

## THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

$\checkmark$ Industrial production rose at a 7 percent annual rate in February, after declining during each of the three previous months. February production was up 1.4 percent from a year earlier.
$\checkmark$ Privately owned housing starts in February rose 9.6 percent from January to February to an annual rate of 1,304,000 units. This was 29.4 percent above the level of starts in February 1991.
$\checkmark$ Business inventories fell in January while sales rose, pushing the inventory-to-sales ratio down to 1.52. This compares with 1.58 a year earlier.
$\checkmark$ The consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI) rose at a 3.5 percent annual rate in February to 138.7 percent of the 1987 average. The CPI has increased 2.8 percent during the past year.
$\checkmark$ The producer price index for finished goods rose at a 3 percent annual rate in February, following a 2.4 percent rate of decline during the previous two months.

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Adjusted Monetary Base


Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: March 18, 1992
The adjusted monetary pase 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
gdjustment for reserve requirement ratio changes. The major source of the djusted monetary base is Federal Reserve credit. Data are computed by this bank. A detailed description of the adjusted monetary base is available from this bank.
Recent data are preliminary.

## Adjusted Monetary Base

To the average of Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending: two maintenance $\begin{array}{lllllll}3 / 20 / 91 & 6 / 12 / 91 & 8 / 21 / 91 & 9 / 18 / 91 & 10 / 16 / 91 & 11 / 13 / 91 & 12 / 11 / 91\end{array} 1 / 22 / 92$ periods ending:

| $8 / 21 / 91$ | 4.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $9 / 18 / 91$ | 5.3 | 7.1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 16 / 91$ | 5.3 | 6.7 | 7.5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $11 / 13 / 91$ | 6.2 | 7.8 | 9.4 | 9.1 |  |  |  |  |
| $12 / 11 / 91$ | 6.1 | 7.5 | 8.4 | 7.8 | 9.2 |  |  |  |
| $1 / 22 / 92$ | 5.9 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 6.8 | 7.3 | 5.0 |  |  |
| $2 / 19 / 92$ | 7.3 | 8.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 10.7 | 10.0 | 11.9 |  |
| $3 / 18 / 92$ | 7.4 | 8.7 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 10.4 | 9.8 | 11.1 | 16.0 |

Money Stock (M1) and Total Checkable Deposits


Latest data plotted week ending: March 9, 1992
Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H. 6 release.
$M 1$ 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 depositorj institutions.

## Money Stock (M1)

Compounded annual rates of change, average of four weeks ending:
To the average of four weeks ending:

| $8 / 12 / 91$ | 6.7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $9 / 9 / 91$ | 7.2 | 7.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 7 / 91$ | 7.2 | 7.3 | 8.7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $11 / 11 / 91$ | 8.3 | 9.0 | 11.0 | 11.4 |  |  |  |  |
| $12 / 9 / 91$ | 8.9 | 9.8 | 11.7 | 12.3 | 14.5 |  |  |  |
| $1 / 6 / 92$ | 8.8 | 9.5 | 11.0 | 11.3 | 12.5 | 11.1 |  |  |
| $2 / 10 / 92$ | 10.3 | 11.5 | 13.4 | 14.0 | 15.5 | 15.9 | 16.6 |  |
| $3 / 9 / 92$ | 11.4 | 12.9 | 15.0 | 15.8 | 17.4 | 18.2 | 19.5 | 24.9 |

Adjusted Reserves


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: March 4, 1992
Adjusted reserves is the difference between adjusted monetary base and currency component of M 1 .

## Ad|usted Reserves

To the average of Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending: $\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { two maintenance } & 3 / 6 / 91 & 5 / 29 / 91 & 8 / 7 / 91 & 9 / 4 / 91 & 10 / 2 / 91 & 10 / 30 / 91 & 11 / 27 / 91 & 1 / 8 / 92\end{array}$ periods ending:

| $8 / 7 / 91$ | 1.8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $9 / 4 / 91$ | 3.1 | 3.8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 2 / 91$ | 4.0 | 5.2 | 10.3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 30 / 91$ | 5.1 | 6.8 | 11.5 | 12.1 |  |  |  |  |
| $11 / 27 / 91$ | 5.5 | 7.0 | 10.7 | 10.8 | 11.1 |  |  |  |
| $1 / 8 / 92$ | 5.6 | 6.9 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 9.1 | 7.3 | 6.6 |  |
| $2 / 5 / 92$ | 5.7 | 6.9 | 9.1 | 8.9 | 8.6 | 7.1 | 6.6 |  |
| $3 / 4 / 92$ | 10.3 | 12.8 | 16.9 | 17.9 | 19.3 | 20.6 | 24.3 | 39.6 |

Money Multiplier ${ }^{1 /}$


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: March 2, 1992
Currency Component of M1 ${ }^{2 /}$


Yields on Selected Securities


Latest data plotted are averages of rates available for the week ending: March 20, 1992

| 1991 |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 90-Day } \\ \text { CDs } \end{gathered}$ | 30-Day Commercial Paper | 90-Day Bankers' Acceptances | Corporate Aaa Bonds | Corporate Baa Bands | Municipal Bonds ** |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec <br> Jan | 27 | 4.33 | 5.05 | 4.33 | 8.22 | 9.14 | 6.58 |
|  | 3 | 4.15 | 4.57 | 4.05 | 8.17 | 9.11 | 6.52 |
|  | 10 | 3.98 | 4.09 | 3.92 | 8.14 | 9.05 | 6.40 |
|  | 17 | 4.09 | 4.10 | 3.99 | 8.20 | 9.11 | 6.56 |
|  | 24 | 4.06 | 4.08 | 3.96 | 8.22 | 9.16 | 6.59 |
|  | 31 | 4.08 | 4.08 | 4.00 | 8.25 | 9.20 | 6.65 |
| Feb | 7 | 4.02 | 4.07 | 3.95 | 8.25 | 9.18 | 6.71 |
|  | 14 | 3.96 | 4.02 | 3.92 | 8.27 | 9.21 | 6.74 |
|  | 21 | 4.13 | 4.17 | 4.05 | 8.33 | 9.28 | 6.75 |
|  | 28 | 4.16 | 4.19 | 4.08 | 8.31 | 9.23 | 6.74 |
| Mar | 6 | 4.22 | 4.27 | 4.17 | 8.32 | 9.21 | 6.71 |
|  | 13 | 4.24 | 4.28 | 4.19 | 8.34 | 9.23 | 6.76 |
|  | 20 | 4.30 | 4.33 | 4.21 | 8.39 | 9.33 | N.A. |

Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H .15 release.

* Averages of rates available
* Bond Buyer's Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data
N.A. - Not Available

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Selected Interest Rates


Latest data plotted are averages of rates available for the week ending: March 20, 1992

| 1991 |  | Federal <br> Funds ** | 3-Month <br> Treasury <br> Bill | 6-Month <br> Treasury <br> Bill *** | 1-Year <br> Treasury <br> Bill | $5-$ Year <br> Treasury <br> Securities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | | Long-Term <br> Treasury <br> Securities |
| :---: |
| Dec 27 |
| Jan |
| 10 |

Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H .15 release excluding long-term Treasury securities which are computed by this bank. Treasury bill yields are on a discount basis.

* Averages of rates available
** Seven-day averages for week ending two days earlier than date shown
*事 Auction average (discount)
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Money Stock (M2) and Non-M1 Components of M2


Latest data plotted week ending: March 9, 1992
Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H. 6 release.
M2 is the sum of M1, overnight RPs issued by all commercial banks, overnight Eurodollars issued to U.S. residents by foreign branches of U.S. banks, savings (including money market deposit accounts), small time deposits and general purpose and broker/dealer money market mutual funds. For more detail, see the H. 6 release.

## Money Stock (M2)

Compounded annual rates of change, average of four weeks ending:

To the average of four weeks ending:

| $8 / 12 / 91$ | 2.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| $9 / 9 / 91$ | 2.1 | 0.7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 7 / 91$ | 1.9 | 0.5 | 1.5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $11 / 11 / 91$ | 2.1 | 1.2 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 3.5 |  |  |  |
| $12 / 9 / 91$ | 2.5 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.9 |  |
| $1 / 6 / 92$ | 2.3 | 1.8 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 5.0 |
| $2 / 10 / 92$ | 2.7 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 4.2 | 6.7 |  |  |
| $3 / 9 / 92$ | 3.1 | 2.9 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.8 | 5.1 |  |  |

Savings and Money Market Funds


Large and Small Time Deposits ${ }^{1 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: March 9, 1992
1 / Large time deposits are those issued in demoninations of $\$ 100,000$ or more.
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Total Borrowings


Adjustment + Seasonal Borrowings


Latest data plotted week ending: March 18, 1992
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Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies


Latest data plotted week ending: March 11, 1992
Commercial and Industrial Loans ${ }^{1 /}$
Weekly Reporting Large Commercial Banks ${ }^{2 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: March 4, 1992
1 Commercial and industrial loans include banker's acceptances and commercial paper.
2/Banks with domestic assets greater than $\$ 1.4$ billion
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Dollar's Trade-Weighted Exchange Index


Latest data plotted week ending: March 18, 1992
Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H .10 release.
Data are weighted averages of the foreign-currency price of the U.S. dollar, computed using 10 industrial country currencies.

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