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Week ending: March 22, 1972

The nation's money stock averaged \$232.7 billion in the four weeks ending March 15, up from \$227.9 billion of three months earlier. This increase represents an 8.7 percent annual rate, compared to a 1.5 percent rate for the previous five months. Since late 1966, money has risen at a 6.0 percent trend rate. From mid-1962 to late 1966, money rose at a 3.7 percent trend rate.

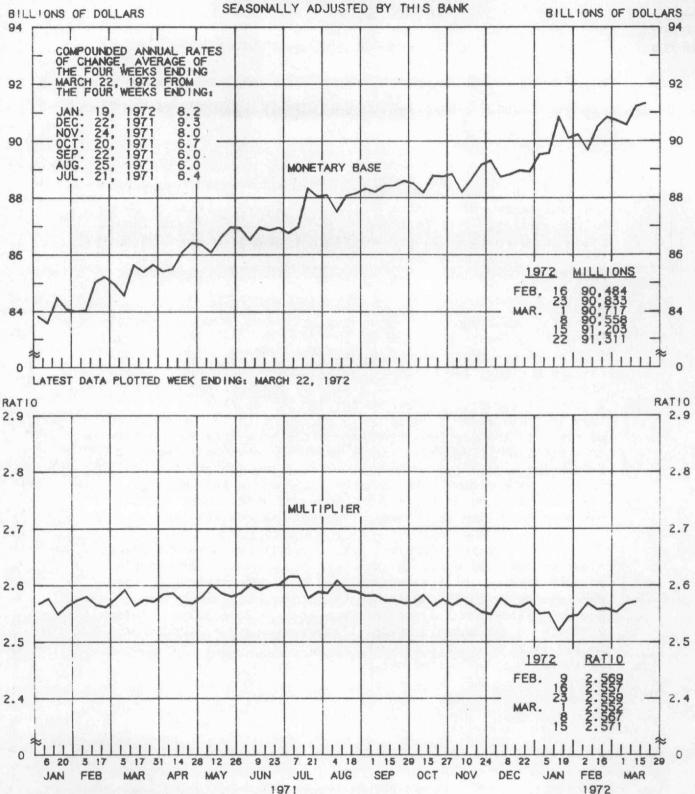
Other monetary aggregates have also increased rapidly in recent months. For example, the monetary base, which largely determines the money stock, has risen at an 8.2 percent annual rate in the past two months. The main component of the base, Federal Reserve credit, which primarily reflects the direct actions of the Federal Reserve but not the actions of the Treasury, has risen at only a 0.3 percent rate in the past two months. In the previous five months the base grew at a 5 percent rate, while Federal Reserve credit grew at an 11 percent rate. The difference in the growth of these two aggregates recently is explained primarily by a reduction in the large Treasury balances at the Federal Reserve, which increases the monetary base with no change in Federal Reserve credit.

Short-term interest rates have risen in recent weeks, after substantial declines last fall and winter. For example, 3-month Treasury bill rates averaged 3.82 percent in the three days ending March 22, up from 3.04 percent in mid-February, but much below the 5.4 percent rate of late last July. Yields on four- to six-month commercial paper averaged 4.34 percent in the first half of this week, up 40 basis points from mid-February, but 1.4 percentage points below last July.

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MONETARY BASE 1/2 MULTIPLIER 2/2

AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES



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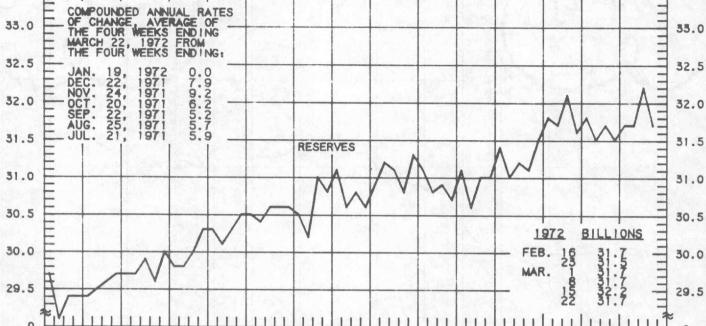
1/ USES OF MONETARY BASE ARE MEMBER BANK RESERVES AND CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC AND NONMEMBER BANKS, ADJUSTED FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENT CHANGES AND SHIFTS IN DEPOSITS. FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE BASE SEE THE AUGUST 1968 ''REVIEW'' OF THIS BANK.

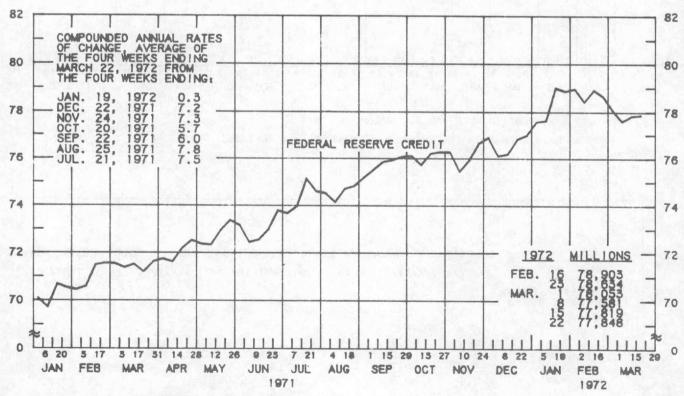
2/ RATIO OF MONEY STOCK (M1) / MONETARY BASE.

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

AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED BILLIONS OF DOLLARS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS 33.5 33.5 COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF THE FOUR WEEKS ENDING MARCH 22, 1972 FROM THE FOUR WEEKS ENDING: RATES 33.0 32.5



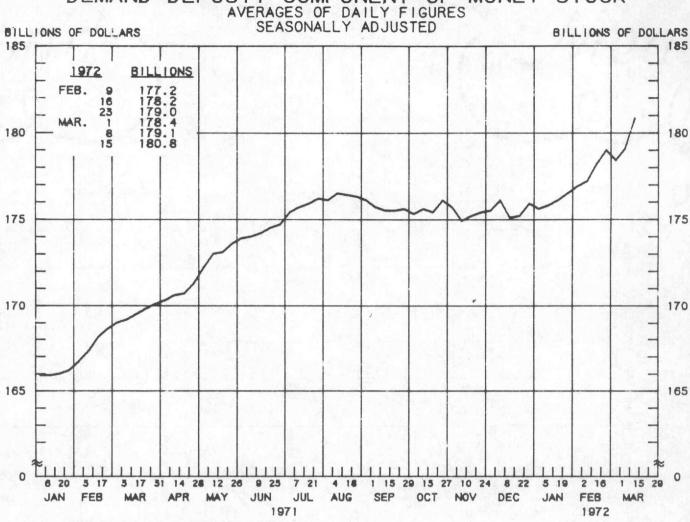


LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: MARCH 22, 1972

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

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.

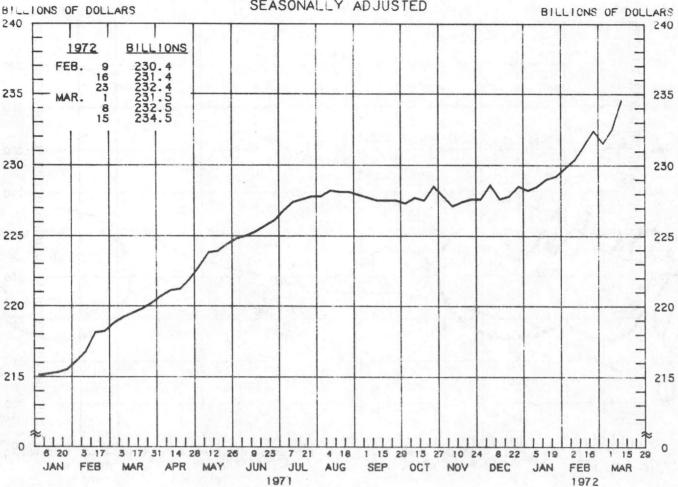
DEMAND DEPOSIT COMPONENT OF MONEY STOCK



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	3/17/71	7/14/71	8/18/71	9/15/71	10/13/71	11/17/71	12/15/71	1/12/72
TO THE AVERAGE FOUR WEEKS	E							
8/18/71 9/15/71 10/13/71	10.4 8.2 6.7	2.7	-2.9					
11/17/71	5.7 5.1	0.7	-1.8 -1.4	-1.3 -0.9	0.0			
1/12/72	4.7	0.6	-1.0	-0.5	0.2	0.4		
2/16/72 3/15/72	5.2	2.0	1.0	1.8	2.8	3.9 6.8	5.7 8.9	12.8

MONEY STOCK AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

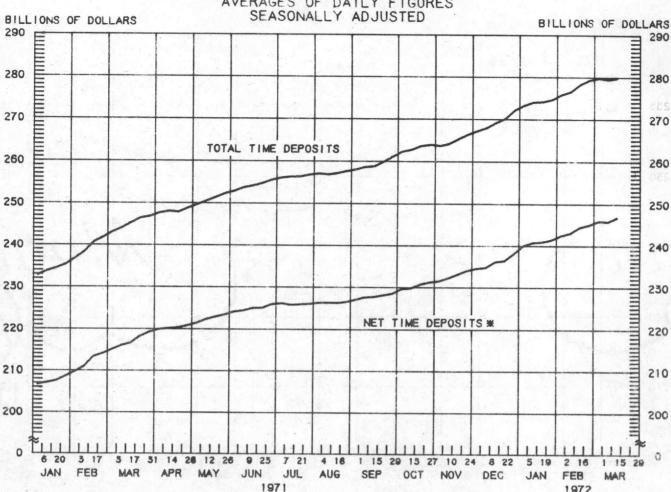


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	COMPOUNDE 3/17/71			9/15/71				
TO THE AVERAGE FOUR WEEKS								
8/18/71 9/15/71 10/13/71	10.1 8.3 6.9	3.4	-1.4					
11/17/71	6.0 5.5	1.5	-0.5	-0.3	1 0			
12/15/71	5.2	1.6	-0.1 0.3	0.2	1.0	1.7		
2/16/72	5.6	2.8	1.9	2.5	3.5	4.5	6.0	
3/15/72	6.3	4.1	3.6	4.3	5.5	6.9	8.7	11.7

TIME DEPOSITS COMMERCIAL BANKS AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES



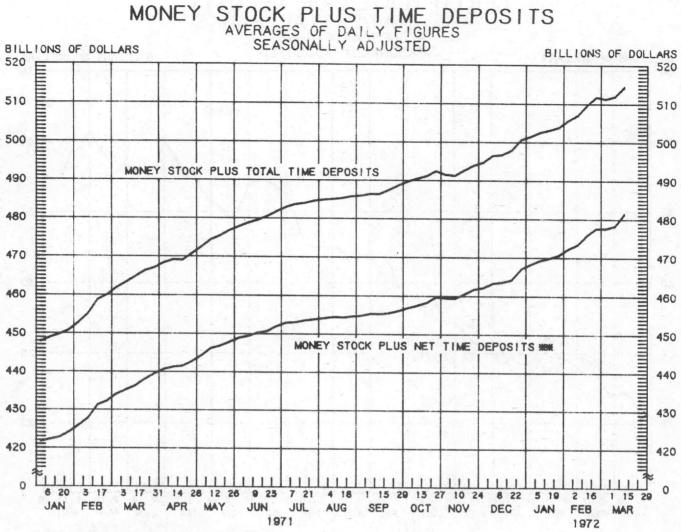
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* NET TIME DEPOSITS ARE DEFINED AS: SAVINGS DEPOSITS, TIME DEPOSITS OPEN ACCOUNT PLUS TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT OTHER THAN NEGOTIABLE TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF \$100,000 OR MORE BY LARGE WEEKLY REPORTING COMMERCIAL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

	COMPOUNT	DED ANNIL	I PATES	OF CHAN	CE AVER	ACE OF E	OUR WEEK	S ENDING:
	3/17/71	7/14/71	8/18/71	9/15/71	10/13/71	11/17/71	12/15/71	1/12/72
TO THE AVERA OF FOUR WEEK ENDING:								
8/18/71	12.1							
9/15/71	11.2	3.9						
10/13/71	11.1	6.0 8.3	8.3	12.0				
12/15/71	12.1	9.8	10.7	12.8	15.5			
1/12/72	13.2	11.9	14.4	16.5	18.2	20.7		
2/16/72	13.8	13.0	15.2	17.0	18.4	20.0	21.4	
3/15/72	14.1	13.6	15.6	17.1	18.3	19.5	20.3	18.4
					10.0	3.0	20.5	10.7

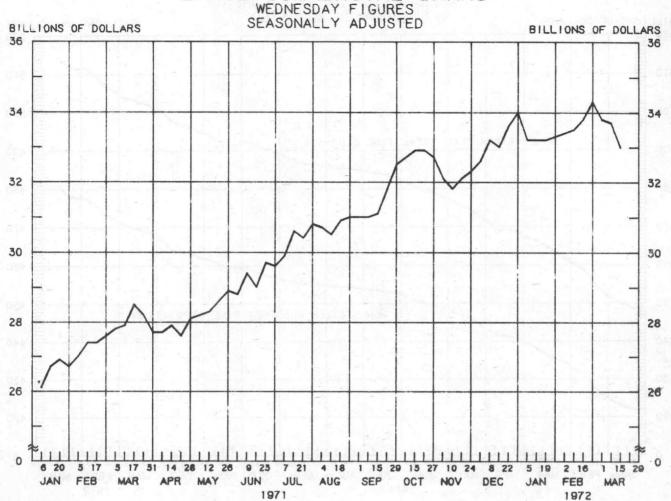
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								S ENDING:
TO THE 11/50.	3/17/71	//14//1	8/18//1	9/15//1	10/13/71	11/17/71	12/15/71	1/12/72
TO THE AVERA	GE S							
ENDING:								
8/18/71	11.1							
9/15/71	9.7	3.6						
10/13/71	9.0	3.9	3,3					
11/17/71	8.8	4.9 5.6	4.9 5.8	6.1	0 1			
1/12/72	9.2	6.7	7.2	8.4	8.1 9.7	11.1		
2/16/72	9.7	7.8	8.4	9.6	10.8	12.1	13.6	
3/15/72	10.2	8.8	9.5	10.6	11.8	13.1	14.5	14.9

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT LARGE COMMERCIAL BANKS



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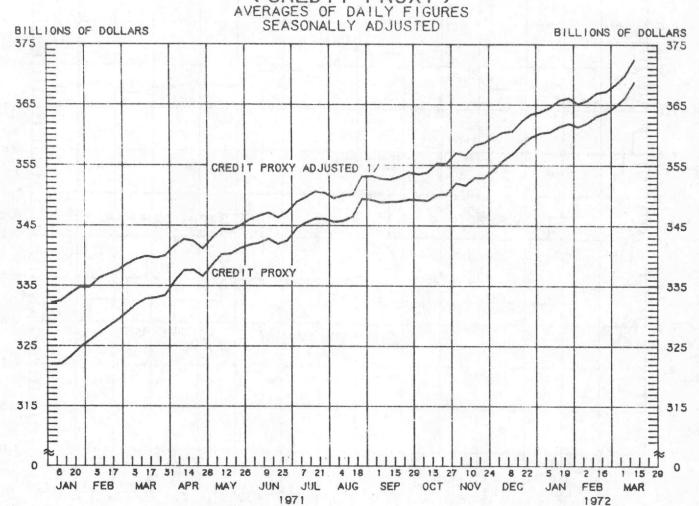
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NEGOTIABLE TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF \$100,000 OR MORE BY LARGE WEEKLY REPORTING COMMERCIAL BANKS.

		BILLIONS	
1972	OF DEPOSIT	NET TIME DEPOSITS **	M 2 300K
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 53.8 34.3 33.8 33.7 33.0	240.0 240.7 240.9 241.4 242.4 243.0 244.4 245.0 245.9 245.7 246.8	468.2 469.2 469.8 470.6 472.2 473.4 477.5 477.5 478.2 481.3

* SEE FOOTNOTE PAGE 6.

MEMBER BANK DEPOSITS SUBJECT TO RESERVE REQUIREMENTS (CREDIT PROXY)



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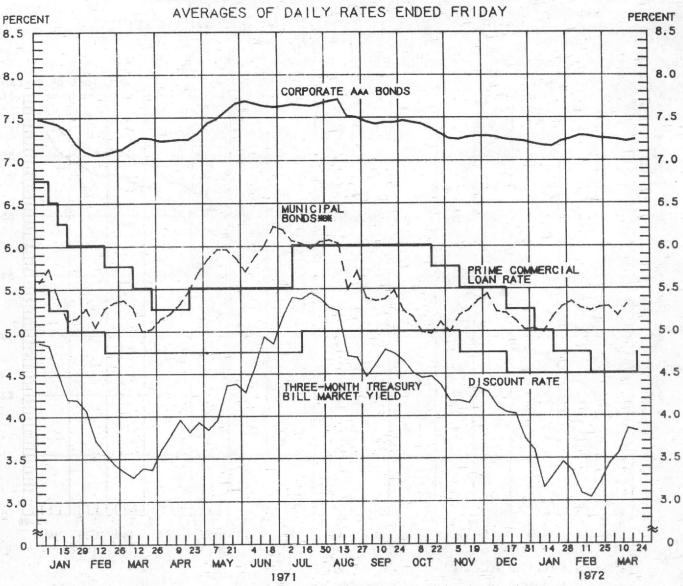
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1/ INCLUDES MEMBER BANK DEPOSITS, BANK-RELATED COMMERCIAL PAPER, EURODOLLAR BORROWINGS OF U.S. BANKS, AND CERTAIN OTHER NONDEPOSIT SOURCES.

197	2	BIL	LIONS
		CREDIT	CREDIT PROXY ADJUSTED
FEB.	9	362.0 363.1	365.7 366.9
MAR.	23 1 8 15	363.6 364.7 366.1 368.7	367.2 368.3 369.8 372.4

MARCI	H 15		FROM TH	EKS ENDING '
	J (14)	511161		CREDIT PROXY ADJUSTED
NOV. OCT.	15, 17, 13, 15, 18,	1972 1971 1971 1971 1971 1971 1971	10.2 12.9 12.8 11.6 9.8 10.1 9.7	9.7 11.1 11.2 10.9 9.6 9.8 9.3

YIELDS ON SELECTED SECURITIES



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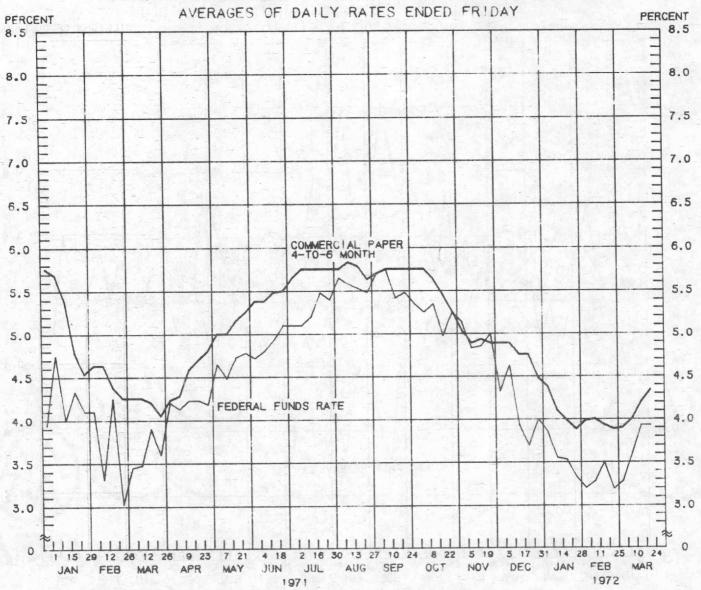
1972	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	3-MONTH TREASURY BILLS	3-5 YEAR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	MUNICIPAL BONDS MM
JAN. 7 14 21 28 FEB. 4 11 18 25 MAR. 3 10 17 24 **	7.19 7.17 7.16 7.22 7.25 7.29 7.28 7.26 7.25 7.24 7.24	3.59 3.16 3.31 3.46 3.35 3.09 3.04 3.22 3.44 3.57 3.85 3.85	5.31 5.20 5.32 5.47 5.55 5.51 5.47 5.50 5.57 5.84 5.81	5.61 5.57 5.61 5.67 5.70 5.71 5.65 5.62 5.62 5.62 5.67 5.67	5.03 4.99 5.17 5.29 5.35 5.27 5.24 5.28 5.29 5.18 5.32 N.A.

* AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE.

*** BOND BUYER'S AVERAGE INDEX OF 20 MUNICIPAL BONDS, THURSDAY DATA.

N.A. - NOT AVAILABLE

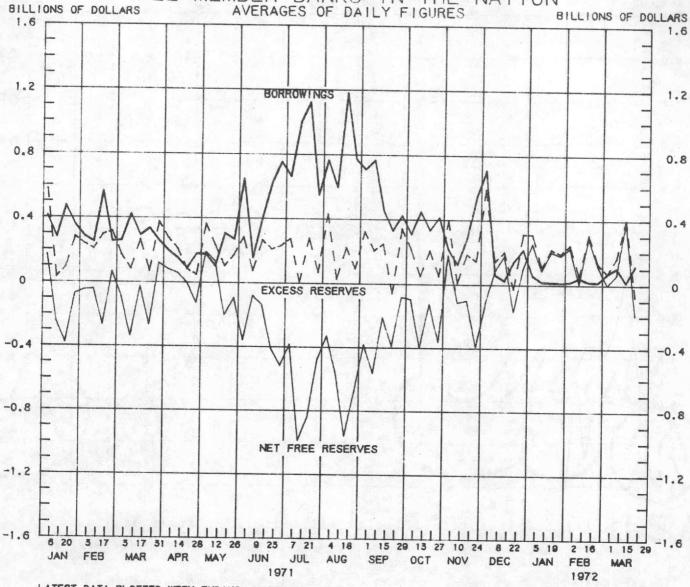
SELECTED SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATES



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1972	PRIME COMMERCIAL PAPER 4-6 MONTH	FEDERAL FUNDS	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	90 DAY CD'S MIN
JAN. 7 14 21 28 FEB. 4 11 18 25 MAR. 3 10 17 24 *	4.38 4.10 3.98 3.88 3.98 4.00 3.93 3.88 3.90 4.00 4.20 4.34	3.85 3.55 3.53 3.20 3.28 3.50 3.19 3.28 3.60 3.93	4.10 3.88 3.88 3.85 3.75 3.50 3.45 3.44 3.60 3.73 4.03 4.13	4.34 4.10 4.02 3.97 3.67 3.61 3.54 3.65 3.70 3.86 4.09





LATEST DATA PLOTTED	WEEK	ENDING:	MARCH	22.	1972
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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 50 311 130 70 167 405 - 74	57 17 14 12 16 42 18 14 68 103 14 115	255 88 204 180 229 8 293 116 2 64 391 - 189