## U.S. Financial Data



## THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Effective August 16, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System approved an increase in the discount rate to 4 percent from 3.50 percent. Subsequently, most major banks boosted their prime lending rate to 7.75 percent from 7.25 percent.
- ✔ Bolstered by a 3.5 percent increase in gasoline prices, the consumer price index (CPI) rose at a 4.1 percent annual rate in July, following a 3.3 percent rate of increase in June. Over the last six months, consumer prices have risen at a 3.2 percent rate, up significantly from the 2.4 percent rate of increase posted over the previous sixmonth period.
- ✓ Industrial production rose at a 3.1 percent annual rate in July, down from a 6.4 percent rate in June. Total production has grown at a 4.6 percent rate over the last six months, down from a 6.8 percent rate of increase over the previous six months. Total industry capacity utilization was unchanged in July, registering 83.9 percent.
- ✓ Privately owned housing starts rebounded in July, rising 4.7 percent to an annual rate of 1,415,000 units; starts declined 9.4 percent in June. July housing starts were off 1.6 percent from their second quarter average, but were up 3.1 percent from their first quarter average.

All data are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise indicated.

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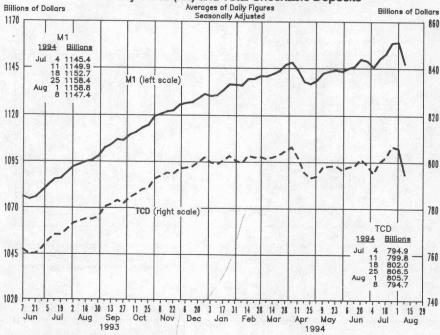
Latest data plotted reserve maintenance period ending: August 17, 1994

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.

		A	djusted N	Aonetary	Base			
To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	Compound 8/18/93	ded annual 11/10/93	rates of c 1/19/94	hange, ave 2/16/94	rage of two 3/16/94	4/13/94	5/11/94	ds ending: 6/22/94
1/19/94	8.8							
2/16/94	10.7	11.8						
3/16/94	10.4	11.0	14.9					
4/13/94	9.8	10.0	11.6	6.8				
5/11/94	9.4	9.3	10.1	6.5	5.5			
6/22/94	9.2	9.1	9.6	7.0	6.6	7.2		
7/20/94	9.1	9.0	9.4	7.3	7.1	7.6	8.3	
8/17/94	8.9	8.8	9.0	7.1	6.9	7.3	7.7	7.4





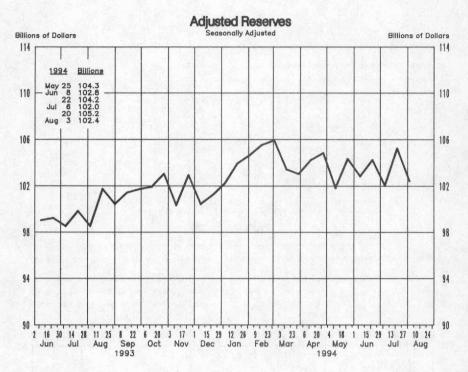
Latest data plotted week ending: August 8, 1994

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.

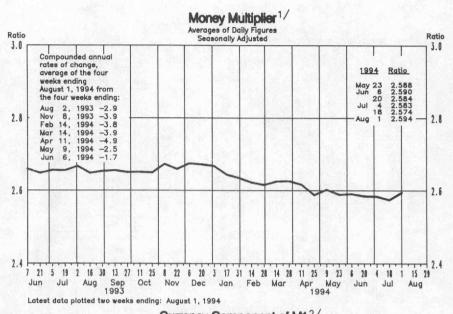
			Money	Stock (N	H)			
To the average of four weeks ending:	Con 8/9/93	npounded of 11/8/93	nnual rate 1/10/94	s of chang 2/7/94	ge, average 3/7/94	of four we 4/11/94	eks ending 5/9/94	g: 6/6/94
1/10/94	8.9							
2/7/94	8.5	6.8						
3/7/94	8.1	6.5	5.8					
4/11/94	7.6	6.2	5.6	5,3				
5/9/94	6.0	4.0	2.3	1.2	-0.6			
6/6/94	6.0	4.2	3.0	2.3	1.4	-1.0		
7/11/94	5.8	4.2	3.3	2.7	2.2	1.1	5.1	
8/8/94	5.9	4.5	3.8	3.4	3.0	2.4	5.6	5.5

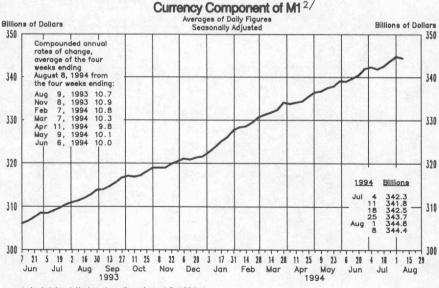


Latest data plotted two weeks ending: August 3, 1994

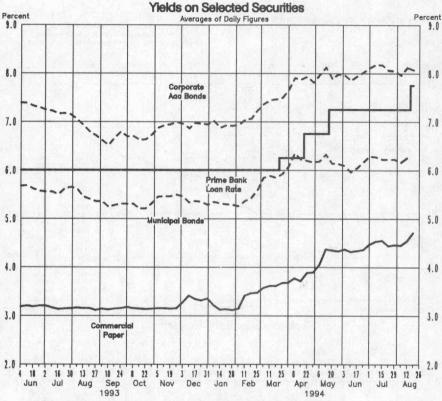
Adjusted reserves is the difference between adjusted monetary base and currency component of M1.

Adjusted Reserves											
To the average of two maintenance periods ending:		ded annual 10/27/93					4/27/94	s ending 6/8/94			
1/5/94	6.1										
2/2/94	10.5	6.7									
3/2/94	11.6	9.3	28.5								
3/30/94	6.2	1.6	6.6	-6.7							
4/27/94	7.4	3.9	9.2	8.0	-7.2						
6/8/94	5.3	1.7	4.5	-1.9	-7.2	2.0					
7/6/94	4.3	0.8	2.8	-2.7	-6.9	-0.4	-6.8				
8/3/94	4.6	1.7	3.6	-1.0	-4.2	1.7	-2.5	1.3			





Latest data plotted week ending: August 8, 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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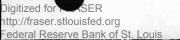
Latest data plotted are averages of rates available for the week ending: August 19, 1994

19	94	30-Day Commercial Paper	90-Day CDs	90-Day Bankers' Acceptances	Corporate Aaa Bonds	Corporate Baa Bonds	Municipal Bonds **
May	27	4.33	4.49	4.41	7.98	8.62	6.13
Jun	3	4.37	4.52	4.44	7,96	8.61	6.09
	10	4.32	4.43	4.38	7.85	8.51	5.96
	17	4.34	4.46	4.39	7.94	8.63	6.04
	24	4.36	4.52	4.46	8.02	8.73	6.16
Jul	1	4.47	4.71	4.64	8.11	8.80	6.28
	8	4.53	4.78	4.72	8.18	8.87	6.27
	15	4.55	4.78	4.69	8.17	8.86	6.22
	22	4.44	4.65	4.59	8.06	8.75	6.22
	29	4.46	4.70	4.61	8.05	8.74	6.22
Aug	5	4.45	4.68	4.61	7.96	8.64	6.16
	12	4.54	4.79	4.71	8.12	8.79	6.25
	19 *	4.71	4.84	4.81	8.07	8.74	N.A.

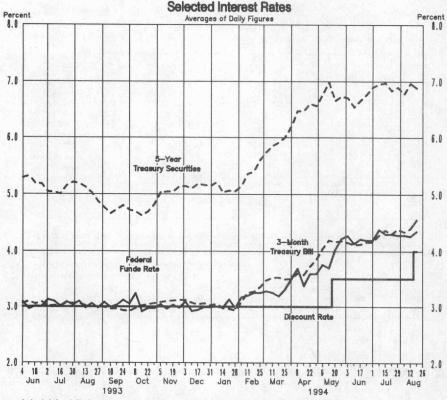
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\* Averages of rates available

N.A. - Not Available



<sup>\*\*</sup> Bond Buyer's Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data



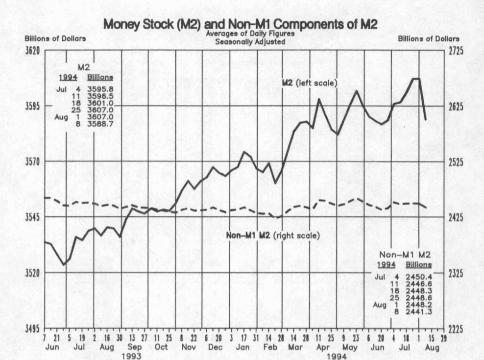
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199	94	Federal Funds **	3-Month Treasury Bill	1-Year Treasury Bill	5-Year Treasury Securities	10-Year Treasury Securities	Long—Term Treasury Securities
May		4.22	4.18	5.00	6.73	7.14	7.44
Jun	3	4.27	4.15	5.04	6.70	7.09	7.39
	10	4.13	4.11	4.89	6.54	6.97	7.28
	17	4.21	4.12	4.90	6.65	7.08	7.39
	24	4.19	4.16	5.00	6.76	7.17	7.47
13	1	4.19	4.16	5.18	6.89	7.27	7.57
	8	4.38	4.28	5.19	6.95	7.34	7.64
	15	4.30	4.37	5.18	6.97	7.36	7.65
	22	4.30	4.30	5.10	6.83	7.23	7.52
	29	4.28	4.39	5.22	6.89	7.26	7,53
Aug	5	4.28	4.34	5.12	6.77	7.15	7.41
	12	4.26	4.40	5.29	6.96	7.31	7.58
	19 *	4.35	4.55	5.28	6.88	7.21	7.51

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

<sup>\*\*</sup> Seven—day averages for week ending two days earlier than date shown

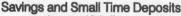


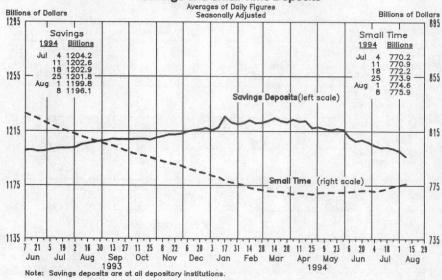
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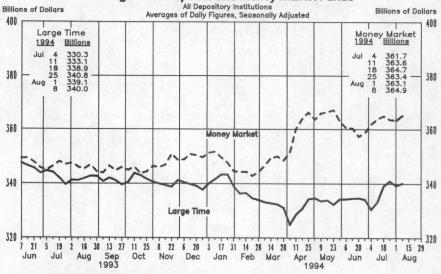
M2 is the sum of M1, overnight RPs issued by all commercial banks, overnight Eurodollars issued to U.S. residents by foreign branches of U.S. banks, savings (including money market deposit accounts), small time deposits and general purpose and broker/dealer money market mutual funds. For more detail,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

			Money	Stock (N	12)			
T. II	Con	npounded o	innual rate	s of chanc	e, average	of four we	eks ending	1:
To the average of four weeks ending:	8/9/93	11/8/93	1/10/94	2/7/94	3/7/94	4/11/94	5/9/94	6/6/94
1/10/94	1.9							
2/7/94	1.8	2.1						
3/7/94	1.5	1.4	0.4					
4/11/94	2.2	2.6	2.7	3.3				
5/9/94	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	3.2			
6/6/94	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.3	3.2	1.1		
7/11/94	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.5	2.0	0.3	0.9	
8/8/94	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.8	2.3	1.0	1.6	0.9





## Large Time Deposits and Money Market Funds 1/

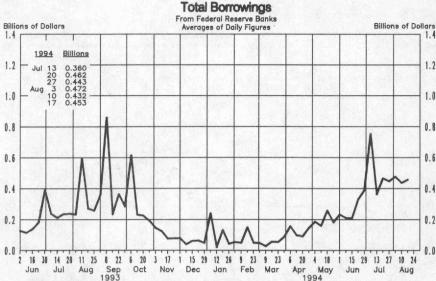


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1/ Large time deposits are those issued in denominations of \$100,000 or more.

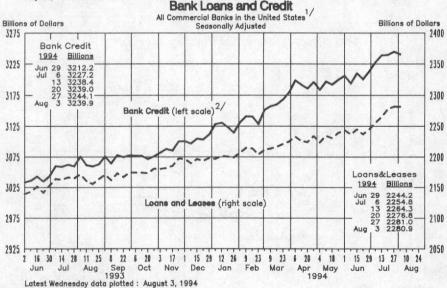
Money market funds are general purpose and broker/dealer.

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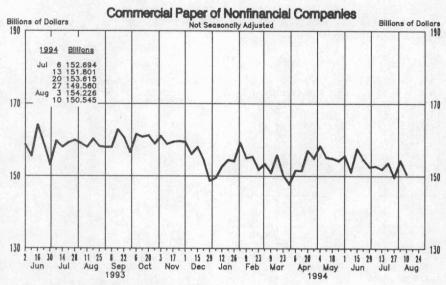
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Borrowings include seasonal, adjustment and extended credit; extended credit was \$1 million in the week ending July 20, 1994 and was zero in the other weeks shown in the chart.

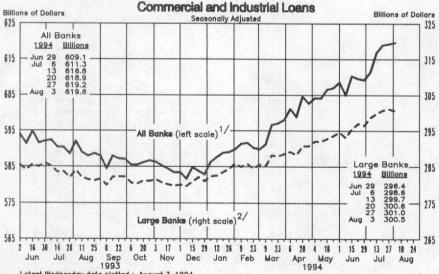


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1 / Includes foreign—related institutions 2 / Includes loans and leases and securities

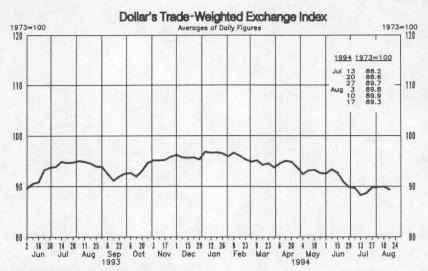






Latest Wednesday data plotted: August 3, 1994 Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.8 release.

1/ Includes foreign-related institutions 2/ Weekly reporting, domestically chartered banks



Latest data plotted week ending: August 17, 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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