

# US Financial Data

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## THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- *The consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.2 percent in March, or 2.2 percent at an annual rate. During the first quarter, the CPI rose at a 1.5 percent rate, its smallest gain in four quarters. The core measure of the CPI (excluding food and energy prices) rose at a 1.6 percent rate during the first quarter, the smallest rise since the third quarter of 1997. Measured from four quarters earlier, the total CPI is up 1.7 percent and the core CPI is up 2.2 percent.*
- *The producer price index for finished goods (PPI) rose 0.2 percent in March after falling 0.4 percent in February. The PPI rose 0.5 percent during the first quarter, or 1.9 percent at an annual rate. This is the largest gain since the fourth quarter of 1996.*
- *The current dollar value of retail sales rose 0.2 percent in March, the smallest increase in seven months. Sales in February, however, now show a 1.7 percent increase, nearly twice the previously estimated 0.9 percent gain. Accordingly, retail sales rose 3.5 percent during the first quarter, the largest increase in 12 1/2 years.*
- *The nominal value of business inventories rose 0.4 percent in February, or \$51.9 billion at an annual rate. Excluding motor vehicles, business inventory accumulation in February was somewhat less, \$37.9 billion; still, this was the largest increase since September 1998. The total business inventory-to-sales ratio measured 1.37 in February, unchanged since December 1998.*

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All data are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise indicated.

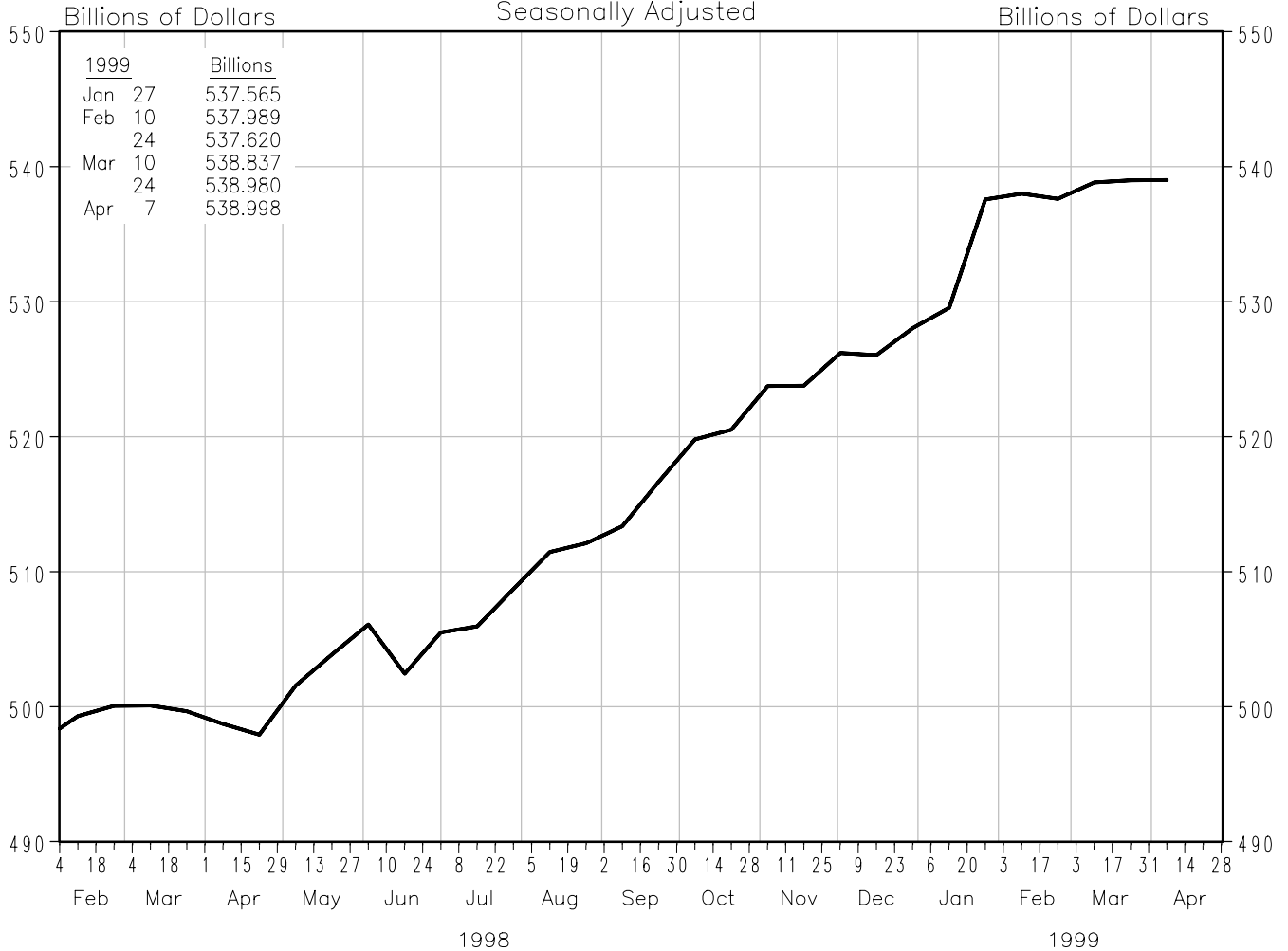
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# Adjusted Monetary Base

Averages of Daily Figures  
Seasonally Adjusted



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 includes 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

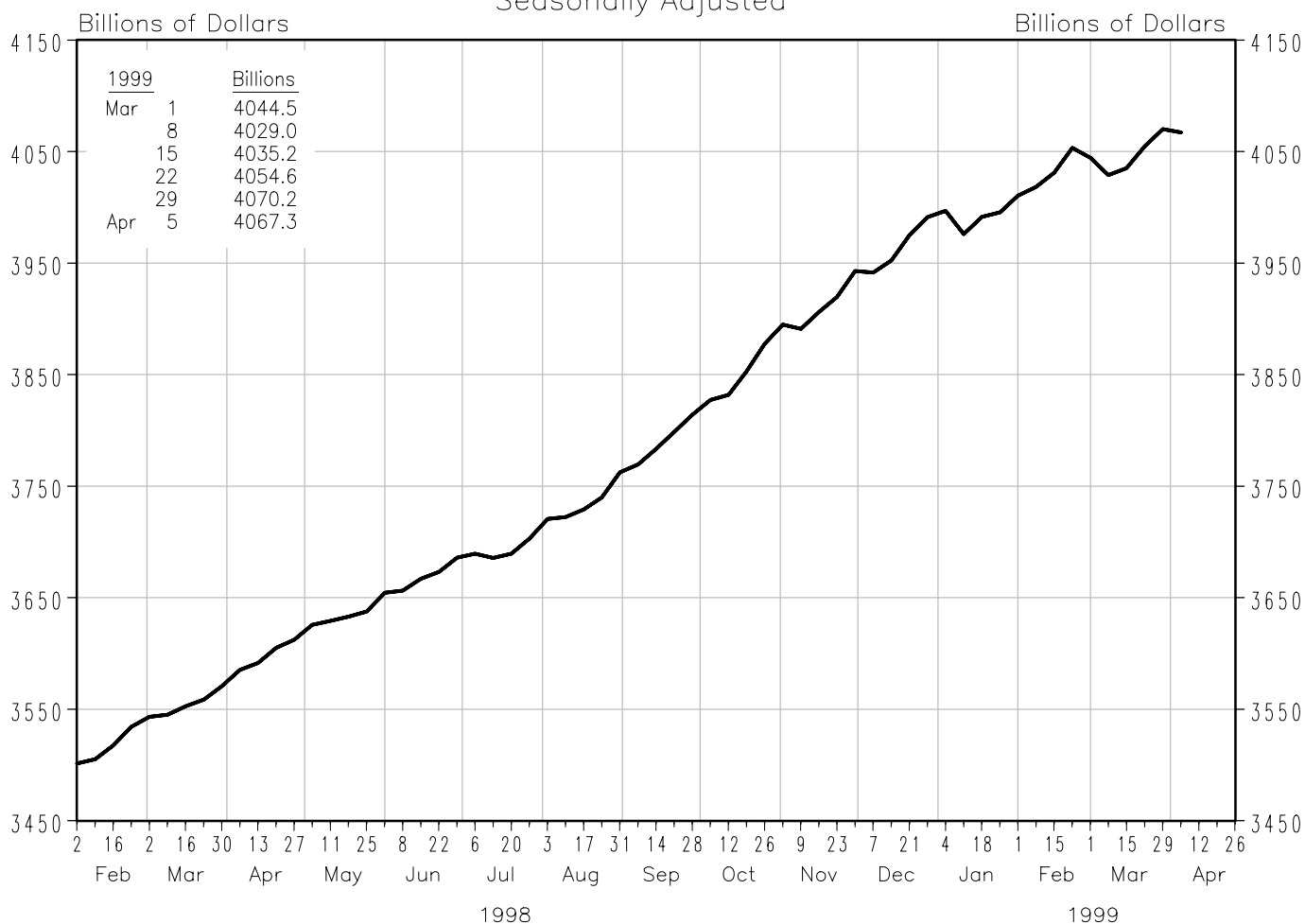
To the average of two maintenance periods ending:

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

	4/8/98	7/1/98	9/9/98	10/7/98	11/4/98	12/2/98	1/13/99	2/10/99
9/9/98	6.5							
10/7/98	7.8	10.9						
11/4/98	8.1	10.8	12.5					
12/2/98	8.0	10.1	10.8	8.8				
1/13/99	7.8	9.3	9.3	7.8	6.8			
2/10/99	9.2	11.1	11.9	11.3	11.6	13.3		
3/10/99	8.5	10.0	10.2	9.4	9.2	9.7	12.2	
4/7/99	8.0	9.1	9.0	8.2	7.8	7.9	8.6	1.5

# Money Zero Maturity (MZM)

Averages of Daily Figures  
Seasonally Adjusted



MZM is M2 (seasonally adjusted) minus total small denomination time deposits (seasonally adjusted), plus institutional money funds (seasonally adjusted), which are included in the non-M2 component of M3.

## Money Zero Maturity (MZM)

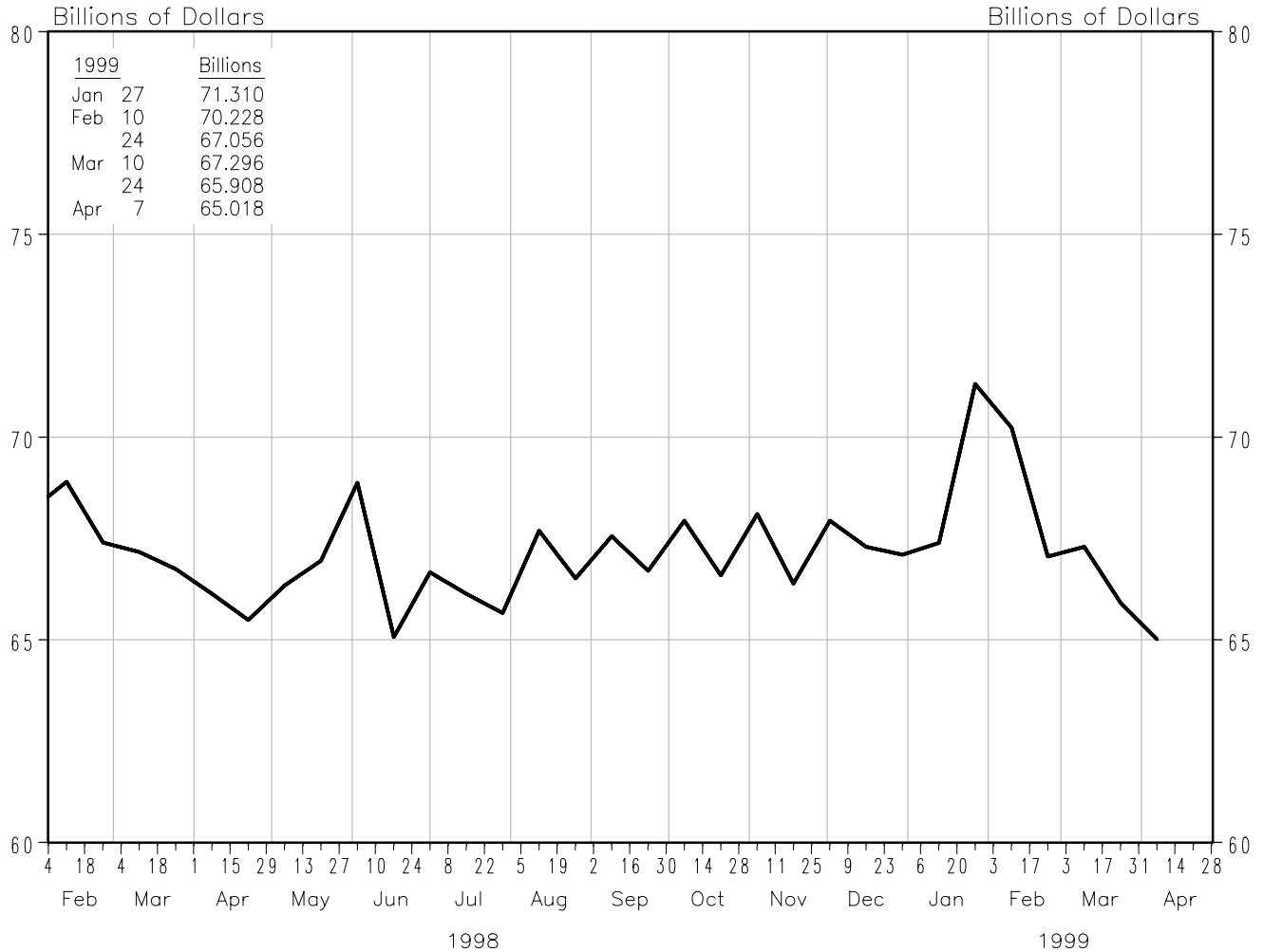
Compounded annual rates of change, average of four weeks ending:

To the average of four weeks ending:

	4/6/98	7/6/98	9/7/98	10/5/98	11/2/98	12/7/98	1/4/99	2/8/99
9/7/98	12.6							
10/5/98	13.8	14.5						
11/2/98	14.9	16.2	21.5					
12/7/98	15.4	16.7	20.3	20.0				
1/4/99	15.7	17.0	19.8	19.5	18.4			
2/8/99	14.6	15.3	16.7	15.8	14.1	11.8		
3/8/99	14.4	14.9	16.0	15.1	13.7	11.9	9.1	
4/5/99	13.7	13.9	14.6	13.6	12.2	10.4	8.1	8.9

# Adjusted Reserves

Seasonally Adjusted



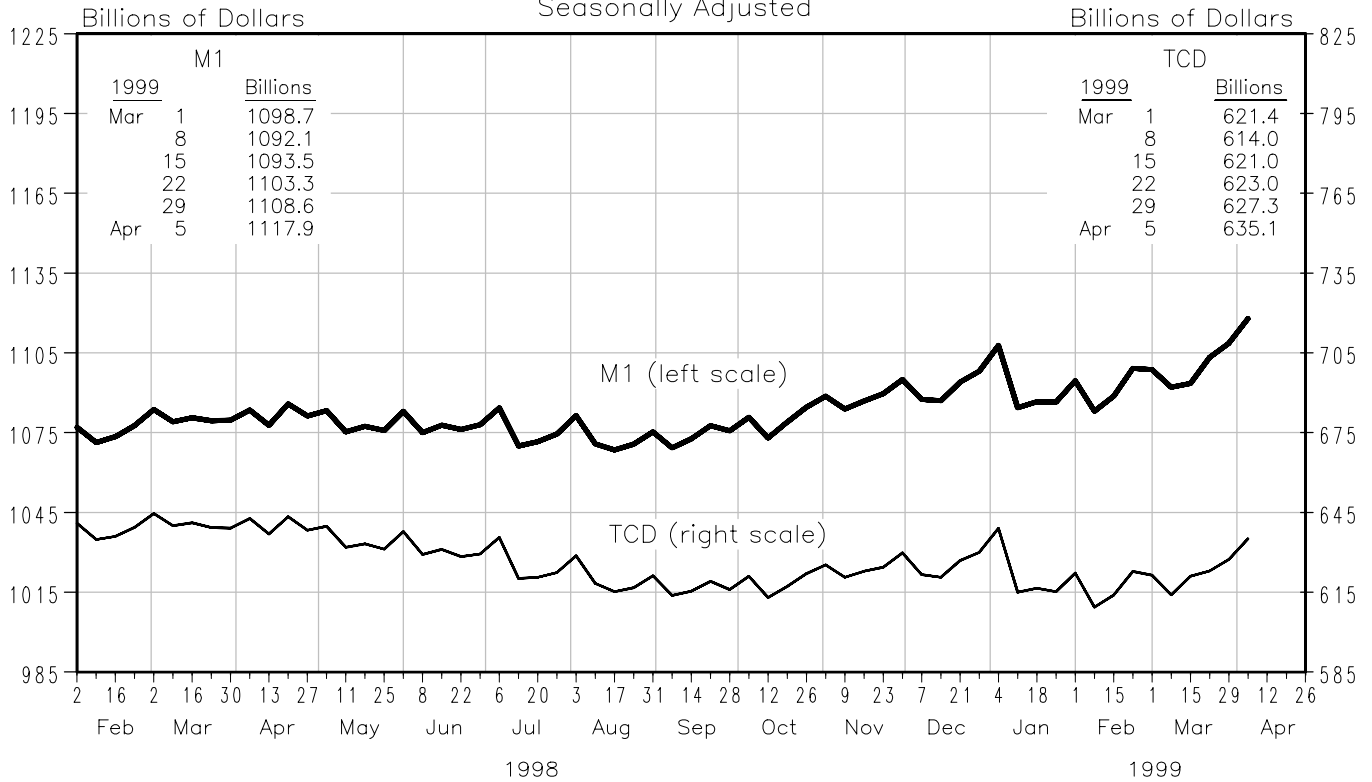
Adjusted reserves is the difference between the adjusted monetary base and the currency component of M1.

## Adjusted Reserves

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	4/8/98	7/1/98	9/9/98	10/7/98	11/4/98	12/2/98	1/13/99	2/10/99
9/9/98	2.1							
10/7/98	2.7	8.4						
11/4/98	2.4	6.6	3.0					
12/2/98	1.7	4.7	0.8	-1.5				
1/13/99	1.6	3.9	0.9	-0.4	-0.8			
2/10/99	7.7	12.4	13.7	15.5	20.2	31.3		
3/10/99	1.2	2.9	0.4	-0.5	-0.7	0.1	-0.7	
4/7/99	-1.5	-0.8	-4.0	-5.4	-6.5	-7.1	-11.0	-39.7

# Money Stock(M1) and Total Checkable Deposits

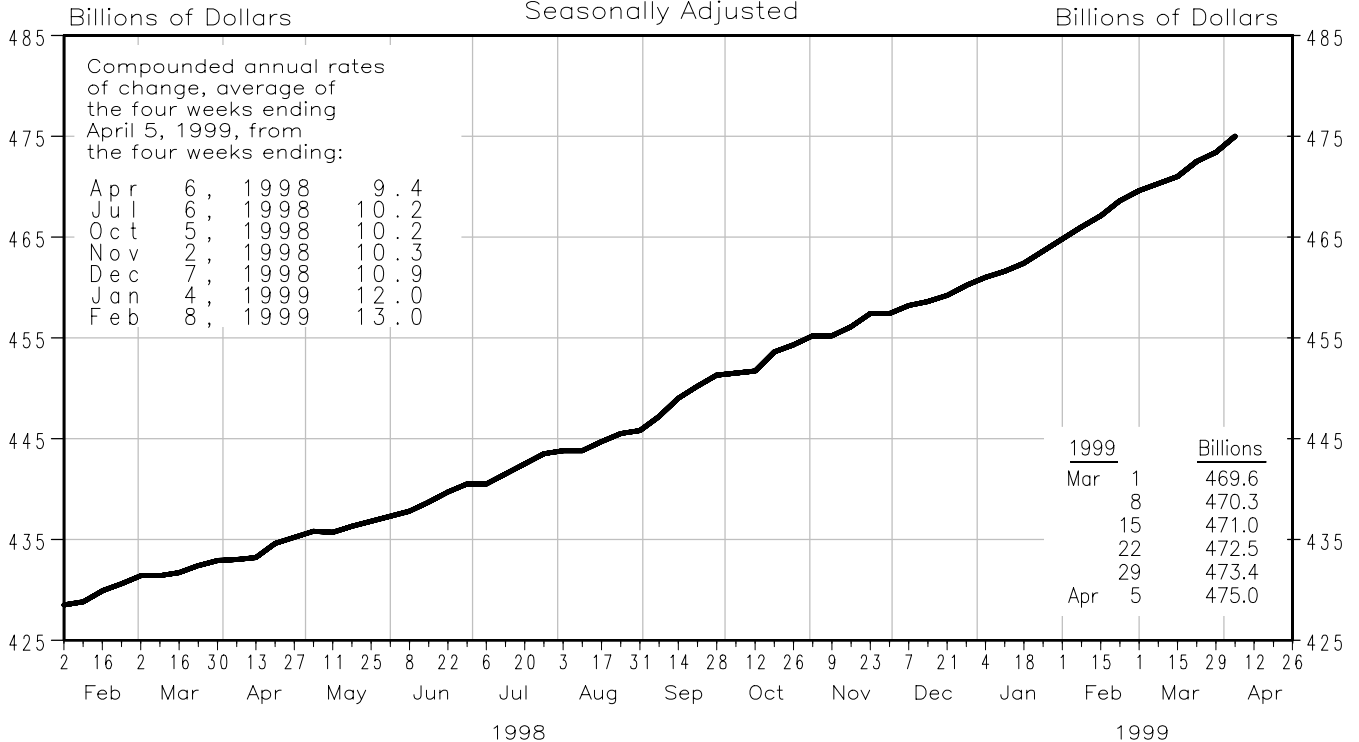
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Seasonally Adjusted



M1 is the sum of currency held by the nonbank public, total checkable deposits and travelers checks.  
Total checkable deposits is the sum of demand deposits and other checkable deposits at depository institutions.

## Currency Component of M1

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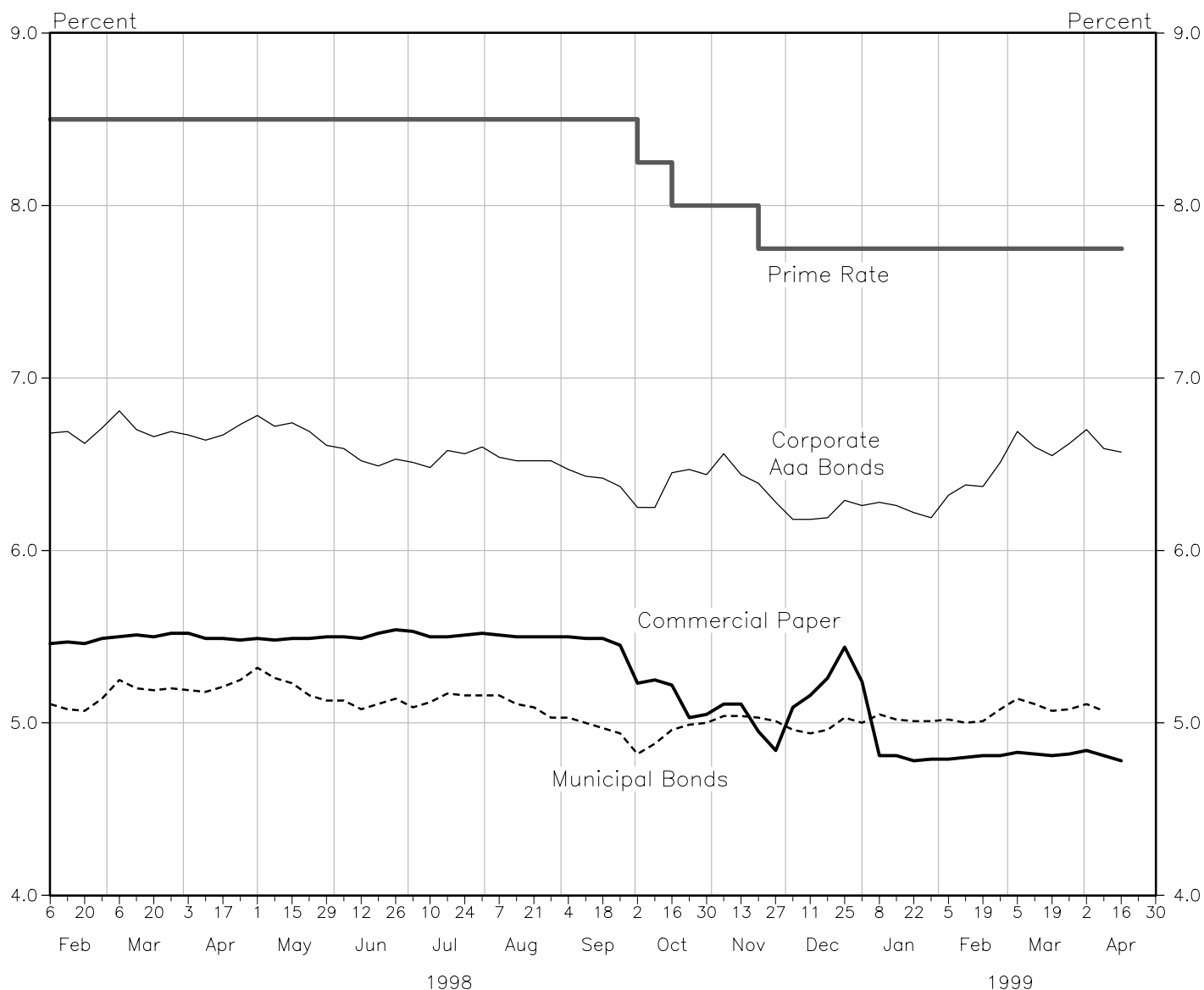


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# Yields on Selected Securities

Averages of Daily Figures



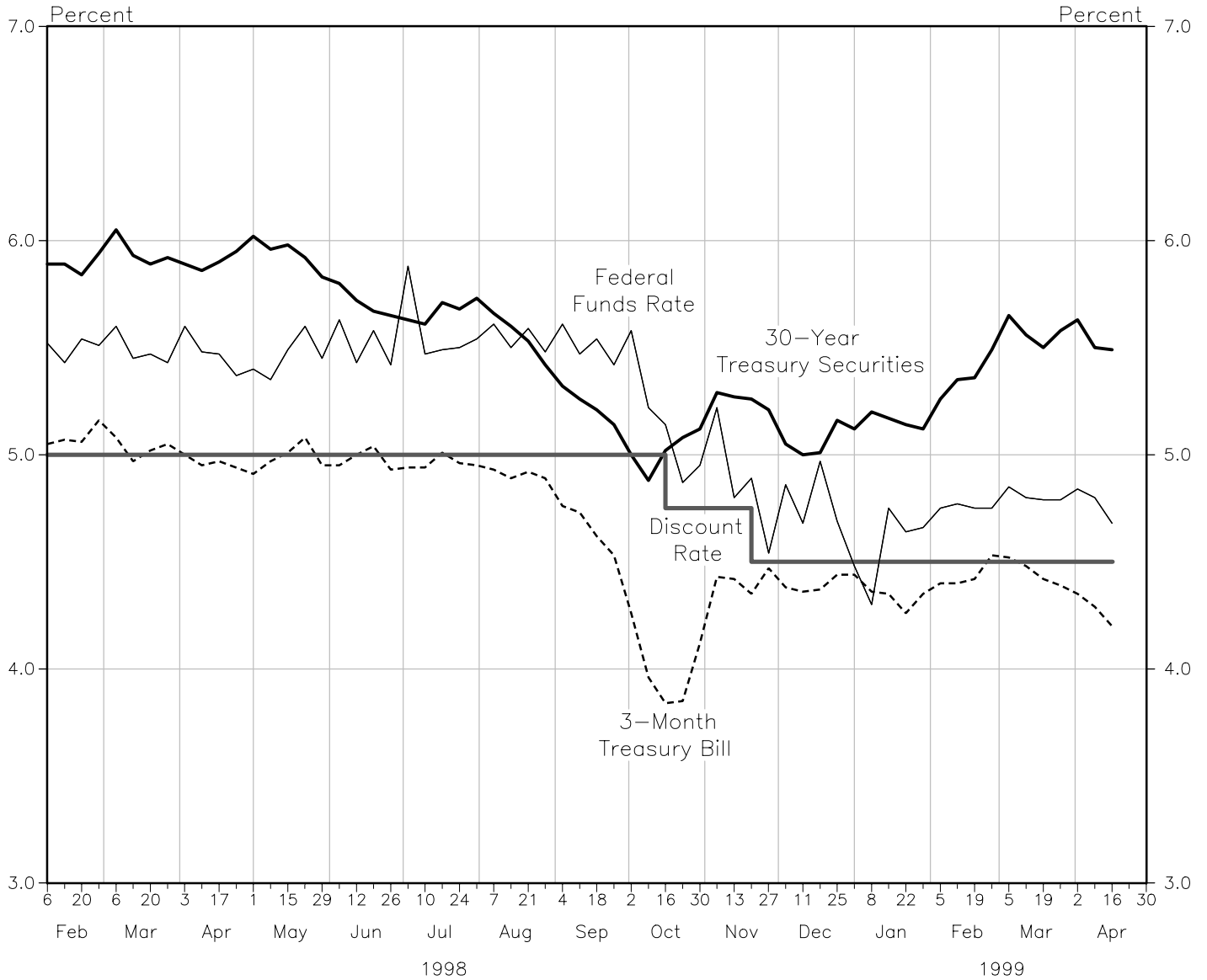
1999	30-Day Commercial Paper	90-Day CDs	90-Day Bankers' Acceptances	Corporate Aaa Bonds	Corporate Baa Bonds	Municipal Bonds **
Jan 22	4.78	4.87	4.76	6.22	7.27	5.01
29	4.79	4.86	4.78	6.19	7.24	5.01
Feb 5	4.79	4.88	4.78	6.32	7.34	5.02
12	4.80	4.90	4.79	6.38	7.37	5.00
19	4.81	4.91	4.78	6.37	7.38	5.01
26	4.81	4.92	4.81	6.51	7.47	5.08
Mar 5	4.83	4.93	4.82	6.69	7.61	5.14
12	4.82	4.90	4.82	6.60	7.52	5.11
19	4.81	4.89	4.82	6.55	7.47	5.07
26	4.82	4.90	4.82	6.62	7.53	5.08
Apr 2	4.84	4.90	4.82	6.70	7.56	5.11
9	4.81	4.88	4.80	6.59	7.45	5.07
16	4.78	4.88	4.81	6.57	7.42	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 April 16, 1999. Beginning September 2, 1997, the commercial paper rate reflects new source data, which is currently available only back to the first of the year.

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

# Selected Interest Rates

Averages of Daily Figures



1999	Federal Funds **	3-Month Treasury Bill	1-Year Treasury Bill	5-Year Treasury Securities	10-Year Treasury Securities	30-Year Treasury Securities
Jan 22	4.64	4.26	4.29	4.60	4.70	5.14
29	4.66	4.35	4.30	4.56	4.67	5.12
Feb 5	4.75	4.40	4.40	4.76	4.84	5.26
12	4.77	4.40	4.45	4.84	4.95	5.35
19	4.75	4.42	4.49	4.96	5.03	5.36
26	4.75	4.53	4.58	5.11	5.18	5.49
Mar 5	4.85	4.52	4.63	5.29	5.38	5.65
12	4.80	4.48	4.53	5.13	5.21	5.56
19	4.79	4.42	4.50	5.05	5.14	5.50
26	4.79	4.39	4.50	5.11	5.20	5.58
Apr 2	4.84	4.35	4.48	5.12	5.24	5.63
9	4.80	4.29	4.43	5.00	5.11	5.50
16 *	4.68	4.20	4.42	5.01	5.10	5.49

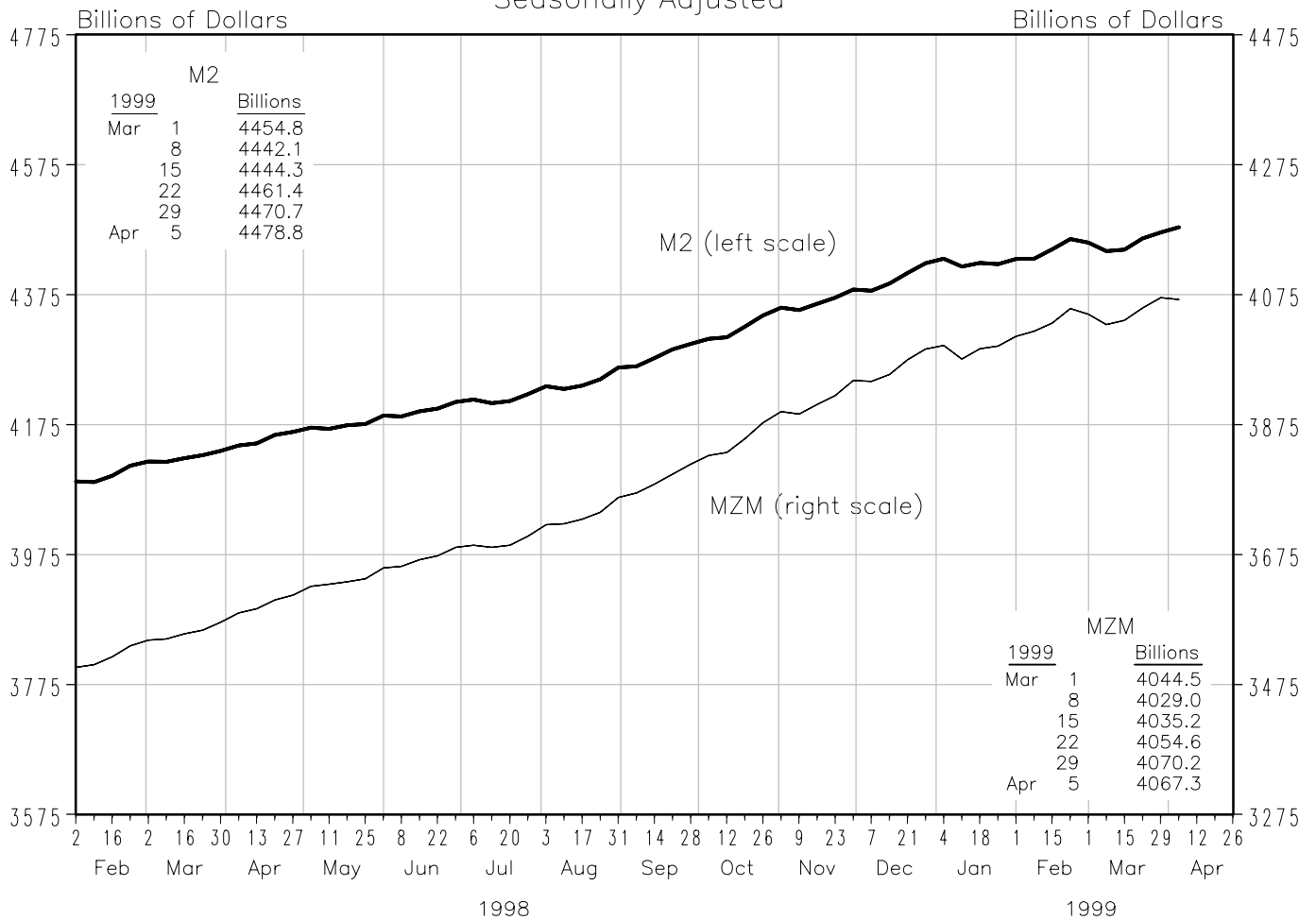
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\* Averages of rates available

\*\* Seven-day averages for week ending two days earlier than date shown

# Money Stock(M2) and Money Zero Maturity

Averages of Daily Figures  
Seasonally Adjusted



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.

## Money Stock (M2)

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

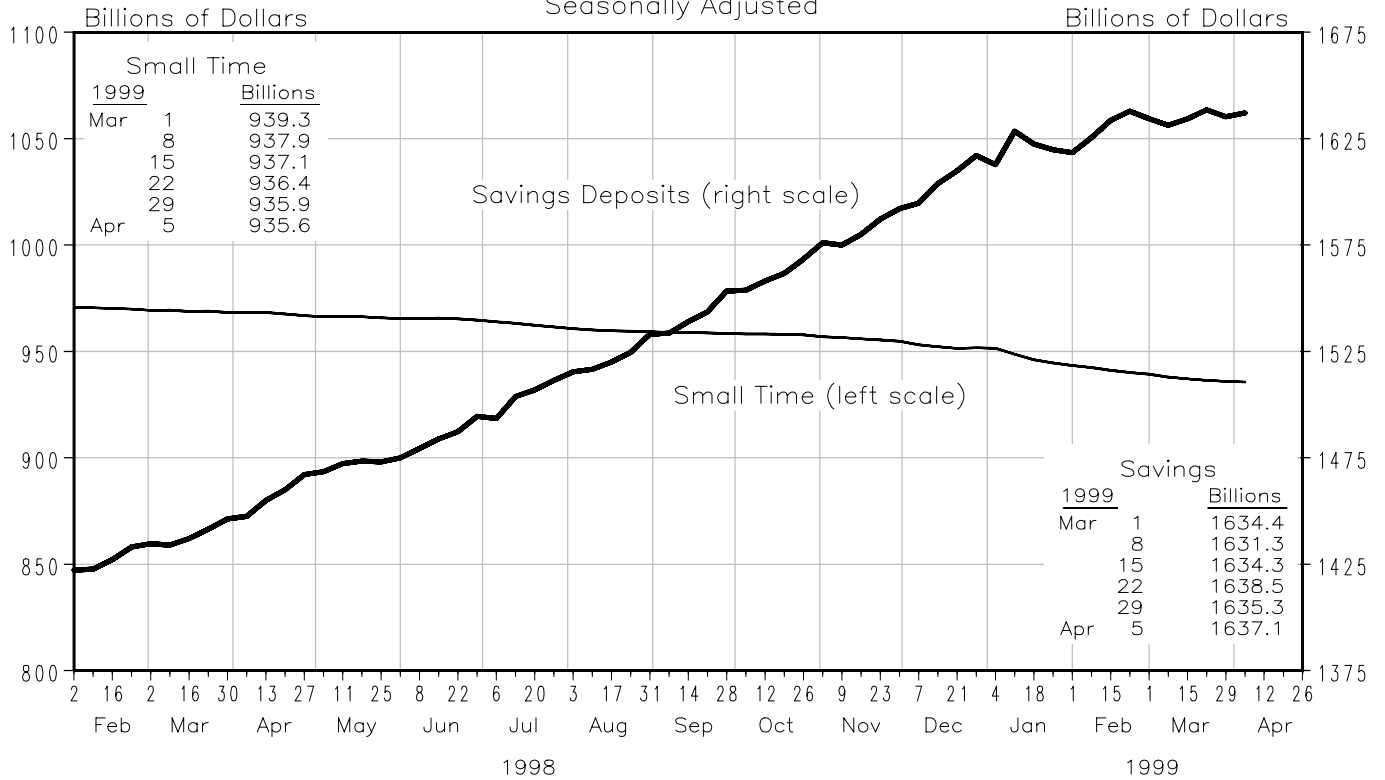
To the average of four weeks ending:

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# Savings and Small Time Deposits

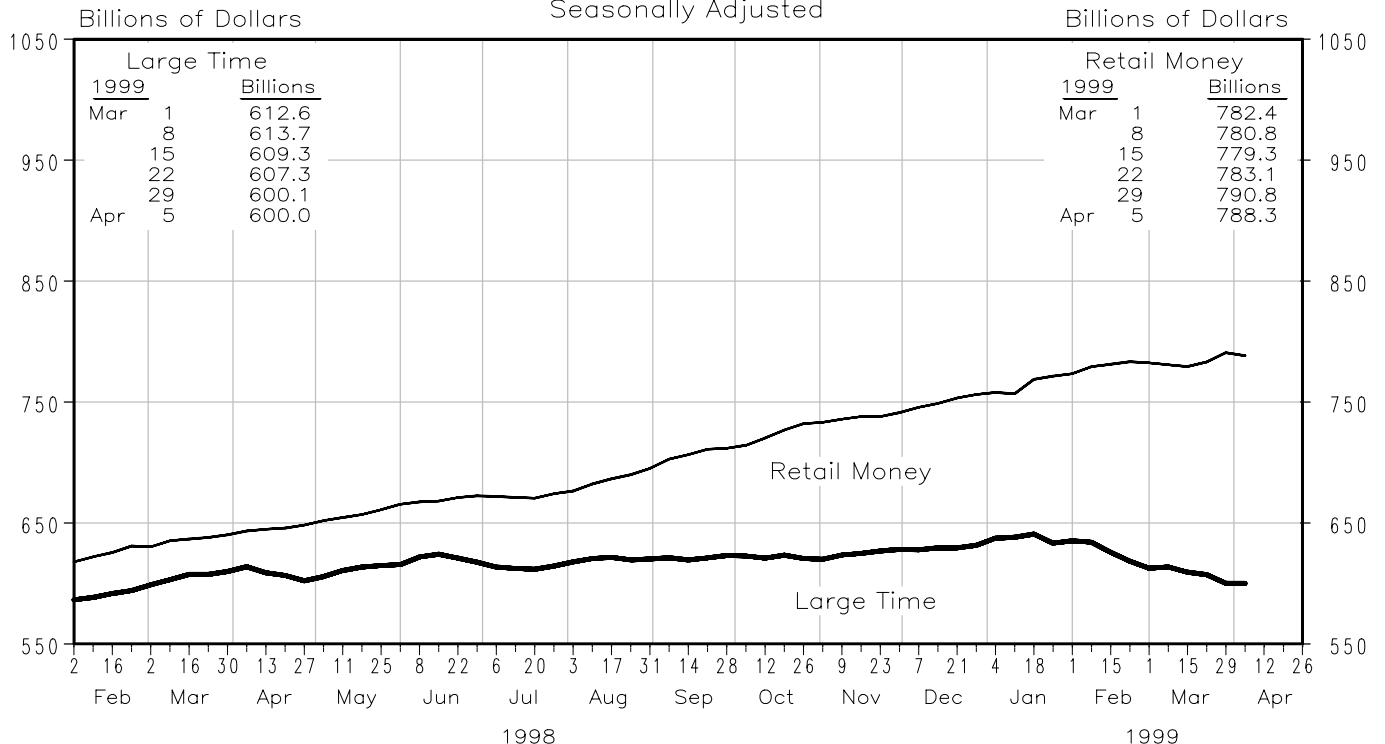
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Savings deposits and small time deposits are at all depository institutions.

# Large Time Deposits and Retail Money Funds

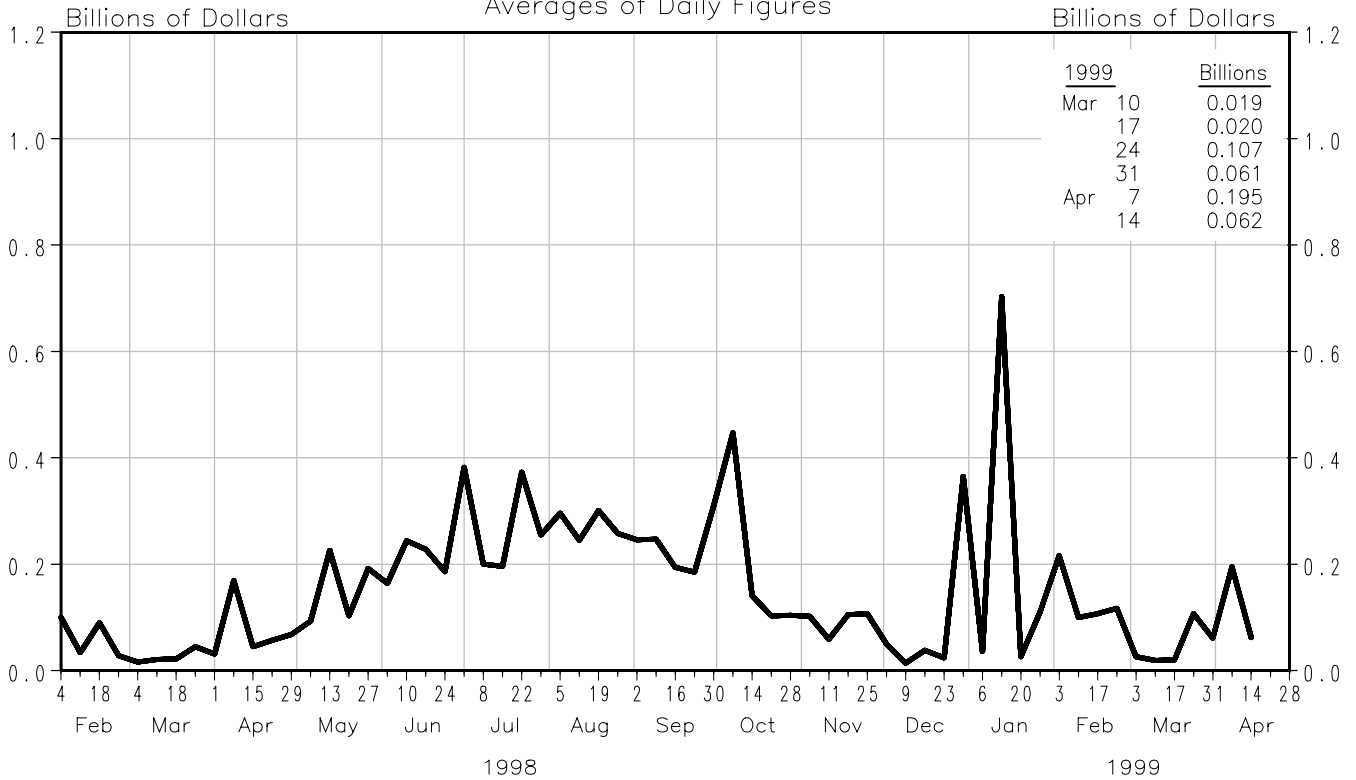
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Large time deposits and retail money funds are at all depository institutions. Large time deposits are those issued in denominations of \$100,000 or more. Retail money funds were originally called general purpose and broker/dealer money market funds.

# Total Borrowings

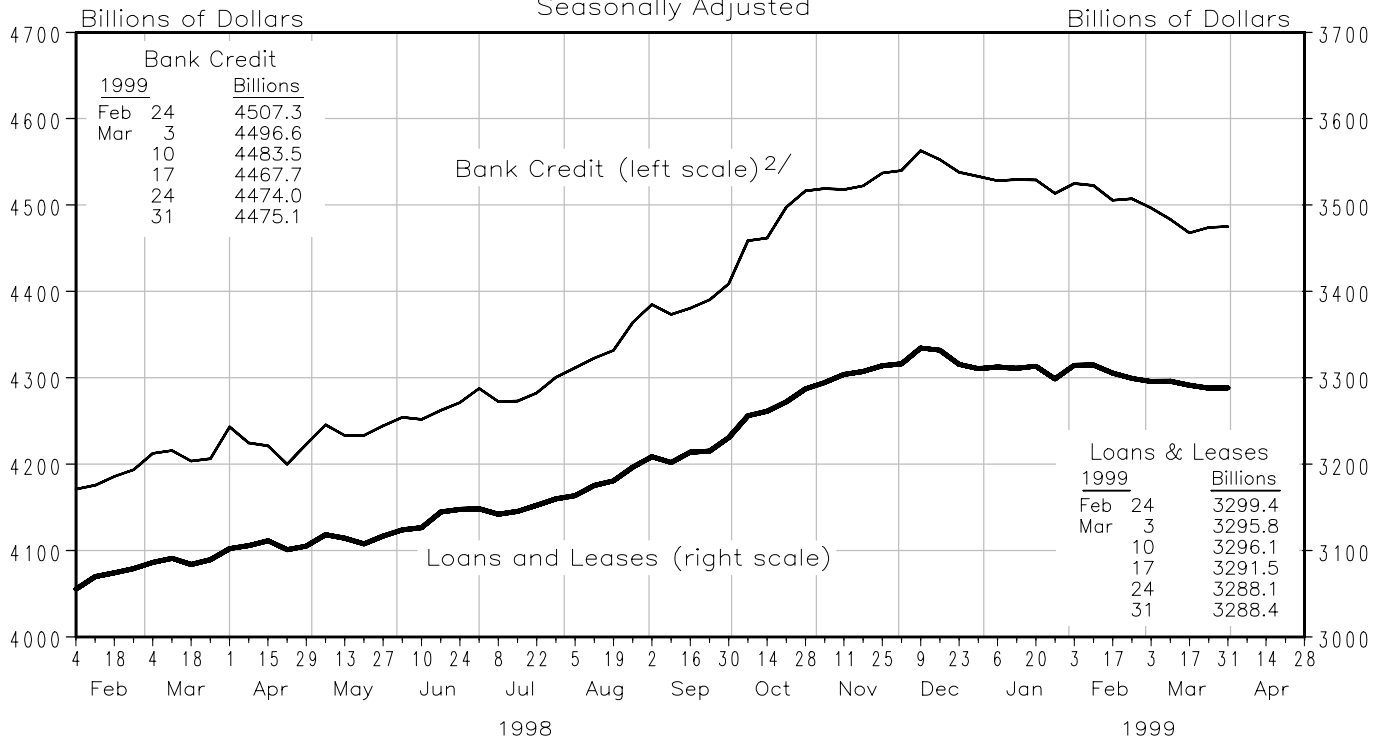
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Borrowings include seasonal, adjustment and extended credit.

# Bank Loans and Credit

All Commercial Banks in the United States <sup>1/</sup>  
Seasonally Adjusted



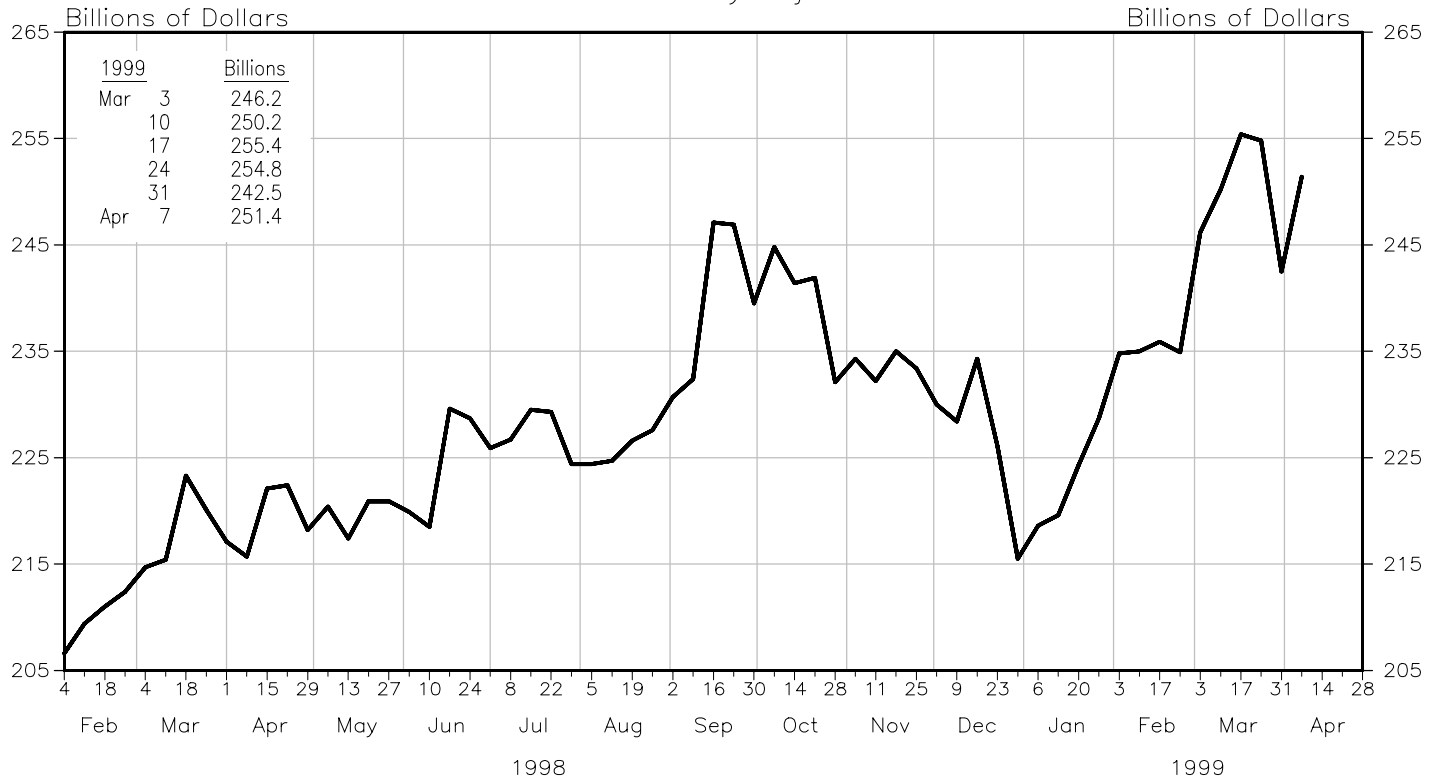
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<sup>1/</sup> Includes foreign-related institutions

<sup>2/</sup> Includes loans and leases and securities

# Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies

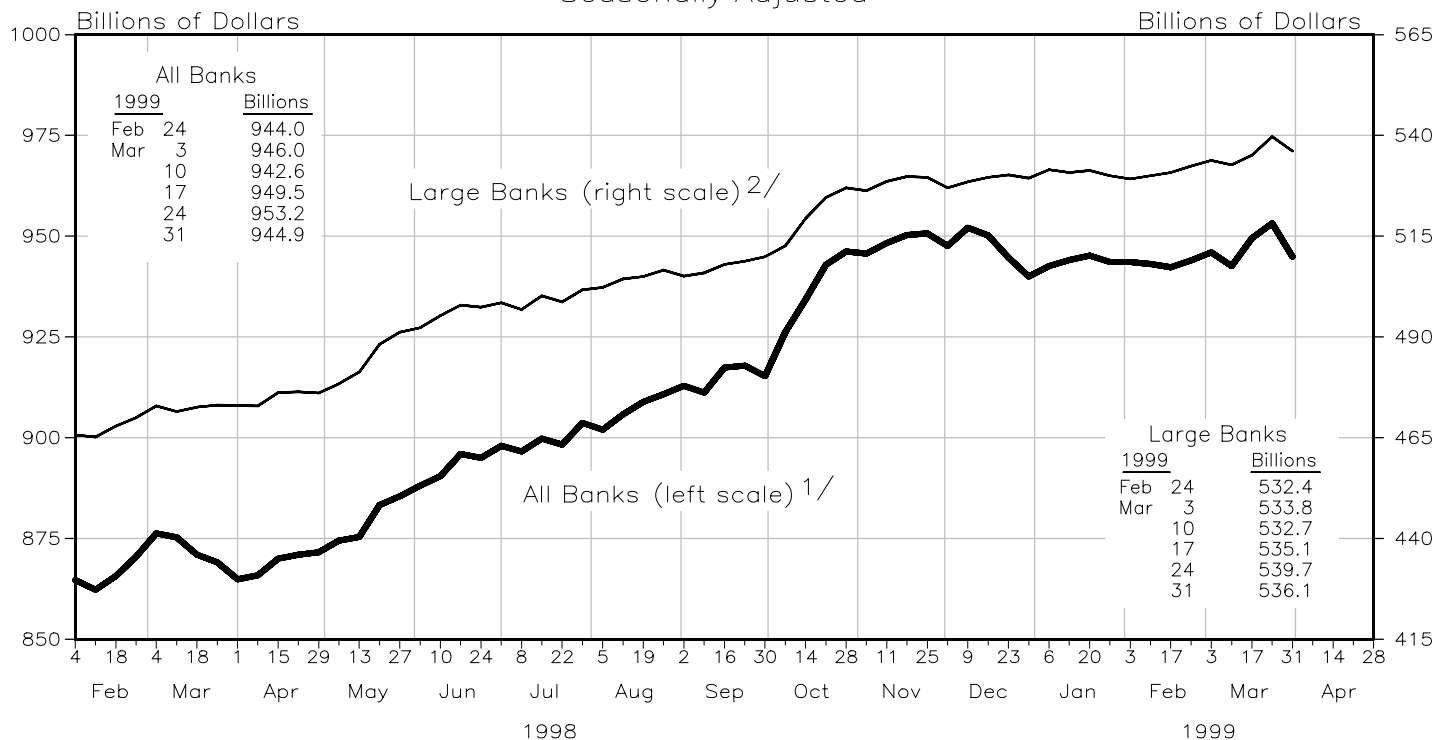
Not Seasonally Adjusted



Note: Beginning September 2, 1997, the value of commercial paper outstanding uses new source data. See the Federal Reserve Board's H.15 release for more information.

# Commercial and Industrial Loans

Seasonally Adjusted



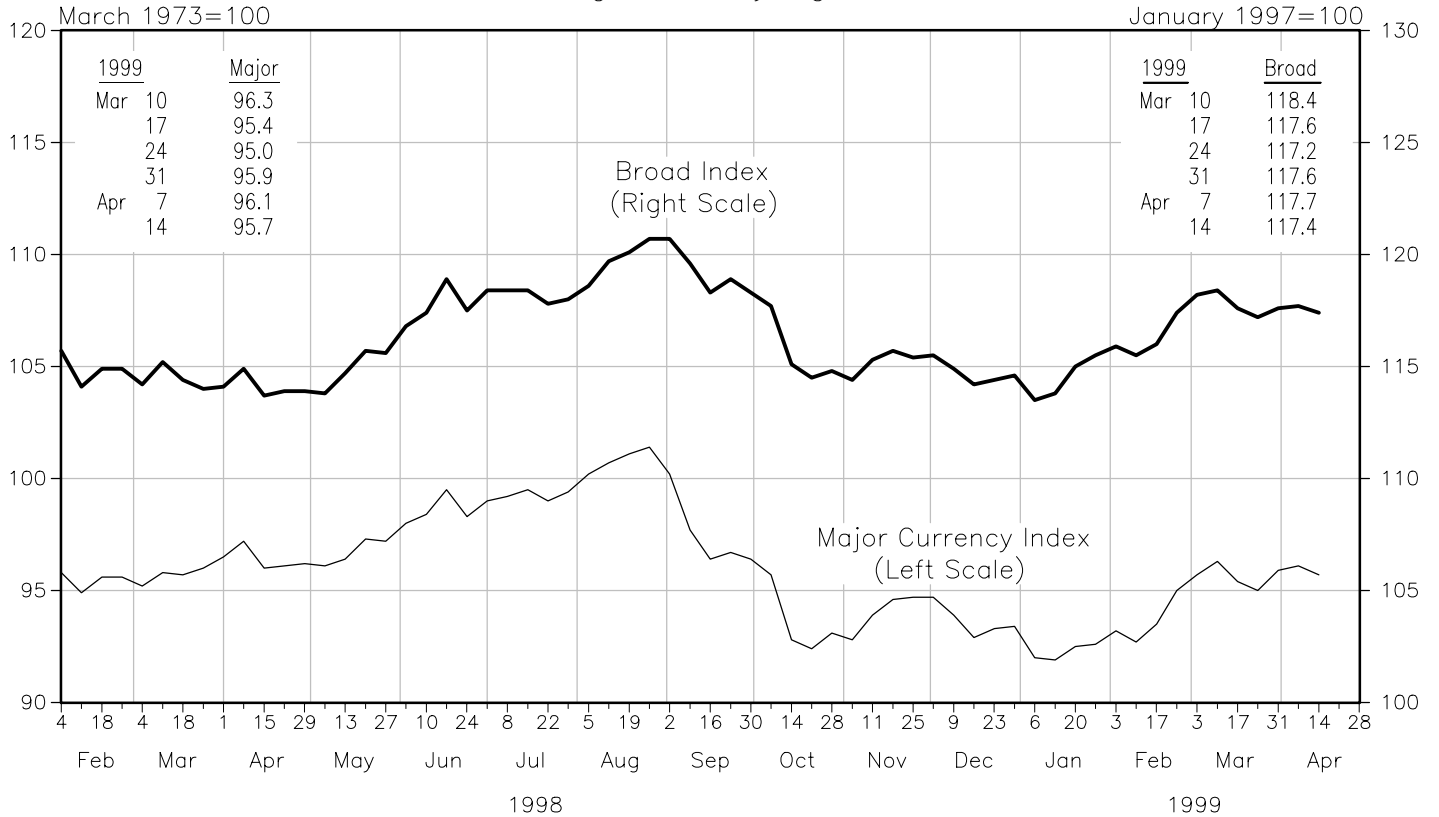
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1/ Includes foreign-related institutions

2/ Weekly reporting, domestically chartered banks

# Trade – Weighted Exchange Rate Indexes

Averages of Daily Figures



The major currency index (MCI) is comprised of 7 currencies. The broad index is comprised of the major currency index plus 19 additional currencies. See the October 1998 issue of the *Federal Reserve Bulletin* for further details.

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