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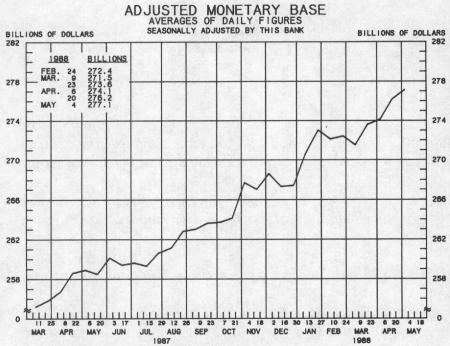
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THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- Interest rates on securities of virtually all maturities rose in the first week of May, as they have since early March.
- Nonfarm business productivity rose at an annual rate of 0.9 percent in the first quarter of 1988, essentially the same as the 0.8 percent increase for the year ending in the fourth quarter of 1987. Manufacturing productivity grew at a 2.9 percent annual rate in the first quarter, compared with a 3.3 percent increase in 1987.
- ✓ New factory orders rose 1.6 percent in March and were up 8.5 percent from a year earlier.
- Construction spending advanced 1.5 percent in March and was 3.5 percent above the March 1987 level.
- ✓ Initial unemployment claims averaged 302,500 for the four weeks ending April 23, down from the 1988 peak of 358,000 for the four weeks ending January 30.





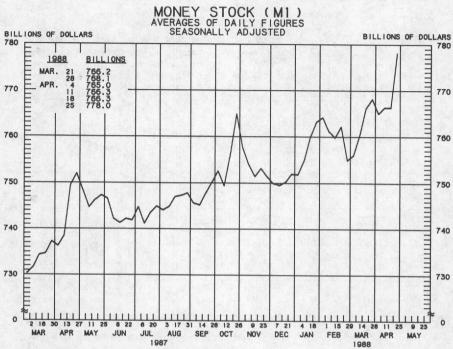


LATEST PLOTTED RESERVE MAINTENANCE PERIOD ENDING: MAY 4, 1988

THE ADJUSTED MONETARY BASE IS THE SUM OF RESERVE ACCOUNTS OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AT FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION CURRENCY HELD BY THE PUBLIC AND IN THE VAULTS OF ALL DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS) AND AN ADJUSTMENT FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENT RATIO CHANGES. THE MAJOR SOURCE OF THE ADJUSTED MONETARY BASE IS FEDERAL RESERVE CREDIT. DATA ARE COMPITED BY THIS BANK.

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								3/9/88
	5/6/87	1/29/8/	10///8/	11/4/8/	12/2/8/	12/30/87	2/10/88	3/9/00
TO THE AVERAGE OF TWO MAINTENANCE PERIODS ENDING:)F							
10/ 7/87	4.5							
11/ 4/87	5.6	8.7						
12/ 2/87	6.1	8.9	10.5					
12/30/87	5.1 7.0	6.9 9.2	6.2	3.7 9.7	9.7			
2/10/88	6.1	7.6	7.6	6.8	6.0	9.3		
4/ 6/88	6.3	7.8	7.9	7.3	6.7	9.3	3.1	
5/ 4/88	6.9	8.4	8.7	8.3	8.0	10.4	6.7	11.8



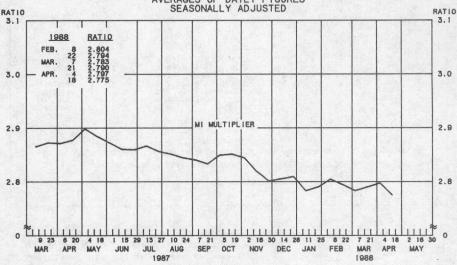
LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: APRIL 25, 1988

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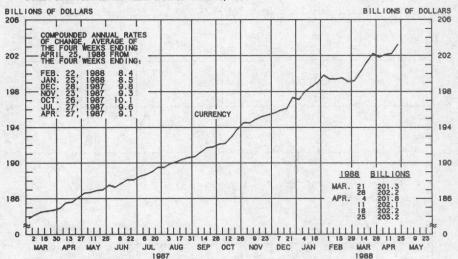
MI IS THE SUM OF CURRENCY HELD BY THE NONBANK PUBLIC, DEMAND DEPOSITS, OTHER CHECKABLE DEPOSITS AND TRAVELERS CHECKS.

			,	MONEY STO	OCK (MI)			
	COMPOUNDE	ED ANNUAL	RATES	OF CHANG	E, AVERA	GE OF FO	UR WEEKS	ENDING:
	4/27/87	7/27/87	9/28/87	10/26/87	11/23/87	12/28/87	1/25/88	2/22/88
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:								
9/28/87 10/26/87 11/23/87 12/28/87 1/25/88 2/22/88 3/28/88	1.0 3.2 2.3 1.3 2.4 2.9 2.7	6.7 4.3 2.2 3.7 4.3 3.8	6.1 1.7 4.2 4.9	-4.0 0.9 2.5 2.2	2.6 4.2 3.3	10.3 6.7	4.0	
4/25/88	3.3	4.6	5.1	3.5	4.7	7.7	6.2	5.5



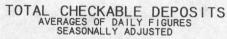


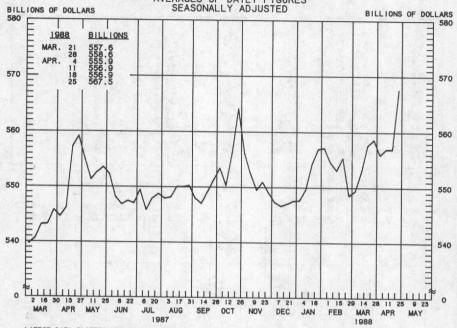
LATEST DATA PLOTTED TWO WEEKS ENDING: APRIL 18, 1988



LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: APRIL 25, 1988

- 1/ RATIO OF MONEY STOCK (MI) TO ADJUSTED MONETARY BASE
- 2/ CURRENT DATA APPEAR IN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS" H.6 RELEASE.

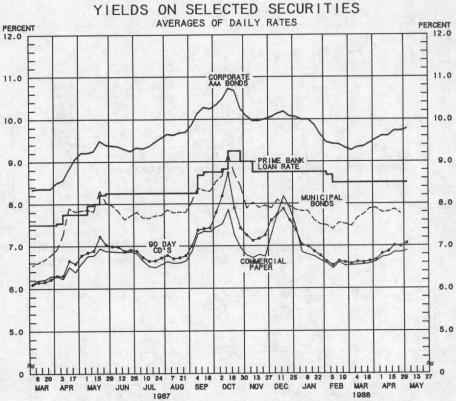




LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: APRIL 25, 1988

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

			TOTA	L CHECKA	BLE DEPO	SITS				
	COMPOUNDED ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE, AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:									
	4/27/87				11/23/87					
TO THE AVERAGE OF FOUR WEEKS ENDING:										
9/28/87 10/26/87 11/23/87 12/28/87 1/25/88 2/22/88 3/28/88 4/25/88	-1.3 1.5 0.1 -1.3 0.1 0.7 0.5 1.4	6.0 2.4 -0.4 1.5 2.2 1.8 2.8	4.1 -1.2 1.9 2.8 2.1 3.3	-8.9 -2.8 -0.5 -0.6	-0.1 2.0 1.3 3.1	9.8 5.6 7.0	2.6 5.3	4.6		



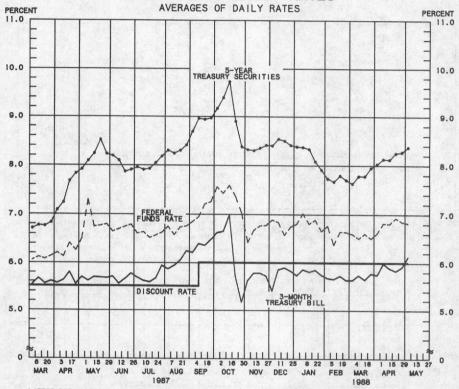
LATEST DATA PLOTTED ARE AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE FOR THE WEEK ENDING: MAY 6, 1988.

1988	90 DAY CD*S	30-DAY COMMERCIAL PAPER	90-DAY BANKERS* ACCEPTANCES	CORPORATE AAA BONDS	CORPORATE BAA BONDS	MUNICIPAL BONDS NOK
MAR. 4 11 18 25 APR. 1 8 15 22 29 MAY 6 # 13 27	6.58 6.62 6.61 6.64 6.67 6.82 6.87 7.01 6.99 7.07	6.54 6.55 6.56 6.58 6.63 6.73 6.76 6.85 6.85	6.45 6.50 6.51 6.55 6.75 6.74 6.85 6.95	9.27 9.34 9.36 9.44 9.53 9.61 9.73 9.73	10.48 10.50 10.55 10.64 10.73 10.83 10.98 10.92 10.96	7.47 7.67 7.75 7.89 7.80 7.81 7.87 7.77 N.A.

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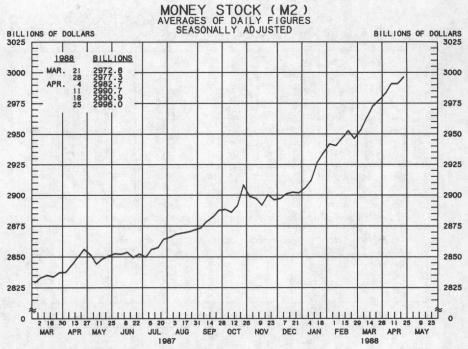




LATEST DATA PLOTTED ARE AVERAGES OF RATES AVAILABLE FOR THE WEEK ENDING: MAY 6, 1988.

1988	FEDERAL FUNDS #0#	3-MONTH TREASURY BILL	6-MONTH TREASURY BILL #816#	1-YEAR TREASURY BILL	5-YEAR TREASURY SECURITIES	LONG-TERM TREASURY SECURITIES
MAR. 4 11 18 25 APR. 1 15 22 29 MAY 6 # 13 20 27	6.60 6.51 6.61 6.62 6.82 6.81 6.85 6.85 6.85	5.63 5.73 5.64 5.77 5.74 5.99 5.89 5.89 5.83 5.91	5.86 5.93 5.78 5.96 6.00 6.21 6.19 6.14 6.28	6. 20 6. 28 6. 23 6. 35 6. 36 6. 55 6. 49 6. 58 6. 50 6. 72	7.63 7.78 7.78 7.95 8.03 8.13 8.12 8.25 8.27 8.37	8.44 8.60 8.63 8.77 8.85 8.86 8.88 9.07 9.08 9.14

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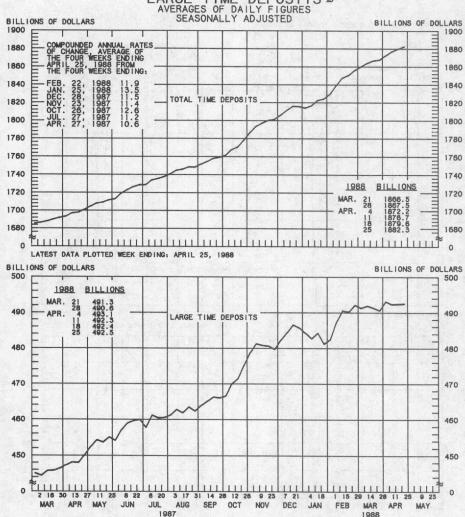


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M2 IS THE SUM OF MI, OVERNIGHT RPS ISSUED BY ALL COMMERCIAL BANKS, OVERNIGHT EURODOLLARS ISSUED TO U.S. RESIDENTS BY FOREIGN BRANCHES OF U.S. BANKS, MONEY MARKET DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS, SAVINGS AND SMALL TIME DEPOSITS, AND GENERAL PURPOSE AND BROKER/DEALER MONEY MARKET MUTUAL FUNDS. FOR MORE DETAIL, SEE THE H.6 RELEASE.

			,	MONEY ST	OCK (M2)			
	COMPOUND	ED ANNUA	L RATES	OF CHANG	GE, AVER	AGE OF FO	UR WEEKS	ENDING:
	4/27/87	7/27/87	9/28/87	10/26/87	11/23/87	12/28/87	1/25/88	2/22/88
O THE AVERAGE F FOUR WEEKS NOING:								
9/28/87 10/26/87 11/23/87 12/28/87 1/25/88	2.8 3.3 3.1 2.8 3.4	5.2 4.4 3.7 4.4	3.8 2.8 4.2	1.4	4.6			
2/22/88 3/28/88 4/25/88	4.2 4.6 5.0	5.4 5.8 6.3	5.7 6.1 6.7	5.6 6.1 6.8	6.8 7.1 7.8	10.5 9.4 9.8	9.7	9.1

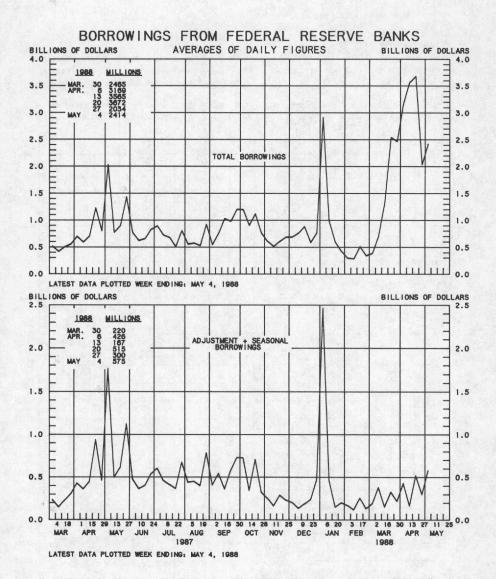
ALL DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS TOTAL TIME DEPOSITS 1/ LARGE TIME DEPOSITS 2/



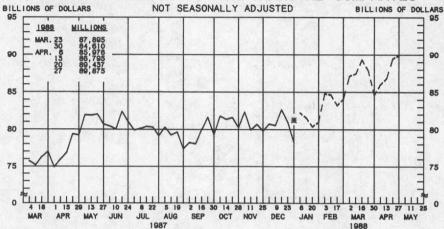
LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: APRIL 25, 1988

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

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



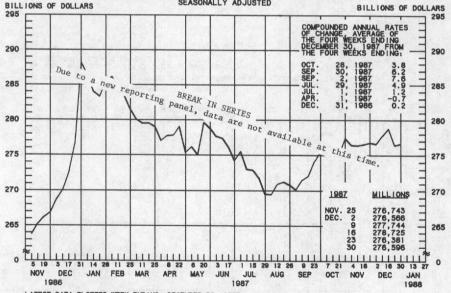




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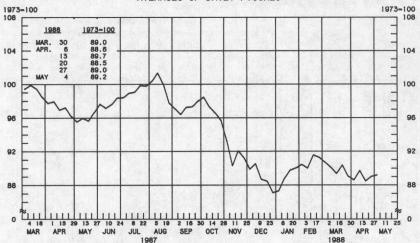


LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: DECEMBER 30, 1987

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

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

DOLLAR'S TRADE-WEIGHTED EXCHANGE INDEX AVERAGES OF DAILY FIGURES



LATEST DATA PLOTTED WEEK ENDING: MAY 4, 1988

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DATA ARE WEIGHTED AVERAGES OF THE FOREIGN-CURRENCY PRICE OF THE U.S. DOLLAR, COMPUTED USING 10 INDUSTRIAL COUNTRY CURRENCIES.

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