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Week ending: March 8, 1972

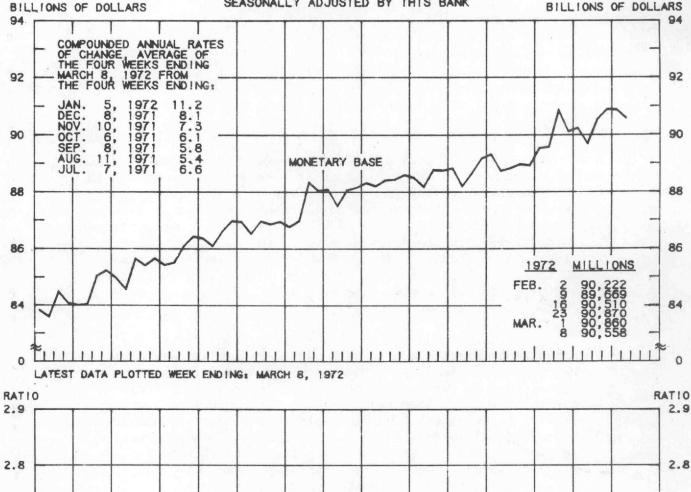
Growth rates of monetary aggregates have accelerated in recent months, after a period of relatively slow growth in the second half of 1971. The monetary base and member bank reserves have both increased at about an 8 percent rate in the past three months compared with rates of 3.4 and 2 percent, respectively, in the previous four months. Federal Reserve credit, an aggregate which more directly reflects the actions of the Federal Reserve, has increased at a 10.6 percent rate in the past three months, compared with a 7.5 percent rate in the previous four months.

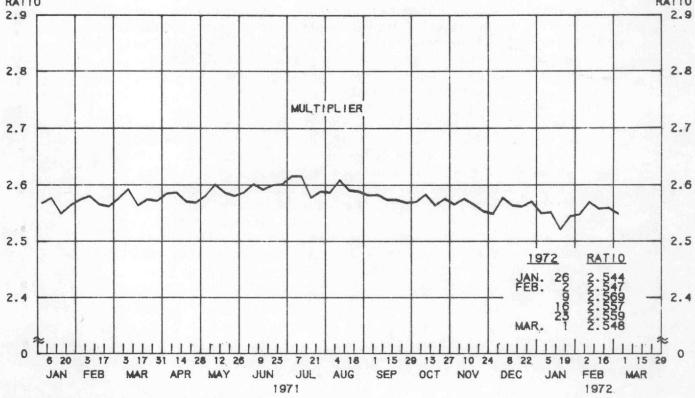
Reflecting the more rapid injection of reserves into the banking system, growth of the nation's money stock has accelerated sharply. Money has risen at a 7.4 percent annual rate in the past three months compared with little change in the previous four months. For comparison, money grew at an average 5.6 percent rate in the thirty month period from January 1969 to July 1971. The demand deposit component of the money stock has risen at a 6.8 percent rate in the past three months, slightly slower than the 7.9 percent rate for currency.

The spread between short— and long—term interest rates has widened over the past two years and is now quite large compared with the post—war period. The chart on page 9 presents the yields on seasoned corporate Aaa bonds and 3-month Treasury bills since 1950. The spread between short— and long—term rates has usually widened during periods of economic recession and has narrowed during periods of economic expansion. In February, the spread between the corporate Aaa rate and the 3-month bill rate was about 4 percentage points.

MONETARY BASE 1 MULTIPLIER 2/ AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED BY THIS BANK



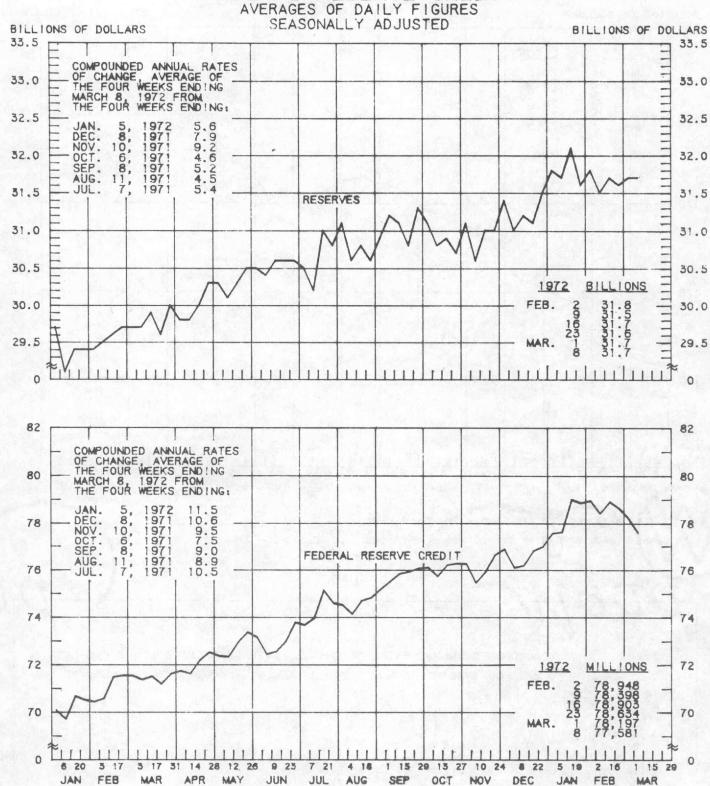


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1/ USES OF MONETARY BASE ARE MEMBER BANK RESERVES AND CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC AND NONMEMBER BANKS, ADJUSTED FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENT CHANGES AND SHIFTS IN DEPOSITS. FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE BASE SEE THE AUGUST 1968 ''REVIEW'' OF THIS BANK.

2/ RATIO OF MONEY STOCK (MI) / MONETARY BASE.

RESERVES 1/2 ALL MEMBER BANKS IN THE NATION FEDERAL RESERVE CREDIT 2/2



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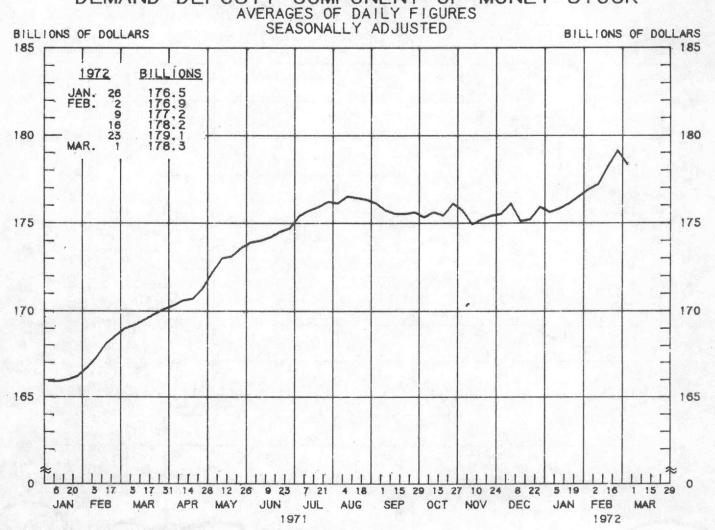
1/ CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' H. 9 RELEASE.

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2/ DEFINED TO INCLUDE HOLDINGS OF SECURITIES, LOANS, FLOAT AND ''OTHER'' ASSETS, ADJUSTED FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENT CHANGES AND CHANGES IN REQUIREMENTS DUE TO SHIFTS IN DEPOSITS AMONG CLASSES OF BANKS.

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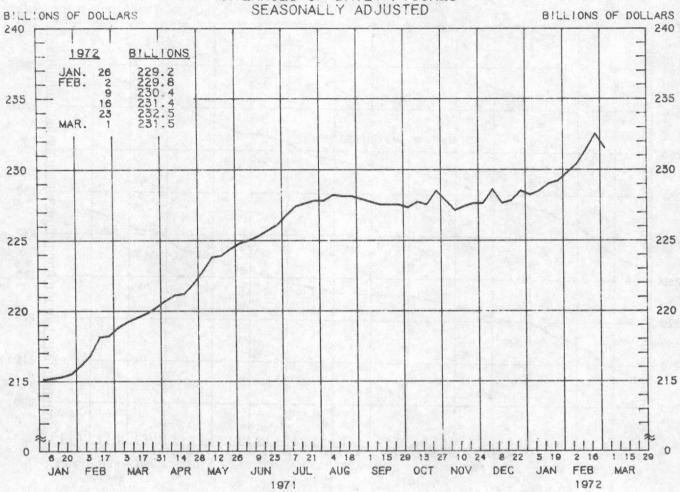
DEMAND DEPOSIT COMPONENT OF MONEY STOCK



LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: MARCH 1, 1972 CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' H.6 RELEASE.

	COMPOUND	ED ANNUAL	RAIES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE UF FO	OUR WEEK	5 ENDING:
	5/3/71	6/30/71	8/4/71	9/1/71	9/29/71	11/3/71	12/1/71	12/29/71
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
8/ 4/71	11.2							
9/ 1/71 9/29/71	9.7 7.6	6.5	-1.5					
11/3/71	6.6	2.2	-0.7	-2.0				
12/ 1/71	5.6	1.2	-1.2	-2.2	-1.0			
12/29/71	5.3	1.4	-0.6	-1.2	0.0	-0.4		
2/ 2/72	5.2	1.8	0.3	0.0	1.2	1.4	3.3	0.0
3/ 1/72	5.9	3.3	2.2	2.2	3.5	4.4	6.8	8.9

MONEY STOCK AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES

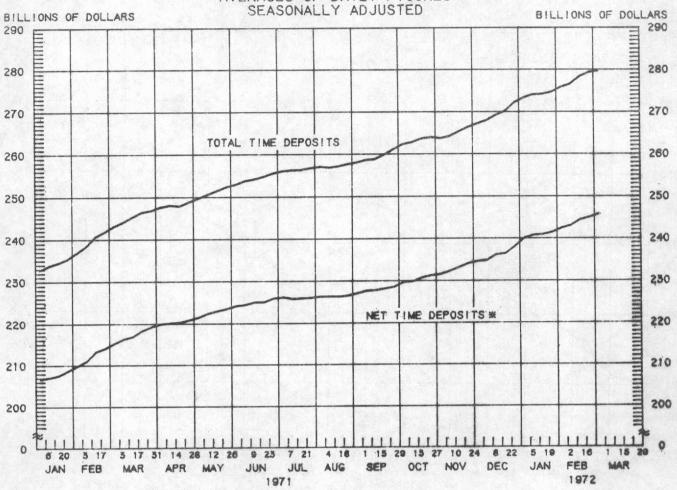


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	COMPOUND	ED ANNUAL	RAILS	OF CHANG	SE, AVERA	GE OF FO	JUR WEEKS	ENDING:
	3/3/71	6/30/71	8/4/71	9/1/71	9/29/71	11/5/71	12/1/71	12/29/71
TO THE AVERAGE FOUR WEEKS	E							
8/ 4/71 9/ 1/71	10.8	6.8						
9/29/71	7.8 6.8	3.8	0.4	-0.5				
12/ 1/71 12/29/71	5.8 5.6	2.0	0.4	0.0	-0.5 0.9	0.6		
2/ 2/72	5.5 6.2	2.7	2.9	3.0	1.9	2.1	7.4	8.9

TIME DEPOSITS ALL COMMERCIAL BANKS AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES



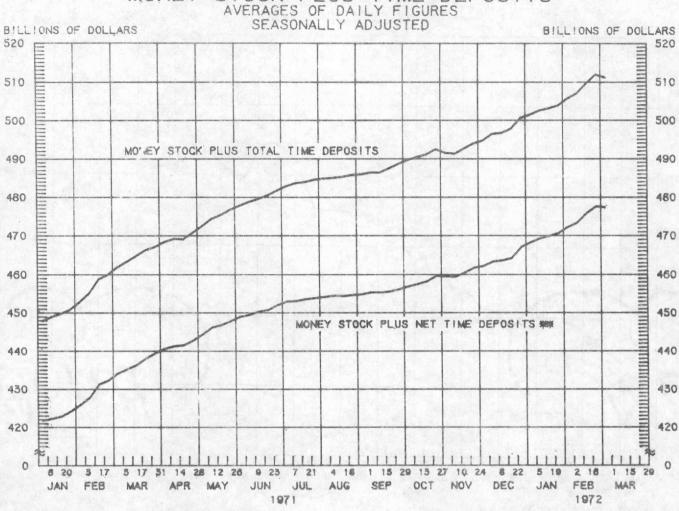
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* NET TIME DEPOSITS ARE DEFINED AS: SAVINGS DEPOSITS, TIME DEPOSITS OPEN ACCOUNT PLUS TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT OTHER THAN NEGOTIABLE TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF \$100,000 OR MORE BY LARGE WEEKLY REPORTING COMMERCIAL BANKS.

	COMPOUND	DED ANNUAL	RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	AGE OF FO	UR WEEK	S END!NG:
	3/3/71	6/30/71	8/4/71	9/1/71	9/29/71	11/3/71	12/1/71	12/29/71
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
8/ 4/71 9/ 1/71 9/29/71 11/ 3/71 12/ 1/71 12/29/71 2/ 2/72 3/ 1/72	14.6 12.8 12.2 12.4 12.8 13.2 14.3 14.7	3.6 5.3 7.5 9.0 10.2 12.4 13.1	5.9 8.8 10.5 11.7 14.1	11.5 12.9 13.8 16.3	14.8 15.4 17.9 18.1	16.5 19.7 19.4	21.2	22.1

MONEY STOCK PLUS TIME DEPOSITS



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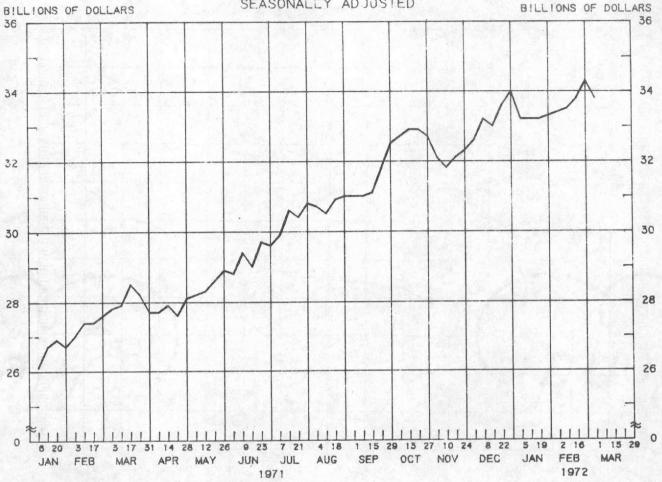
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HOW M2 IS DEFINED AS: CURRENCY, DEMAND DEPOSITS PLUS NET TIME DEPOSITS (SEE PAGE 6).

	COMPOUND	ED ANNUAL	RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF FO	DUR WEEK	S ENDING:
	3/3/71	6/30/71	8/4/71	9/1/71	9/29/71	11/3/71	12/1/71	12/29/71
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
8/ 4/71 9/ 1/71 9/29/71 11/ 3/71 12/ 1/71 12/29/71 2/ 2/72 3/ 1/72	12.7 11.0 9.9 9.6 9.3 9.4 9.9	5.1 4.4 5.3 5.5 6.3 7.5 8.5	2.8 4.6 5.0 6.1 7.6 8.7	5.5 5.8 6.9 8.5 9.7	7.0 8.1 9.8	8.5 10.7 12.0	12.6	15,2

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT LARGE COMMERCIAL BANKS WEDNESDAY FIGURES

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



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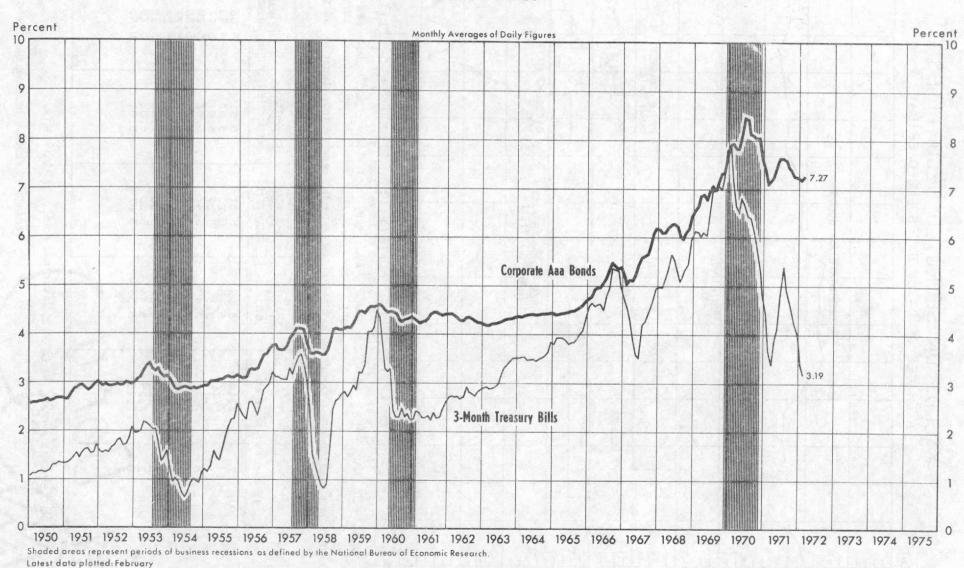
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NEGOTIABLE TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF \$100,000 OR MORE BY LARGE WEEKLY REPORTING COMMERCIAL BANKS.

		BILLIONS	
1972	OF DEPOSIT	NET TIME DEPOSITS *	M 5 30K
JAN. 5 12 19 26 FEB. 2 9 16 23 MAR. 1 8 15 22 29	33.2 33.2 33.3 33.4 33.5 33.8 33.8	240.0 240.7 240.9 241.4 242.4 243.0 244.4 245.0 245.8	468.2 469.2 469.8 470.6 472.2 473.4 475.5 477.3

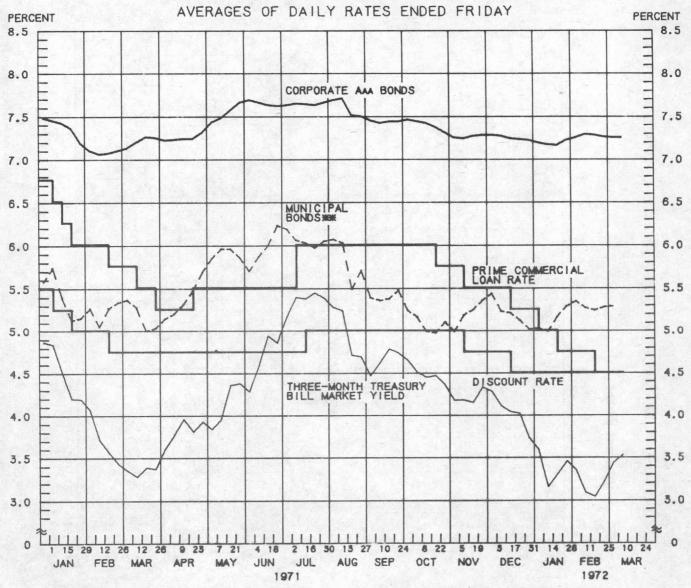
* SEE FOOTNOTE PAGE 6. ** SEE FOOTNOTE PAGE 7.

Interest Rates



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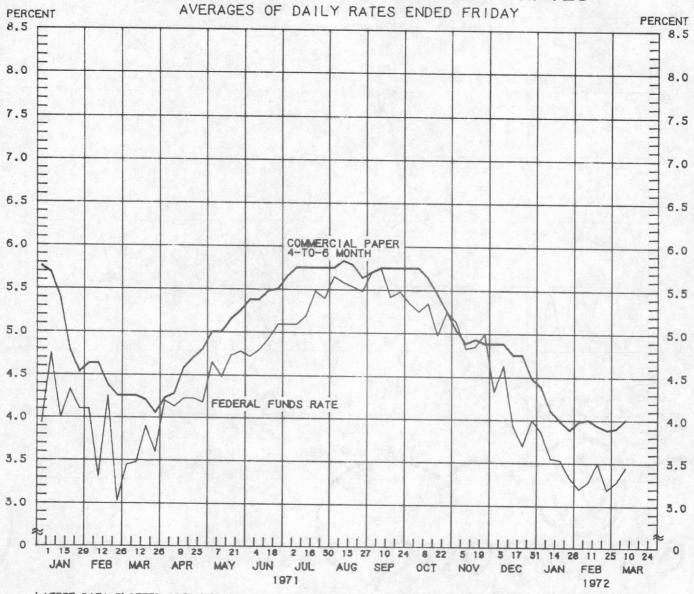
YIELDS ON SELECTED SECURITIES



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1972	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	3-MONTH TREASURY BILLS	3-5 YEAR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	MUNICIPAL BONDS HER
JAN. 7 14 21 28 FEB. 4 11 18 25 MAR. 5 10 ** 17 24 31	7.19 7.17 7.16 7.22 7.25 7.29 7.28 7.26 7.25 7.25	3.59 3.16 3.31 3.46 3.35 3.09 5.04 5.22 3.44 3.53	5.31 5.32 5.47 5.55 5.51 5.47 5.50 5.50 5.52	5.61 5.67 5.67 5.70 5.71 5.65 5.63 5.62 5.61	5.03 4.99 5.17 5.29 5.35 5.27 5.24 5.28 5.29 N.A.

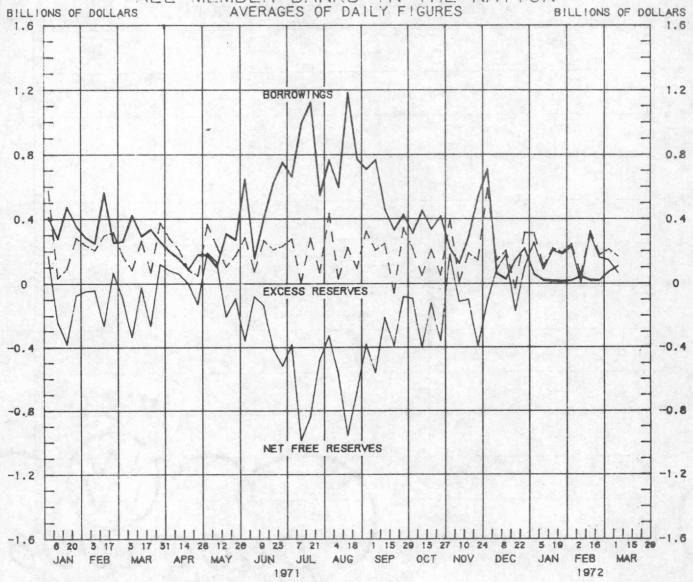
SELECTED SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATES



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1972	PRIME COMMERCIAL PAPER 4-6 MONTH	FEDERAL FUNDS	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	90 DAY
JAN. 7 14 21 28 FEB. 4 11 18 25 MAR. 3 10 ** 17 24 31	4.38 4.10 3.98 3.88 3.98 4.00 3.93 3.88 3.90 4.00	3.85 5.55 5.55 3.20 5.228 5.50 5.19 5.45	4.10 3.88 3.88 3.85 3.75 3.50 3.45 3.44 3.60 3.71	4.34 4.10 4.02 3.97 3.82 3.67 3.61 3.54 3.65 3.75

BORROWINGS AND EXCESS RESERVES ALL MEMBER BANKS IN THE NATION



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		MILLIONS	
1972	EXCESS RESERVES	BORROWINGS	FREE RESERVES
JAN. 5 12 19 26 FEB. 2 9 16 23 MAR. 1 8 15 22 29	312 105 218 192 245 50 325 178 211 167	57 17 14 12 16 42 17 16 68 103	255 88 204 180 229 8 308 162 143 64