

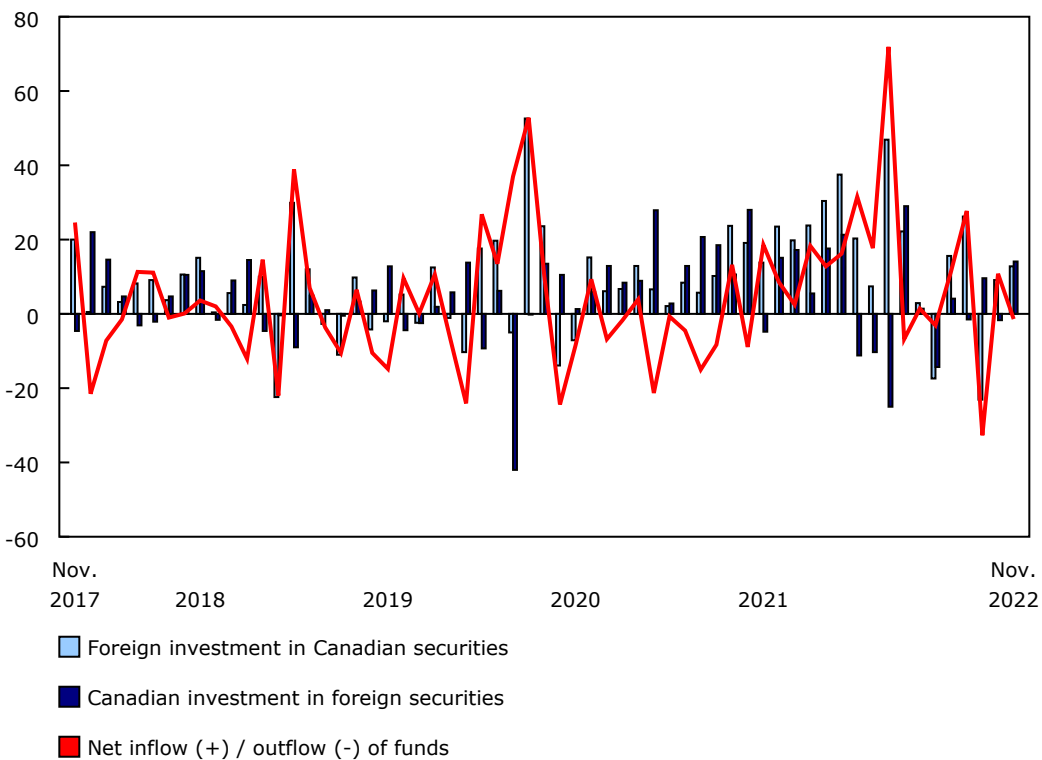
Canada's international transactions in securities, November 2022

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Canadian acquisitions of foreign securities totalled \$14.1 billion in November, the largest investment since April. Meanwhile, non-resident investors purchased \$12.8 billion of Canadian securities, up from a \$9.1 billion investment in October. As a result, international transactions in securities generated a net outflow of funds of \$1.4 billion from the Canadian economy in November.

Chart 1
Canada's international transactions in securities

billions of dollars



Source(s): Table 36-10-0028-01.

Canadian investment in foreign shares resumes

Canadian investors acquired \$14.1 billion of foreign securities in November. Investors resumed their purchases of foreign shares by adding \$9.9 billion to their holdings, after six consecutive months of divestment that totalled \$29.9 billion. Specifically, Canadian investors acquired \$5.8 billion of US shares and \$4.0 billion of non-US foreign shares. US share prices, as measured by the Standard and Poor's 500 composite index, were up by 5.4% in November.

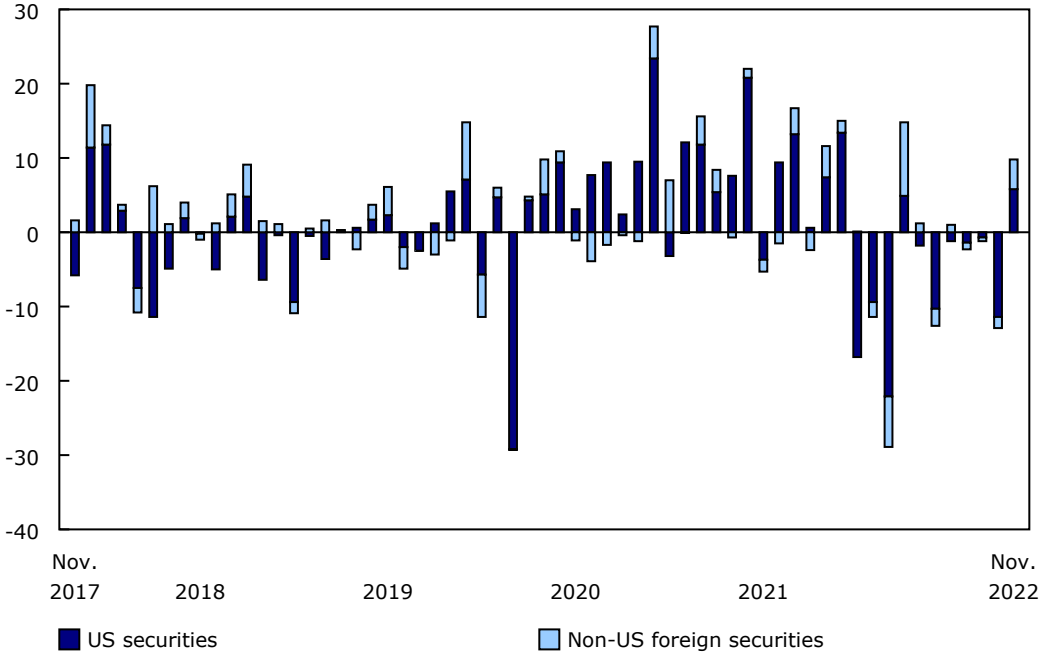


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Chart 2
Canadian investment in foreign equity and investment fund shares

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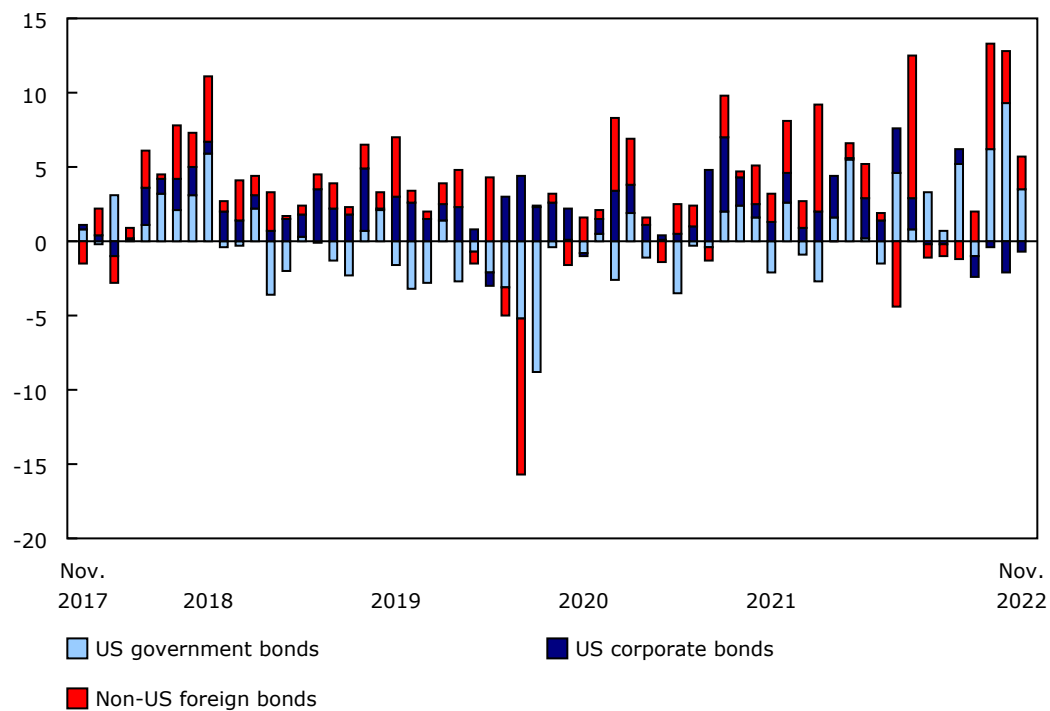


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Canadian acquisitions of foreign debt securities slowed to \$4.3 billion in November, as sizeable investments in the previous two months totalled \$22.1 billion. Canadian investment in US government bonds was \$3.5 billion, after two months of strong investment that totalled \$15.5 billion. In addition, Canadian investors bought \$2.2 billion of non-US foreign bonds. In November, US long-term interest rates fell for the first time since July.

Chart 3 Canadian investment in foreign bonds

billions of dollars



Source(s): Table 36-10-0028-01.

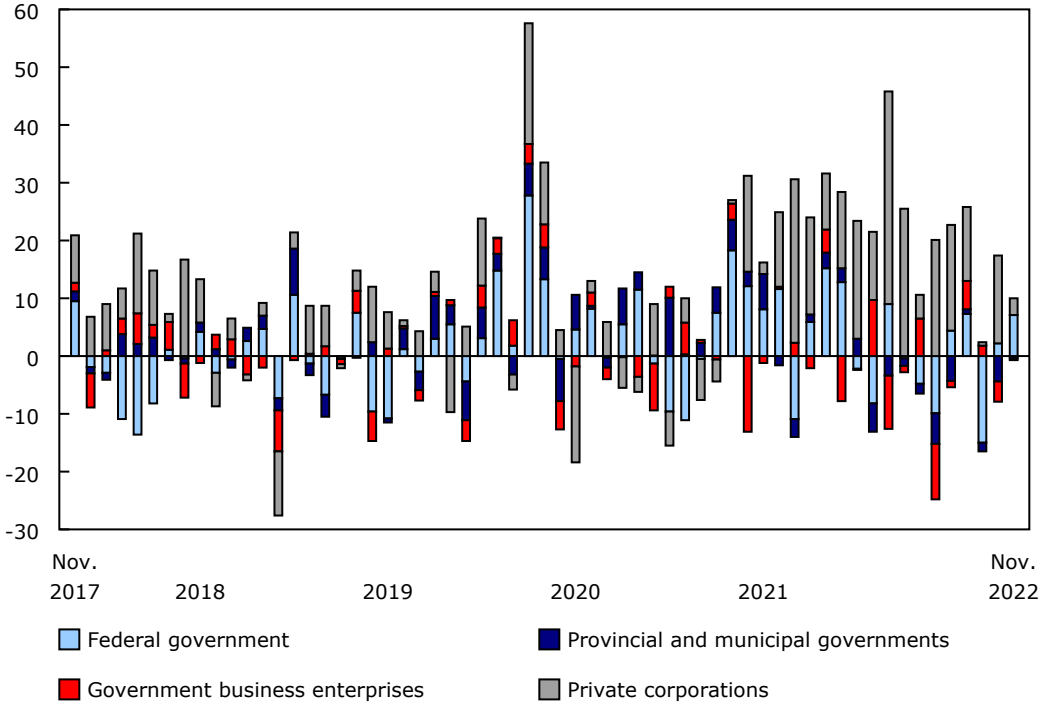
Foreign investment in Canadian securities increases

Non-resident investors acquired \$12.8 billion of Canadian securities in November, up from a \$9.1 billion investment in October. These investment activities followed a substantial divestment of \$23.1 billion in September. Foreign investment in November focused on federal government debt securities and equity securities.

Foreign investors increased their exposure to federal government debt securities by \$7.1 billion in November, adding \$5.0 billion of bonds and \$2.1 billion of money market instruments. The foreign investment in federal government paper followed seven consecutive months of divestment that totalled \$32.1 billion. At the same time, foreign acquisitions of Canadian corporate debt securities slowed to \$2.5 billion, the lowest investment since July 2021. New issuances abroad of private corporate bonds reached their lowest level since February 2021.

Chart 4
Foreign investment in Canadian debt securities, by sector of issuer

billions of dollars



Source(s): Table 36-10-0028-01.

In November 2022, Canadian short-term interest rates reached the highest levels since July 2007 and exceeded Canadian long-term interest rates by the most basis points since December 1990. Meanwhile, the Canadian dollar appreciated against the US dollar.

Foreign investors acquired \$3.5 billion of Canadian equity securities in November 2022, the largest investment since March. Foreign acquisitions of shares of the banking sector were moderated by a divestment in shares of the manufacturing sector. Canadian share prices, as measured by the Standard and Poor's/Toronto Stock Exchange composite index, posted a 5.3% increase in November.

Table 1
Canada's international transactions in securities

	September 2022	October 2022	November 2022	January to November 2021	January to November 2022
millions of dollars					
Foreign investment in Canadian securities	-23,124	9,087	12,763	180,551	122,835
Debt securities	-14,105	9,510	9,255	151,498	132,377
Money market instruments	-8,642	3,228	3,350	28,073	-13,182
Governments	-10,133	-581	741	18,086	-48,064
Federal government	-9,223	-1,525	2,074	8,803	-37,093
Other governments	-910	943	-1,332	9,283	-10,970
Corporations	1,491	3,809	2,608	9,988	34,879
Government business enterprises	2,251	-1,602	-1,717	6,182	3,234
Private corporations	-760	5,412	4,325	3,804	31,647
Bonds	-5,463	6,282	5,905	123,426	145,559
Governments	-6,350	-1,548	5,986	58,844	14,159
Federal government	-5,800	3,759	5,041	37,873	26,488
Other governments	-550	-5,307	945	20,971	-12,327
Corporations	887	7,830	-81	64,581	131,399
Government business enterprises	-444	-1,916	1,373	-5,831	-5,362
Private corporations	1,331	9,746	-1,453	70,414	136,764
Equity and investment fund shares	-9,020	-423	3,509	29,054	-9,540
Shares	-8,551	145	3,729	28,724	-6,179
Investment fund shares	-469	-568	-220	330	-3,361
Canadian investment in foreign securities	9,595	-1,674	14,125	144,165	-5,697
Debt securities	10,797	11,320	4,256	46,465	56,378
Money market instruments	-2,080	612	-726	517	-31
Bonds	12,877	10,707	4,982	45,949	56,408
Equity and investment fund shares	-1,202	-12,994	9,869	97,701	-62,075

Note(s): In this table, a positive value denotes an increase in investment, and a negative value denotes a decrease in investment. Transactions are recorded on a net basis. Figures may not add up to totals as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Tables [36-10-0028-01](#) and [36-10-0583-01](#).

Note to readers

The data series on international transactions in securities covers portfolio transactions in equity and investment fund shares, bonds, and money market instruments for both Canadian and foreign issues. This activity excludes transactions in equity and debt instruments between affiliated enterprises. These are classified as foreign direct investment in international accounts.

Equity and investment fund shares include common and preferred equities, as well as units or shares of investment funds. For the sake of brevity, the terms "shares" and "equity and investment fund shares" have the same meaning.

Debt securities include bonds and money market instruments.

Bonds have an original term to maturity of more than one year.

Money market instruments have an original term to maturity of one year or less.

Government of Canada paper includes Treasury bills and US-dollar Canada bills.

All values in this release are net transactions unless otherwise stated.

Next release

Data on Canada's international transactions in securities for December 2022 will be released on February 17, 2023.

Available tables: [36-10-0028-01](#) to [36-10-0035-01](#) , [36-10-0444-01](#), [36-10-0475-01](#), [36-10-0486-01](#), [36-10-0583-01](#), [36-10-0584-01](#) and [36-10-0642-01](#).

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