

The nation's money stock has expanded at about a 7 percent annual rate in the past six months, the past nine months, and the past year. These rates are above the trend growth rate of 5.9 percent from late 1966 to late 1971.

The monetary base, a primary determinant of the trend growth of the money stock, has increased at a 6.3 percent rate in the past six months, and at a somewhat more rapid rate of 7.4 percent in the past three months. Since a year ago, the base has risen at a 7.9 percent rate, compared growth rate of 5.8 percent from late 1966 to late

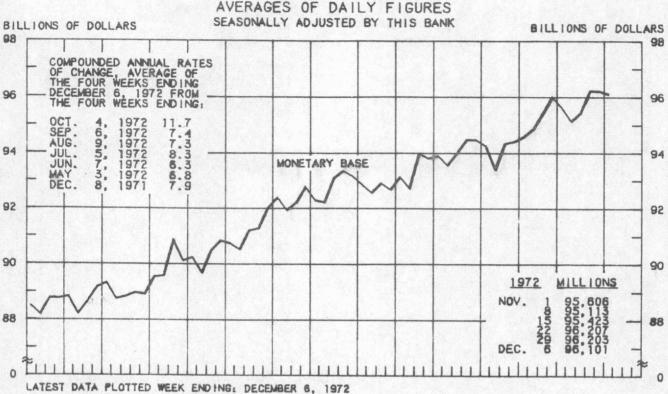
Short-term market interest rates are substantially above their levels of early this year, but are still below their levels of mid-1971. Yields on three-month Treasury bills averaged 4.97 percent in the first half of this week, up from 3.20 percent last February, but below the 5.40 percent of July 1971. Prime four- to six-month commercial paper rates averaged 5.38 percent in the first part of this week, compared with a 3.93 percent last February and 5.75 percent in July 1971.

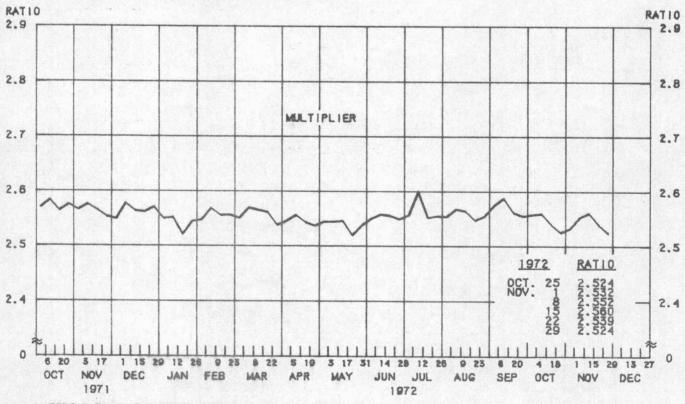
Long-term interest rates have generally declined since April, after increasing somewhat in the previous three months. On balance, long-term rates are slightly below their lows of last January. Seasoned Aaa corporate bond rates averaged 7.05 percent early this week, down from 7.30 percent last April and 7.19 percent last January. The Bond Buyer's average index of 20 municipal bonds was 4.99 percent on November 30, compared with 5.43 percent in April and 5.12 percent in January.

The diverse movement of long- and short-term interest rates over most of 1972 has resulted in a significant narrowing of the gap between these rates. Currently, the Aaa corporate bond rate is about 2 percentage points above the three-month Treasury bill rate, compared with 4 percentage points last February. Normally, short-term rates rise relative to long-term rates during periods of pronounced economic expansion, and fall relative to long-term rates during periods of recession (see page 9).

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MONETARY BASE 1/2 MULTIPLIER 2/2





LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: NOVEMBER 29, 1972

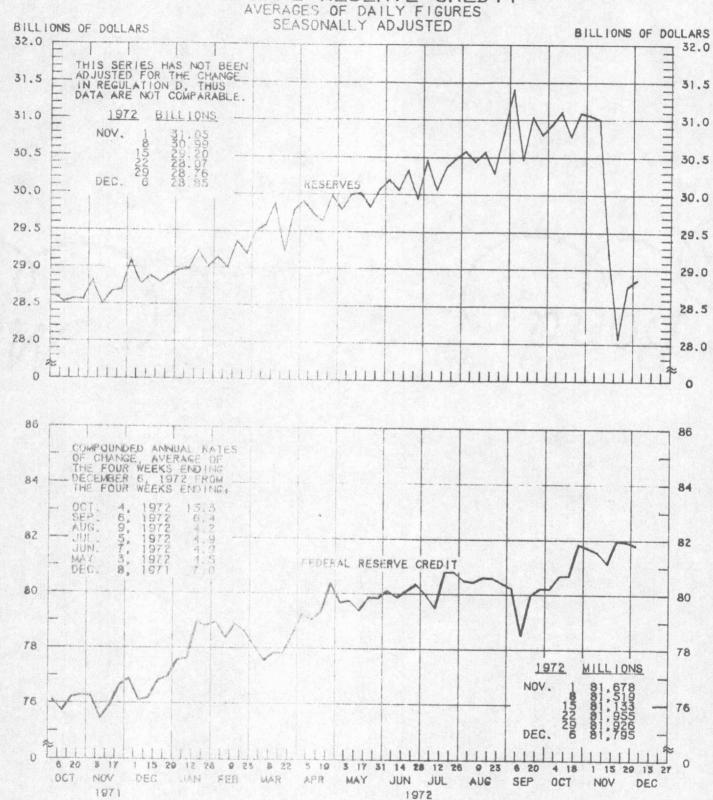
1/ USES OF MONETARY BASE ARE MEMBER BANK RESERVES AND CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC AND NONMEMBER BANKS, ADJUSTED FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENT CHANGES AND SHIFTS IN DEPOSITS, FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE BASE SEE THE AUGUST 1988 ''REVIEW'' OF THIS BANK.

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

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RE ERVES AVAILABLE T' SUPPORT PRIVATE NONBANK DEPOSITS

FEDERAL RESERVE CREDIT 2

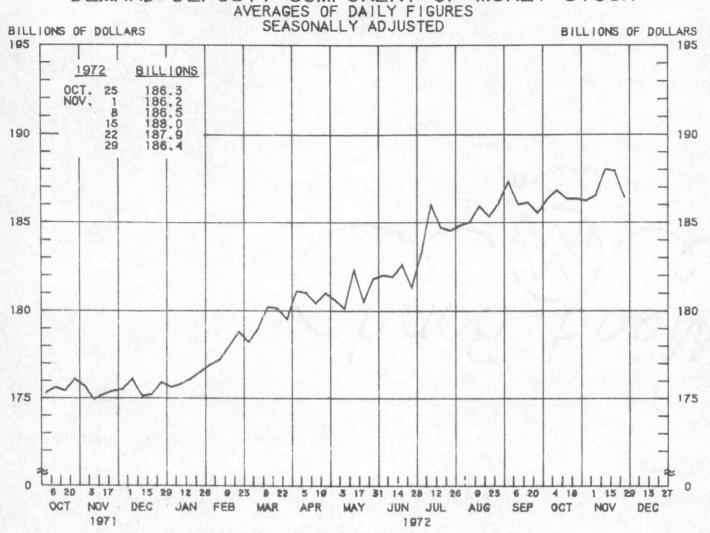


LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: DECEMBER 6. 1972

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.

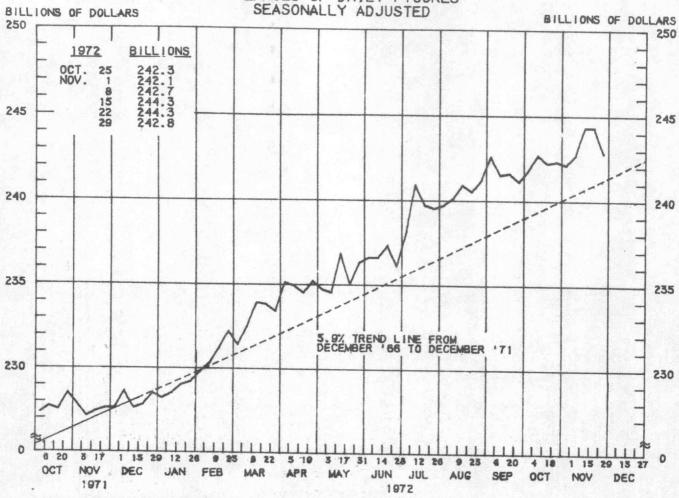
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	COMPOUND	ED ANNUAL	. RAIES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	ige of fi	JUR WEEKS	ENDING:
	12/1/71	3/29/72	4/28/72	5/31/72	6/28/72	7/26/72	8/30/72	9/27/72
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS FNDING:								
4/26/72	8.1							
5/31/72	6.8	4.9	2.6					
8/28/72 7/26/72	8.2	5.2 8.6	3.6 8.4	12.8				
8/30/72	7.9	7.9	7.7	10.1	12.0			
9/27/72	7.6	7.4	7.1	8.7	9.6	5.1		
11/ 1/72	6.9	6.3	5.9	6.9	7.1	5.7	2.5 3.5	
11/29/72	6.8	6.3	5.9	6.7	6.9	4.1	3,5	3.1

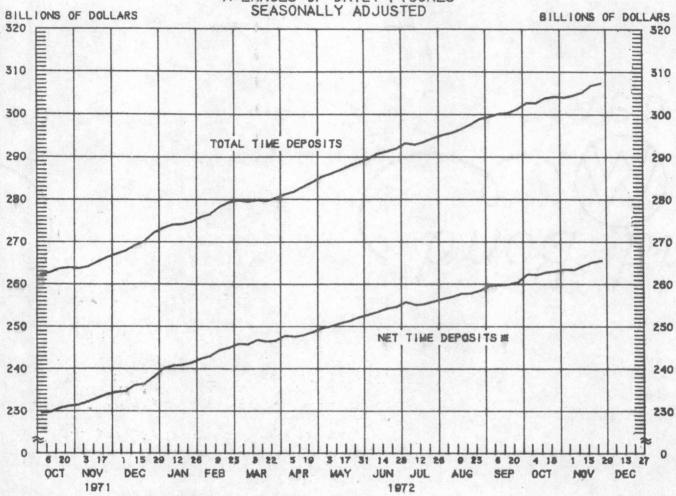




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TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:	12/1/71	3/29/72	4/26/72	5/31/72	6/28/72	7/26/72	8/30/72	9/27/72
4/28/72 5/31/72 6/28/72 7/26/72 8/30/72 9/27/72 11/ 1/72 11/29/72	8.4 7.4 7.2 8,3 7.9 7.7 7.1	5.8 5.8 8.2 7.6 7.2 6.5	4.5 8.1 7.3 7.0 6.2 6.2	11.0 8.8 8.0 6.7 6.7	10.2 8.7 7.0 6.9	5.4 4.4 4.9	3.9	4.4

TIME DEPOSITS ALL COMMERCIAL BANKS AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES

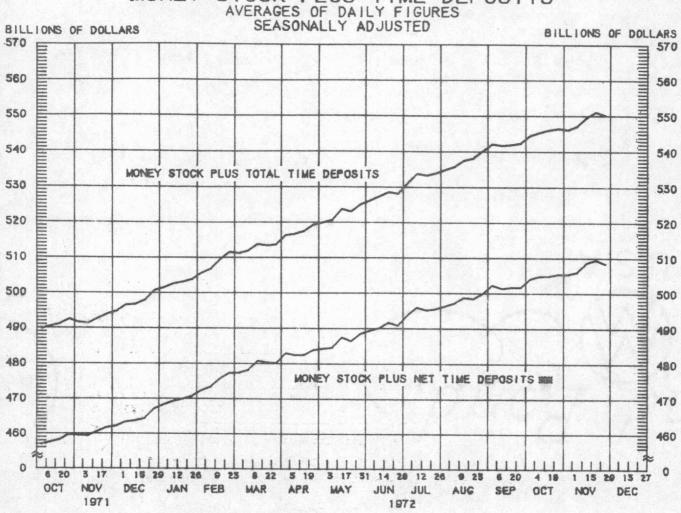


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* NET TIME DEPOSITS ARE DEFINED AS: SAVINGS DEPOSITS, TIME DEPOSITS OPEN ACCOUNT PLUS TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT OTHER THAN NEGOTIABLE TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF \$100,000 OR MORE BY LARGE WEEKLY REPORTING COMMERCIAL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

	COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:							
	12/1/71	5/29/72	4/26/72	5/31/72	6/28/72	7/26/72	8/30/72	9/27/72
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
4/26/T2 5/31/T2 6/28/T2 7/26/T2 8/30/T2 9/27/T2 11/ 1/T2	16.0 15.6 15.5 14.8 14.1 13.8 13.7 13.7	11.3 12.4 11.7 11.3 11.3	14.3 12.8 12.0 11.8 11.9	12.2 11.3 11.2 11.5	9.7 10.1 10.7 10.5	10.4	11.7	10.9
11/29/72	13.3	11.2	11,0	11.1	10.5	10.0	11.0	10.9

MONEY STOCK PLUS TIME DEPOSITS



LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: NOVEMBER 29, 1972

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

	COMPOUND	ED ANNUAL	RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF FO	UR WEEKS	ENDING:
	12/1/71	3/29/72	4/26/72	5/31/72	6/28/72	7/26/72	8/30/72	9/27/72
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
4/26/72	12.2							
5/31/72	11.5	8.6						
6/28/72	11.4	9.1	9.4					
7/26/72	11.5	10.0	10.5	11.6				
8/30/72	11.0	9.5	9.7	10.1	9.9			
9/27/72	10.8	9.3	9.4	9.7	9.5	8.0		
	10.4	9.0	9.1	9.2	8.9	7.8	7.9	
11/29/72	10.2	8.9	8.9	9.0	8.7	7.8	7.9	7.7

CERTI, CATES OF DEPOSIT LARGE COMMERCIAL BANKS WEDNESDAY FIGURES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

BILLIONS OF DOLLARS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

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

6 20 5 17 1 15 29 12 26 9 25 8 22 5 19 5 17 51 14 29 12 26 9 25 6 20 4 18 1 15 29 15 27 OCT NOV DEC JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

1972

	BILLIONS						
1972	GF DEPOSIT	DEPOSITS #	M 5 3886				
OCT. 4 11 18 25 NOV. 1 8 15 22 29 DEC. 6 13 20 27	40.4 40.5 41.0 41.0 40.6 41.1 40.8 41.6 41.8	262. 2 262. 1 262. 7 263. 0 263. 4 263. 3 264. 3 265. 1 265. 5	504.0 504.8 504.9 505.4 506.0 508.6 509.4 509.3				

* SEE FOOTNOTE PAGE 8.

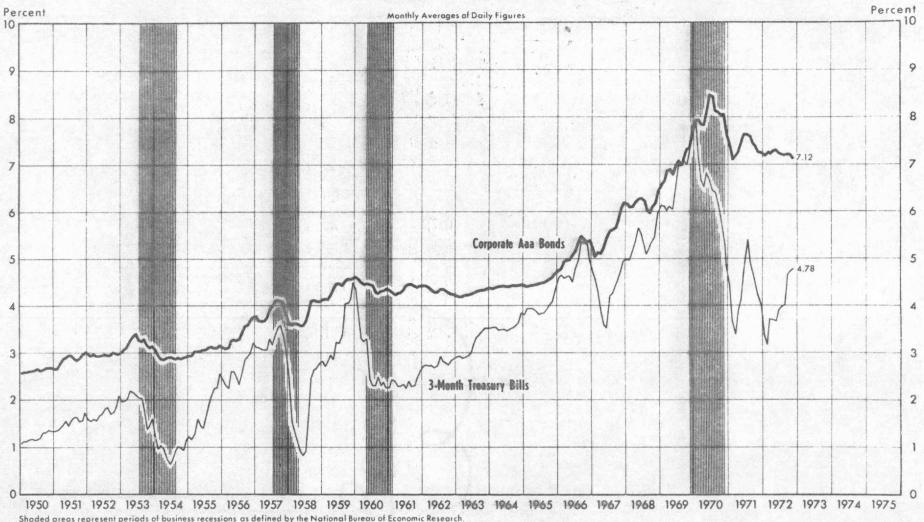
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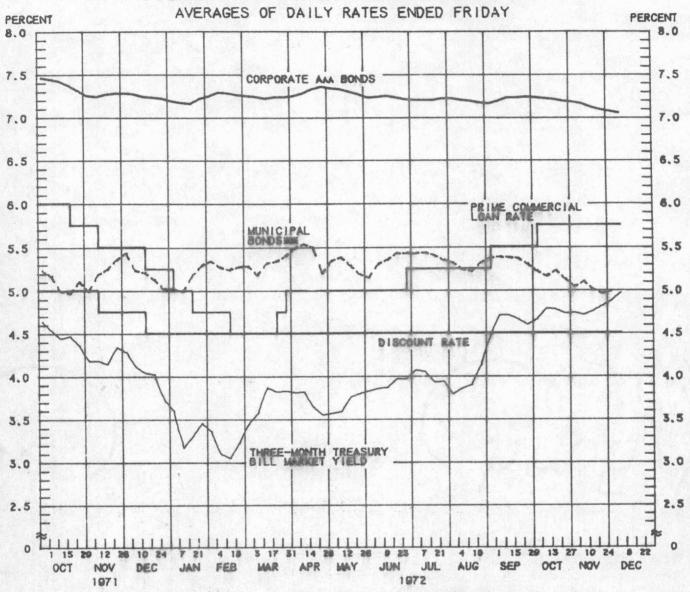
Interest Rates



Shaded areas represent periods of business recessions as defined by the National Bureau of Economic Research. Latest data plotted: November

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YIELDS ON SELECTED SECURITIES



LATEST DATA PLOTTED ARE AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE FOR THE WEEK ENDING: DECEMBER 8, 1972

1972	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	S-MONTH TREASURY BILLS	3-5 YEAR COVERNMENT SECURITIES	COVERNMENT SECURITIES	MUNICIPAL BONDS NOK
OCT. 6 13 20 27 NOV. 3 10 17 24 DEC. 1 8 # 15 22 29	7.23 7.22 7.21 7.19 7.18 7.16 7.12 7.09 7.07 7.05	4.66 4.79 4.78 4.73 4.74 4.71 4.76 4.82 4.88 4.97	6.11 6.10 6.11 6.10 6.10 6.05 6.00 6.02 6.02 6.04 6.05	5.73 5.71 5.70 5.65 5.59 5.51 5.47 5.48 5.53 5.57	5.22 5.16 5.23 5.13 5.04 5.10 5.01 4.96 4.99 N.A.

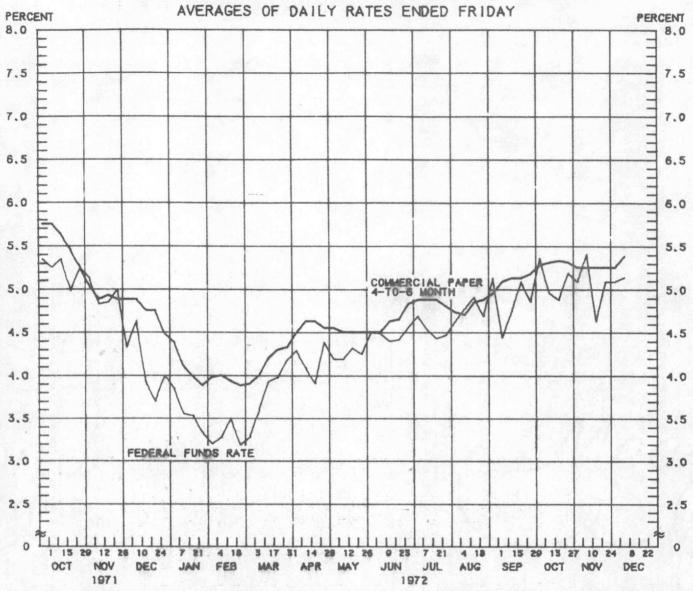
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WHE BOND BUYER'S AVERAGE INDEX OF 20 MUNICIPAL BONDS, THURSDAY DATA.

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SELECTED SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATES



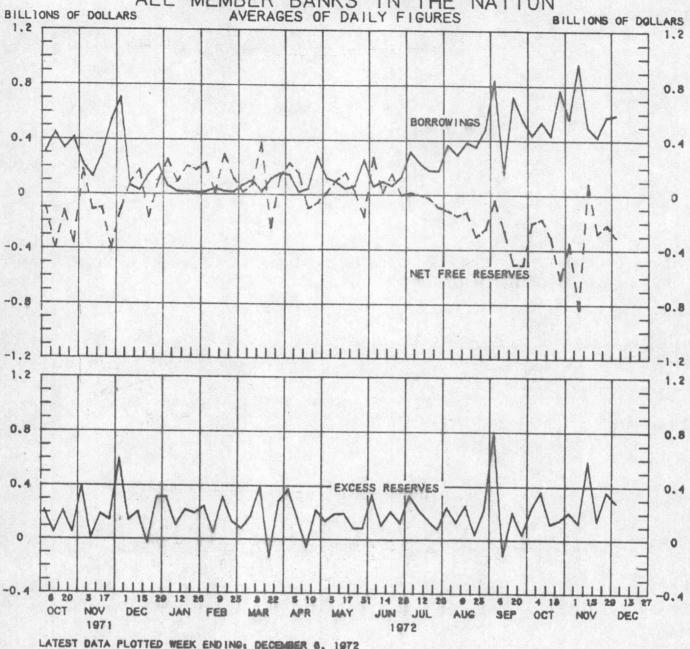
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1972	PRIME COMMERCIAL FAPER 4-6 MONTH	FEDERAL FUNDS	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	90 DAY
OCT. 6 13 20 27 NOV. 3 10 17 24 DEC. 1 8 # 15 22 29	5.28 5.31 5.33 5.31 5.25 5.25 5.25 5.25 5.25	5.36 4.96 4.88 5.19 5.09 5.41 4.63 5.09 5.09 5.14	4.95 5.00 5.10 5.13 5.10 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00	5.20 5.23 5.29 5.26 5.21 5.21 5.21 5.25 5.22

** AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE. FEDERAL FUNDS LAST FIVE DAYS AVAILABLE *** DATA ARE SECONDARY MARKET RATES, WEEKLY AVERAGES ENDING WEDNESDAY TWO DAYS EARLIER. CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' H.9 RELEASE.

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	MILLIONS						
1972	EXCESS RESERVES	BORROWINGS	FREE RESERVES				
OCT. 4 11 18 25 NOV. 1 8 15 22 29 DEC. 6 13 20 27	230 358 121 150 205 124 579 142 354 278	436 535 434 765 555 959 494 421 572 587	- 206 - 177 - 313 - 615 - 350 - 835 - 279 - 218 - 309				