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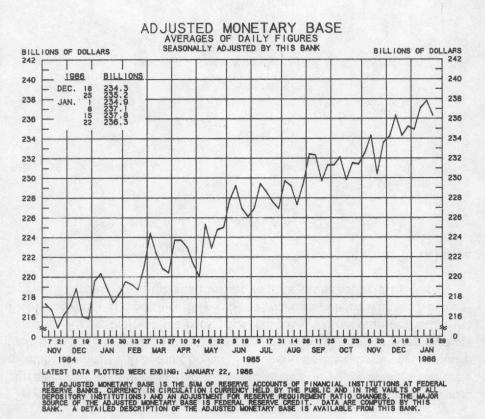
Interest rates on single-family home mortgages have followed the general downward trend in long-term rates that began early in 1984. From their recent peaks of 14.81 percent and 12.54 percent in July 1984, the average rates on both fixed-rate mortgages (FRMs) and adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) have declined, by 317 basis points and 240 basis points, respectively. The relatively larger declines in rates on FRMs has narrowed the rate spread between the two types of mortgage.

Average interest rates on ARMs tend to be lower than those on FRMs because borrowers are taking a risk that the interest rate will adjust upward and their monthly payments will become higher. This possibility leads borrowers to reduce their use of ARMs when the interest rate spread between the two mortgages narrows. As the table on the back page indicates, the ongoing decline in the FRM-ARM rate spread since July 1984 has been associated with a 17 percentage point reduction in the share of the mortgage market held by ARMs.

-Michael T. Belongia

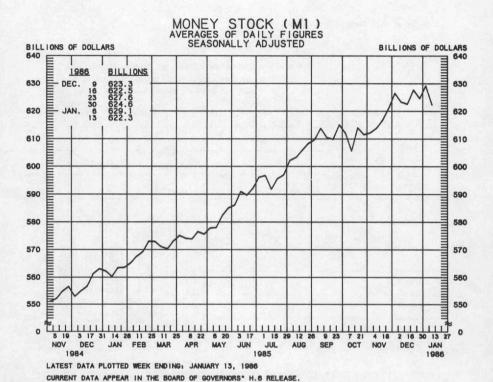
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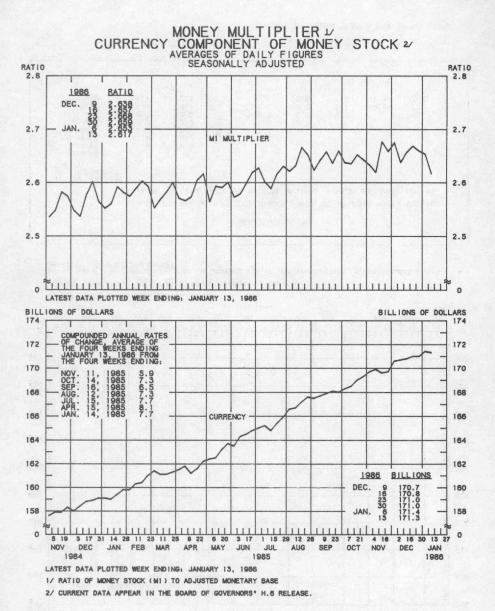
RECENT DATA ARE PRELIMINARY.

			ADJU	ISTED MON	ETARY BA	SE		
	COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING							S ENDING:
	1/23/85	4/24/85	6/19/85	7/24/85	8/21/85	9/25/85	10/23/85	11/20/85
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
6/19/85 7/24/85 8/21/85 9/25/85 10/23/85 11/20/85	9.5 8.5 7.5 8.5 7.5 7.3	9.7 7.6 9.2 7.6 7.3	2.8 7.0 5.2 5.3 6.7	8.7 5.5 5.6 7.3	7.6 7.0	2.3		
12/25/85	7.9	8.2	6.7 7.0	7.3	8.7	6.4	9.9	11.2

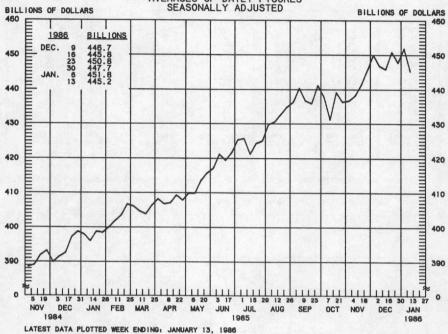


MONEY STOCK (M1) COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING: 1/14/85 4/15/85 6/10/85 7/15/85 8/12/85 9/16/85 10/14/85 11/11/85 TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING: 6/10/85 11.1 14.8 14.2 15.7 13.2 12.0 13.1 12.3 11.9 7/15/85 8/12/85 13.8 17.0 11.6 9.9 12.0 11.0 9/16/85 13.2 16.4 11.3 9.2 12.0 10.8 11.8 10/14/85 11.1 11/11/85 11.1 11.9 12.6 12/16/85 1/13/86 13.0

MI IS THE SUM OF CURRENCY HELD BY THE NONBANK PUBLIC, DEMAND DEPOSITS, OTHER CHECKABLE DEPOSITS AND TRAVELERS CHECKS.

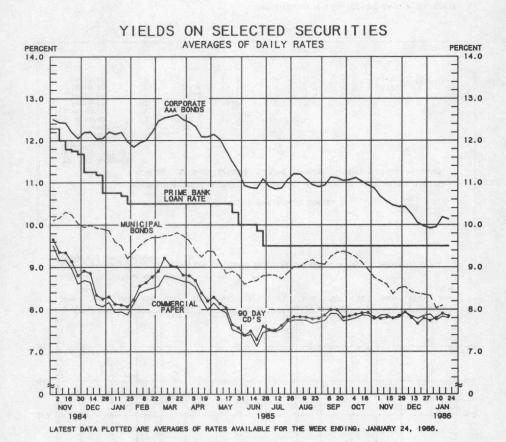






TOTAL CHECKABLE DEPOSITS IS THE SUM OF DEMAND DEPOSITS AND OTHER CHECKABLE DEPOSITS AT ALL DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS.

			TOTAL	. CHECKAE	BLE DEPOS	SITS		
	COMPOUND	ED ANNUA	RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF F	OUR WEEKS	ENDING:
	1/14/85	4/15/85	6/10/85	7/15/85	8/12/85	9/16/85	10/14/85	11/11/85
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
6/10/85 7/15/85 8/12/85 9/16/85	12.5 13.5 13.4 15.1	17.2 16.1 18.3	15.6	19.9				
10/14/85 11/11/85	13.3	15.0 13.3	14.3	12.9	12.9	0.7		
12/16/85 1/13/86	13.6 12.9	14.9	14.4	13.6	13.8	9.5 8.6	14.7	16.0

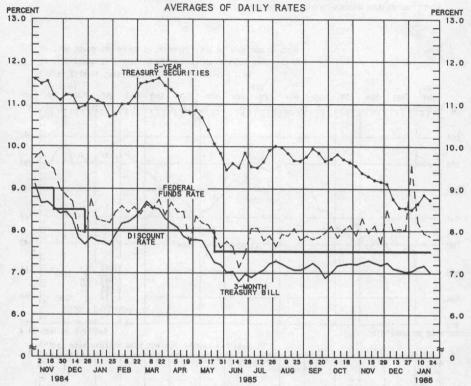


1986	90 DAY CD*S	30-DAY COMMERCIAL PAPER	90-DAY BANKERS* ACCEPTANCES	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	CORPORATE BAA BONDS	MUNICIPAL BONDS NON
NOV. 1 8 15 22 29 DEC. 6 13 20 27 JAN. 3 10 17 24 **	7.82 7.79 7.82 7.80 7.86 7.94 7.67 7.68 7.74 7.81 7.74 7.81	7.77 7.87 7.88 7.79 7.82 7.94 7.85 7.79 7.86 7.89 7.75 7.84 7.80	7.71 7.70 7.73 7.72 7.73 7.78 7.67 7.66 7.70 7.65 7.66 7.72 7.61	10.87 10.67 10.56 10.47 10.43 10.26 10.05 9.97 9.92 9.95 10.18	12.24 12.12 12.02 11.91 11.85 11.87 11.70 11.43 11.36 11.36 11.37 11.48	8.76 8.68 8.60 8.37 8.51 8.54 8.32 8.36 8.33 8.04 8.10 N.A.

NOTE: CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS* H.15 RELEASE. W AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE WHEN SWIDTEN'S AVERAGE INDEX OF 20 MUNICIPAL BONDS, THURSDAY DATA

N.A. - NOT AVAILABLE

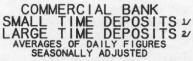


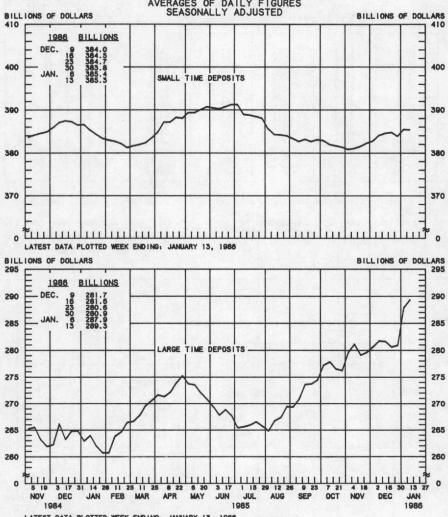


LATEST DATA PLOTTED ARE AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE FOR THE WEEK ENDING: JANUARY 24, 1986.

1986	FEDERAL FUNDS ###	3-MONTH TREASURY BILL	6-MONTH TREASURY BILL #996#	1-YEAR TREASURY BILL	5-YEAR TREASURY SECURITIES	LONG-TERM TREASURY SECURITIES
NOV. 1 8 15 22 29 DEC. 6 13 20 27 JAN. 3 10 17 24 # 31	7.89 8.30 7.95 8.13 7.71 8.49 8.03 8.05 8.02 9.55 8.02 9.55 8.7.94	7.20 7.25 7.29 7.23 7.18 7.24 7.10 7.06 7.02 7.04 7.13 7.17	7.37 7.30 7.23 7.26 7.26 7.26 7.02 7.01 7.05 7.07 7.11 7.28 7.14	7.41 7.36 7.34 7.30 7.33 7.35 7.13 7.07 7.09 7.12 7.21 7.21	9.55 9.38 9.21 9.17 9.17 9.12 8.75 8.54 8.55 8.65 8.65 8.74	10.48 10.31 10.21 10.08 10.06 10.05 9.74 9.52 9.46 9.44 9.53 9.72 9.67

NOTE: CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS" H.15 RELEASE EXCLUDING LONG-TERM TREASURY SECURITIES WHICH ARE COMPUTED BY THIS BANK. TREASURY BILL YIELDS ARE ON A DISCOUNT BASIS. SEN SEVEN-DAY AVERAGES FOR MEEK ENDING TWO DAYS EARLIER THAN DATE SHOWN SMIGH AUCTION AVERAGE (DISCOUNT)



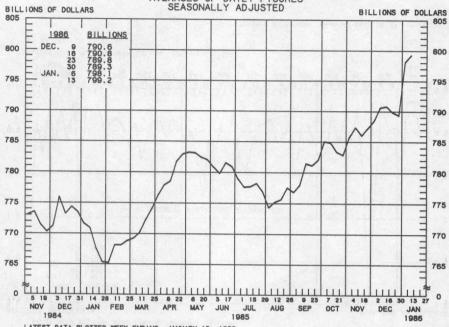


LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: JANUARY 13, 1986

1/ TIME DEPOSITS ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF LESS THAN \$100,000

2/ TIME DEPOSITS ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF \$100,000 OR MORE

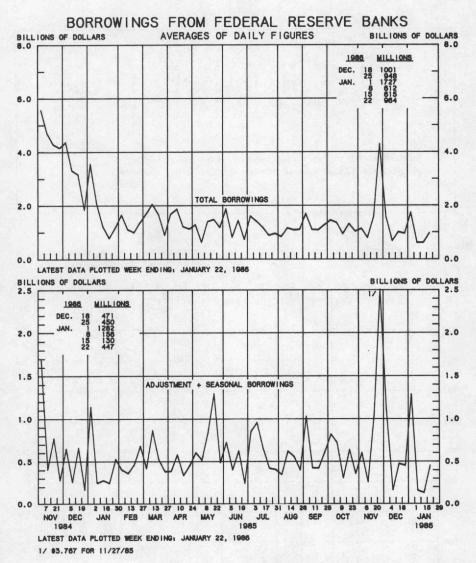




LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: JANUARY 13, 1986

TOTAL TIME IS THE SUM OF SAVINGS DEPOSITS, SMALL TIME DEPOSITS AND LARGE TIME DEPOSITS.

			ТО	TAL TIME	DEPOSIT	S		
	COMPOUND	ED ANNUA	L RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF F	OUR WEEK	S ENDING:
	1/14/85	4/15/85	6/10/85	7/15/85	8/12/85	9/16/85	10/14/85	11/11/85
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
6/10/85 7/15/85 8/12/85 9/16/85	2.8 1.6 0.8 1.1	1.1 -0.2 0.5	-3.7 -1.4	-0.3				
10/14/85 11/11/85 12/16/85 1/13/86	1.8 1.9 2.3 2.8	1.7 1.8 2.4 3.0	0.7 1.1 2.0 2.8	2.3 2.4 3.2 4.0	5.3 4.5 5.0 5.5	5.5 5.7 6.3	4.6 5.7	7.0



MMDAS, MMMFS AND SUPER NOWS

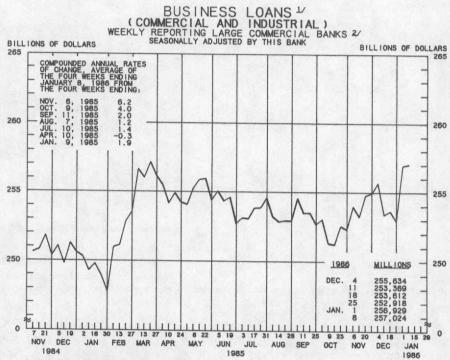
(BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

		MMDAs 1/	MMMFs 2/	Super NOWs 3/
November	18	\$329.4	\$239.6	\$62.5
	25	330.0	242.1	61.9
December	2	330.4	241.0	62.8
	9	331.8	241.0	64.1
	16	332.6	240.6	63.8
	23	332.1	240.6	63.8
	30	332.9	239.3	63.6
January	6	336.9	236.6	66.5
	13	337.4	243.1	66.6

^{1/} Money market deposit accounts at commercial banks

 $\frac{1}{2}$ / Total money market mutual fund balances

^{3/} NOW accounts at all depository institutions eligible to earn more than 5.25 percent



LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: JANUARY 8, 1986

1/ BUSINESS LOANS INCLUDE BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER.

2/ BANKS WITH DOMESTIC ASSETS GREATER THAN \$1.4 BILLION

Spread Between Rates on FRMs and ARMs and the ARM Share of New Mortgages

Date	Spread ¹	ARMs as percent of total new mortgages
July 1984	227	66%
July 1985	177	53
December 1985 ²	150	49

¹Difference in basis points between the commitment interest rates on FRMs and ARMs for loans at 90 percent of sale prices

Source: Federal Home Loan Bank Board

²Preliminary.