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**ECB QE Monitor** 

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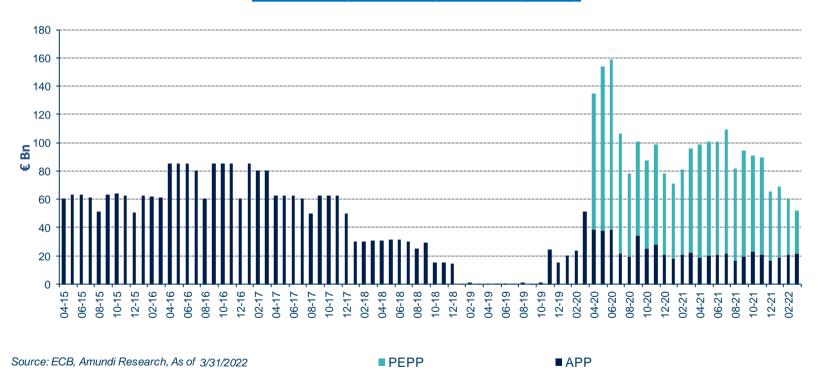
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# **APP** and **PEPP**: breakdown by programme in € bn

- In March 2022, ECB net asset purchases reached €21.9bn under APP and €30bn under PEPP.
- In March APP by programme: PSPP (€14.2bn; 64.6% of total), CSPP (€8bn; 36.6%), CBPP3 (€-0.61bn; -2.76%) and ABSPP (€0.3bn; 1.5%).

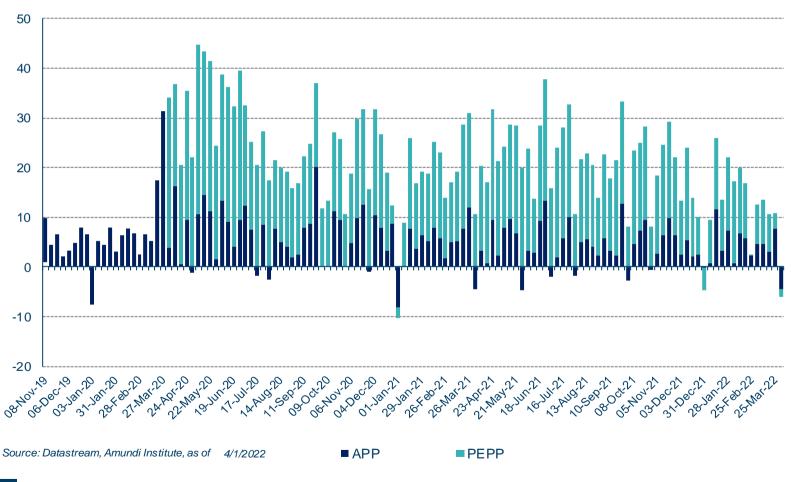
### ECB monthly net asset purchases (in €bn)





### ECB PEPP related purchases were equal to €30bn during March 2022 vs. €40bn in February 2022

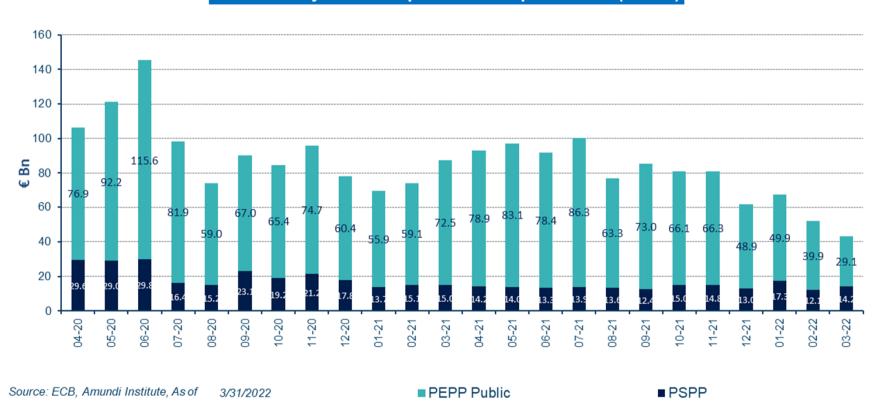
ECB weekly net asset purchases (in €Bn)





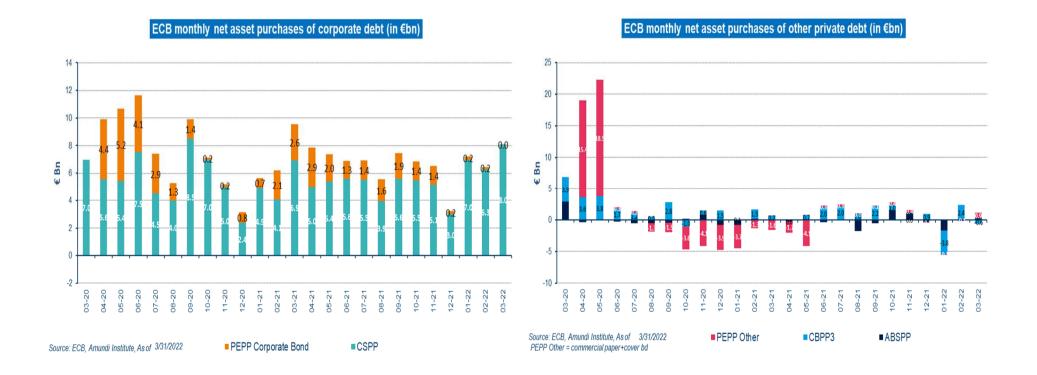
# APP and PEPP: Sovereign monthly net purchases

### ECB monthly net asset purchases of public debt (in €bn)





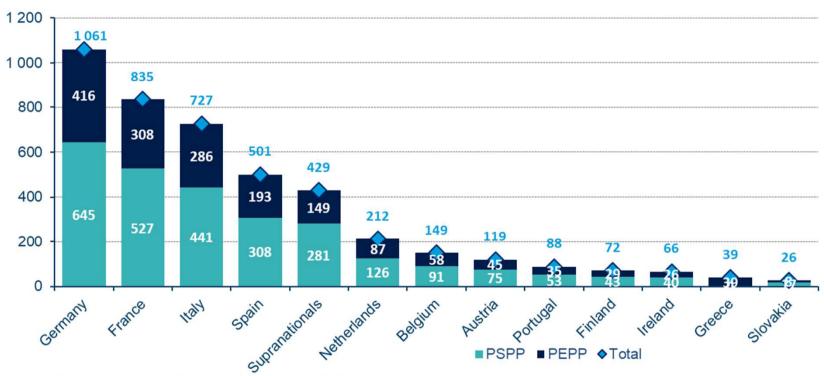
# APP and PEPP: Private debt monthly net purchases





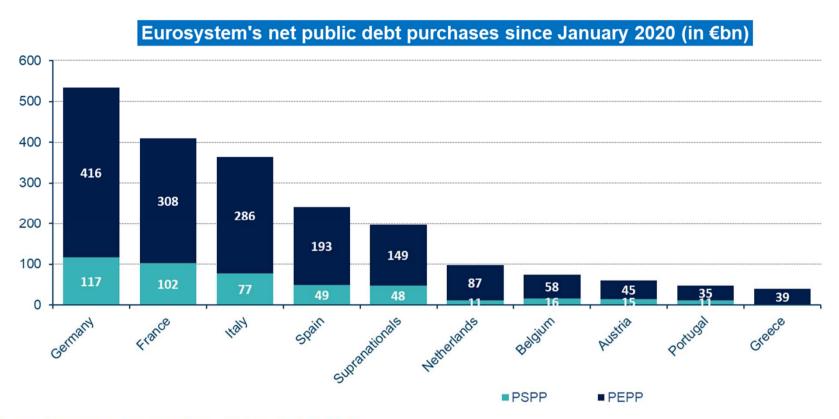
# Eurosystem's holding: public debt

### Eurosystem holding by juridiction (in €bn)



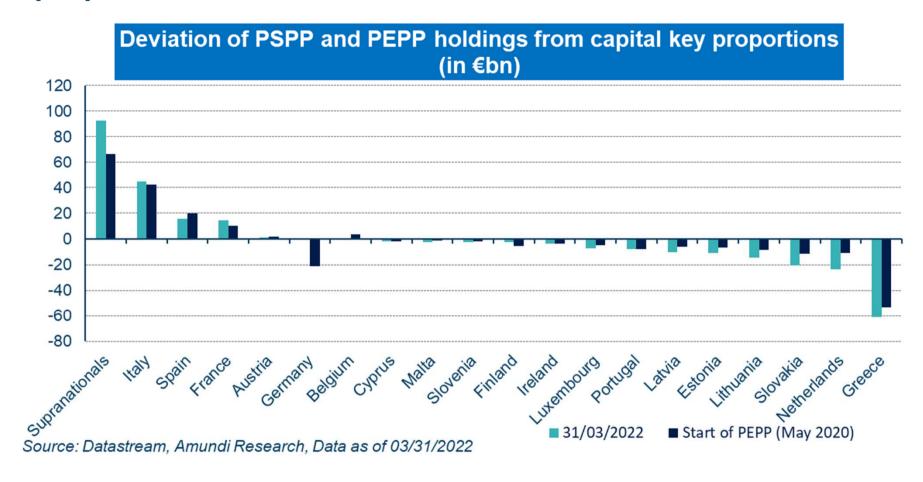


# Eurosystem's purchases since January 2020: public debt





# **PSPP** and **PEPP** holdings: Deviation from capital key proportions



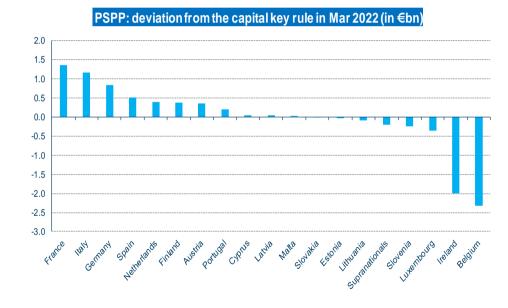


# Deviation of monthly PSPP purchases from capital key proportions

# PSPP: net purchases in March 2022 (in €bn) -2

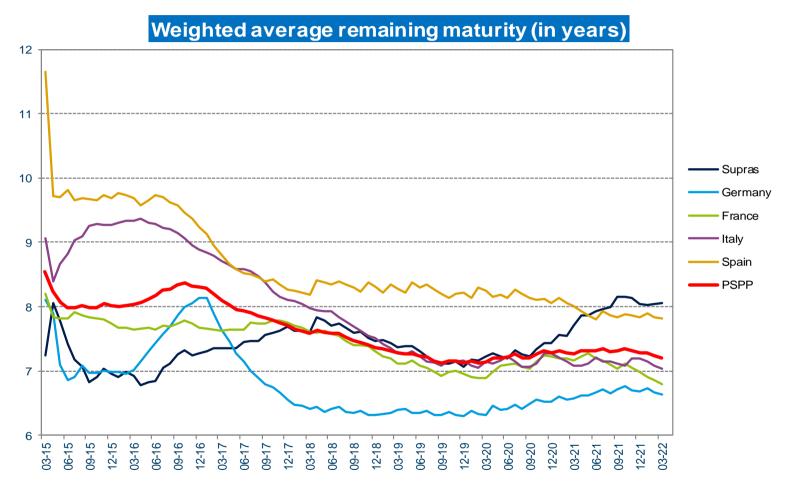
■ Real net purchase ■ Theoretical net purchases with capital key

Source: Datastream, Amundi Institute, Data as of 03/31/2022



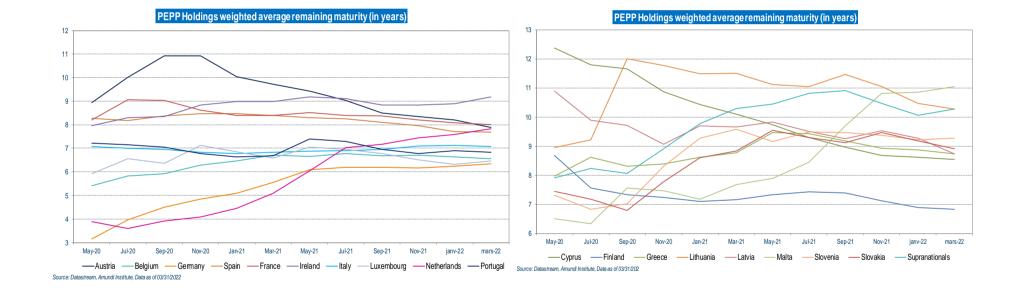


# Weighted average maturities by jurisdiction for the PSPP



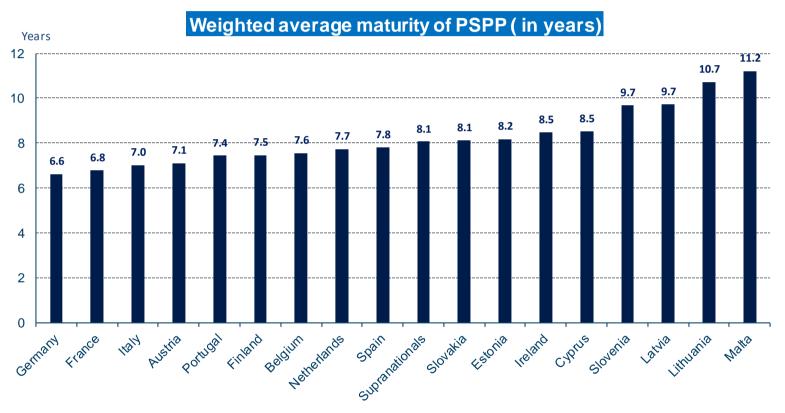


# PEPP Holdings weighted average remaining maturity





# Weighted average maturity of PSPP bonds (as at January 2022)

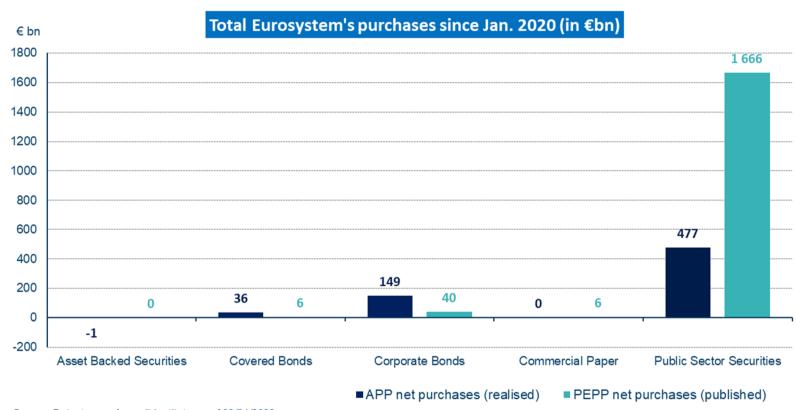




# What's next for 2022?

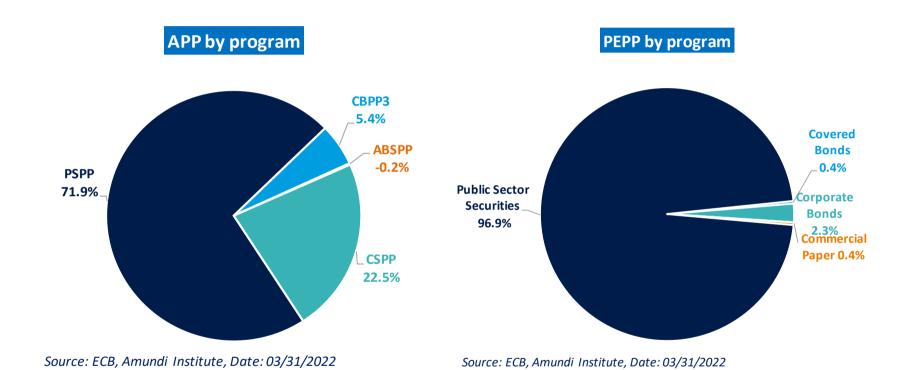


# Of its PEPP envelope of €1 850bn, the ECB has spent €1 695bn.





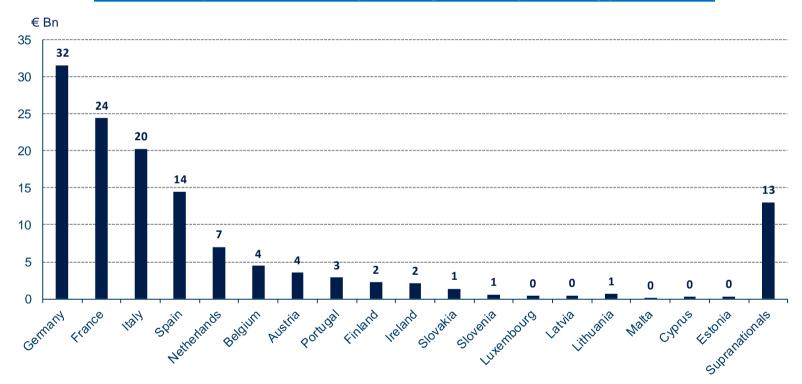
# APP and PEPP: breakdown by program in %





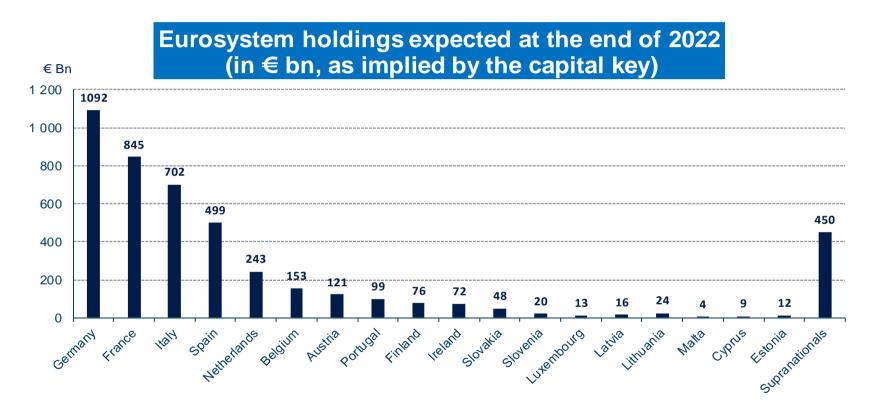
# ECB Firepower by jurisdiction for 2022

Net purchases of public debt expected until end of 2022 (in € bn, as implied by the capital key)



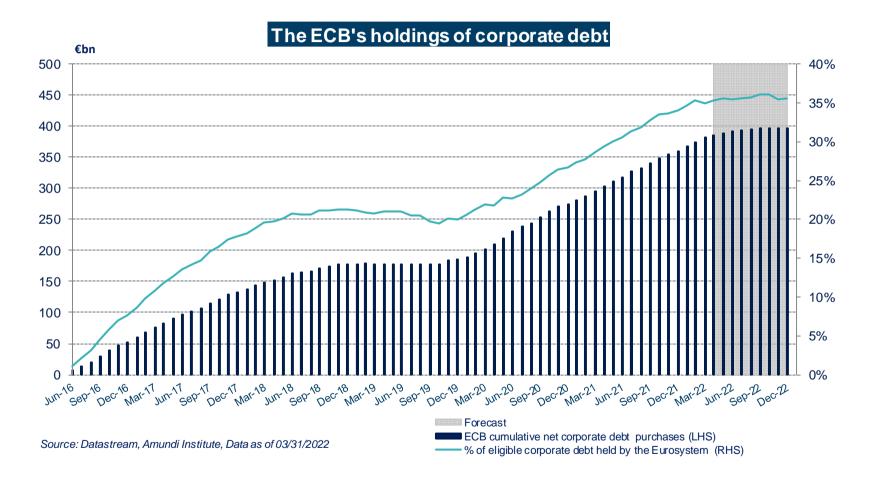


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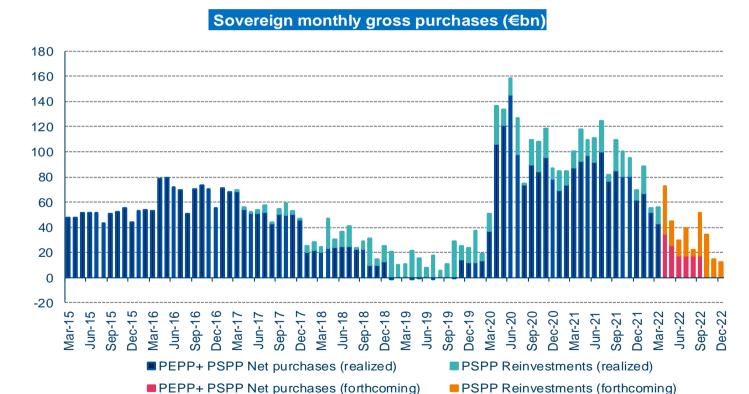
# The ECB's holdings of QE eligible corporate debt will likely reach 35-40% by end of 2022





# Sovereign monthly gross purchases

- ECB firepower at the end of 2022: €131bn
  - APP: €40bn for April + €30bn for May + €20bn/month from June to end of Q3 2022
  - Hypothesis: 87% of the ECB's purchases will be public debt
- PSPP reinvestment will average €20.4bn/month over the next 12 months, up from €15.6bn in the past 12 months.

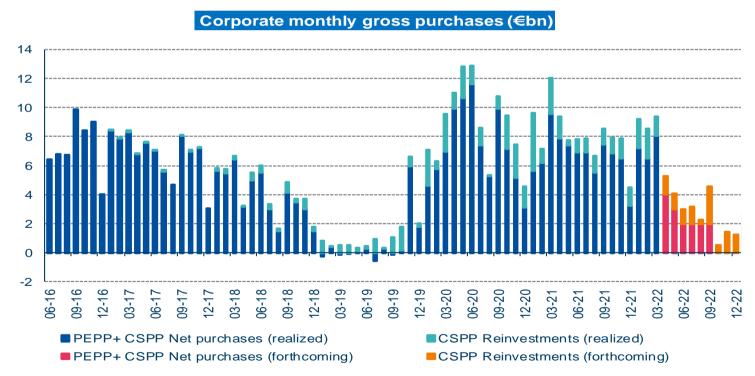


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# Corporate monthly gross purchases

- ECB firepower at the end of 2022 : €15bn
  - APP: €40bn for April + €30bn for May + €20bn/month from June toend of Q3 2022
  - Hypothesis: 10% of the ECB's purchases will be corporate debt
- CSPP reinvestment will average €1.1bn/month over the next 12 months



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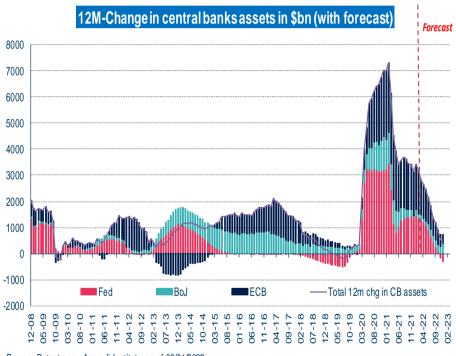


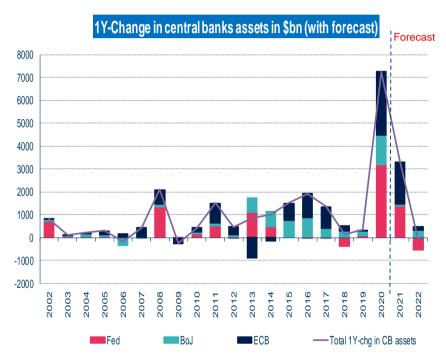
# **Annex**



### **Central Banks**

- Fed: end of QE, QT starting in June or July
- **ECB**: End of PEPP at end of march 2022 and Gradual reduction in the pace of purchases via the **APP**
- **BoE**: Active QT to start when hitting 1% interest rate level (likely in H2)





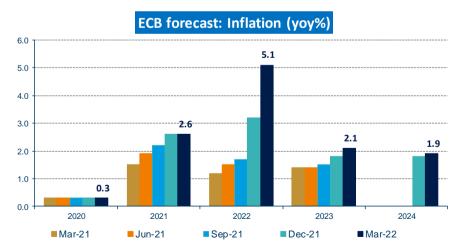
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# **ECB Projections**

#### ECB forecast: real GDP (yoy%) 1.6 2.0 0.0 -2.0 -4.0 -6.0 - 6.5 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 ■ Mar-21 ■ Dec-21 ■ Jun-21 ■ Sep-21 ■ Mar-22

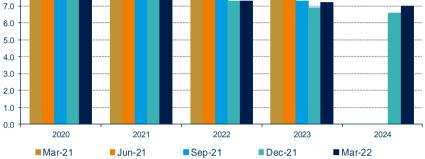
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ECB forecast: Unemployment (yoy%)



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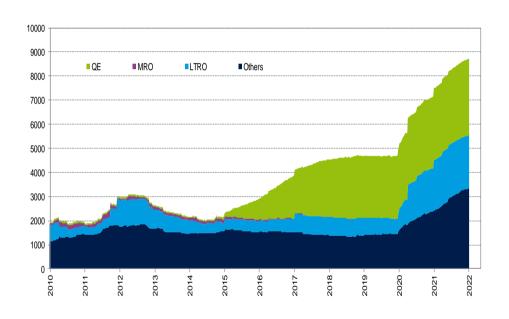
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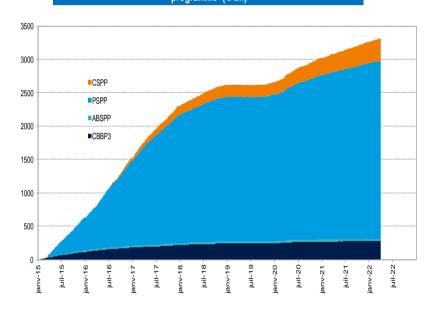


# **ECB Balance Sheet (1/2)**

### ECB balance sheet, total asset (in €bn)



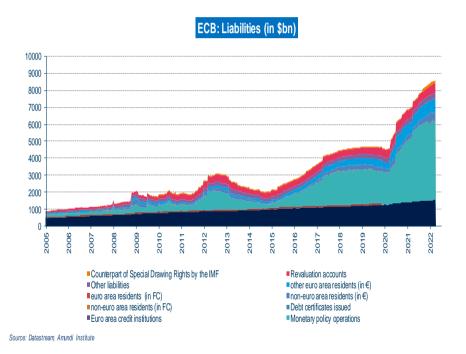
### Amounts purchased by the Eurosystem under the expanded asset purchase programme (€ bn)



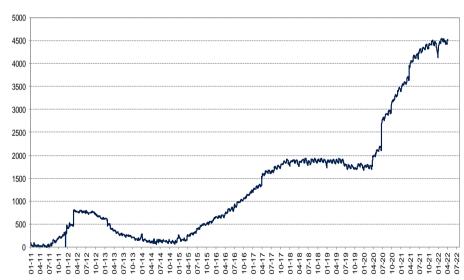
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# ECB Balance Sheet (2/2)



### Eurosystem : excess reserves (€bn)

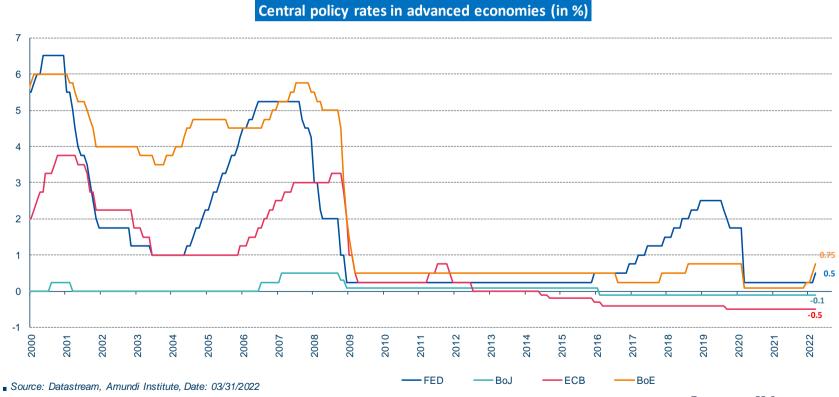


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# **Central Banks: Normalization of monetary policy**

- Fed: six rates hikes in 2022, first two possibly at two consecutive meetings (March and May)
- **ECB**: Two rates hikes in 2022 and one hike in 2023
- BoE: Two hikes by 25bp over the next meetings, which could then be followed by another 25bps hike in Feb 2023
- No movement on BoJ interest rates since 2016.



# **Appendix**

### Lexicon:

- **PSPP**: Public Sector Purchase Programme;
- APP : Asset Purchase Programme;
- **CSPP**: Corporate Sector Purchase Programme;
- **CBPP**: Covered Bond Purchase Programme;
- **SMP**: Security Market Programme;
- **ABSPP**: Asset Back-Backed Securities Purchase Programme.
- PEPP: Pandemic Emergency Purchase Programme



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