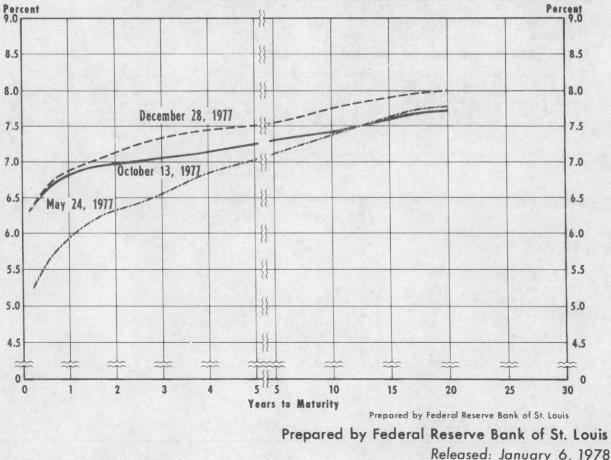
## Week ending: January 4, 1978

FINANCIAL DATA

The yield curve for U.S. Government securities has become steeper since mid-October of this year. The yield curve shifted up about 25 basis points between mid-October and late DEC 26 1979 December for maturities of three years and over. The rise in the yield curve was smaller for shorter maturities, with almost no change in yields on securities maturing in less than one year. In contrast, the yield curve became flatter between late May and mid-October, with almost no change in yields for maturities over about 12 years but a rise of about 100 basis points in short-term rates.

> Yields on long-term corporate debt have also risen relative to yields on short-term corporate debt since mid-October. The differential between yields on Corporate Aaa bonds and interest rates on 4-6 month prime commercial paper averaged 244 basis points in the week ending May 27, narrowed to 150 basis points in the week ending October 14, and widened to 157 basis points in the most recent week. The yield on corporate Aaa bonds fluctuated within a narrow band around 8 percent most of last year, but rose to 8.28 percent in the most recent week, the highest rate since November 1976.



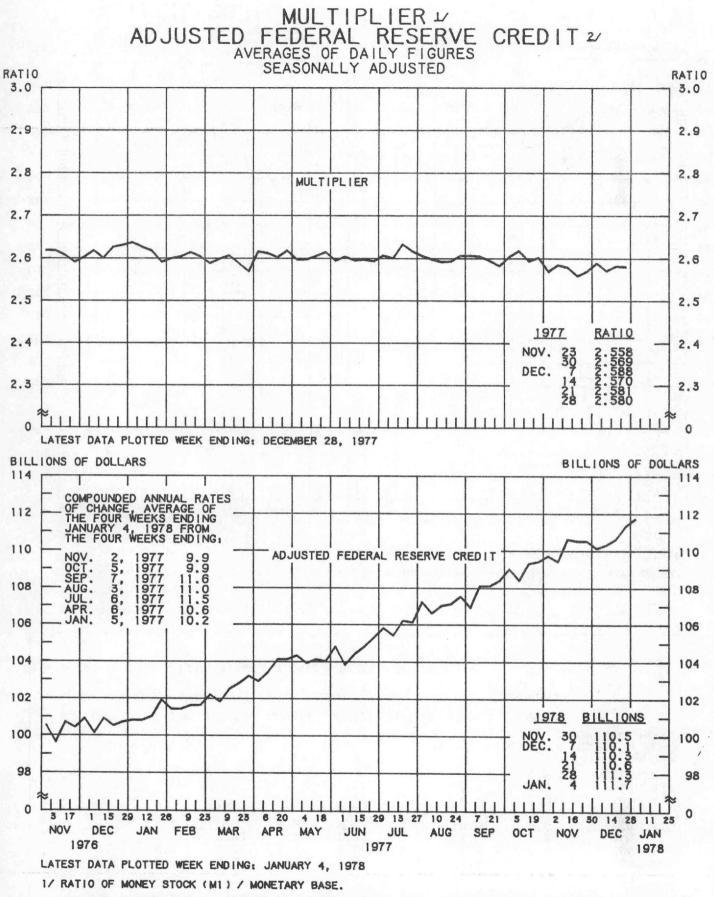
Yields on U.S. Government Securities



LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: JANUARY 4, 1978

THE MONETARY BASE CONSISTS OF MEMBER BANK RESERVES AT THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AND CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION (CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC AND IN THE VAULTS OF COMMERCIAL BANKS), ADJUSTED FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENT RATIO CHANGES AND SHIFTS IN THE SAME TYPE OF DEPOSITS BETWEEN BANKS WHERE DIFFERENT RESERVE REQUIREMENT RATIOS APPLY. THE MAJOR SOURCES OF THE MONETARY BASE ARE FEDERAL RESERVE CREDIT AND THE GOLD STOCK. DATA ARE COMPUTED BY THIS BANK. A DETAILED DE-SCRIPTION OF THE MONETARY BASE IS AVAILABLE FROM THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ST. LOUIS.

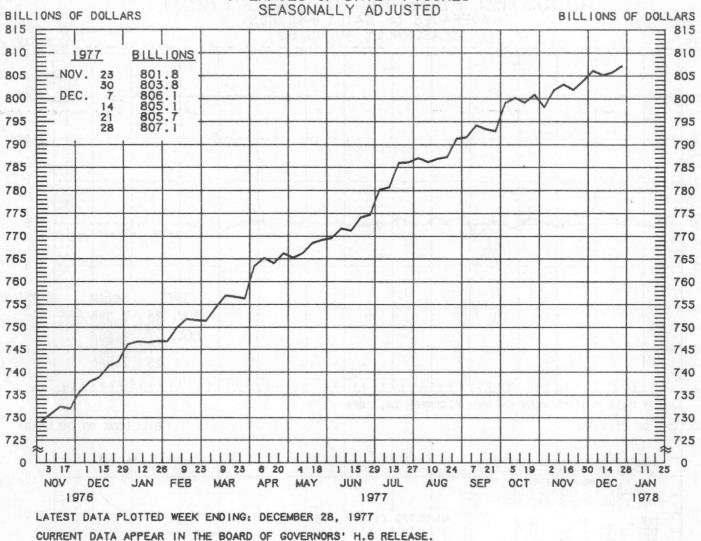
	COMPOUNDED	ANNUAL	RATES	OF CHANGE	E, AVERA	GE OF FO	OUR WEEKS	S ENDING
	1/5/77	4/6/77	6/1/77	7/6/77	8/3/77	9/7/77	10/5/77	11/2/77
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
6/ 1/77 7/ 6/77 8/ 3/77	8.3 8.2 8.6	7.8	9.2					
9/ 7/77 10/ 5/77	8.8 9.4	8.9 9.7	9.7 10.7	10.7	12.1			
11/ 2/77	9.2	9.4	10.0 9.9	10.7	10.6	10.7	8.4	
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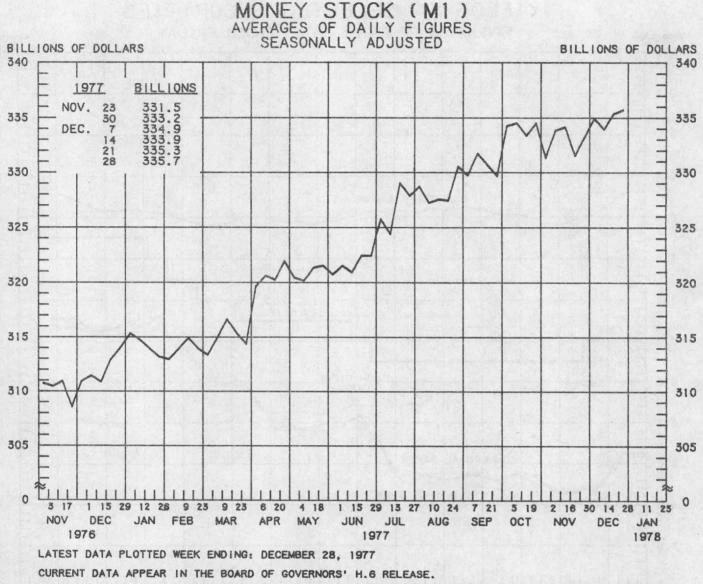
2/ FEDERAL RESERVE CREDIT CONSISTS OF FEDERAL RESERVE HOLDINGS OF SECURITIES, LOANS, FLOAT AND OTHER ASSETS. ADJUSTED FEDERAL RESERVE CREDIT IS COMPUTED BY SUBTRACTING TREASURY DEPOSITS AT FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS FROM THIS SERIES, AND ADJUSTING THE SERIES FOR RE-SERVE REQUIREMENT RATIO CHANGES AND SHIFTS IN THE SAME TYPE OF DEPOSITS BETWEEN BANKS WHERE DIFFERENT RESERVE REQUIREMENT RATIOS APPLY. DATA ARE COMPUTED BY THIS BANK.

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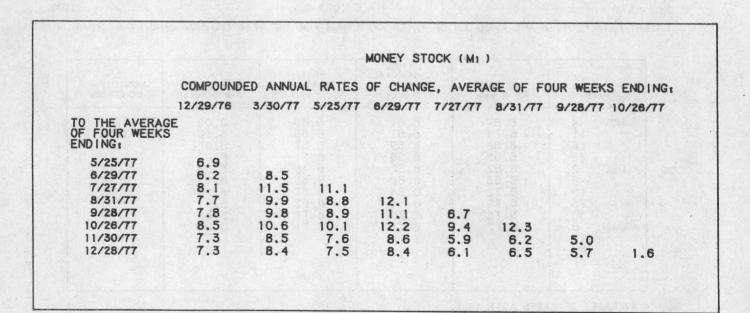
## MONEY STOCK PLUS NET TIME DEPOSITS (M2)



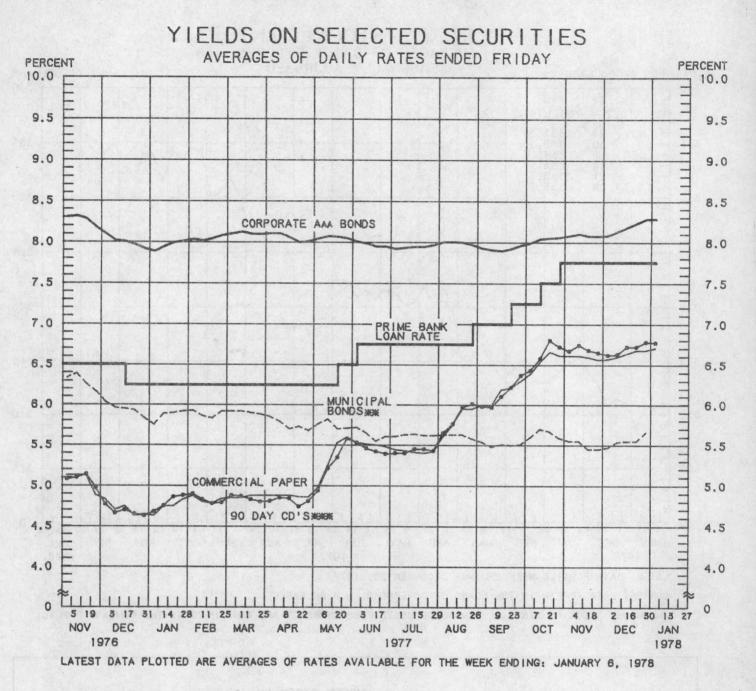
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	12/29/76	3/30/77	5/25/77	6/29/77	7/27/77	8/31/77	9/28/77	10/26/77
TO THE AVERAGOF FOUR WEEKS								
5/25/77 6/29/77 7/27/77 8/31/77 9/28/77	9.3 9.0 10.3 9.7 9.6	9.2 11.4 10.2 10.0	12.7 10.3 10.0	11.7	7.4			
10/26/77 11/30/77 12/28/77	9.8 9.2 8.9	10.2 9.3 8.9	10.3 9.1 8.6	11.0 9.4 8.8	8.7 7.3 7.0	10.2 7.7 7.2	7.3	4.6



THE MONEY STOCK CONSISTS OF DEMAND DEPOSITS PLUS CURRENCY AND COIN HELD BY THE NONBANK PUBLIC.



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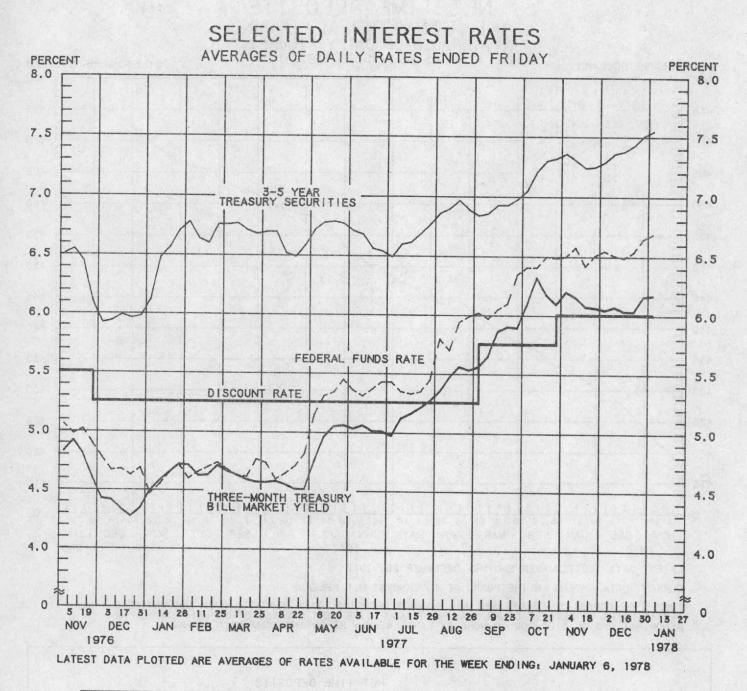
1978	90 DAY CD'S XBIBK	PRIME COMMERCIAL PAPER 4-6 MONTH	PRIME BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	MUNICIPAL BONDS ###
NOV. 4 11 18 25 DEC. 2 9 16 23 30 JAN. 6 <b>*</b> 13 20 27	6.67 6.74 6.68 6.65 6.62 6.63 6.72 6.72 6.78 6.77	6.61 6.59 6.56 6.57 6.60 6.64 6.68 6.68 6.68 6.71	6.69 6.66 6.57 6.51 6.46 6.55 6.57 6.65 6.71 6.71	8.08 8.10 8.07 8.07 8.08 8.13 8.18 8.23 8.28 8.28 8.28	5.55 5.45 5.45 5.47 5.54 5.55 5.55 5.66 N.A.

\* AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE. \*\*\*\* BOND BUYER'S AVERAGE INDEX OF 20 MUNICIPAL BONDS, THURSDAY DATA. \*\*\*\*\* SEVEN-DAY AVERAGES OF SECONDARY MARKET RATES FOR THE WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY TWO DAYS EARLIER THAN DATES SHOWN. CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' H.9 RELEASE. N.A. - NOT AVAILABLE

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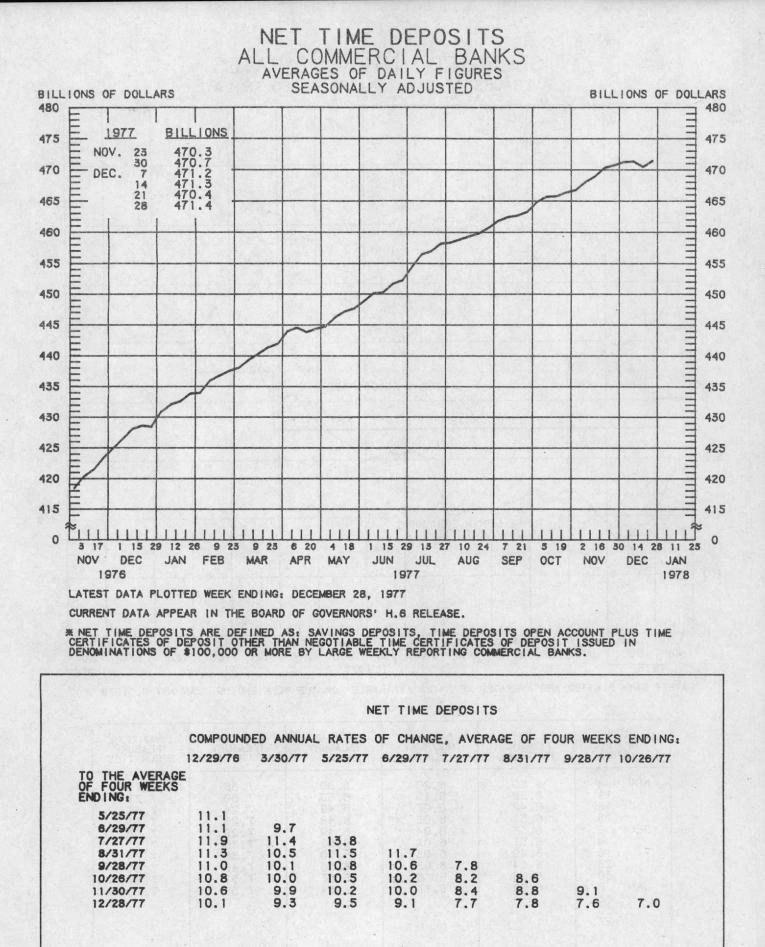
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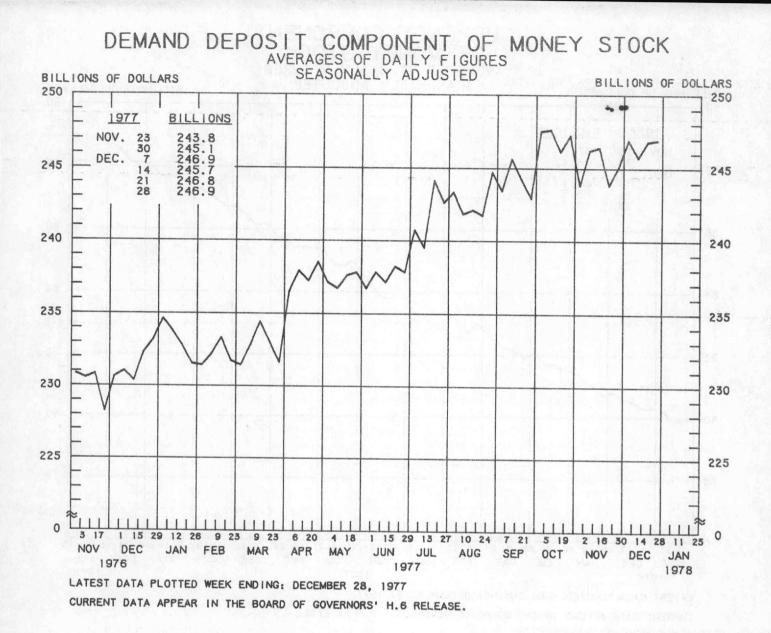
1978	FEDERAL FUNDS ###	3-MONTH TREASURY BILLS	1-YEAR TREASURY BILL	3-5 YEAR TREASURY SECURITIES	LONG-TERM TREASURY SECURITIES
NOV. 4 11 18 25 DEC. 2 9 16 23 30 JAN. 6 * 13 20 27	6.50 6.58 6.42 6.55 6.55 6.51 6.49 6.54 6.65 6.69	6.20 6.15 6.07 6.06 6.04 6.07 6.03 6.03 6.16 6.17	6.60 6.55 6.49 6.48 6.49 6.52 6.50 6.53 6.57 6.54	7.36 7.30 7.24 7.25 7.29 7.36 7.38 7.38 7.43 7.51 7.55	7.70 7.71 7.67 7.65 7.66 7.71 7.74 7.74 7.80 7.87 7.90

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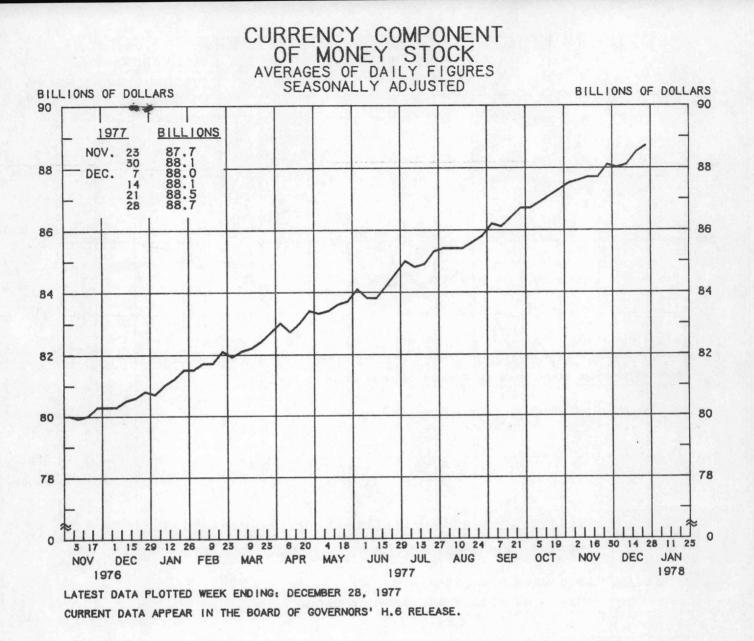
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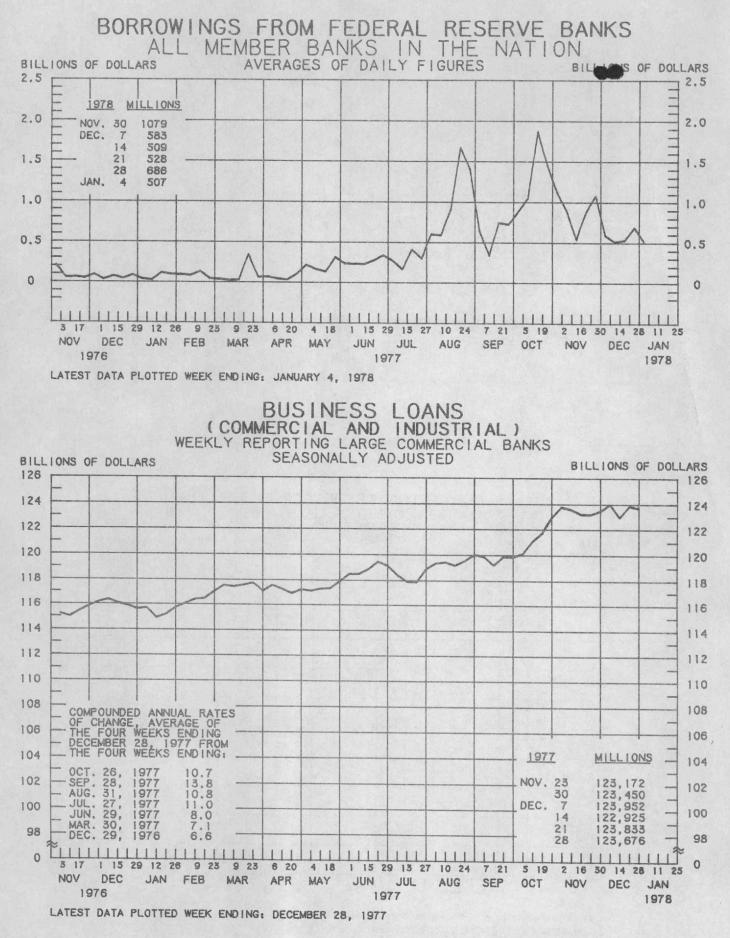
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6/29/77 7/27/77	5.2	8.3						
8/31/77	7.6	11.9	11.2	12.5				
9/28/77	7.1	9.7	8.4	11.0	5.6			
10/26/77	8.1	10.7	10.0	12.6	9.2	12.7		
11/30/77	6.4	8.0	6.7	7.8	4.5	4.7	3.4	
12/28/77	6.4	7.9	6.7	7.6	4.9	5.1	4.3	-1.2



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	COMPOUND		RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF FO	OUR WEEK	S ENDING
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12/28/77	9.6	9.7	9.8	10.2	9.4	10.0	9.1	8.9



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