

# US Government Finance: Debt

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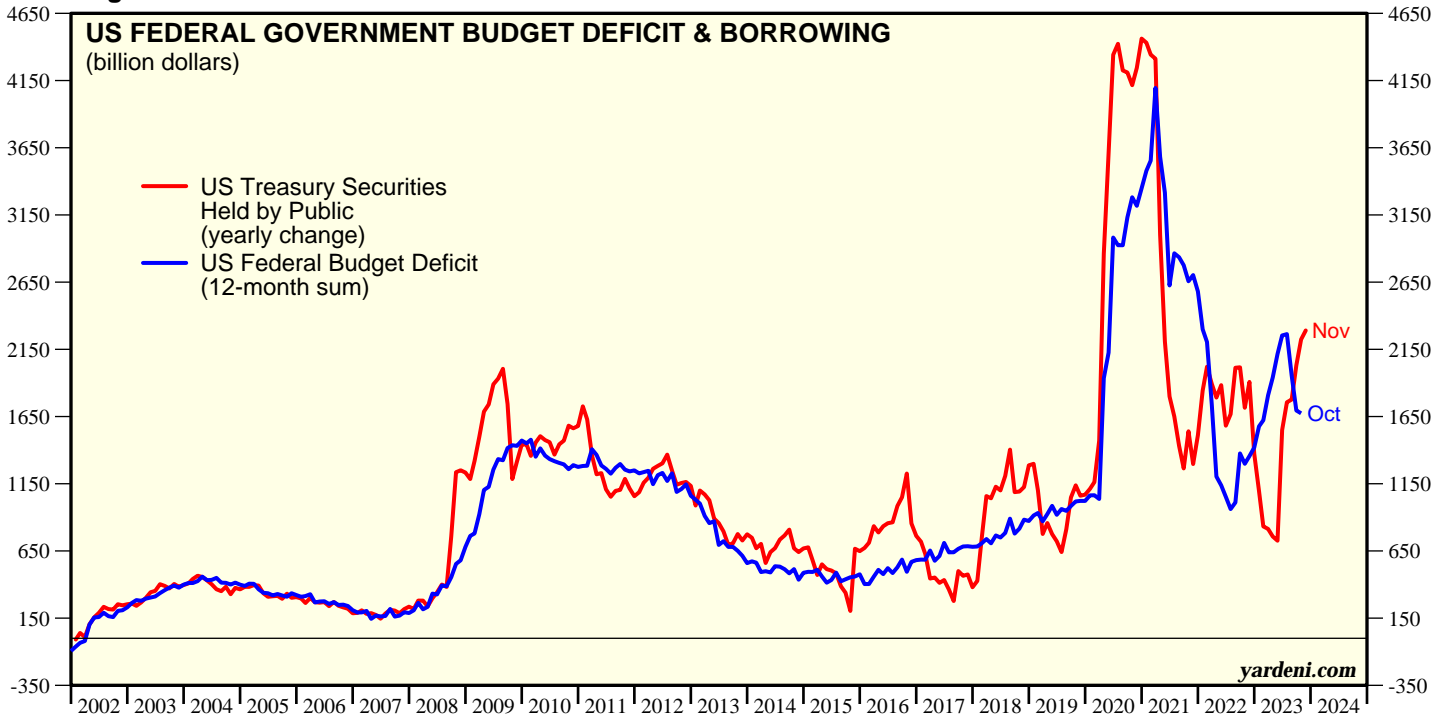
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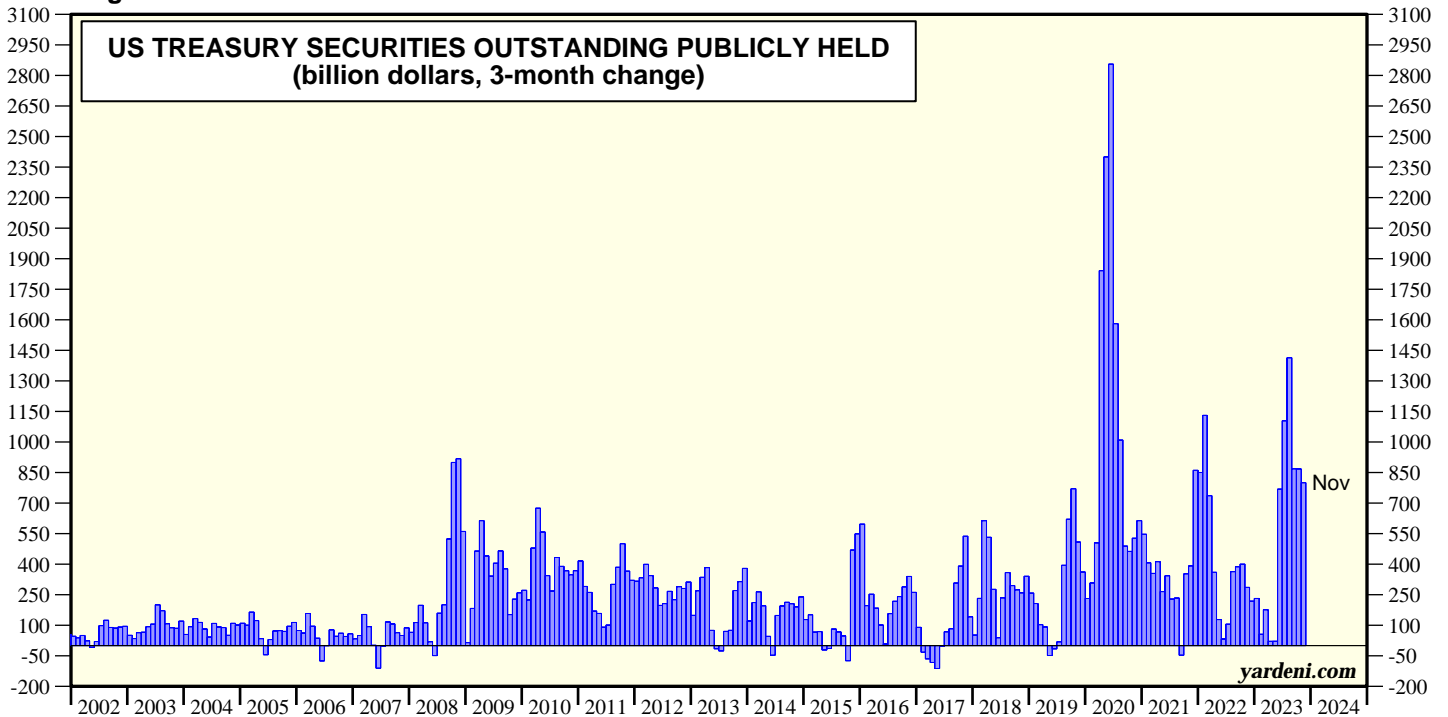
# US Treasury Debt

Figure 1.



Source: US Treasury Department.

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# Debt Limit

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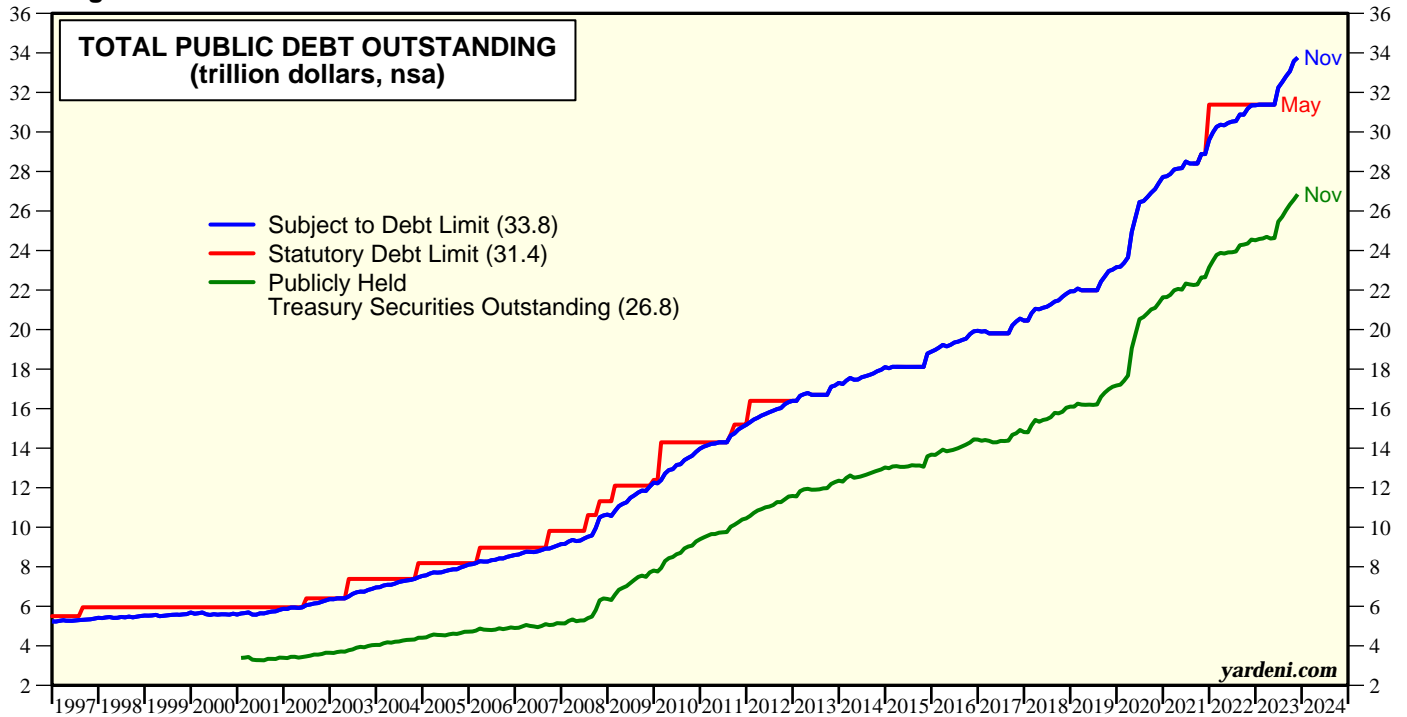
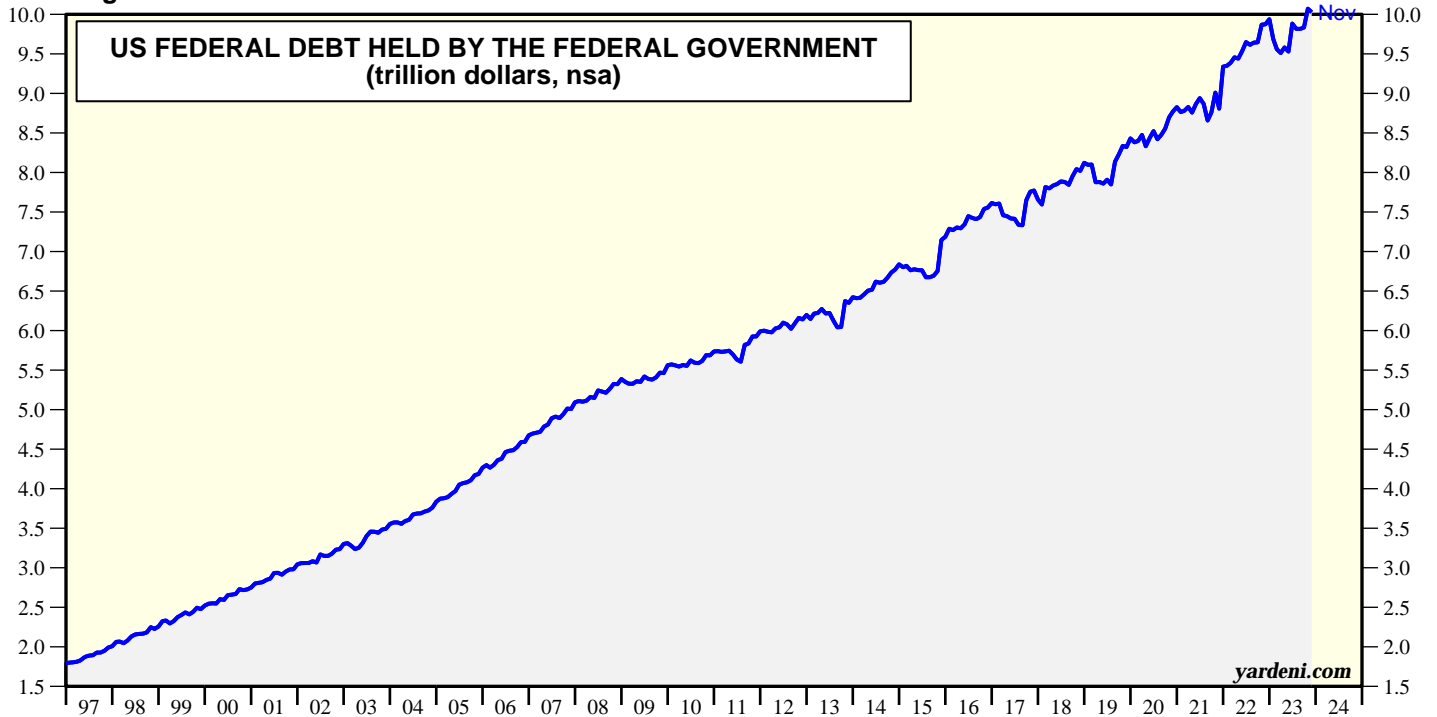
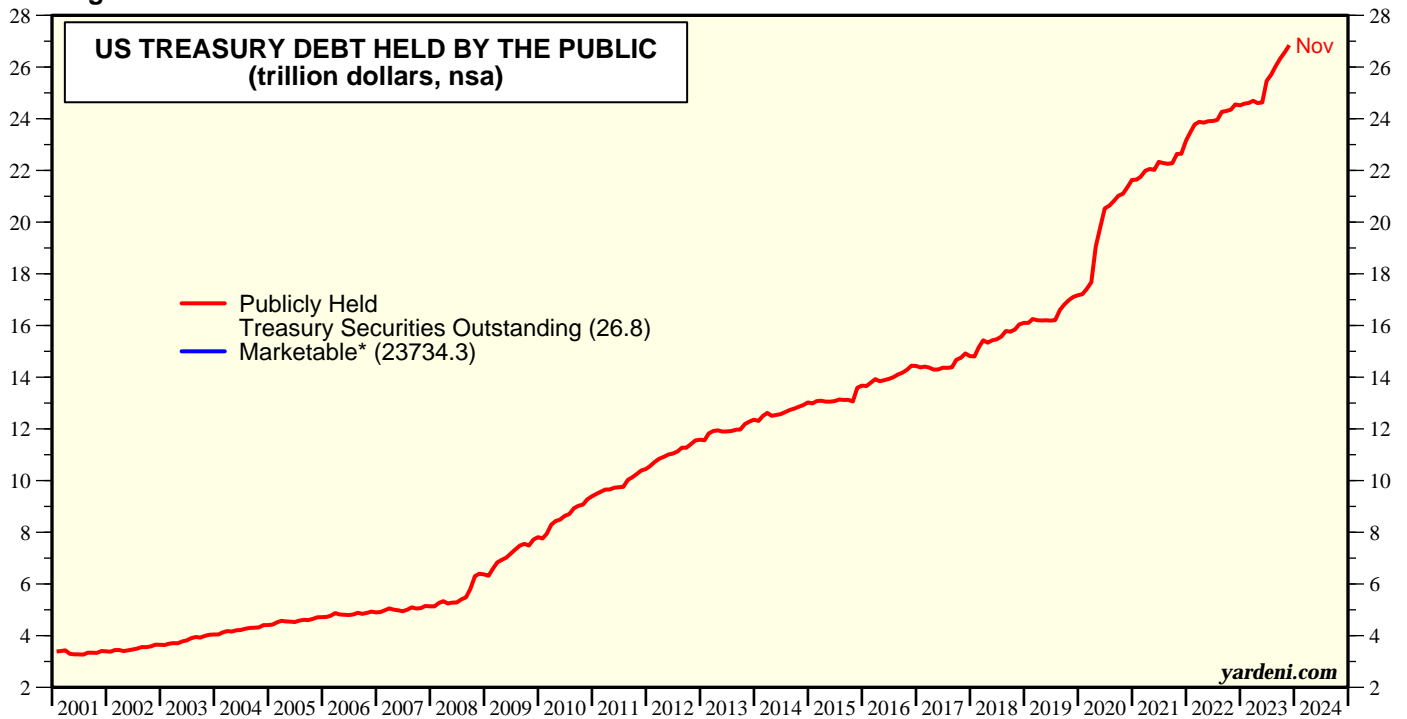


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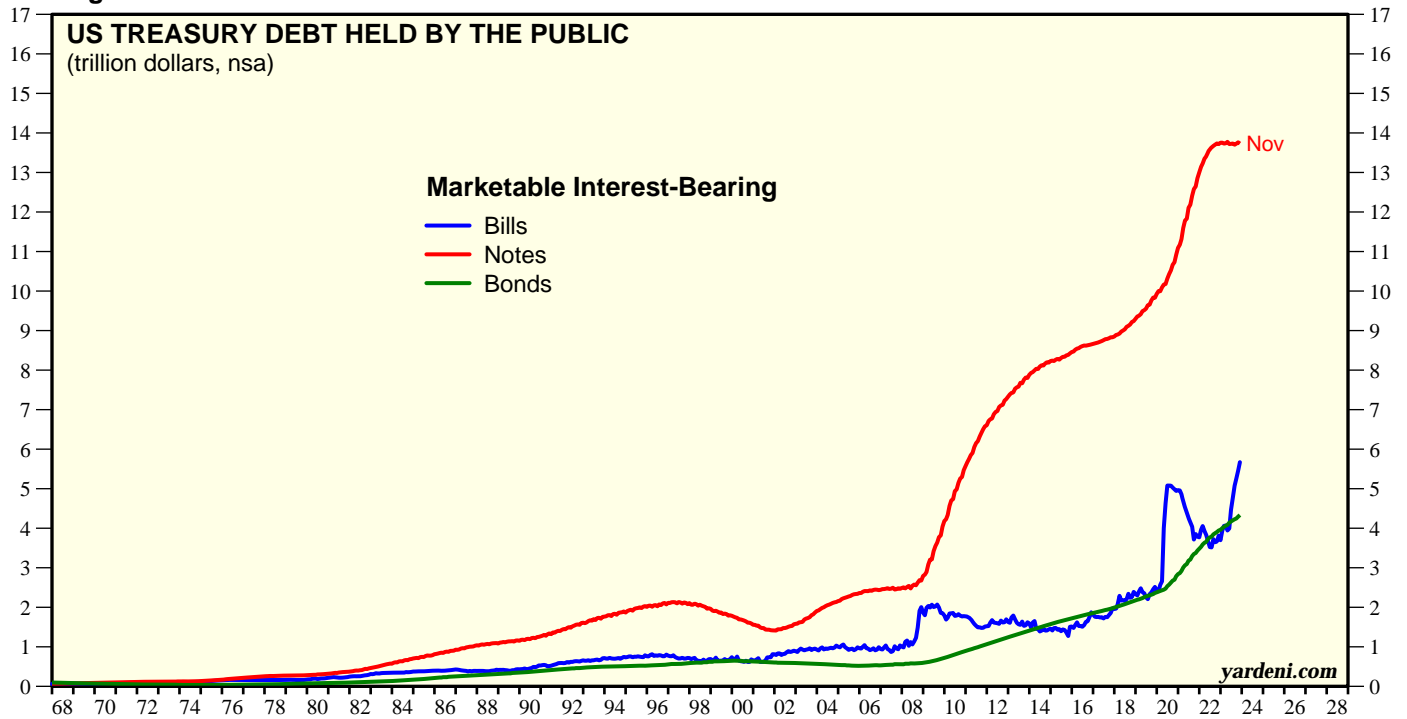
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\* Marketable interest-bearing bills, notes and bonds.  
Source: US Treasury Department, Monthly Statement of the Public Debt of the United States.

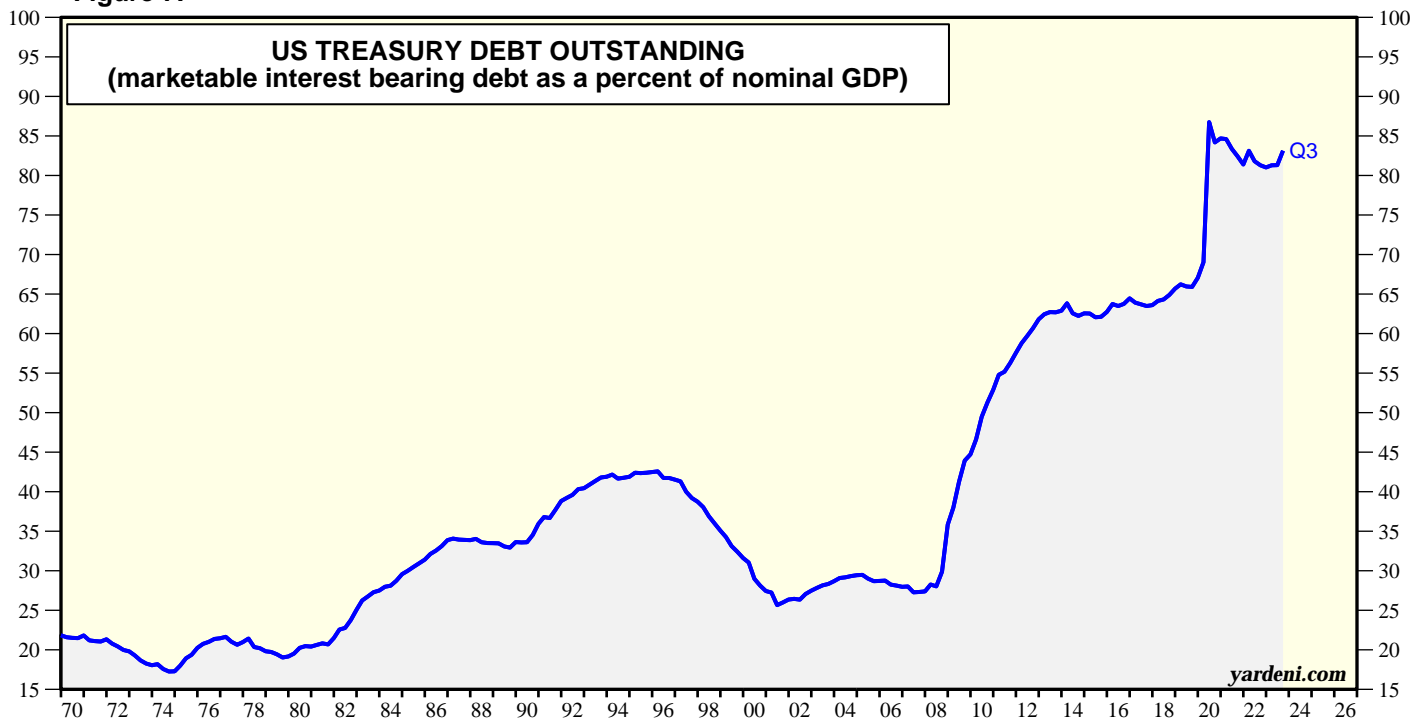
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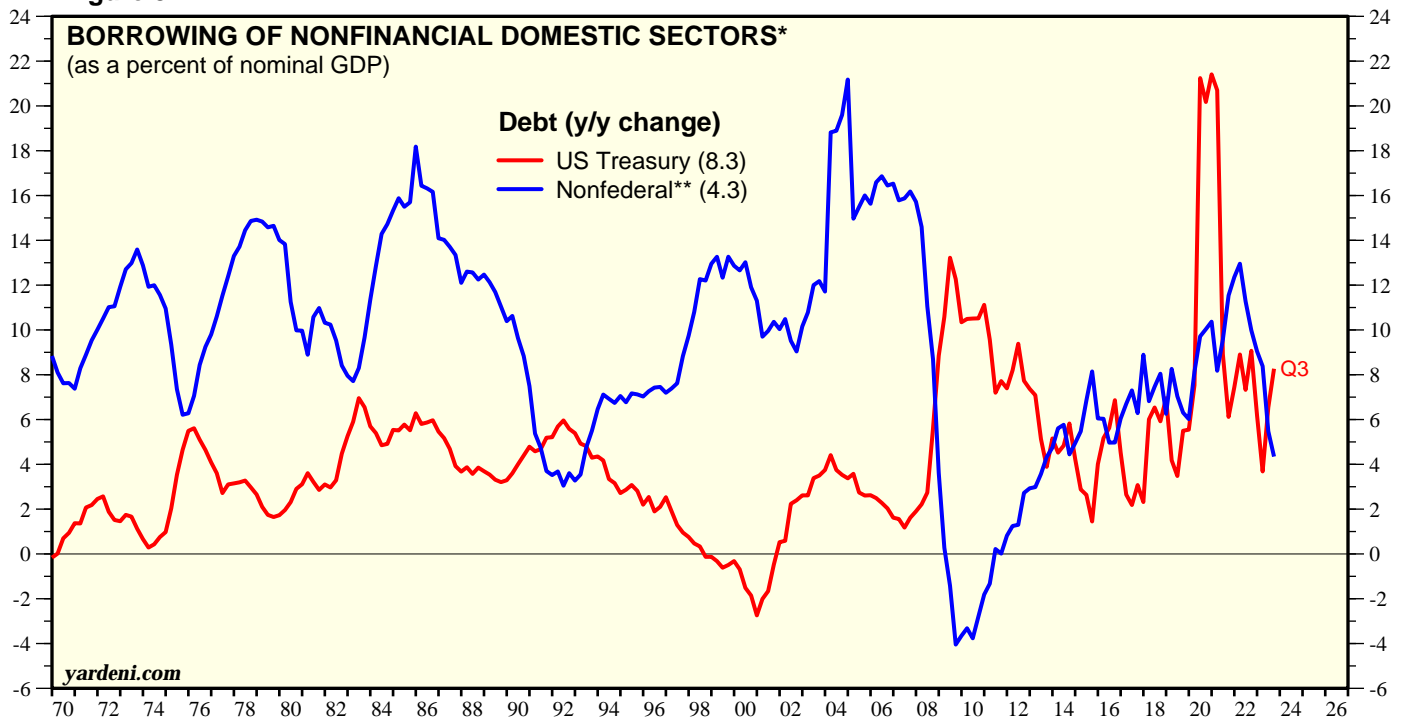
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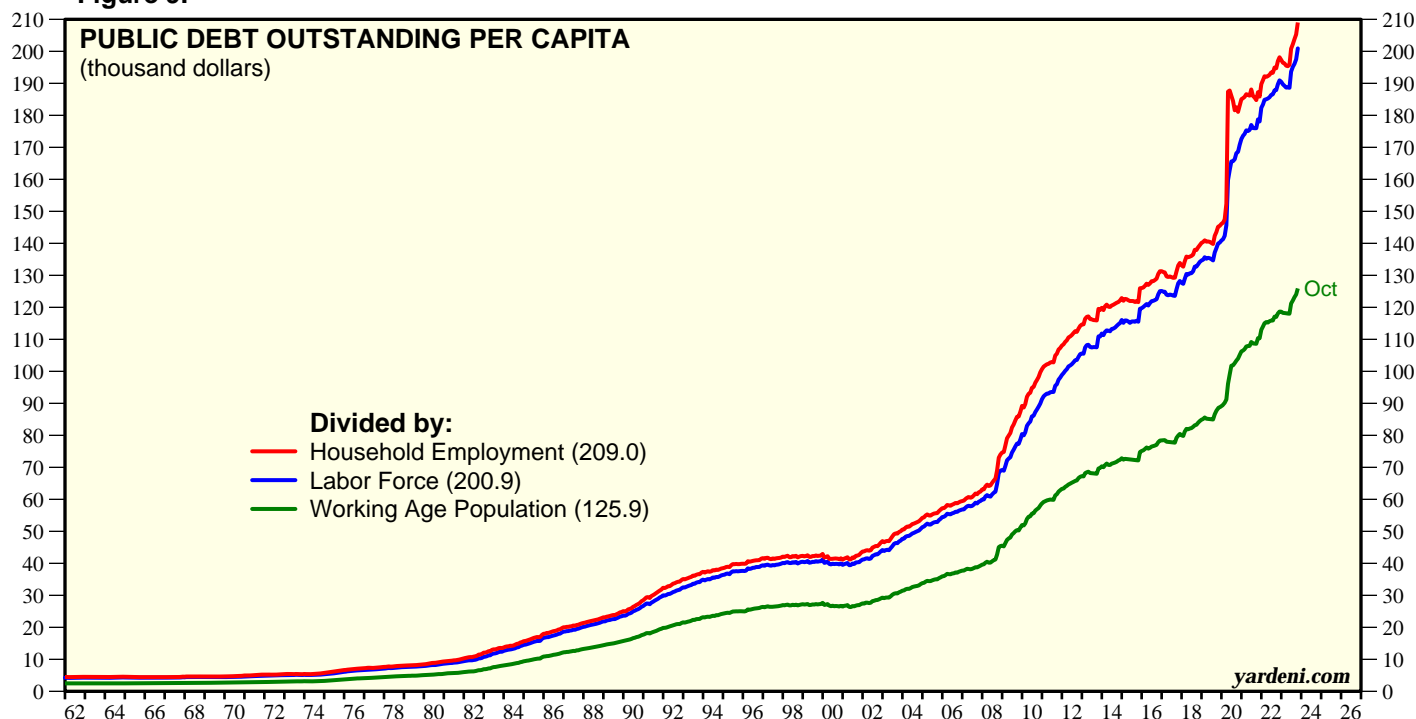
\* Yearly change in debt divided by 4-quarter moving average of nominal GDP.

\*\* Nonfederal equals total nonfinancial minus US Treasury.

Source: Federal Reserve Board, Flow of Funds Accounts.

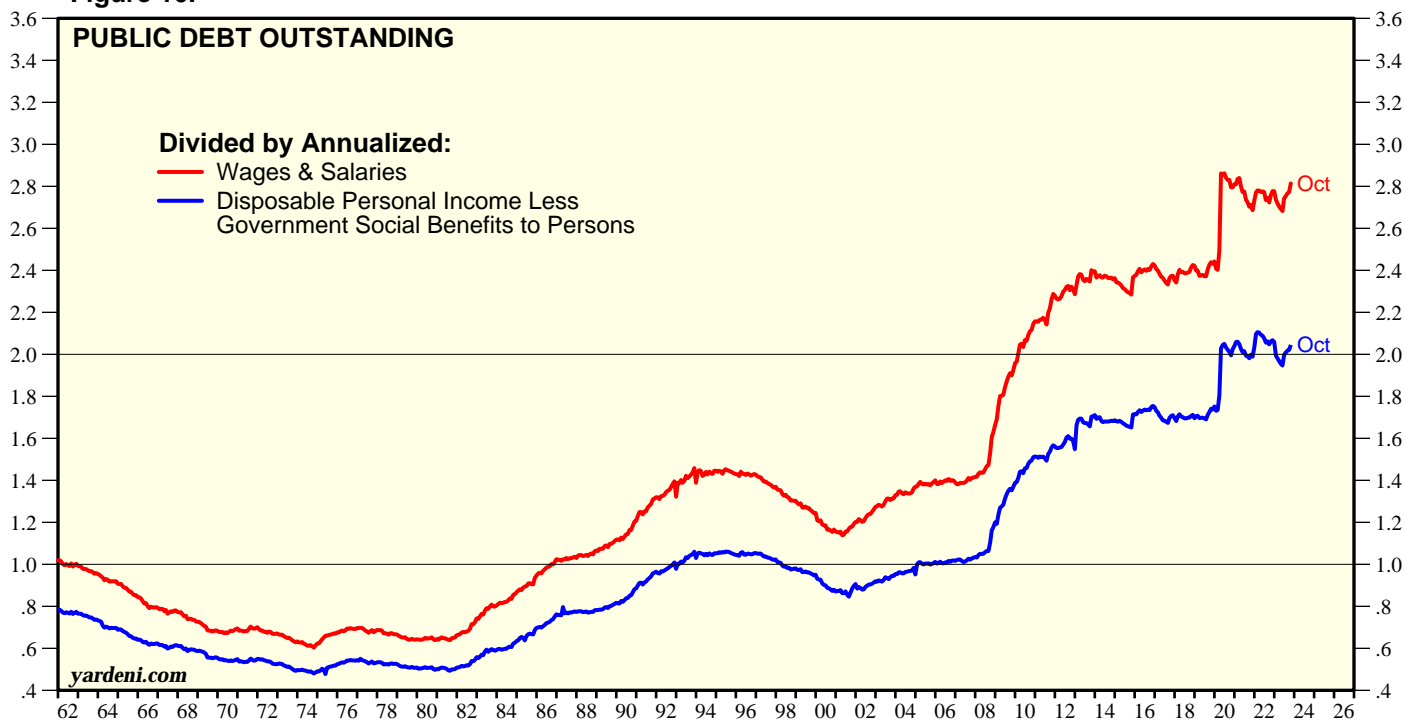
# Public Debt

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Source: US Treasury Department and US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

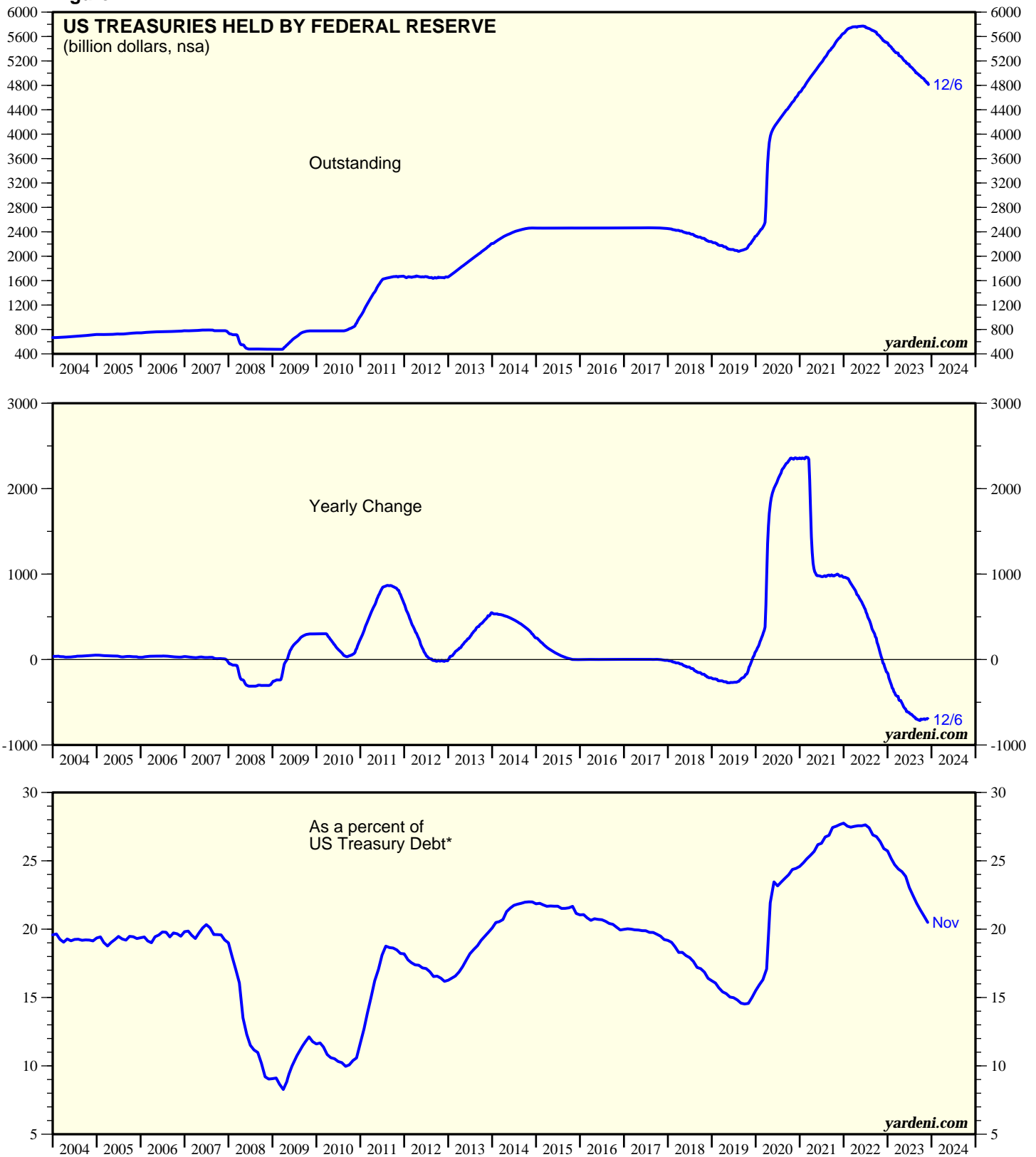
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# Fed's Holdings of US Treasuries

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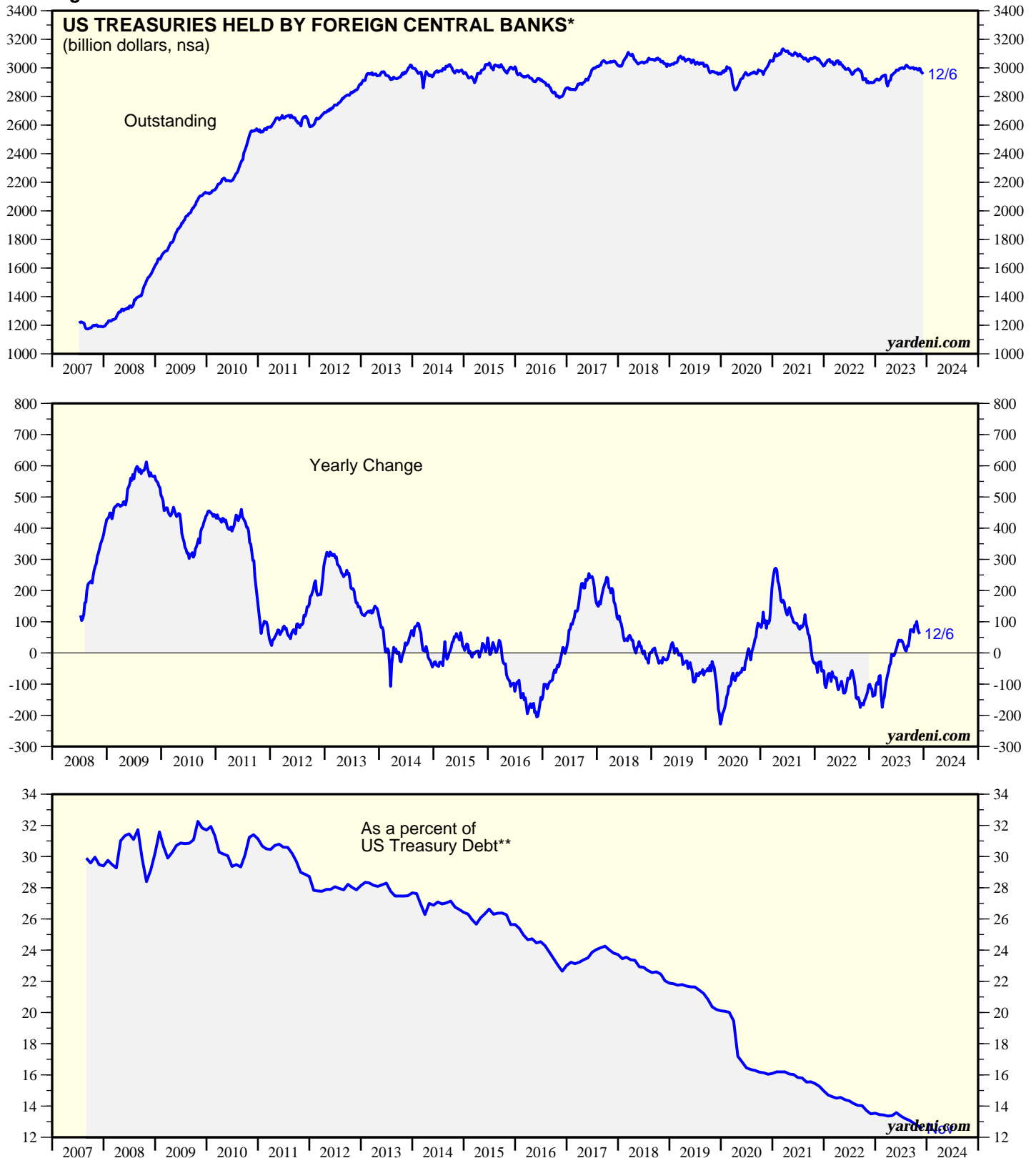
\* Marketable interest-bearing bills, notes, and bonds.

Source: Federal Reserve Board, Table H.4.1.



# Foreign Central Banks' Holdings of US Treasuries

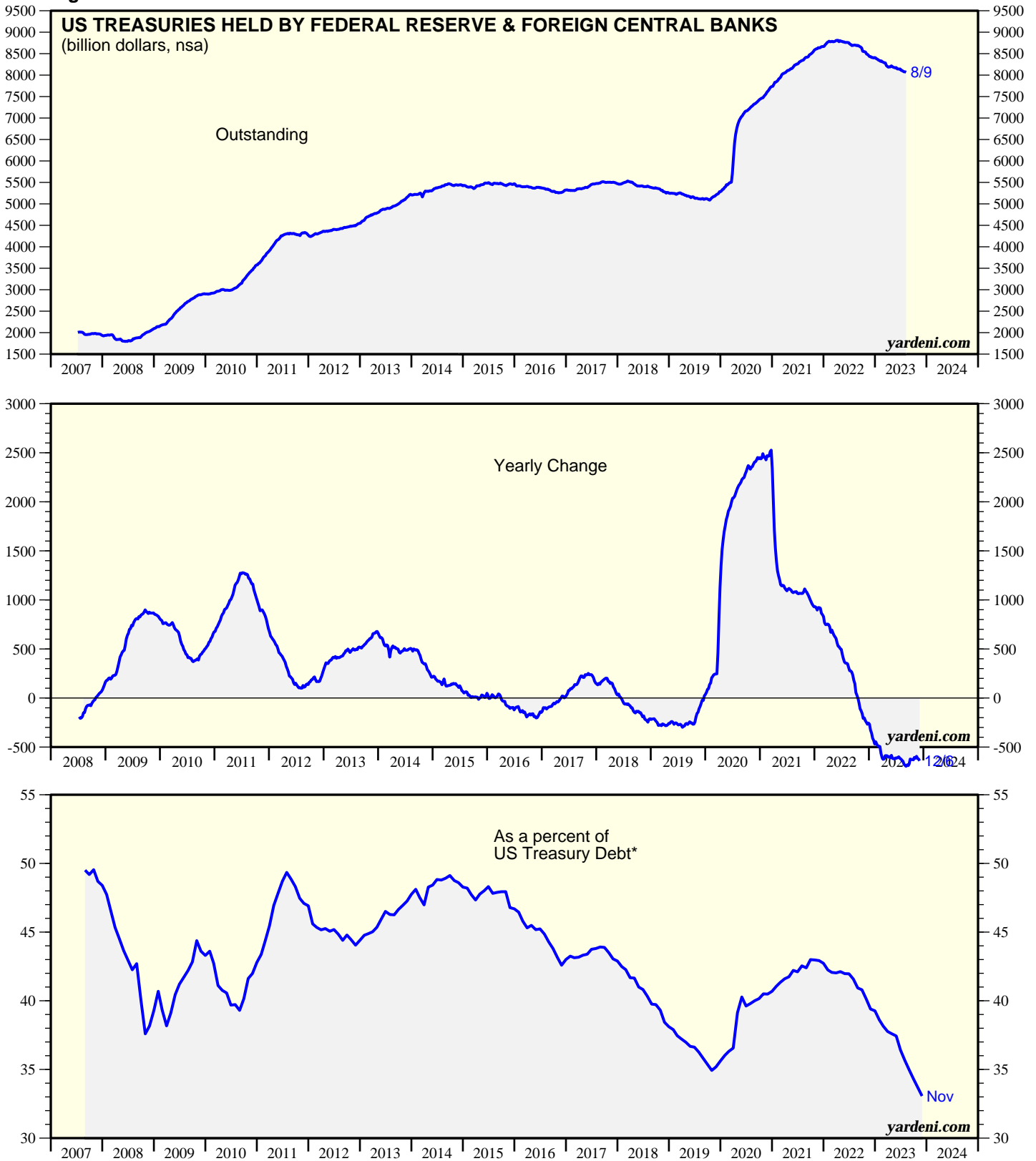
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\* Held in custody at Federal Reserve.  
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# All Central Banks' Holdings of US Treasuries

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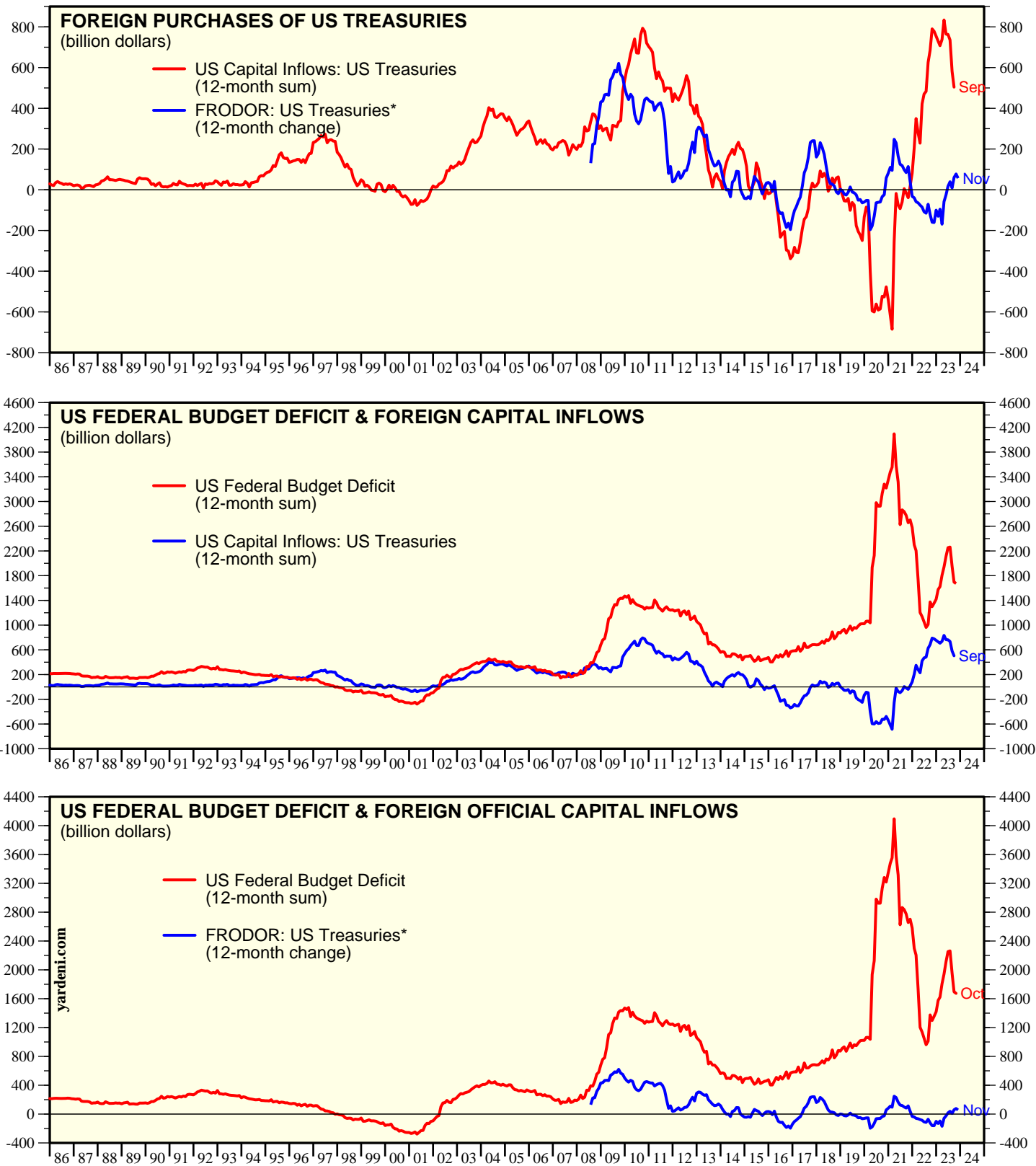


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# Foreign Purchases of US Treasuries

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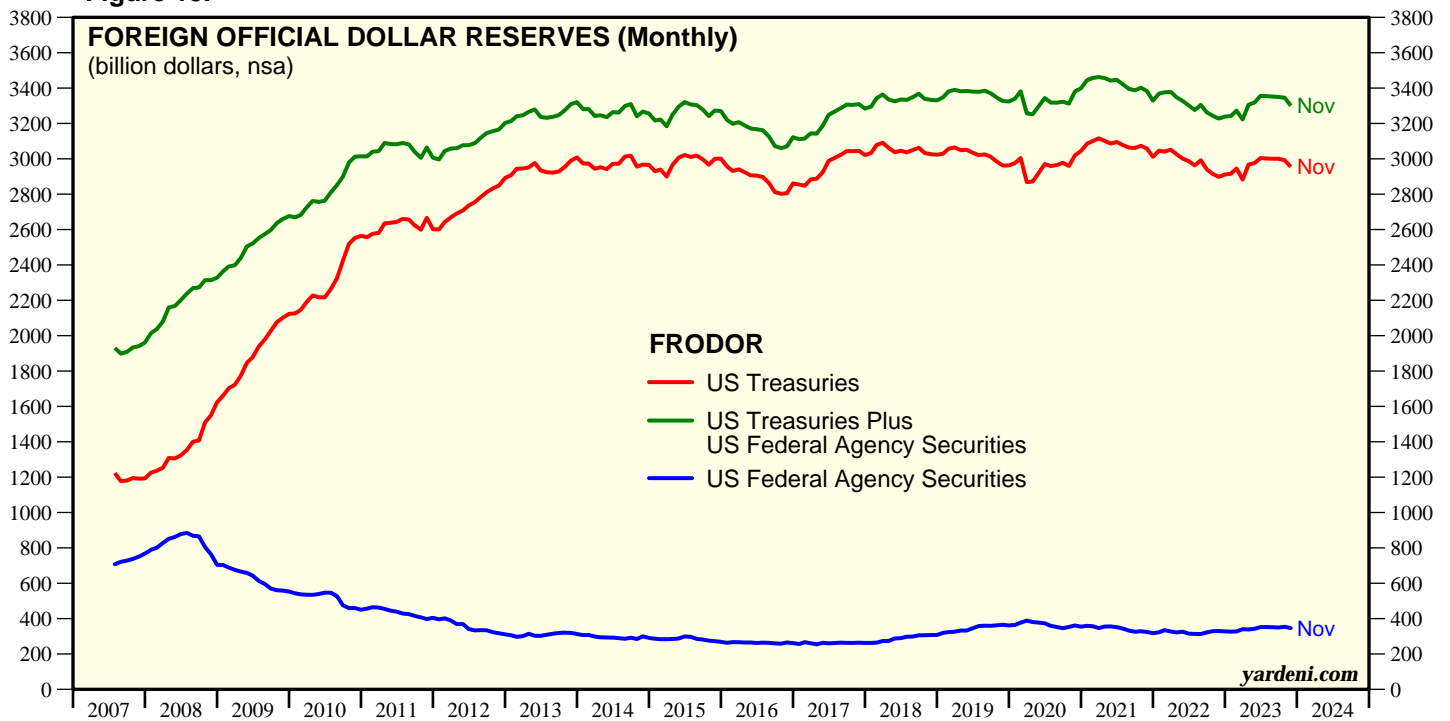


\* Foreign Official Dollar Reserves held in custody for foreign official and international accounts at the Federal Reserve.

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and US Department of the Treasury, Office of International Affairs.

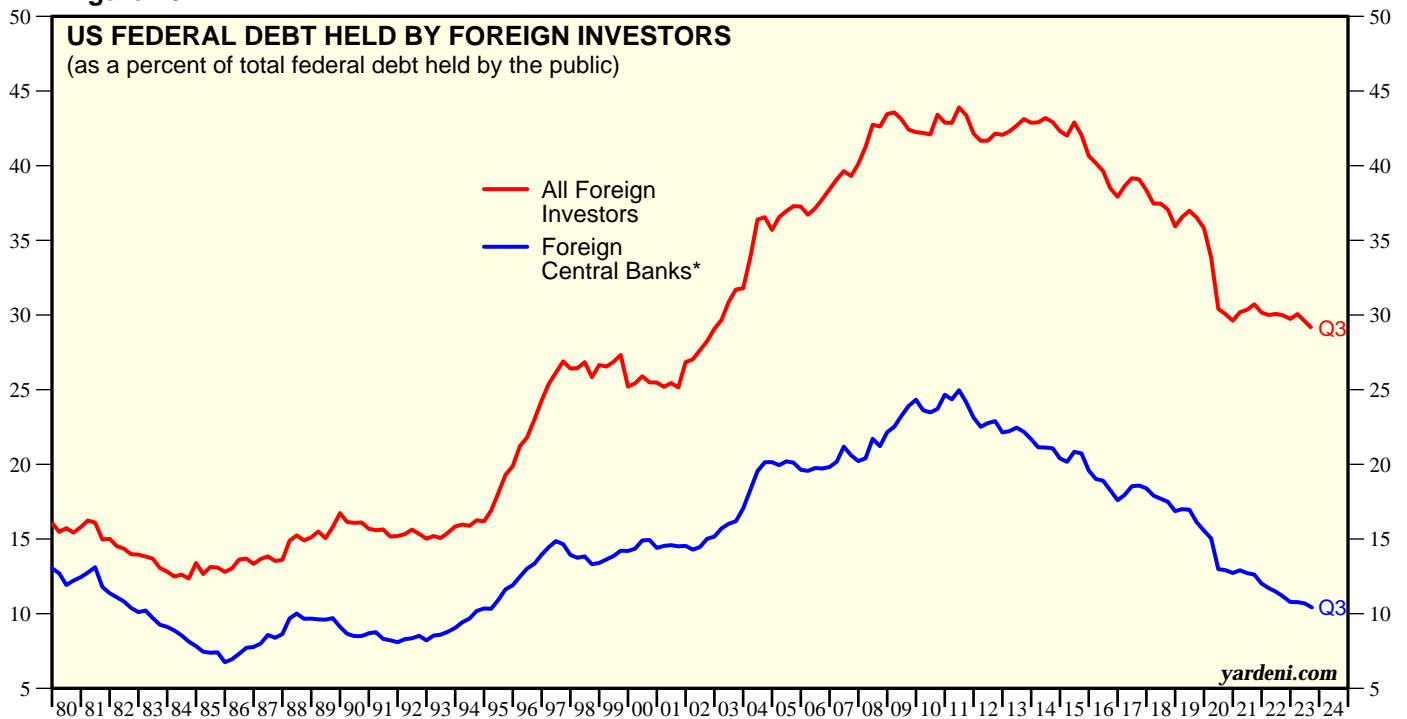
# Foreign Official Assets

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Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

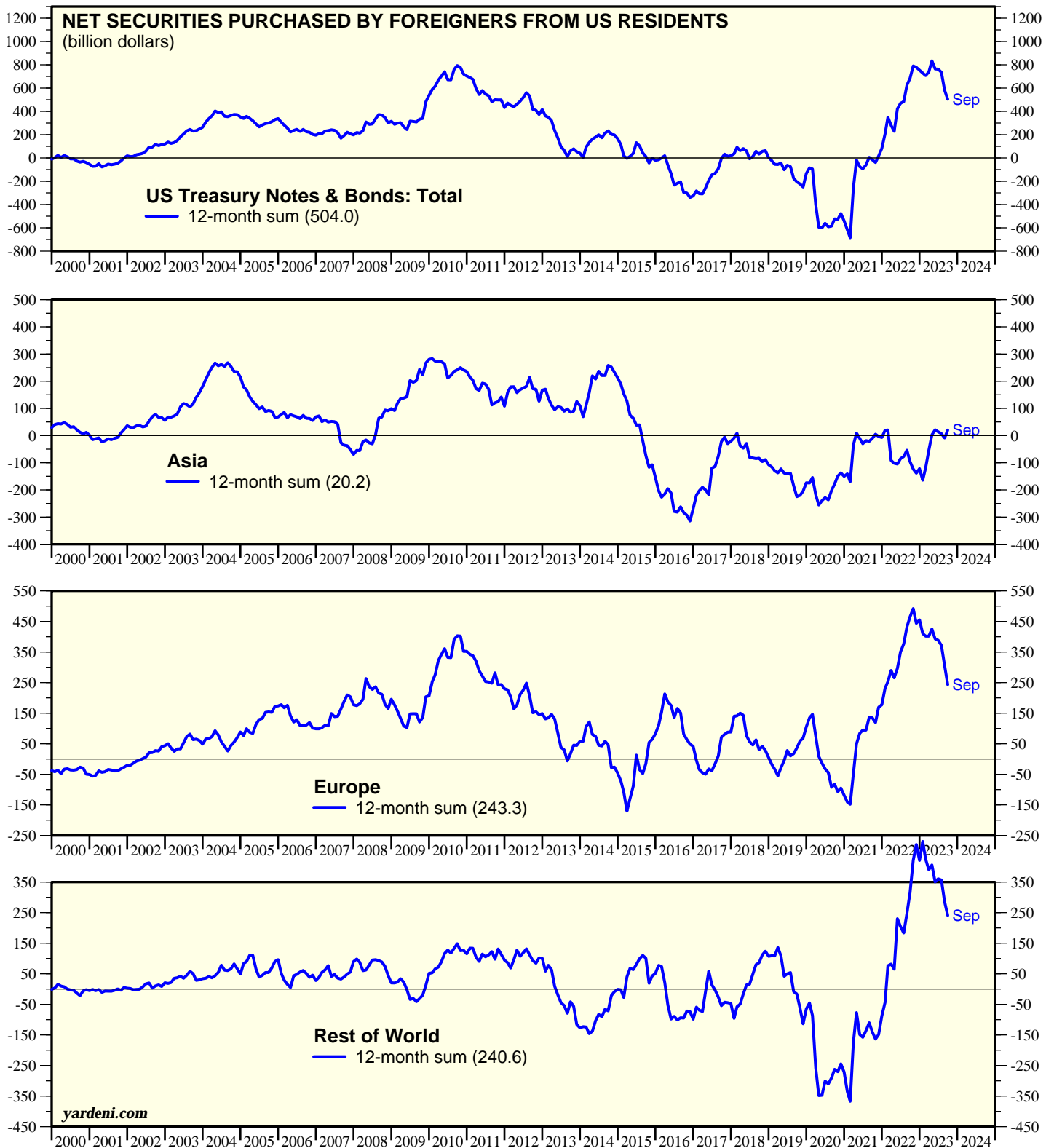
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\* Data from 1952 to 1996 are foreign official assets held at the Fed in US Treasuries. From 1997 to the present, data are marketable US Treasury securities held by the Fed for foreign and international accounts.  
Source: Federal Reserve Board, Flow of Funds Accounts.

# US Capital Inflows: Treasuries

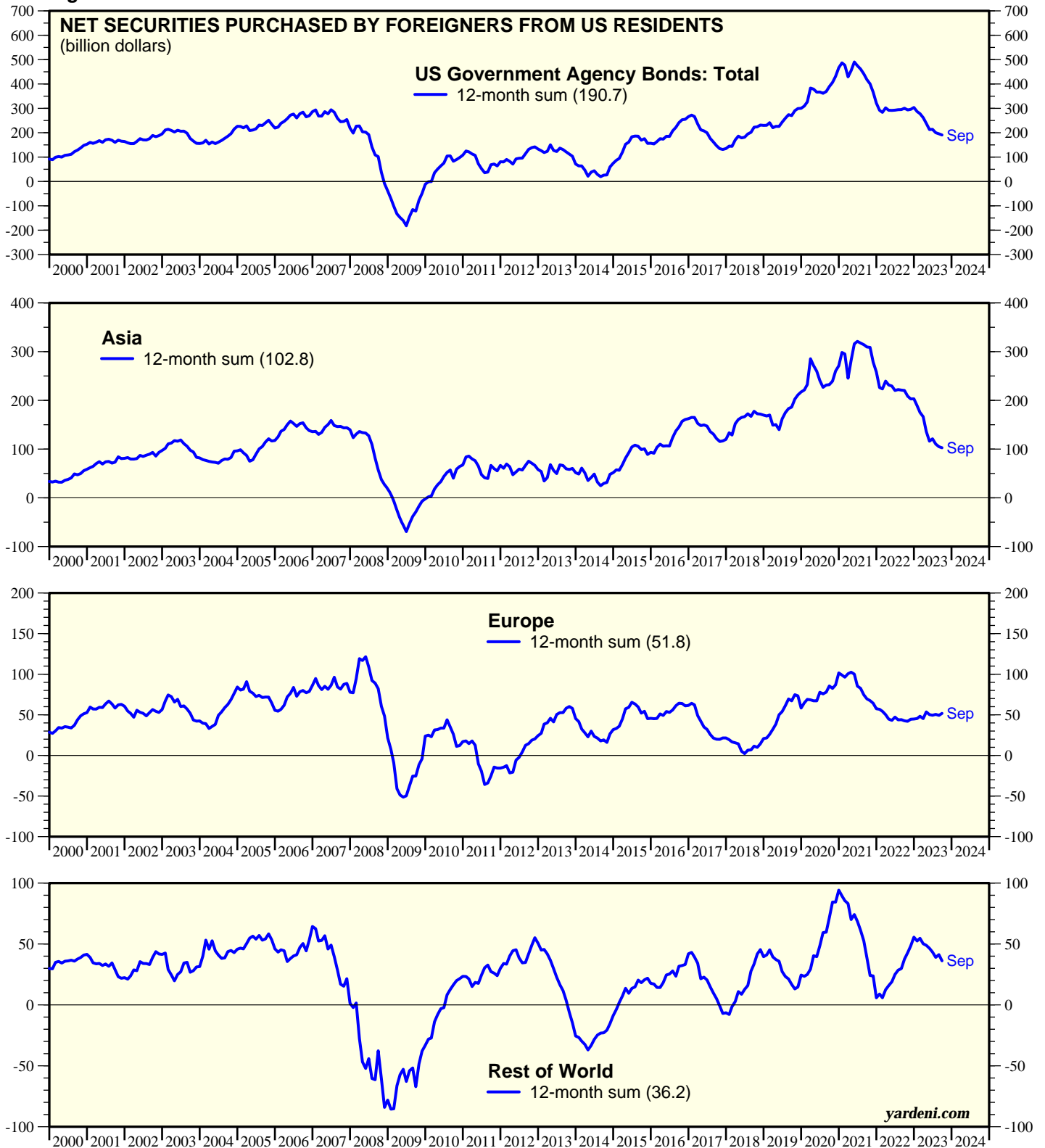
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Source: US Treasury International Capital System.

# US Capital Inflows: Agencies

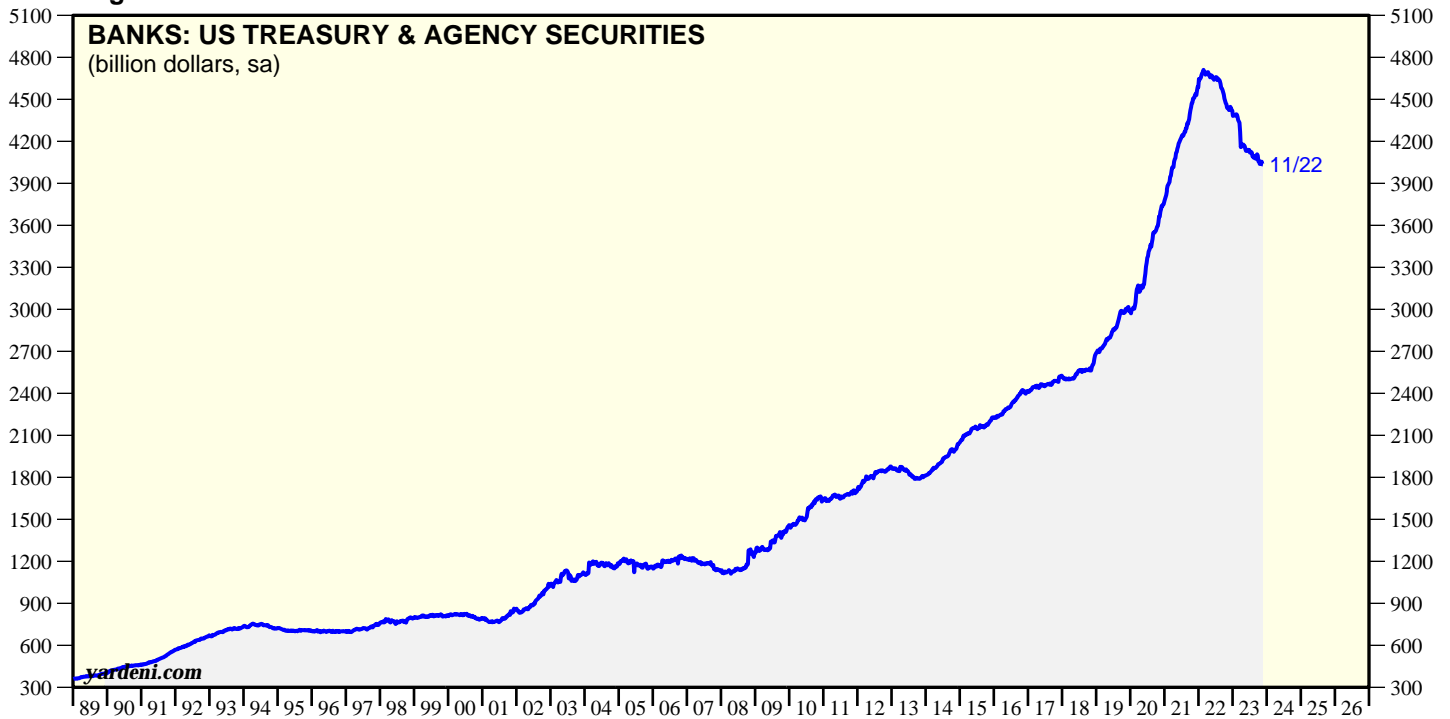
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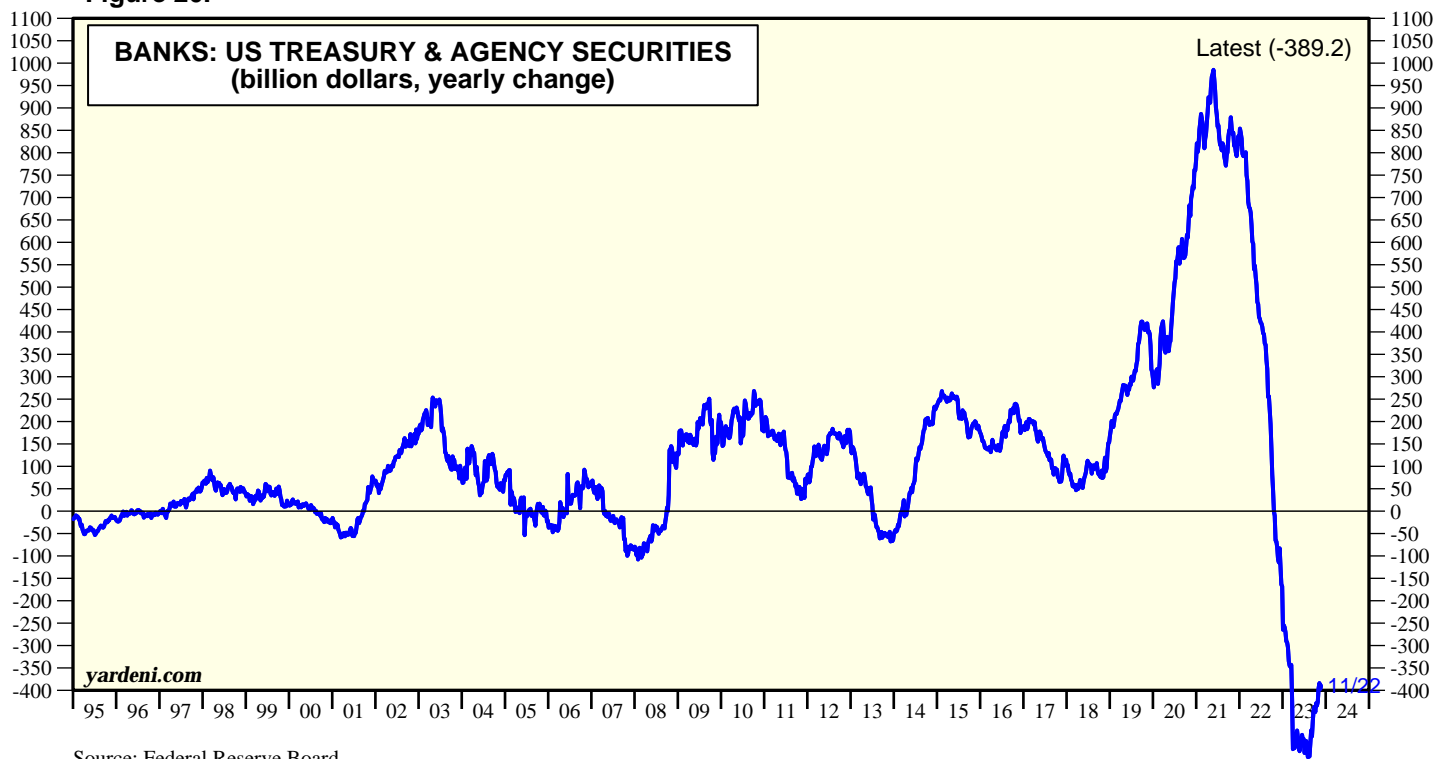
# Bank Holdings

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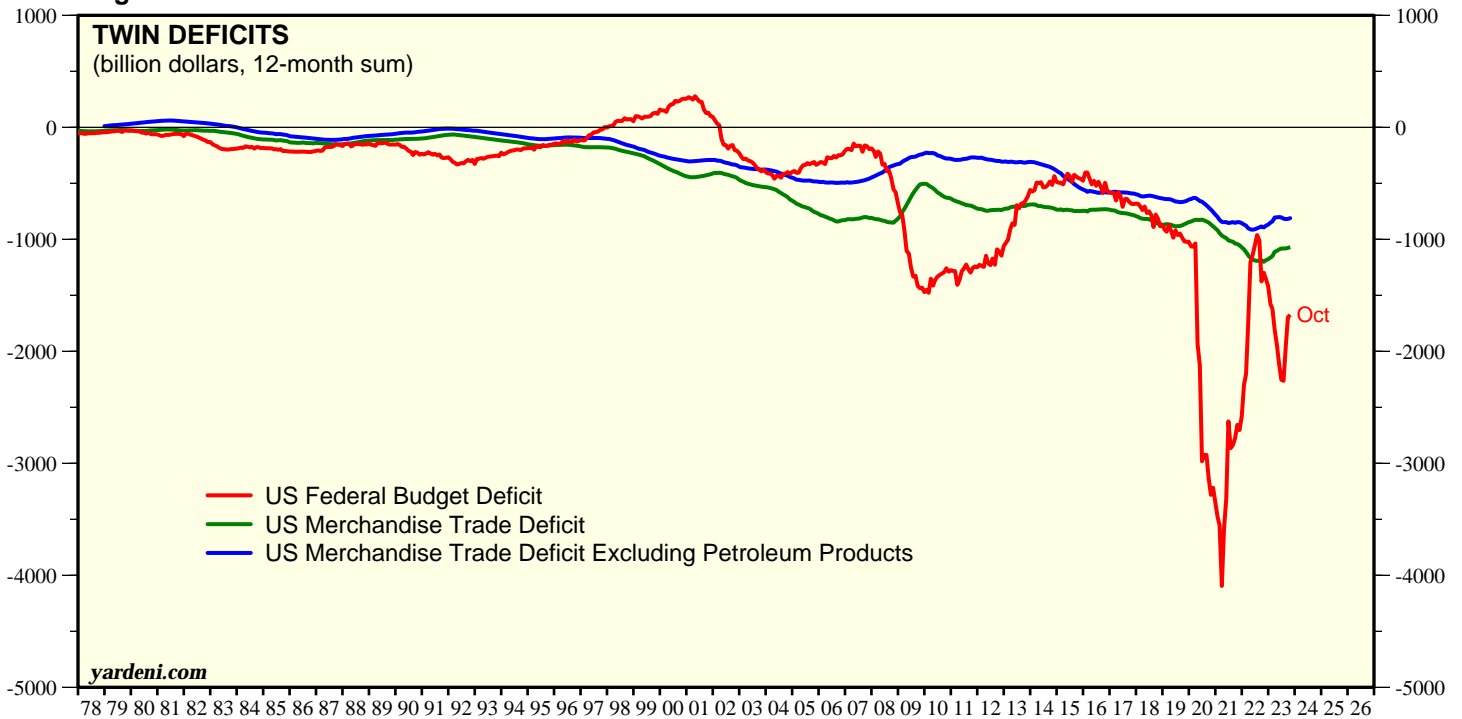
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Source: Federal Reserve Board.

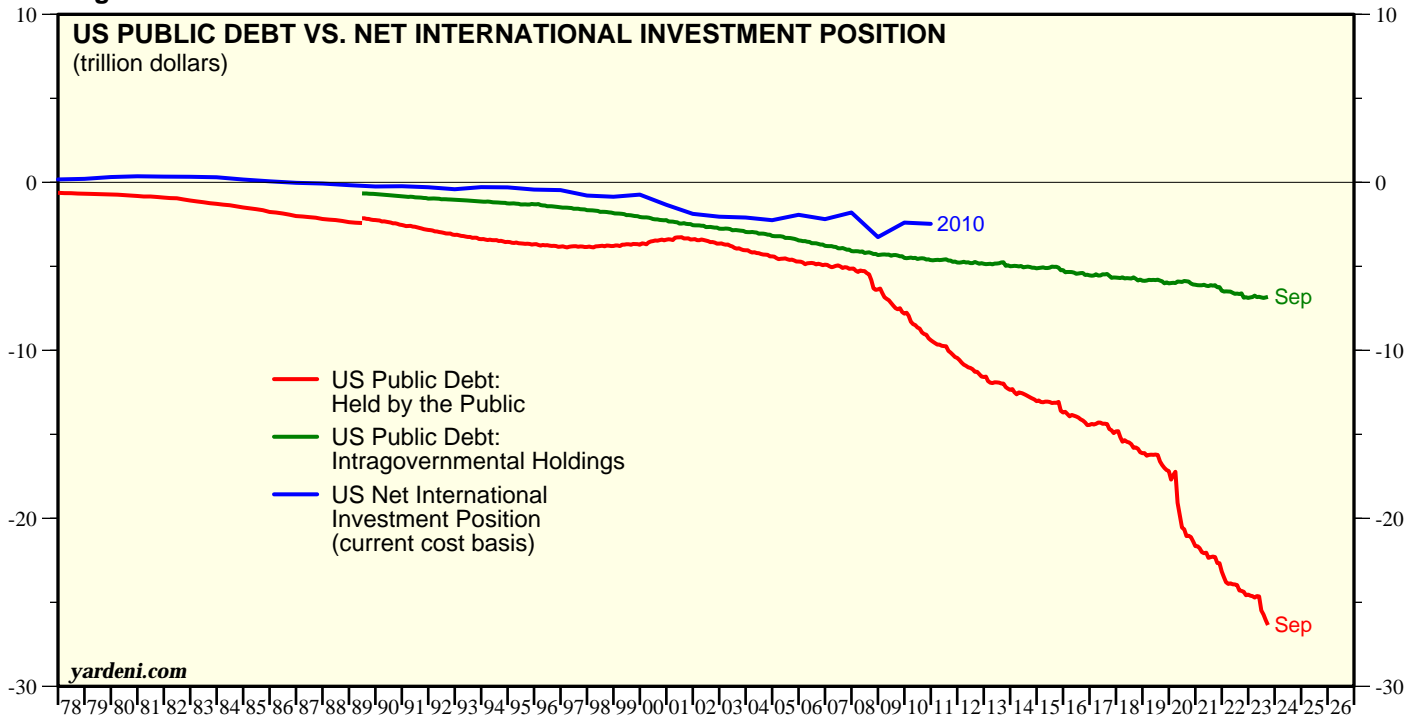
# Twin Deficits

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Source: US Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, and the Treasury Department.

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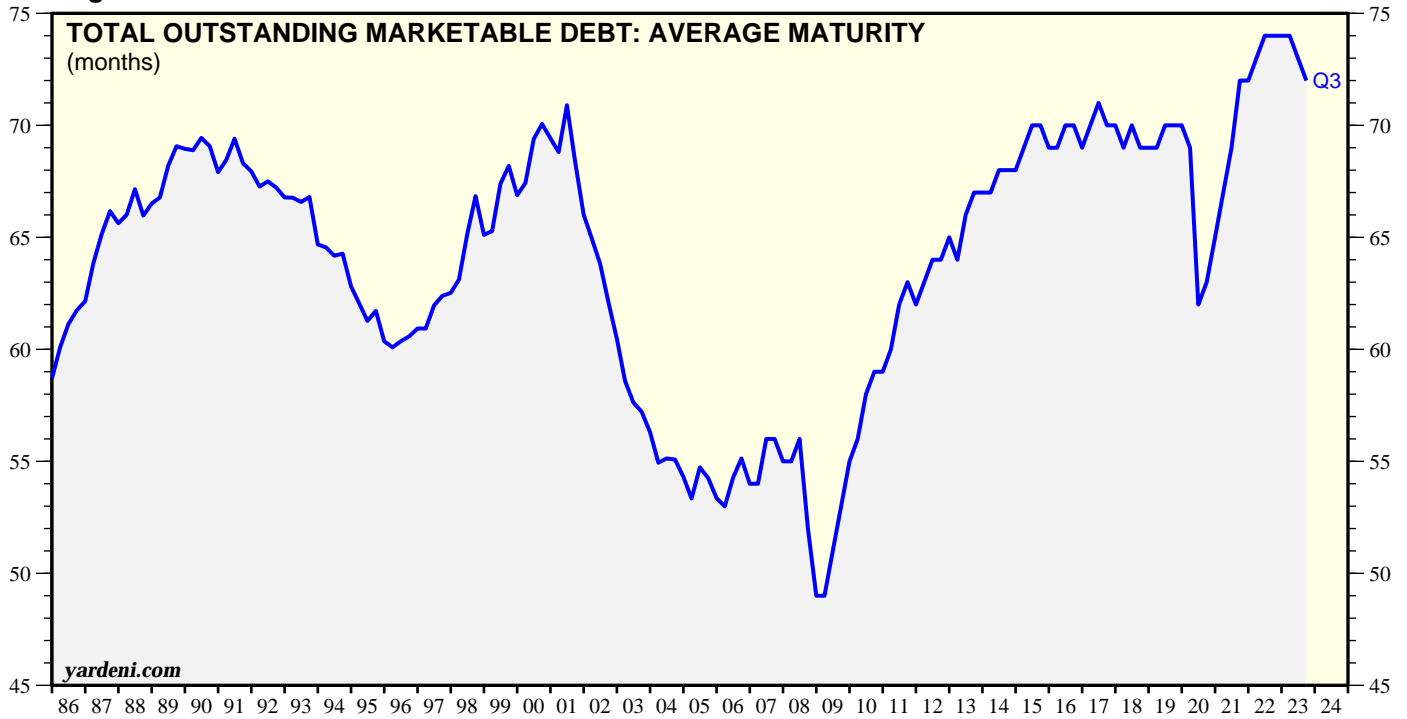


Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis, Federal Reserve Board's Flow of Funds Accounts.



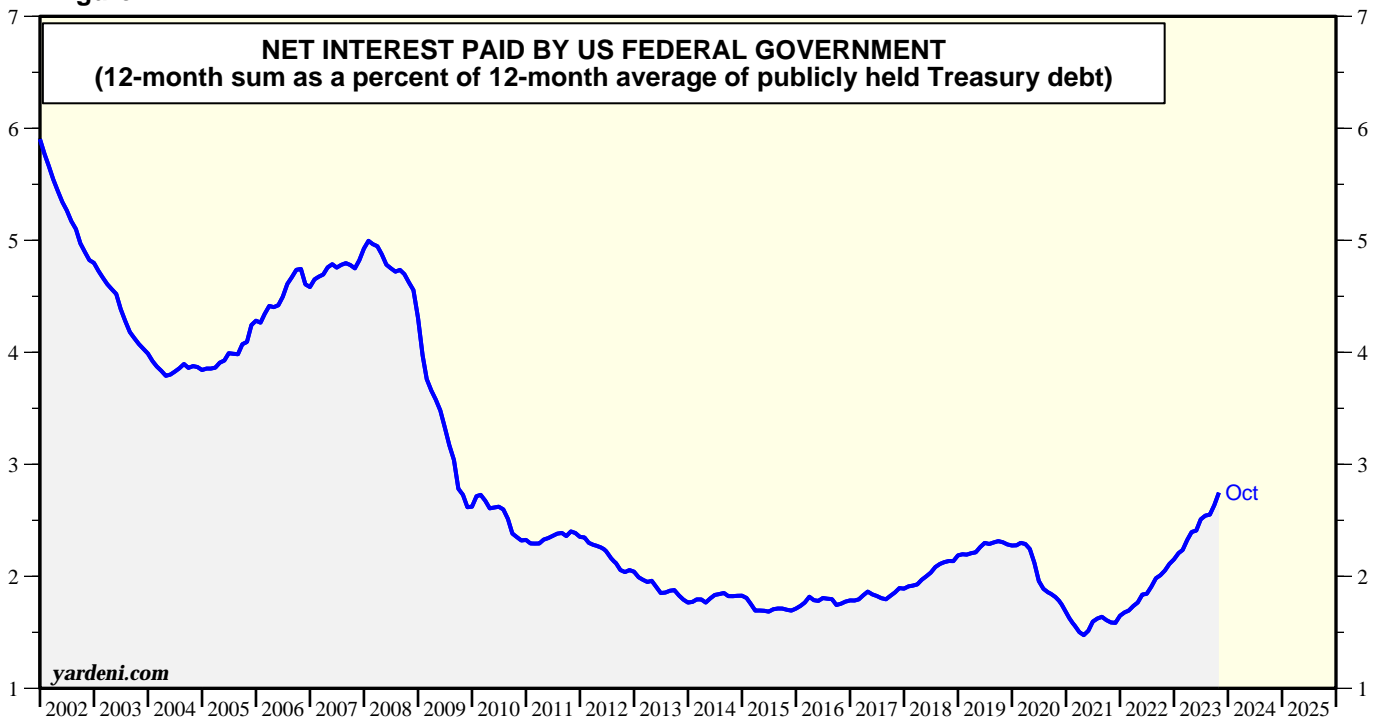
# Total Outstand Marketable Debt

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Source: US Treasury and Haver Analytics.

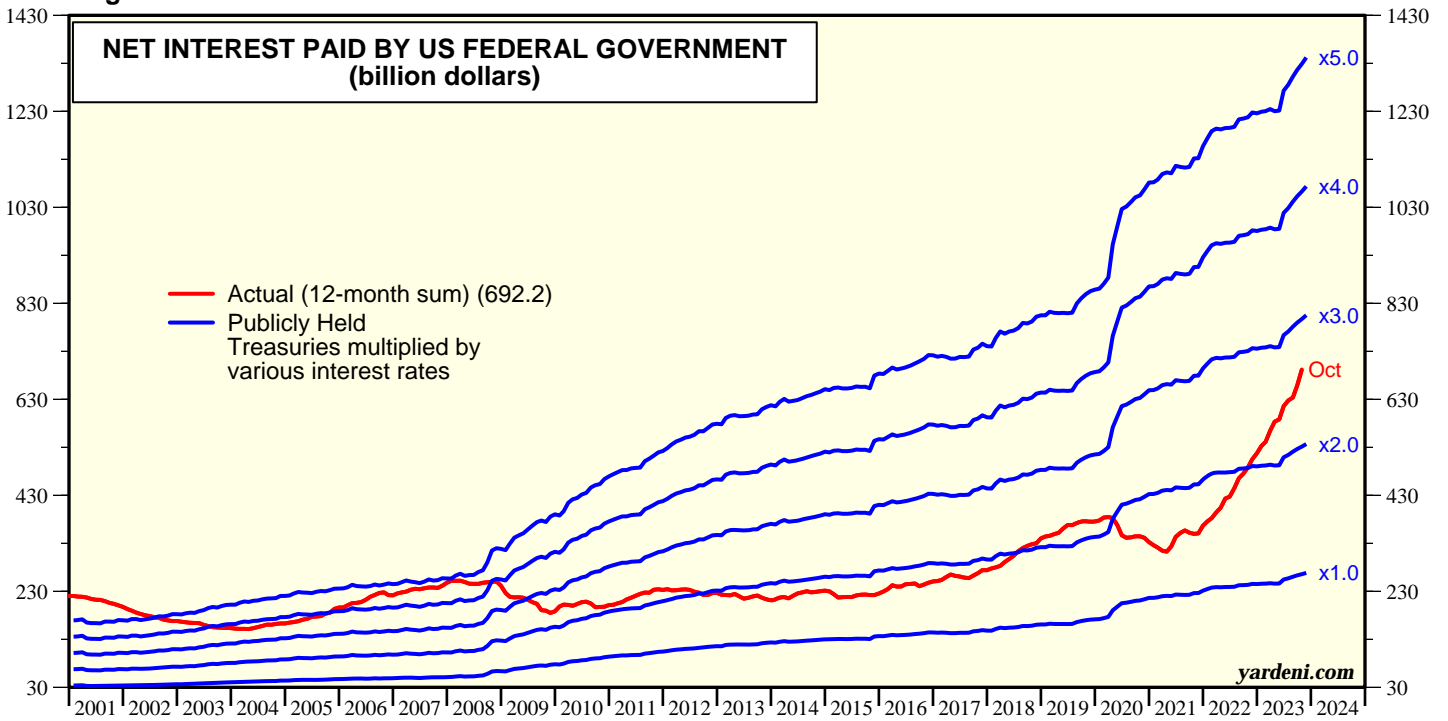
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Source: US Treasury Department and Monthly Statement of the Public Debt of the United States.

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