

Week ending: October 23, 1974

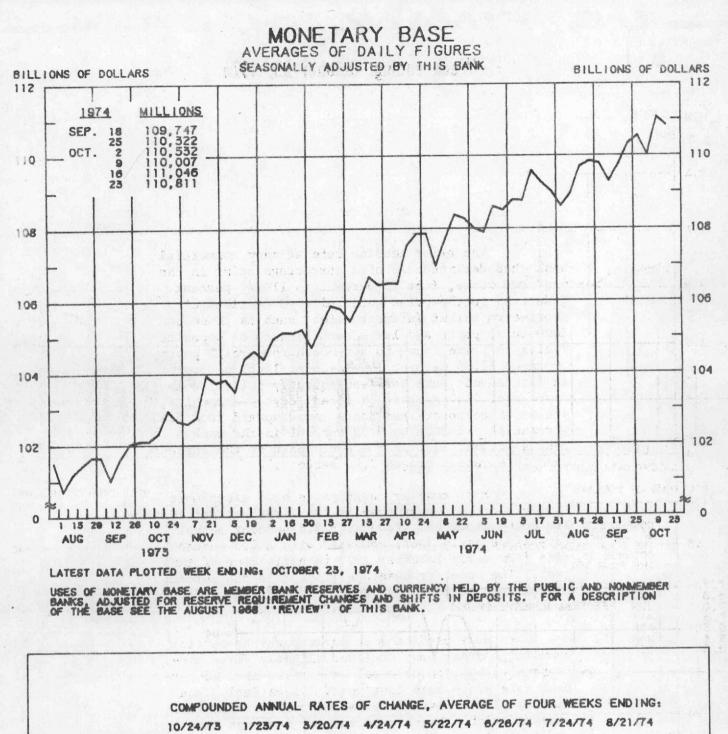
FINANCIAL DATA

The prime lending rate at many commercial banks has declined 3/4 of a percentage point in the past two weeks, from 12 percent to 11-1/4 percent. Reduction in the prime rate followed declines of short-term market interest rates, such as those on commercial paper and large certificates of deposit. Yields on prime four- to six-month commercial paper averaged 11.95 percent in mid-July, 11.85 percent in late August, and have subsequently fallen to an average of 9.00 percent in recent days. Meanwhile, yields on corporate Aaa bonds moved upward from 8.40 percent in mid-June to 9.38 percent in the week ending October 11. In the early part of the current week this rate averaged 9.22 percent.

Most monetary aggregates have risen more slowly since mid-year than in the first half of 1974. The money stock has grown at a 2.5 percent annual rate since early June, compared with a 6.3 percent rate from early December 1973 to early June of this year. The monetary base has risen at a 6.8 percent annual rate since early June, compared with a 7.6 percent rate in the previous six months.

Business loans at large weekly reporting commercial banks have declined slightly since mid-September, but, on balance, have risen at a 25 percent rate since late last year. Since early June business loans have increased at a 19 percent rate, compared with a 24 percent rate of increase in the previous six months.

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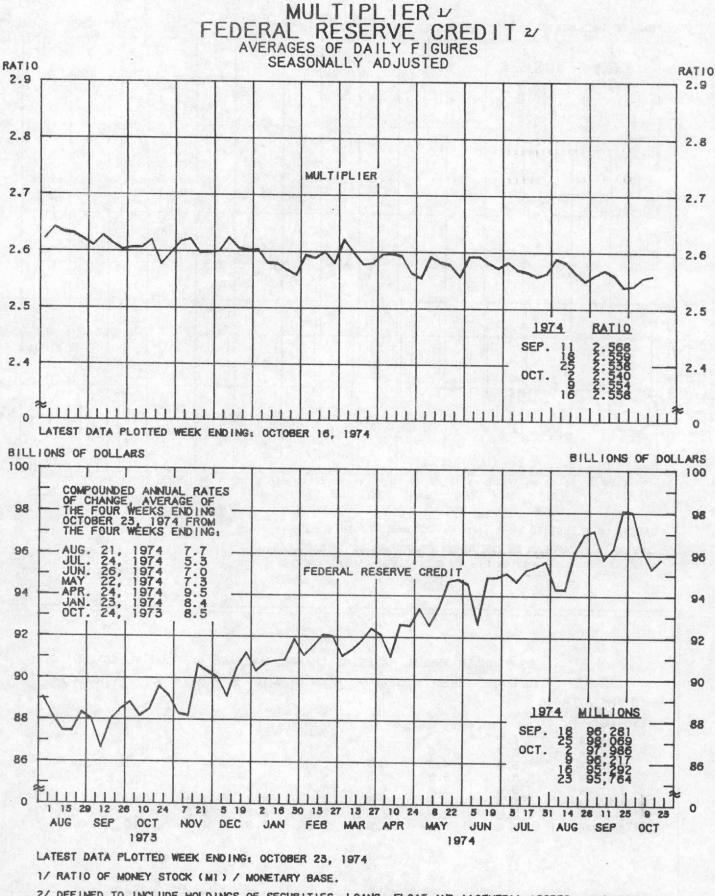


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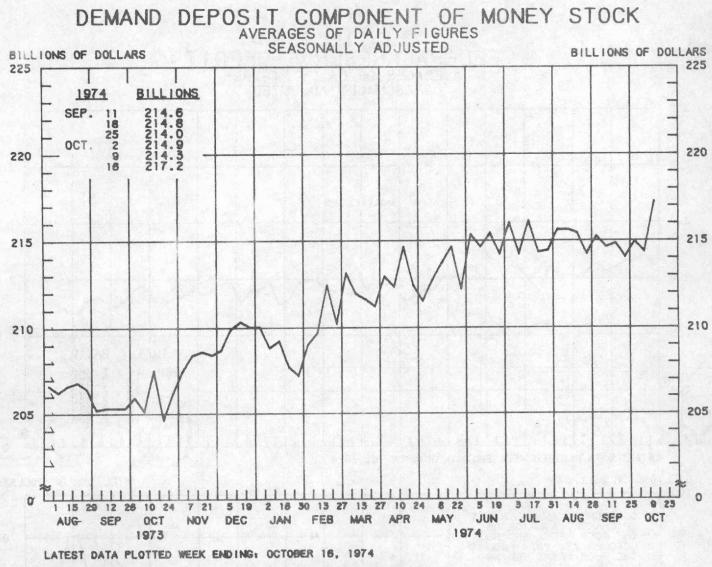
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3/20/74	8.9								
4/24/74	9.4	8.5							
5/22/74	9.2	8.5	10.0						
8/28/74	8.6	7.7	8.3	6.4		Section 1.			
7/24/74	8.8	8.2	8.8	7.7	7.5				
8/21/74	8.0	7.0	7.1	5.8	5.1	5.0			
9/25/74	7.9	7.0	7.1	6.1	5.6	5.8	3.8	100	
10/23/74	8.1	7.3	7.5	5.7	6.4	6.8	5.7	8.5	

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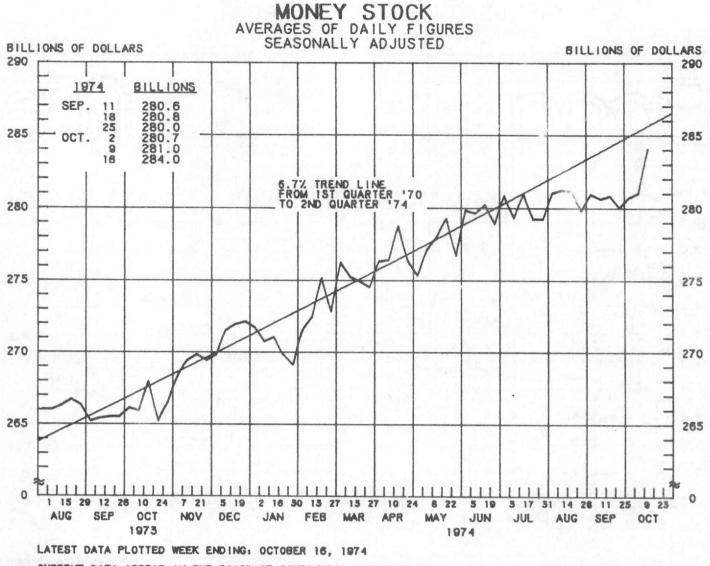
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	COMPOUND	ED ANNUA	L RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF FO	OUR WEEKS	S ENDING:
	10/17/73	1/16/74	3/13/74	4/17/74	5/15/74	6/19/74	7/17/74	8/14/74
TO THE AVERA	AGE							
3/13/74 4/17/74 5/15/74	7.2 6.7 5.6	6.5 4.6	1.9					
8/19/74	6.1	5.6	4.5	4.4				
7/17/74 8/14/74	5.9	5.4	4.4	4.4	7.0	1.8		
9/18/74	4.6	3.7	2.6	2.1	2.9	0.6	-1.1	
10/16/74	4.4	3.6	2.5	2.2	2.8	1.0	0.0	0.3

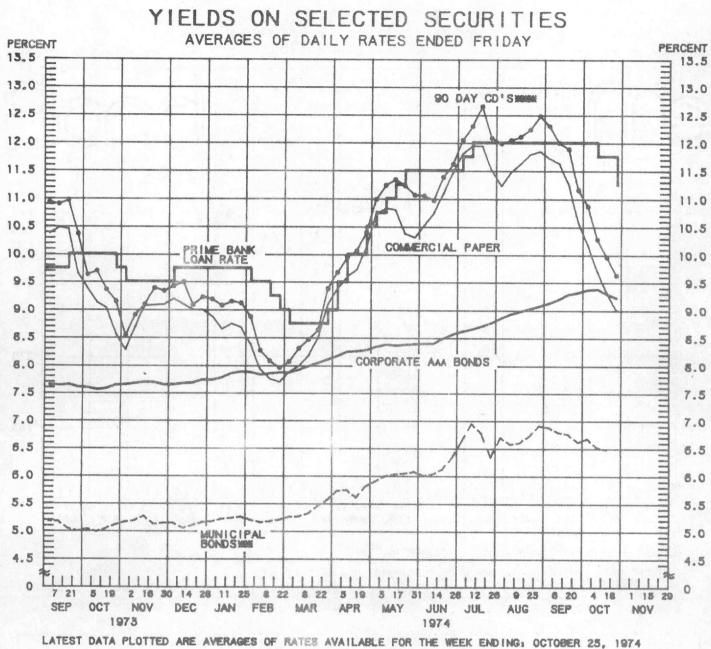
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3/13/74	8.0							
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5/15/74	6.8	6.1	4.1					
6/19/74	7.2	6.8	5.9	5.6				
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8/14/74	6.3	5.7	4.7	4.1	5.2	2.6		
9/18/74	5.7	5.0	4.0	3.5	4.0	2.0	1.0	
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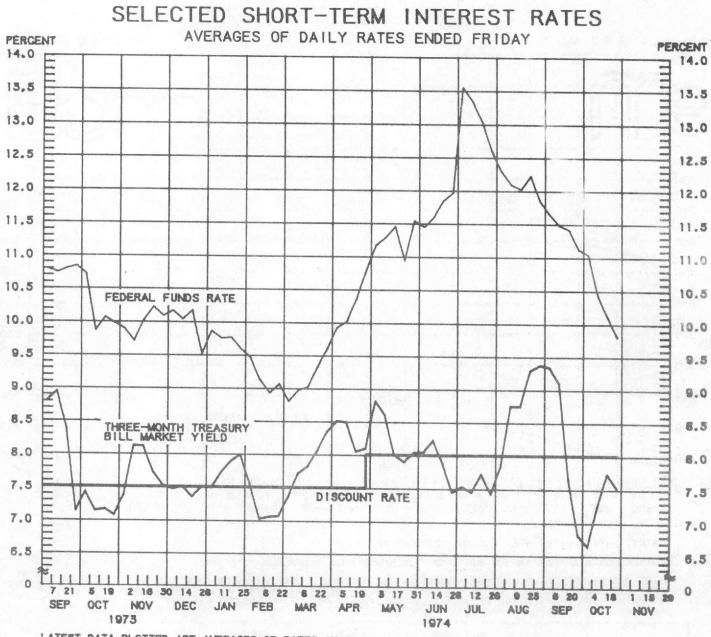
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1974	SO DAY CD'S MOREN	PRIME COMMERCIAL PAPER 4-6 MONTH	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	MUNICIPAL BONDS NOR
SEP. 6 13 20 27 OCT. 4 11 18 25 ¥ NOV. 1 15 22 29	12.30 12.00 11.89 11.16 10.87 10.28 9.96 9.63	11.72 11.63 11.25 10.58 10.18 9.70 9.31 9.00	11.79 11.46 10.95 10.36 9.79 9.61 9.31 9.16	9.13 9.29 9.32 9.37 9.38 9.29 9.29 9.22	6.88 6.79 6.62 6.68 6.52 6.48 N.A.

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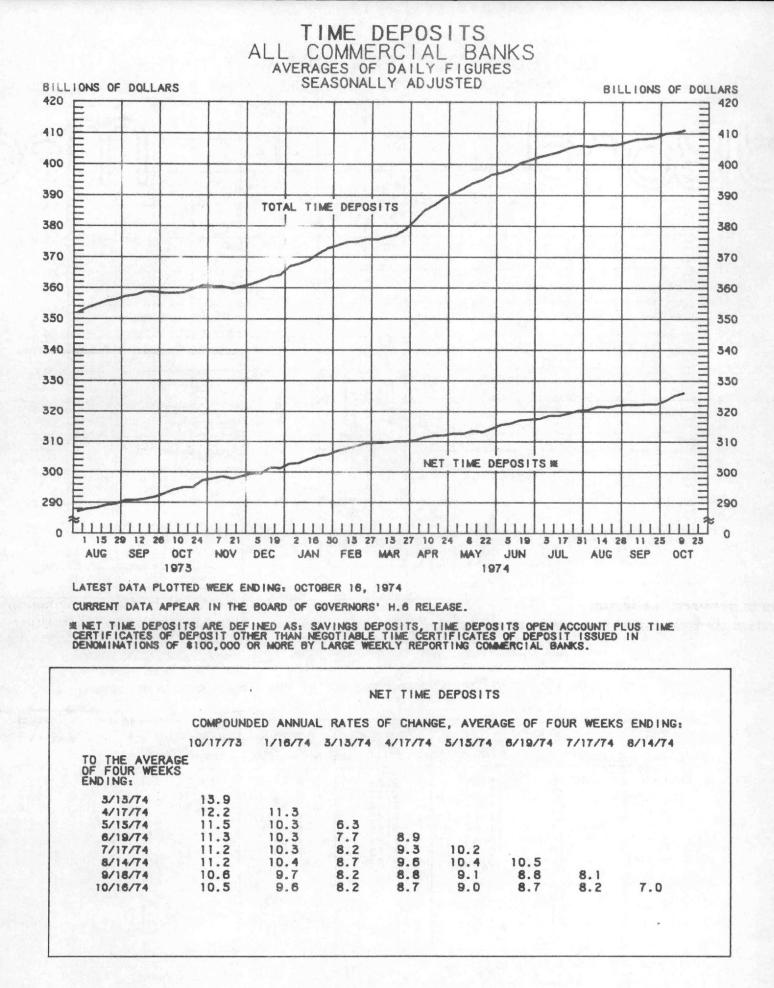


LATEST DATA PLOTTED ARE AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE FOR THE WEEK ENDING: OCTOBER 25, 1974

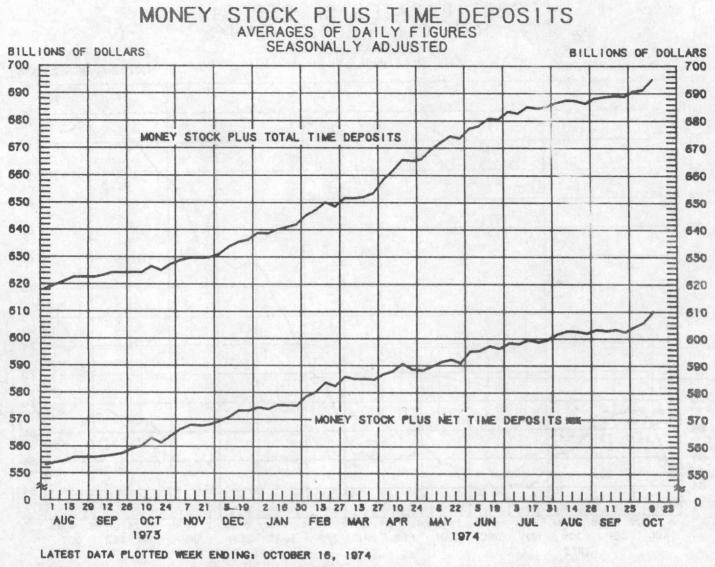
1974	FEDERAL FUNDS NON	3-MONTH TREASURY BILLS	3-5 YEAR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES
SEP. 8 13 20 27 0CT. 4 11 18 25 ¥ NOV. 1 8 15 22 29	11.64 11.48 11.41 11.12 11.04 10.43 10.11 9.81	9.34 9.10 7.64 6.64 6.64 7.24 7.73 7.52	8.61 8.52 8.35 8.14 8.13 7.98 7.95 7.86	7.33 7.31 7.31 7.31 7.31 7.31 7.27 7.22 7.18

* AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE. *** SEVEN-DAY AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY TWO DAYS EARLIER THAN DATE SHOWN. CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' H.9 RELEASE.

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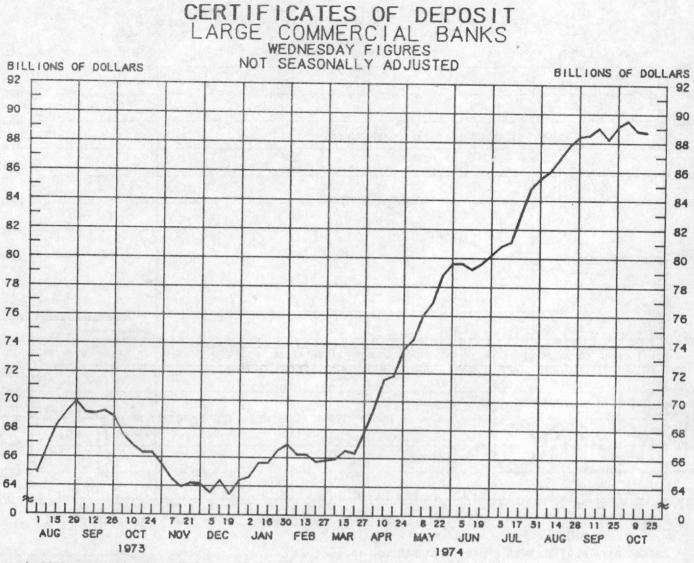
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	10/17/73	1/16/74	3/13/74	4/17/74	5/15/74	8/19/74	7/17/74	8/14/74
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3/13/74	11.0							
4/17/74	10.1	9.6						
5/15/74	9.3	8.3	5.4					
6/19/74	9.4	8.6	6.9	7.3				
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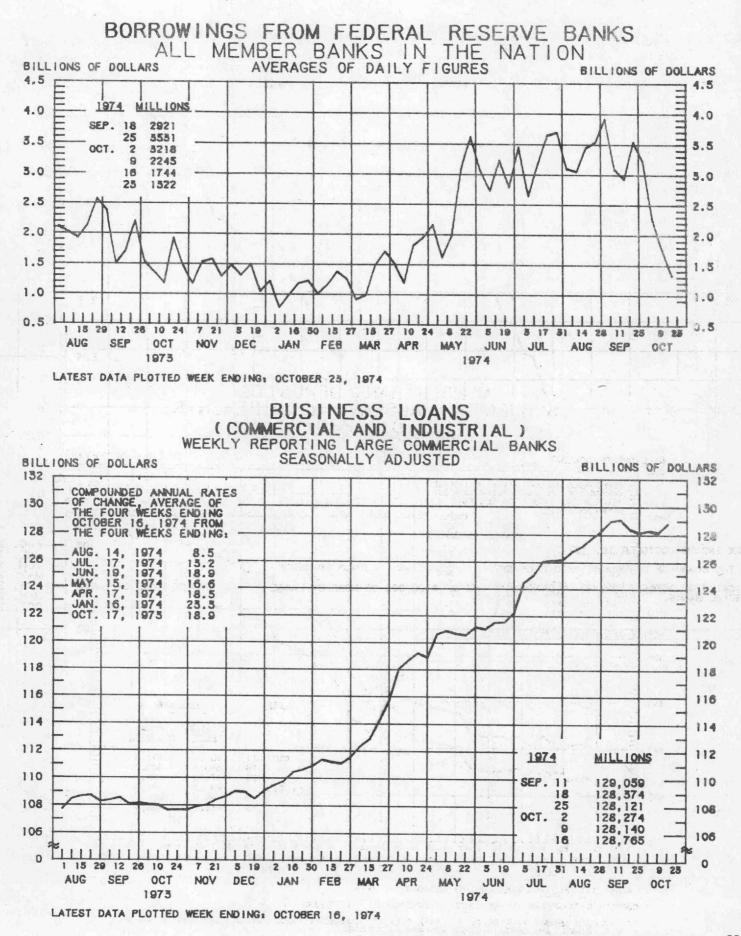
LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: OCTOBER 16, 1974

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

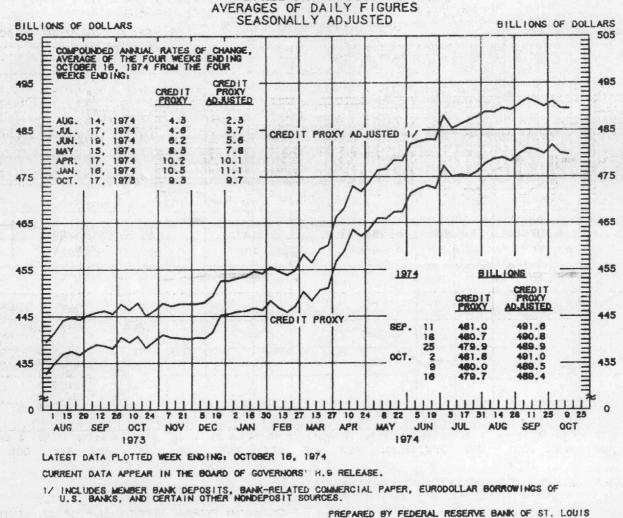
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1974	CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT NOT SEAS. ADJ.	OF DEPOSIT	NET TIME DEPOSITS #	M 2 HDH					
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* SEE FOOTNOTE PAGE 8.



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