

THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- The yield on long-term Treasury securities fell 13 basis points during the last four weeks to 7.82 percent, but is still 36 basis points up from January of this year. The yield averaged 8.31 percent in May 1991.
- The dollar's trade-weighted exchange index continued its decline of the last five weeks to 88 percent of its 1973 average. The index had been rising during the first three months of the year.
- The Conference Board's index of consumer confidence rose in May to 71.6 percent of its 1985 level, following a mark of 65.1 percent in April. The index has increased in each of the last three months, since dropping below 50 percent in February.
- New orders for manufacturers' durable goods increased in April for the fourth consecutive month, up 1.4 percent to \$125.4 billion. The total of new orders for the first four months of this year is \$490.4 billion, up 5.8 percent from the same period last year.

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Adjusted Monetary Base



Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: May 27, 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 vauits 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.

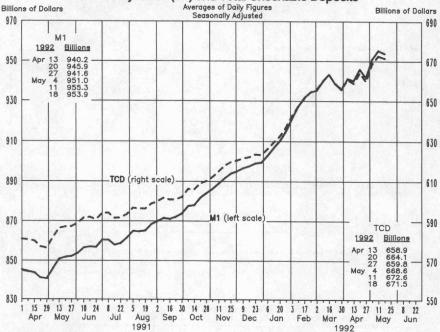
Adjusted Monetary Base

To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	5/29/91	8/21/91	10/30/91	11/27/91	12/25/91	1/22/92	3/4/92	4/1/92
10/30/91	7.3							
11/27/91	7.4	8.5						
12/25/91	7.5	8.4	7.8					
1/22/92	6.9	7.4	6.2	5.6				
3/4/92	8.9	10.1	10.8	11.8	13.3			
4/1/92	8.3	9.2	9.3	9.7	10.1	13.1		
4/29/92	8.5	9.3	9.5	9.9	10.3	12.4	6.5	
5/27/92	8.5	9.2	9.4	9.7	10.0	11.6	7.2	9.6

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Money Stock (M1) and Total Checkable Deposits

Latest data plotted week ending: May 18, 1992.

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

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:	5/20/91	8/19/91	annual rate 10/21/91	11/18/91	12/16/91	1/20/92	2/17/92	3/16/92
10/21/91	8.7							
11/18/91	9.8	11.4						
12/16/91	10.1	11.7	14.1					
1/20/92	10.2	11.5	12.9	11.7				
2/17/92	12.2	14.3	16.9	17.3	19.5			
3/16/92	13.1	15.3	17.9	18.4	20.3	26.6		
4/20/92	12.0	13.5	14.9	14.7	15.2	16.9	11.0	
5/18/92	12.2	13.5	14.8	14.6	15.0	16.3	12.0	7.8

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Adjusted Reserves Seasonally Adjusted **Billions of Dollars** Billions of Dollars 90 90 1992 Billions 88 88 86.0 87.3 85.7 88.2 87.4 87.9 Mar 4 18 Apr Apr 1 15 29 May 13 86 86 84 84 82 82 80 80 78 78 76 76 74 74 17 1 15 29 12 26 10 24 7 21 4 18 2 16 30 13 27 11 25 8 22 5 19 4 18 1 15 29 13 27 10 24 Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun 3 Apr Apr 1991 1992

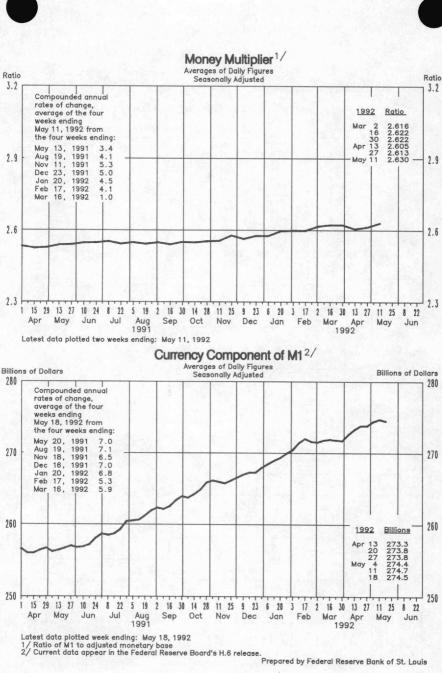
Latest data plotted two weeks ending: May 13, 1992

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

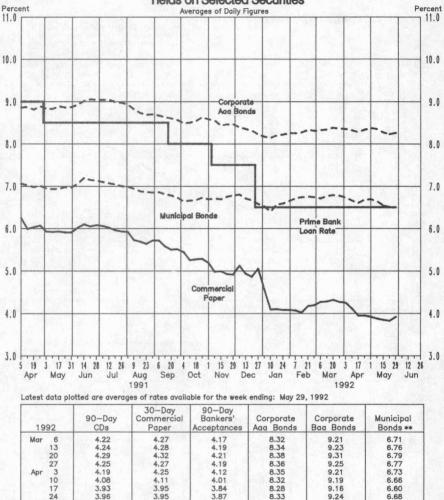
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11/13/91	10.4	12.3							
12/11/91	10.6	12.2	18.4						
1/8/92	9.1	9.6	11.3	4.9					
2/19/92	12.8	14.9	19.2	17.5	19.9				
3/18/92	14.7	17.3	22.0	21.3	24.1	36.2			
4/15/92	13.8	15.8	19.2	18.1	19.5	26.3	19.0		
5/13/92	13.6	15.3	18.0	16.9	17.9	22.7	16.3	7.7	

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Yields on Selected Securities



3.82

3.77

3.71

3.74

3.84

8.37

8.35

8.27

8.23

8.26

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

* Averages of rates available

3.92

3.85

3.77

3.78

3.88

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

3.92

3.88

3.85

3.83

3.92

N.A. - Not Available

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May

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9.20

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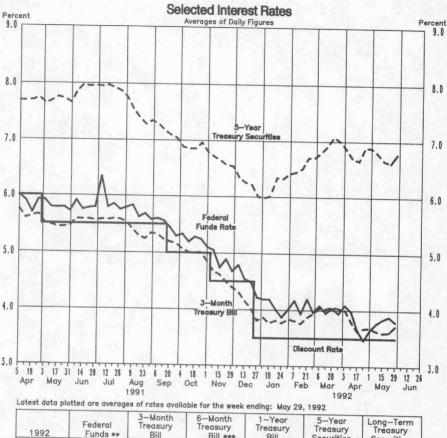
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N.A.





1992	Federal Funds **	Treasury Bill	Treasury Bill ***	1-Year Treasury Bill	5-Year Treasury Securities	Long-Term Treasury Securities
Mar 6 13 20 27 Apr 3 10 17 24 May 1 8 15 22 29 *	4.08 3.95 4.04 3.94 4.09 3.88 3.65 3.47 3.65 3.77 3.84 3.89 3.89 3.80	4.04 4.02 4.06 4.03 3.63 3.68 3.68 3.69 3.63 3.69 3.63 3.60 3.61 3.72	4.10 4.13 4.27 4.27 4.02 3.73 3.86 3.73 3.85 3.78 3.77 3.71 3.90	4.32 4.43 4.50 4.40 4.27 4.06 3.95 4.11 4.12 4.06 3.93 3.92 4.08	6.79 6.91 7.08 7.00 6.86 6.69 6.65 6.89 6.88 8.78 6.65 6.61 6.77	7.83 7.91 7.98 7.91 7.84 7.78 7.78 7.94 7.95 7.87 7.73 7.69 7.82

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 **Billions of Dollars** Billions of Dollars Seasonally Adjusted 2675 3550 M2 1992 Billions 3468.7 13 Apr 13 3468.7 20 3470.5 27 3460.8 4 3469.7 11 3475.8 18 3468.4 20 27 2625 M2 (left scale) 3500 May 2575 3450 2525 3400 Non-M1 M2 (right scale) Non-M1 M2 1992 Billions 2475 2528.5 2524.6 2519.2 2518.7 2520.5 2514.5 13 Apr 13 20 27 4 11 18 May 2425 3300 15 29 13 27 10 24 8 22 5 19 2 16 30 14 28 11 25 9 23 6 20 3 17 2 16 30 13 27 11 25 8 22 Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Aug Jul Apr May Jun 1992 1991

Latest data plotted week ending: May 18, 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.

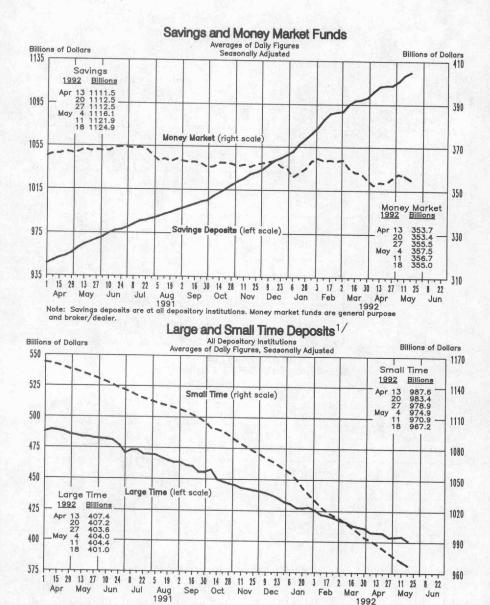
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11/18/01	1.0							
11/10/01	1.5	2.5						
12/16/91	2.0	3.1	4.9					
1/20/92	1.8	2.4	3.0	2.4				
2/17/92	2.5	3.5	4.5	4.5	4.2			
3/16/92	2.7	3.7	4.6	4.6	4.4	7.1		
4/20/92	2.1	2.6	3.0	2.7	2.1	2.9	0.2	
5/18/92	2.0	2.4	2.6	2.4	1.9	2.4	0.3	-1.7

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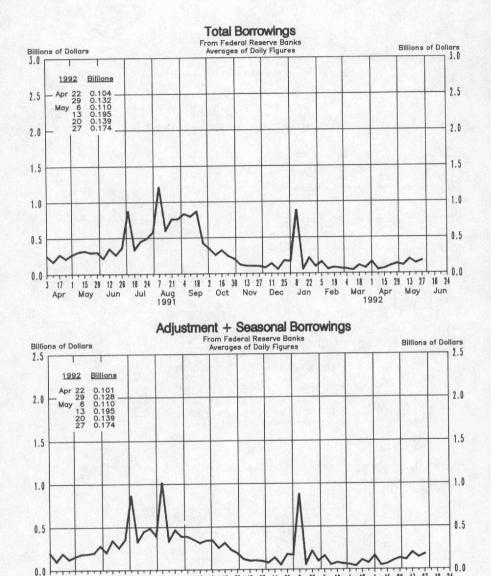
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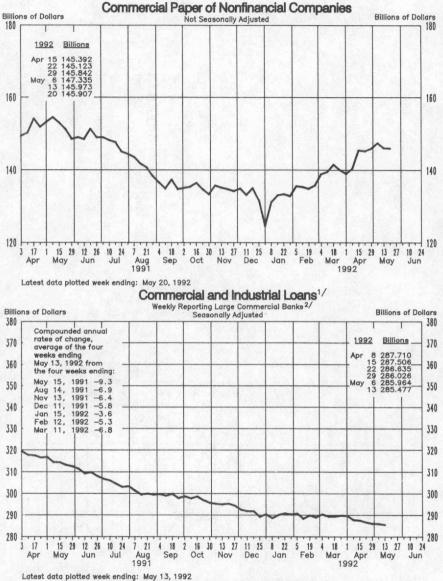
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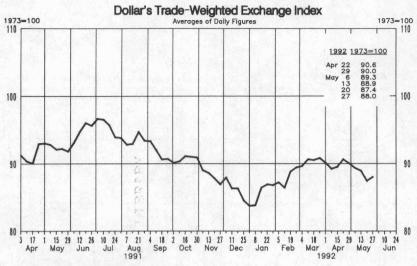


1/ Commercial and industrial loans include banker's acceptances and commercial paper.

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

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Data are weighted averages of the foreign-currency price of the U.S. dollar, computed using 10 industrial country currencies.

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