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**ECB QE Monitor** 

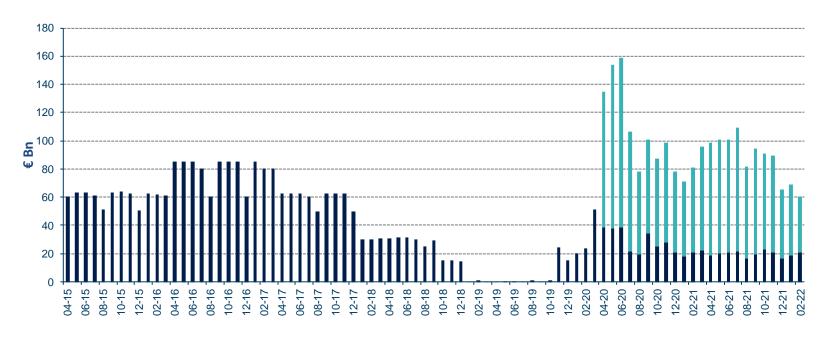
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### **APP** and **PEPP**: breakdown by programme in € bn

- In February 2022, ECB net asset purchases reached €20.7bn under APP and €40bn under PEPP.
- In February APP by programme: PSPP (€12.1bn; 58.4% of total), CSPP (€6.3bn; 30.3%), CBPP3 (€2.38bn; 11.48%) and ABSPP (€-0.05bn; -0.2%).

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



Source: ECB, Amundi Research, As of 3/2/2022

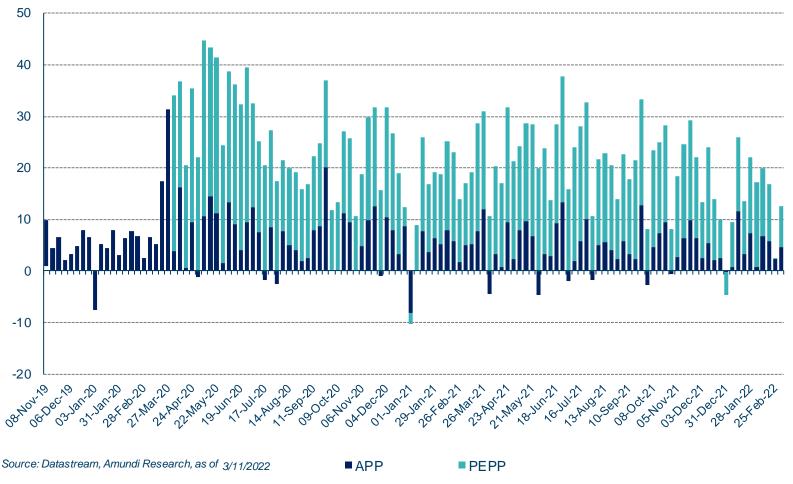
■ PEPP

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# ECB PEPP related purchases were equal to €40bn during February 2022 vs. €50bn in January 2022

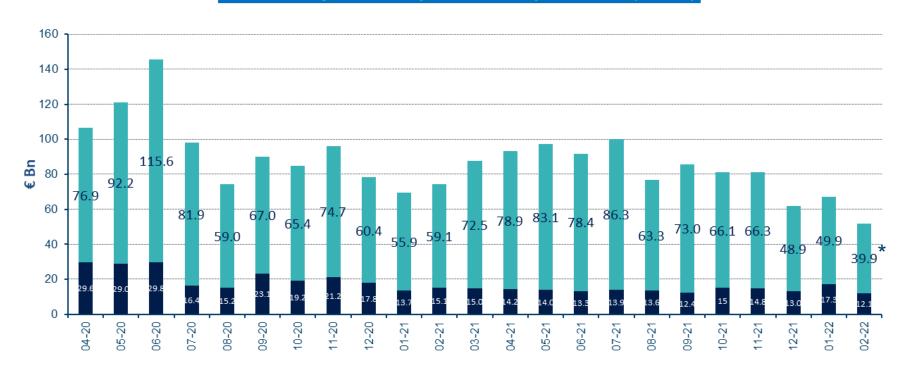
ECB weekly net asset purchases (in €Bn)





# APP and PEPP: Sovereign monthly net purchases

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



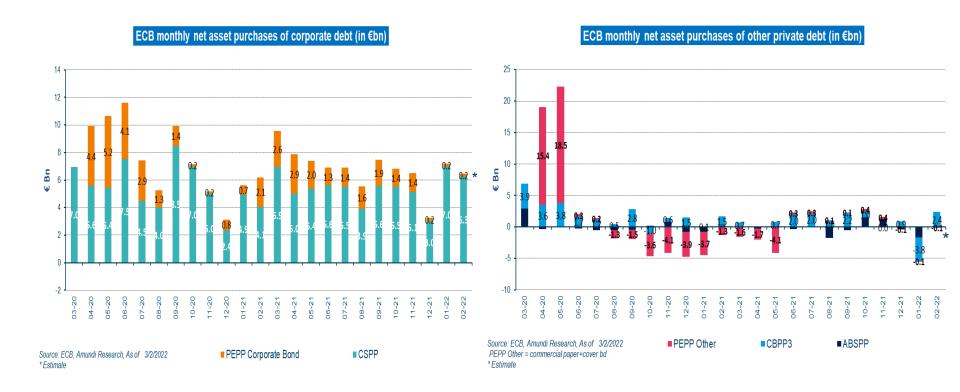
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■ PEPP Public

■ PSPP



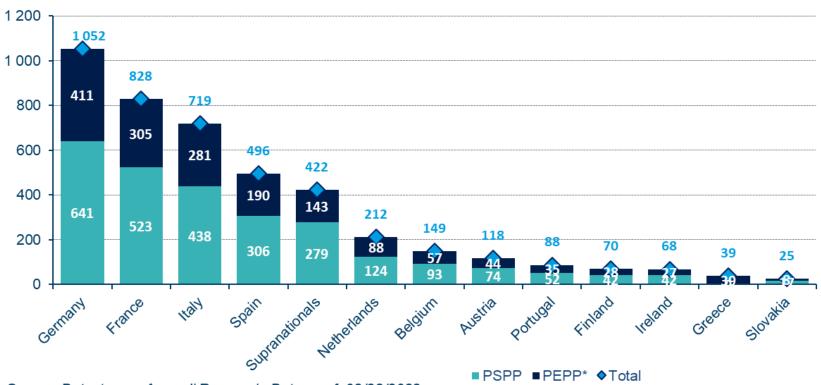
# APP and PEPP: Private debt monthly net purchases





# Eurosystem's holding: public debt

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



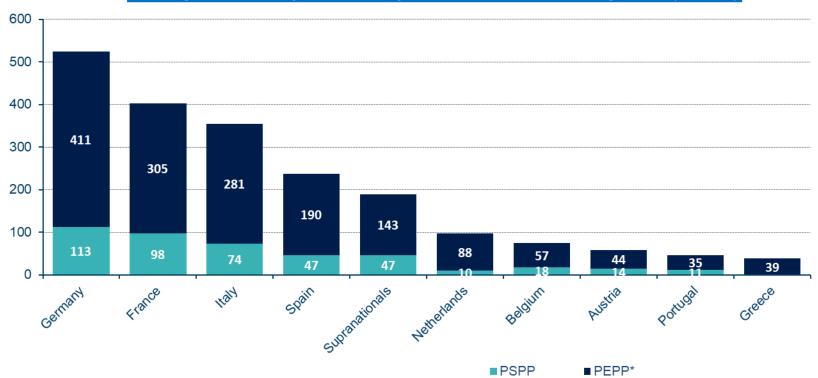
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### Eurosystem's purchases since January 2020: public debt



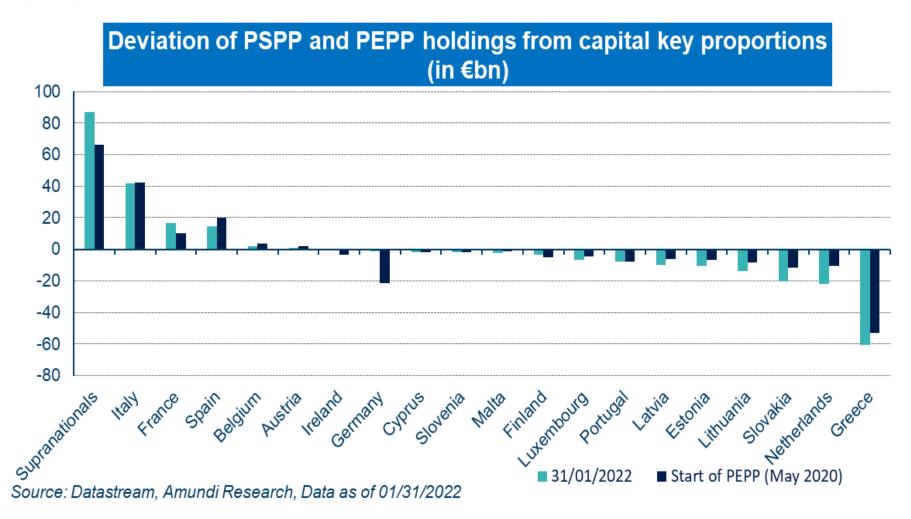


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# PSPP and PEPP holdings: Deviation from capital key proportions





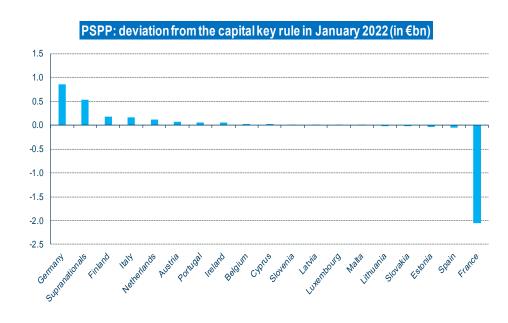


# Deviation of monthly PSPP purchases from capital key proportions



■ Real net purchase ■ Theoretical net purchases with capital key

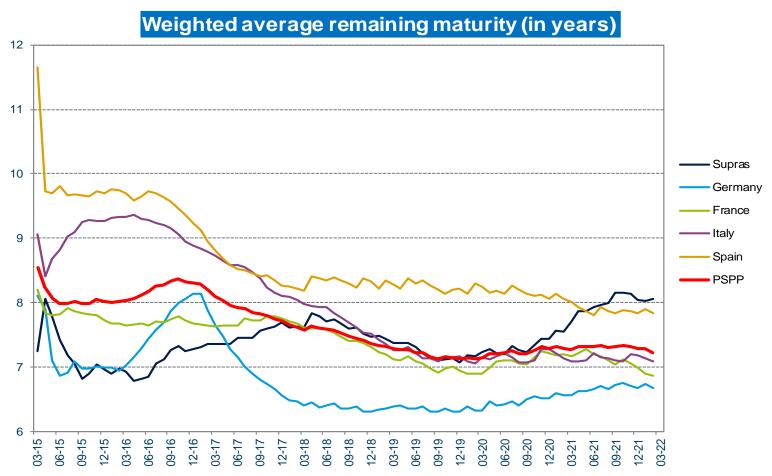
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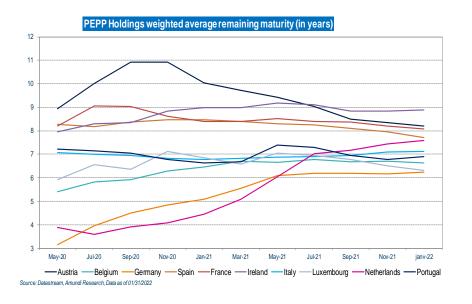
### Weighted average maturities by jurisdiction for the PSPP

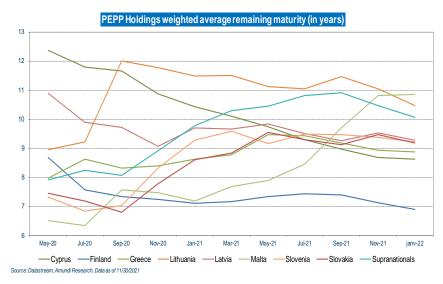






#### PEPP Holdings weighted average remaining maturity

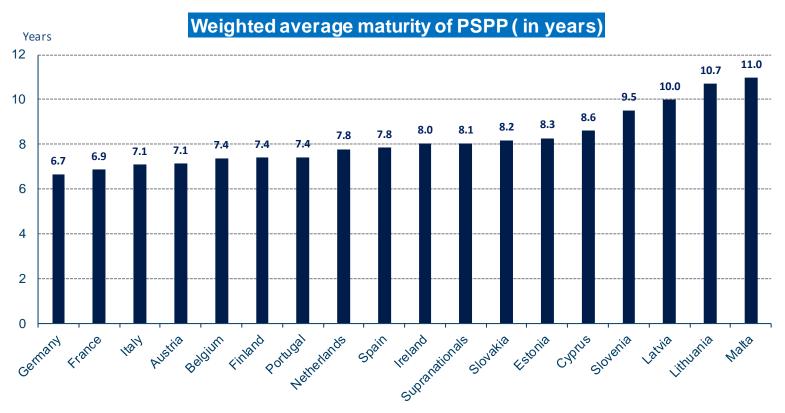








# Weighted average maturity of PSPP bonds (as at January 2022)



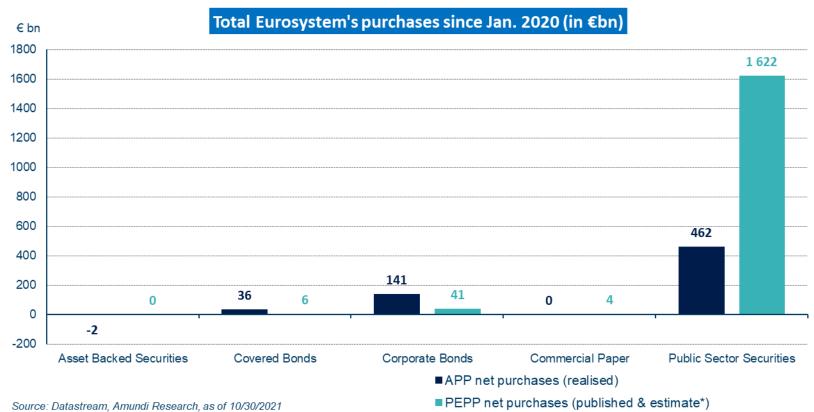
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# What's next for 2022?



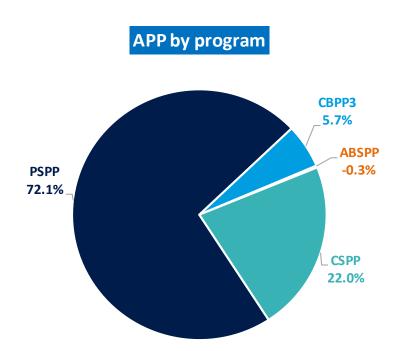
# Of its PEPP envelope of €1 850bn, the ECB has spent €1 673bn.



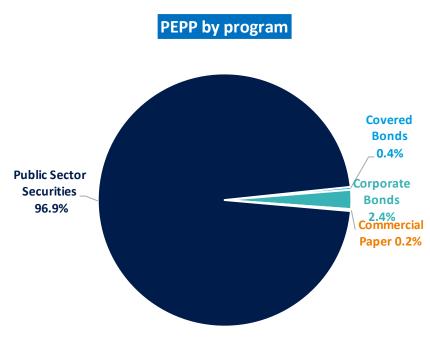
<sup>\*</sup> estimate from the ECB PEPP purchases by asset classes from March 2020 to January 2022



## APP and PEPP: breakdown by program in %



Source: ECB, Amundi Research, Date: 02/28/2022

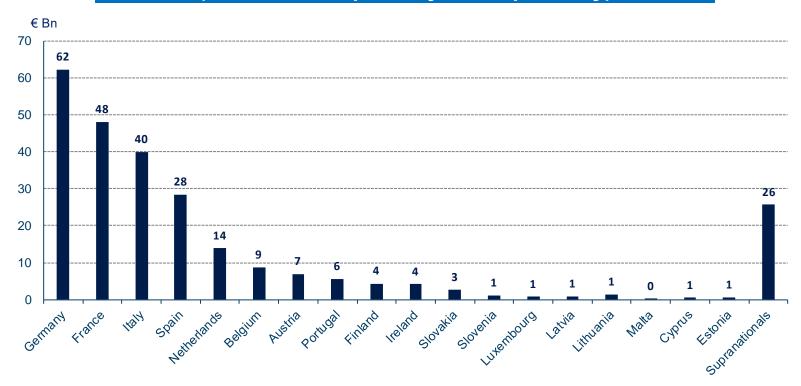


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### ECB Firepower by jurisdiction for 2022

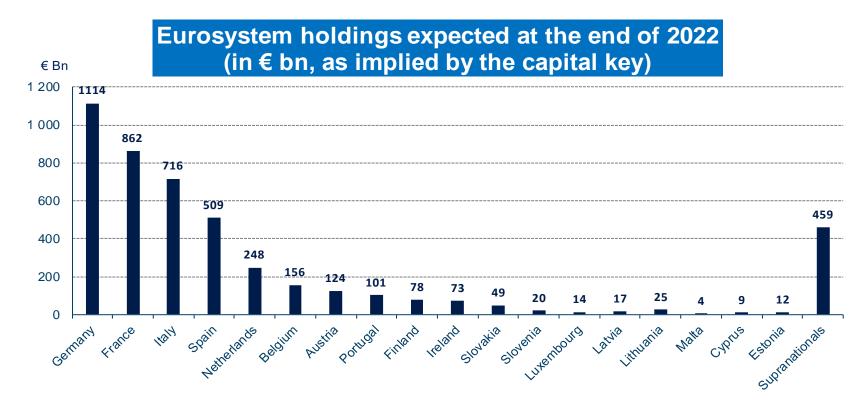
Net purchases of public debt expected until end of 2022 (in € bn, as implied by the capital key)



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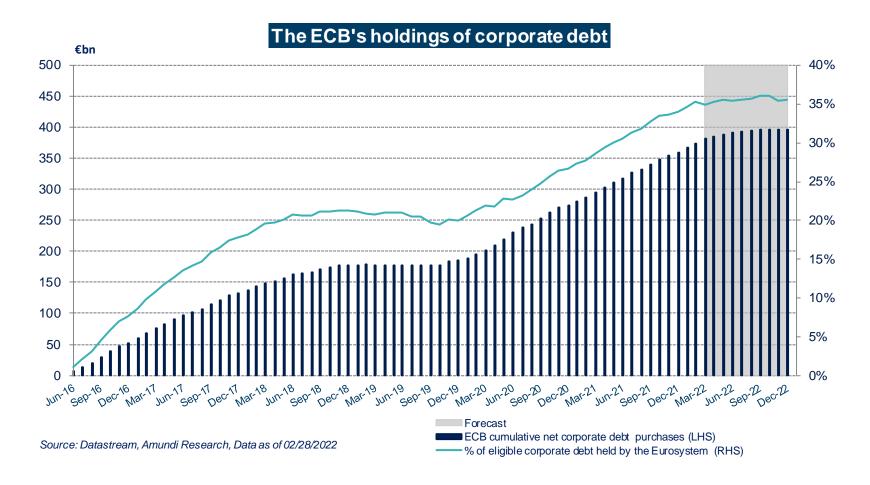
### ECB Firepower by jurisdiction for 2022



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

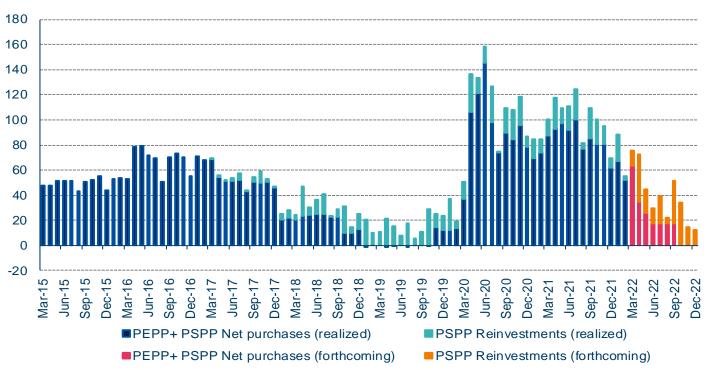




## Sovereign monthly gross purchases

- ECB firepower at the end of 2022: €192bn
  - PEPP: €50bn (if the ecb remains at the same rate of purchases as the last two months)
  - APP: €20bn for march 2022+ €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.



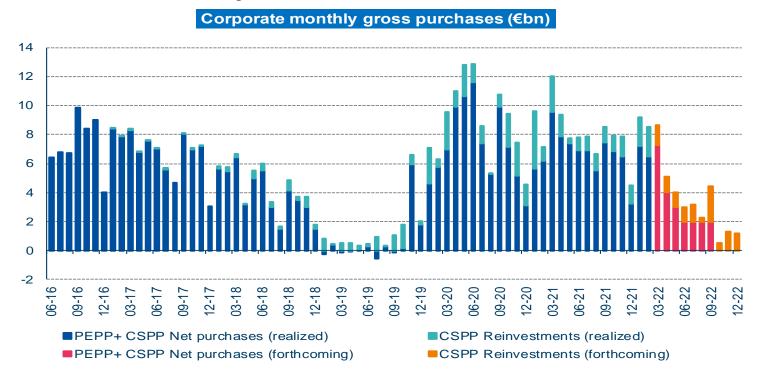


Source: ECB, Amundi Research, Data as of: 02/28/2022



## Corporate monthly gross purchases

- ECB firepower at the end of 2022 : €28bn
  - PEPP: €50bn (if the ecb remains at the same rate of purchases as the last two months)
  - APP: €20bn for march 2022+ €40bn for April + €30bn for May + €20bn/month from June to end 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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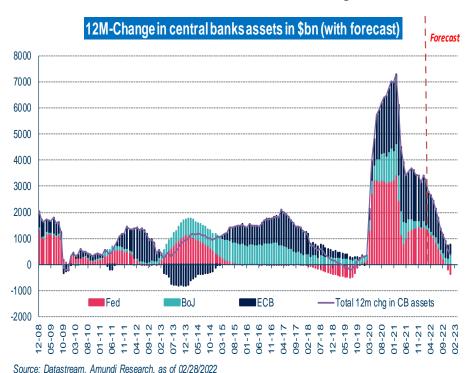


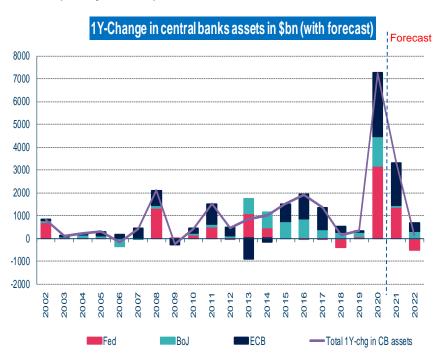
# **Annex**



### Central Banks: always present to support

- 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)

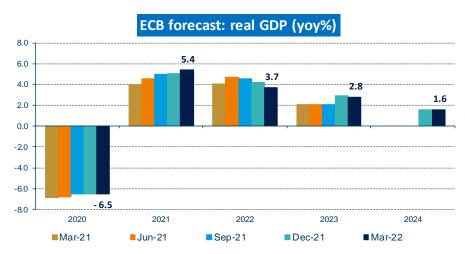




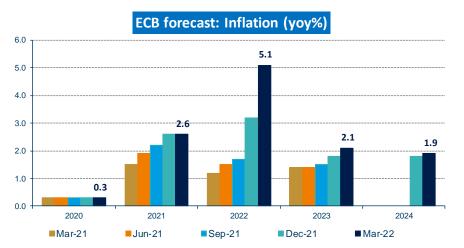
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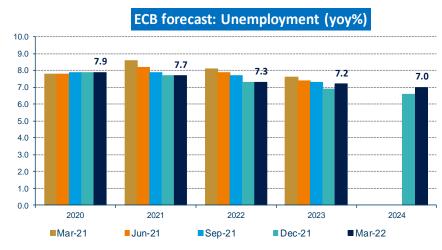
# **ECB Projections**



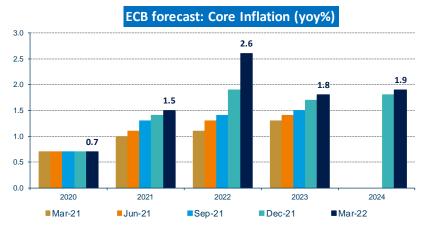
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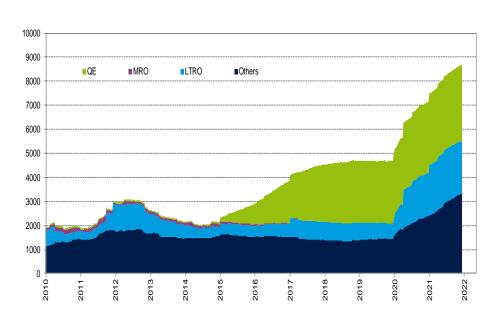


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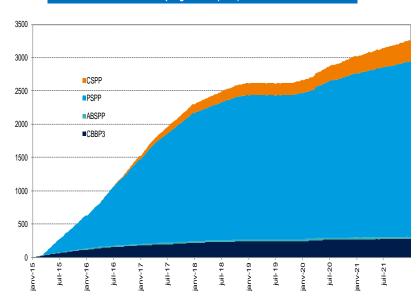


# **ECB Balance Sheet (1/2)**

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



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

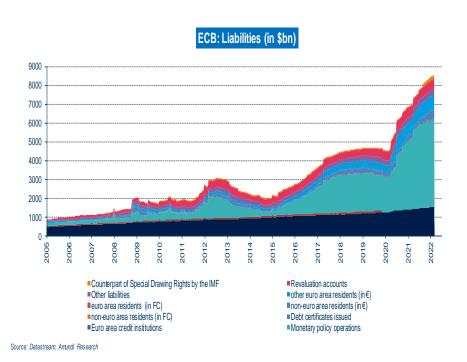


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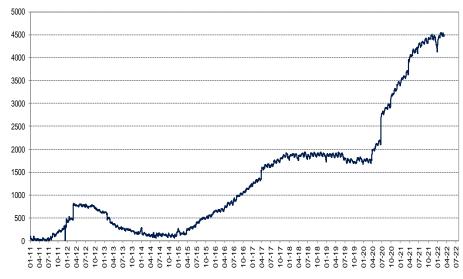
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# **ECB Balance Sheet (2/2)**



#### Eurosystem: excess reserves (€bn)

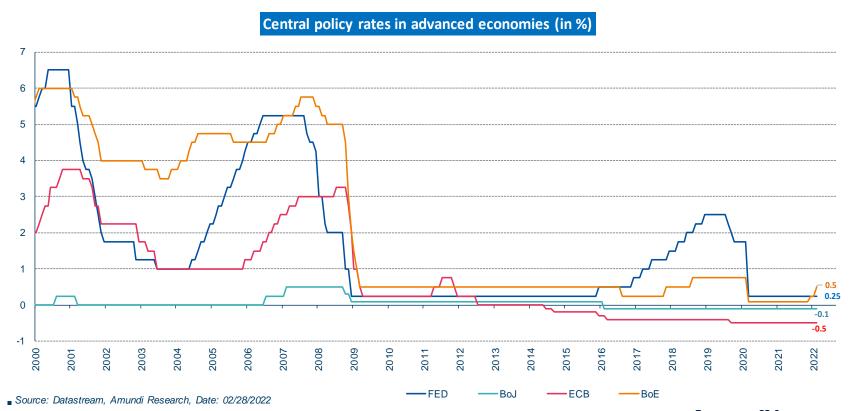


Source: Datastream, Amundi Research, 10/29/2021



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

- Fed: Four rates hikes in 2022, first two possibly at two consecutive meetings (March and May)
- ECB: Two rates hikes 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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