U.S. FINANCIAL DATA.

Week ending: January 23, 1974

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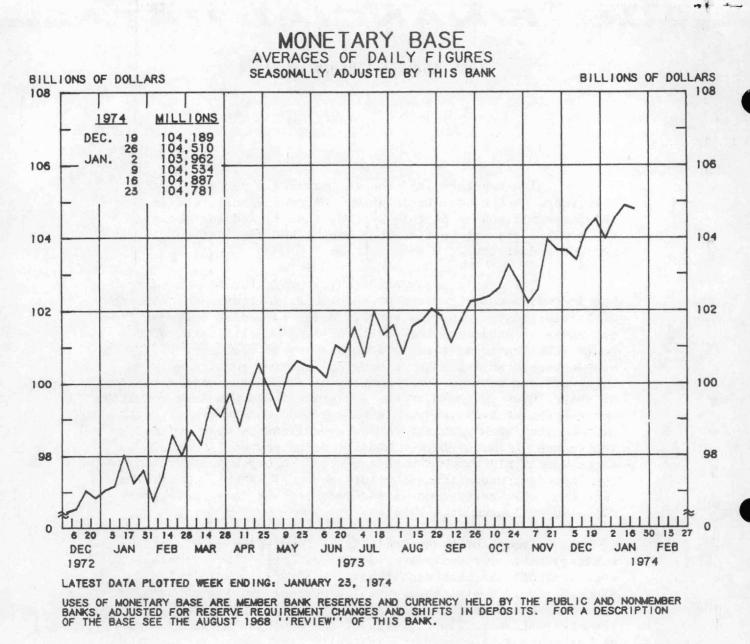
> The monetary base has increased 7.4 percent in the past year. The base rose at an 8.4 percent annual rate in the first six months of this period, then slowed for about two months, and in the last four months has risen at an 8.7 percent annual rate.

The credit proxy adjusted, a proxy for bank credit, has increased sharply since mid-December, following three months of little growth. On a seasonally adjusted basis, both the credit proxy adjusted and the volume of large certificates of deposit (CDs) expanded rapidly from January to September 1973. In mid-September an increase in marginal reserve requirements on large CDs and certain other sources of bank funds raised the cost of these funds to banks at the same time there was some reduction in demands for bank loans. In the period from September until mid-December when marginal reserve requirements were reduced, the volume of large CDs, seasonally adjusted, declined and there was little expansion in the credit proxy adjusted. In the last four weeks the volume of these CDs is up \$2.3 billion from the four weeks ended in mid-December and the credit proxy adjusted has risen \$6.4 billion.

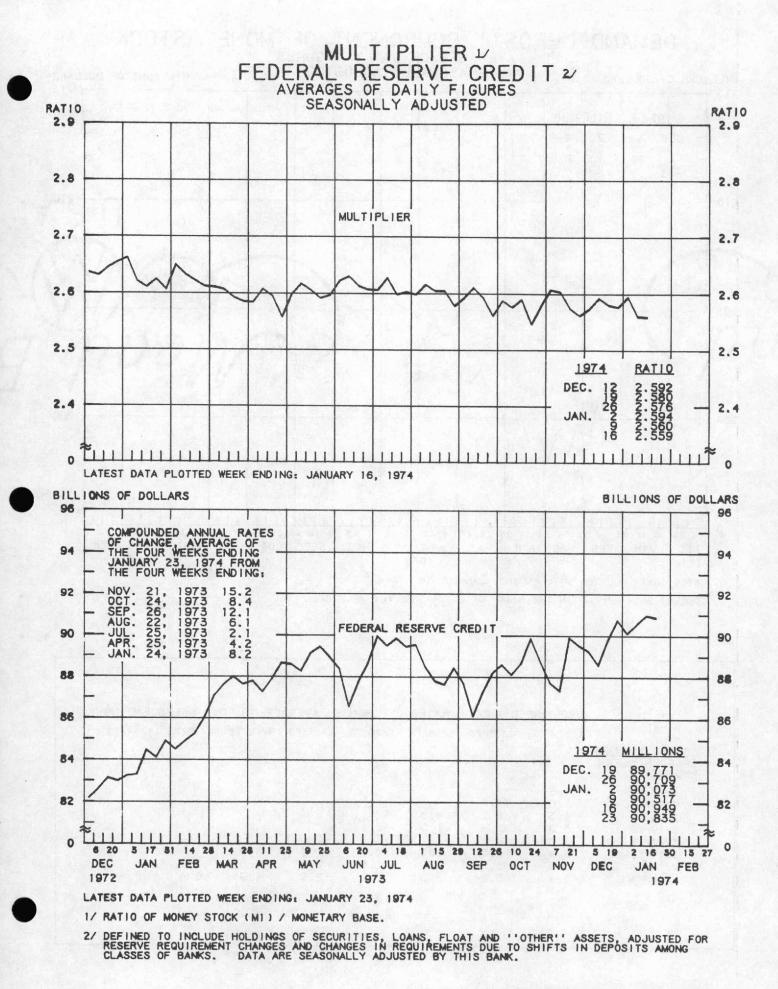
Growth of bank credit is influenced by growth of the monetary base over periods of a year or more. For example, both the base and bank credit have expanded at rapid rates since early 1970--the base at a 7.5 percent average annual rate and bank credit at a 12 percent average annual rate. In the previous year, 1969, growth of the base was markedly slower, as was that of bank credit. Typically, the growth rate of the base is more similar to that of money, measured as demand deposits and currency in the hands of the public, than it is to the growth rate of bank credit.

The Federal funds rate has averaged 9.75 percent in the past four weeks, down from 10.78 percent in September. The Federal Reserve discount rate has remained 7.5 percent during this period. Hence, the spread between the cost of these two sources of funds to banks has decreased. Member bank borrowings from Federal Reserve Banks averaged \$1 billion in the four weeks ended January 23, down from an average of \$1.9 billion in the four weeks ended September 26.

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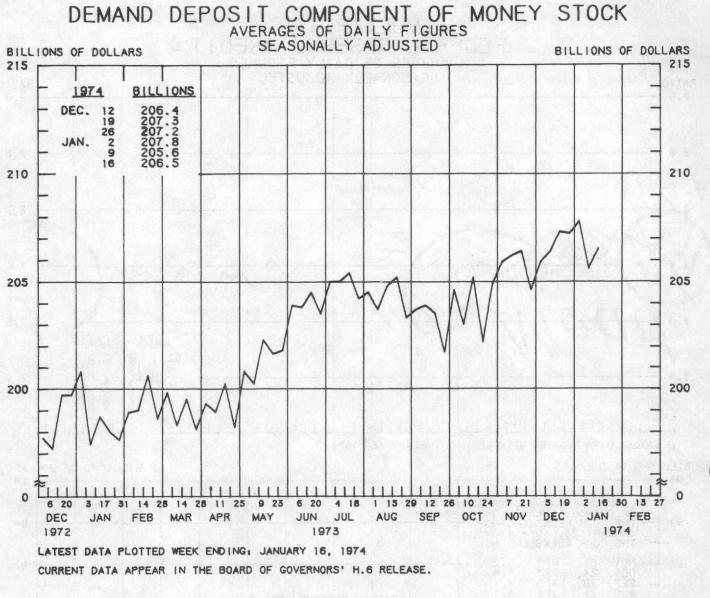


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6/20/73	8.2							
7/25/73	8.4	6.9						
8/22/73	7.3	5.3	5.2					
9/26/73	6.7	4.8	4.5	1.9	1000			
10/24/73	7.3	6.0	6.2	5.0	7.1	0000234		
11/21/73	6.9	5.6	5.6	4.5	5.8	7.5	1.1	
12/26/73	7.3	6.4	6.6	6.0	7.3	9.0	7.5	
1/23/74	7.4	6.5	6.8	6.3	7.4	8.7	7.7	9.8



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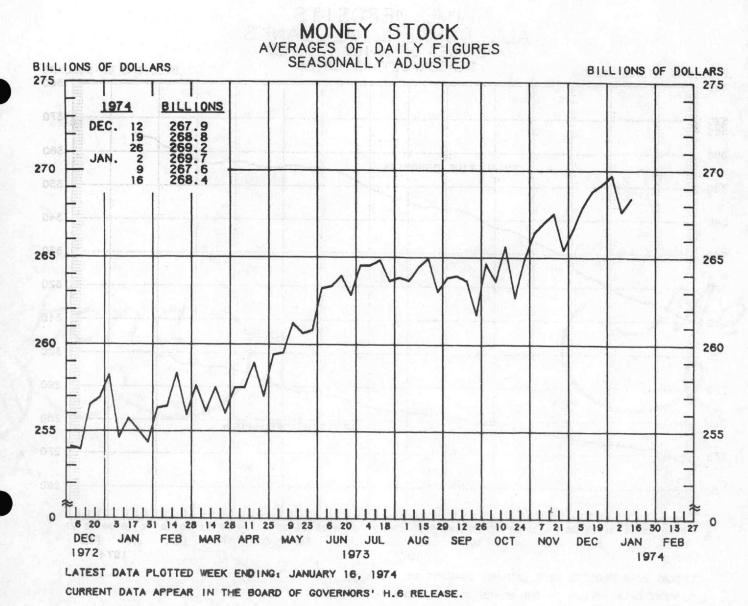
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	1/17/73	4/18/73	6/13/73	7/18/73	8/15/73	9/19/73	10/17/73	11/14/73
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
6/13/73 7/18/73 8/15/73 9/19/73 10/17/73	4.5 5.6 4.5 3.3 3.0	11.7 8.2 5.4 4.6	4.3 1.5 1.1	-3.1	-2.0			
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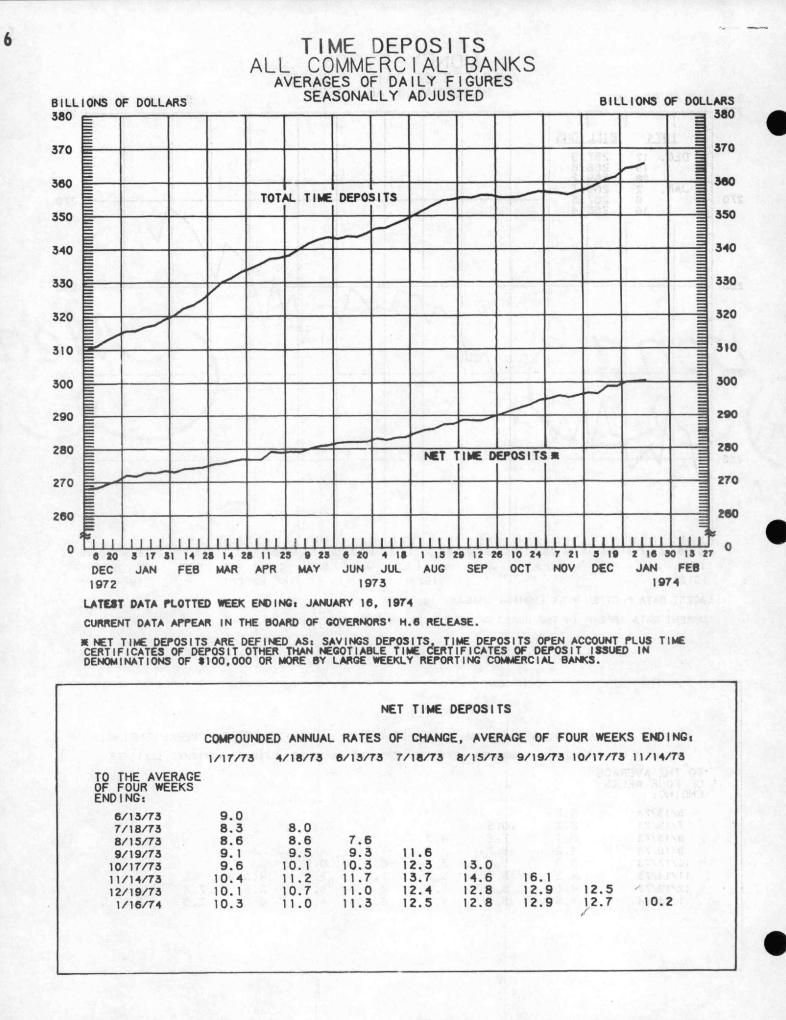
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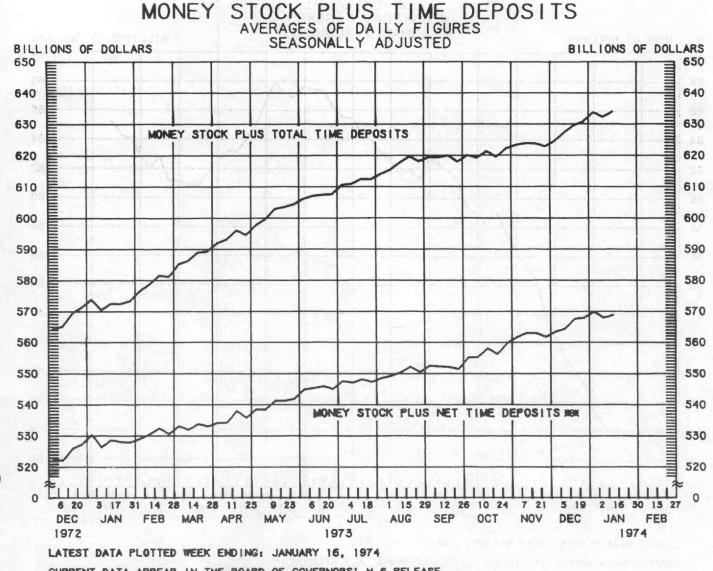
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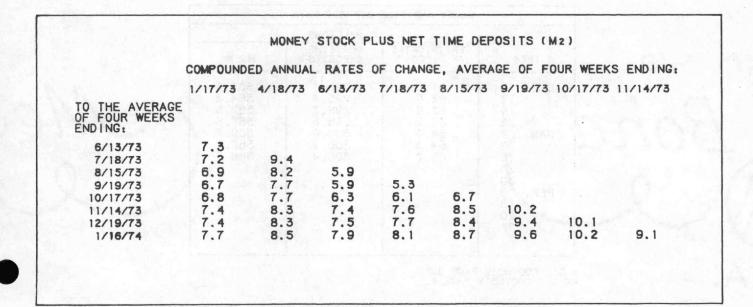


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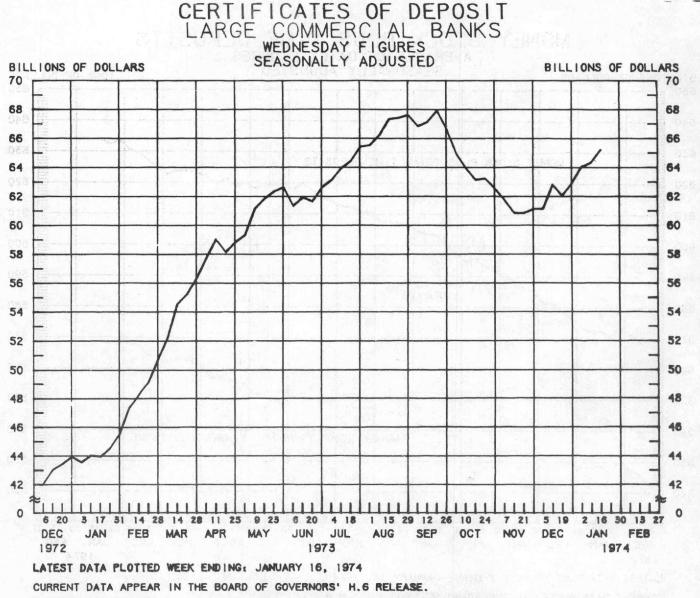


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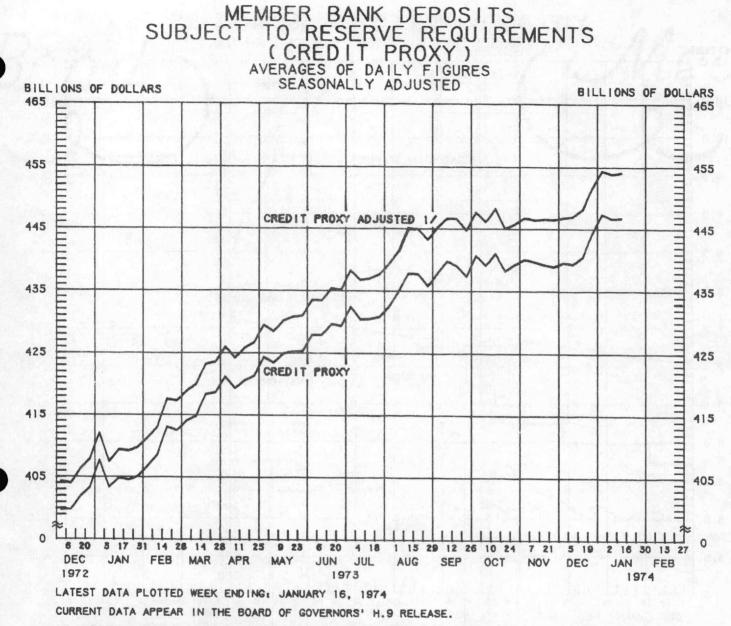
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1974	OF DEPOSIT	NET TIME DEPOSITS *	M 2 308
DEC. 5 12 19 26 23 16 23 50 FEB. 6 13 20 27	61.1 62.8 62.0 62.9 64.0 64.3 65.2	296.7 296.4 298.7 298.6 300.0 300.1 300.4	563.3 564.3 567.5 567.5 569.7 569.7 568.7

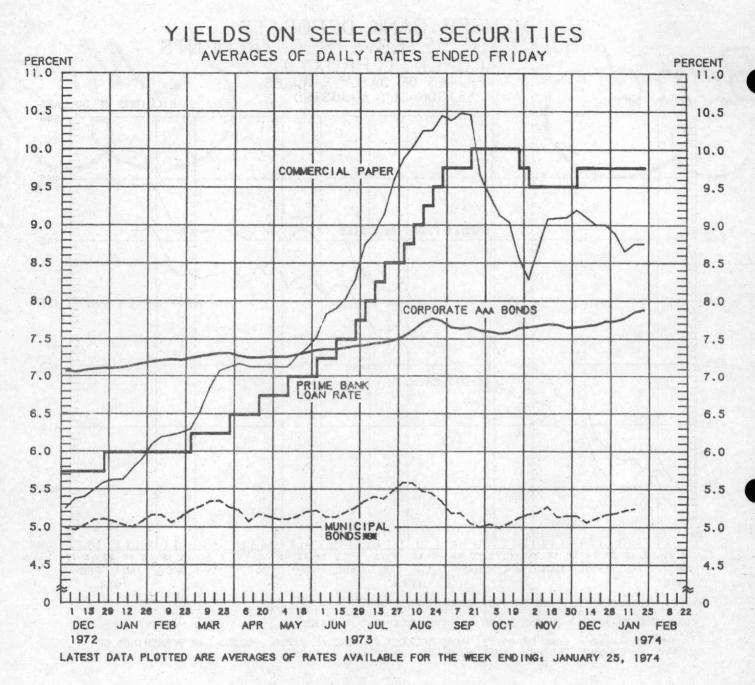
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1/ INCLUDES MEMBER BANK DEPOSITS, BANK-RELATED COMMERCIAL PAPER, EURODOLLAR BORROWINGS OF U.S. BANKS, AND CERTAIN OTHER NONDEPOSIT SOURCES.

1974	BILLIONS	COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF THE FOUR WEEKS ENDING JANUARY 16, 1974 FROM THE FOUR WEEKS ENDING:
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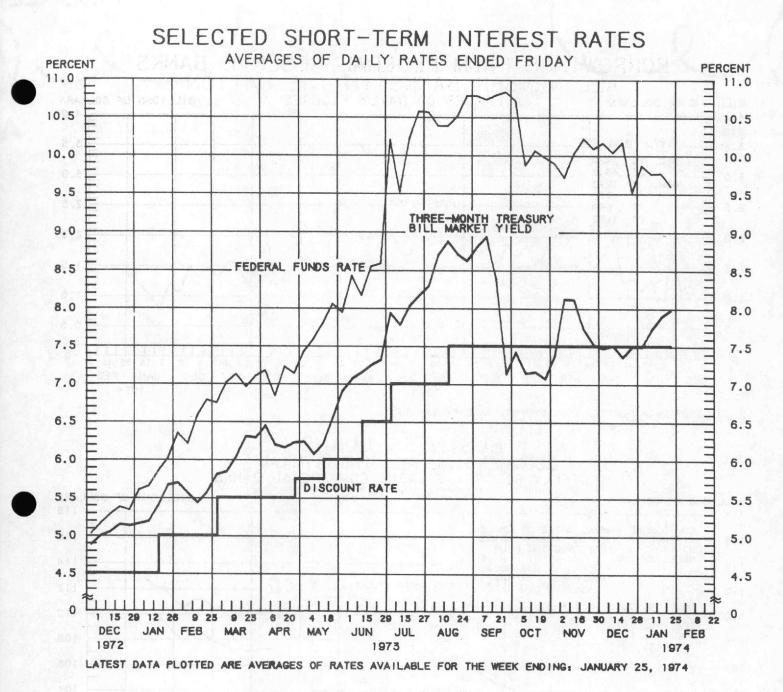
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1974	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	PRIME COMMERCIAL PAPER 4-6 MONTH	3-5 YEAR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	MUNICIPAL BONDS 3686
DEC. 7 14 21 28 JAN. 4 11 18 25 * FEB. 1 8 15 22	7.65 7.67 7.68 7.73 7.73 7.77 7.85 7.88	9.20 9.10 9.00 9.00 8.88 8.65 8.75 8.75 8.75	6.90 6.76 6.73 6.83 6.83 6.88 6.94 7.04	6.31 6.30 6.34 6.47 6.52 6.57 6.57 6.57	5.15 5.06 5.11 5.16 5.18 5.22 5.24 N.A.

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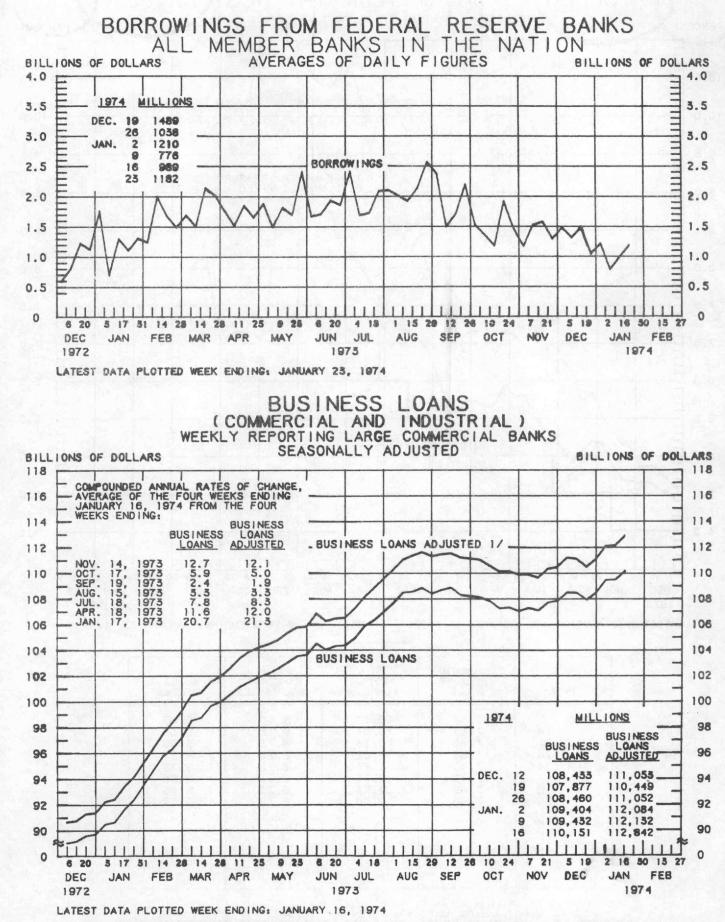
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1974	3-MONTH TREASURY BILLS	FEDERAL FUNDS MEM	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	90 DAY CD'S ###
DEC. 7 14 21 28 JAN. 4 11 18 25 * FEB. 1 8 15 22	7.47 7.51 7.35 7.50 7.49 7.72 7.89 7.98	10.17 10.04 10.18 9.52 9.87 9.76 9.77 9.60	9.10 9.15 8.75 8.75 8.75 8.75 8.75 8.75 8.75	9.43 9.50 9.09 9.23 9.19 9.08 9.15 9.12
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