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THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ *Privately owned housing starts in April were at an annual rate of 1,213,000 units, a 6.7 percent increase from the revised March rate of 1,137,000 units. During the first four months of this year, 362,200 housing units were started, down 2 percent from 369,600 units for the same period in 1992.*
- ✓ *Industrial production rose at a 1.1 percent annual rate in April, after no change in March. April production was up 3.5 percent from a year earlier.*
- ✓ *Manufacturing and trade inventories rose 0.8 percent in March and were up 3.5 percent from March 1992. With total business sales rising 0.2 percent in March and 6.2 percent from a year ago, the inventory/sales ratio rose to 1.47 in March, but was down from its 1.51 ratio in March 1992.*
- ✓ *The merchandise trade deficit widened to \$10.2 billion in March. For the first three months of the year, the deficit totaled \$25.8 billion, up from \$15 billion for the first three months of 1992.*

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Adjusted Monetary Base



Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: May 12, 1993

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.

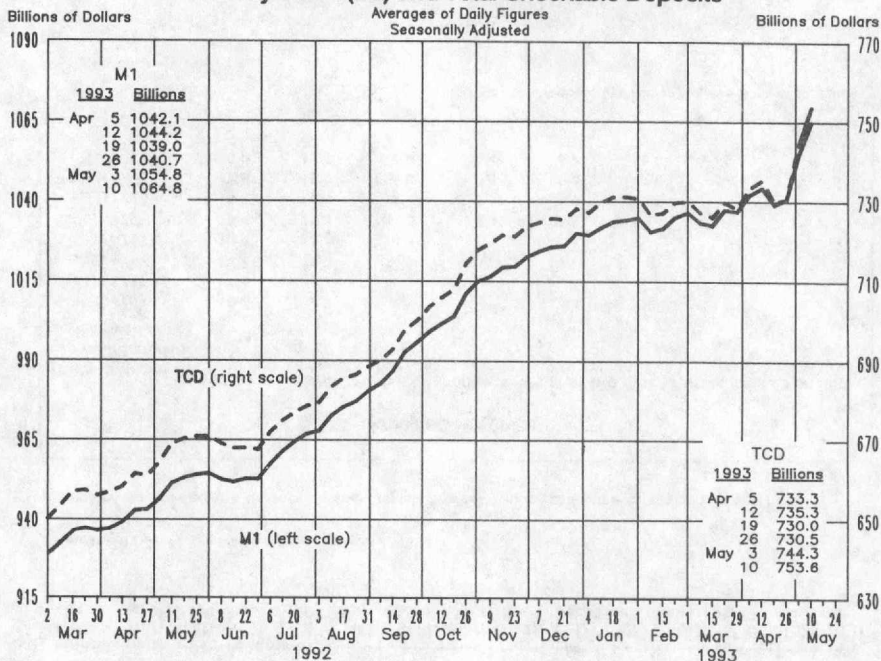
Recent data are preliminary.

Adjusted Monetary Base

To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:								
	5/13/92	8/5/92	10/14/92	11/11/92	12/9/92	1/6/93	2/17/93	3/17/93	
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	7.8	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	

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Money Stock (M1) and Total Checkable Deposits



Latest data plotted week ending: May 10, 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 (M1)

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

	5/11/92	8/10/92	10/12/92	11/9/92	12/7/92	1/11/93	2/8/93	3/8/93
10/12/92	13.3							
11/9/92	14.4	19.3						
12/7/92	14.2	17.9	16.9					
1/11/93	13.3	15.6	13.4	10.5				
2/8/93	12.5	13.9	11.4	8.8	6.8			
3/8/93	11.4	12.1	9.4	7.0	5.0	3.1		
4/12/93	10.8	11.3	8.8	6.8	5.4	4.3	4.0	
5/10/93	11.0	11.4	9.3	7.7	6.7	6.3	6.6	9.2

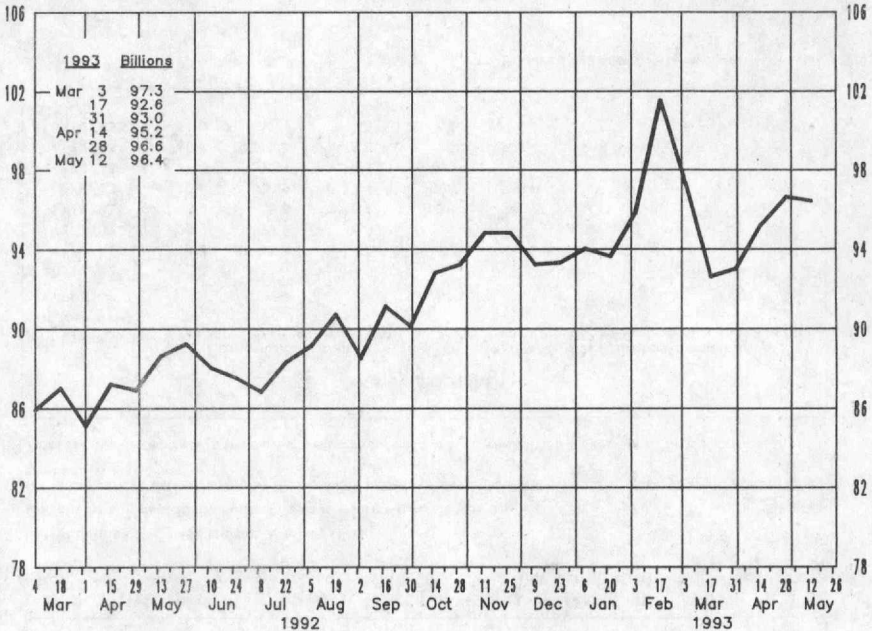
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Adjusted Reserves

Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of Dollars

Billions of Dollars



Latest data plotted two weeks ending: May 12, 1993

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

Adjusted Reserves

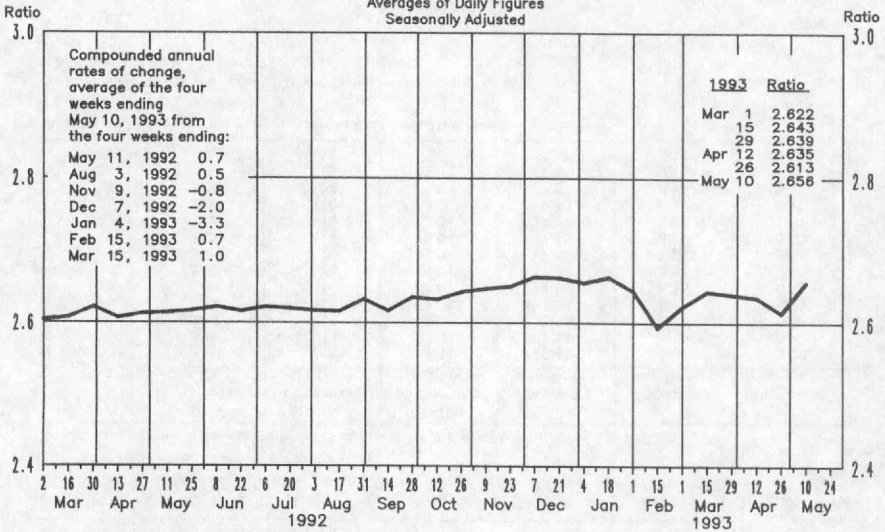
To the average of two maintenance periods ending: Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:

	5/13/92	8/5/92	10/14/92	11/11/92	12/9/92	1/6/93	2/17/93	3/17/93
10/14/92	10.2							
11/11/92	14.6	24.1						
12/9/92	12.6	18.3	19.1					
1/6/93	10.5	13.8	10.8	-2.1				
2/17/93	16.4	21.9	24.5	19.9	28.9			
3/17/93	9.8	11.8	9.3	3.1	4.0	7.4		
4/14/93	7.8	8.9	5.8	0.3	0.3	1.6	-26.7	
5/12/93	9.9	11.6	9.7	5.4	6.4	8.9	-9.3	10.7

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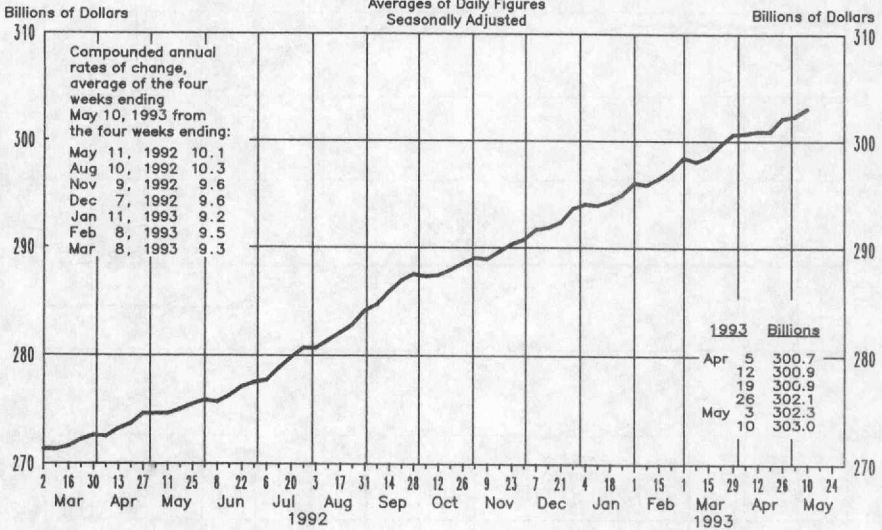
Money Multiplier^{1/}

Averages of Daily Figures
Seasonally Adjusted



Currency Component of M1^{2/}

Averages of Daily Figures
Seasonally Adjusted

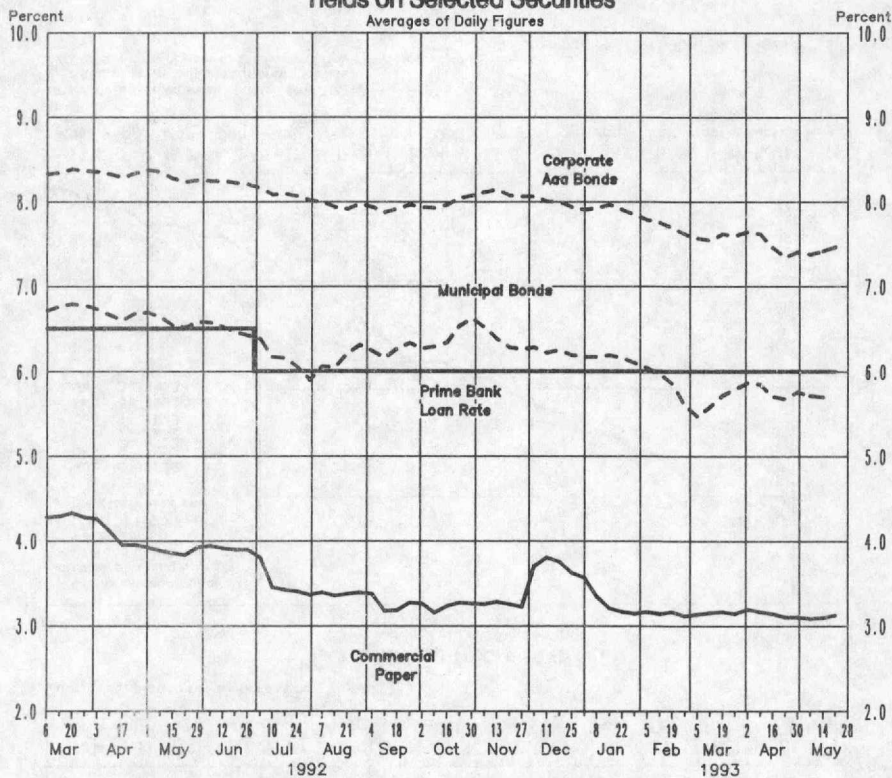


1/ Ratio of M1 to adjusted monetary base

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: May 21, 1993

1993	90-Day CDs	30-Day Commercial Paper	90-Day Bankers' Acceptances	Corporate Aaa Bonds	Corporate Baa Bonds	Municipal Bonds **
Feb 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
9	3.11	3.16	3.07	7.61	8.23	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	3.07	3.09	3.04	7.41	8.18	5.69
21 *	3.12	3.12	3.08	7.46	8.28	N.A.

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

* Averages of rates available

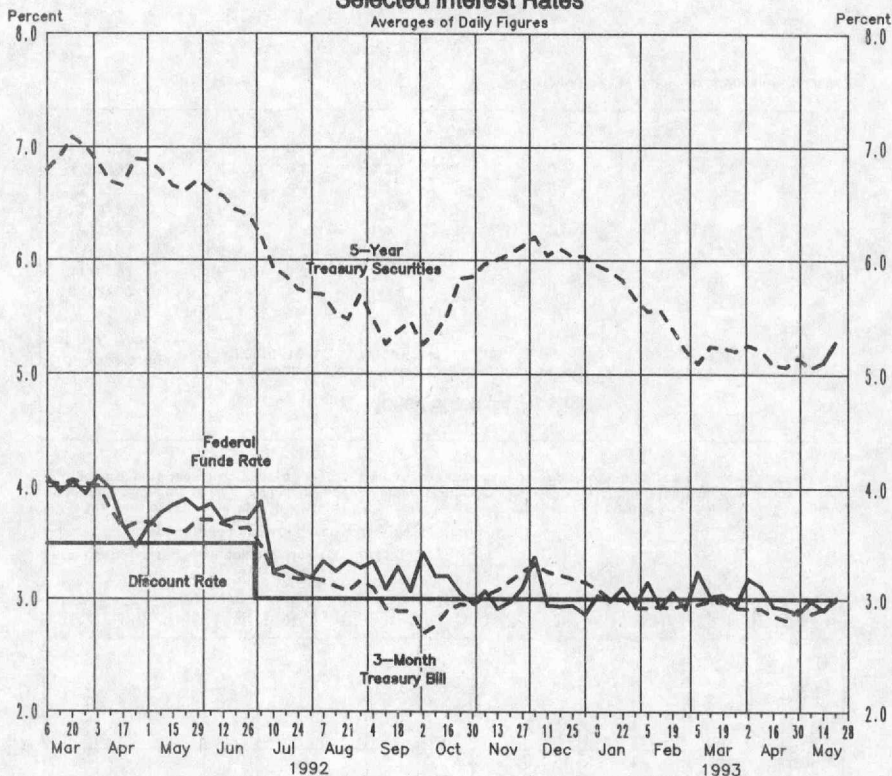
** Bond Buyer's Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data

N.A. — Not Available

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Selected Interest Rates

Averages of Daily Figures



Latest data plotted are averages of rates available for the week ending: May 21, 1993

1993	Federal Funds **	3-Month Treasury Bill	6-Month Treasury Bill ***	1-Year Treasury Bill	5-Year Treasury Securities	Long-Term Treasury Securities
Feb 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	2.91	2.99	3.14	5.10	6.58
21 *	3.01	2.99	3.10	3.25	5.28	6.72

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.

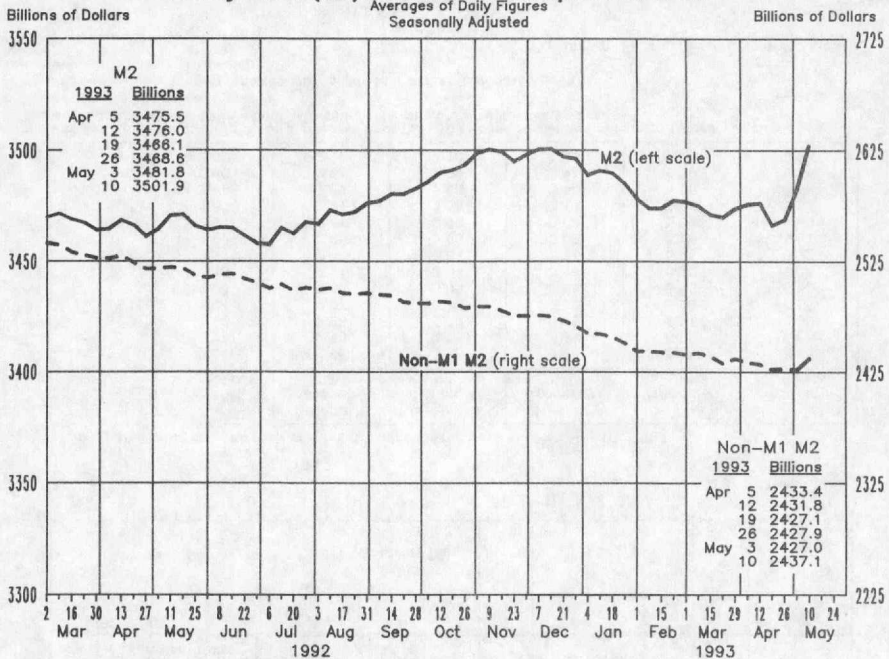
* Averages of rates available

** 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: May 10, 1993

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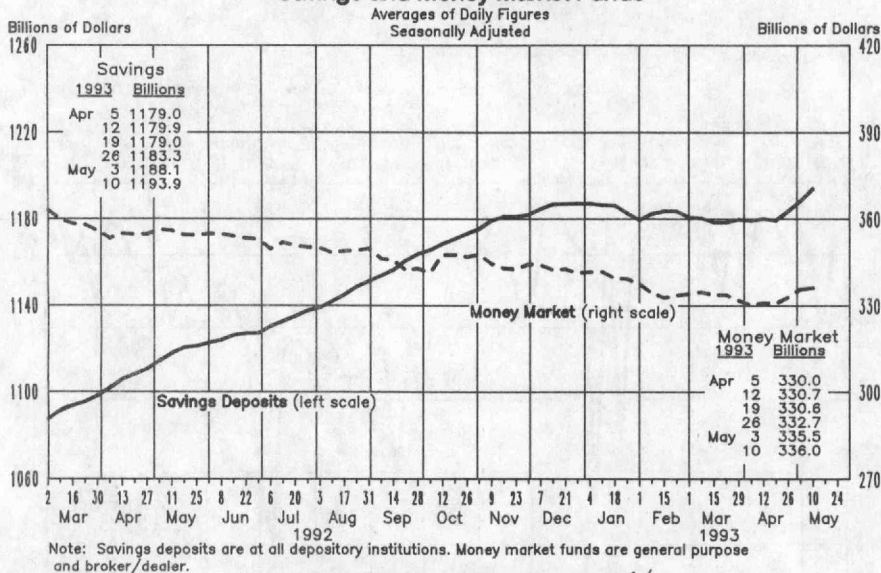
M2 is the sum of M1, overnight RPs issued by all commercial banks, overnight Eurodollars issued to U.S. residents by foreign branches of U.S. banks, savings (including money market deposit accounts), small time deposits and general purpose and broker/dealer money market mutual funds. For more detail,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

Money Stock (M2)

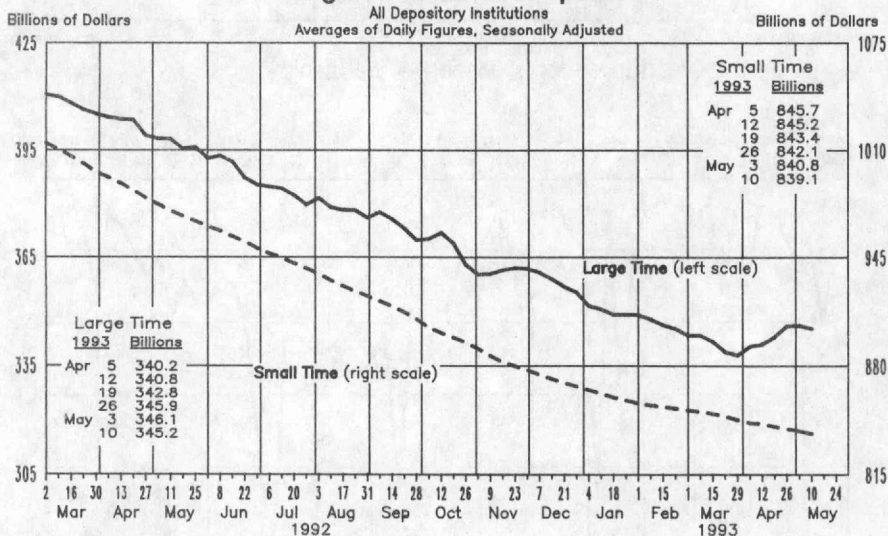
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10/12/92	1.3							
11/9/92	1.8	3.3						
12/7/92	1.6	2.7	2.5					
1/11/93	1.2	1.8	1.0	-0.4				
2/8/93	0.6	0.8	-0.3	-1.6	-2.7			
3/8/93	0.4	0.4	-0.6	-1.7	-2.5	-3.2		
4/12/93	0.3	0.3	-0.6	-1.5	-2.0	-2.2	-1.3	
5/10/93	0.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.9	-1.2	-1.2	-0.2	0.7

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Savings and Money Market Funds



Large and Small Time Deposits^{1/}



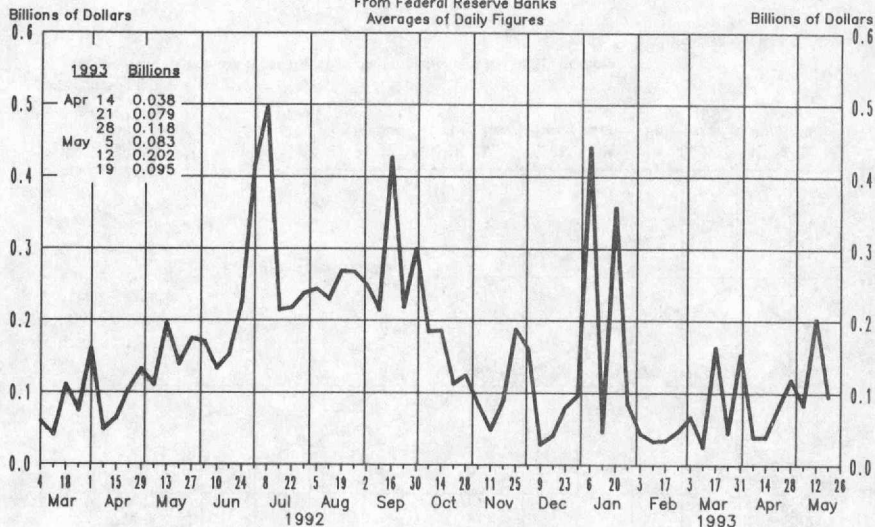
Latest data plotted week ending: May 10, 1993

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

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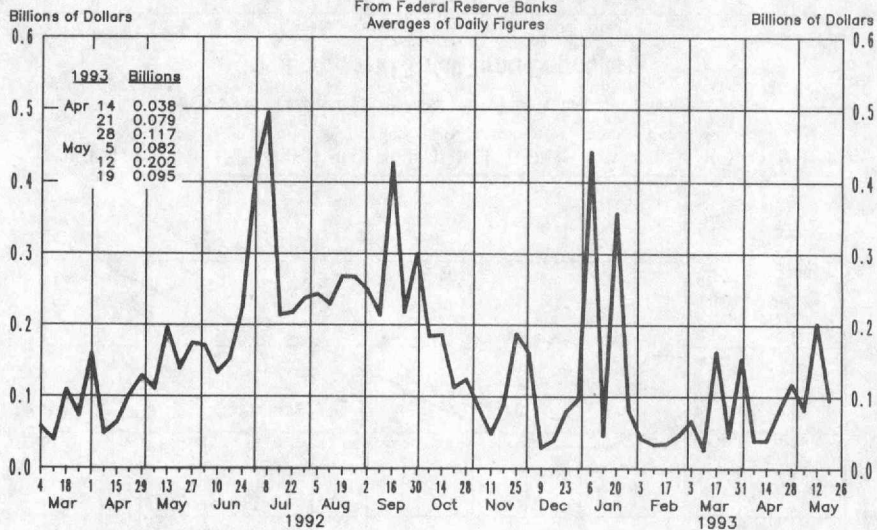
Total Borrowings

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Averages of Daily Figures



Adjustment + Seasonal Borrowings

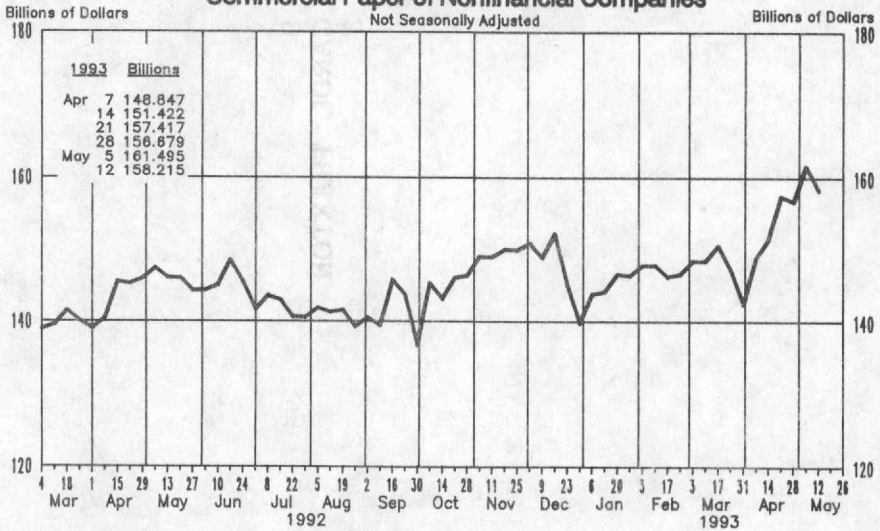
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Averages of Daily Figures



Latest data plotted week ending: May 19, 1993

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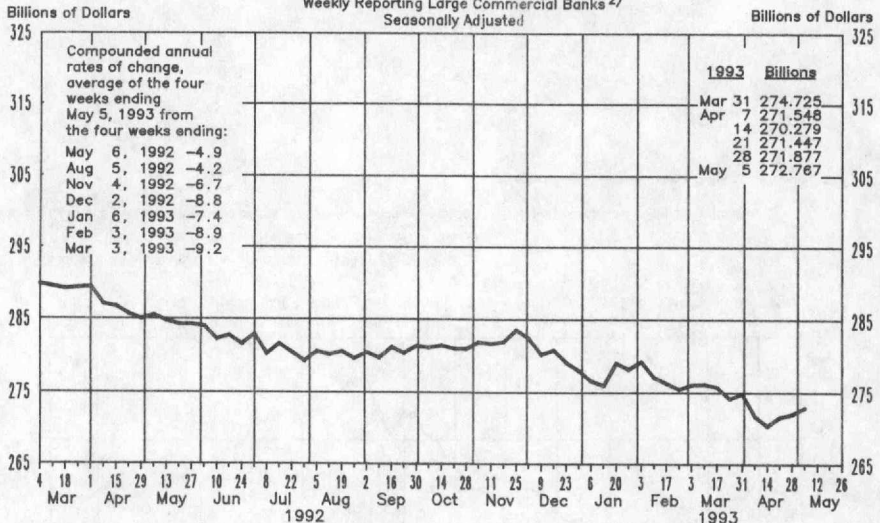
Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies



Latest data plotted week ending: May 12, 1993

Commercial and Industrial Loans^{1/}

Weekly Reporting Large Commercial Banks^{2/}
Seasonally Adjusted



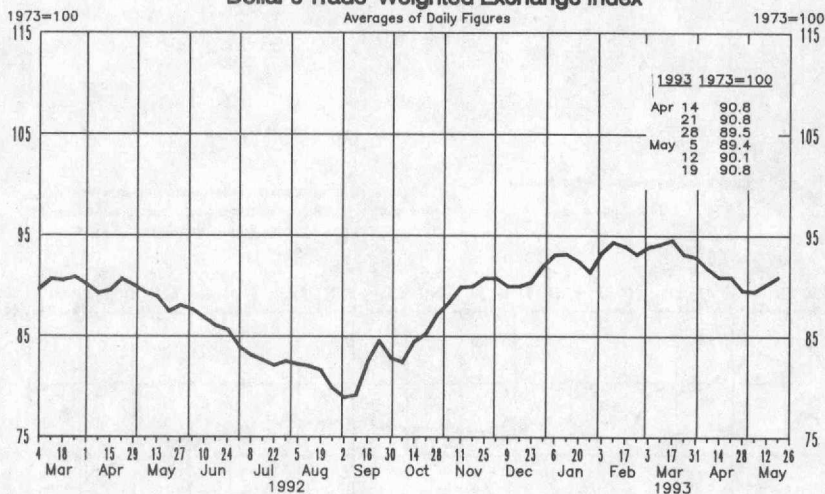
Latest data plotted week ending: May 5, 1993

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: May 19, 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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