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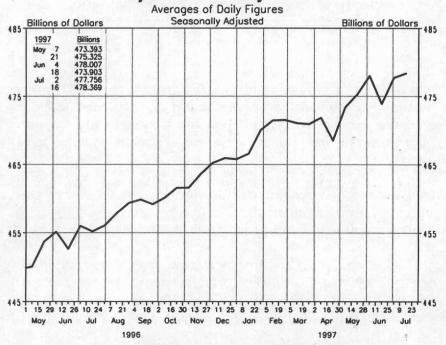
- After falling 6.6 percent in May, privately owned housing starts increased 4.8 percent in June to an annual rate of 1,452,000 units. Actual starts on a year-to-date basis, however, were down 3.2 percent compared with the same period in 1996.
- The consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) rose at a 1.5 percent annual rate in June. Over the first half of 1997, consumer prices rose at a 1.4 percent annual rate, a marked slowing from the 3.4 percent rate over the same period in 1996. Meanwhile, the core consumer price index (CPI-U less food and energy) rose at a 2.4 percent annual rate over the first half of 1997.
- Following a 3.6 percent annual rate of decline in May, the producer price index for finished goods (PPI) fell at a 0.9 percent annual rate in June, the sixth consecutive decline. Year-to-date, the PPI has fallen at a 3.4 percent annual rate.
- Industrial production rose at a 3.5 percent annual rate in June, up from May's 2.4 percent rate of increase. Industry capacity utilization was 83.5 percent in June, unchanged from the previous month and a year ago.
- Total business inventories rose at a 2.6 percent annual rate in May, while total business sales decreased 5.6 percent. Sales of nondurable goods increased at a 0.8 percent annual rate in May, while sales of durable goods decreased sharply at an annual rate of 11.6 percent.

All data are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise indicated.

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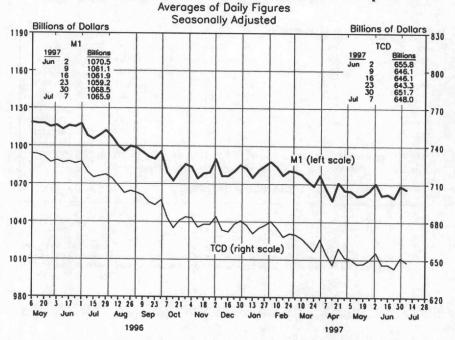
Adjusted Monetary Base



The adjusted monetary base is the sum of Federal Reserve deposits and vault cash held by domestic depository institutions, currency held by the public, and an adjustment for the effect of changes in reserve requirement ratios. The monetary base series was recently revised to include Federal Reserve deposits used to satisfy clearing balance contracts. 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									
	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:									
To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	7/17/96	10/9/96	12/18/96	1/15/97	2/12/97	3/12/97	4/9/97	5/21/97		
12/18/96	5.3									
1/15/97	4.7	5.4								
2/12/97	5.8	7.1	7.5							
3/12/97	5.3	6.1	5.4	7.4						
4/9/97	4.8	5.2	4.1	4.9	0.9					
5/21/97	4.9	5.2	4.5	5.2	2.9	3.4				
6/18/97	4.8	5.2	4.5	5.0	3.2	3.7	5.1			
7/16/97	4.9	5.2	4.7	5.2	3.7	4.2	5.4	5.2		

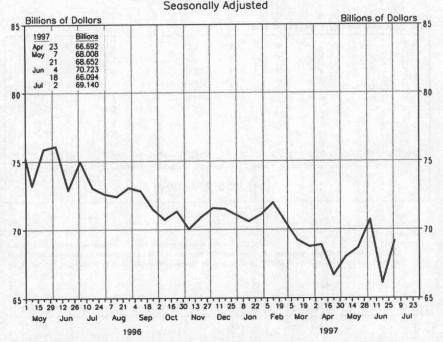
Money Stock(M1) and Total Checkable Deposits



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. Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.6 release.

		Money Stock (M1)								
To the average	Compounded annual rates of change, average of four weeks ending:									
of four weeks ending:	7/8/96	10/7/96			2/10/97		4/7/97	5/5/97		
12/9/96	-6.9									
1/6/97	-5.9	-2.9								
2/10/97	-4.5	-1.3	1.6							
3/10/97	-4.7	-2.2	-0.8	-1.1						
4/7/97	-5.1	-3.3	-2.8	-3.6	-7.5					
5/5/97	-5.4	-3.9	-3.7	-4.6	-7.6	-8.4				
6/9/97	-4.8	-3.3	-3.0	-3.6	-5.4	-5.2	-3.5			
7/7/97	-4.5	-3.0	-2.7	-3.1	-4.5	-4.2	-2.6	-0.3		

Adjusted Reserves Seasonally Adjusted

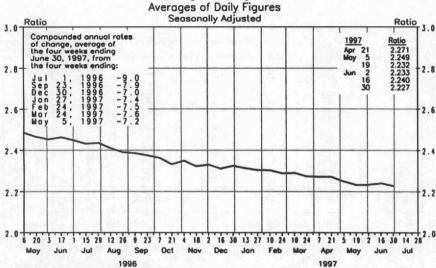


Adjusted reserves is the difference between the adjusted monetary base and the currency component of M1. The adjusted monetary base series was recently revised: See the footnote to the monetary base chart for a description of the change.

Adjusted Reserves											
	Compou	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending									
To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	7/3/96	9/25/96	12/4/96	1/1/97	1/29/97	2/26/97	3/26/97	5/7/97			
12/4/96	-8.4										
1/1/97	-7.0	-4.5									
1/29/97	-7.1	-5.2	-3.5								
2/26/97	-5.4	-2.8	0.3	0.1							
3/26/97	-9.0	-8.6	-9.9	-13.2	-15.9						
5/7/97	-10.4	-10.6	-12.4	-15.1	-17.1	-25.5					
6/4/97	-6.2	-4.9	-4.3	-5.2	-4.6	-8.0	5.4				
7/2/97	-8.5	-8.1	-8.6	-10.0	-10.4	-14.1	-7.1	2.6			

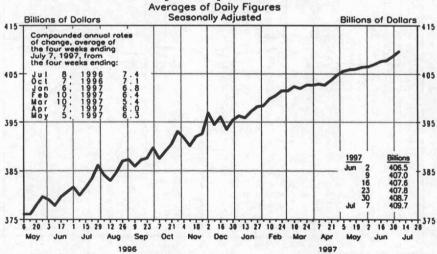


Money Multiplier



Ratio of M1 to the adjusted monetary base.

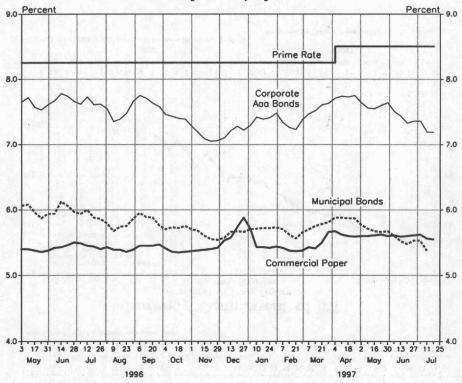
Currency Component of M1



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Yields on Selected Securities

Averages of Daily Figures



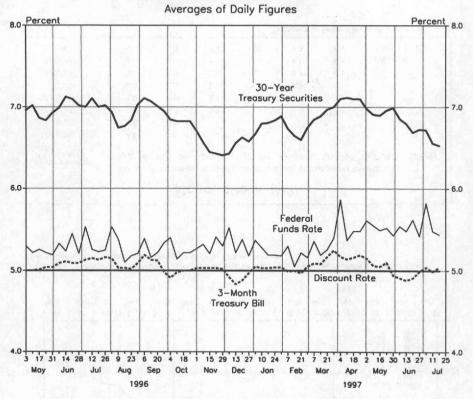
19	97	30-Day Commercial Paper	90-Doy CDs	90-Day Bankers' Acceptances	Corporate Aaa Bonds	Corporate Boa Bonds	Municipal Bonds
Apr	25	5.59	5.71	5.63	7.75	8.35	5.87
May	2	5.60	5.73	5.61	7.64	8.26	5.77
	9	5.60	5.71	5.65	7.56	8.18	5.71
	16	5.61	5.70	5.63	7.55	8.17	5.67
	23	5.62	5.71	5.63	7.60	8.22	5.66
	30	5.60	5.69	5.59	7.64	8.25	5.67
Jun	6	5.61	5.68	5.61	7.51	8.13	5.60
	13	5.59	5.68	5.60	7.44	8.06	5.52
	20	5.60	5.65	5.58	7.33	7.94	5.48
	27	5.61	5.66	5.58	7.36	7.96	5.53
Jul	4	5.62	5.66	5.58	7.36	7.94	5.53
	11	5.56	5.61	5.54	7.19	7.79	5.38
	18	5.55	5.60	5.53	7.19	7.78	N.A.

Current data are from the Federal Reserve Board's H.15 release, and are averages of rates available for the week ending on July 18, 1997

-- Bond Buyer's Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data
N.A. — Not Available



Selected Interest Rates

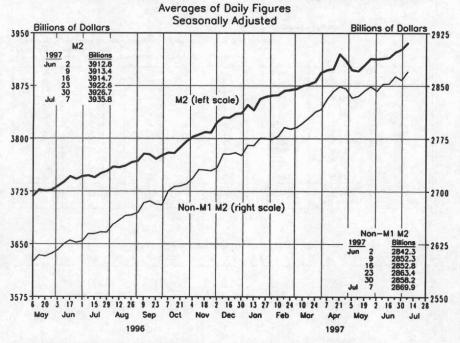


199	97	Federal Funds ••	3-Month Treosury Bill	1-Year Treasury Bill	5-Year Treasury Securities	10-Year Treasury Securities	30-Year Treasury Securities
Apr	25	5.48	5.19	5.66	6.79	6.89	7.10
May	2	5.61	5.15	5.60	6.62	6.76	6.98
	9	5.55	5.06	5.57	6.57	6.70	6.91
	16	5.49	5.05	5.53	6.54	6.68	6.90
	23	5.52	5.10	5.51	6.58	6.73	6.96
	30	5.43	4.94	5.53	6.60	6.75	6.99
Jun	6	5.54	4.91	5.44	6.48	6.61	6.86
	13	5.48	4.88	5.40	6.40	6.52	6.80
	20	5.62	4.91	5.34	6.29	6.40	6.69
	27	5.42	4.99	5.35	6.33	6.45	6.73
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	18 •	5.44	5.04	5.24	6.14	6.24	6.53

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• Averages of rates available

^{**} Seven-day averages for week ending two days earlier than date shown

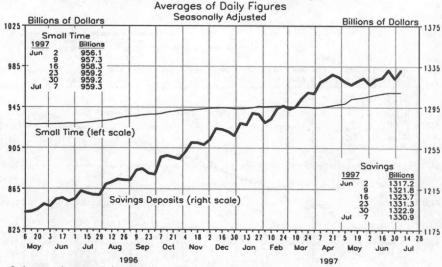
Money Stock(M2) and Non-M1 Components of M2



M2 is the sum of M1, savings (including money market deposit accounts), small time deposits and retail money funds. Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.6 release.

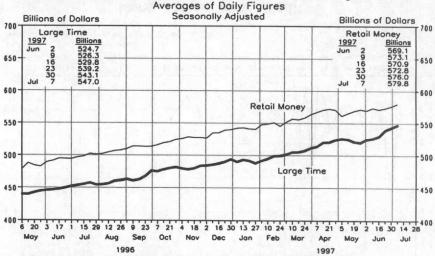
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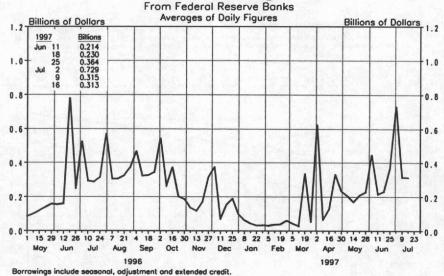
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Large Time Deposits and Retail Money Funds

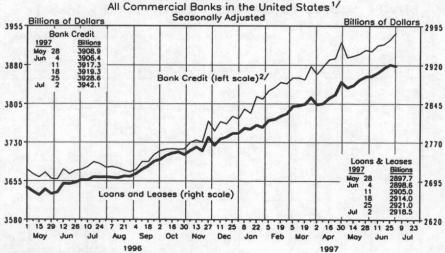


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Total Borrowings

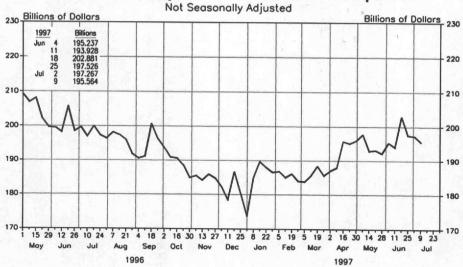


Bank Loans and Credit

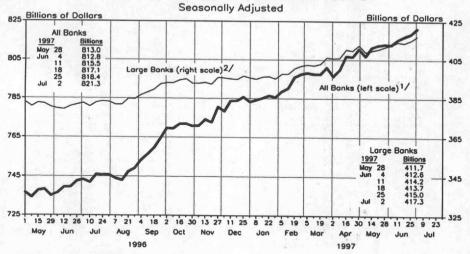


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2/ Includes loans and leases and securities

Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies



Commercial and Industrial Loans

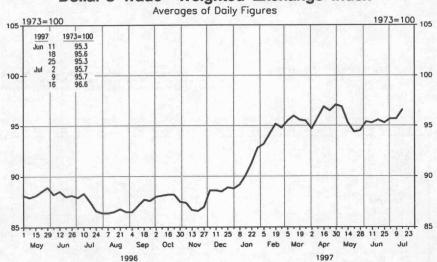


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2/ Weekly reporting, domestically chartered banks

Dollar's Trade - Weighted Exchange Index



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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