## THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

$\checkmark$ Privately owned housing starts rose from a seasonally adjusted annual rate of $1,224,000$ units in October to 1,242,000 units in November. For the first 11 months of 1992, 18 percent more units were started than were during the same period in 1991.
$\checkmark$ Industrial production rose at a 4.5 percent annual rate in November. This was the second consecutive monthly gain, which more than offsets the declines of late summer. An increase in informationprocessing equipment and nondurable materials accounted for much of the November increase.
$\checkmark$ The merchandise trade deficit for October fell to $\$ 7$ billion from $\$ 8.6$ billion in September. The deficit totals $\$ 67.8$ billion so far this year, up-from $\$ 55.1$ billion for the same period in 1991.

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Adjusted Monetary Base


Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: December 9, 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
Rejustment for reserve requirement ratio changes. The major source of the adjusted monetary base is Federal Resarye credit. Data ore computed by this bank. A detailed description of the adjusted monetary base is available from this bank.
Recent dato are preliminary.

## Adjusted Monetary Beee

To the average of Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending: $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { two maintenance } & 12 / 11 / 91 & 3 / 4 / 92 & 5 / 13 / 92 & 6 / 10 / 92 & 7 / 8 / 92 & 8 / 5 / 92\end{array} \quad 9 / 2 / 92 \quad 10 / 14 / 92$ two periods ending:

| $5 / 13 / 92$ | 9.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $6 / 10 / 92$ | 9.1 | 6.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $7 / 8 / 92$ | 7.8 | 4.8 | 3.1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $8 / 5 / 92$ | 8.7 | 6.7 | 7.1 | 7.4 |  |  |  |  |
| $9 / 2 / 92$ | 9.4 | 8.0 | 9.2 | 10.0 | 15.6 |  |  |  |
| $10 / 14 / 92$ | 10.5 | 9.8 | 11.5 | 12.6 | 16.5 | 16.9 |  |  |
| $11 / 11 / 92$ | 10.7 | 10.1 | 11.7 | 12.6 | 15.7 | 15.7 | 15.7 |  |
| $12 / 9 / 92$ | 10.2 | 9.6 | 10.7 | 11.4 | 13.6 | 13.2 | 12.5 | 8.7 |

Money Stock (M1) and Total Checkable Deposits


Latest data plotted week ending: December 7, 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)

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

| To the average      <br> of four weeks $12 / 9 / 91$ $3 / 9 / 92$ $5 / 4 / 92$ $6 / 8 / 92$ $7 / 6 / 92$ | $8 / 10 / 92$ | $9 / 7 / 92$ | $10 / 5 / 92$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ending:


| $5 / 4 / 92$ | 14.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $6 / 8 / 92$ | 13.9 | 8.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $7 / 6 / 92$ | 11.5 | 5.7 | 4.9 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $8 / 10 / 92$ | 12.0 | 7.7 | 8.3 | 6.5 |  |  |  |  |
| $9 / 7 / 92$ | 12.5 | 9.1 | 10.2 | 9.7 | 15.8 |  |  |  |
| $10 / 5 / 92$ | 13.3 | 10.7 | 12.3 | 12.4 | 17.7 | 19.5 |  |  |
| $11 / 9 / 92$ | 14.4 | 12.5 | 14.3 | 15.0 | 19.4 | 21.2 | 23.0 |  |
| $12 / 7 / 92$ | 14.1 | 12.3 | 13.8 | 14.2 | 17.6 | 18.5 | 18.9 | 17.6 |

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Adjusted Reserves


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: December 9, 1992
Adjusted reserves is the difference between adjusted monetary base and currency component of M1.

| Adjusted Reoerves |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| To the average of two maintenance periods ending: | Compound $12 / 11 / 91$ | ed annual $3 / 4 / 92$ | rates of ch $5 / 13 / 92$ | ange, aver 6/10/92 | age of two 7/8/92 | maintena 8/5/92 | ce period $9 / 2 / 92$ | ds ending: $10 / 14 / 92$ |
| 5/13/92 | 17.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6/10/92 | 16.8 | 10.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7/8/92 | 11.5 | 3.4 | -4.4 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8/5/92 | 12.0 | 5.6 | 2.0 | -2.2 |  |  |  |  |
| 9/2/92 | 12.2 | 6.8 | 4.9 | 3.0 | 15.1 |  |  |  |
| 10/14/92 | 14.2 | 10.4 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 20.1 | 21.8 |  |  |
| 11/11/92 | 15.4 | 12.5 | 13.4 | 13.9 | 22.4 | 24.2 | 28.5 |  |
| 12/9/92 | 13.9 | 10.9 | 11.1 | 11.2 | 17.4 | 17.7 | 18.7 | 12.7 |

Money Multiplier ${ }^{1 /}$


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: December 7, 1992
Currency Component of $\mathrm{M}^{2 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: December 7, 1992
1/Ratio of M1 to adjusted monetary base
2. Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H. 6 release.

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Yields on Selected Securities


Latest data plotted are averages of rates available for the week ending: December 18, 1992

| 1992 |  | $\begin{gathered} 90-\text { Day } \\ \text { CDs } \end{gathered}$ | 30-Day Commercial Paper | $90-$ Day Bankers' Acceptances | Corporate Aad Bonds | Corporate Boa Bonds | Municipal Bonds ** |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep Oct | 25 | 3.15 | 3.27 | 3.12 | 7.96 | 8.69 | 6.33 |
|  | 2 | 3.10 | 3.26 | 3.04 | 7.93 | 8.64 | 6.27 |
|  | 9 | 3.09 | 3.15 | 3.05 | 7.92 | 8.72 | 6.29 |
|  | 16 | 3.25 | 3.23 | 3.18 | 7.96 | 8.84 | 6.34 |
|  | 23 | 3.38 | 3.27 | 3.31 | 8.04 | 8.93 | 6.53 |
|  | 30 | 3.39 | 3.26 | 3.32 | 8.07 | 8.96 | 6.62 |
| Nov | 6 | 3.42 | 3.25 | 3.35 | 8.11 | 9.02 | 6.51 |
|  | 13 | 3.52 | 3.28 | 3.47 | 8.14 | 9.00 | 6.38 |
|  | 20 | 3.68 | 3.25 | 3.60 | 8.07 | 8.91 | 6.28 |
|  | 27 | 3.67 | 3.22 | 3.60 | 8.06 | 8.91 | 6.26 |
| Dec | 4 | 3.73 | 3.70 | 3.65 | 8.06 | 8.92 | 6.28 |
|  | 11 | 3.54 | 3.80 | 3.48 | 8.00 | 8.82 | 6.22 |
|  | 18* | 3.48 | 3.79 | 3.45 | 8.00 | 8.83 | 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: December 18, 1992

| 1992 |  | Federal Funds ** | 3-Month Treasury Bill | 6-Month Treasury Bill *** | 1-Year Treasury Bill | 5-Year <br> Treasury <br> Securities | Long-Term Treasury Securities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep Oct | 25 | 3.07 | 2.89 | 2.93 | 3.04 | 5.46 | 7.11 |
|  | 2 | 3.41 | 2.69 | 2.85 | 2.91 | 5.26 | 7.02 |
|  | 9 | 3.20 | 2.76 | 2.78 | 2.97 | 5.35 | 7.12 |
|  | 16 | 3.20 | 2.90 | 2.95 | 3.12 | 5.52 | 7.21 |
|  | 23 | 3.05 | 2.95 | 3.10 | 3.35 | 5.83 | 7.35 |
|  | 30 | 2.96 | 2.94 | 3.22 | 3.36 | 5.85 | 7.37 |
| Nov | 6 | 3.07 | 3.03 | 3.27 | 3.42 | 5.96 | 7.44 |
|  | 13 | 2.91 | 3.08 | 3.31 | 3.47 | 6.00 | 7.41 |
|  | 20 | 2.97 | 3.16 | 3.37 | 3.56 | 6.05 | 7.36 |
|  | 27 | 3.10 | 3.24 | 3.45 | 3.60 | 6.12 | 7.38 |
| Dec | 4 | 3.37 | 3.30 | 3.46 | 3.64 | 6.20 | 7.41 |
|  | 11. | 2.94 | 3.24 | 3.37 | 3.55 | 6.04 | 7.27 |
|  | 18 * | 2.93 | 3.23 | 3.43 | 3.63 | 6.11 | 7.29 |

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


Latest data plotted week ending: December 7, 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: $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { To the average } & 12 / 9 / 91 & 3 / 9 / 92 & 5 / 4 / 92 & 6 / 8 / 92 & 7 / 6 / 92 & 8 / 10 / 92 & 9 / 7 / 92\end{array} 10 / 5 / 92$ of four weeks ending:

| $5 / 4 / 92$ | 2.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $6 / 8 / 92$ | 2.0 | -1.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $7 / 6 / 92$ | 1.3 | -1.5 | -1.6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $8 / 10 / 92$ | 1.2 | -1.0 | -0.8 | -0.9 |  |  |  |  |
| $9 / 7 / 92$ | 1.4 | -0.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 1.9 |  |  |  |
| $10 / 5 / 92$ | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 2.5 | 3.6 |  |  |
| $11 / 9 / 92$ | 2.1 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 4.6 | 5.1 |  |
| $12 / 7 / 92$ | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.8 |

Sevings and Money Market Funds



Latest data plotted week ending: December 7, 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: December 16, 1992
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Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies


Latest data plotted week ending: December 9, 1992
Commercial and Industrial Loans ${ }^{1 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: December 2, 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: December 16, 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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