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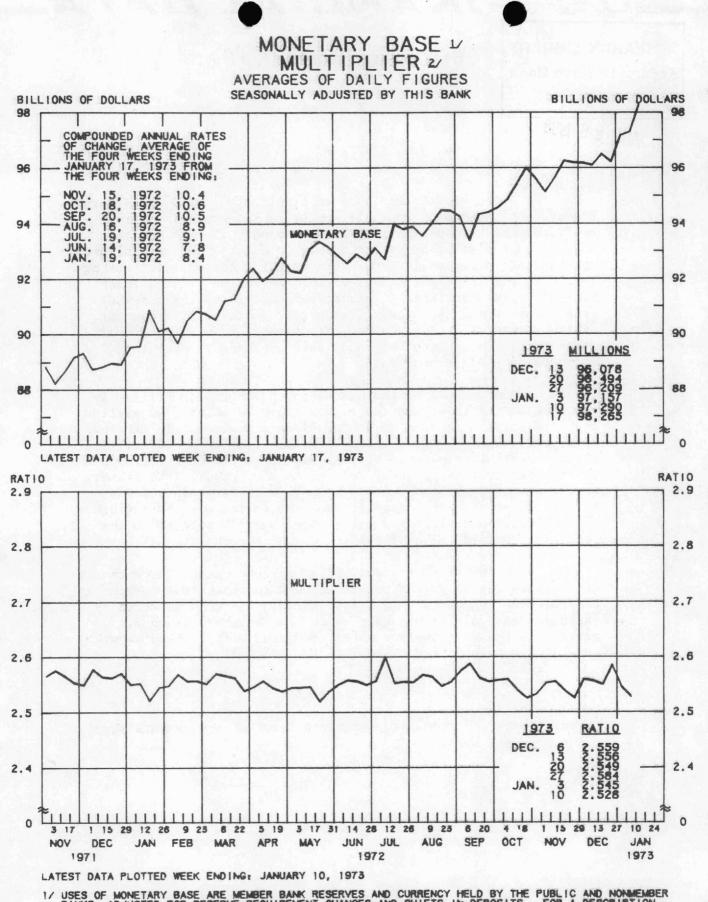
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The discount rate, the interest rate charged by Federal Reserve Banks on loans to their member banks, was raised from 4-1/2 percent to 5 percent, effective January 15. This rate change was the first adjustment since December 1971, and followed substantial increases in short-term market interest rates during 1972. In the first three days of this week, the Federal funds rate averaged 6 percent, 1 percentage point above the discount rate. Last week, the Federal funds rate averaged 5.63 percent, over one percentage point above the discount rate. For comparison, a year ago the Federal funds rate averaged 1 percentage point below the discount rate.

Member bank borrowings averaged about \$1.3 billion in the week ending this Wednesday, compared with about \$700 million and \$1.8 billion in each of the previous two weeks. In December 1972, borrowings averaged about \$1 billion, up from \$107 million in the previous December. An increase in member bank borrowings contributes to the growth of Federal Reserve credit (the primary source component of the monetary base), which in turn has expansionary effects on the money stock. The increase in borrowings of \$900 million during 1972 contributed over 20 percent to the total increase in the source base^{*} during the year.

The money stock, defined as private demand deposits and currency in the hands of the public, has increased 8.2 percent in the past twelve months. This rapid growth has been fostered by a rapid increase of the monetary base. The base has risen 8.4 percent in the past twelve months, compared with a trend growth rate of 5.8 percent from late 1966 to late 1971.

Source base adjusted for changes in reserve requirements equals the monetary base.

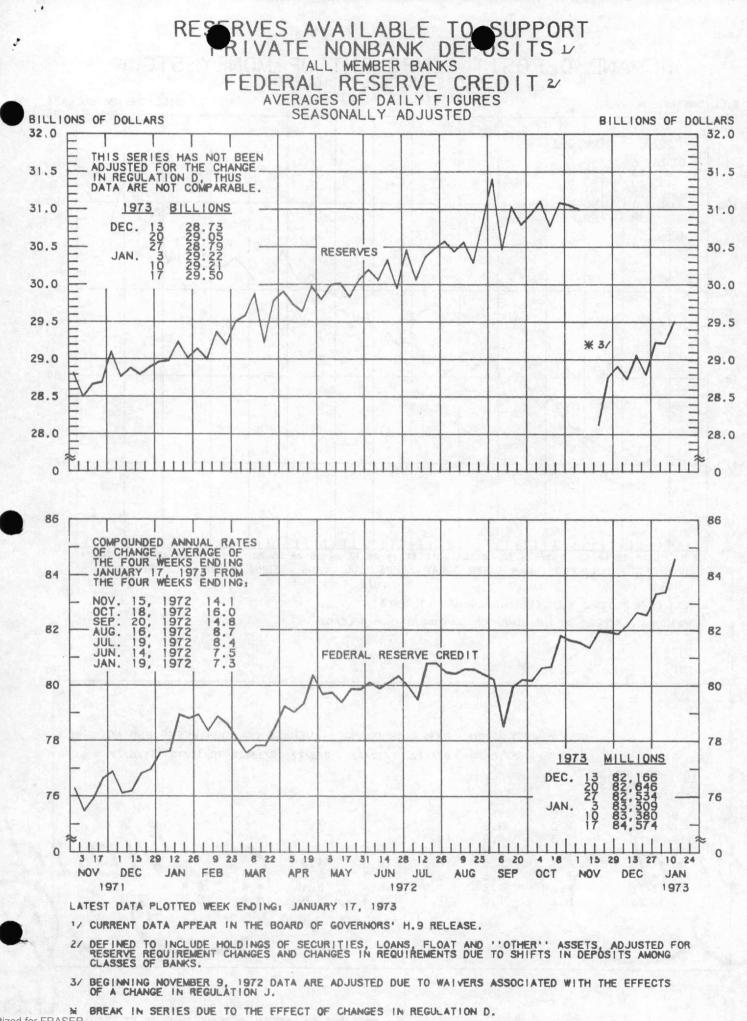


1/ USES OF MONETARY BASE ARE MEMBER BANK RESERVES AND CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC AND NONMEMBER BANKS, ADJUSTED FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENT CHANGES AND SHIFTS IN DEPOSITS. FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE BASE SEE THE AUGUST 1966 'REVIEW' OF THIS BANK.

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

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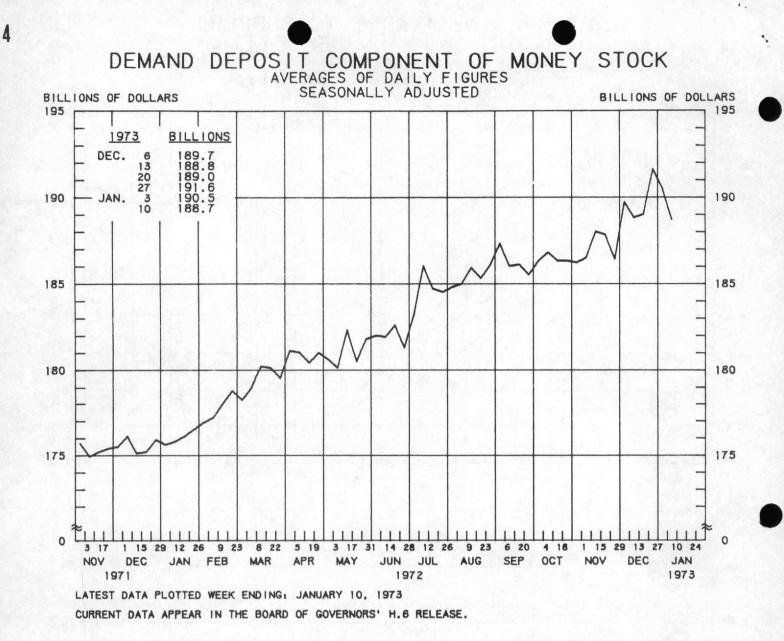


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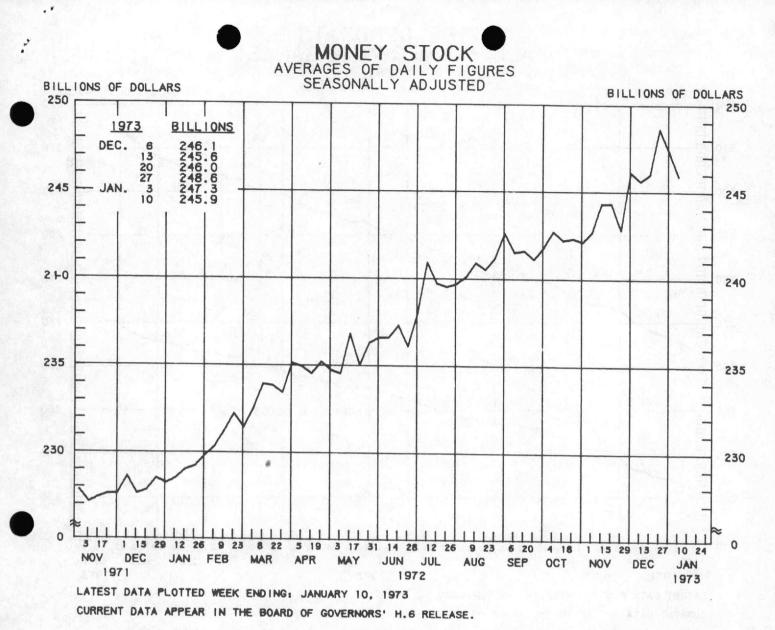
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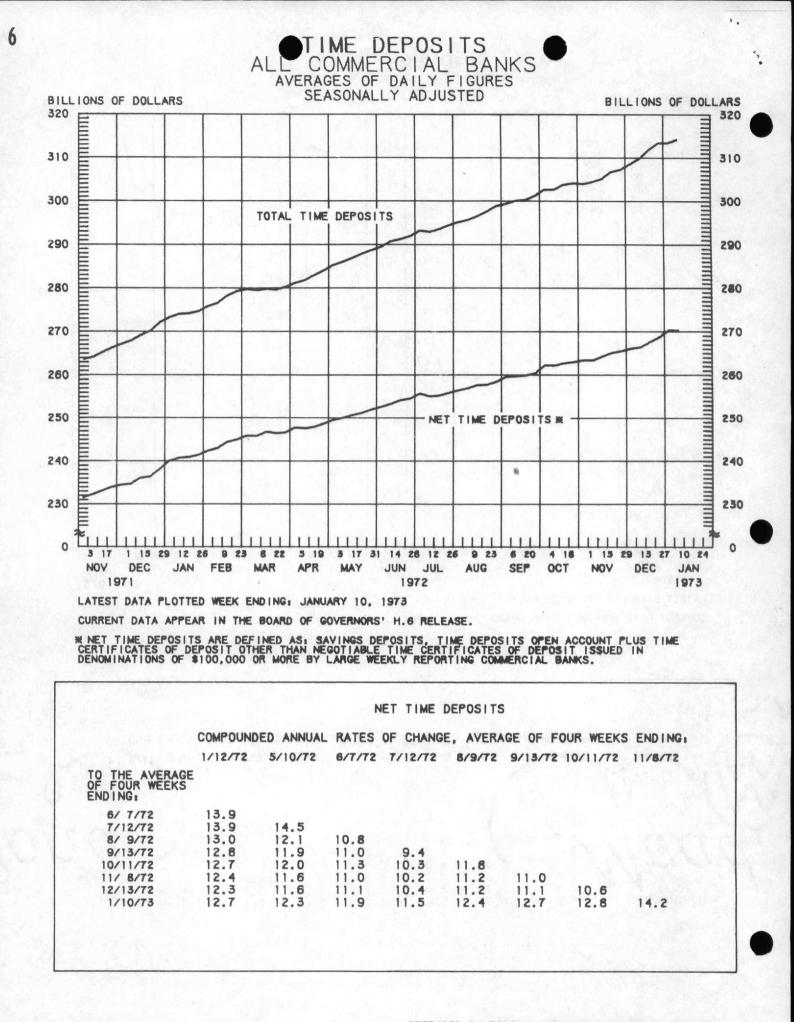
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	1/12/72	5/10/72	6/7/72	7/12/72	8/9/72	9/13/72	10/11/72	11/8/72
O THE AVERAGE F FOUR WEEKS								
6/ 7/72	8.8							
7/12/72	9.0 9.3	9.3	10 3					
8/ 9/72 9/13/72	9.1	9.4	10.3	9.5				
10/11/72	8.1	7.6	7.3	6.5	4.5			
11/ 8/72	7.4	6.5	6.1	5.1	3.3	0.3		
12/13/72	7.8	7.3	7.0	6.4	5.4	4.4	6.4	
1/10/73	8.2	7.9	7.8	7.4	6.8	6.4	8.4	12.0



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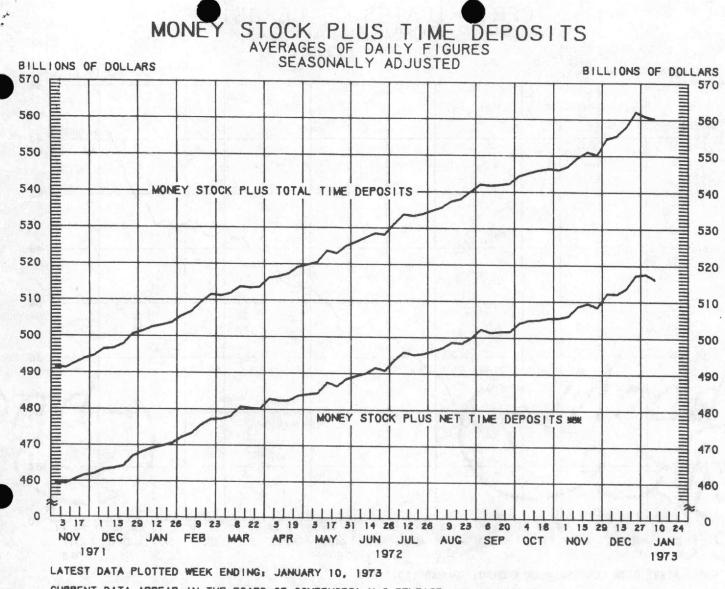
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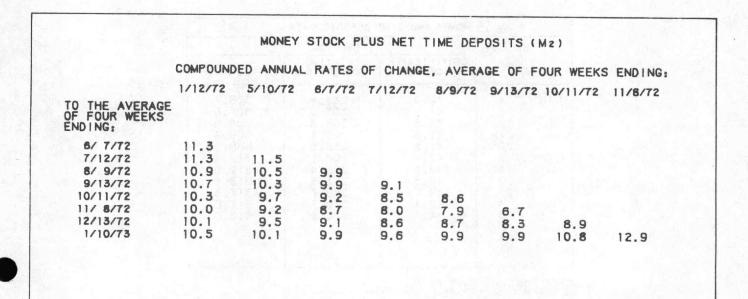
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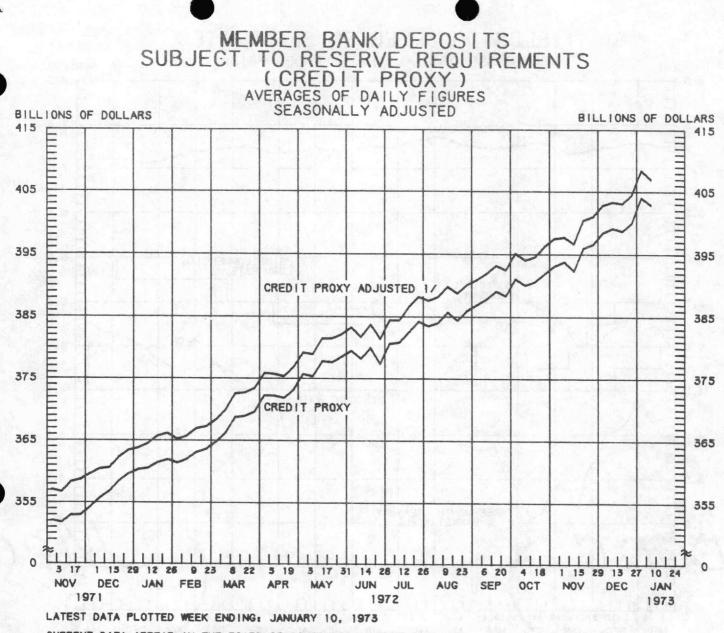
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NEGOTIABLE TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF \$100,000 OR MORE BY LARGE WEEKLY REPORTING COMMERCIAL BANKS.

	BILLIONS				
1973	OF DEPOSIT	NET TIME DEPOSITS #	M 2 386		
NOV. 1 8 15 22 29 DEC. 6 13 20 27 JAN. 3 10 17 24 31	40.6 41.1 40.8 41.6 41.8 42.4 43.5 44.3 44.7 43.1 44.1	263.4 263.3 264.3 265.5 265.5 266.1 266.4 267.6 268.7 270.3 270.1	505.4 506.0 508.6 509.4 508.3 512.2 512.0 513.6 517.3 517.6 516.0		

* SEE FOOTNOTE PAGE 6.

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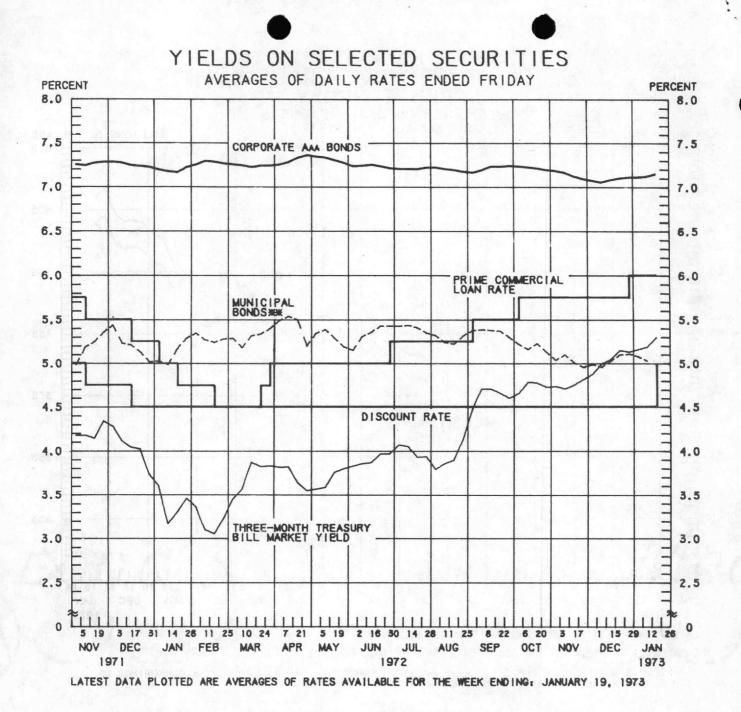


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1/ INCLUDES MEMBER BANK DEPOSITS, BANK-RELATED COMMERCIAL PAPER, EURODOLLAR BORROWINGS OF U.S. BANKS, AND CERTAIN OTHER NONDEPOSIT SOURCES.

1973	BILLIONS	COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF THE FOUR WEEKS ENDING JANUARY 10, 1973 FROM THE FOUR
1.1.1	CREDIT	WEEKS ENDING:
	CREDIT PROXY PROXY ADJUSTED	CREDIT CREDIT PROXY PROXY ADJUSTED
DEC. 6	398.4 402.8 399.1 403.3	NOV. 8, 1972 14.0 14.2
20 27	398.6 403.0 400.0 404.5	OCT. 11, 1972 12.7 12.8 SEP. 13, 1972 12.4 12.5
JAN. 3	404.0 408.4 402.8 406.9	AUG. 9, 1972 11.4 11.4 JUL. 12, 1972 11.8 11.9
		JUN. 7, 1972 10.5 10.6 JAN. 12, 1972 11.6 11.6

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1973	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	3-MONTH TREASURY BILLS	3-5 YEAR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	MUNICIPAL BONDS WHK
NOV. 3 10 17 24 DEC. 1 8 15 22 29 JAN. 5 12 19 * 26	7.18 7.16 7.12 7.09 7.07 7.05 7.08 7.10 7.11 7.11 7.12 7.15	4.74 4.71 4.76 4.82 4.88 5.00 5.05 5.15 5.15 5.15 5.13 5.16 5.19 5.30	6.10 6.05 6.00 6.02 6.04 6.05 6.04 6.09 6.12 6.16 6.22 6.25	5.59 5.51 5.47 5.48 5.53 5.57 5.60 5.68 5.70 5.72 5.83 5.91	5.04 5.10 5.01 4.99 4.99 4.96 5.03 5.10 5.11 5.08 5.03 N.A.

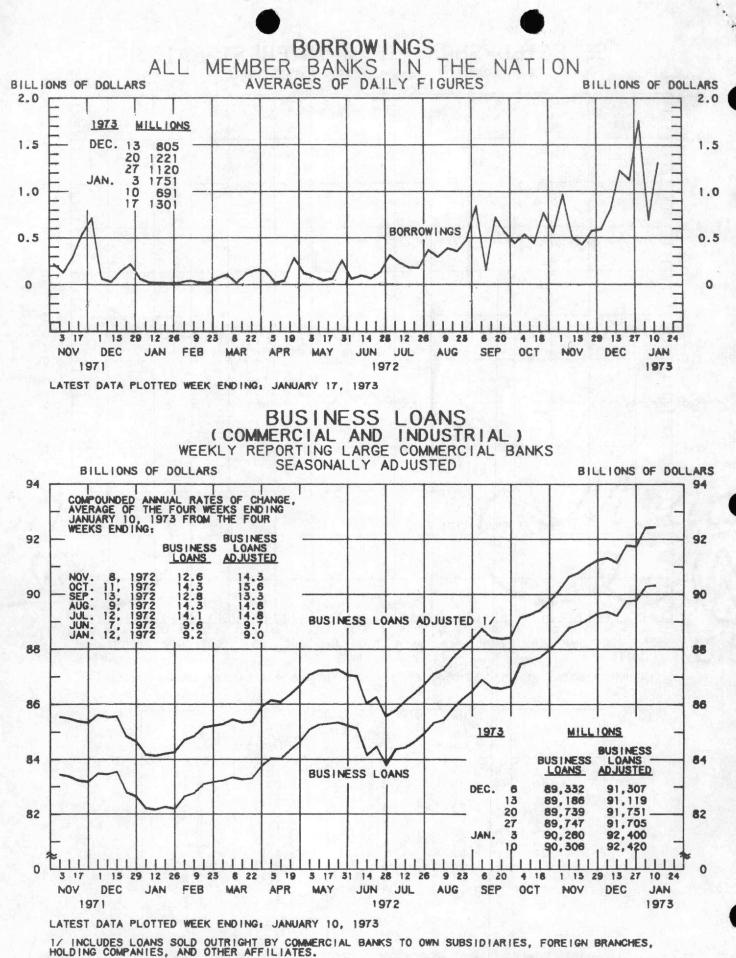
* AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE. *** BOND BUYER'S AVERAGE INDEX OF 20 MUNICIPAL BONDS, THURSDAY DATA. N.A. - NOT AVAILABLE



1973	PRIME COMMERCIAL PAPER 4-6 MONTH	FEDERAL FUNDS	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	90 DAY CD'S HEN
NOV. 3 10 17 24 DEC. 1 8 15 22 29 JAN. 5 12 19 26	5.25 5.25 5.25 5.25 5.25 5.25 5.25 5.38 5.40 5.50 5.59 5.63 5.63 5.75	5.09 5.41 4.63 5.09 5.09 5.13 5.39 5.41 5.41 5.75 5.63 5.90	5.10 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.10 5.13 5.20 5.25 5.38 5.43 5.54	5.21 5.19 5.25 5.25 5.23 5.31 5.40 5.50 5.60 5.68 5.72

* 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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