

THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- The M1 money stock rose at a 7.2 percent annual rate for the twomonth period ending April 27, after expanding at a 17.1 percent rate during the previous five months.
- Business loans have been trending downward since early 1991 and have fallen 9.3 percent since April 1991.
- Initial jobless claims rose during the week ending April 25 from 404,000 to 415,000, but are still below the weekly average of 460,000 in April 1991.
- New construction during March was estimated at an annual rate of \$419.9 billion, up 1.6 percent from the revised February estimate of \$413.3 billion and 4.5 percent from March of last year.
- Consumer credit posted a 2.7 percent annual rate of decline for March and was down 0.7 percent from March of last year.

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Adjusted Monetary Base



Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: April 29, 1992

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 computed by this bank. A detailed description of the adjusted monetary base is available from this bank.

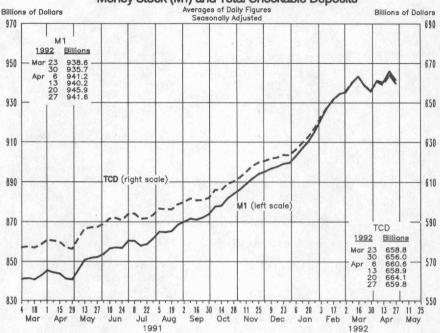
Recent data are preliminary.

Adjusted Monetary Base

To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	5/1/91	ded annual 7/24/91	10/2/91	10/30/91	11/27/91	12/25/91	1/22/92	3/4/92
10/2/91	6.5							
10/30/91	7.0	8.7						
11/27/91	7.1	8.4	8.6					
12/25/91	7.2	8.4	8.5	7.8			1000	
1/22/92	6.7	7.5	7.1	6.2	5.6			
3/4/92	8.6	9.9	10.7	10.8	11.8	13.3		
4/1/92	8.0	9.1	9.4	9.3	9.7	10.1	13.1	
4/29/92	8.2	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.9	10.3	12.4	6.5

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Money Stock (M1) and Total Checkable Deposits

Latest data plotted week ending: April 27, 1992

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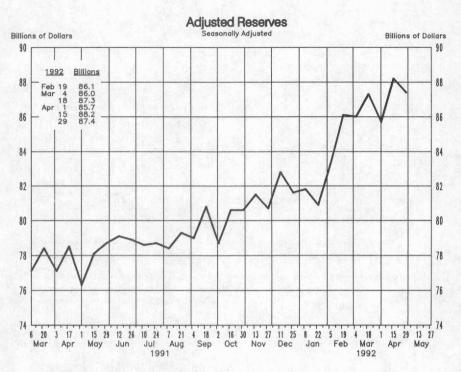
M1 is the sum of currency held by the nonbank public, demand deposits, other checkable deposits and travelers checks.

Total checkable deposits is the sum of demand deposits and other checkable deposits at depository institutions.

Money Stock (M1)

To the average of four weeks ending:	4/29/91	7/29/91	9/30/91	10/28/91	11/25/91	12/30/91	1/27/92	3/2/92
9/30/91	8.5							
10/28/91	9.2	10.0						
11/25/91	10.0	11.3	14.3					
12/30/91	10.0	10.9	12.5	12.3				
1/27/92	10.6	11.8	13.4	13.5	12.6			
3/2/92	12.7	14.6	17.1	18.0	18.7	23.9		
3/30/92	12.5	14.1	16.0	16.6	16.8	19.6	21.2	
4/27/92	11.8	13.0	14.3	14.6	14.4	15.8	15.6	7.2

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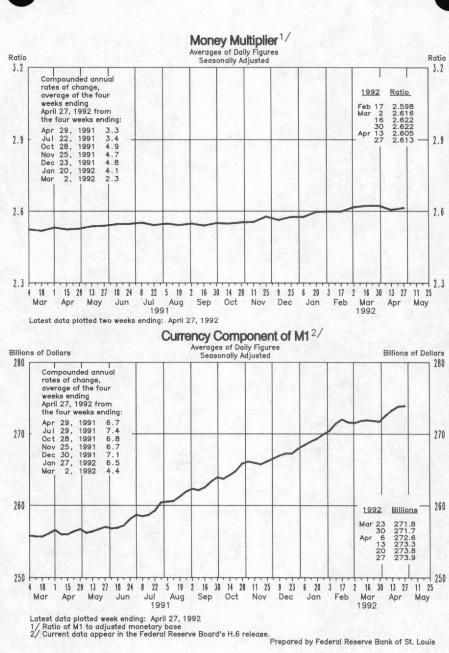
Latest data plotted two weeks ending: April 29, 1992

Adjusted reserves is the difference between adjusted monetary base and currency component of M1.

Adjusted Reserves								
To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	Compound 5/1/91	ded annual 7/24/91		hange, ave 10/30/91				s ending 3/4/92
10/2/91	7.5							
10/30/91	8.4	9.3						
11/27/91	8.4	9.1	11.1					
12/25/91	9.6	10.8	13.7	13.6				
1/22/92	7.1	7.0	6.7	4.4	2.4			
3/4/92	13.4	15.7	19.7	21.0	24.9	27.3		
4/1/92	12.8	14.6	17.5	18.2	20.5	20.9	37.2	
4/29/92	13.4	15.3	18.0	18.7	20.6	21.0	32.5	13.6

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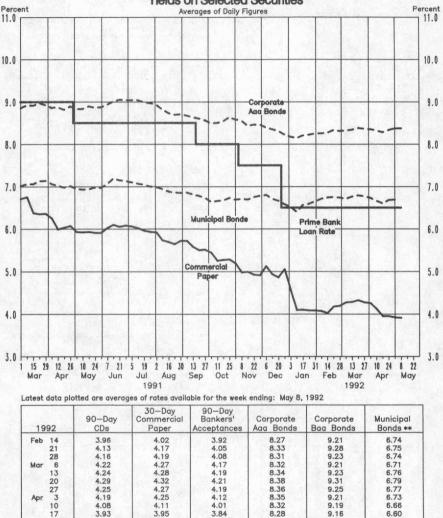




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Yields on Selected Securities



3.87

3.82

3.77

8.33

8.37

8.37

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

* Averages of rates available

3.96

3.92

3.87

** Bond Buyer's Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data

3.95

3.92

3.91

N.A. - Not Available

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9.24

9.23

9.22

6.68

6.69

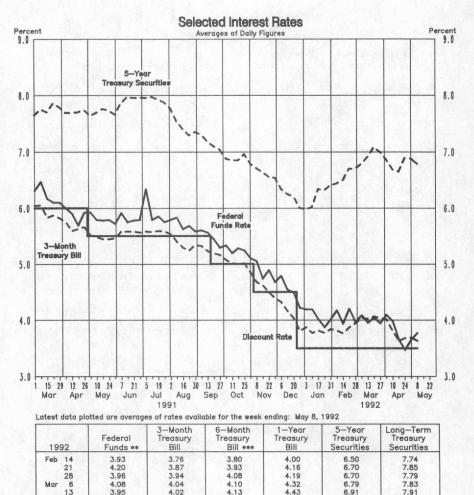
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Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.15 release excluding long—term Treasury securities which are computed by this bank. Treasury bill yields are on a discount basis.

* Averages of rates available

** Seven-day averages for week ending two days earlier than date shown

*** Auction average (discount)

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Money Stock (M2) and Non-M1 Components of M2 Averages of Daily Figures Seasonally Adjusted Billions of Dollars Billions of Dollars 2675 3550 M2 1992 Billions Mar 23 3469.6 3462.6 3468.3 3469.5 3471.2 3461.5 M2 (left scale) Apr 6 13 2625 3500 20 27 2575 3450 2525 3400 Non-M1 M2 (right scale) Non-M1 M2 1992 Billions 2531.0 2526.9 2527.1 2529.3 2525.3 2519.9 2475 3350 Mar 23 6 13 20 27 Apr - 2425 3300 18 1 15 29 13 27 10 24 8 22 5 19 2 16 30 14 28 11 25 9 23 6 20 3 17 2 Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb 16 30 13 27 11 25 4 Mar Mar Apr May 1991 1992

Latest data plotted week ending: April 27, 1992

Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.6 release.

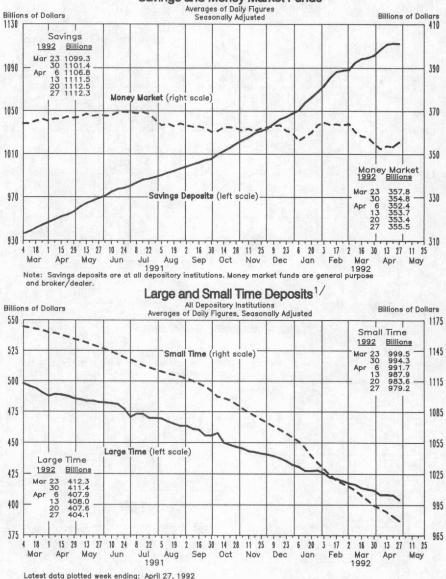
M2 is the sum of M1, overnight RPs issued by all commercial banks, overnight Eurodollars issued to U.S. residents by foreign branches of U.S. banks, savings (including money market deposit accounts), small time deposits and general purpose and broker/dealer money market mutual funds. For more detail, see the H.6 release.

Money	/ Stock	(M2)	

To the average of four weeks ending:	Con 4/29/91		annual rate 9/30/91	es of chang 10/28/91	ge, average 11/25/91	e of four we 12/30/91	eks ending 1/27/92	g: 3/2/9:
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12/30/91	2.1	2.4	3.3	3.8				
1/27/92	2.0	2.3	2.9	3.1	2.3			
3/2/92	2.9	3.4	4.4	4.9	4.9	6.0		
3/30/92	2.5	2.9	3.5	3.8	3.5	3.7	4.7	
4/27/92	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.5	-1.7

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Savings and Money Market Funds

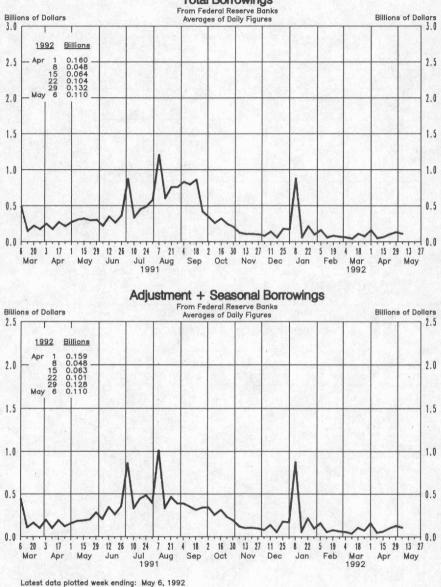


1/ Large time deposits are those issued in demoninations of \$100,000 or more.

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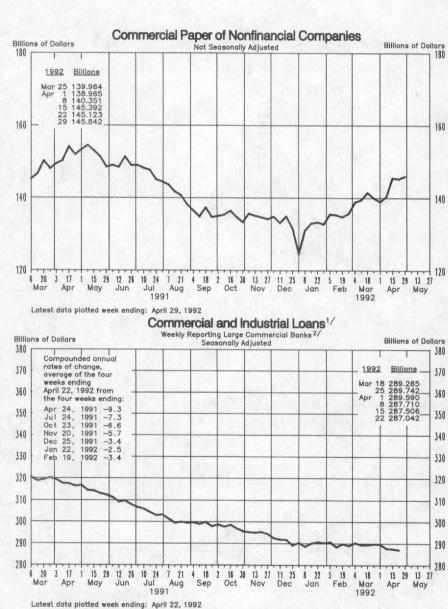
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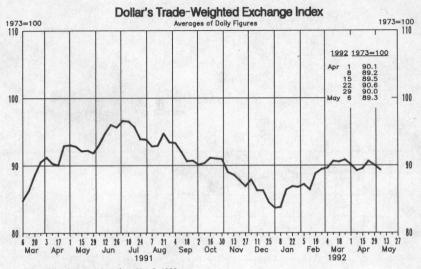
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1/ Commercial and industrial loans include banker's acceptances and commercial paper.

2/ Banks with domestic assets greater than \$1.4 billion

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Latest data plotted week ending: May 6, 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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