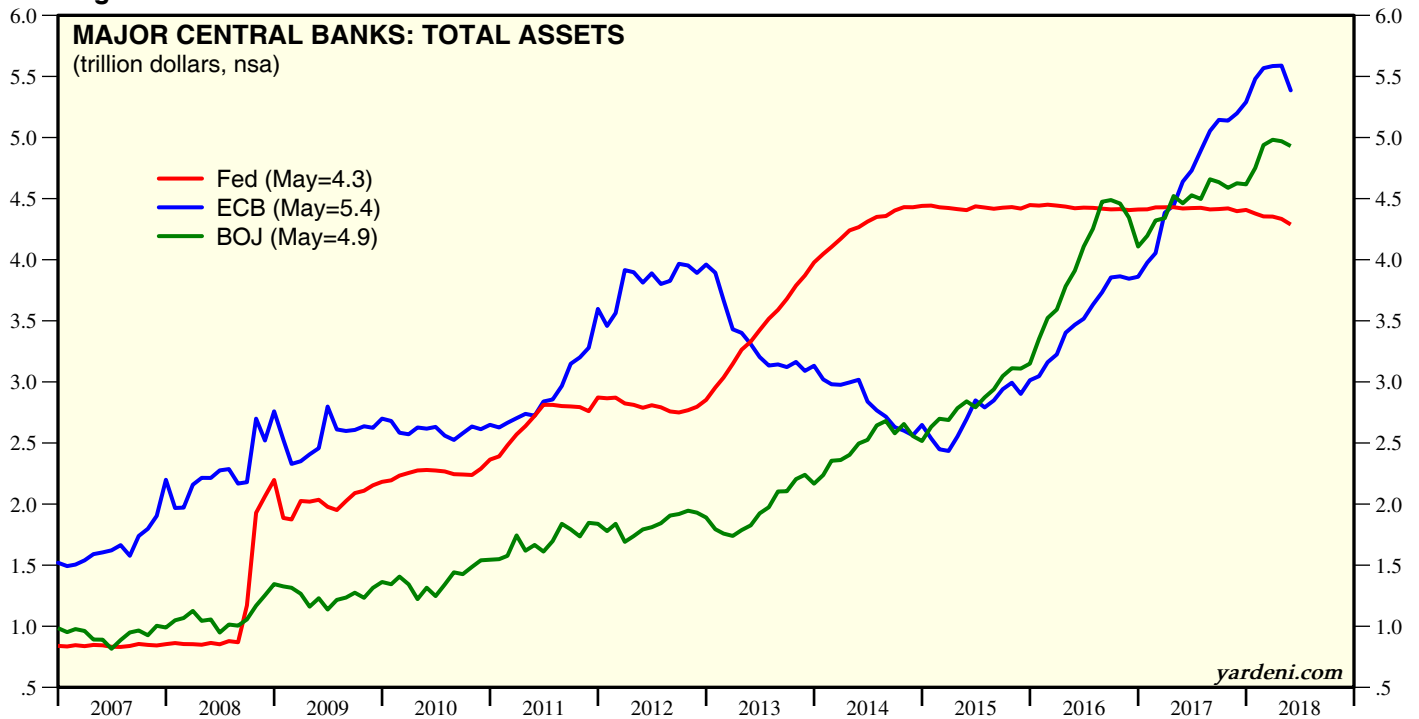
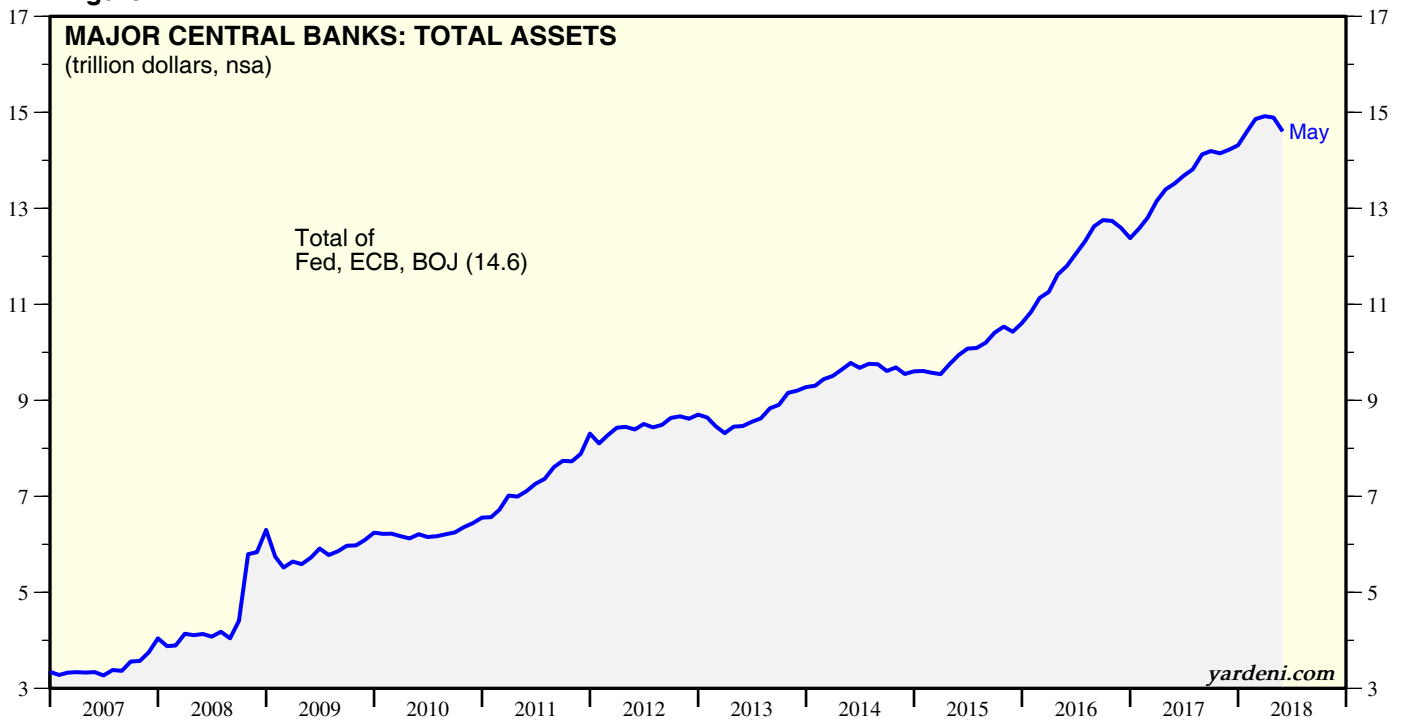
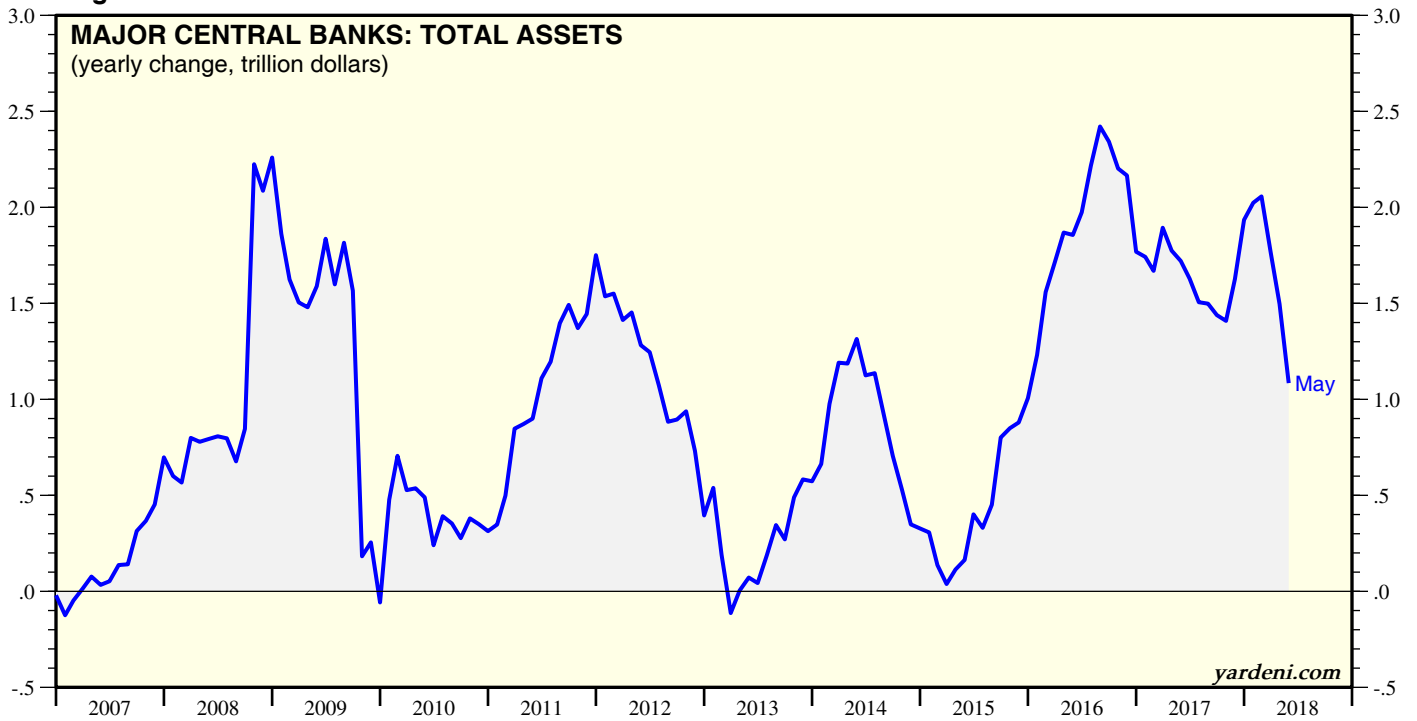


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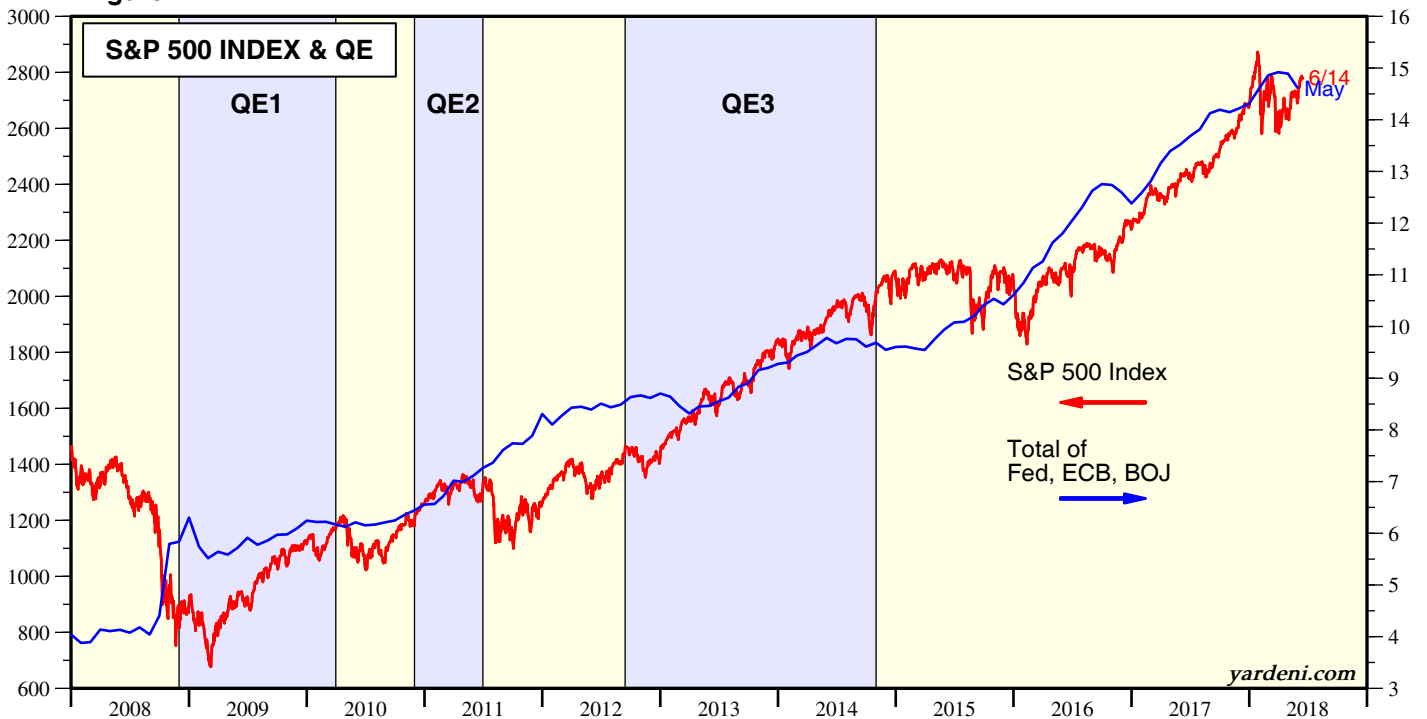
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Figure 3.



Source: Haver Analytics.

Figure 4.



Note: QE1 (11/25/08) = Fed starts buying \$1.24tn in mortgage securities. QE1 expanded (3/16/2009) = Fed starts buying \$300bn in Treasuries. QE2 (11/3/10) = Fed starts buying \$600bn in Treasuries. QE3 (9/13/12) = Fed starts buying \$40bn/month in mortgage securities (open ended). QE3 expanded (12/12/12) = Fed starts buying \$45bn/month in Treasuries.
Source: Federal Reserve Board, Standard & Poor's and Haver Analytics.

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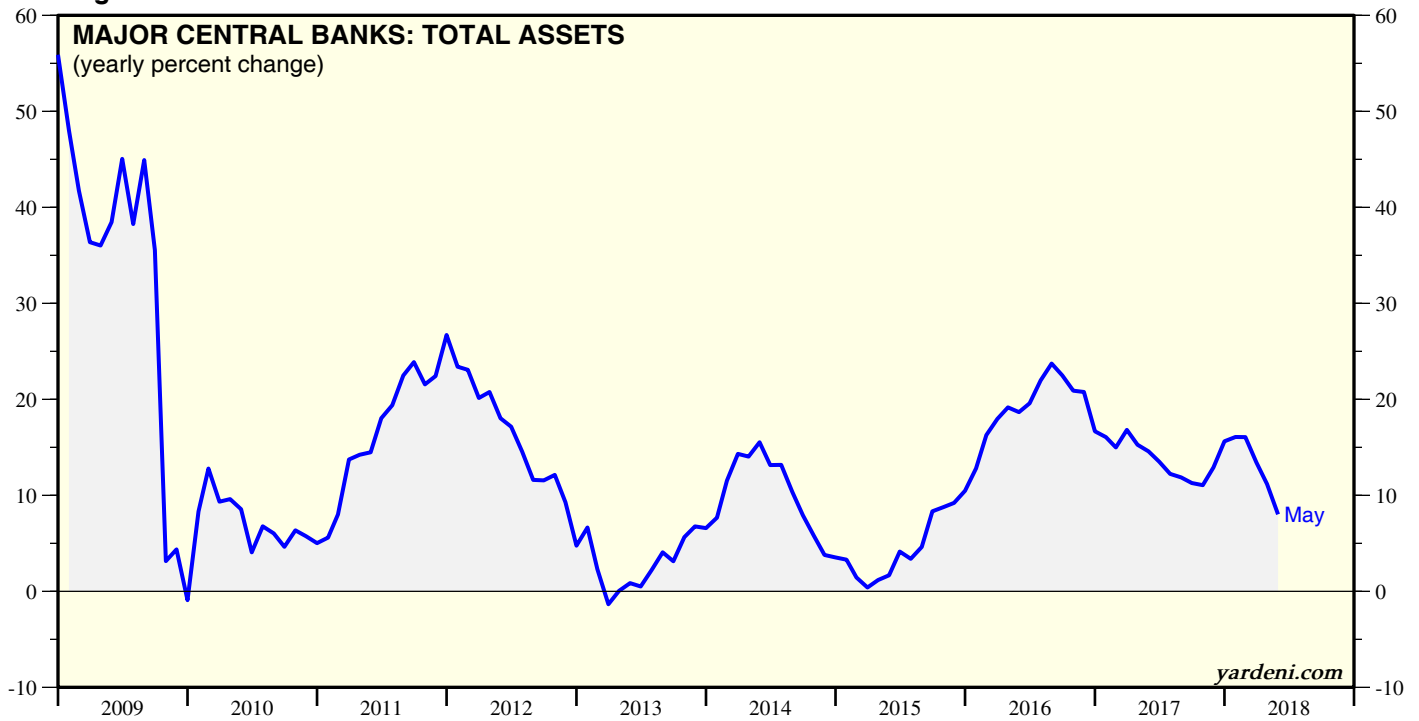
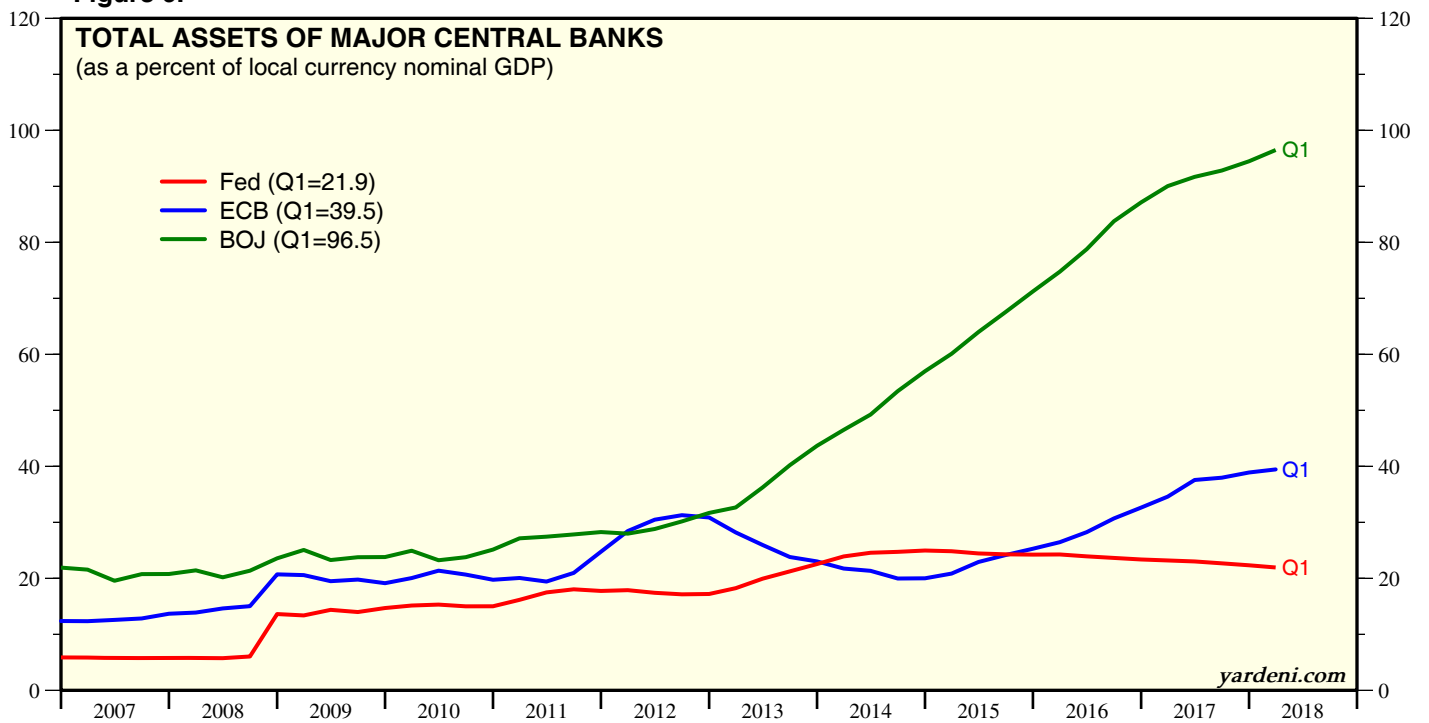
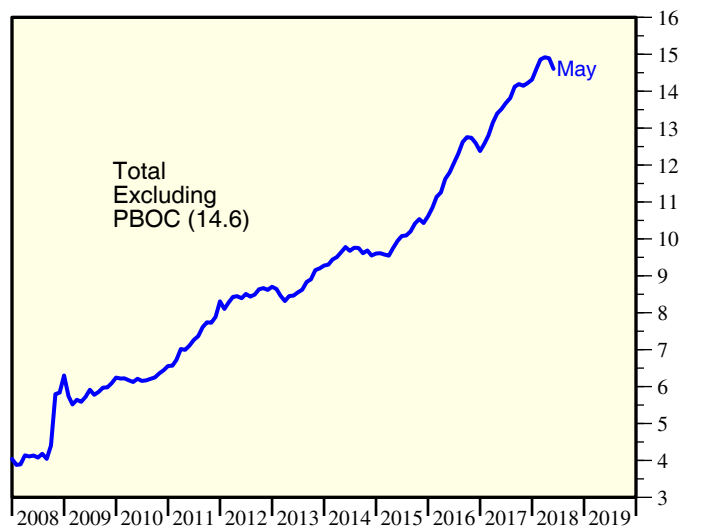
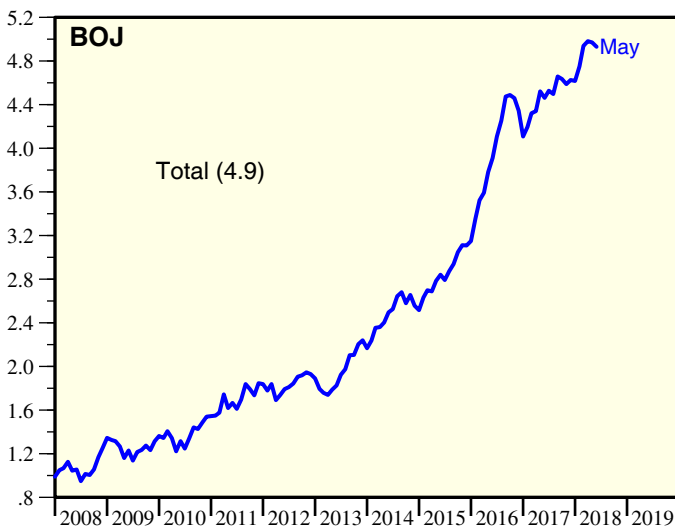
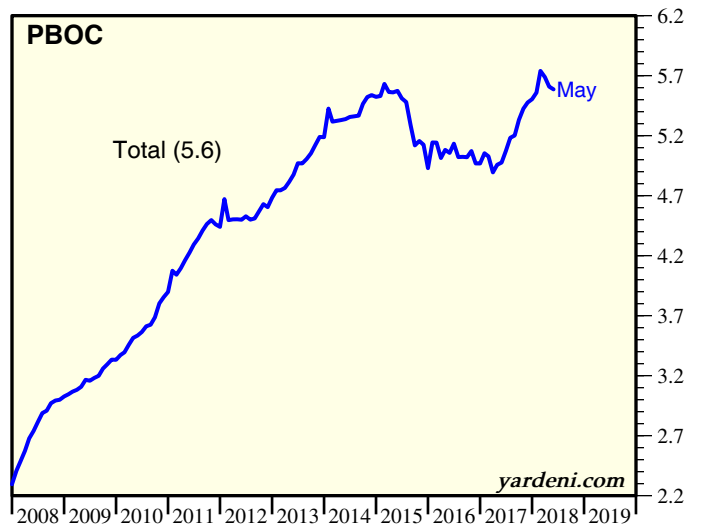
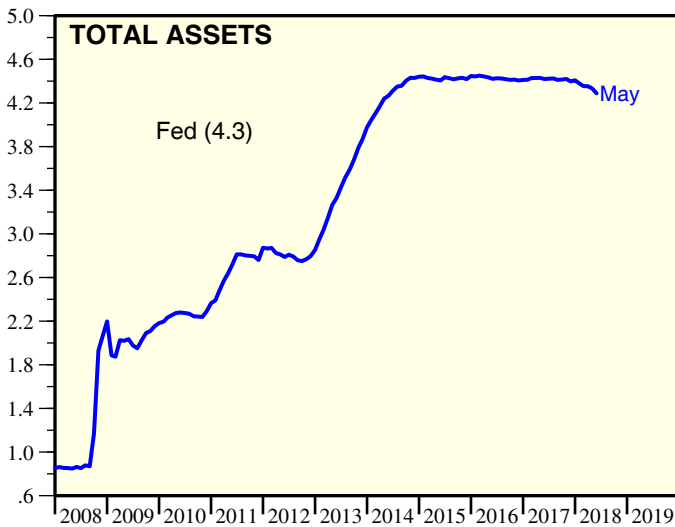
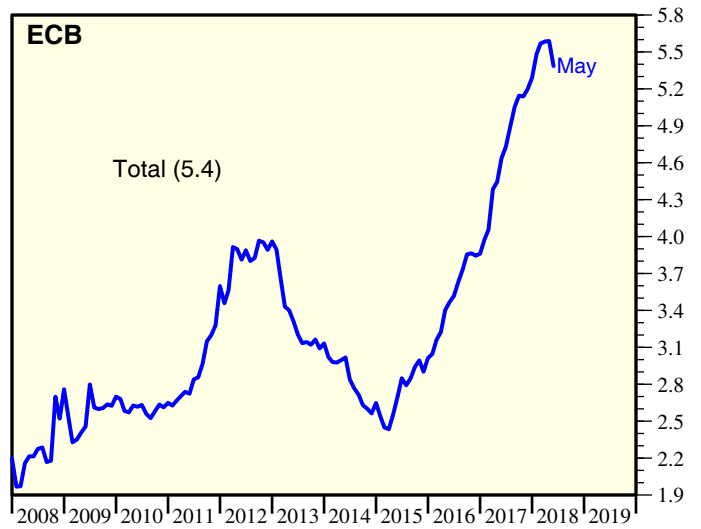
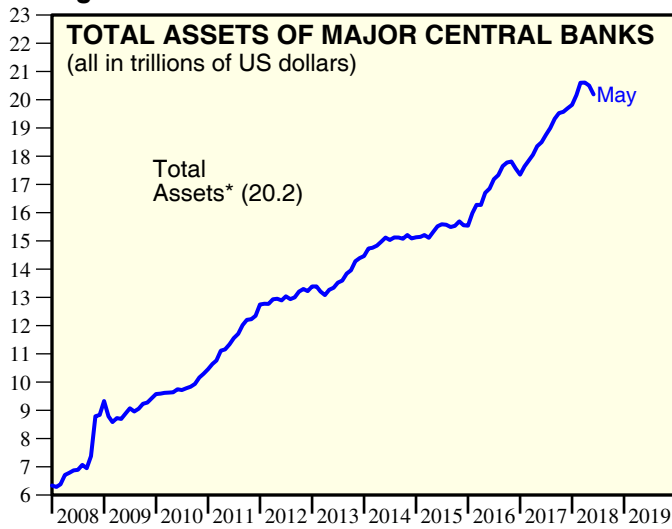


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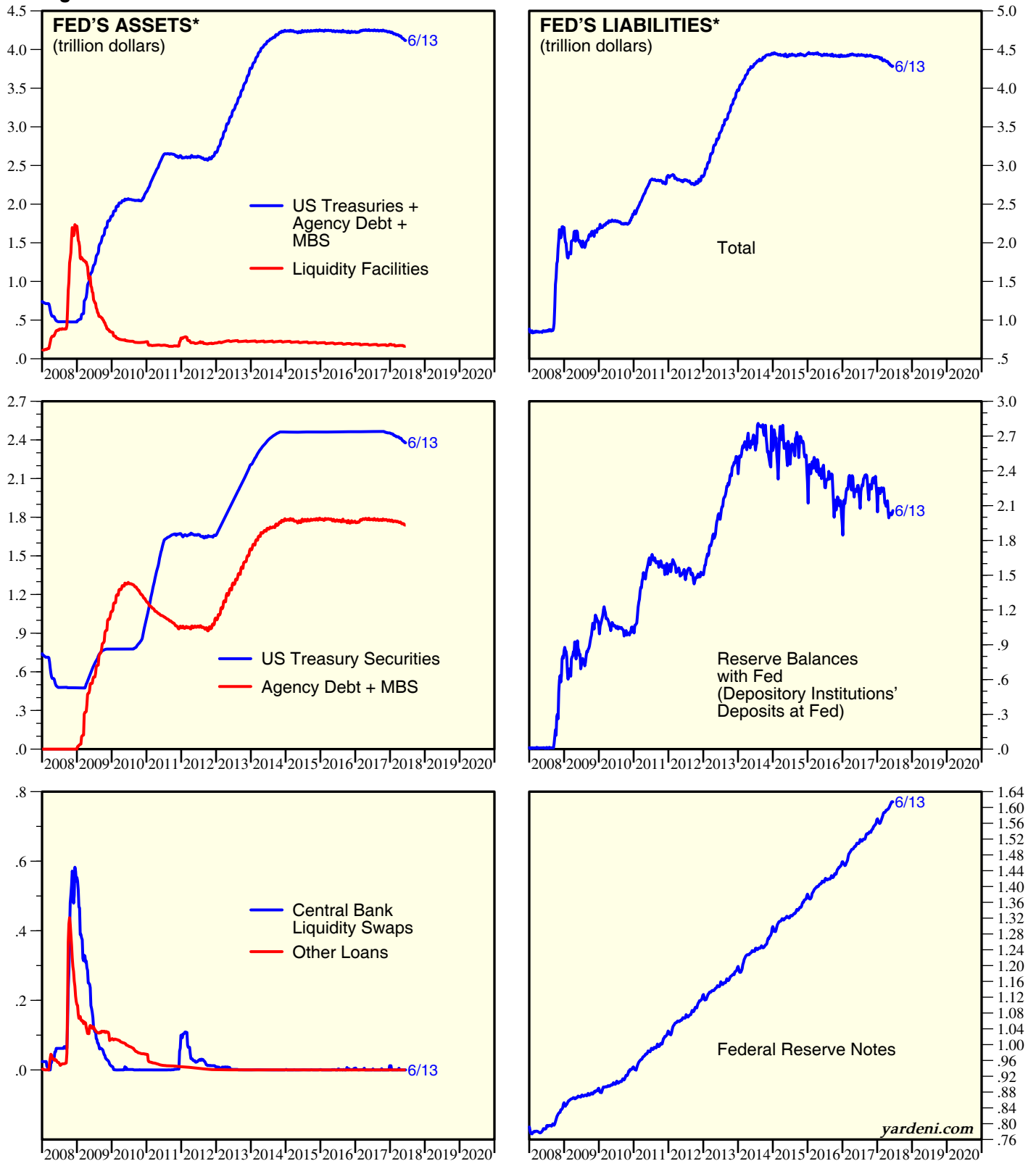
Figure 7.



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

Fed Balance Sheet

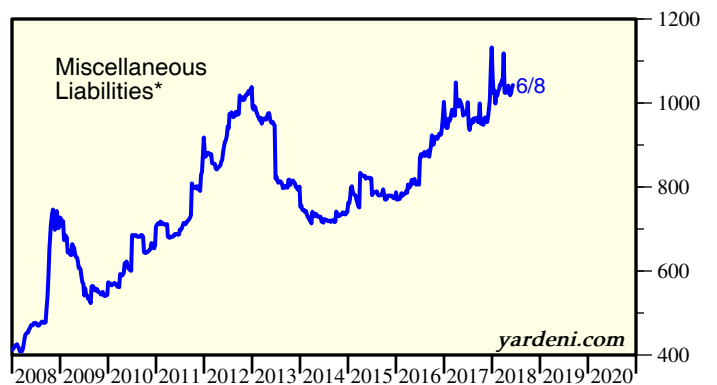
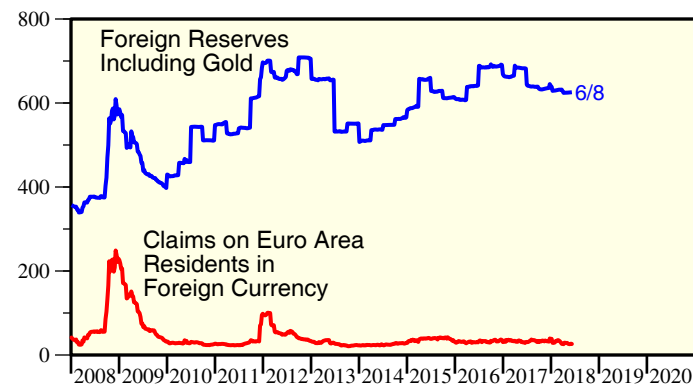
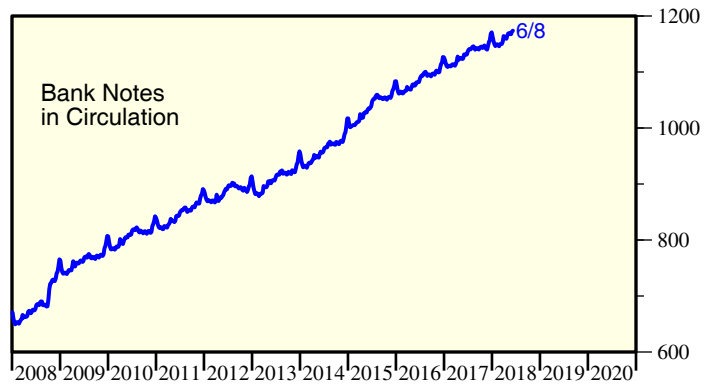
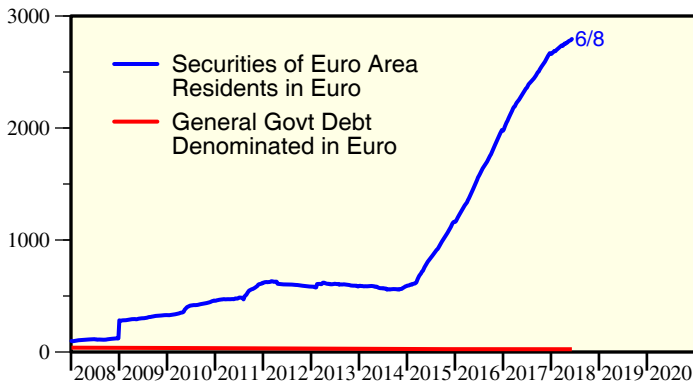
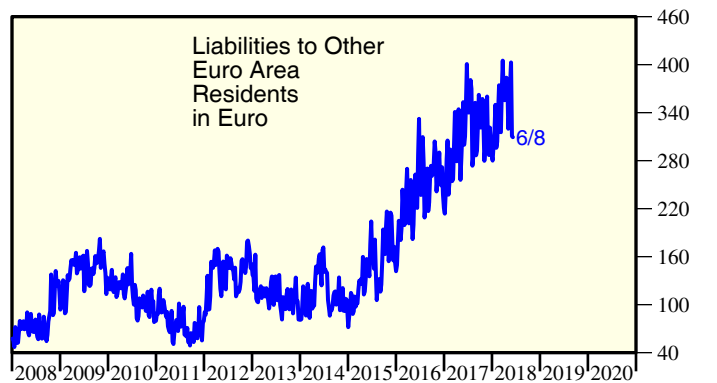
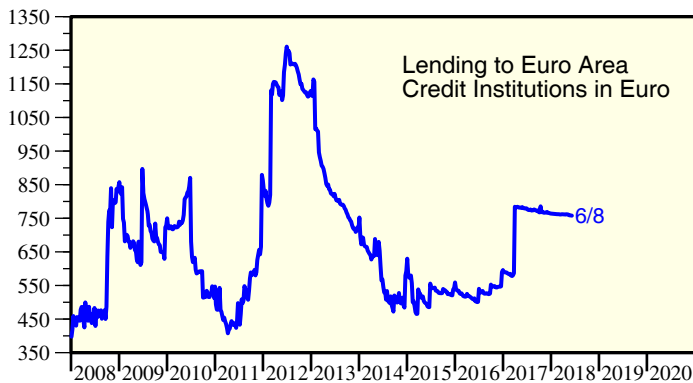
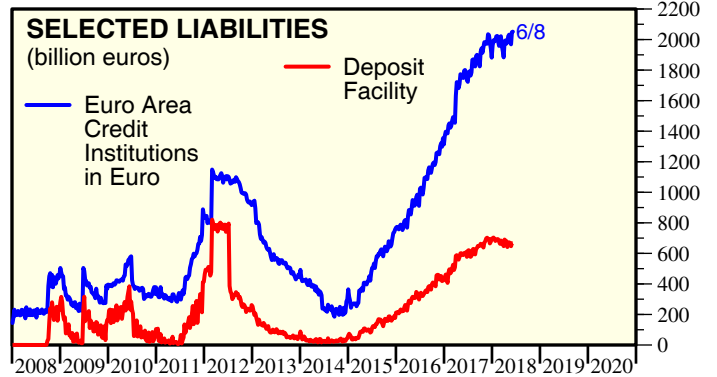
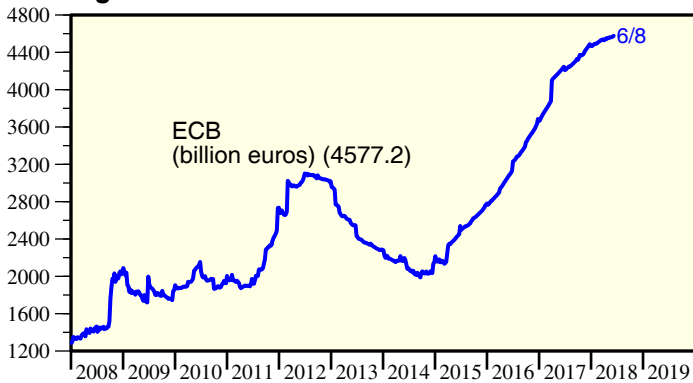
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*Average of daily figures for weeks ending Wednesdays.
Source: Federal Reserve Board.

ECB Balance Sheet

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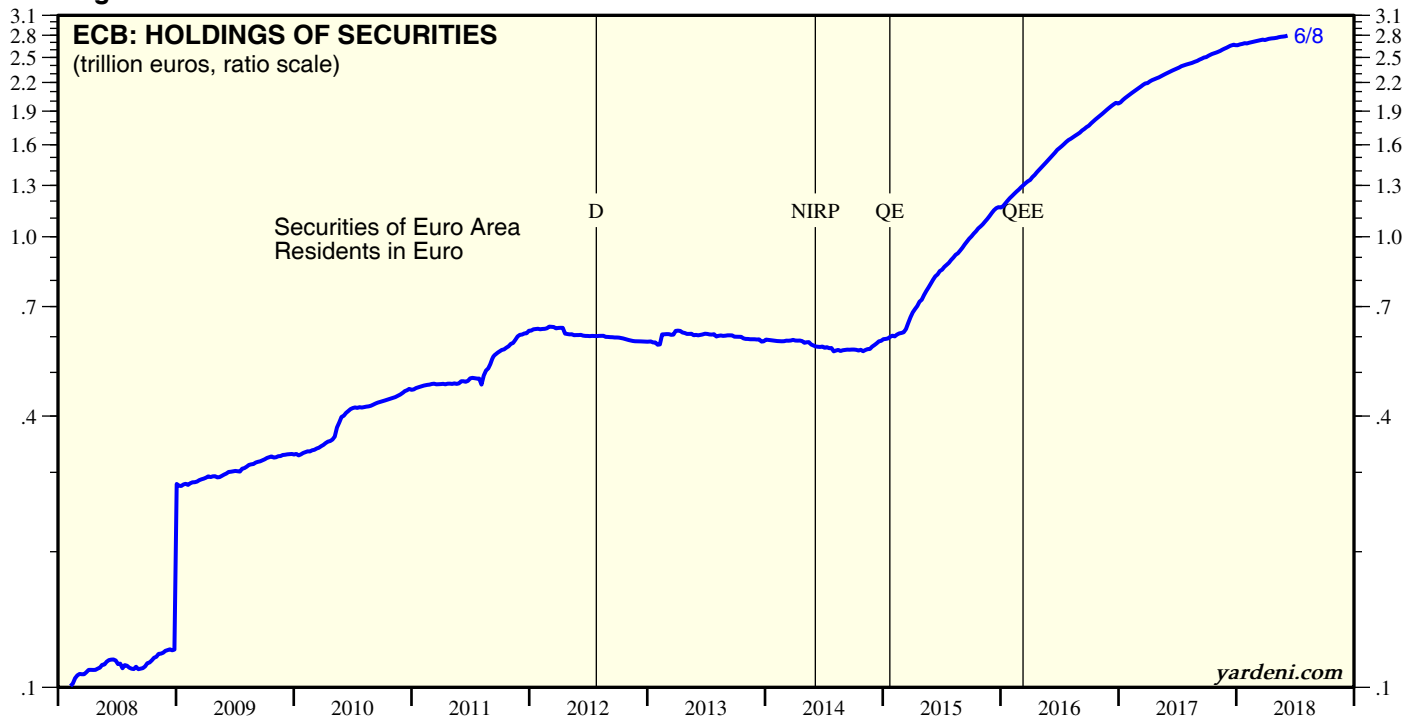


* Total liabilities minus sum of lending to euro area credit institutions in euro, liabilities to other euro area residents in euro, and bank notes in circulation.

Source: European Central Bank.

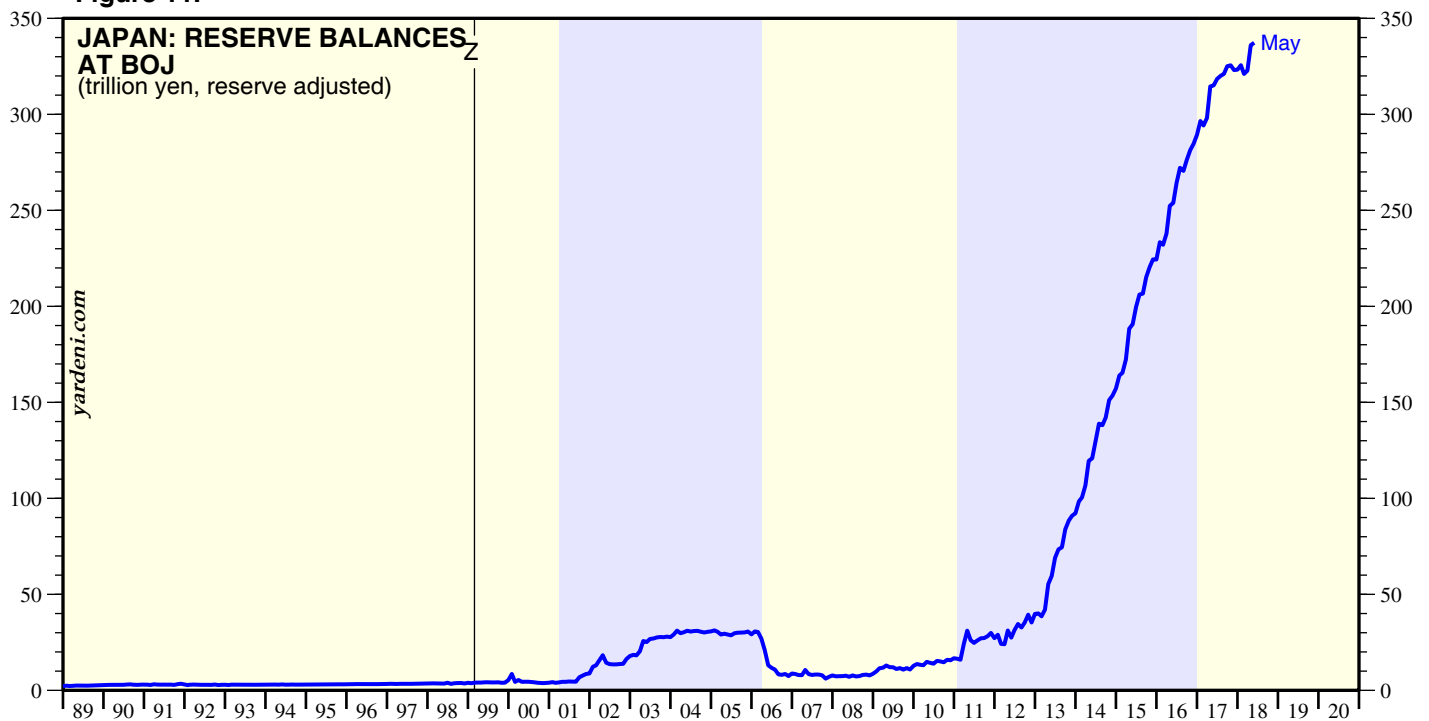
ECB & BOJ Balance Sheets

Figure 10.



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.

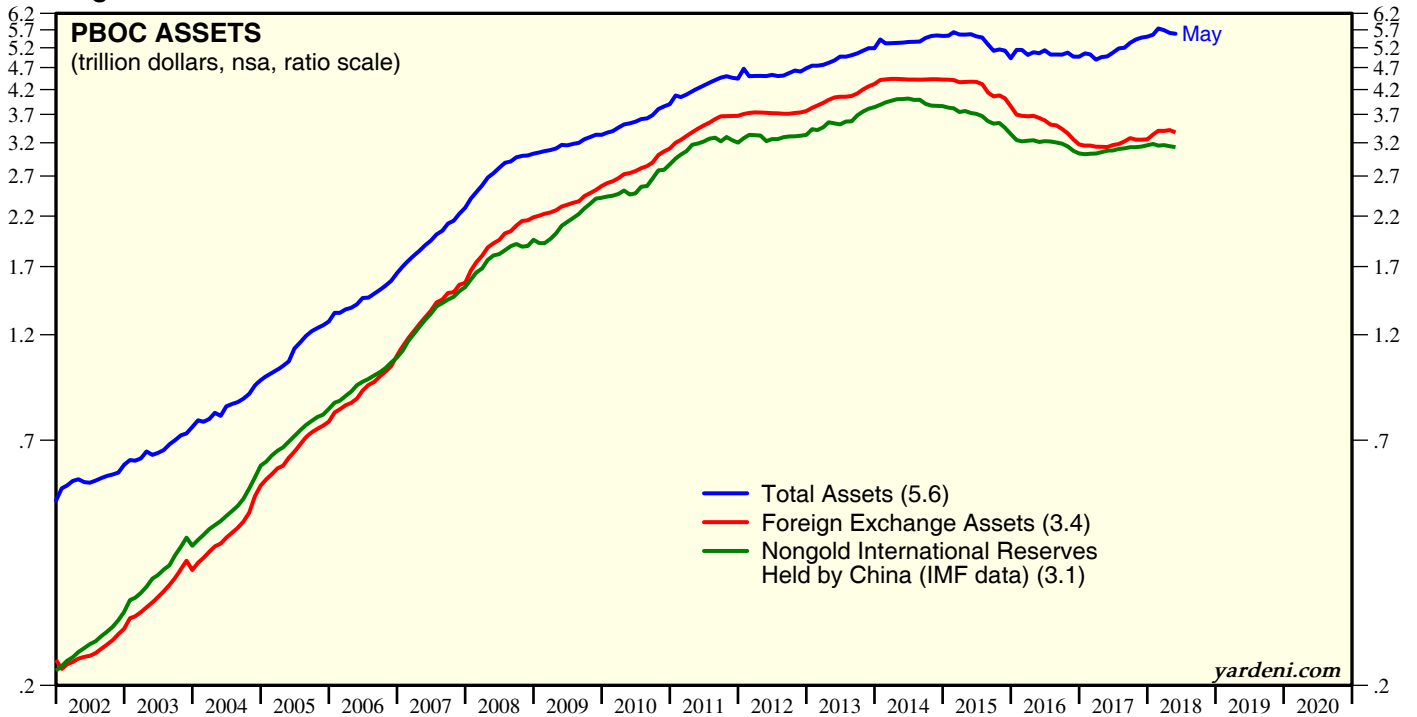
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Z = Zero Interest Rate Policy.
Note: Blue shade is Quantitative Easing Policy.
Source: Bank of Japan.

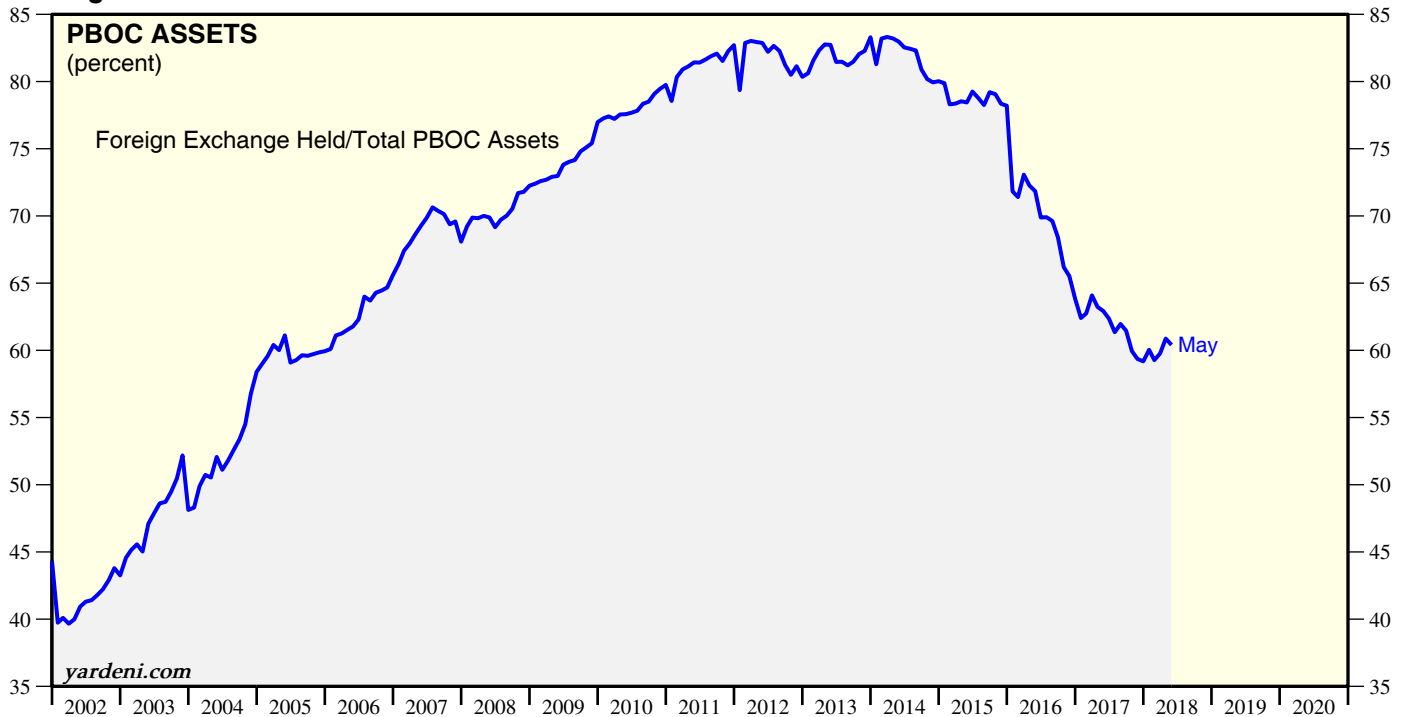
PBOC

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Source: People's Bank of China and IMF.

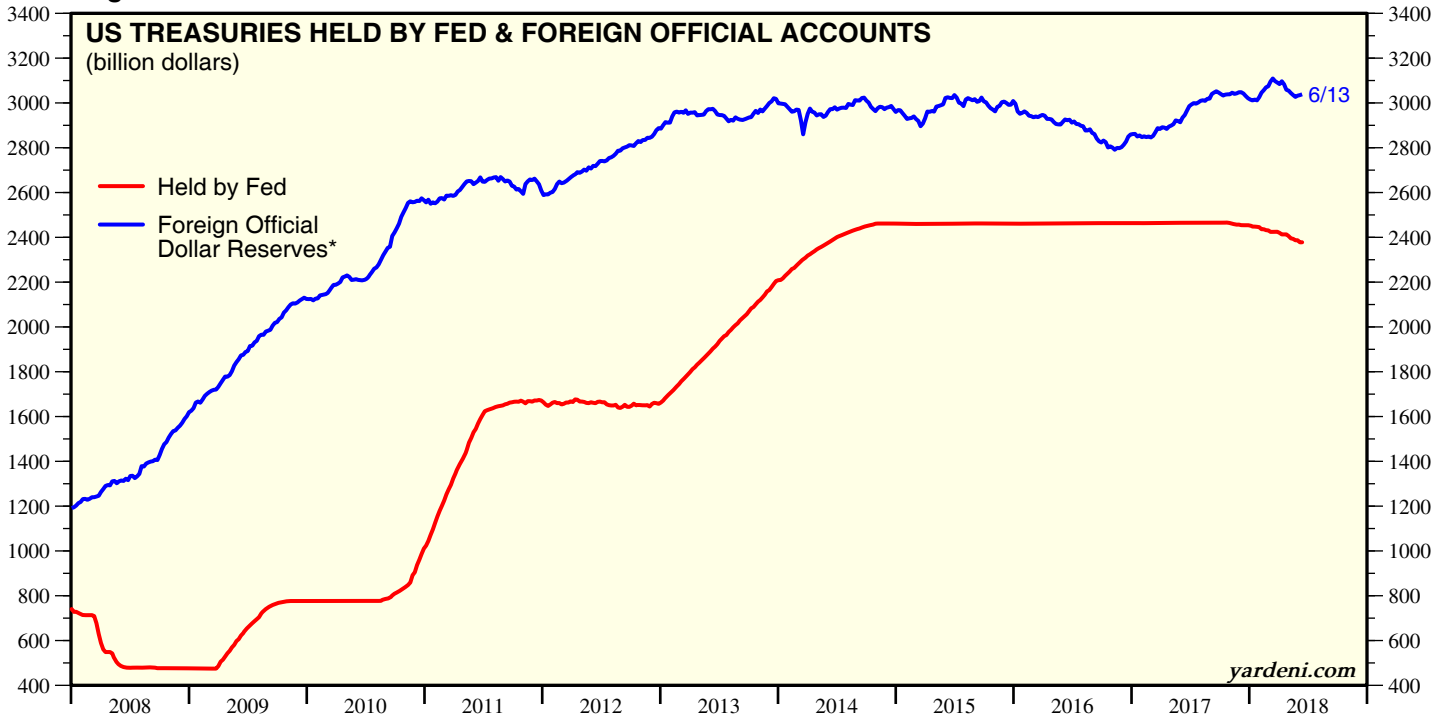
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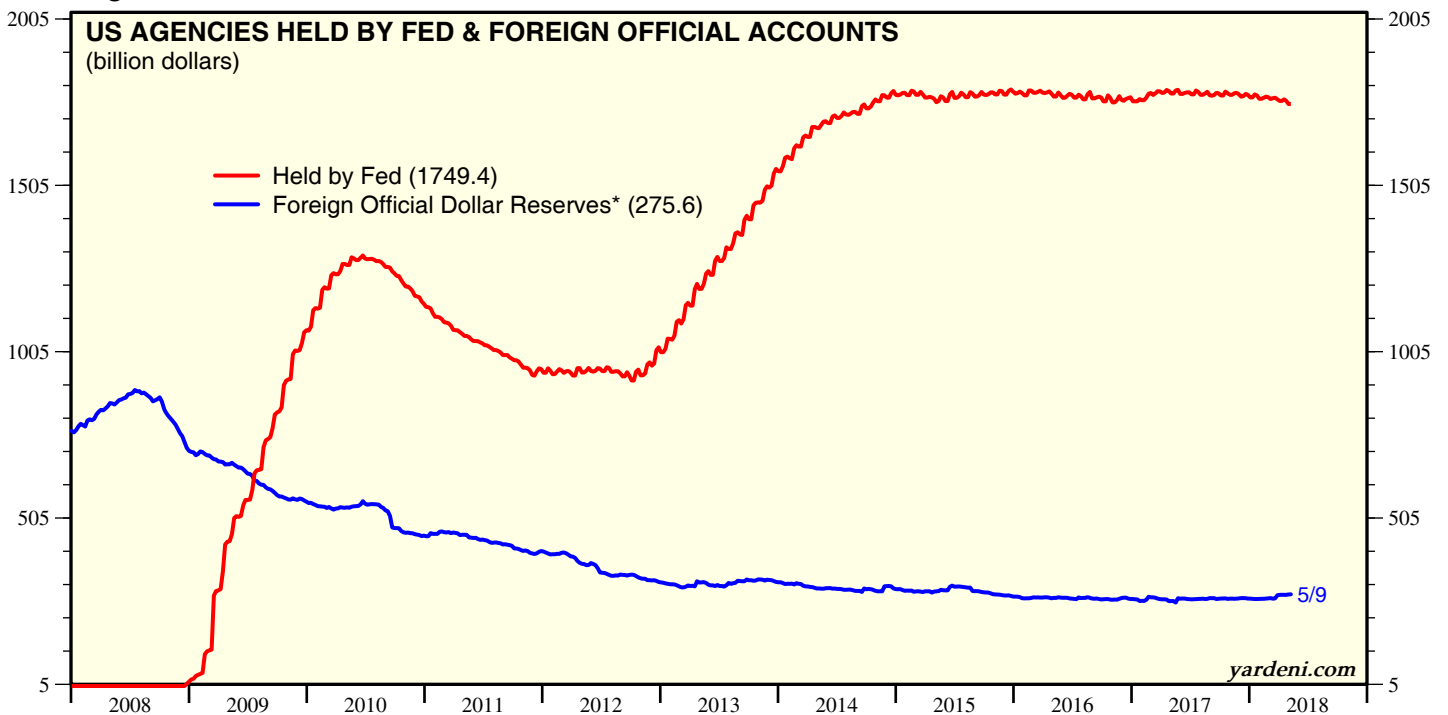
US Treasuries & Agencies Held by Central Banks

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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.

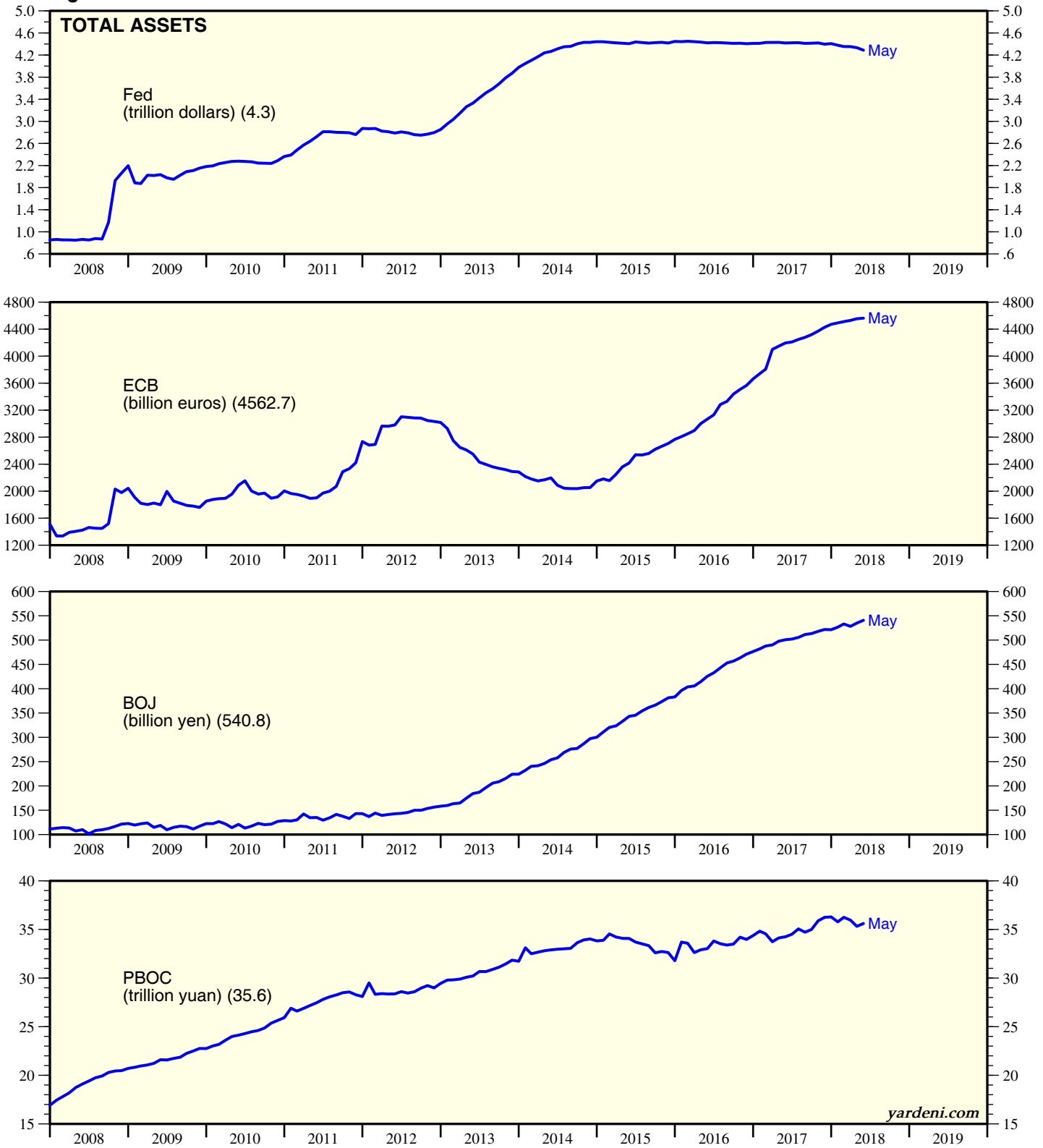
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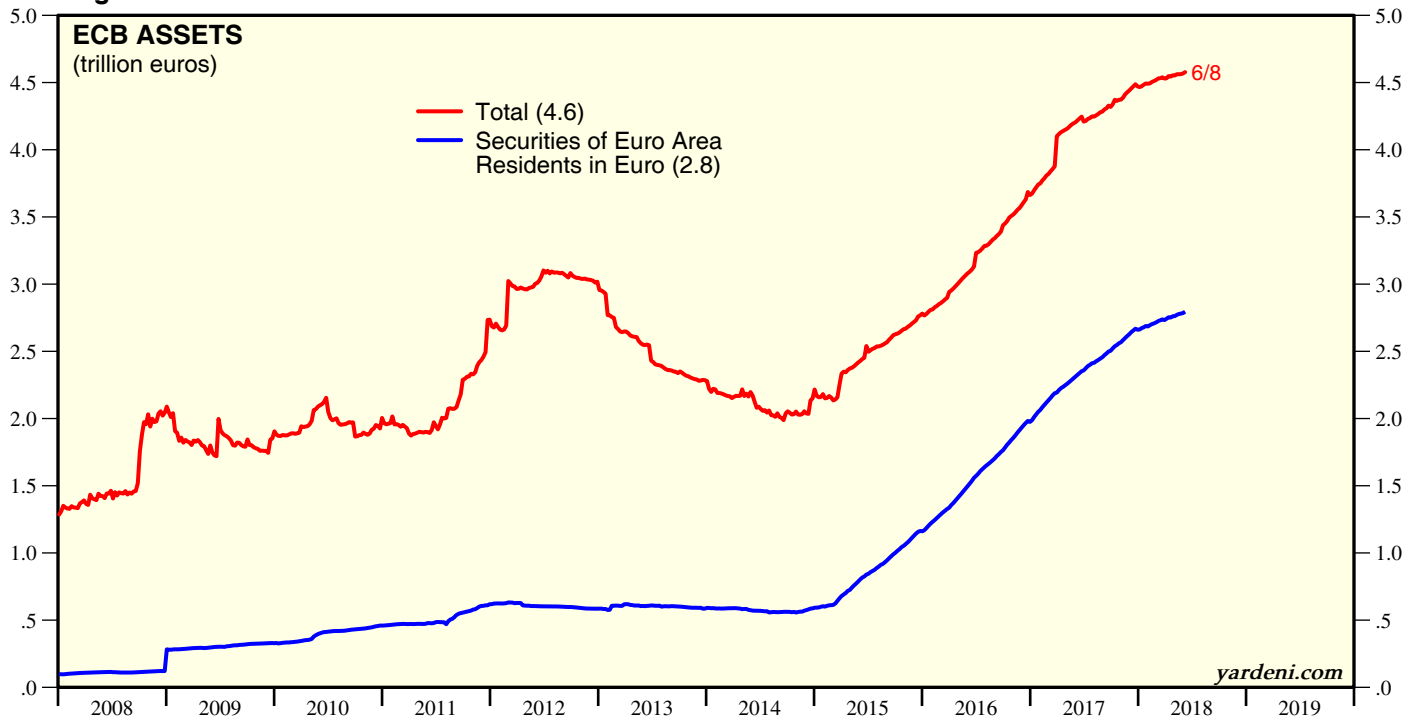
Figure 16.



Source: Haver Analytics.

Total Assets

Figure 17.



Source: European Central Bank.

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