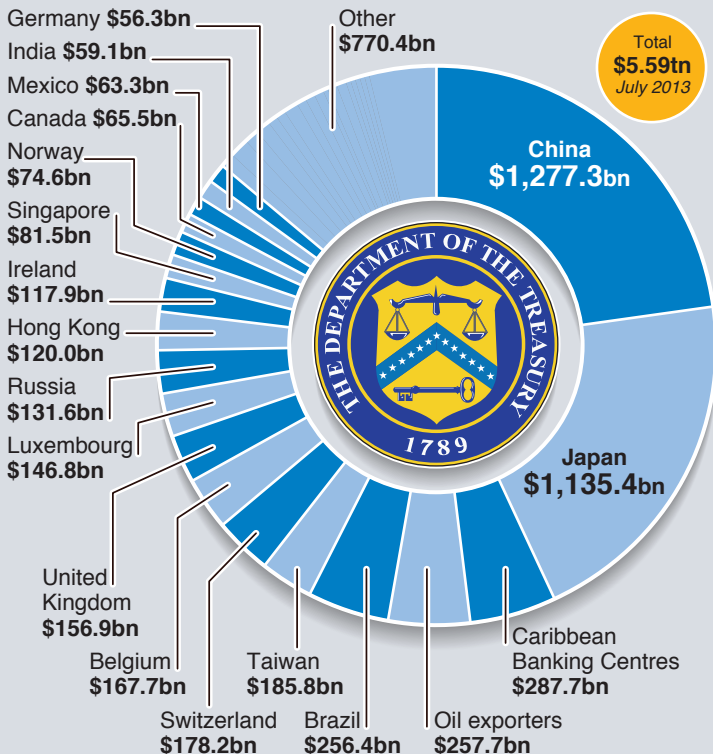


Key dates in America's debt crisis

Foreign creditors hold \$5.6 trillion of U.S. debt – 11 times the \$517 billion that Lehman Brothers Holdings owed when it filed for bankruptcy in 2008, triggering a global financial disaster

MAJOR FOREIGN HOLDERS OF U.S. TREASURY SECURITIES



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Treasury Department hits **\$16.7 trillion** cap on borrowing
Cash in hand **\$30.0bn**
Tax receipts **\$8.0bn**
(2013-14 daily average)

Payments due

Social Security **\$10.9bn**
Principal plus interest on Treasury securities **\$120.0bn**

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Social Security **\$12.0bn**
Defence contractors **\$1.8bn**
Medicare programme **\$2.2bn**
Treasury bills, notes and bonds due to mature **\$93.0bn**

Treasury faces principal and interest payments on bills and notes **\$150.8bn**

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Social security, Medicare, Medicaid, military pay, and veterans programmes **\$67.0bn**

Bond repayments **\$54.0bn**

Social Security **\$12.0bn**

Bond repayments **\$79.0bn**

Bond repayments **\$64.2bn**

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estimates that without alternative monetary source, **\$441bn** in debt – **one third** of debt owed from October 18 to November 15 – will go unpaid

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