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The pattern of asset acquisition by large commercial banks has shifted over the last two years. Loans have decreased by \$15.3 billion in the last year, compared to an increase of \$23.6 billion in the previous year. The decrease in loans in the most recent year has been offset in commercial bank portfolios by a \$17.3 billion increase in the holdings of U.S. Treasury securities. The recent increase in security holdings is in contrast with the \$2.2 billion decrease in the previous year.

This year's loan run-off has slowed in the last six months, as indicated in the table below. Increases in holdings of Treasury securities have been of approximately the same magnitude in both the most recent six months and the previous six months. However, the maturity structure of securities has changed over the two six-month periods. In the most recent six months a larger proportion of the increases in holdings of securities has been in shorter-term bills and notes. In the previous six months more of the increase in holdings of securities was in medium-term (1 to 5 years) maturities.

> CHANGES IN SELECTED ASSETS OF LARGE COMMERCIAL BANKS 1/

> > (millions of dollars)

	$\frac{2}{19}/75}{\frac{to}{8}/20/75}}$ $\frac{2}{2}/300}$	$\frac{8/20}{75}$ to $\frac{2}{18}/76}$ $\frac{2}{7}$	2/19/75 to 2/18/76 2/
Loans (excl. Fed funds sold)	\$-11,108	\$-4,220	\$-15,328
U.S. Treasury Securities	9,109	8,235	17,344
Bills	3,749	5,377	9,126
Notes and Bonds Maturing:			
Within 1 Year 1 to 5 Years After 5 Years	1,329 4,379 -348	1,617 1,243 -2	2,946 5,622 -350

 $\frac{1}{2}$ Data are not seasonally adjusted.

 $\frac{2}{2}$ Data are changes in the average for the four weeks ended these dates.

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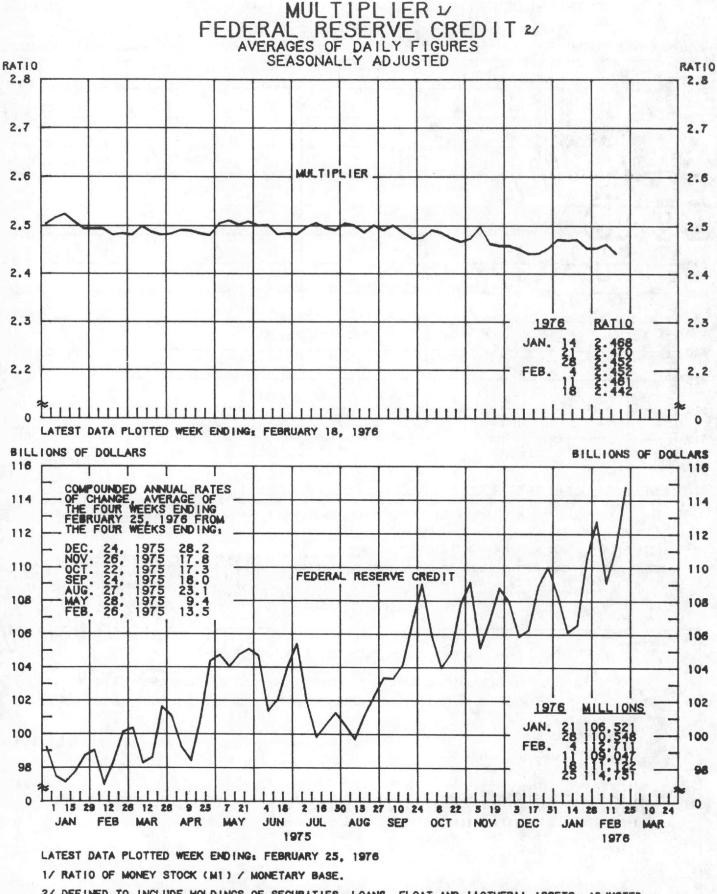
2/26/75 5/28/75 7/23/75 8/27/75 9/24/75 10/22/75 11/26/75 12/24/75

TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:

ENDINGS									
7/23/75	8.1								
8/27/75	7.4	9.7							
9/24/75	7.4	9.2	6.0						
10/22/75	6.7	7.6	4.4	4.3					
11/26/75	7.5	8.6	6.8	7.6	7.5				
12/24/75	7.6	8.7	7.2	8.0	8.1	11.5			
1/28/76	6.2	6.6	4.8	4.8	4.1	5.1	0.9		
2/25/76	7.1	7.7	6.4	6.8	6.6	7.9	6.0	4.5	

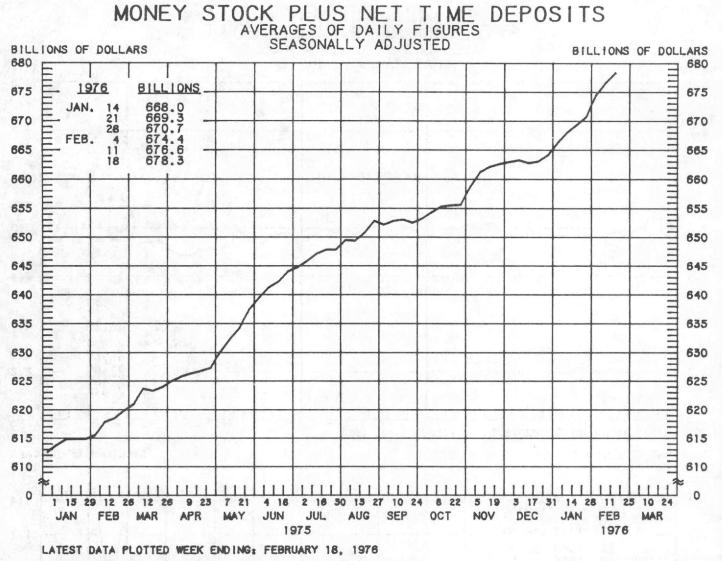
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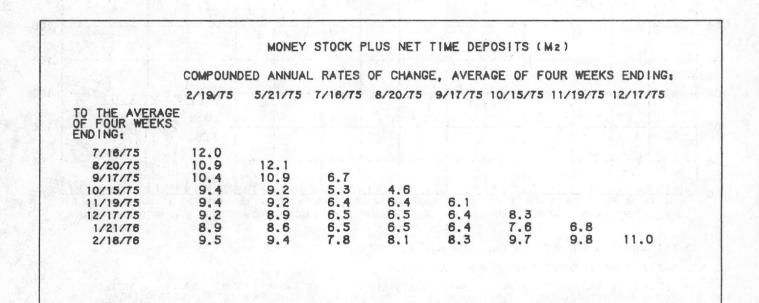


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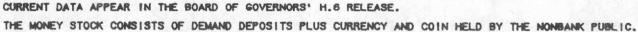
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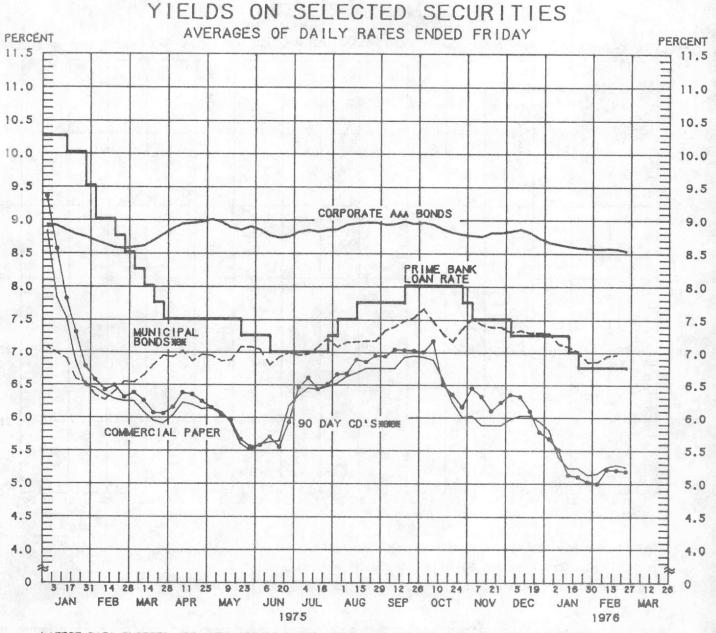
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	COMPOUNDE	D ANNUAL	RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF F	OUR WEEK	S ENDING:
	2/19/75	5/21/75	7/16/75	8/20/75	9/17/75	10/15/75	11/19/75	12/17/75
O THE AVERAGE F FOUR WEEKS NDING:								
7/16/75	9.0							
8/20/75 9/17/75	7.8	9.0	5.3					
10/15/75	6,3	6.1	2.1	1.6				
11/19/75	6.3	6.1	3.2	3.3	1.2			
12/17/75	5.8	5.5	2.9	2.9	1.2	4.0		
1/21/78	5.4	4.9	2.6	2.5	1.3	3.1	1.4	
2/18/76	5.3	4.9	2.9	2.9	1.9	3.5	2.5	3.0

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1976	90 DAY CD'S MONOME	PRIME COMMERCIAL PAPER 4-6 MONTH	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	MUNICIPAL BONDS 3000
JAN. 2 9 16 23 30 FEB. 6 13 20 27 * MAR. 5 12 19 26	5.68 5.51 5.13 5.02 5.00 5.21 5.20 5.18	5.81 5.40 5.23 5.23 5.13 5.15 5.25 5.28 5.25 5.25	5.52 5.25 5.04 5.01 4.94 4.95 4.97 5.02 5.00	8.66 8.63 8.60 8.58 8.57 8.56 8.57 8.56 8.53	7.29 7.13 7.09 7.01 6.85 6.86 6.95 6.97 N.A.

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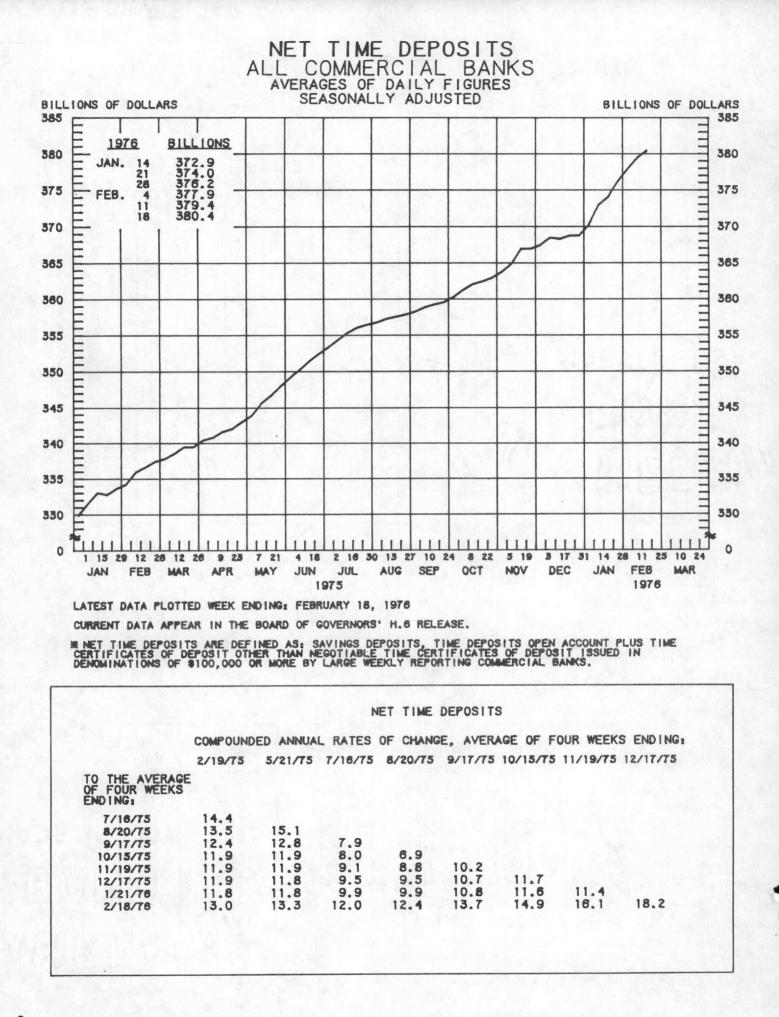


3-MONTH TREASURY 1-YEAR TREASURY 3-5 YEAR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES FEDERAL 1976 BILLS BILL JAN. 2 5.18 5.19 5.77 7.28 7.05 5.58 9 7.20 5.12 5.07 6.96 4.84 16 4.76 6.90 23 7.18 7.16 7.16 7.17 7.20 4.81 5.37 4.78 6.93 30 4.80 4.72 5.32 6.94 FEB. 4.90 6.93 6 4.82 5.45 4.73 13 5.47 5.58 4.85 6.96 20 4.87 6.94 27 4.80 4.87 5.57 7.15 * 6.87 MAR. 5 12 19 26

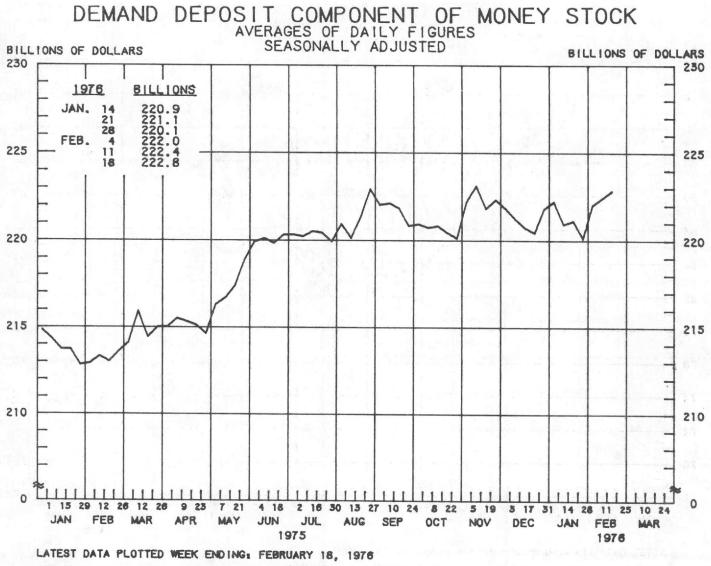
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* AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE. *** SEVEN-DAY AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY TWO DAYS EARLIER THAN DATE SHOWN. CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' H.9 RELEASE.



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	2/19/75					10/15/75			
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:									
7/16/75	8.7								
8/20/75	7.3	8.2							
9/17/75	7.6	8.6	5.1						
10/15/75	5.7	5.2	0.9	0.6					
11/19/75	5.5	5.2	2.0	2.2	-1.0				
12/17/75	4.8	4.2	1.3	1.3	-1.3	1.8			
1/21/76	4.3	3.6	1.1	1.0	-0.9	1.2	-0.8		
2/18/76	4.1	3.4	1.1	1.1	-0.4	1.3	0.0	0.8	

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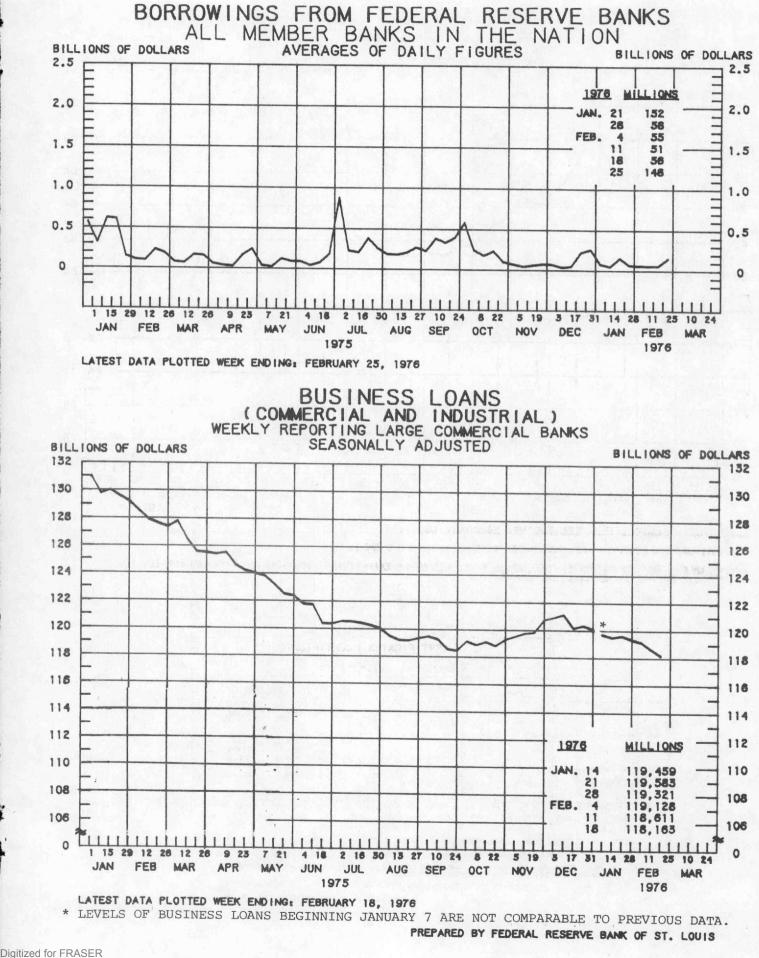
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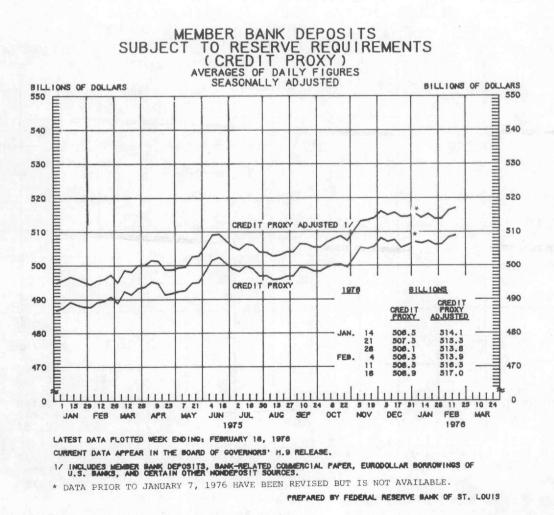
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