## THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

> The Conference Board's index of consumer confidence rose in January to 83.2 percent $(1985=100)$ from December's 79.8 percent. The January reading was the highest since March 1991.

$\checkmark$ New orders for manufactured durable goods increased 2.2 percent in December after increasing 2.3 percent in November. Orders for 1993 were up 8.6 percent from the previous year. Orders data are not adjusted for inflation.
$\checkmark$ Privately owned housing starts rose for the fifth consecutive month, from a revised seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,450,000 units in November to 1,540,000 units in December. The preliminary estimate of units started during 1993 was $1,285,100$, compared with 1,199,700 units during 1992.

The employment cost index for total compensation to private industry workers rose at a 3.4 percent annual rate from September to December 1993. The December index was up 3.6 percent from a year earlier, with wages and salaries rising 3.1 percent and benefit costs increasing 5 percent.

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Adjusted Monetary Base


Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: January 19, 1994
The adjusted monetary pase 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 ail depository institutions and an Resine 0 dor Reserve credit. Dita are
ovailable from this bank.
Recent data are preliminary.

## Adjusted Monetary Base

| To the average of two maintenance periods ending: | Compound $1 / 20 / 93$ | ed annual | rates of $6 / 23 / 93$ | change, ave $7 / 21 / 93$ | rage of two <br> 8/18/93 | mainteno $9 / 15 / 93$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { ance period } \\ 10 / 13 / 93 \end{gathered}$ | ds ending: $11 / 24 / 93$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6/23/93 | 10.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7/21/93 | 11.0 | 13.8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8/18/93 | 10.7 | 12.7 | 11.6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9/15/93 | 10.6 | 12.1 | 10.8 | 9.1 |  |  |  |  |
| 10/13/93 | 11.2 | 12.9 | 12.4 | 11.7 | 13.2 |  |  |  |
| 11/24/93 | 10.5 | 11.5 | 10.6 | 9.8 | 10.0 | 10.3 |  |  |
| 12/22/93 | 9.8 | 10.5 | 9.4 | 8.5 | 8.4 | 8.1 | 4.7 |  |
| 1/19/94 | 9.9 | 10.5 | 9.5 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 6.3 | 6.6 |

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Money Stock (M1) and Total Checkable Deposits


Latest data plotted week ending: January 17, 1994
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.


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Adjusted Reserves


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: January 19, 1994

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


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Money Multiplier ${ }^{1 /}$


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: January 17, 1994
Currency Component of $\mathrm{M}^{2 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: January 17, 1994

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: January 28, 1994

| 1994 | $\begin{gathered} 90 \text {-Day } \\ \text { CDs } \end{gathered}$ | 30-Day Commercial Paper | 90-Day Bankers' Acceptances | Corporate Aad Bonds | Corporate Baa Bonds | Municipal Bonds ** |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nov 5 | 3.36 | 3.15 | 3.31 | 6.87 | 7.57 | 5.45 |
| 12 | 3.36 | 3.15 | 3.30 | 6.92 | 7.65 | 5.46 |
| 19 | 3.33 | 3.14 | 3.28 | 6.94 | 7.69 | 5.46 |
| 26 | 3.36 | 3.15 | 3.29 | 6.99 | 7.74 | 5.49 |
| Dec 3 | 3.35 | 3.27 | 3.30 | 6.95 | 7.70 | 5.46 |
| 10 | 3.31 | 3.41 | 3.26 | 6.86 | 7.61 | 5.33 |
| 17 | 3.23 | 3.34 | 3.20 | 6.97 | 7.72 | 5.36 |
| 24 | 3.20 | 3.31 | 3.18 | 6.95 | 7.70 | 5.34 |
| 31 | 3.24 | 3.35 | 3.21 | 6.94 | 7.71 | 5.28 |
| Jan 7 | 3.22 | 3.21 | 3.16 | 7.01 | 7.75 | 5.34 |
| 14 | 3.13 | 3.12 | 3.09 | 6.87 | 7.61 | 5.31 |
| 21 | 3.12 | 3.13 | 3.07 | 6.92 | 7.64 | 5.29 |
| 28 * | 3.11 | 3.11 | 3.07 | 6.93 | 7.65 | 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: January 28, 1994

| 1994 |  | Federal Funds ** | 3-Month Treasury Bill | 6-Month Treasury Bill *** | 1-Year Treasury Bill | 5-Year <br> Treasury <br> Securities | Long-Term Treasury Securities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nov | 5 | 3.04 | 3.08 | 3.25 | 3.40 | 5.03 | 6.13 |
|  | 12 | 2.96 | 3.10 | 3.28 | 3.39 | 5.04 | 6.17 |
|  | 19 | 3.03 | 3.11 | 3.26 | 3.42 | 5.04 | 6.20 |
|  | 26 | 2.98 | 3.12 | 3.30 | 3.46 | 5.13 | 6.30 |
| Dec | 3 | 3.09 | 3.12 | 3.26 | 3.46 | 5.14 | 6.25 |
|  | 10 | 2.92 | 3.07 | 3.27 | 3.44 | 5.10 | 6.14 |
|  | 17 | 2.94 | 3.04 | 3.26 | 3.47 | 5.18 | 6.26 |
|  | 24 | 2.99 | 3.06 | 3.25 | 3.45 | 5.16 | 6.24 |
|  | 31 | 2.99 | 3.02 | 3.21 | 3.45 | 5.14 | 6.22 |
| Jan | 7 | 3.00 | 3.05 | 3.29 | 3.46 | 5.21 | 6.30 |
|  | 14 | 2.98 | 2.97 | 3.18 | 3.38 | 5.03 | 6.15 |
|  | 21 | 3.13 | 2.96 | 3.15 | 3.36 | 5.06 | 6.17 |
|  | 28* | 2.97 | 2.93 | 3.14 | 3.36 | 5.08 | 6.19 |

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 overage (discount)
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Money Stock (M2) and Non-M1 Components of M2


Latest data plotted week ending: January 17, 1994
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: $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { To the average } & 1 / 18 / 93 & 4 / 19 / 93 & 6 / 14 / 93 & 7 / 19 / 93 & 8 / 16 / 93 & 9 / 20 / 93\end{array} 10 / 18 / 93 \quad 11 / 15 / 93$ of four weeks ending:

| $6 / 14 / 93$ | 1.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| $7 / 19 / 93$ | 1.2 | 4.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $8 / 16 / 93$ | 1.5 | 4.2 | 1.3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $9 / 20 / 93$ | 1.6 | 3.8 | 1.7 | 3.0 |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 18 / 93$ | 1.7 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 1.5 |  |  |
| $11 / 15 / 93$ | 1.6 | 3.2 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 1.9 |  |  |
| $12 / 20 / 93$ | 1.8 | 3.3 | 2.0 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 |  |
| $1 / 17 / 94$ | 1.7 | 3.0 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 2.3 |

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Savings and Money Market Funds


Latest data plotted week ending: January 17, 1994
1/ Large time deposits are those issued in denominations of $\$ 100,000$ or more.
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Total Borrowings


Adjustment + Seasonal Borrowings


Latest data plotted week ending: January 26, 1994
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Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies


Latest data plotted week ending: January 19, 1994
Commercial and Industrial Loans ${ }^{1 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: January 12, 1994
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: January 26, 1994
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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