## THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

$\checkmark$ The civilian unemployment rate was 6.5 percent in February, down from January's rate of 6.7 percent. Total civilian employment rose at a strong 2.9 percent annual rate in February.
$\checkmark$ Consumer installment credit outstanding increased at a 9.5 percent annual rate in January, following an increase of 12.2 percent in December. January's total was up 7.1 percent from a year earlier.
$\checkmark$ The composite index of leading indicators increased 0.3 percent in January. Eight of the 11 indicators contributed to the January increase. This was the sixth consecutive monthly increase.
$\checkmark$ Business productivity (output per hour) grew at a 7 percent annual rate in the fourth quarter of 1993, after increasing 3.5 percent in the third quarter. The fourth quarter increase was the largest since the second quarter of 1983. For 1993, productivity rose 2.1 percent, down from 3.8 percent during 1992.

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Adjusted Monetary Base


Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: March 2, 1994
The adjusted monetary base is the sum of reserve accounts of financial institutions at Federal Reserve banks, currency in circulation (currency heid by the public and in the voults of ail 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:

| $8 / 4 / 93$ | 9.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $9 / 1 / 93$ | 9.9 | 11.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $9 / 29 / 93$ | 10.0 | 11.2 | 12.7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 27 / 93$ | 10.0 | 10.9 | 11.7 | 10.2 |  |  |  |  |
| $12 / 8 / 93$ | 9.1 | 9.4 | 9.2 | 7.6 | 6.4 | 4.5 |  |  |
| $1 / 5 / 94$ | 8.7 | 8.9 | 8.4 | 7.0 | 6.0 | 9.2 | 13.2 |  |
| $2 / 2 / 94$ | 9.8 | 10.3 | 10.4 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 9.2 |  |  |
| $3 / 2 / 94$ | 10.3 | 10.9 | 11.2 | 10.6 | 10.6 | 10.8 | 14.3 | 19.2 |

Money Stock (MI) and Total Checkable Deposits


Latest data plotted week ending: February 28, 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.


Adjusted Reserves


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: March 2, 1994
Adjusted reserves is the difference between adjusted monetary base and currency component of M1.

## Adjusted Reeerves

Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending: $\begin{array}{lllllll}3 / 3 / 93 & 5 / 26 / 93 & 8 / 4 / 93 & 9 / 1 / 93 & 9 / 29 / 93 & 10 / 27 / 93 & 12 / 8 / 93\end{array} 1 / 5 / 94$ two maintenance periods ending:

| $8 / 4 / 93$ | 4.7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $9 / 1 / 93$ | 8.0 | 13.1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $9 / 29 / 93$ | 7.8 | 11.6 | 16.8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 27 / 93$ | 8.3 | 11.7 | 15.2 | 9.4 |  |  |  |  |
| $12 / 8 / 93$ | 5.9 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 2.2 | 0.5 | -4.0 |  |  |
| $1 / 5 / 94$ | 5.4 | 6.6 | 6.1 | 1.7 | 0.4 | -4 |  |  |
| $2 / 2 / 94$ | 7.8 | 9.7 | 10.5 | 7.6 | 7.9 | 6.7 | 17.8 |  |
| $3 / 2 / 94$ | 8.7 | 10.8 | 11.8 | 9.5 | 10.0 | 9.6 | 18.7 | 29.3 |



Currency Component of M1 ${ }^{2 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: February 28, 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: March 11, 1994

| 1994 |  | 30-Day Commercial Paper | $\begin{gathered} \text { 90-Day } \\ \text { CDs } \end{gathered}$ | $90-D a y$ Bankers' Acceptances | Corporate Aad Bonds | Corporate Baa Bonds | Municipal Bonds ** |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec |  | 3.34 | 3.23 | 3.20 | 6.97 | 7.72 | 5.36 |
|  | 24 | 3.31 | 3.20 | 3.18 | 6.95 | 7.70 | 5.34 |
|  | 31 | 3.35 | 3.24 | 3.21 | 6.94 | 7.71 | 5.28 |
| Jan | 7 | 3.21 | 3.22 | 3.16 | 7.01 | 7.75 | 5.34 |
|  | 14 | 3.12 | 3.13 | 3.09 | 6.87 | 7.61 | 5.31 |
|  | 21 | 3.13 | 3.12 | 3.07 | 6.92 | 7.64 | 5.29 |
|  | 28 | 3.11 | 3.12 | 3.07 | 6.91 | 7.62 | 5.28 |
| Feb | 4 | 3.14 | 3.20 | 3.19 | 6.93 | 7.61 | 5.25 |
|  | 11 | 3.41 | 3.43 | 3.40 | 7.03 | 7.72 | 5.36 |
|  | 18 | 3.46 | 3.47 | 3.43 | 7.06 | 7.76 | 5.42 |
|  | 25 | 3.47 | 3.57 | 3.53 | 7.23 | 7.92 | 5.58 |
| Mar | 4 | 3.57 | 3.71 | 3.67 | 7.36 | 8.01 | 5.84 |
|  | 11 | 3.81 | 3.78 | 3.75 | 7.39 | 8.04 | 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: March 11, 1994

| 1994 | Federal Funds ** | 3-Month Treasury Bill | 1-Year Treasury Bill | 5-Year Treasury Securities | 10-Year Treasury Securities | Long-Term Treasury Securities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec 17 | 2.94 | 3.04 | 3.47 | 5.18 | 5.82 | 6.26 |
| 24 | 2.99 | 3.06 | 3.45 | 5.16 | 5.79 | 6.24 |
| 31 | 2.99 | 3.02 | 3.45 | 5.14 | 5.77 | 6.22 |
| Jan 7 | 3.00 | 3.05 | 3.46 | 5.21 | 5.85 | 6.30 |
| 14 | 2.98 | 2.97 | 3.38 | 5.03 | 5.69 | 6.15 |
| 21 | 3.13 | 2.96 | 3.36 | 5.06 | 5.74 | 6.17 |
| 28 | 2.97 | 2.93 | 3.35 | 5.05 | 5.74 | 6.16 |
| Feb 4 | 3.17 | 3.08 | 3.49 | 5.14 | 5.80 | 6.18 |
| 11 | 3.20 | 3.25 | 3.69 | 5.36 | 5.94 | 6.34 |
| 18 | 3.25 | 3.27 | 3.70 | 5.40 | 5.95 | 6.39 |
| 25 | 3.25 | 3.35 | 3.82 | 5.60 | 6.15 | 6.59 |
| Mar 4 | 3.28 | 3.47 | 3.95 | 5.74 | 6.29 | 6.72 |
| 11 * | 3.25 | 3.53 | 4.08 | 5.82 | 6.36 | 6.76 |

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
** A Auction average (discount)
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Money Stock (M2) and Non-M1 Components of M2


Latest data plotted week ending: February 28, 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: $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { To the average } & 3 / 1 / 93 & 5 / 31 / 93 & 7 / 26 / 93 & 8 / 30 / 93 & 9 / 27 / 93 & 10 / 25 / 93 & 11 / 29 / 93\end{array} 12 / 27 / 93$ of four weeks ending:

| $7 / 26 / 93$ | 2.8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $8 / 30 / 93$ | 2.5 | 1.7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $9 / 27 / 93$ | 2.6 | 2.0 | 2.1 |  |  |  |  |
| $10 / 25 / 93$ | 2.3 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 |  |  |  |
| $11 / 29 / 93$ | 2.5 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.1 |  |  |
| $12 / 27 / 93$ | 2.5 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.9 | 2.4 |
| $1 / 31 / 94$ | 2.5 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.7 | 2.4 |
| $2 / 28 / 94$ | 2.2 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.3 |

Savings and Small Time Deposits


Large Time Deposits and Money Market Funds ${ }^{1 /}$


Total Borrowings


Latest data plotted week ending: March 9, 1994

Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies


Latest data plotted week ending: March 2, 1994
Commercial and Industrial Loans ${ }^{1 /}$


Latest data plotted week ending: February 23, 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: March 9, 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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