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# U.S. International Investment Position, 1st Quarter 2023 and Annual Update

### **First Quarter**

The U.S. net international investment position, the difference between U.S. residents' foreign financial assets and liabilities, was -\$16.75 trillion at the end of the first quarter of 2023, according to statistics released today by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). Assets totaled \$32.74 trillion, and liabilities were \$49.49 trillion. At the end of the fourth quarter of 2022, the net investment position was -\$16.17 trillion (revised). The net investment position and components of assets and liabilities are presented in table 1.

Chart 1. U.S. Net International Investment Position

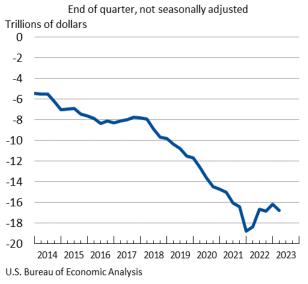


Chart 2. U.S. Assets and Liabilities

End of quarter, not seasonally adjusted



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The -\$577.9 billion change in the net investment position from the fourth quarter to the first quarter came from net financial transactions of -\$307.9 billion and net other changes in position, such as price and exchange-rate changes, of -\$270.1 billion. Net other changes mostly reflected U.S. stock price increases that exceeded foreign stock price increases (table A).



Table A. Quarterly Change in the U.S. Net International Investment Position

[Billions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted]

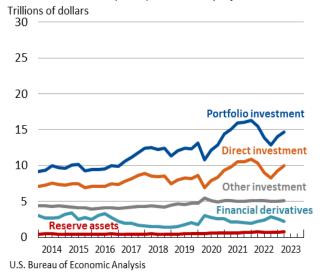
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	quarter		Attribu	quarter	
	position,	Total	Financial	Other changes	position,
	2022:Q4		transactions	in position <sup>1</sup>	2023:Q1
U.S. net international investment position	-16,172.3	-577.9	-307.9	-270.1	-16,750.2
Net position excluding financial derivatives	-16,241.8	-550.8	-306.1	-244.7	-16,792.6
Financial derivatives other than reserves, net	69.5	-27.1	-1.7	-25.4	42.4
U.S. assets	31,631.8	1,109.3	(²)	(²)	32,741.1
Assets excluding financial derivatives	29,088.5	1,459.5	-41.1	1,500.5	30,548.0
Financial derivatives other than reserves	2,543.3	-350.2	(2)	(2)	2,193.1
U.S. liabilities	47,804.1	1,687.2	(²)	(²)	49,491.3
Liabilities excluding financial derivatives	45,330.3	2,010.3	265.1	1,745.2	47,340.6
Financial derivatives other than reserves	2,473.8	-323.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	(2)	2,150.7

<sup>1.</sup> Disaggregation of other changes in position into price changes, exchange-rate changes, and other changes in volume and valuation is presented for annual statistics released in March and revised in June each year.

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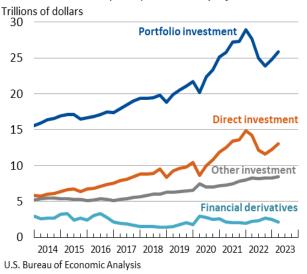


End of quarter, not seasonally adjusted



# Chart 4. U.S. Liabilities by Category

End of quarter, not seasonally adjusted



**U.S. assets** increased by \$1.11 trillion to a total of \$32.74 trillion at the end of the first quarter, mostly reflecting increases in direct investment and portfolio investment assets that were partly offset by a decrease in financial derivatives.

Direct investment assets increased by \$716.8 billion to \$9.99 trillion and portfolio investment assets increased by \$583.1 billion to \$14.66 trillion, driven mainly by foreign stock price increases that raised the market value of these assets. Financial derivatives decreased by \$350.2 billion to \$2.19 trillion, driven by decreases in single-currency interest rate contracts and foreign exchange contracts.

<sup>2.</sup> Financial transactions and other changes in financial derivatives positions are available on a net basis; they are not separately available for U.S. assets and U.S. liabilities.



**U.S. liabilities** increased by \$1.69 trillion to a total of \$49.49 trillion at the end of the first quarter, mostly reflecting increases in portfolio investment and direct investment liabilities that were partly offset by a decrease in financial derivatives.

Portfolio investment liabilities increased by \$1.09 trillion to \$25.85 trillion and direct investment liabilities increased by \$771.6 billion to \$13.03 trillion, driven mainly by U.S. stock price increases that raised the market value of these liabilities. Financial derivatives decreased by \$323.1 billion to \$2.15 trillion, driven by decreases in single-currency interest rate contracts and foreign exchange contracts.

# Annual Update of the U.S. International Investment Position Accounts

The statistics in this release reflect the annual update of the U.S. International Investment Position Accounts. With this update, BEA has incorporated newly available and revised source data for 2019–2022 (table 2).

### Newly Available and Revised Source Data: Key Providers and Years Affected

Agency	Data	Years affected
U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis	Benchmark, annual, and quarterly direct investment surveys (direct investment and other investment assets and liabilities)	2019–2022
	Aggregate Holdings, Purchases and Sales, and Fair Value Changes of Long-Term Securities by U.S. and Foreign Residents (portfolio investment assets and liabilities) Note: The revision to portfolio investment liabilities at the end of 2021 (shown in table 2), which also affects the net investment position, reflects a significant series break from this data source.	2021–2022
	<u>Foreign-Residents' Holdings of U.S. Securities, including Selected</u> <u>Money Market Instruments</u> (portfolio investment liabilities)	2022
U.S. Department of	U.S. Ownership of Foreign Securities, including Selected Money Market Instruments (portfolio investment assets)	2021
the Treasury	Reports by Financial Institutions of Liabilities to, and Claims on, Foreign Residents by U.S. Residents (portfolio investment and other investment assets and liabilities)	2020–2022
	Reports of Liabilities to, and Claims on, Unaffiliated Foreign Residents by U.S. Resident Non-Financial Institutions (portfolio investment and other investment assets and liabilities)	2021–2022
	Reports of Holdings of, and Transactions in, Financial Derivatives Contracts with Foreign Residents (financial derivatives assets and liabilities)	2021–2022

More information on the annual update is available in "Preview of the 2023 Annual Update of the International Economic Accounts" in the Survey of Current Business, and additional information will be published in July in the Survey.

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- For upcoming economic indicators, see BEA's news release schedule.
- More information on the International Investment Position Accounts and a description of the estimation methods used to compile them is provided in <u>U.S. International Economic Accounts:</u> <u>Concepts and Methods.</u>

### **Definitions**

The international investment position (IIP) is a statistical balance sheet that presents the dollar value of U.S. financial assets and liabilities with respect to foreign residents at a specific point in time. BEA presents IIP statistics at the end of a quarter or year (March, June, September, and December). For the March and June releases, BEA also presents statistics on changes in the yearend position that are disaggregated into financial transactions, price changes, exchange-rate changes, and changes in volume and valuation not included elsewhere (n.i.e.).

The **U.S. net IIP** is defined as the value of U.S. assets less the value of U.S. liabilities.

**Financial transactions** are transactions between U.S. residents and nonresidents in financial assets and liabilities. They are also recorded in the financial account of the International Transactions Accounts (ITAs). See "Related statistics" below.

**Other changes in position** are changes in the value of U.S. assets or liabilities arising from any source besides a financial transaction. Other changes in position include price changes, exchange-rate changes, and changes in volume and valuation n.i.e.

**Price changes** (only presented for annual statistics in the March and June news releases) are changes in the value of an asset or liability due to changes in the market price of a financial instrument.

**Exchange-rate changes** (only presented for annual statistics in the March and June news releases) are changes in the value of foreign-currency-denominated assets and liabilities due to changes in the values of foreign currencies relative to the value of the U.S. dollar.

Changes in volume and valuation n.i.e. (only presented for annual statistics in the March and June news releases) reflect changes in position due to year-to-year shifts in the composition of reporting panels, the incorporation of more comprehensive annual and benchmark survey results, and revaluations (holding gains and losses) on assets and liabilities that are not explained by price changes or exchange-rate changes.

Functional categories are the primary classification system used in the IIP Accounts and in the financial account of the ITAs. The five functional categories are direct investment, portfolio investment, financial derivatives other than reserves, other investment, and reserve assets. While the functional categories are based on features that are relevant for understanding cross-border financial transactions and positions, they also take into account some aspects of the relationship between transactors and the economic motivation for the investment. Within the functional categories, the IIP Accounts are classified by type of financial instrument.

**Direct investment** is a category of cross-border investment associated with a resident in one economy having control or a significant degree of influence on the management of an enterprise resident in another economy. Ownership or control of 10 percent or more of the voting securities of an entity in another economy is the threshold for separating direct investment from other types of investment. Direct investment positions include positions in equity and debt instruments. BEA's IIP statistics feature the <u>market value</u> measure of direct investment positions, a measure that values owner's equity at current-period prices using indexes of stock market prices.

**Portfolio investment** consists of cross-border positions involving equity and investment fund shares and debt securities, excluding those included in direct investment or reserve assets. Debt securities are classified by original maturity (short term versus long term at the time of issue).



Financial derivatives other than reserves consist of crossborder positions arising from financial contracts that are linked to underlying financial instruments, commodities, or indicators. Positions in financial derivatives consist of contracts with positive and negative fair values. A contract with a positive fair value is a U.S. asset and represents the amount that a foreign resident would have to pay to a U.S. counterparty if the contract were terminated or settled. A contract with a negative fair value is a U.S. liability and represents the amount that a U.S. resident would have to pay to a foreign counterparty if the contract were terminated or settled. The gross positive (negative) fair value is the sum across all contracts with positive (negative) fair values. Fair values differ from notional values, which are the underlying amounts used to calculate payments on contracts. Gross positive and gross negative fair values for financial derivatives positions are available separately in table 1. However, transactions and other changes in financial derivatives positions are only available for the net position in financial derivatives. For other changes in position for financial derivatives, statistics are not separately available for price changes, exchange rate changes, and changes in volume and valuation n.i.e.

**Other investment** includes cross-border positions other than those included in direct investment, portfolio investment, financial derivatives, and reserve assets. Other investment positions consist of positions in other equity (equity not in the form of securities), currency and deposits, loans, insurance technical reserves, trade credit and advances, and, for liabilities, special drawing rights allocations.

Reserve assets are those external assets that are readily available to and controlled by U.S. monetary authorities for meeting balance-of-payments financing needs, for intervention in exchange markets to affect the currency exchange rate, and for other related purposes such as maintaining confidence in the currency and the economy and serving as a basis for foreign borrowing. The major published components are monetary gold, International Monetary Fund (IMF) special drawing rights, reserve position in the IMF, and other reserve assets.

## Release and update schedule

Preliminary quarterly IIP statistics are released in March, June, September, and December, approximately 90 days after the end of the reference quarter. These statistics are updated the following quarter to incorporate new and revised source data. Quarterly statistics are open for revision for at least the prior 3 years in annual updates released in June. Preliminary annual statistics are released in March reflecting positions at the end of the fourth quarter of the previous year. These annual statistics are open for revision for at least the prior 3 years in subsequent annual updates.

### Related statistics

The IIP statistics comprise one part of a broader set of U.S. International Economic Accounts that, taken together, provide a comprehensive, integrated, and detailed picture of U.S. international economic activities.

The <u>ITA statistics</u> are released quarterly. Financial transactions reported in the financial account of the ITAs are one type of change in position recorded in the IIP. Financial transactions are transactions between U.S. residents and nonresidents for direct investment, portfolio investment, other investment, reserve assets, and financial derivatives.

Statistics on <u>direct investment and multinational enterprises</u> (MNEs) include annual statistics on the <u>activities of U.S. MNEs</u> and <u>U.S. affiliates of foreign MNEs</u>, <u>detailed annual and quarterly statistics on direct investment</u>, and annual statistics on <u>new foreign direct investment in the United States</u>.

Statistics on <u>international services</u> include detailed annual information on trade in services and on services supplied through the channel of direct investment by affiliates of MNEs.

<u>U.S. international trade in goods and services</u>, released by BEA and the U.S. Census Bureau, provides monthly statistics on trade in goods and services.

### **News Release Tables**

Table 1. U.S. Net International Investment Position at the End of the Period

Table 2. Updates to the U.S. Net International Investment Position at Yearend, 2019–2022



June 28, 2023

Table 1. U.S. Net International Investment Position at the End of the Period [Billions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted]

	[Billions of dollars	, not seasona	lly adjusted]						
Line	Type of investment		2022				2023	Change: 2022:Q4 to	Line
		Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1 <sup>p</sup>	2023:Q1	
1	U.S. net international investment position (line 4 less line 36)	-18,783.2	-18,341.2	-16,660.7	-16,813.1	-16,172.3	-16,750.2	-577.9	
2	Net international investment position excluding financial derivatives (line 5 less line 37)	-18,805.2	-18,406.2	-16,732.1	-16,931.5	-16,241.8	-16,792.6	-550.8	
3	Financial derivatives other than reserves, net (line 6 less line 38)	22.1	64.9	71.4	118.4	69.5	42.4	-27.1	
5	U.S. assets	<b>35,021.9</b> 33,039.0	<b>34,012.9</b> 31,758.0	30,970.4 28,564.8	<b>29,698.4</b> 26,871.5	<b>31,631.8</b> 29,088.5	<b>32,741.1</b> 30,548.0	1,109.3 1,459.5	
6	Assets excluding financial derivatives (sum of lines 7, 10, 21, and 27)  Financial derivatives other than reserves, gross positive fair value (line 15)	1,983.0	2,254.8	2,405.7	2,826.9	2,543.3	2,193.1	-350.2	
Ŭ	By functional category:	1,500.0	2,204.0	2,400.1	2,020.3	2,040.0	2,100.1	000.2	Ĭ
7	Direct investment at market value	10,925.5	10,372.1	8,953.3	8,301.5	9,277.0	9,993.8	716.8	3 7
8	Equity	9,726.8	9,157.4	7,722.0	7,097.1	8,077.0	8,773.4	696.4	8
9	Debt instruments	1,198.7	1,214.8	1,231.4	1,204.4	1,200.0	1,220.4	20.4	9
10	Portfolio investment	16,313.9	15,513.9	13,823.6	12,904.9	14,073.9	14,657.1	583.1	10
11	Equity and investment fund shares	12,061.3	11,465.3	9,997.7	9,192.4	10,306.0	10,808.1	502.1	
12	Debt securities	4,252.6	4,048.7	3,825.9	3,712.5	3,768.0	3,849.0	81.0	
13	Short term	573.6	501.5	463.9	487.2	488.0	481.0	-7.0	
14	Long term	3,679.0	3,547.2	3,361.9	3,225.3	3,280.0	3,368.1	88.0	
15 16	Financial derivatives other than reserves, gross positive fair value  Over-the-counter contracts	1,983.0 1,922.5	2,254.8 2,153.0	2,405.7 2,301.7	2,826.9 2,714.2	2,543.3 2,465.7	2,193.1 2,127.9	-350.2 -337.8	
17	Single-currency interest rate contracts	1,351.3	1,452.7	1,578.6	1,855.2	1,860.8	1,637.7	-223.1	
18	Foreign exchange contracts	311.3	394.1	457.5	615.5	432.4	321.0		
19	Other contracts	259.9	306.2	265.6	243.5	172.5	169.1	-3.4	
20	Exchange-traded contracts	60.4	101.9	103.9	112.8	77.7	65.3	-12.4	
21	Other investment	5,087.2	5,127.0	5,085.2	5,009.0	5,030.6	5,143.6	113.0	21
22	Other equity	71.1	71.4	73.0	73.3	73.5	73.7	0.3	3 22
23	Currency and deposits	2,131.7	2,150.1	2,120.0	2,156.2	2,234.4	2,186.3	-48.2	2 23
24	Loans	2,837.1	2,864.7	2,851.4	2,737.7	2,682.7	2,846.1	163.3	
25	Insurance technical reserves	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
26	Trade credit and advances	47.3	40.8	40.9	41.8	40.0	37.6		
27 28	Reserve assets	712.3 472.2	745.0 507.9	702.6 475.1	656.2 437.2	706.9 474.3	753.5 517.7	46.6 43.4	
29	Monetary gold  Special drawing rights	163.6	163.1	158.2	153.2	160.5	163.2	2.7	
30	Reserve position in the International Monetary Fund	35.8	34.8	33.1	32.0	35.0	35.1	0.2	
31	Other reserve assets	40.6	39.2	36.2	33.9	37.1	37.4	0.3	
32	Currency and deposits	28.3	28.3	26.1	25.6	28.3	28.7	0.4	32
33	Securities	12.4	10.9	10.1	8.2	8.8	8.7	(*)	33
34	Financial derivatives								. 34
35	Other claims	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
36	U.S. liabilities	53,805.1	52,354.1	47,631.1	46,511.6	47,804.1	49,491.3		
37	Liabilities excluding financial derivatives (sum of lines 39, 42, and 57)	51,844.2	50,164.2	45,296.9	43,803.0	45,330.3	47,340.6	2,010.3 -323.1	
38	Financial derivatives other than reserves, gross negative fair value (line 51)  By functional category:	1,960.9	2,189.9	2,334.2	2,708.5	2,473.8	2,150.7	-323.1	38
39	Direct investment at market value	14,882.6	14,233.8	12,131.5	11,570.4	12,262.7	13,034.3	771.6	39
40	Equity	13,163.1	12,454.3	10,367.9	9,780.2	10,477.3	11,259.8		
41	Debt instruments	1,719.6	1,779.5	1,763.6	1,790.2	1,785.4	1,774.5		
42	Portfolio investment	28,971.6	27,671.6	24,958.4	23,938.5	24,764.1	25,852.3	1,088.3	42
43	Equity and investment fund shares	15,250.6	14,347.3	12,186.0	11,532.9	12,054.2	12,789.1	734.9	43
44	Debt securities	13,721.0	13,324.3	12,772.4	12,405.7	12,709.9	13,063.3		
45	Short term	1,192.1	1,270.2		1,207.5		1,244.6		
46	Treasury bills and certificates	987.4	1,008.4	895.4	919.6	950.0	962.6		
47	Other short-term securities	204.7	261.8	238.8	287.9	302.0	282.0		
48 49	Long term Treasury bonds and notes	12,528.9 6,753.0	12,054.2 6,596.0	11,638.2 6,521.5	11,198.2 6,331.9	11,457.8 6,368.5	11,818.6 6,610.4	360.8 241.9	
50	Other long-term securities	5,776.0	5,458.2	5,116.7	4,866.3	5,089.3	5,208.2		
51	Financial derivatives other than reserves, gross negative fair value	1,960.9	2,189.9	2,334.2	2,708.5	2,473.8	2,150.7	-323.1	
52	Over-the-counter contracts	1,895.8	2,086.6	2,222.0	2,602.8	2,402.2	2,079.1	-323.1	
53	Single-currency interest rate contracts	1,330.5	1,409.4	1,528.4	1,788.2	1,791.0	1,588.3	-202.7	
54	Foreign exchange contracts	304.0	380.2	433.0	578.1	442.5	319.0	-123.5	54
55	Other contracts	261.3	297.0	260.6	236.5	168.7	171.8		
56	Exchange-traded contracts	65.1	103.3	112.2	105.8	71.6	71.6		
57	Other investment	7,989.9	8,258.7	8,207.0	8,294.1	8,303.5	8,454.0		
58	Other equity	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
59	Currency and deposits	4,165.8	4,278.4	4,273.7	4,291.5	4,293.0	4,357.6		
60 61	Loans Insurance technical reserves	3,427.6 n.a.	3,583.9 n.a.	3,536.3 n.a.	3,607.4 n.a.	3,605.8 n.a.	3,686.1 n.a.	80.3 n.a.	
	Trade credit and advances	235.8	237.6	244.5	248.2	251.9	255.8		
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Note. Details may not add to totals because of rounding.



June 28, 2023

Table 2. Updates to the U.S. Net International Investment Position at Yearend, 2019–2022

[Billions of dollars]

		2019		2020			2021			2022			
Line	Type of investment		Revised	Revision	Previously published	Revised	Revision	Previously published	Revised	Revision	Previously published	Revised	Revision
1	U.S. net international investment position (line 4 less line 10)	-11,653.1	-11,666.4	-13.4	-14,707.4	-14,721.0	-13.6	-18,124.3	-18,783.2	-658.9	-16,117.1	-16,172.3	-55.2
2	Net international investment position excluding financial derivatives	-11,673.2	-11,686.6	-13.4	-14,700.7	-14,714.3	-13.6	-18,144.2	-18,805.2	-661.0	-16,186.6	-16,241.8	-55.2
3	Financial derivatives other than reserves, net (line 7 less line 13)	20.2	20.2	0.0	-6.7	-6.7	0.0	19.9	22.1	2.2	69.5	69.5	0.0
4	U.S. assets	28,869.4	28,845.2	-24.2	32,041.6	32,023.2	-18.5	35,065.5	35,021.9	-43.5	31,680.1	31,631.8	-48.3
5	Direct investment at market value	8,692.2	8,668.8	-23.3	9,366.7	9,349.4	-17.3	10,970.6	10,925.5	-45.1	9,324.2	9,277.0	-47.2
6	Portfolio investment	13,124.2	13,124.2	0.0	14,399.3	14,399.3	0.0	16,309.3	16,313.9	4.7	14,068.7	14,073.9	5.2
7	Financial derivatives other than reserves, gross positive fair value	1,790.4	1,790.4	0.0	2,546.0	2,546.0	0.0	1,987.5	1,983.0	-4.5	2,543.3	2,543.3	0.0
8	Other investment	4,748.2	4,747.4	-0.9	5,102.4	5,101.2	-1.2	5,085.8	5,087.2	1.4	5,037.0	5,030.6	-6.4
9	Reserve assets	514.4	514.4	0.0	627.3	627.3	0.0	712.3	712.3	0.0	706.9	706.9	0.0
10	10 U.S. liabilities		40,511.6	-10.8	46,749.0	46,744.2	-4.9	53,189.7	53,805.1	615.4	47,797.2	47,804.1	6.9
11	Direct investment at market value	10,465.5	10,454.7	-10.8	11,897.4	11,875.6	-21.8	14,813.0	14,882.6	69.6	12,187.2	12,262.7	75.6
12	Portfolio investment	21,763.6	21,763.6	0.0	25,171.9	25,171.9	0.0	28,480.1	28,971.6	491.5	24,816.7	24,764.1	-52.6
13	Financial derivatives other than reserves, gross negative fair value	1,770.3	1,770.3	0.0	2,552.7	2,552.7	0.0	1,967.6	1,960.9	-6.7	2,473.8	2,473.8	0.0
14	Other investment	6,523.1	6,523.1	(*)	7,127.1	7,144.0	16.9	7,929.0	7,989.9	60.9	8,319.5	8,303.5	-16.0

<sup>(\*)</sup> Value between zero and +/- \$50 million.

Note: Details may not add to totals because of rounding. Source: U. S. Bureau of Economic Analysis