



National Economic Trends



How Weak is the Current U.S. Economy?

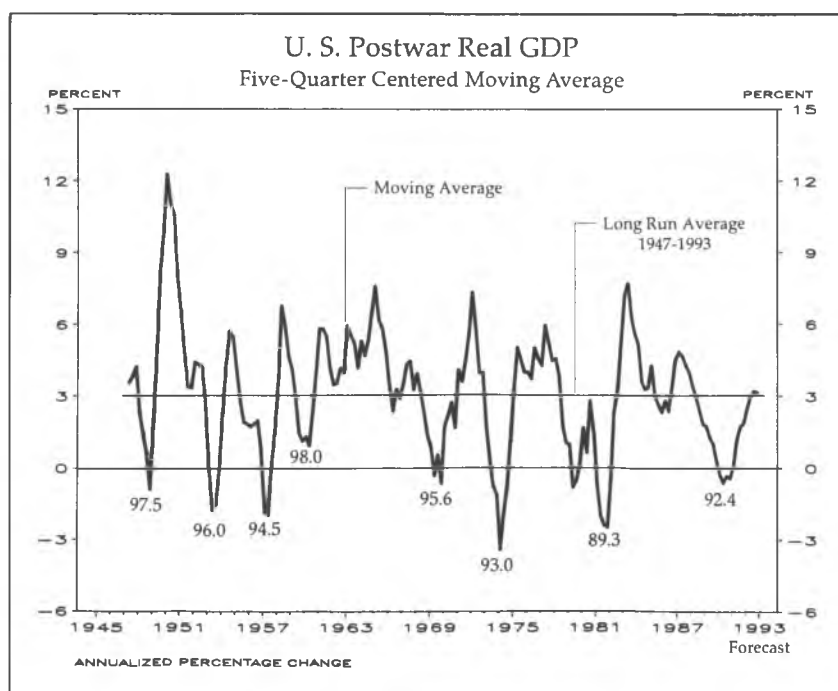
The recent recession has been described (mainly by economists) as relatively mild by historical standards. Many analysts note that, so far, there have been only two quarters during which real output actually declined (the fourth quarter of 1990 and the first quarter of 1991) and that most forecasters predict a slow recovery during 1992. Furthermore, the declines in real output were not nearly as sharp as in many previous recessions. On the other hand, media reports and public opinion often describe the present downturn as extremely severe and contend that the economy is still in recession. Are these views mere hyperbole, based on misguided notions about economic activity? Maybe not. The accompanying chart shows how the current economic performance could be viewed as one of the weakest in the post-World War II era.

The chart shows a five-quarter centered moving average of annualized percentage changes in real gross domestic product (GDP) during the postwar era. The Blue Chip consensus forecast is used for 1992 and 1993. The solid line through the data, which represents the average growth rate for the entire period (about 3 percent), divides the data into subperiods of below-average and above-average growth. All of the periods of below-average growth in GDP are associated with NBER-designated recessions.

One way to assess economic performance is to ask the following question: How much

lower is GDP at the end of a period of below-average growth than it would have been had the economy grown at the long-run average rate during the same period? The answer is given by the number underneath each period of below-average growth. Based on current forecasts, the moving average of GDP growth will not be above 3 percent until the fourth quarter of 1992; at that time, GDP will be about 92.4 percent of what it would have been had the economy grown at the long-run average rate. Thus, according to this measure, which captures both the magnitude and duration of economic slowdowns, the current economy is one of the weakest of the postwar era. It is slightly worse than 1975; only the 1980-82 downturn was more severe.

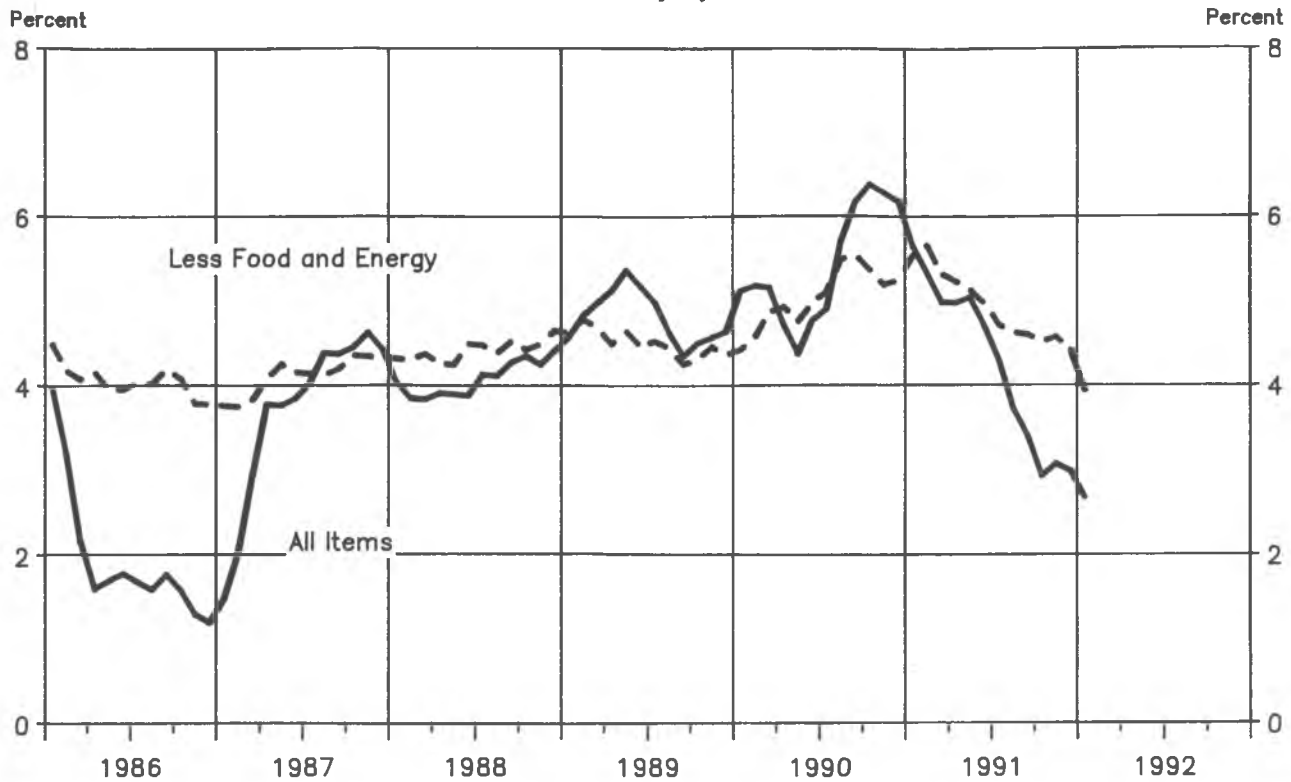
—James B. Bullard



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Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers

Percent Change From Previous Year
Seasonally Adjusted



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Consumer Price Index

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Month	Initial Month																			1982-84=100
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	5.7																			130.6
8-90	8.1	10.6																		131.7
9-90	8.2	9.5	8.5																	132.6
10-90	8.3	9.2	8.5	8.5																133.5
11-90	7.2	7.5	6.5	5.6	2.7															133.8
12-90	6.6	6.7	5.8	4.9	3.2	3.6														134.2
1-91	6.3	6.4	5.6	4.8	3.6	4.1	4.6													134.7
2-91	5.7	5.7	4.9	4.2	3.2	3.3	3.2	1.8												134.9
3-91	5.3	5.2	4.5	3.8	2.9	2.9	2.7	1.8	1.8											135.1
4-91	5.0	4.9	4.2	3.6	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.1	2.2	2.7										135.4
5-91	4.8	4.7	4.1	3.5	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.7									135.7
6-91	4.7	4.6	4.0	3.5	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.5	2.7	3.0	3.1	3.6								136.1
7-91	4.4	4.3	3.7	3.3	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.4	2.2	0.9							136.2
8-91	4.3	4.2	3.7	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.2	3.6						136.6
9-91	4.3	4.3	3.8	3.4	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	4.0	4.5					137.1
10-91	4.2	4.1	3.7	3.3	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.6	3.6	2.7				137.4
11-91	4.3	4.2	3.7	3.4	3.0	3.1	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.8	3.9	3.6	4.5			137.9
12-91	4.2	4.1	3.7	3.4	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.6	3.6	3.2	3.5	2.6		138.2
1-92	4.0	3.9	3.5	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.8	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.6	1.8	0.9	138.3
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

Data revised from 1987.

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Consumer Price Index - Food

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Month	Initial Month																			1982-84=100
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	6.5																			132.8
8-90	6.1	5.6																		133.4
9-90	4.9	4.1	2.7																	133.7
10-90	5.1	4.6	4.1	5.5																134.3
11-90	4.8	4.4	4.0	4.6	3.6															134.7
12-90	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.6	2.7	1.8														134.9
1-91	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.9	3.3	3.2	4.5													135.4
2-91	3.7	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.3	1.8	1.8	-0.9												135.3
3-91	3.7	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.2	2.4	1.3	3.6											135.7
4-91	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.1	3.4	3.0	5.0	6.4										136.4
5-91	3.8	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.1	3.0	3.2	2.9	4.2	4.5	2.7									136.7
6-91	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.6	3.4	4.5	4.8	4.0	5.4								137.3
7-91	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.1	2.2	1.8	2.3	2.0	0.6	-0.4	-5.9							136.6
8-91	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.1	1.5	1.1	-0.2	-1.2	-4.3	-2.6						136.3
9-91	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.2	0.2	-0.4	-2.3	-0.4	1.8					136.5
10-91	2.4	2.2	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.0	1.2	0.9	0.0	-0.5	-2.0	-0.6	0.4	-0.9				136.4
11-91	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.4	0.8	0.4	-0.5	0.9	2.1	2.2	5.4			137.0
12-91	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.9	1.7	1.1	0.9	0.1	1.4	2.4	2.7	4.5	3.6		137.4
1-92	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.2	1.0	0.4	0.1	-0.6	0.3	0.9	0.7	1.2	-0.9	-5.1	136.8
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Consumer Price Index - Energy

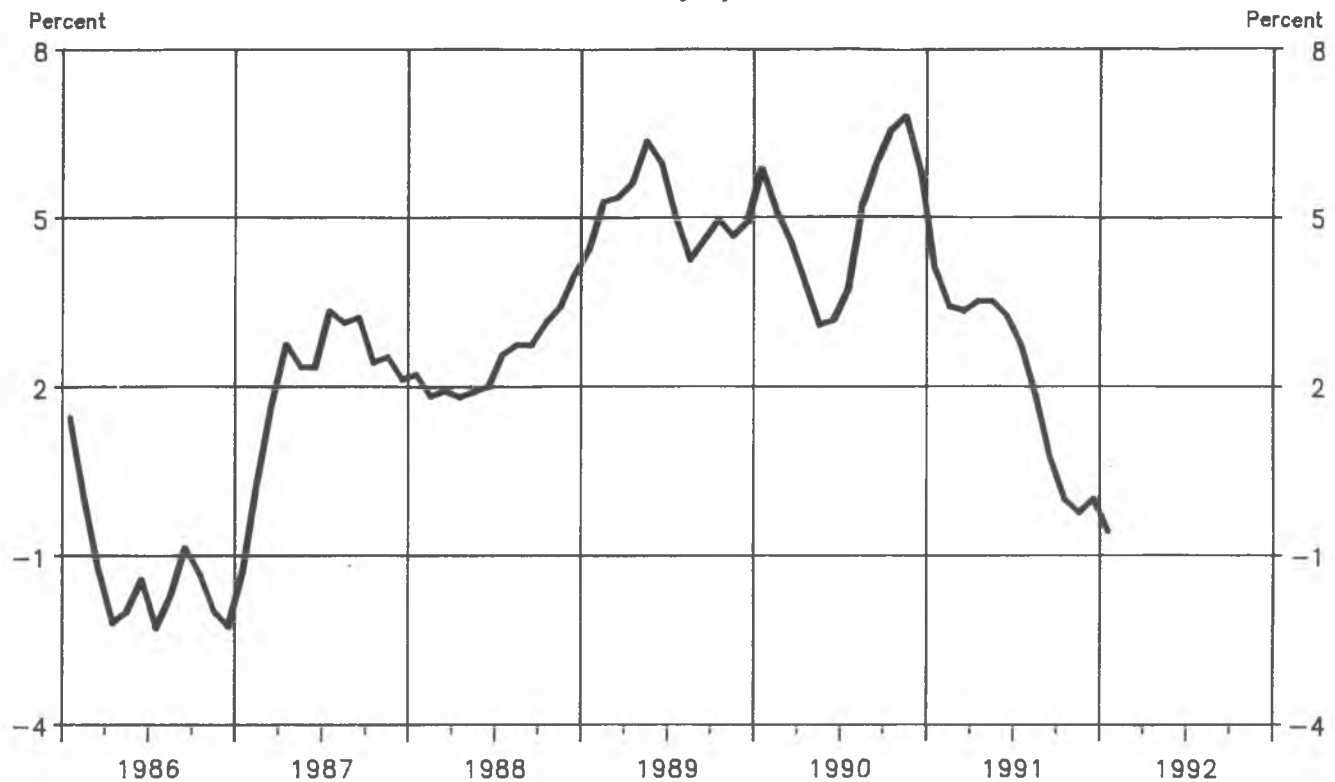
(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Month	Initial Month																			1982-84=100
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	-3.6																			96.8
8-90	32.0	80.9																		101.7
9-90	44.7	77.4	73.9																	106.5
10-90	49.0	72.3	68.1	62.5																110.9
11-90	38.5	51.6	42.9	29.6	3.3															111.2
12-90	29.5	37.4	28.3	15.9	-2.1	-7.3														110.5
1-91	19.6	24.0	15.0	3.7	-10.7	-17.0	-25.7													107.8
2-91	10.4	12.5	4.0	-6.2	-18.2	-24.4	-31.7	-37.2												103.7
3-91	5.8	7.1	-0.7	-9.5	-19.5	-24.4	-29.4	-31.1	-24.5											101.3
4-91	4.7	5.7	-1.2	-8.8	-17.2	-20.8	-23.9	-23.2	-15.1	-4.6										100.9
5-91	4.7	5.6	-0.5	-7.2	-14.4	-17.0	-18.8	-17.0	-8.9	0.0	4.9									101.3
6-91	4.1	4.9	-0.7	-6.7	-13.0	-15.1	-16.3	-14.3	-7.3	-0.8	1.2	-2.3								101.1
7-91	3.3	3.9	-1.2	-6.6	-12.2	-14.0	-14.9	-12.9	-7.0	-2.1	-1.2	-4.1	-5.8							100.6
8-91	3.6	4.2	-0.5	-5.4	-10.4	-11.8	-12.4	-10.3	-4.8	-0.2	0.9	-0.4	0.6	7.4						101.2
9-91	3.5	4.1	-0.3	-4.8	-9.3	-10.5	-10.8	-8.8	-3.8	0.2	1.2	0.3	1.2	4.9	2.4					101.4
10-91	3.3	3.8	-0.3	-4.4	-8.6	-9.6	-9.8	-7.8	-3.3	0.2	1.0	0.2	0.9	3.2	1.2	0.0				101.4
11-91	3.7	4.2	0.4	-3.5	-7.3	-8.1	-8.2	-6.2	-1.9	1.3	2.2	1.8	2.6	4.8	4.0	4.8	9.9			102.2
12-91	3.5	4.0	0.4	-3.2	-6.7	-7.4	-7.4	-5.6	-1.6	1.3	2.1	1.7	2.4	4.1	3.3	3.6	5.4	1.2		102.3
1-92	2.4	2.7	-0.6	-4.0	-7.4	-8.1	-8.1	-6.5	-3.0	-0.6	-0.1	-0.7	-0.5	0.4	-0.9	-1.8	-2.3	-7.9	-16.2	100.8
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Percent Change From Previous Year
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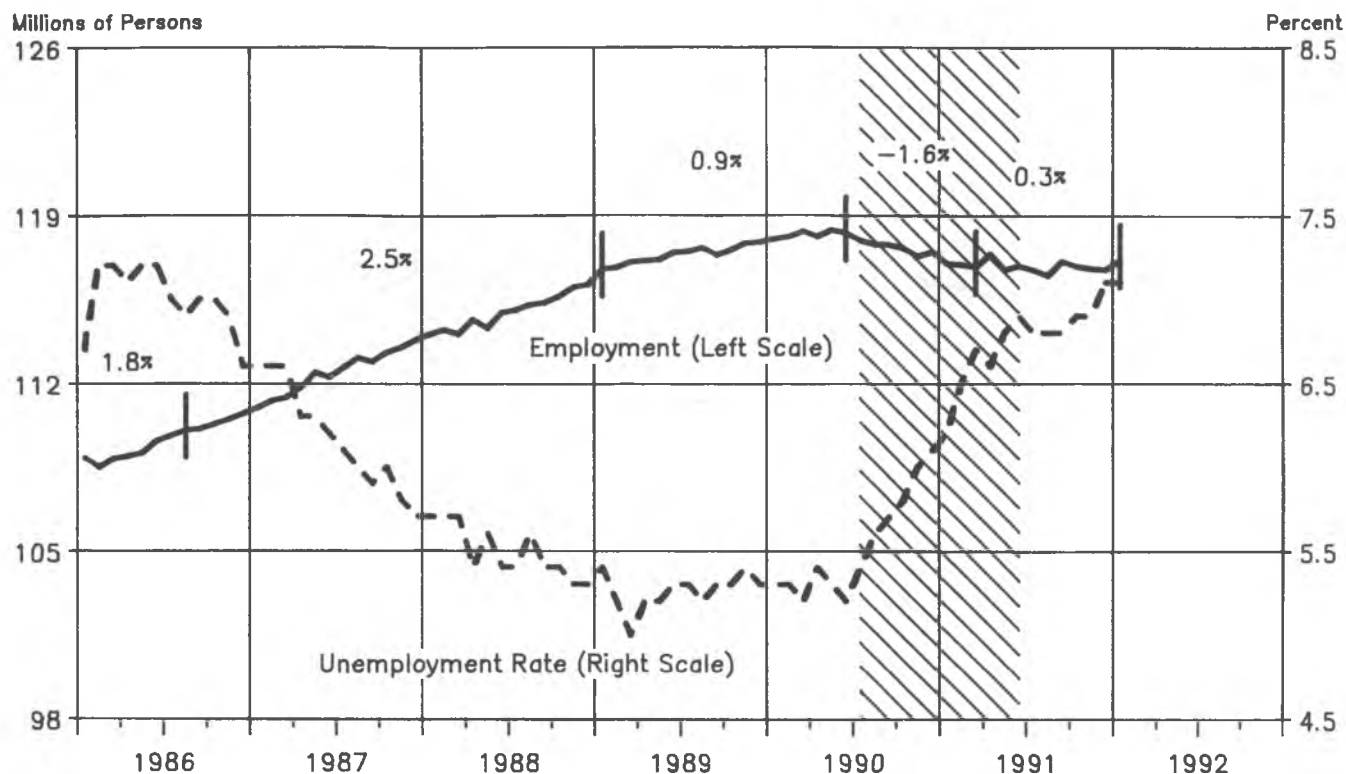
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	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	4.2																			118.0
8-90	9.0	14.1																		119.3
9-90	11.7	15.7	17.3																	120.9
10-90	12.2	15.0	15.5	13.7																122.2
11-90	10.3	11.9	11.2	8.2	3.0															122.5
12-90	7.8	8.5	7.2	4.0	-0.5	-3.8														122.1
1-91	7.1	7.6	6.4	3.8	0.7	-0.5	3.0													122.4
2-91	5.1	5.3	3.9	1.4	-1.5	-2.9	-2.4	-7.6												121.6
3-91	4.1	4.1	2.7	0.5	-2.0	-3.2	-2.9	-5.7	-3.9											121.2
4-91	3.9	3.9	2.7	0.7	-1.3	-2.1	-1.7	-3.2	-1.0	2.0										121.4
5-91	3.7	3.7	2.6	0.9	-0.8	-1.5	-1.0	-1.9	0.0	2.0	2.0									121.6
6-91	3.2	3.1	2.1	0.6	-1.0	-1.5	-1.1	-1.9	-0.5	0.7	0.0	-2.0								121.4
7-91	2.8	2.7	1.7	0.3	-1.1	-1.6	-1.3	-2.0	-0.8	0.0	-0.7	-2.0	-2.0							121.2
8-91	2.8	2.7	1.8	0.5	-0.7	-1.1	-0.7	-1.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2	-0.3	0.5	3.0						121.5
9-91	2.8	2.8	1.9	0.7	-0.4	-0.7	-0.3	-0.7	0.3	1.0	0.8	0.5	1.3	3.0	3.0					121.8
10-91	2.9	2.8	2.1	1.0	0.0	-0.3	0.1	-0.2	0.7	1.4	1.3	1.2	2.0	3.3	3.5	4.0				122.2
11-91	2.7	2.7	1.9	0.9	0.0	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.7	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.6	2.5	2.3	2.0	0.0			122.2
12-91	2.5	2.4	1.8	0.8	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	-0.3	0.5	1.0	0.9	0.7	1.2	1.8	1.5	1.0	-0.5	-1.0		122.1
1-92	2.2	2.1	1.4	0.5	-0.3	-0.6	-0.3	-0.6	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.4	-0.2	-1.6	-2.4	-3.9	121.7
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Civilian Employment and Unemployment Rate

Seasonally Adjusted



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Civilian Employment

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

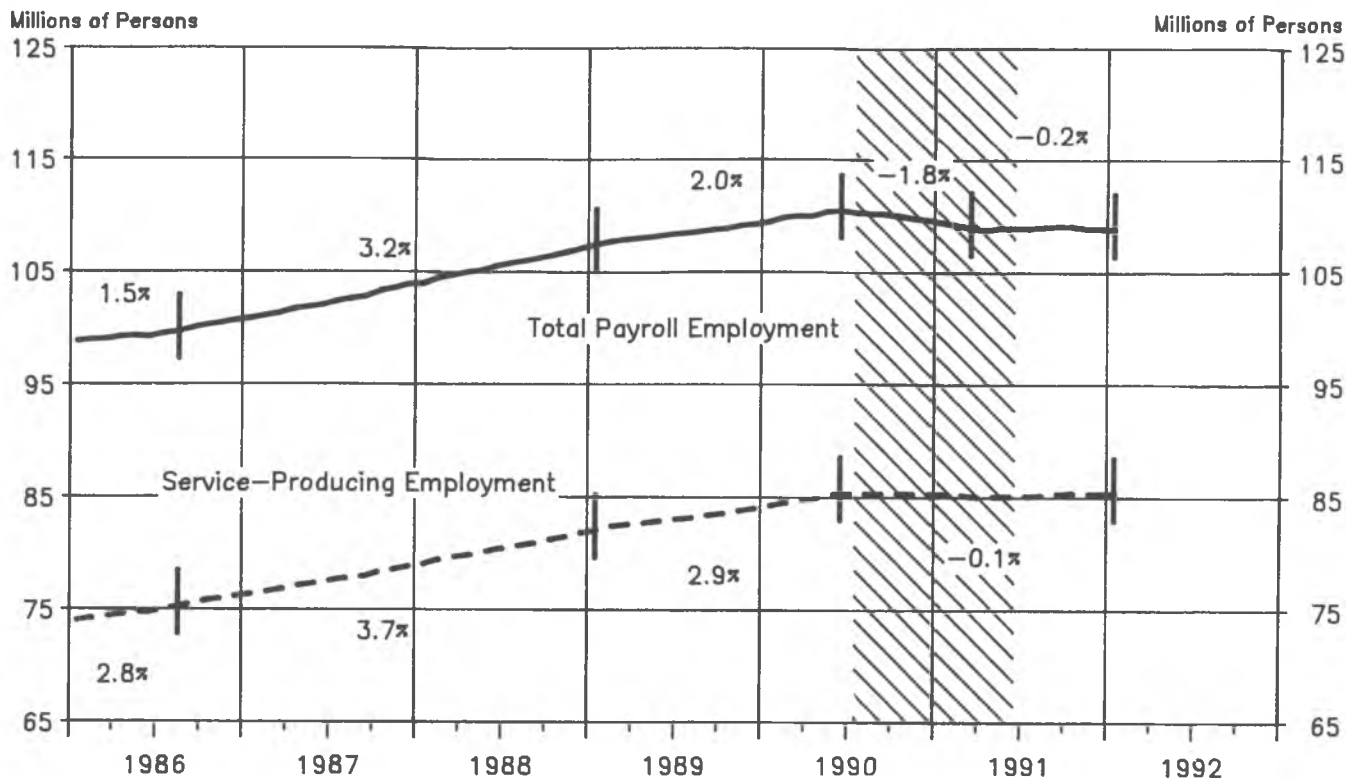
Terminal Month	Initial Month																			Thousands of Persons
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	-3.2																			117,948
8-90	-2.4	-1.6																		117,785
9-90	-1.7	-0.9	-0.2																	117,763
10-90	-1.6	-1.1	-0.8	-1.3																117,631
11-90	-2.0	-1.7	-1.7	-2.5	-3.6															117,273
12-90	-1.3	-1.0	-0.8	-1.0	-0.8	2.1														117,476
1-91	-1.9	-1.6	-1.6	-2.0	-2.2	-1.5	-5.0													116,977
2-91	-1.7	-1.5	-1.4	-1.7	-1.8	-1.1	-2.7	-0.4												116,937
3-91	-1.6	-1.4	-1.4	-1.6	-1.6	-1.1	-2.2	-0.7	-1.1											116,834
4-91	-0.9	-0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.4	0.2	-0.2	1.4	2.3	5.8										117,388
5-91	-1.4	-1.2	-1.2	-1.3	-1.3	-0.9	-1.5	-0.6	-0.7	-0.5	-6.5									116,730
6-91	-1.1	-1.0	-0.9	-1.0	-0.9	-0.5	-1.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	-2.4	1.9								116,909
7-91	-1.2	-1.0	-1.0	-1.1	-1.0	-0.7	-1.1	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-2.2	0.0	-1.8							116,729
8-91	-1.3	-1.1	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2	-0.9	-1.3	-0.7	-0.8	-0.7	-2.3	-0.8	-2.2	-2.5						116,484
9-91	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.6	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4	0.1	0.2	0.4	-0.6	0.9	0.6	1.9	6.4					117,089
10-91	-0.9	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.6	-0.4	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.9	0.3	-0.1	0.5	2.0	-2.3				116,867
11-91	-0.9	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.4	-0.7	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.9	0.1	-0.3	0.1	1.0	-1.6	-1.0			116,772
12-91	-0.9	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.4	-0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.8	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.6	-1.2	-0.7	-0.5		116,728
1-92	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.5	0.3	0.7	1.3	0.1	0.9	1.8	4.1	117,117
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Payroll Employment

Seasonally Adjusted



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Payroll Employment

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Month	Initial Month																			Thousands of Persons
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	-1.8																			110,269
8-90	-1.5	-1.2																		110,160
9-90	-1.2	-0.8	-0.5																	110,113
10-90	-1.2	-1.0	-1.0	-1.4																109,982
11-90	-1.5	-1.4	-1.4	-1.9	-2.4															109,761
12-90	-1.5	-1.4	-1.5	-1.8	-2.0	-1.5														109,621
1-91	-1.6	-1.5	-1.6	-1.9	-2.0	-1.9	-2.2													109,418
2-91	-1.7	-1.7	-1.8	-2.1	-2.2	-2.2	-2.5	-2.8												109,160
3-91	-1.8	-1.9	-1.9	-2.2	-2.3	-2.3	-2.6	-2.8	-2.8											108,902
4-91	-1.8	-1.8	-1.9	-2.1	-2.3	-2.2	-2.4	-2.5	-2.3	-1.8										108,736
5-91	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.7	-1.7	-1.6	-1.6	-1.4	-1.0	-0.1	1.7									108,887
6-91	-1.4	-1.4	-1.4	-1.5	-1.5	-1.4	-1.3	-1.2	-0.8	-0.1	0.8	0.0								108,885
7-91	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.4	-1.4	-1.2	-1.2	-1.0	-0.7	-0.1	0.5	-0.2	-0.3							108,859
8-91	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.0	-0.9	-0.7	-0.3	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.5	1.2						108,971
9-91	-1.0	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0	-0.9	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5	-0.1	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.7	1.1	1.1					109,066
10-91	-0.9	-0.9	-0.8	-0.9	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	-0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.1				109,073
11-91	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-0.8	-0.8	-0.6	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.5	-1.2	-2.5			108,843
12-91	-1.0	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	-0.3	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.8	-1.2	0.0		108,846
1-92	-1.0	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.9	-1.2	-0.5	-1.0	108,755
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Service-Producing Employment

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Month	Initial Month																			Thousands of Persons
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	-1.4																			85,242
8-90	-0.8	-0.3																		85,223
9-90	-0.3	0.2	0.7																	85,271
10-90	-0.2	0.2	0.4	0.1																85,277
11-90	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0															85,280
12-90	-0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5														85,246
1-91	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1													85,237
2-91	-0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.6												85,121
3-91	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.7	-0.9	-1.0	-1.5	-1.3											85,025
4-91	-0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.7	-0.8	-0.9	-1.1	-1.4	-1.3	-1.2										84,942
5-91	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-0.7	-0.4	0.1	1.4									85,040
6-91	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.3	1.1	0.8								85,093
7-91	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.2	0.1	0.6	0.1	-0.5							85,061
8-91	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.4	1.2						85,145
9-91	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.5	1.8					85,269
10-91	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.3	1.4	1.1				85,346
11-91	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.5	-0.1	-1.4			85,248
12-91	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.1	-0.4	0.6		85,292
1-92	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.4	0.1	-0.4	85,263
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Goods-Producing Employment

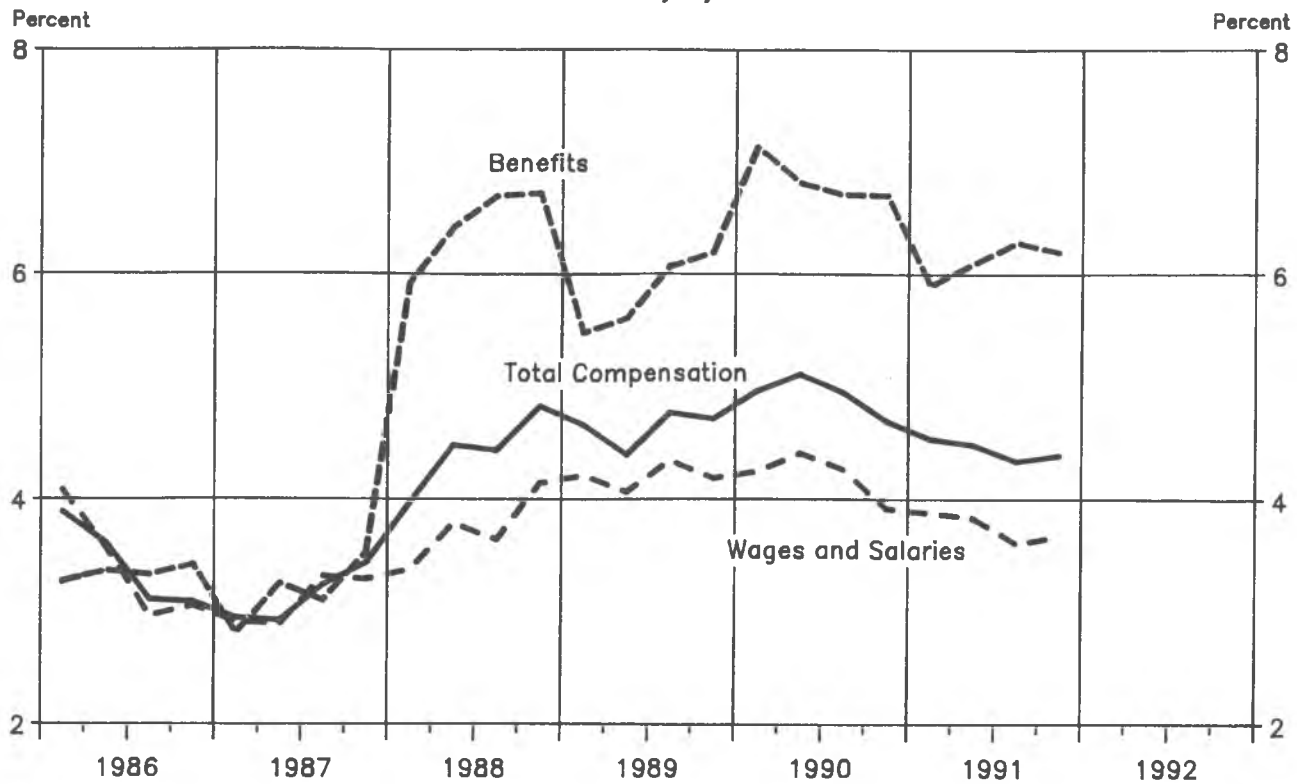
(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Month	Initial Month																			Thousands of Persons
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	-3.1																			25,027
8-90	-3.7	-4.2																		24,937
9-90	-3.9	-4.4	-4.5																	24,842
10-90	-4.6	-5.0	-5.5	-6.4																24,705
11-90	-5.8	-6.4	-7.1	-8.4	-10.4															24,481
12-90	-5.6	-6.1	-6.6	-7.3	-7.8	-5.1														24,375
1-91	-6.1	-6.6	-7.1	-7.8	-8.2	-7.1	-9.1													24,181
2-91	-6.2	-6.7	-7.1	-7.6	-7.9	-7.0	-8.0	-6.8												24,039
3-91	-6.4	-6.8	-7.2	-7.6	-7.9	-7.2	-7.9	-7.3	-7.8											23,877
4-91	-6.2	-6.5	-6.8	-7.1	-7.2	-6.6	-7.0	-6.2	-6.0	-4.1										23,794
5-91	-5.4	-5.6	-5.8	-5.9	-5.9	-5.1	-5.1	-4.1	-3.2	-0.8	2.7									23,847
6-91	-5.2	-5.4	-5.5	-5.6	-5.5	-4.8	-4.7	-3.8	-3.1	-1.4	-0.1	-2.7								23,792
7-91	-4.8	-4.9	-5.0	-5.0	-4.9	-4.2	-4.0	-3.1	-2.4	-1.0	0.1	-1.2	0.3							23,798
8-91	-4.3	-4.4	-4.5	-4.5	-4.3	-3.6	-3.4	-2.5	-1.8	-0.5	0.4	-0.4	0.9	1.4						23,826
9-91	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.0	-3.3	-3.1	-2.4	-1.7	-0.7	0.0	-0.6	0.1	0.0	-1.5					23,797
10-91	-4.1	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.0	-3.4	-3.2	-2.5	-1.9	-1.1	-0.6	-1.2	-0.8	-1.2	-2.5	-3.5				23,727
11-91	-4.3	-4.3	-4.3	-4.3	-4.2	-3.6	-3.5	-2.9	-2.5	-1.8	-1.4	-2.1	-2.0	-2.5	-3.8	-5.0	-6.5			23,595
12-91	-4.1	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.0	-3.5	-3.4	-2.8	-2.4	-1.8	-1.5	-2.1	-2.0	-2.4	-3.4	-4.0	-4.3	-2.1		23,554
1-92	-4.1	-4.1	-4.1	-4.1	-3.9	-3.5	-3.3	-2.8	-2.5	-1.9	-1.7	-2.2	-2.2	-2.6	-3.3	-3.8	-3.9	-2.6	-3.1	23,492
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Change in the Employment Cost Index and Its Components

Percent Change From Previous Year
Seasonally Adjusted



Total compensation is the sum of benefits and wages and salaries for private industry workers.

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Employment Cost Index - Total Compensation

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter												June 1989 = 100							
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	
2-87	3.1																		91.6	
3-87	3.6	4.0																	92.5	
4-87	3.5	3.7	3.5																93.3	
1-88	4.0	4.2	4.4	5.2															94.5	
2-88	4.2	4.5	4.6	5.2	5.2														95.7	
3-88	4.1	4.3	4.4	4.7	4.5	3.8													96.6	
4-88	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.4	5.1												97.8	
1-89	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.6											98.9	
2-89	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.3	4.1										99.9	
3-89	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.7	5.3									101.2	
4-89	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.7	5.1	4.8								102.4	
1-90	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.6							103.8	
2-90	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.0	5.1	4.7						105.0	
3-90	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.9	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.7	4.7					106.2	
4-90	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.2	3.8				107.2	
1-91	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.9			108.5	
2-91	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.5		109.7	
3-91	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.3	4.1	110.8	
4-91	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.1	4.0	111.9
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

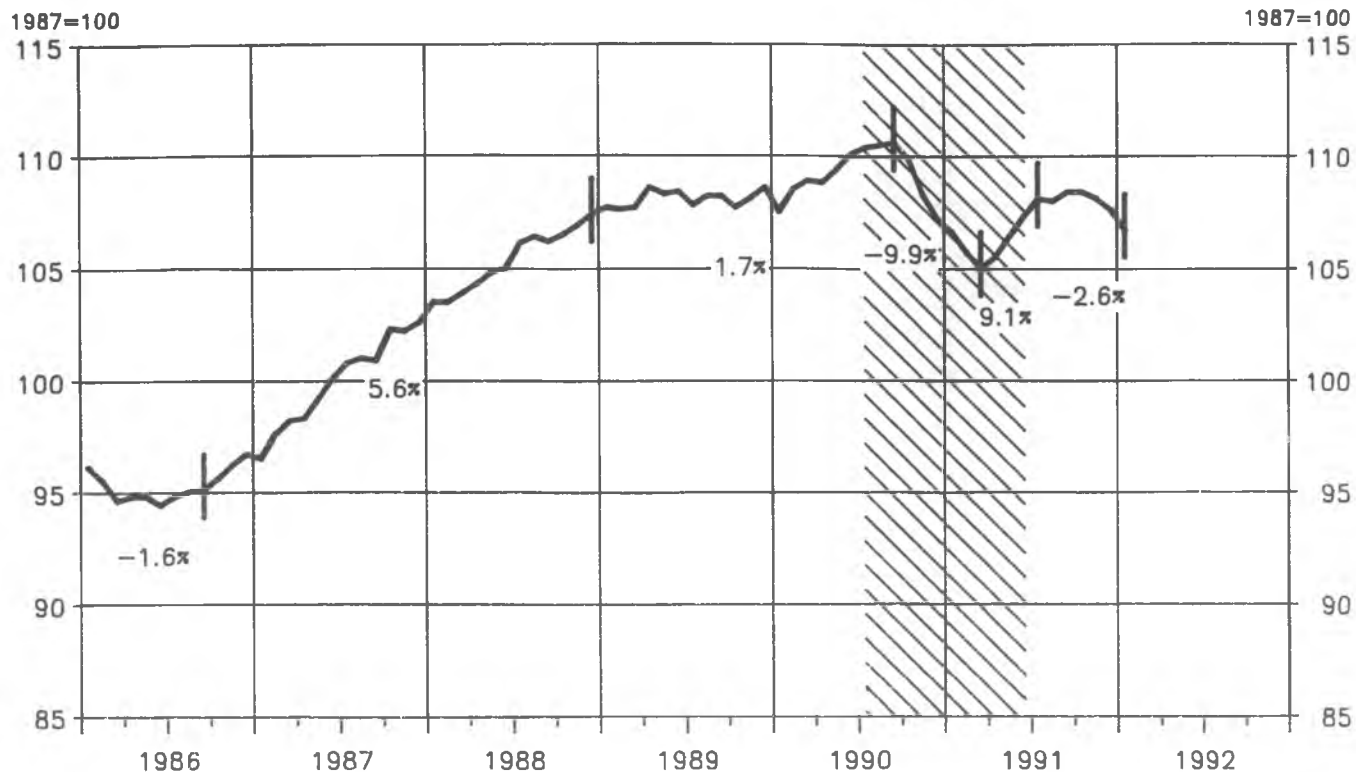
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Data are for the last month of quarter

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Industrial Production

Seasonally Adjusted



Shaded area represents a period of business recession.

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Industrial Production

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

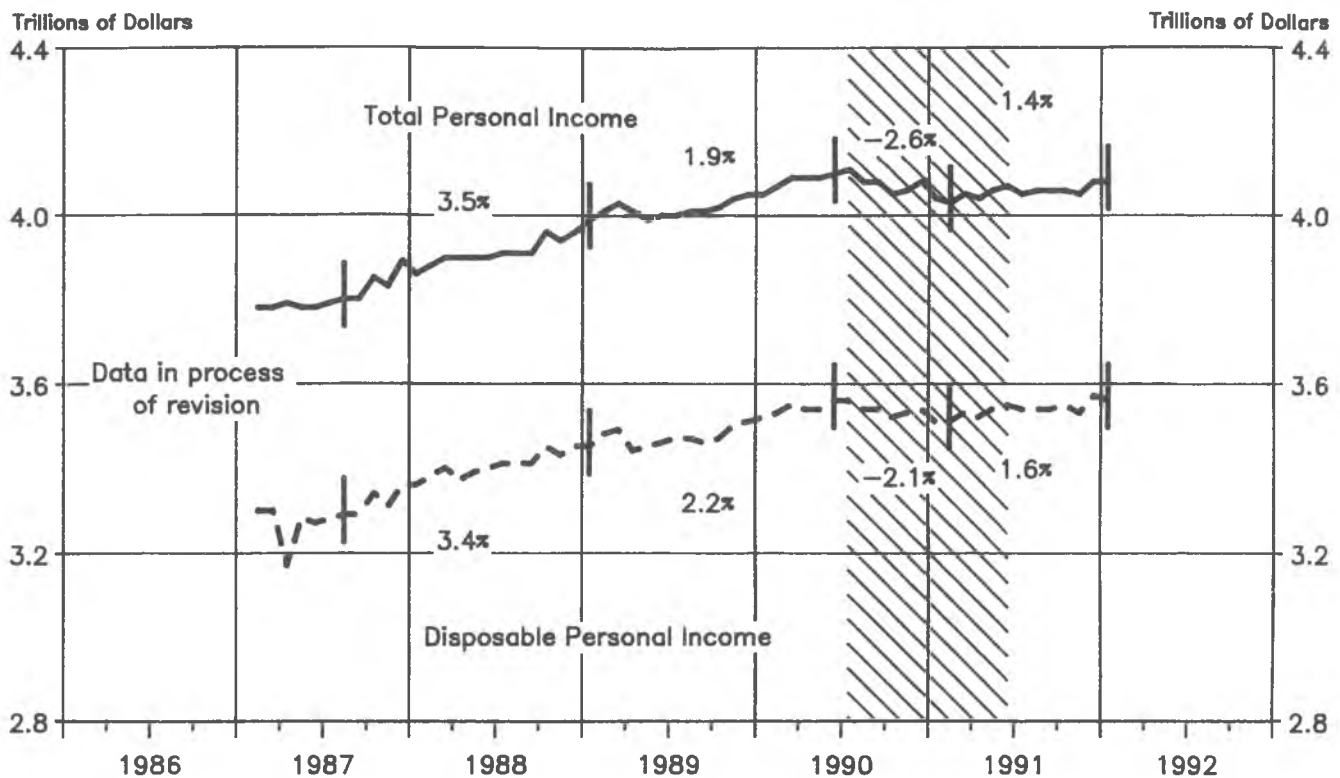
Terminal Month	Initial Month																			1987 = 100
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	3.3																			110.4
8-90	2.2	1.1																		110.5
9-90	1.8	1.1	1.1																	110.6
10-90	-0.5	-1.8	-3.2	-7.3																109.9
11-90	-3.9	-5.6	-7.7	-11.8	-16.1															108.3
12-90	-5.2	-6.6	-8.7	-11.7	-13.9	-11.5														107.2
1-91	-5.4	-6.8	-8.3	-10.5	-11.5	-9.1	-6.5													106.6
2-91	-5.9	-7.2	-8.5	-10.3	-11.0	-9.3	-8.1	-9.7												105.7
3-91	-6.1	-7.2	-8.4	-9.9	-10.4	-8.9	-8.0	-8.7	-7.7											105.0
4-91	-5.0	-5.9	-6.7	-7.8	-7.8	-6.1	-4.7	-4.1	-1.1	5.9										105.5
5-91	-3.7	-4.3	-4.9	-5.6	-5.4	-3.5	-1.8	-0.6	2.7	8.3	10.7									106.4
6-91	-2.5	-3.1	-3.5	-4.0	-3.5	-1.6	0.2	1.6	4.6	9.1	10.7	10.6								107.3
7-91	-1.7	-2.1	-2.4	-2.7	-2.2	-0.3	1.4	2.8	5.5	9.1	10.2	10.0	9.3							108.1
8-91	-1.6	-2.0	-2.3	-2.6	-2.1	-0.4	1.1	2.3	4.4	7.0	7.3	6.2	4.0	-1.1						108.0
9-91	-1.2	-1.6	-1.8	-2.0	-1.5	0.1	1.5	2.5	4.4	6.6	6.7	5.7	4.2	1.7	4.5					108.4
10-91	-1.2	-1.5	-1.6	-1.8	-1.4	0.1	1.3	2.3	3.9	5.6	5.6	4.6	3.1	1.1	2.2	0.0				108.4
11-91	-1.3	-1.6	-1.7	-1.9	-1.5	-0.2	0.9	1.7	3.0	4.5	4.3	3.2	1.8	0.0	0.4	-1.6	-3.3			108.1
12-91	-1.5	-1.8	-2.0	-2.2	-1.8	-0.6	0.4	1.0	2.2	3.3	3.0	1.9	0.6	-1.1	-1.1	-2.9	-4.3	-5.4		107.6
1-92	-2.0	-2.2	-2.4	-2.7	-2.3	-1.3	-0.4	0.1	1.0	1.9	1.5	0.4	-1.0	-2.6	-2.9	-4.6	-6.1	-7.5	-9.6	106.7
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Personal Income in 1987 Dollars

Seasonally Adjusted



The personal consumption expenditures deflator is used to calculate real personal income

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Disposable Personal Income in 1987 Dollars

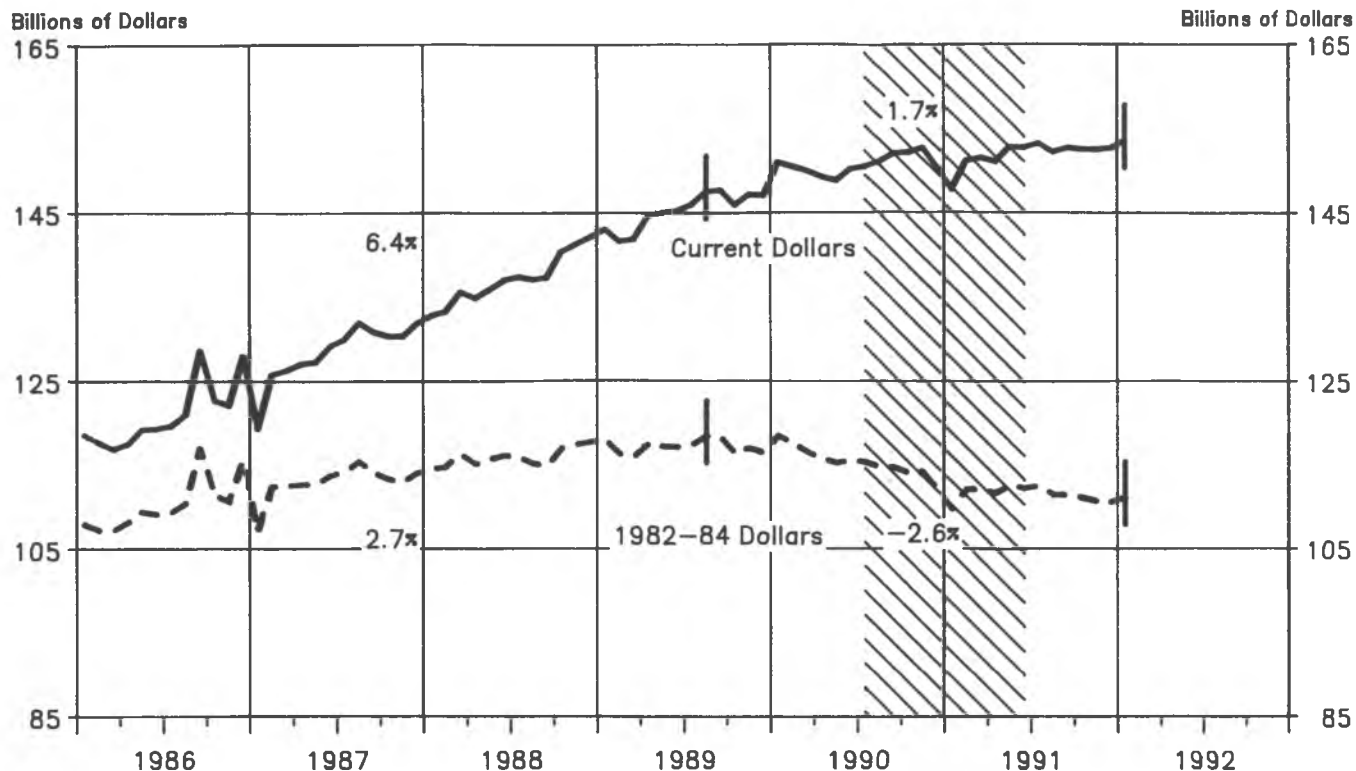
(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Month	Initial Month												Billions of Dollars Annual Rates							
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	1.4																			3,559.3
8-90	-2.4	-6.1																		3,540.8
9-90	-1.6	-3.0	0.1																	3,541.1
10-90	-3.2	-4.7	-4.0	-8.0																3,516.6
11-90	-1.8	-2.6	-1.5	-2.2	3.9															3,527.8
12-90	-0.6	-1.0	0.3	0.3	4.8	5.7														3,544.1
1-91	-2.2	-2.8	-2.1	-2.6	-0.8	-3.1	-11.1													3,509.6
2-91	-2.0	-2.5	-1.9	-2.3	-0.8	-2.4	-6.2	-1.0												3,506.8
3-91	-1.0	-1.3	-0.6	-0.7	0.8	0.0	-1.8	3.2	7.5											3,528.1
4-91	-1.0	-1.3	-0.7	-0.8	0.4	-0.3	-1.7	1.7	3.0	-1.4										3,524.1
5-91	-0.5	-0.7	-0.1	-0.1	1.1	0.6	-0.4	2.5	3.7	1.8	5.0									3,538.5
6-91	-0.2	-0.3	0.3	0.3	1.4	1.1	0.3	2.8	3.7	2.5	4.4	3.9								3,549.7
7-91	-0.5	-0.7	-0.2	-0.2	0.7	0.3	-0.4	1.5	2.0	0.6	1.3	-0.5	-4.7							3,535.5
8-91	-0.3	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.5	-0.1	1.6	2.0	0.9	1.5	0.3	-1.4	2.0						3,541.4
9-91	-0.3	-0.4	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.5	0.0	1.4	1.8	0.9	1.3	0.4	-0.7	1.3	0.6					3,543.1
10-91	-0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.6	0.1	1.4	1.7	0.9	1.3	0.6	-0.3	1.3	0.9	1.2				3,546.6
11-91	-0.4	-0.5	-0.1	-0.2	0.5	0.2	-0.3	0.9	1.1	0.3	0.5	-0.2	-1.0	-0.1	-0.8	-1.4	-4.0			3,534.6
12-91	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.6	1.2	1.0	0.7	1.8	2.1	1.5	1.9	1.4	1.0	2.2	2.3	2.8	3.7	11.9		3,567.9
1-92	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.4	1.0	0.8	0.5	1.5	1.7	1.1	1.4	1.0	0.6	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.7	4.7	-2.0	3,561.8
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

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Retail Sales Seasonally Adjusted



Shaded area represents a period of business recession.

The CPI is used to deflate retail sales data.

Percentages are annual rates of change for periods indicated.

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Retail Sales in 1982-84 Dollars (Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

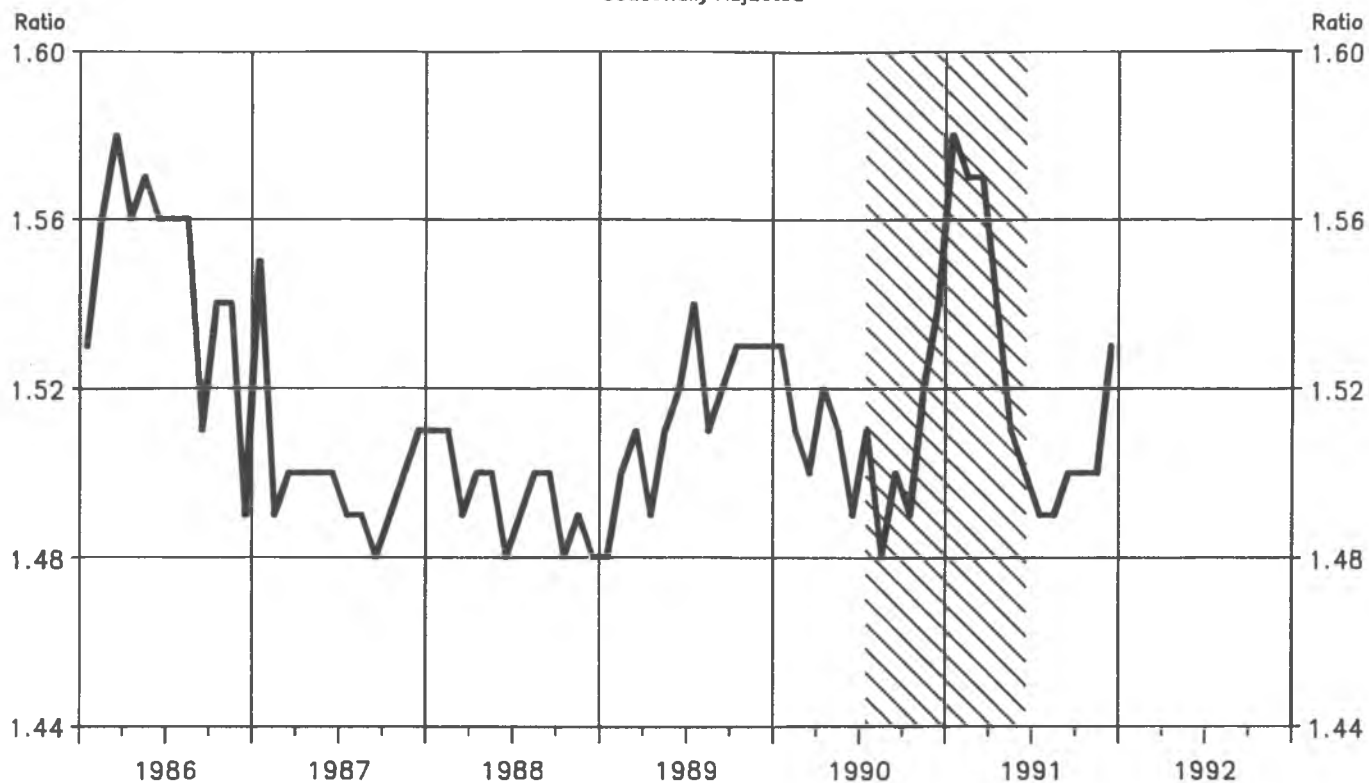
Terminal Month	Initial Month																			Millions of Dollars
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	
7-90	-2.8																			115,236
8-90	-4.4	-6.0																		114,642
9-90	-3.1	-3.2	-0.4																	114,608
10-90	-4.1	-4.5	-3.7	-6.9																113,923
11-90	-2.9	-2.9	-1.9	-2.6	1.9															114,102
12-90	-6.1	-6.7	-6.9	-9.0	-10.0	-20.5														111,937
1-91	-8.5	-9.4	-10.1	-12.4	-14.1	-21.2	-21.8													109,664
2-91	-4.5	-4.8	-4.6	-5.4	-5.0	-7.2	0.4	28.8												112,003
3-91	-3.9	-4.0	-3.7	-4.3	-3.8	-5.1	0.6	14.2	1.2											112,115
4-91	-4.1	-4.3	-4.1	-4.6	-4.2	-5.4	-1.2	6.9	-2.7	-6.4										111,497
5-91	-2.8	-2.8	-2.4	-2.7	-2.1	-2.7	1.3	8.1	1.9	2.3	11.8									112,535
6-91	-2.9	-2.9	-2.6	-2.8	-2.3	-2.9	0.4	5.5	0.4	0.1	3.6	-4.0								112,154
7-91	-2.4	-2.4	-2.1	-2.2	-1.7	-2.1	0.8	5.2	1.0	1.0	3.6	-0.3	3.5							112,478
8-91	-3.1	-3.1	-2.8	-3.1	-2.7	-3.2	-0.7	2.7	-1.1	-1.5	-0.3	-4.0	-4.0	-11.0						111,391
9-91	-2.9	-2.9	-2.7	-2.8	-2.5	-2.9	-0.7	2.3	-1.0	-1.4	-0.3	-3.1	-2.8	-5.9	-0.5					111,348
10-91	-3.0	-3.0	-2.7	-2.9	-2.6	-3.0	-1.0	1.6	-1.4	-1.7	-0.9	-3.3	-3.1	-5.2	-2.2	-3.9				110,977
11-91	-3.0	-3.0	-2.8	-3.0	-2.7	-3.1	-1.3	1.0	-1.7	-2.0	-1.4	-3.4	-3.3	-4.9	-2.8	-4.0	-4.1			110,591
12-91	-2.9	-2.9	-2.7	-2.9	-2.6	-2.9	-1.3	0.8	-1.6	-2.0	-1.4	-3.1	-3.0	-4.2	-2.5	-3.1	-2.7	-1.4		110,465
1-92	-2.5	-2.5	-2.2	-2.4	-2.0	-2.3	-0.8	1.2	-1.0	-1.2	-0.6	-2.0	-1.7	-2.6	-0.8	-0.9	0.1	2.3	6.2	111,018
	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	12-91	

Retail sales data deflated by CPI-U (1982-84=100).

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Inventories Compared With Monthly Sales

Manufacturing and Trade
Seasonally Adjusted



Shaded area represents a period of business recession.

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Manufacturing and Trade Inventories

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

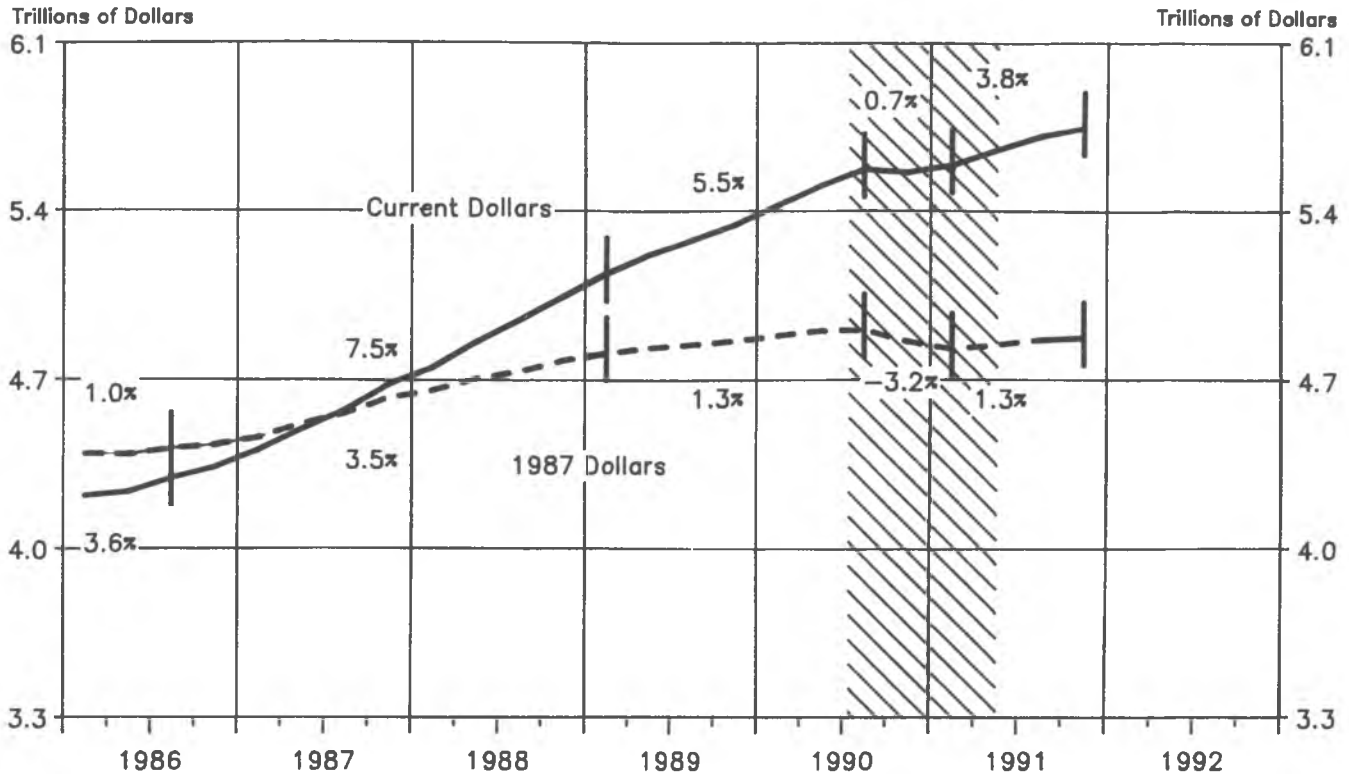
Terminal Month	Initial Month																			Millions of Dollars
	5-90	6-90	7-90	8-90	9-90	10-90	11-90	12-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	4-91	5-91	6-91	7-91	8-91	9-91	10-91	11-91	
6-90	-5.1																			813,118
7-90	1.5	8.5																		818,689
8-90	3.5	8.1	7.6																	823,683
9-90	3.5	6.5	5.5	3.4																825,964
10-90	3.7	6.0	5.2	4.0	4.7															829,140
11-90	3.5	5.3	4.5	3.5	3.6	2.5														830,857
12-90	1.8	3.0	2.0	0.6	-0.3	-2.7	-7.7													825,363
1-91	2.7	3.9	3.1	2.3	2.0	1.1	0.4	9.2												831,445
2-91	1.9	2.8	2.0	1.1	0.7	-0.3	-1.3	2.1	-4.6											828,201
3-91	0.4	1.1	0.2	-0.8	-1.5	-2.7	-4.0	-2.8	-8.2	-11.8										819,615
4-91	0.0	0.6	-0.3	-1.2	-1.9	-2.9	-4.0	-3.0	-6.8	-7.9	-3.9									816,893
5-91	-0.6	-0.2	-1.0	-1.9	-2.6	-3.6	-4.6	-3.9	-7.0	-7.7	-5.6	-7.3								811,713
6-91	-1.1	-0.7	-1.5	-2.4	-3.0	-4.0	-4.9	-4.4	-6.9	-7.4	-6.0	-7.0	-6.6							807,105
7-91	-1.0	-0.7	-1.5	-2.2	-2.8	-3.6	-4.3	-3.8	-5.8	-6.1	-4.6	-4.9	-3.6	-0.4						806,802
8-91	-1.0	-0.7	-1.4	-2.1	-2.5	-3.2	-3.9	-3.4	-5.1	-5.1	-3.8	-3.7	-2.5	-0.3	-0.2					806,648
9-91	-0.4	-0.1	-0.7	-1.3	-1.7	-2.3	-2.7	-2.2	-3.5	-3.4	-1.9	-1.5	0.0	2.3	3.8	7.9				811,793
10-91	-0.3	0.0	-0.6	-1.1	-1.4	-1.9	-2.3	-1.8	-2.9	-2.7	-1.4	-0.9	0.4	2.2	3.1	4.8	1.8			813,024
11-91	-0.2	0.1	-0.4	-1.0	-1.3	-1.7	-2.0	-1.5	-2.5	-2.3	-1.0	-0.6	0.5	2.0	2.7	3.6	1.6	1.3		813,898
12-91	0.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-0.8	-1.2	-1.5	-1.0	-1.8	-1.6	-0.4	0.1	1.2	2.6	3.2	4.0	2.8	3.2	5.2	817,357

5-90 6-90 7-90 8-90 9-90 10-90 11-90 12-90 1-91 2-91 3-91 4-91 5-91 6-91 7-91 8-91 9-91 10-91 11-91

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Gross Domestic Product

Seasonally Adjusted



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Gross Domestic Product in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

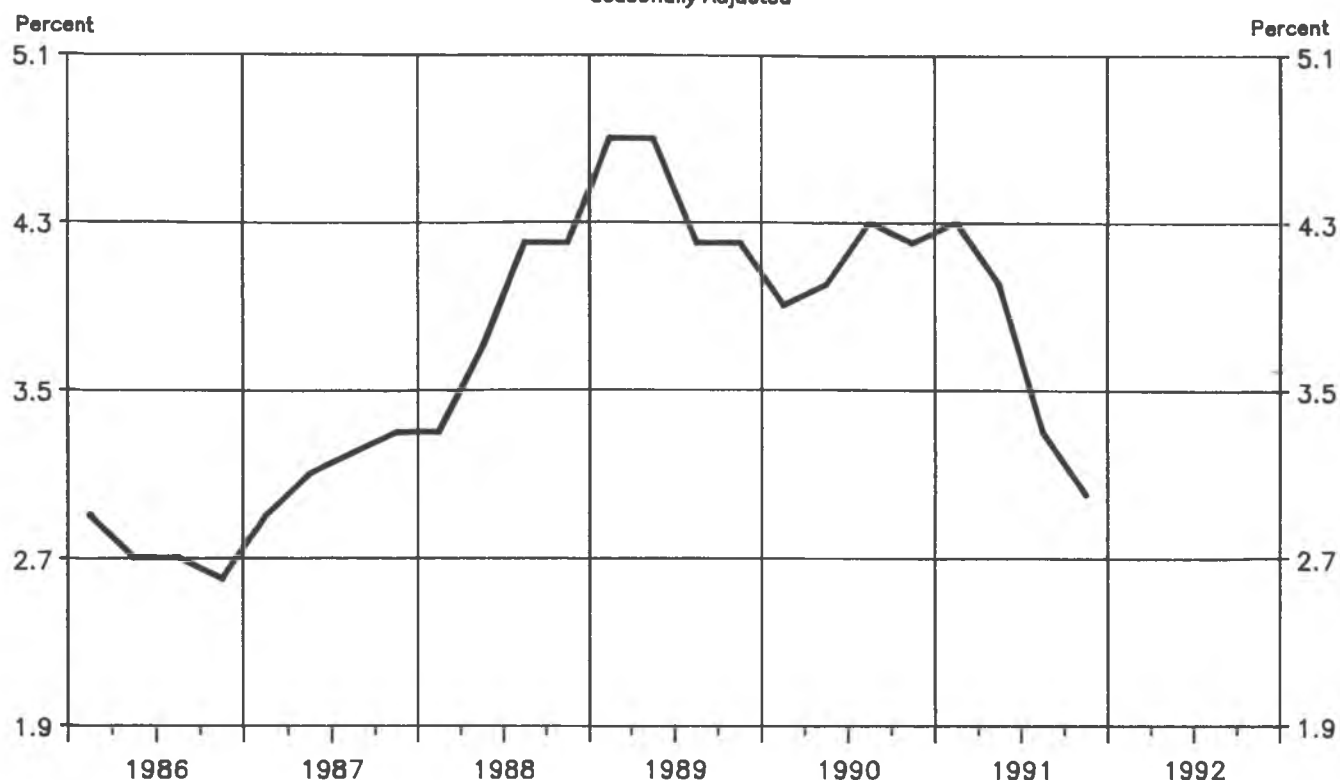
Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																Billions of Dollars Annual Rates			
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	
2-87	5.1																			4,515.3
3-87	4.5	4.0																		4,559.3
4-87	5.0	4.9	5.9																	4,625.5
1-88	4.4	4.2	4.3	2.6																4,655.3
2-88	4.4	4.2	4.3	3.5	4.3															4,704.8
3-88	4.1	3.9	3.8	3.2	3.4	2.5														4,734.5
4-88	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.3	3.6	3.2	3.9													4,779.7
1-89	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.2	3.3	3.0	3.2	2.5												4,809.8
2-89	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.8	2.2	1.9											4,832.4
3-89	3.4	3.2	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.3	1.8	1.5	1.1										4,845.6
4-89	3.2	3.0	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.2	2.1	1.7	1.4	1.1	1.2									4,859.7
1-90	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.7								4,880.8
2-90	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.6							4,900.3
3-90	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.9	0.2						4,903.3
4-90	2.3	2.1	2.0	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.7	-1.8	-3.9					4,855.1
1-91	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-1.2	-2.1	-3.2	-2.5				4,824.0
2-91	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.7	-1.2	-1.7	-0.6	1.4			4,840.7
3-91	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	-0.8	0.2	1.6	1.8		4,862.7
4-91	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5	0.4	1.3	1.3	0.8	4,872.2
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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Implicit Price Deflator for GDP

Percent Change From Previous Year
Seasonally Adjusted



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Implicit Price Deflator

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																1987 = 100		
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91
2-87	2.9																		99.5
3-87	3.1	3.3																	100.3
4-87	3.3	3.4	3.6																101.2
1-88	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.6															102.1
2-88	3.5	3.7	3.9	4.0	4.4														103.2
3-88	3.8	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.8	5.1													104.5
4-88	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.5	3.9												105.5
1-89	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.8	4.6	5.4											106.9
2-89	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.2										108.0
3-89	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.3	3.8	3.4									108.9
4-89	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.7								109.9
1-90	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.4							111.1
2-90	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.4						112.3
3-90	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.7					113.6
4-90	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.2				114.5
1-91	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.1	5.0			115.9
2-91	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.8	4.1	3.1		116.8
3-91	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.3	3.4	2.6	2.1	117.4
4-91	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.3	1.9	1.7

1-87 2-87 3-87 4-87 1-88 2-88 3-88 4-88 1-89 2-89 3-89 4-89 1-90 2-90 3-90 4-90 1-91 2-91 3-91

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Final Sales in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																		Billions of Dollars		
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	Annual Rates	
2-87	5.6																			4,497.9	
3-87	5.3	5.1																		4,553.9	
4-87	3.9	3.0	1.0																	4,565.6	
1-88	4.5	4.1	3.6	6.3																4,636.2	
2-88	4.5	4.2	4.0	5.5	4.6															4,688.7	
3-88	4.1	3.8	3.4	4.3	3.2	1.9														4,710.9	
4-88	4.1	3.8	3.6	4.2	3.5	3.0	4.1													4,758.7	
1-89	3.7	3.4	3.1	3.5	2.9	2.3	2.5	0.8												4,768.5	
2-89	3.5	3.2	3.0	3.3	2.7	2.2	2.3	1.5	2.1											4,793.5	
3-89	3.4	3.2	2.9	3.2	2.7	2.3	2.4	1.9	2.4	2.7										4,825.4	
4-89	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.0	2.0	1.5	1.7	1.5	0.4									4,829.7	
1-90	3.3	3.0	2.8	3.0	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.4	2.5	2.5	4.6								4,884.8	
2-90	3.0	2.7	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.5	2.0	-0.5							4,878.1	
3-90	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.7	0.2	0.9						4,889.4	
4-90	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.3	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.0	1.2	0.0	0.3	-0.3					4,886.3	
1-91	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.4	-0.6	-0.6	-1.3	-2.4				4,856.8	
2-91	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.5	1.3	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6	1.2			4,871.2	
3-91	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.1	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.6	0.2	-0.7		4,862.6	
4-91	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	0.1	-0.4	-0.1	4,861.3	
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91		

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Personal Consumption Expenditures in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																		Billions of Dollars Annual Rates		
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91		
2-87	4.8																			3,046.8	
3-87	4.3	3.9																		3,075.8	
4-87	2.8	1.8	-0.1																	3,074.7	
1-88	3.9	3.6	3.4	7.1																3,128.2	
2-88	3.6	3.3	3.1	4.8	2.5															3,147.8	
3-88	3.5	3.2	3.1	4.2	2.7	2.9														3,170.6	
4-88	3.6	3.4	3.3	4.2	3.2	3.5	4.1													3,202.9	
1-89	3.1	2.9	2.7	3.3	2.3	2.3	1.9	-0.2												3,200.9	
2-89	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.9	2.1	1.9	1.6	0.4	1.0											3,208.6	
3-89	3.0	2.8	2.7	3.1	2.4	2.4	2.2	1.6	2.5	4.1										3,241.1	
4-89	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.7	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.2	1.7	2.1	0.1									3,241.6	
1-90	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.6	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.4	1.8	2.1	1.1	2.1								3,258.8	
2-90	2.5	2.3	2.1	2.4	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.2	1.4	1.6	0.7	1.1	0.0							3,258.6	
3-90	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.2	1.6	1.4	2.8						3,281.2	
4-90	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.9	1.4	1.3	1.1	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-3.5					3,251.8	
1-91	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.5	-0.7	-2.4	-1.3				3,241.1	
2-91	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-1.2	0.0	1.4			3,252.4	
3-91	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.8	1.9	2.3		3,271.2	
4-91	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	-0.3	0.5	1.2	1.1	-0.2	3,269.5	
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91		

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Residential Fixed Investment in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter												Billions of Dollars							
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	Annual Rates
2-87	3.6																			227.7
3-87	-1.2	-5.8																		224.3
4-87	-1.4	-3.8	-1.8																	223.3
1-88	-2.5	-4.5	-3.8	-5.8																220.0
2-88	-1.3	-2.5	-1.4	-1.2	3.7															222.0
3-88	-0.7	-1.5	-0.4	0.1	3.2	2.7														223.5
4-88	-0.1	-0.7	0.4	0.9	3.2	3.0	3.3													225.3
1-89	-0.8	-1.5	-0.7	-0.5	0.9	-0.1	-1.4	-5.9												221.9
2-89	-2.1	-2.8	-2.4	-2.5	-1.8	-3.2	-5.0	-8.9	-11.9											215.0
3-89	-2.5	-3.1	-2.8	-2.9	-2.5	-3.7	-5.2	-7.9	-8.8	-5.6										211.9
4-89	-2.9	-3.6	-3.3	-3.5	-3.2	-4.3	-5.6	-7.7	-8.3	-6.5	-7.3									207.9
1-90	-2.7	-3.2	-2.9	-3.1	-2.7	-3.6	-4.6	-6.1	-6.2	-4.2	-3.5	0.6								208.2
2-90	-3.7	-4.3	-4.2	-4.4	-4.3	-5.2	-6.3	-7.8	-8.2	-7.2	-7.7	-7.9	-15.7							199.5
3-90	-4.7	-5.3	-5.2	-5.5	-5.5	-6.5	-7.6	-9.0	-9.5	-9.1	-9.9	-10.8	-15.9	-16.2						190.9
4-90	-5.4	-6.0	-6.0	-6.4	-6.4	-7.4	-8.4	-9.8	-10.3	-10.1	-11.0	-11.8	-15.6	-15.6	-15.0					183.3
1-91	-6.7	-7.4	-7.5	-7.9	-8.1	-9.1	-10.2	-11.6	-12.3	-12.4	-13.4	-14.6	-18.0	-18.8	-20.0	-24.8				170.7
2-91	-6.2	-6.8	-6.8	-7.2	-7.3	-8.2	-9.1	-10.2	-10.7	-10.6	-11.2	-11.9	-14.2	-13.8	-13.0	-11.9	3.1			172.0
3-91	-5.3	-5.8	-5.8	-6.1	-6.1	-6.8	-7.6	-8.5	-8.7	-8.4	-8.7	-8.9	-10.4	-9.3	-7.5	-4.9	6.9	10.9		176.5
4-91	-4.4	-4.9	-4.8	-5.0	-4.9	-5.5	-6.1	-6.9	-7.0	-6.4	-6.5	-6.4	-7.4	-5.9	-3.7	-0.7	8.9	12.0	13.1	182.0
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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Nonresidential Fixed Investment in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter												Billions of Dollars						Annual Rates	
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91		3-91
2-87	8.2																			490.7
3-87	11.8	15.4																		508.6
4-87	8.3	8.3	1.6																	510.6
1-88	7.6	7.4	3.6	5.7																517.7
2-88	8.3	8.3	6.0	8.3	11.0															531.4
3-88	7.4	7.2	5.2	6.5	6.9	2.9														535.2
4-88	6.7	6.4	4.7	5.5	5.5	2.8	2.7													538.8
1-89	5.9	5.6	4.1	4.6	4.3	2.2	1.8	0.9												540.0
2-89	5.6	5.3	3.9	4.3	4.0	2.3	2.1	1.8	2.7											543.6
3-89	5.1	4.7	3.5	3.8	3.4	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.7	0.8										544.7
4-89	4.4	4.0	2.8	3.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	0.5	0.3	-0.8	-2.5									541.3
1-90	4.6	4.3	3.2	3.4	3.1	2.1	1.9	1.8	2.0	1.7	2.2	7.1								550.7
2-90	3.9	3.5	2.5	2.6	2.3	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.1	-0.1	1.1	-4.6							544.3
3-90	4.2	3.9	3.0	3.1	2.9	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.7	2.0	3.5	1.8	8.5						555.5
4-90	3.4	3.0	2.1	2.2	1.9	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.6	-1.5	0.1	-7.7					544.5
1-91	1.9	1.5	0.6	0.5	0.1	-0.8	-1.2	-1.6	-2.0	-2.6	-3.2	-3.3	-5.7	-6.1	-12.7	-17.4				519.1
2-91	1.6	1.2	0.3	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	-1.4	-1.8	-2.1	-2.7	-3.2	-3.3	-5.3	-5.4	-9.6	-10.6	-3.3			514.8
3-91	1.3	0.9	0.1	0.0	-0.4	-1.3	-1.6	-2.0	-2.3	-2.8	-3.2	-3.3	-5.0	-5.1	-8.2	-8.4	-3.5	-3.7		510.0
4-91	1.0	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	-0.7	-1.5	-1.8	-2.2	-2.5	-3.0	-3.4	-3.5	-4.9	-5.0	-7.5	-7.4	-3.8	-4.1	-4.5	504.1
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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Exports in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																Billions of Dollars Annual Rates			
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	
2-87	17.9																			356.5
3-87	17.9	17.9																		371.5
4-87	17.5	17.3	16.7																	386.1
1-88	19.0	19.4	20.1	23.6																407.1
2-88	17.2	17.0	16.7	16.8	10.3															417.2
3-88	15.4	14.9	14.2	13.3	8.5	6.8														424.1
4-88	15.2	14.7	14.1	13.5	10.3	10.3	14.0													438.2
1-89	14.8	14.4	13.8	13.3	10.8	11.0	13.2	12.4												451.2
2-89	15.1	14.8	14.3	13.9	12.1	12.5	14.5	14.8	17.2											469.5
3-89	13.6	13.1	12.5	12.0	10.1	10.1	10.9	9.9	8.7	0.9										470.5
4-89	13.6	13.2	12.7	12.2	10.6	10.7	11.5	10.9	10.4	7.1	13.7									485.8
1-90	13.2	12.8	12.3	11.8	10.4	10.4	11.0	10.5	10.0	7.7	11.2	8.8								496.2
2-90	12.5	12.1	11.6	11.1	9.8	9.7	10.1	9.5	8.9	6.9	9.1	6.8	4.8							502.1
3-90	11.6	11.1	10.5	10.0	8.7	8.5	8.8	8.0	7.3	5.4	6.6	4.4	2.2	-0.4						501.6
4-90	12.0	11.5	11.1	10.6	9.5	9.4	9.7	9.2	8.7	7.4	8.7	7.6	7.1	8.3	17.7					522.5
1-91	10.6	10.2	9.6	9.1	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.2	6.6	5.1	5.9	4.4	3.3	2.8	4.4	-7.4				512.5
2-91	11.1	10.7	10.3	9.8	8.8	8.7	8.9	8.4	7.9	6.8	7.7	6.7	6.3	6.7	9.2	5.1	19.4			535.7
3-91	10.9	10.5	10.1	9.6	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.3	7.9	6.9	7.6	6.8	6.5	6.8	8.7	5.8	13.2	7.3		545.2
4-91	11.0	10.7	10.2	9.8	9.0	8.9	9.1	8.7	8.3	7.5	8.2	7.6	7.4	7.8	9.6	7.6	13.1	10.1	13.1	562.2
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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Imports in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																Billions of Dollars Annual Rates			
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	
2-87	8.9																			502.7
3-87	8.0	7.0																		511.3
4-87	8.2	7.9	8.7																	522.1
1-88	5.8	4.7	3.6	-1.2																520.5
2-88	3.7	2.5	1.0	-2.6	-4.0															515.2
3-88	4.6	3.7	2.9	1.0	2.2	8.7														526.1
4-88	5.6	5.0	4.6	3.6	5.3	10.2	11.7													540.9
1-89	4.0	3.3	2.7	1.6	2.3	4.5	2.4	-6.1												532.4
2-89	4.3	3.8	3.3	2.4	3.2	5.1	3.9	0.1	6.9											541.3
3-89	4.6	4.1	3.7	3.1	3.8	5.4	4.6	2.3	6.8	6.8										550.3
4-89	4.5	4.1	3.8	3.2	3.8	5.2	4.5	2.7	5.9	5.4	4.0									555.7
1-90	3.9	3.5	3.1	2.5	3.0	4.0	3.3	1.7	3.7	2.7	0.7	-2.5								552.2
2-90	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.4	2.9	3.7	3.0	1.7	3.3	2.4	1.0	-0.4	1.7							554.5
3-90	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.1	3.5	4.4	3.9	2.8	4.3	3.8	3.1	2.8	5.6	9.6						567.4
4-90	3.2	2.8	2.5	2.0	2.3	2.9	2.3	1.2	2.3	1.5	0.5	-0.4	0.4	-0.3	-9.3					553.7
1-91	1.9	1.5	1.1	0.5	0.7	1.1	0.4	-0.8	-0.1	-1.1	-2.3	-3.6	-3.8	-5.6	-12.4	-15.4				531.1
2-91	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.4	1.6	2.1	1.5	0.5	1.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.9	-0.6	-1.2	-4.5	-2.0	13.3			548.0
3-91	3.6	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0	3.5	3.1	2.3	3.2	2.8	2.3	2.1	2.9	3.1	1.6	5.5	17.7	22.3		576.3
4-91	3.5	3.2	3.0	2.7	2.9	3.4	3.0	2.3	3.1	2.8	2.3	2.1	2.8	3.0	1.7	4.7	12.4	11.9	2.5	579.8
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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Government Purchases of Goods and Services in 1987 Dollars

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																Billions of Dollars Annual Rates			
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	
2-87	4.6																		879.0	
3-87	3.7	2.7																	884.9	
4-87	3.7	3.2	3.7																893.0	
1-88	1.7	0.7	-0.3	-4.1															883.7	
2-88	1.5	0.8	0.1	-1.7	0.9														885.6	
3-88	1.1	0.4	-0.1	-1.4	0.0	-0.9													883.7	
4-88	1.7	1.2	0.9	0.2	1.6	2.0	5.0												894.5	
1-89	1.0	0.5	0.2	-0.5	0.4	0.2	0.7	-3.4											886.9	
2-89	1.5	1.1	0.9	0.4	1.3	1.4	2.2	0.9	5.2										898.3	
3-89	1.7	1.4	1.3	0.9	1.8	2.0	2.7	1.9	4.7	4.1									907.4	
4-89	1.6	1.3	1.2	0.9	1.6	1.7	2.3	1.6	3.3	2.4	0.7								908.9	
1-90	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.5	2.2	2.4	2.9	2.5	4.1	3.7	3.5	6.4							923.0	
2-90	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.6	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.5	3.7	3.3	3.1	4.3	2.2						928.1	
3-90	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.4	2.0	2.1	2.4	2.1	3.0	2.6	2.2	2.7	1.0	-0.3					927.5	
4-90	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.6	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	3.2	2.9	2.7	3.2	2.2	2.1	4.6				937.9	
1-91	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.4	3.2	2.9	2.7	3.1	2.3	2.4	3.7	2.8			944.5	
2-91	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.6	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.2	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.6	1.8	1.7	2.4	1.4	-0.1		944.3	
3-91	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.7	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.7	0.9	0.7	0.9	-0.3	-1.8	-3.4	936.1	
4-91	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.1	1.5	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	-1.6	-3.0	-4.4	-5.4	923.2
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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Corporate Profits (Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

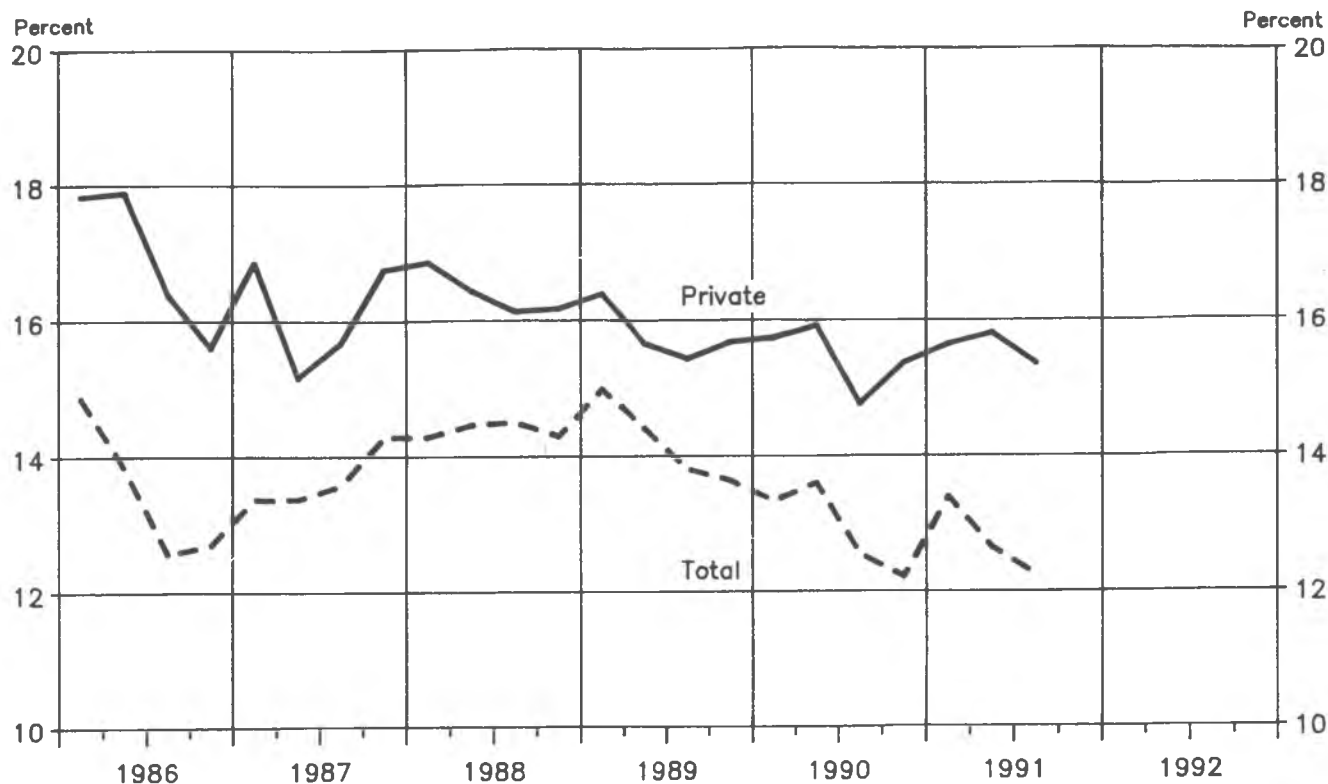
Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																Billions of Dollars Annual Rates			
	4-86	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	
1-87	30.1																		282.6	
2-87	42.3	55.5																	315.6	
3-87	38.6	43.1	31.6																338.0	
4-87	29.7	29.6	18.3	6.4															343.3	
1-88	25.7	24.6	15.7	8.5	10.7														352.1	
2-88	23.7	22.5	15.4	10.5	12.5	14.5													364.2	
3-88	20.2	18.7	12.4	8.1	8.6	7.6	1.2												365.3	
4-88	19.6	18.1	12.8	9.4	10.2	10.0	7.9	15.0											378.3	
1-89	15.5	13.8	8.9	5.5	5.3	4.0	0.7	0.5	-12.2										366.2	
2-89	13.2	11.5	7.0	3.8	3.4	2.0	-0.9	-1.6	-8.9	-5.6									361.0	
3-89	10.1	8.3	4.0	1.0	0.3	-1.3	-4.2	-5.6	-11.6	-11.2	-16.6								345.0	
4-89	8.1	6.3	2.4	-0.4	-1.3	-2.9	-5.5	-6.8	-11.5	-11.3	-14.0	-11.4							334.7	
1-90	8.0	6.4	2.8	0.3	-0.4	-1.7	-3.8	-4.6	-8.1	-7.1	-7.6	-2.8	6.7						340.2	
2-90	7.4	5.8	2.5	0.2	-0.4	-1.6	-3.4	-4.1	-6.9	-5.8	-5.9	-2.0	3.1	-0.5					339.8	
3-90	3.4	1.7	-1.6	-3.9	-4.8	-6.2	-8.3	-9.4	-12.4	-12.5	-13.8	-13.1	-13.7	-22.3	-39.4				299.8	
4-90	2.9	1.3	-1.8	-4.0	-4.8	-6.1	-7.9	-8.9	-11.5	-11.4	-12.4	-11.5	-11.5	-16.9	-24.1	-4.8			296.1	
1-91	3.2	1.7	-1.2	-3.2	-3.9	-5.0	-6.6	-7.3	-9.5	-9.2	-9.7	-8.5	-7.9	-11.2	-14.5	1.5	8.4		302.1	
2-91	3.1	1.7	-1.0	-2.8	-3.5	-4.5	-5.9	-6.5	-8.4	-8.0	-8.3	-7.1	-6.3	-8.7	-10.7	1.6	5.1	1.9	303.5	
3-91	3.1	1.8	-0.7	-2.4	-3.0	-3.9	-5.2	-5.7	-7.4	-6.9	-7.1	-5.8	-5.0	-6.8	-8.0	2.1	4.5	2.7	3.5	306.1
	4-86	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	

Corporate profits with capital consumption and inventory valuation adjustments. Third quarter 1991 data are final estimates.

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Gross Saving as a Percent of GDP

Seasonally Adjusted



Total saving equals private saving (personal saving plus business saving) plus government surplus or deficit.

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Gross Private Saving

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																		Billions of Dollars Annual Rates	
	4-86	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	
1-87	45.1																			742.7
2-87	1.4	-29.1																		681.5
3-87	8.0	-6.9	22.3																	716.7
4-87	15.9	7.6	32.5	43.5																784.4
1-88	14.4	7.8	24.0	24.9	8.7															801.0
2-88	11.6	5.9	17.0	15.3	3.4	-1.7														797.5
3-88	9.8	4.9	13.4	11.3	2.2	-0.9	0.0													797.5
4-88	9.8	5.5	12.7	10.9	3.9	2.4	4.5	9.2												815.3
1-89	10.2	6.5	12.8	11.3	5.8	5.1	7.5	11.5	13.8											842.0
2-89	7.8	4.3	9.5	7.7	2.7	1.6	2.4	3.2	0.3	-11.5										816.6
3-89	6.9	3.7	8.2	6.6	2.1	1.1	1.6	2.0	-0.3	-6.6	-1.4									813.7
4-89	7.3	4.4	8.6	7.1	3.3	2.5	3.3	3.9	2.6	-0.8	5.0	11.9								836.9
1-90	7.4	4.7	8.5	7.2	3.8	3.2	3.9	4.6	3.7	1.3	6.0	9.9	8.0							853.1
2-90	7.7	5.2	8.7	7.6	4.5	4.1	4.8	5.5	4.9	3.2	7.3	10.4	9.6	11.3						876.2
3-90	5.3	2.9	5.9	4.7	1.7	1.0	1.3	1.5	0.5	-1.6	0.5	1.0	-2.4	-7.2	-22.6					821.9
4-90	6.0	3.8	6.7	5.5	2.9	2.4	2.8	3.1	2.3	0.8	3.0	3.9	2.0	0.1	-5.0	16.5				853.9
1-91	6.2	4.1	6.9	5.8	3.4	2.9	3.4	3.7	3.1	1.9	3.9	4.9	3.5	2.4	-0.4	13.0	9.7			873.8
2-91	6.4	4.4	7.0	6.0	3.8	3.4	3.8	4.2	3.7	2.6	4.6	5.5	4.4	3.7	1.9	11.7	9.4	9.1		893.0
3-91	5.6	3.7	6.1	5.2	3.0	2.6	2.9	3.2	2.7	1.6	3.2	3.8	2.7	1.8	0.0	6.6	3.5	0.6	-7.2	876.4
	4-86	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	

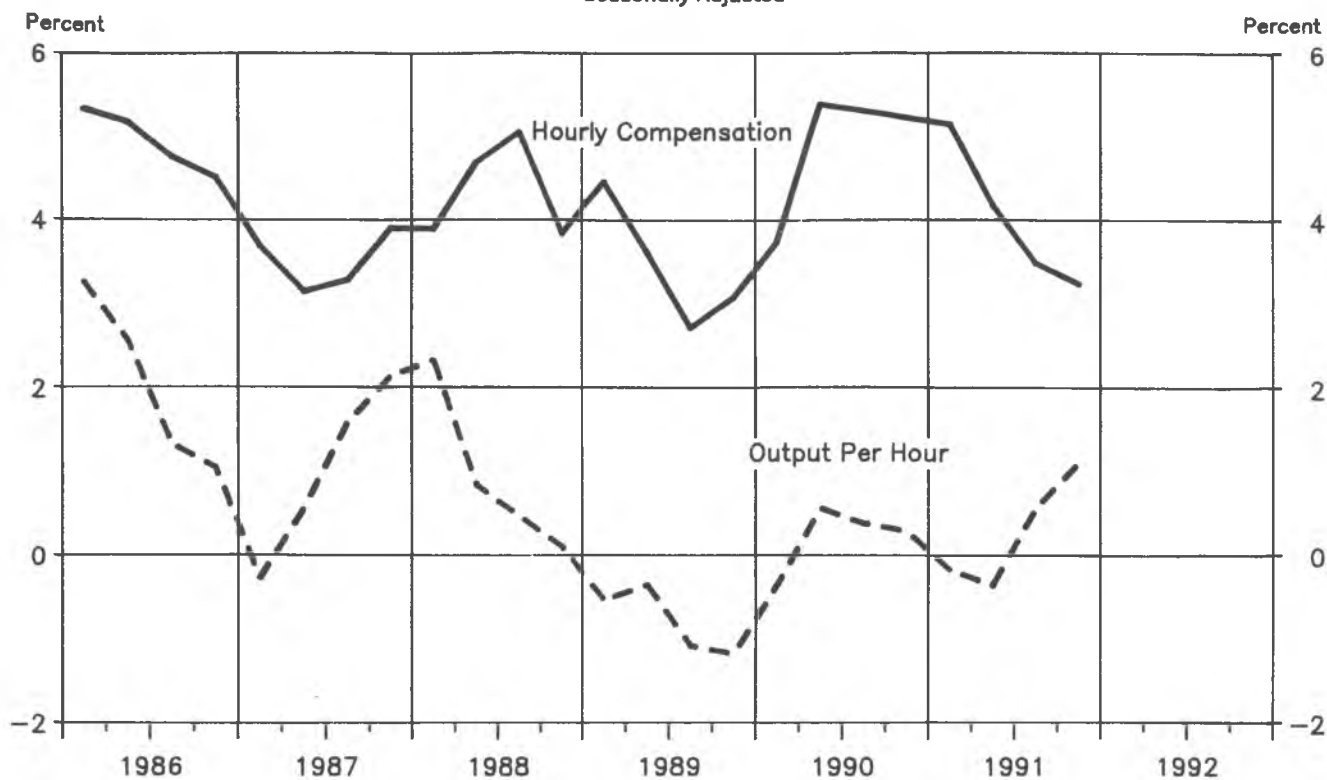
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Business Productivity and Compensation

Percent Change From Previous Year
Seasonally Adjusted



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Business Sector Output per Hour

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																		1982 = 100
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91
2-87	4.1																		109.2
3-87	3.4	2.6																	109.9
4-87	2.7	2.0	1.5																110.3
1-88	2.3	1.7	1.3	1.1															110.6
2-88	1.5	0.8	0.2	-0.4	-1.8														110.1
3-88	1.4	0.9	0.5	0.1	-0.4	1.1													110.4
4-88	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.1	-0.2	0.5	0.0												110.4
1-89	0.9	0.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1	-0.7	-1.4											110.0
2-89	0.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7	-0.4	-0.8	-1.3	-1.1										109.7
3-89	0.4	0.0	-0.3	-0.6	-0.8	-0.7	-1.1	-1.4	-1.4	-1.8									109.2
4-89	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2	-1.1	-1.1	-0.4								109.1
1-90	0.5	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.3	-0.5	-0.6	-0.4	-0.1	0.7	1.8							109.6
2-90	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.5	1.3	2.2	2.6						110.3
3-90	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.6	0.0	-2.5					109.6
4-90	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.3	-0.2	-1.6	-0.7				109.4
1-91	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	-0.4	0.0			109.4
2-91	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.2	-0.4	0.4	0.9	1.8		109.9
3-91	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.4	-0.1	0.5	1.0	1.5	1.1	110.2
4-91	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.7	1.1	1.5	1.3	110.0
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91

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Net Federal Debt (Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																		Billions of Dollars	
	4-86	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91		2-91
1-87	7.1																			1,833.8
2-87	8.6	10.2																		1,878.7
3-87	7.5	7.6	5.2																	1,902.6
4-87	7.9	8.1	7.1	9.1																1,944.4
1-88	8.2	8.4	7.9	9.3	9.4															1,988.7
2-88	7.9	8.1	7.6	8.4	8.1	6.8														2,021.5
3-88	8.0	8.1	7.7	8.4	8.1	7.5	8.3													2,062.0
4-88	7.6	7.7	7.3	7.7	7.3	6.6	6.6	4.9												2,086.9
1-89	7.5	7.6	7.2	7.6	7.3	6.7	6.7	6.0	7.1											2,122.8
2-89	7.3	7.3	7.0	7.3	7.0	6.5	6.4	5.8	6.2	5.4										2,150.7
3-89	7.4	7.4	7.1	7.3	7.1	6.7	6.7	6.3	6.8	6.6	7.8									2,191.7
4-89	7.4	7.5	7.2	7.4	7.2	6.9	7.0	6.7	7.2	7.2	8.1	8.4								2,236.3
1-90	8.0	8.1	7.9	8.2	8.1	7.9	8.1	8.0	8.7	9.1	10.3	11.6	14.9							2,315.4
2-90	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.5	9.1	9.5	10.6	11.5	13.1	11.3						2,378.3
3-90	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.9	9.0	9.6	10.0	11.0	11.8	12.9	11.9	12.6					2,449.8
4-90	8.8	8.9	8.8	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.4	10.0	10.5	11.3	12.0	13.0	12.3	12.8	13.1				2,526.4
1-91	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.9	10.3	11.0	11.6	12.2	11.6	11.6	11.2	9.3			2,582.9
2-91	9.0	9.1	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.6	10.1	10.4	11.1	11.5	12.1	11.5	11.6	11.2	10.3	11.4		2,653.5
3-91	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.2	10.7	11.1	11.7	12.2	12.8	12.4	12.6	12.6	12.5	14.1	17.0	2,759.5

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DEBT (billions of dollars) Seasonally Adjusted End of Month Totals

	Gross federal debt	Federal debt held by agencies and trusts	Net federal debt	Federal debt held by Federal Reserve Banks	Federal debt held by private investors	Federal debt held by foreign investors
1988 March	2487.6	499.3	1988.7	221.3	1763.7	330.5
June	2550.3	527.9	2021.5	226.2	1797.5	342.0
September	2615.3	552.1	2062.0	232.5	1832.2	350.5
December	2671.0	585.1	2086.9	232.4	1854.8	363.3
1989 March	2740.9	618.0	2122.8	232.8	1886.4	373.6
June	2802.7	650.0	2150.7	230.2	1920.6	366.2
September	2871.8	678.1	2191.7	224.2	1970.1	400.9
December	2938.3	703.6	2236.3	222.4	2011.8	392.9
1990 March	3049.0	735.2	2315.4	223.8	2094.2	382.4
June	3146.9	765.1	2378.3	229.6	2154.7	380.0
September	3249.5	797.4	2449.8	236.3	2220.6	411.5
December	3351.4	823.4	2526.4	252.7	2283.7	422.4
1991 March	3461.7	881.8	2582.9	252.3	2337.2	426.9
June	3541.5	883.6	2653.5	252.8	2412.4	439.0
September	3683.7	921.4	2759.5	269.3	2504.4	452.0

Columns may not add because each component is seasonally adjusted separately. Gross federal debt equals debt held by agencies and trusts plus net federal debt. Net federal debt equals debt held by Federal Reserve banks plus debt held by private investors (which includes debt held by foreign investors). Sources: Original data may be found in the *Treasury Bulletin* and also in the *Federal Reserve Bulletin*; seasonally adjusted series prepared by this Bank.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGETS
(billions of dollars, quarterly totals seasonally adjusted at annual rates)

Quarters	Receipts		Expenditures		Surplus or deficit (–)	
	National income accounts budget	Cyclically adjusted budget	National income accounts budget	Cyclically adjusted budget	National income accounts budget	Cyclically adjusted budget
1984 1	\$ 711.8	\$ 744.7	\$ 875.5	\$ 859.8	\$ – 163.7	\$ – 115.1
2	722.8	747.9	876.1	880.4	– 153.2	– 132.5
3	728.8	754.4	892.5	895.6	– 163.7	– 141.2
4	739.8	771.0	926.6	925.3	– 186.8	– 154.3
1985 1	797.8	819.3	947.7	953.0	– 149.9	– 133.7
2	758.6	780.7	964.9	964.4	– 206.3	– 183.7
3	794.3	811.8	976.3	991.3	– 182.0	– 179.5
4	803.6	822.0	990.8	1012.6	– 187.2	– 190.6
1986 1	809.4	816.4	992.7	1001.4	– 183.3	– 185.0
2	814.2	832.2	1038.0	1045.2	– 223.8	– 213.0
3	828.2	852.1	1047.9	1032.4	– 219.7	– 180.3
4	856.8	875.5	1034.3	1038.7	– 177.5	– 163.2
1987 1	858.4	875.1	1048.1	1057.4	– 189.7	– 182.3
2	928.6	938.1	1058.9	1060.4	– 130.3	– 122.3
3	924.5	927.2	1059.0	1065.6	– 134.5	– 138.4
4	943.5	930.0	1096.3	1103.0	– 152.7	– 173.0
1988 1	940.5	924.9	1098.0	1098.0	– 157.5	– 173.1
2	970.4	949.5	1105.0	1111.4	– 134.6	– 161.9
3	977.8	953.0	1097.3	1098.2	– 119.5	– 145.2
4	1000.6	971.4	1135.5	1156.1	– 134.9	– 184.7
1989 1	1045.7	1014.3	1160.2	1181.0	– 114.5	– 166.7
2	1061.8	1032.2	1172.3	1187.3	– 110.5	– 155.1
3	1050.8	1020.2	1179.2	1182.0	– 128.4	– 161.8
4	1062.7	1035.4	1206.0	1208.2	– 143.3	– 172.8
1990 1	1086.8	1061.7	1247.6	1252.2	– 160.8	– 190.5
2	1106.3	1093.4	1263.2	1275.4	– 156.9	– 182.0
3	1115.4	1116.0	1265.1	1273.6	– 149.7	– 157.6
4	1110.7	1132.1	1304.4	1311.2	– 193.6	– 179.1
1991 1	1115.2	1160.1	1261.6	1257.9	– 146.4	– 97.8
2	1114.3	1173.7	1321.0	1319.3	– 206.7	– 145.6
3	1124.6	N.A.	1334.8	N.A.	– 210.2	N.A.
4	N.A.	N.A.	1364.1	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

N.A. — Not Available

	Fiscal years								Estimates	
	Actual									
	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
Total budget										
Receipts	\$ 666.5	\$ 734.1	\$ 769.1	\$ 854.1	\$ 909.0	\$ 990.7	\$ 1031.3	\$ 1054.3	\$ 1075.7	\$ 1164.8
Outlays	851.8	946.3	990.3	1003.8	1064.1	1144.1	1251.8	1323.0	\$ 1475.1	\$ 1516.7
Surplus or deficit (–)	\$ – 185.3	\$ – 212.3	\$ – 221.2	\$ – 149.7	\$ – 155.1	\$ – 153.4	\$ – 220.5	\$ – 268.7	\$ – 399.4	\$ – 351.9
Calendar years										
National income accounts budget										
Receipts	\$ 725.8	\$ 788.6	\$ 827.2	\$ 913.8	\$ 972.3	\$ 1055.2	\$ 1104.8			
Expenditures	892.7	969.9	1028.2	1065.6	1065.6	1179.4	1270.1			
Surplus or deficit(–)	\$ – 166.9	\$ – 181.4	\$ – 201.0	\$ – 151.8	\$ – 151.8	\$ – 124.2	\$ – 165.3			
Cyclically adjusted budget										
Receipts	\$ 754.5	\$ 808.5	\$ 844.1	\$ 917.6	\$ 949.7	\$ 1025.5	\$ 1100.8			
Expenditures	890.3	980.3	1029.4	1071.6	1115.9	1189.6	1278.1			
Surplus or deficit(–)	\$ – 135.8	\$ – 171.9	\$ – 185.4	\$ – 154.0	\$ – 166.2	\$ – 164.1	\$ – 177.3			

Fiscal years refer to the budget year which runs from October 1 through September 30.

Total budget outlays include federal entities that are off-budget.

Estimates from office of Management and Budget's Budget of the United States Government FY1993 (January 29, 1992).

Cyclically adjusted budget data are in process of revision.

Source: Office of Management and Budget and U.S. Department of Commerce.

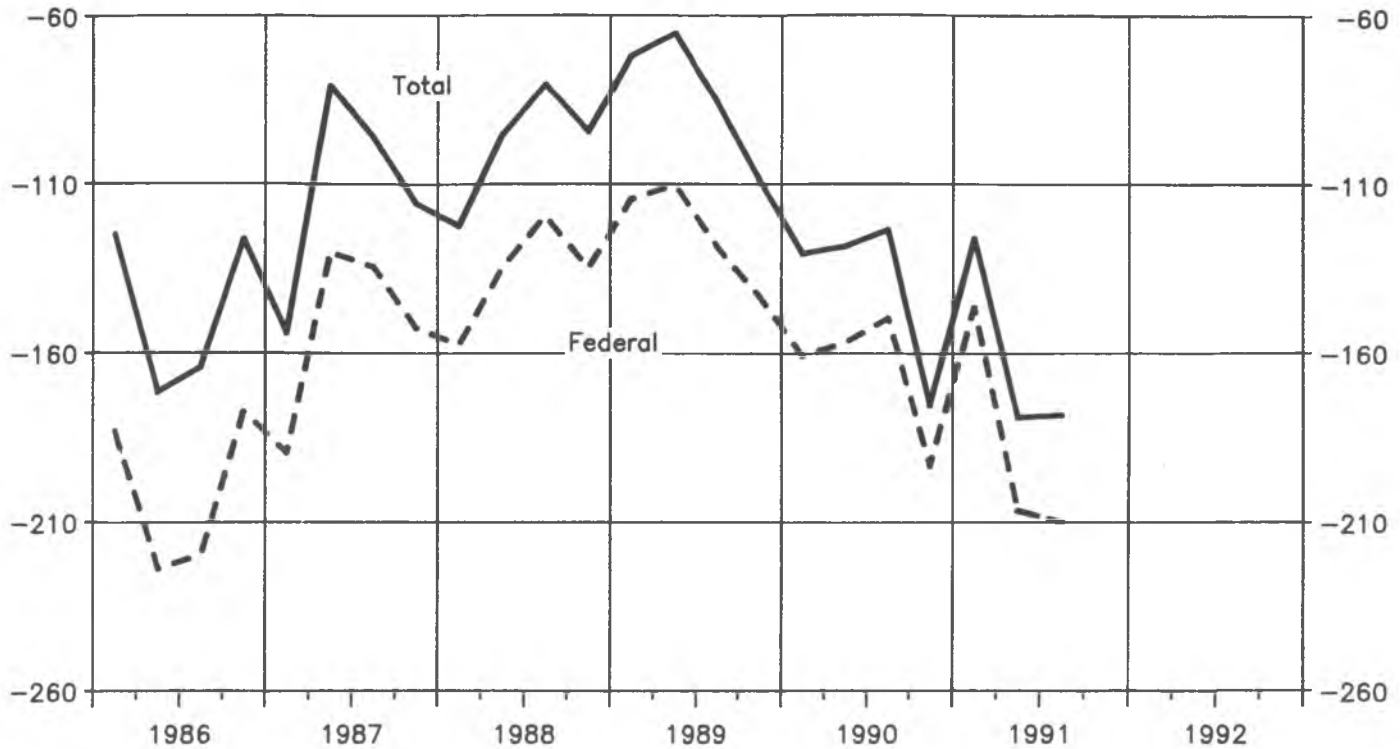
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Government Deficit(-)/Surplus(+)

Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of Dollars

Billions of Dollars



National income accounts basis

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Federal Defense Expenditures

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter												Billions of Dollars Annual Rates							
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	
2-87	11.5																		291.6	
3-87	9.4	7.5																	296.9	
4-87	5.7	2.9	-1.5																295.8	
1-88	4.5	2.3	-0.1	1.2															296.7	
2-88	3.1	1.1	-0.9	-0.7	-2.5														294.8	
3-88	2.4	0.7	-1.0	-0.8	-1.8	-1.1													294.0	
4-88	2.6	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	1.4	3.9												296.8	
1-89	1.8	0.4	-0.7	-0.5	-0.9	-0.4	-0.1	-3.9											293.9	
2-89	2.3	1.2	0.3	0.6	0.5	1.3	2.0	1.1	6.4										298.5	
3-89	3.0	2.1	1.5	1.9	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.1	8.3	10.1									305.8	
4-89	2.2	1.4	0.7	1.0	0.9	1.5	2.1	1.6	3.5	2.1	-5.4								301.6	
1-90	2.9	2.2	1.7	2.0	2.1	2.8	3.4	3.4	5.2	4.9	2.3	10.6							309.3	
2-90	3.0	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.4	3.0	3.6	3.5	5.1	4.8	3.0	7.5	4.5						312.7	
3-90	2.7	2.0	1.6	1.9	1.9	2.4	2.9	2.7	3.9	3.4	1.7	4.2	1.2	-2.0					311.1	
4-90	3.3	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.9	3.4	3.9	3.9	5.1	4.9	3.9	6.3	4.9	5.1	12.8				320.6	
1-91	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.6	3.8	4.5	5.0	5.1	6.3	6.3	5.7	8.1	7.4	8.4	14.1	-15.4			332.3	
2-91	3.5	3.0	2.7	3.0	3.2	3.7	4.1	4.1	5.1	4.9	4.2	5.8	4.9	5.0	7.5	4.9	-4.6		328.4	
3-91	2.9	2.4	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.8	3.1	3.0	3.8	3.5	2.7	3.9	2.8	2.4	3.6	0.7	-5.9	-7.2	322.3	
4-91	1.9	1.4	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.6	2.1	1.7	0.8	1.5	0.3	-0.4	0.0	-3.0	-8.5	-10.3	-13.3	311.0
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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Federal Nondefense Expenditures

(Compounded Annual Rates of Change)

Terminal Quarter	Initial Quarter																	Billions of Dollars Annual Rates		
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	
2-87	1.6																			767.3
3-87	-0.6	-2.7																		762.1
4-87	6.4	8.8	21.7																	800.5
1-88	4.8	6.0	10.6	0.4																801.3
2-88	4.8	5.6	8.5	2.4	4.5															810.2
3-88	3.4	3.7	5.4	0.5	0.5	-3.4														803.3
4-88	5.5	6.1	8.0	4.8	6.3	7.2	18.8													838.7
1-89	6.5	7.2	8.9	6.5	8.1	9.3	16.3	13.8												866.3
2-89	6.1	6.7	8.1	6.0	7.2	7.8	11.9	8.5	3.5											873.8
3-89	5.5	5.9	7.1	5.1	5.9	6.2	8.7	5.6	1.6	-0.2										873.4
4-89	6.3	6.8	7.9	6.3	7.2	7.6	9.9	7.8	5.9	7.1	15.0									904.4
1-90	7.1	7.6	8.7	7.3	8.2	8.7	10.9	9.4	8.3	10.0	15.4	15.9								938.3
2-90	6.9	7.4	8.4	7.1	7.9	8.3	10.1	8.7	7.7	8.8	11.9	10.5	5.3							950.5
3-90	6.5	6.9	7.8	6.6	7.2	7.5	9.0	7.6	6.6	7.3	9.2	7.4	3.4	1.5						954.0
4-90	7.0	7.4	8.2	7.1	7.7	8.1	9.4	8.3	7.5	8.2	10.0	8.8	6.5	7.1	13.1					983.8
1-91	5.0	5.2	5.8	4.7	5.1	5.1	6.0	4.7	3.6	3.6	4.2	2.2	-1.0	-3.0	-5.1	-20.4				929.3
2-91	6.3	6.6	7.3	6.3	6.8	7.0	8.0	7.0	6.2	6.6	7.6	6.4	4.6	4.4	5.4	1.8	30.2			992.6
3-91	6.4	6.7	7.4	6.5	6.9	7.1	8.0	7.1	6.4	6.8	7.7	6.7	5.2	5.2	6.1	3.9	18.7	8.3		1,012.5
4-91	7.0	7.3	7.9	7.1	7.6	7.8	8.7	7.9	7.4	7.8	8.7	7.9	6.8	7.1	8.2	7.0	18.1	12.6	17.0	1,053.1
	1-87	2-87	3-87	4-87	1-88	2-88	3-88	4-88	1-89	2-89	3-89	4-89	1-90	2-90	3-90	4-90	1-91	2-91	3-91	

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