



THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

May 13, 1993

- ✓ The consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) increased at a 5.1 percent annual rate in April after a 1.7 percent rate of increase in March. During the first four months of 1993, the CPI-U rose at a 4.3 percent rate, which compares with a 3 percent increase in 1992.
- ✓ The producer price index (PPI) for finished goods moved up at a 6.9 percent annual rate in April, which followed a 4.9 percent rate of increase in March. So far this year, the PPI has risen at a 4.7 percent rate, compared with a 1.6 percent increase in 1992.
- ✓ U.S. retail sales rose at a 15.1 percent annual rate from March to April. For the January-to-April period, retail sales were up 5.5 percent from a year earlier.
- ✓ The civilian unemployment rate in April was 7 percent for the third consecutive month, down from its mid-1992 high of 7.7 percent. During the past three months, total civilian employment has increased at a 1.2 percent annual rate, while the labor force has expanded at a 0.8 percent rate.

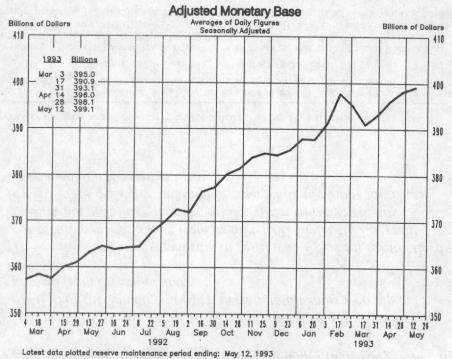
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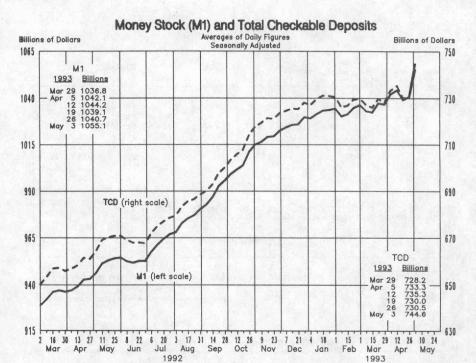
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The adjusted monetary base is the sum of reserve accounts of financial institutions at Federal Reserve banks, currency in circulation (currency held by the public and in the vaults of all depository institutions) and an adjustment for reserve requirement 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											
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10/14/92	11.2										
11/11/92	11.6	14.7									
12/9/92	11.0	12.9	10.2								
1/6/93	10.5	11.9	9.2	7.0							
2/17/93	11.7	13.3	12.4	11.9	14.1						
3/17/93	10.2	10.9	9.1	8.1	8.5	8.9					
4/14/93	9.8	10.3	8.5	7.6	7.8	7.9	0.3				
5/12/93	10.1	10.7	9.2	8.5	8.9	9.2	4.7	9.6			



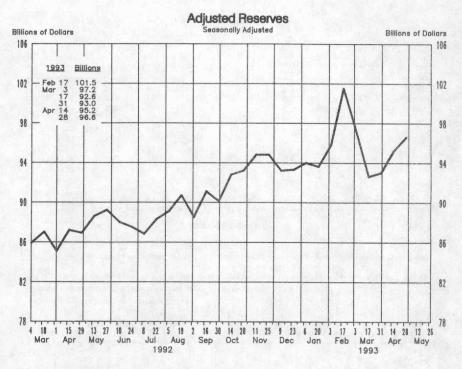
Latest data plotted week ending: May 3, 1993

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.

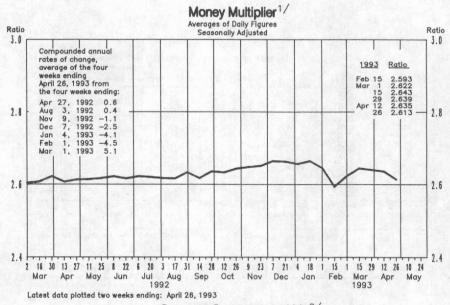
			Money	Stock (N	M)			
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10/5/92	13.2							
11/2/92	14.3	19.0						
11/30/92	14.5	18.3	18.2					
1/4/93	13.7	16.0	14.5	11.9				
2/1/93	13.0	14.7	12.8	10.5	8.1			
3/1/93	11.7	12.6	10.2	7.9	5.6	3.7		
4/5/93	10.9	11.3	9.0	7.0	5.1	3.8	2.2	
5/3/93	10.8	11.2	9.1	7.5	6.0	5.2	4.5	6.6

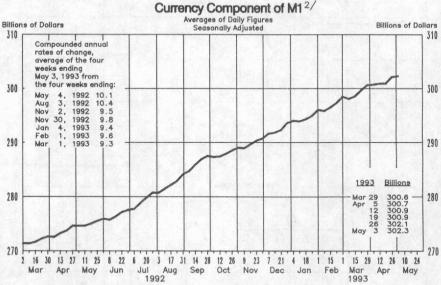


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: April 28, 1993

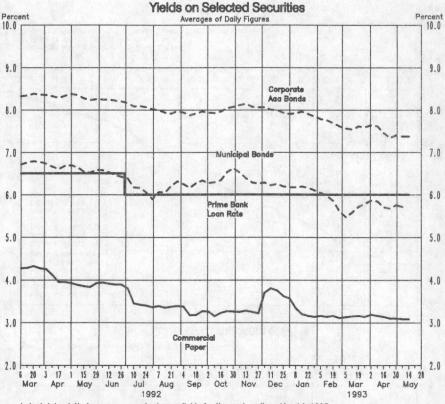
Adjusted reserves is the difference between adjusted monetary base and currency component of M1.

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9/30/92	9.8							
10/28/92	14.0	24.9						
11/25/92	15.8	25.6	34.3					
12/23/92	11.1	16.1	13.6	2.1				
2/3/93	11.5	15.6	13.6	7.0	-0.5			
3/3/93	16.9	22.8	24.5	21.2	19.2	39.0		
3/31/93	7.1	8.7	4.9	-0.5	-6.0	-2.0	-12.3	
4/28/93	10.1	12.5	10.4	6.3	2.8	8.3	5.6	-20.8





Latest data plotted week ending: May 3, 1993
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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Latest data plotted are averages of rates available for the week ending: May 14, 1993

19	93	90-Day CDs	30-Day Commercial Paper	90—Day Bankers' Acceptances	Corporate Aaa Bonds	Corporate Baa Bonds	Municipal Bonds **
Feb		3.11	3.16	3.05	7.69	8.37	5.85
	26	3.10	3.11	3.05	7.61	8.22	5.60
Mar	5	3.11	3.13	3.06	7.56	8.12	5.47
	12	3.12	3.15	3.08	7.54	8.11	5.58
	19	3.11	3.16	3.08	7.61	8.16	5.71
	26	3.11	3.14	3.07	7.59	8.15	5.78
Apr	2	3.12	3.19	3.09	7.64	8.23	5.86
100	9	3.11	3.16	3.07	7.61	8.25	5.84
	16	3.09	3.14	3.04	7.45	8.07	5.70
	23	3.08	3.10	3.04	7.34	8.05	5.67
	30	3.08	3.10	3.04	7.40	8.15	5.75
May	7	3.06	3.08	3.03	7.37	8.13	5.71
	14 *	3.06	3.08	3.02	7.37	8.13	N.A.

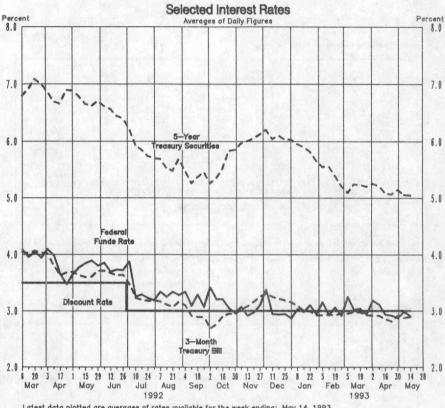
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* Averages of rates available

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

N.A. - Not Available





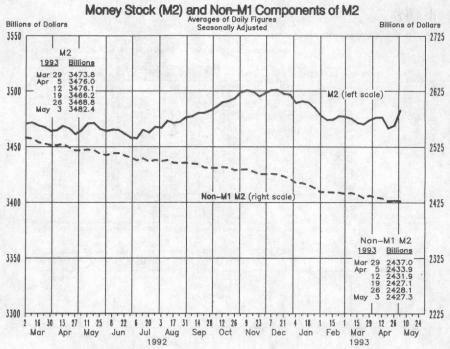
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19	93	Federal Funds **	3-Month Treasury Bill	6-Month Treasury Bill ***	1—Year Treasury Bill	5-Year Treasury Securities	Long-Term Treasury Securities
Feb		3.06	2.92	3.08	3.22	5.39	6.86
	26	2.91	2.95	3.06	3.17	5.21	6.66
Mar	5	3.24	2.95	3.05	3.17	5.09	6.55
	12	3.02	2.98	3.09	3.26	5.24	6.56
	19	3.04	2.97	3.12	3.22	5.23	6.66
	26	2.93	2.92	3.05	3.16	5.20	6.63
Apr	2	3.18	2.91	3.04	3.17	5.25	6.74
	9	3.11	2.91	3.04	3.16	5.21	6.72
	16	2.93	2.85	3.00	3.09	5.08	6.52
	23	2.91	2.81	2.96	3.05	5.06	6.49
	30	2.87	2.91	2.95	3.12	5.14	6.62
May	7	2.98	2.87	2.98	3.11	5.05	6.55
	14 *	2.90	2.89	2.99	3.11	5.04	6.53

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)

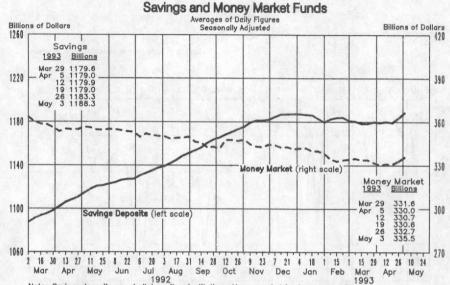


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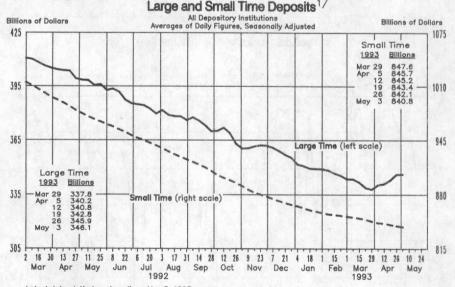
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M2 is the sum of M1, overnight RPs issued by all commercial banks, overnight Eurodollars issued to U.S. residents by foreign branches of U.S. banks, savings (including money market deposit accounts), small time deposits and general purpose and broker/dealer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

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1/4/93	1.3	2.1	1.6	0.4				
2/1/93	0.8	1.2	0.3	-0.9	-2.0			
3/1/93	0.4	0.5	-0.5	-1.5	-2.6	-3.7		
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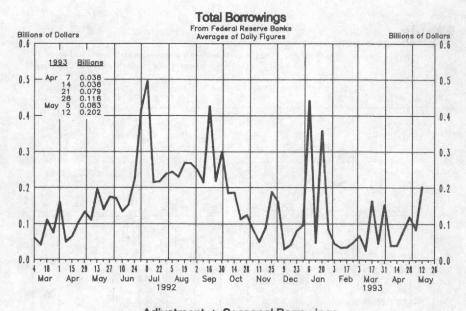


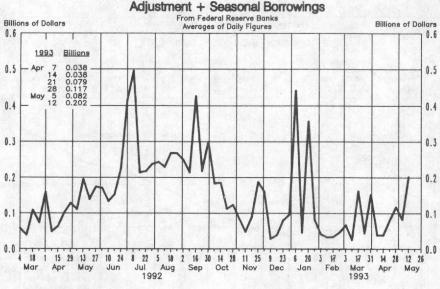
Note: Savings deposits are at all depository institutions. Money market funds are general purpose and broker/dealer.



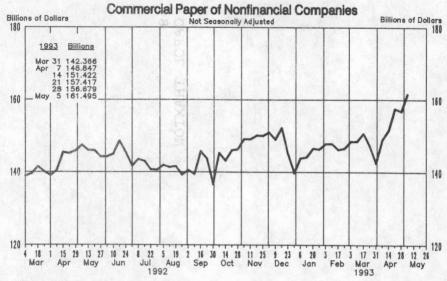
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1/ Large time deposits are those issued in denominations of \$100,000 or more.

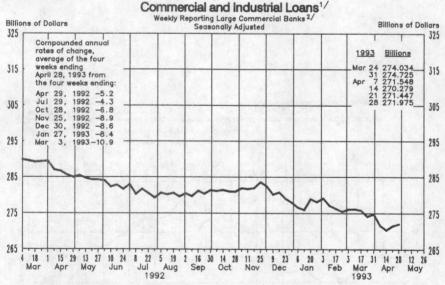




Latest data plotted week ending: May 12, 1993







Latest data plotted week ending: April 28, 1993

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

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



Latest data plotted week ending: May 12, 1993

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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