

US Financial Data

THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- *On Dec. 11, the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) voted to lower its federal funds target rate from 2 to 1.75 percent. Separately, the Board of Governors approved requests from five Federal Reserve District Banks to lower the discount rate 25 basis points to 1.25 percent. In announcing these actions, the FOMC noted the following in a press release:*

Economic activity remains soft, with underlying inflation likely to edge lower from relatively modest levels. To be sure, weakness in demand shows signs of abating, but those signs are preliminary and tentative. The Committee continues to believe that...the risks are weighted mainly toward conditions that may generate economic weakness in the foreseeable future.

- *In November, retail and food services sales fell 3.7 percent, after rising at a revised 6.4 percent in October. November sales were dampened by an 11.9 percent drop in motor vehicles and parts sales and a 6.3 percent drop in sales at gasoline stations.*
- *After falling 1.6 percent in October, the producer price index (PPI) for finished goods fell 0.6 percent in November. The PPI has declined 1.1 percent from a year earlier.*
- *Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 394,000 during the week ending Dec. 8, down 86,000 from the previous week. The four-week moving average total fell to 450,000, its lowest level in 11 weeks.*

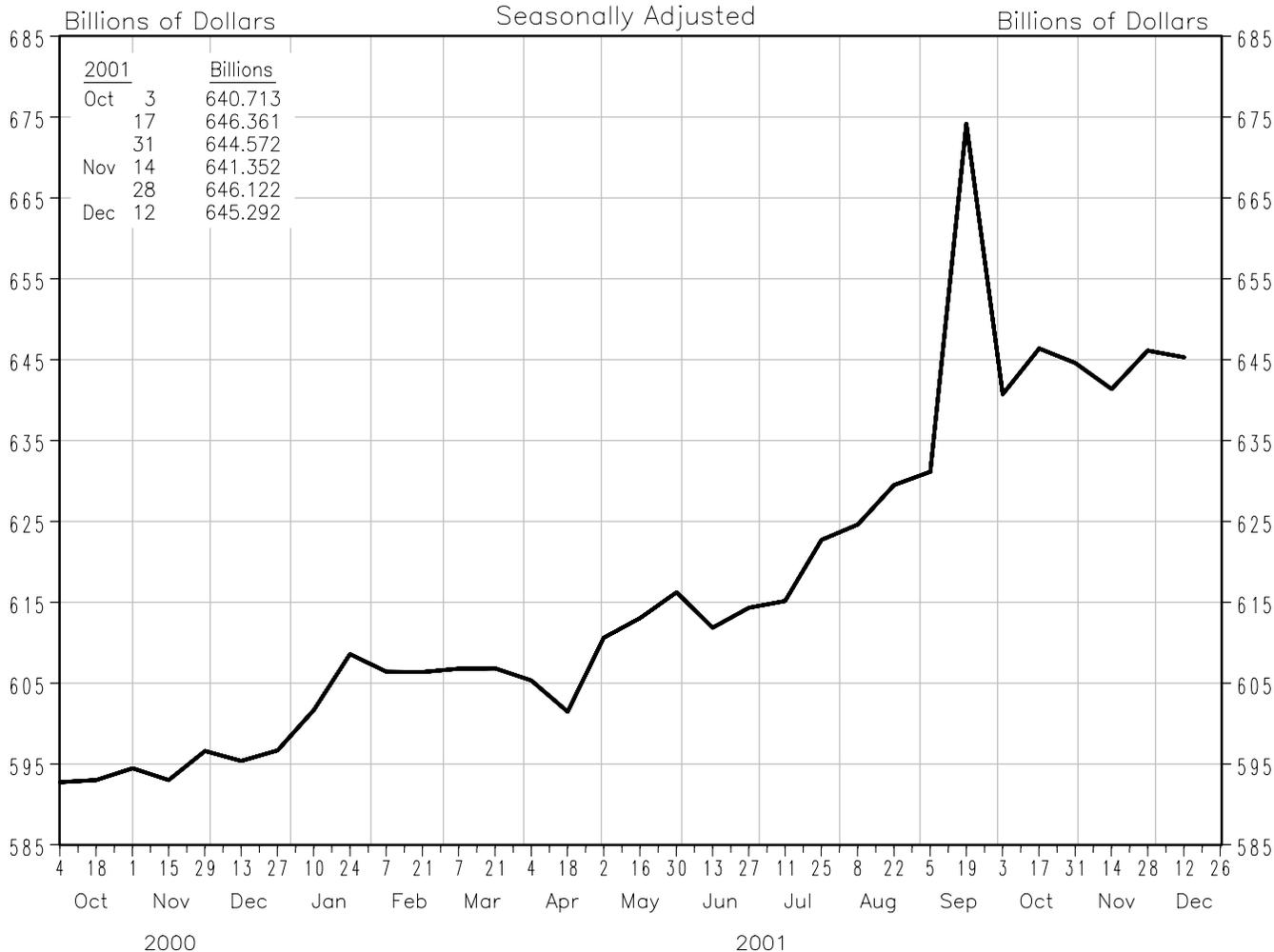
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Adjusted Monetary Base

Averages of Daily Figures
Seasonally Adjusted



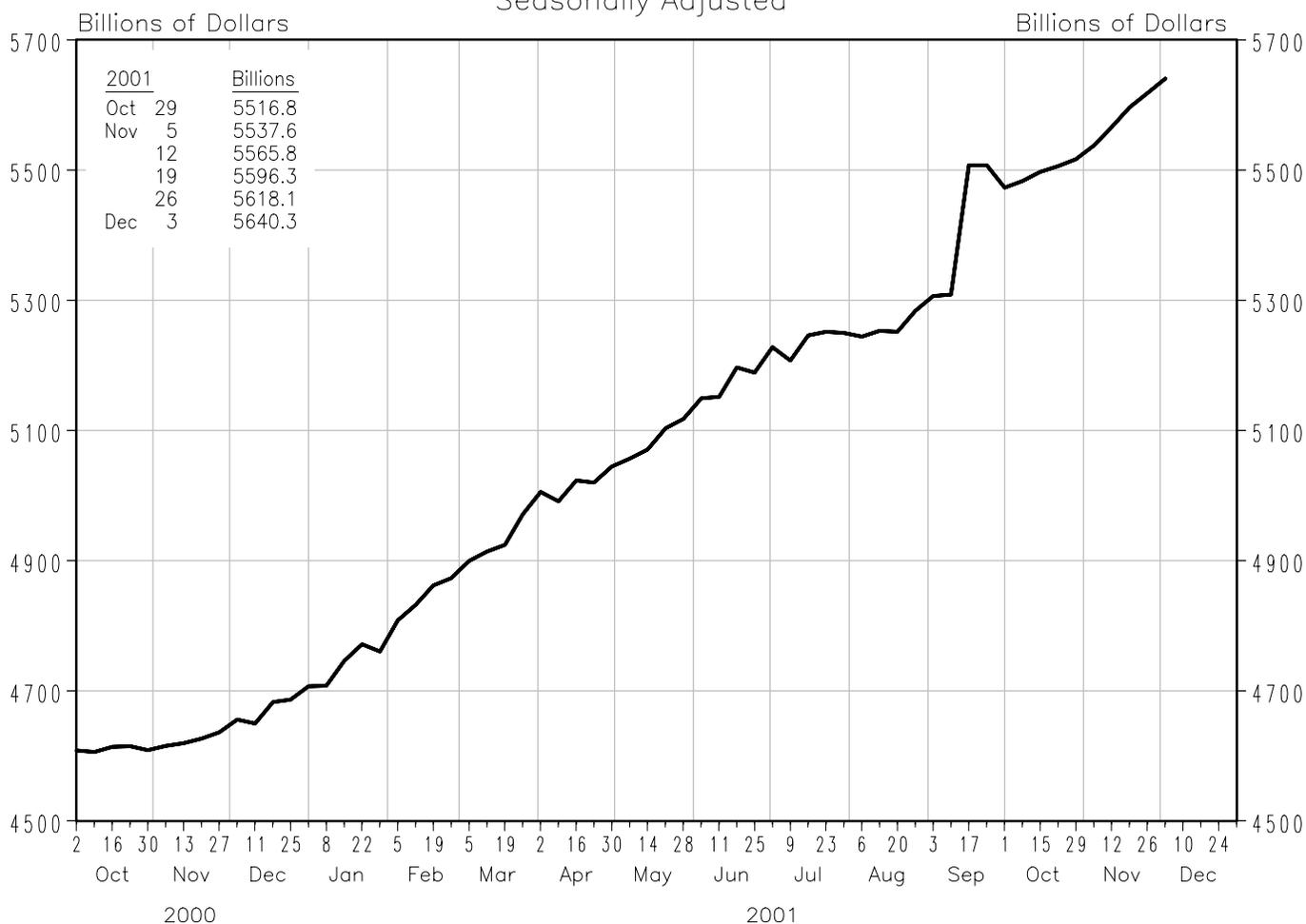
The adjusted monetary base is the sum of Federal Reserve deposits and vault cash held by domestic depository institutions, currency held by the public, and an adjustment for the effect of changes in reserve requirement ratios. The monetary base series includes Federal Reserve deposits used to satisfy 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:							
	12/13/00	3/7/01	5/16/01	6/13/01	7/11/01	8/8/01	9/5/01	10/17/01
5/16/01	6.4							
6/13/01	6.1	4.6						
7/11/01	5.5	3.9	3.1					
8/8/01	7.2	6.8	8.7	10.7				
9/5/01	8.0	8.0	10.2	12.0	17.7			
10/17/01	9.5	10.1	12.7	14.5	18.6	17.7		
11/14/01	8.6	8.8	10.4	11.5	13.9	12.0	10.9	
12/12/01	8.3	8.5	9.8	10.6	12.3	10.6	9.4	2.2

Money Zero Maturity (MZM)

Averages of Daily Figures
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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.

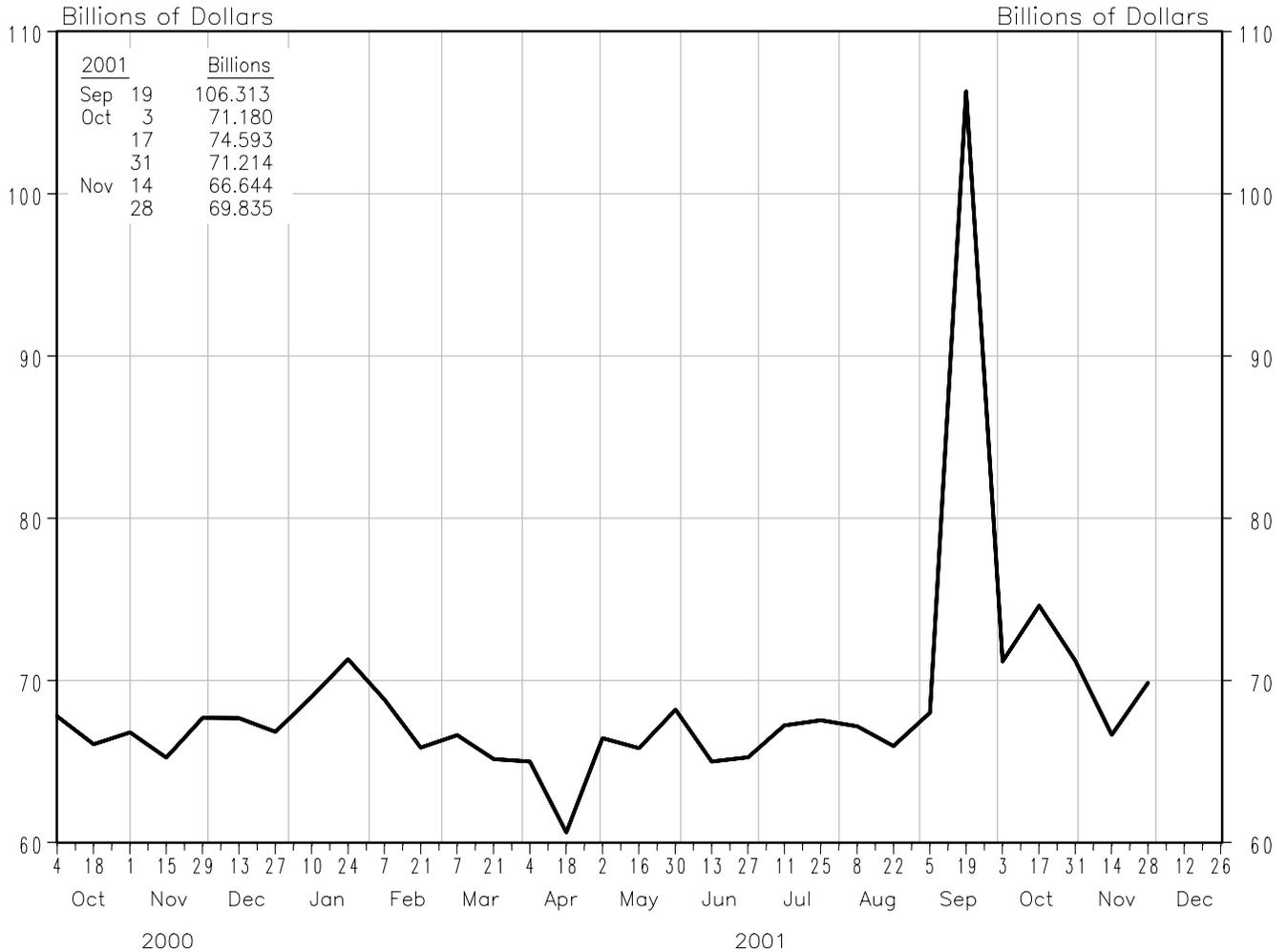
Money Zero Maturity (MZM)

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

To the average of four weeks ending:	12/4/00	3/5/01	4/30/01	6/4/01	7/2/01	8/6/01	9/3/01	10/1/01
4/30/01	21.9							
6/4/01	21.6	21.6						
7/2/01	21.7	21.8	21.4					
8/6/01	20.3	19.5	17.9	16.6				
9/3/01	18.8	17.4	15.3	13.4	9.5			
10/1/01	21.6	21.6	21.4	21.7	21.4	27.7		
11/5/01	20.7	20.4	19.8	19.7	19.1	21.9	29.4	
12/3/01	20.9	20.7	20.3	20.3	19.9	22.3	27.6	17.7

Adjusted Reserves

Seasonally Adjusted



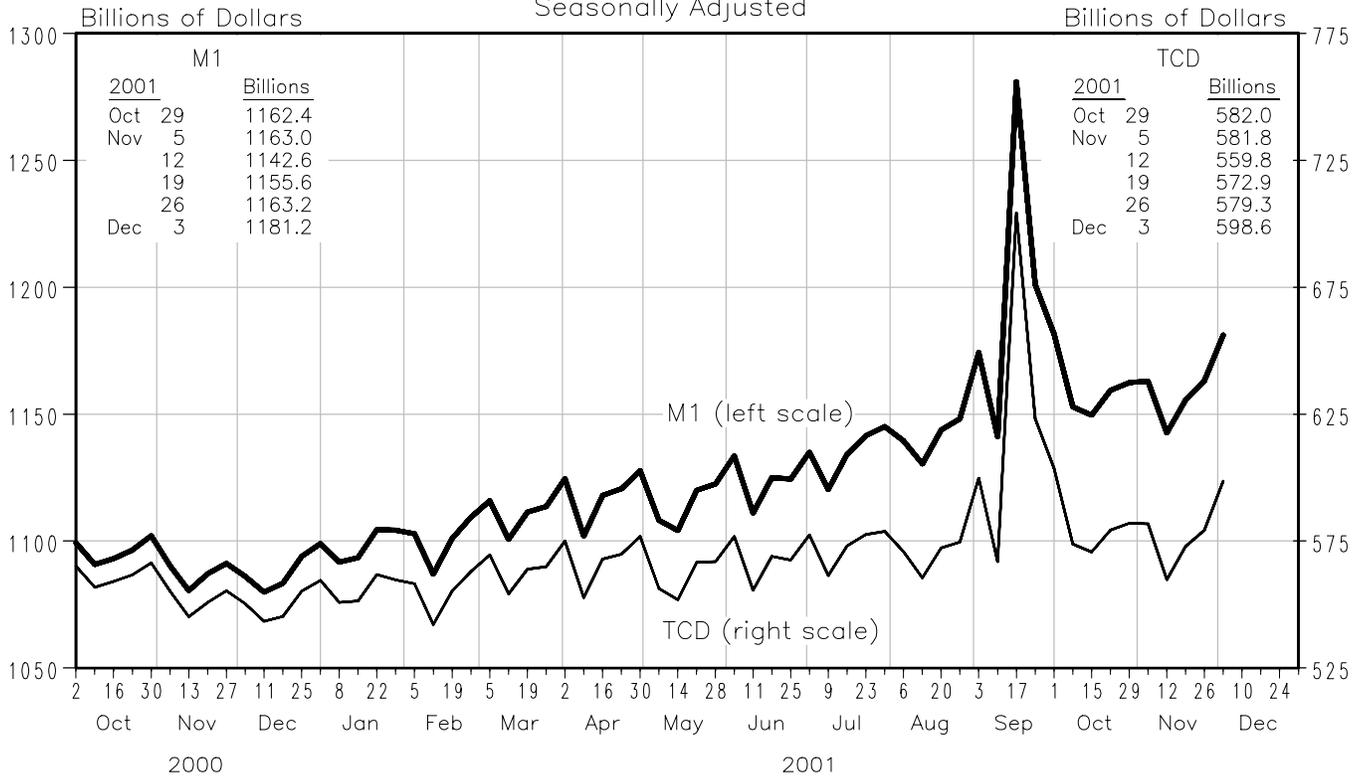
Adjusted reserves is the difference between the adjusted monetary base and the currency component of M1.

Adjusted Reserves

To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:								
	11/29/00	2/21/01	5/2/01	5/30/01	6/27/01	7/25/01	8/22/01	10/3/01	
5/2/01	-10.1								
5/30/01	1.6	-1.8							
6/27/01	-3.5	-9.2	17.4						
7/25/01	2.1	0.2	29.1	3.7					
8/22/01	0.2	-2.3	16.3	-2.9	15.2				
10/3/01	40.7	56.6	120.4	125.2	215.7	318.8			
10/31/01	10.5	12.2	31.7	22.1	38.6	34.0	60.7		
11/28/01	2.7	1.8	13.2	3.7	11.7	3.7	9.7	-81.9	

Money Stock(M1) and Total Checkable Deposits

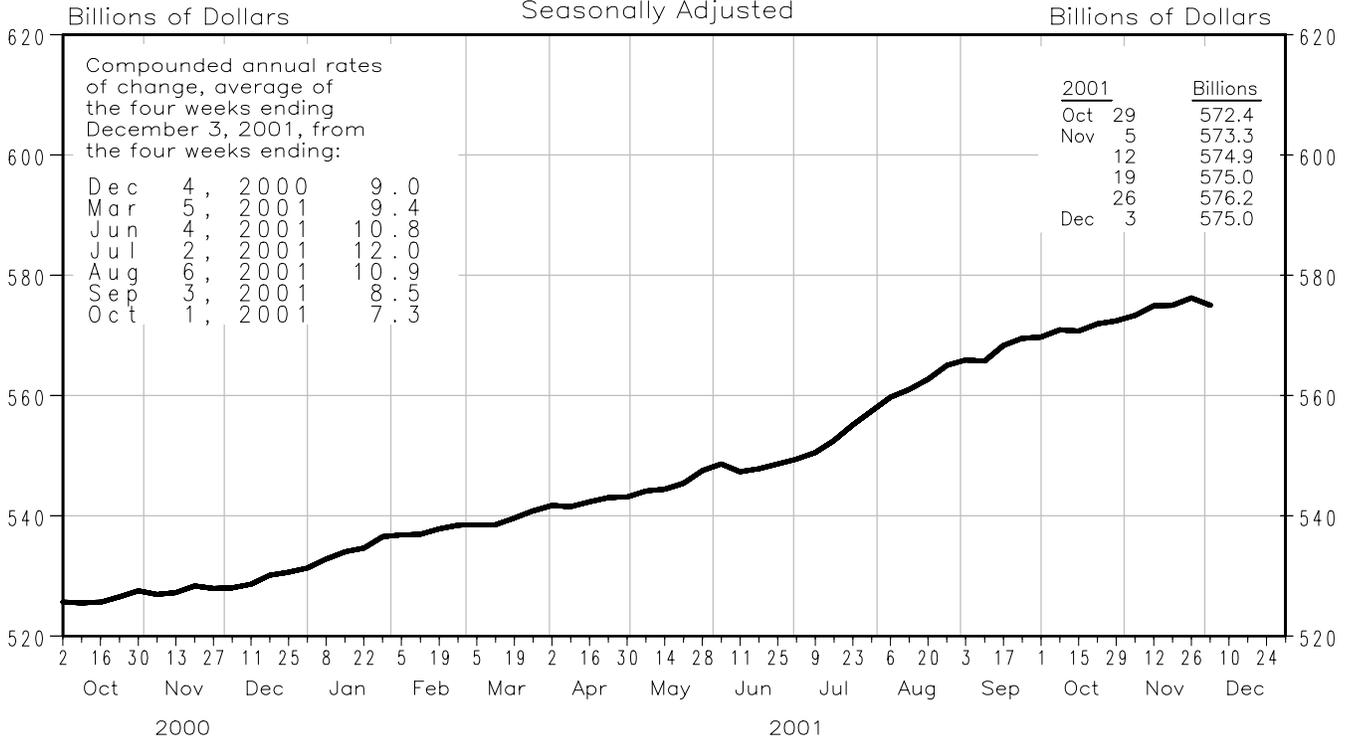
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M1 is the sum of currency held by the nonbank public, total checkable deposits and travelers checks. Total checkable deposits is the sum of demand deposits and other checkable deposits at depository institutions. Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.6 release.

Currency Component of M1

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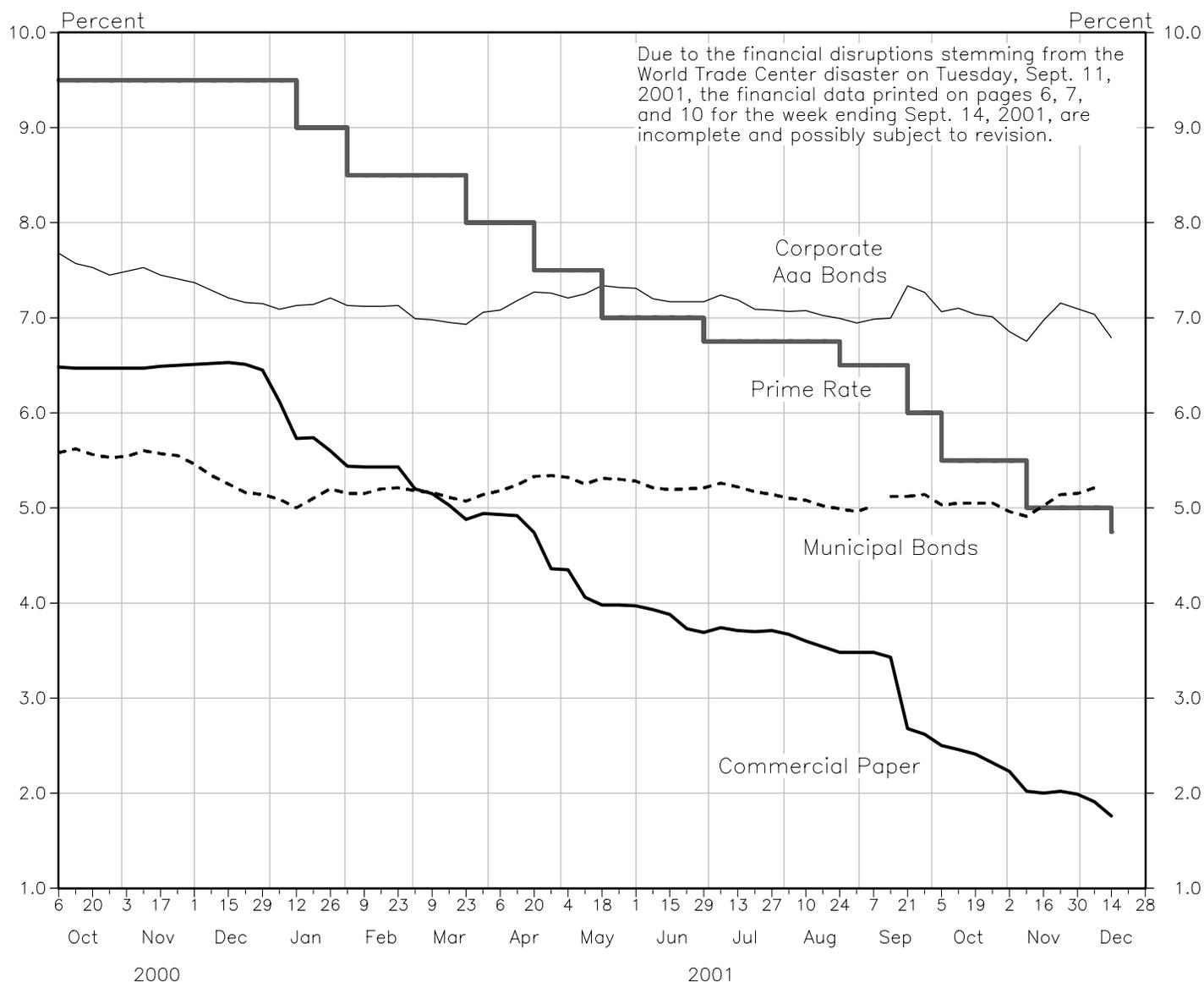


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Yields on Selected Securities

Averages of Daily Figures



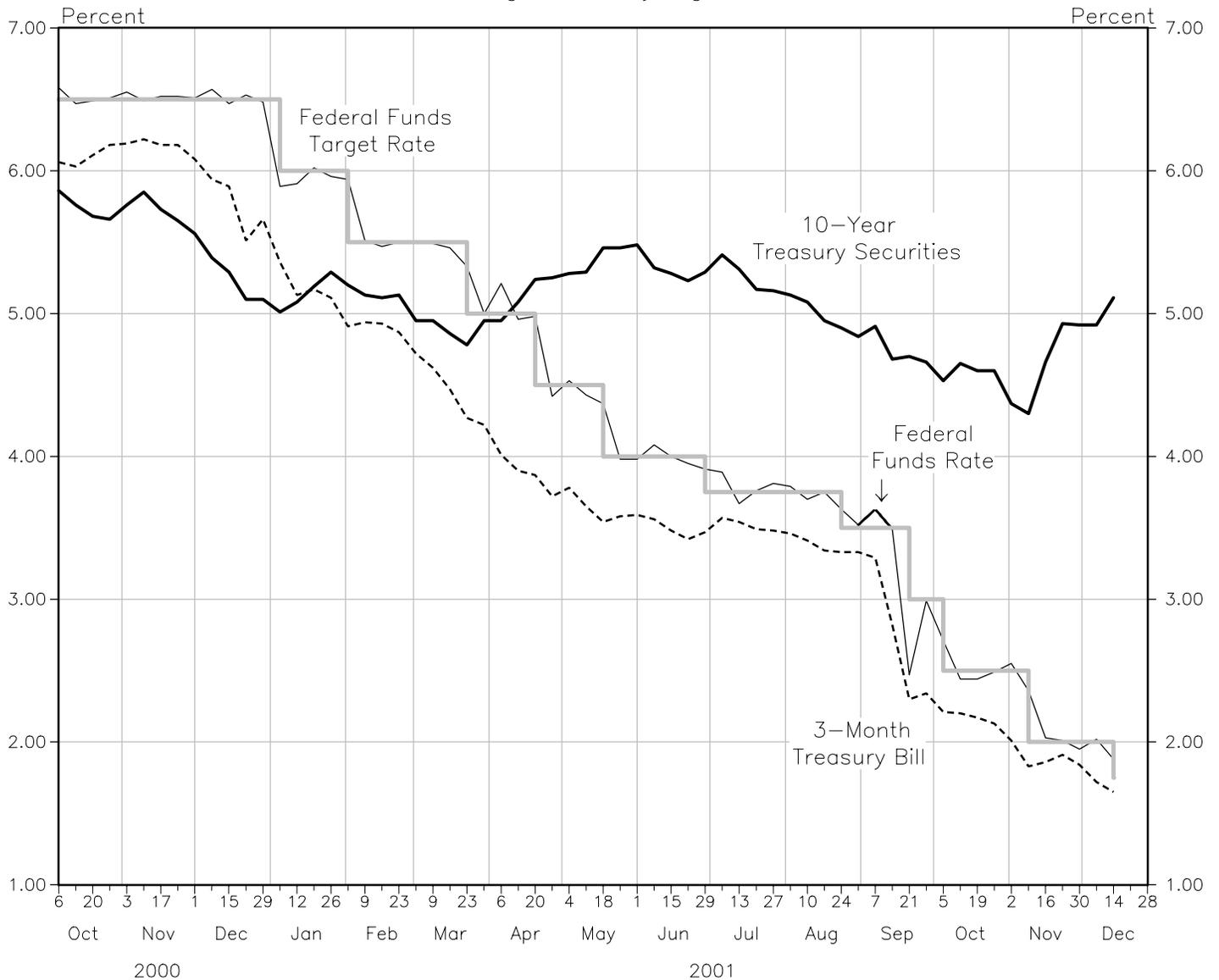
2001	30-Day Commercial Paper	90-Day CDs	90-Day Euro Dollars	Corporate Aaa Bonds	Corporate Baa Bonds	Municipal Bonds **
Sep 21	2.68	2.67	2.68	7.34	8.20	5.12
28	2.62	2.52	2.50	7.27	8.12	5.14
Oct 5	2.50	2.46	2.46	7.06	7.94	5.03
12	2.46	2.37	2.37	7.10	7.98	5.05
19	2.41	2.32	2.32	7.04	7.92	5.05
26	2.32	2.22	2.22	7.01	7.89	5.05
Nov 2	2.23	2.11	2.14	6.86	7.73	4.96
9	2.02	1.96	1.98	6.75	7.62	4.91
16	2.00	1.99	2.00	6.97	7.81	5.02
23	2.02	2.06	2.07	7.16	7.96	5.14
30	1.99	2.07	2.03	7.10	7.95	5.15
Dec 7	1.91	1.88	1.89	7.04	7.99	5.21
14	1.76	1.78	1.79	6.79	8.16	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 December 14, 2001.

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

Selected Interest Rates

Averages of Daily Figures



2001	Federal Funds **	3-Month Treasury Bill	2-Year Treasury Securities	5-Year Treasury Securities	10-Year Treasury Securities	30-Year Treasury Securities
Sep 21	2.47	2.30	2.91	3.96	4.70	5.55
Sep 28	2.99	2.34	2.86	3.94	4.66	5.51
Oct 5	2.71	2.21	2.76	3.88	4.53	5.33
Oct 12	2.44	2.20	2.80	3.99	4.65	5.40
Oct 19	2.44	2.17	2.78	3.94	4.60	5.35
Oct 26	2.49	2.13	2.72	3.94	4.60	5.32
Nov 2	2.55	2.01	2.49	3.73	4.37	5.02
Nov 9	2.36	1.83	2.40	3.58	4.30	4.85
Nov 16	2.03	1.86	2.83	3.97	4.66	5.12
Nov 23	2.01	1.91	3.05	4.25	4.93	5.32
Nov 30	1.95	1.84	3.03	4.25	4.92	5.33
Dec 7	2.02	1.72	3.02	4.23	4.92	5.38
Dec 14 *	1.88	1.65	3.03	4.38	5.11	5.53

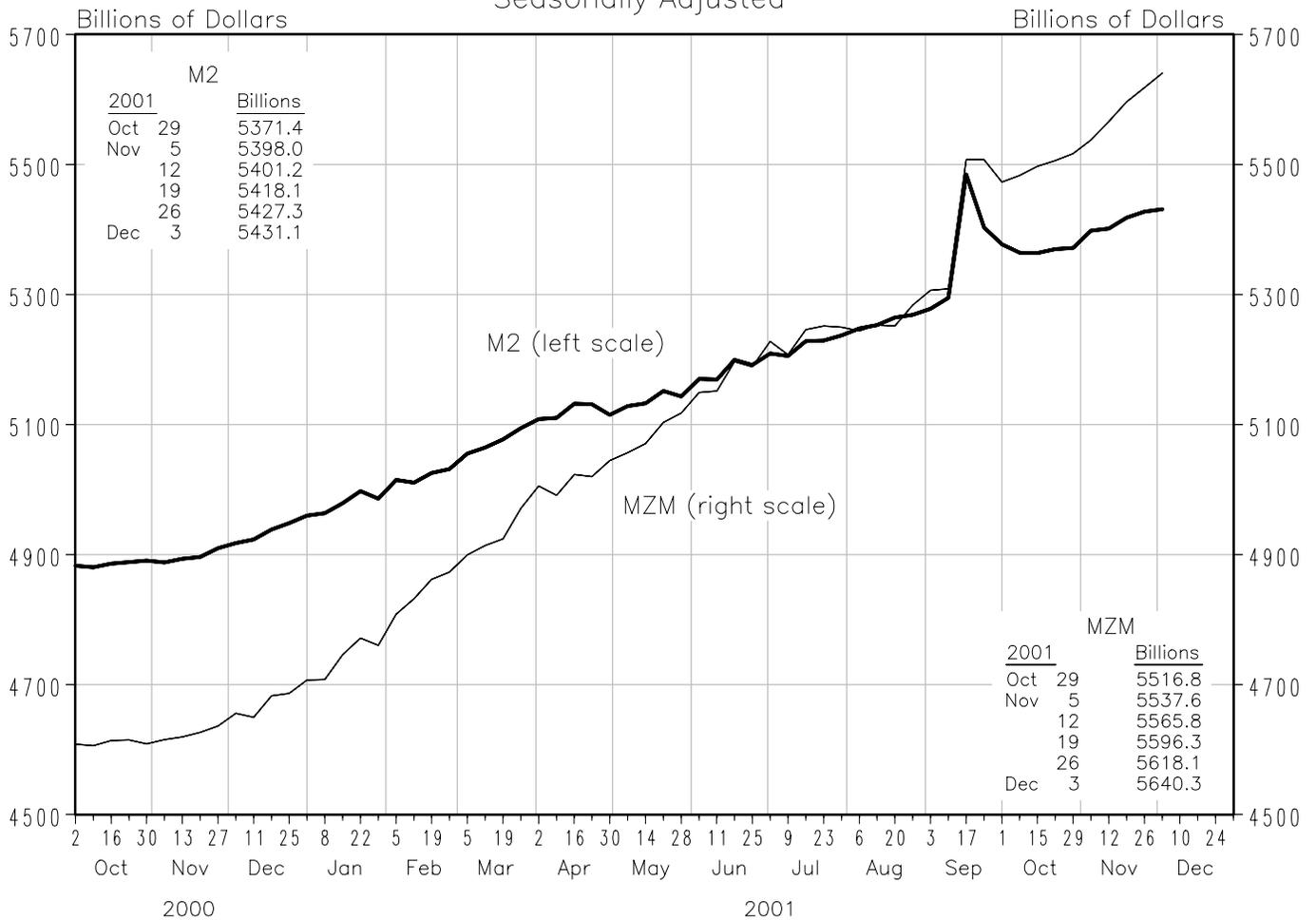
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* Averages of rates available

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

Money Stock(M2) and Money Zero Maturity

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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.

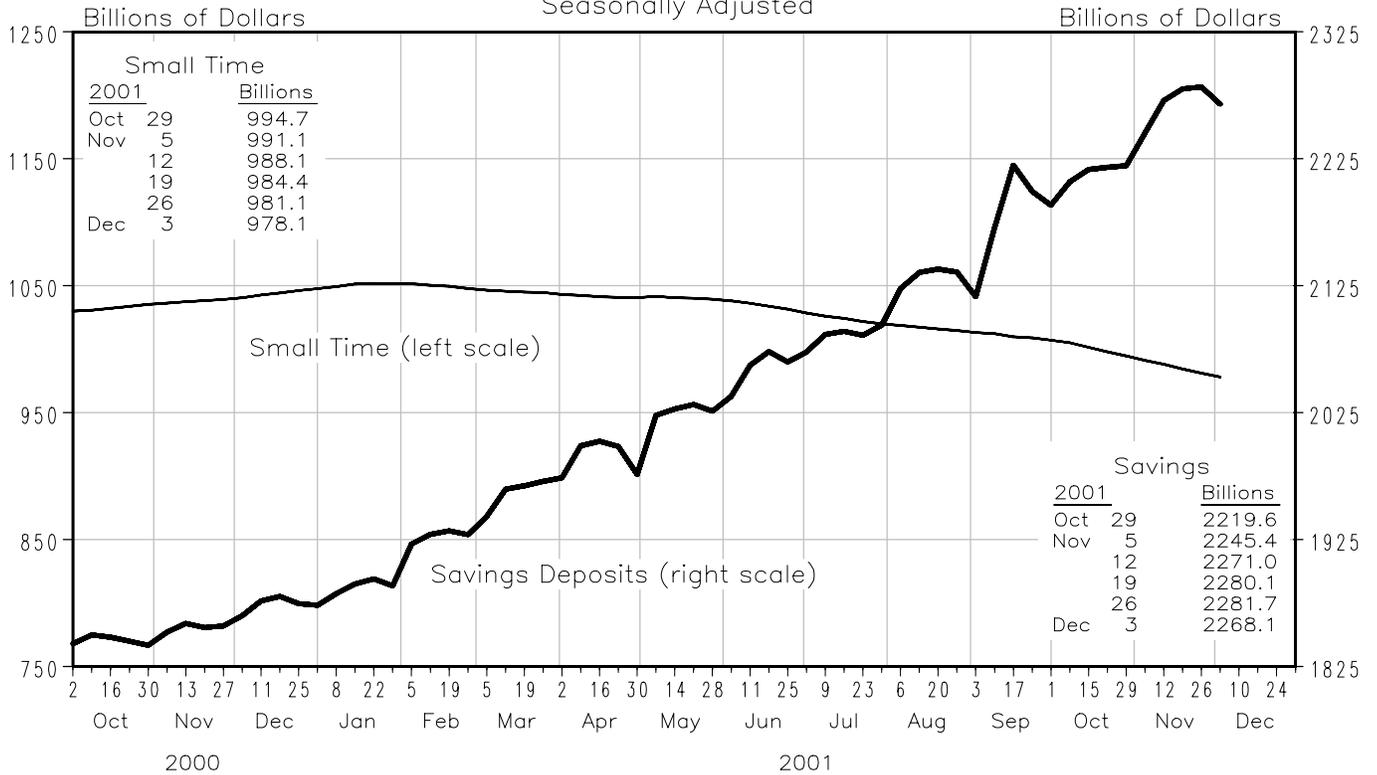
Money Stock (M2)

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Savings and Small Time Deposits

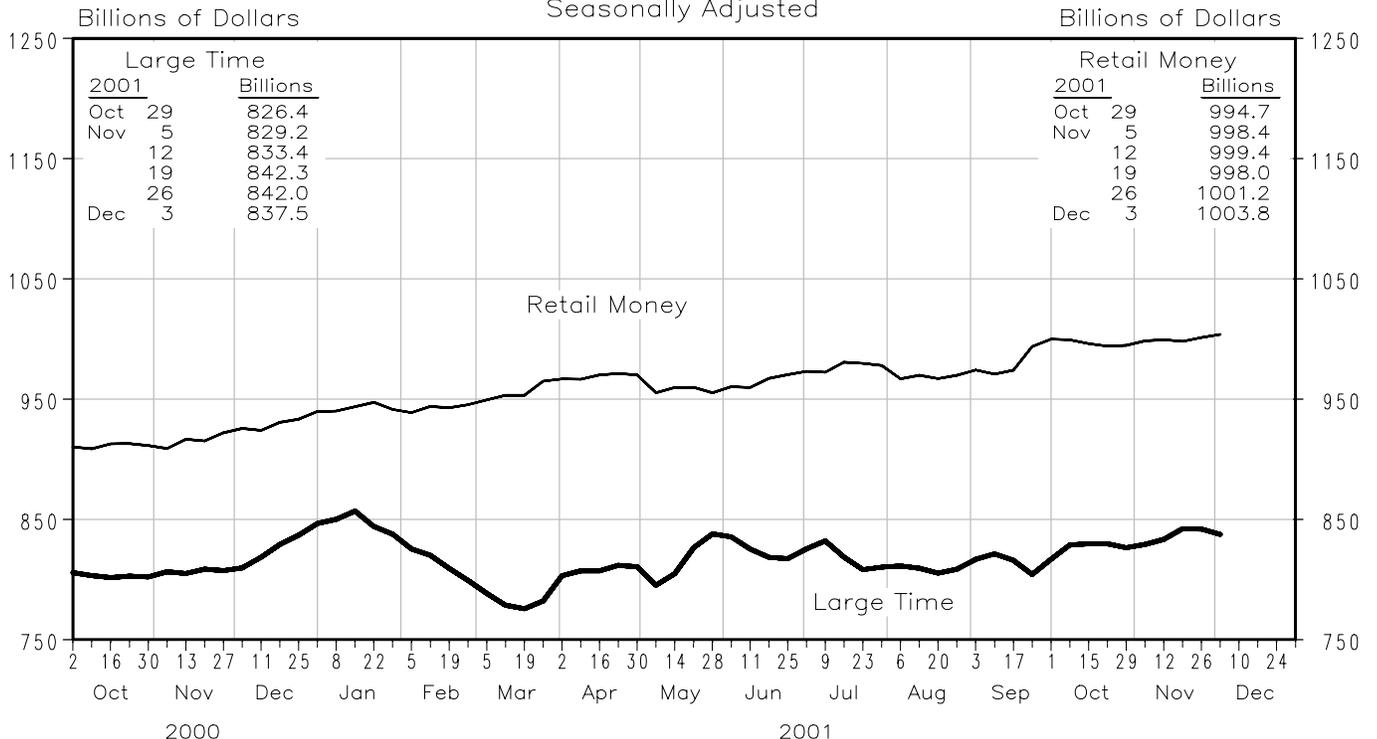
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Savings deposits and small time deposits are at all depository institutions.

Large Time Deposits and Retail Money Funds

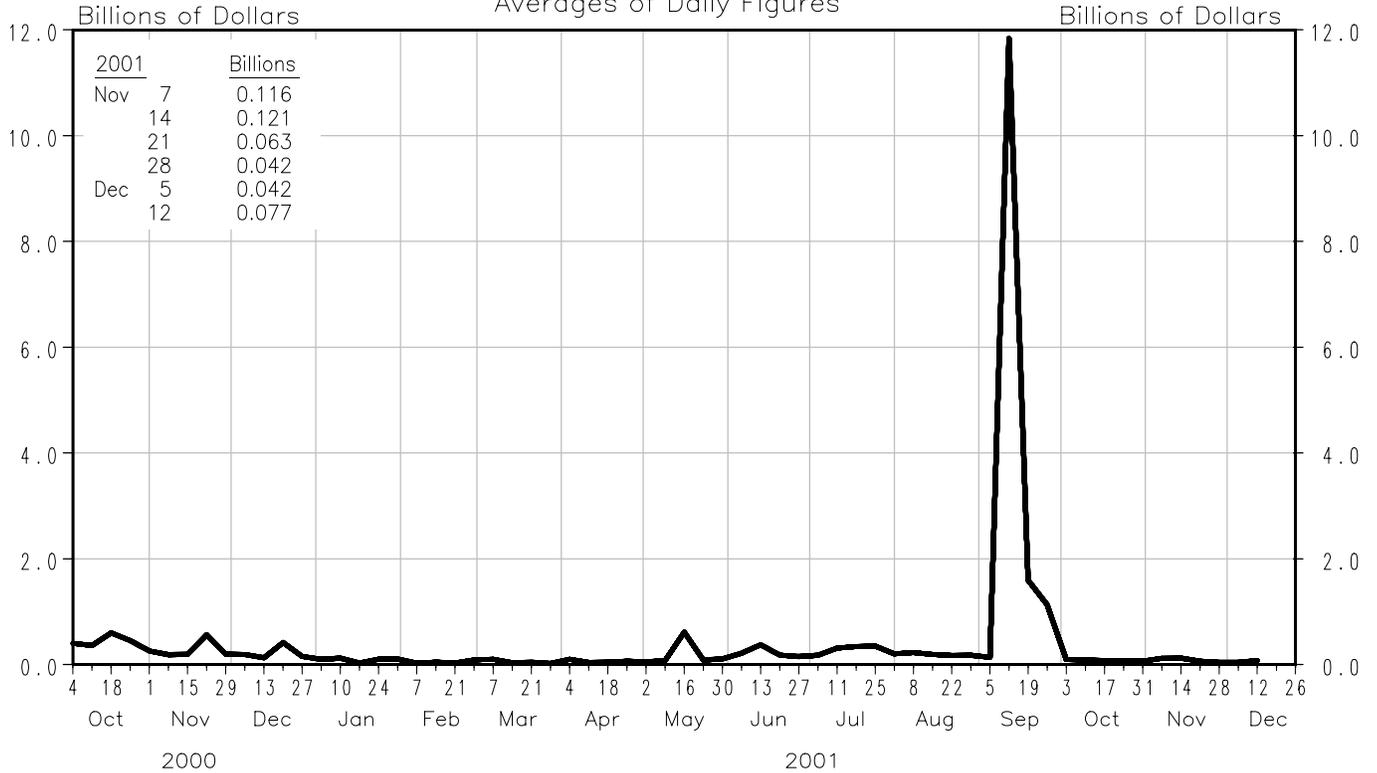
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Large time deposits and retail money funds are at all depository institutions. Large time deposits are those issued in denominations of \$100,000 or more. Retail money funds were originally called general purpose and broker/dealer money market funds.

Total Borrowings

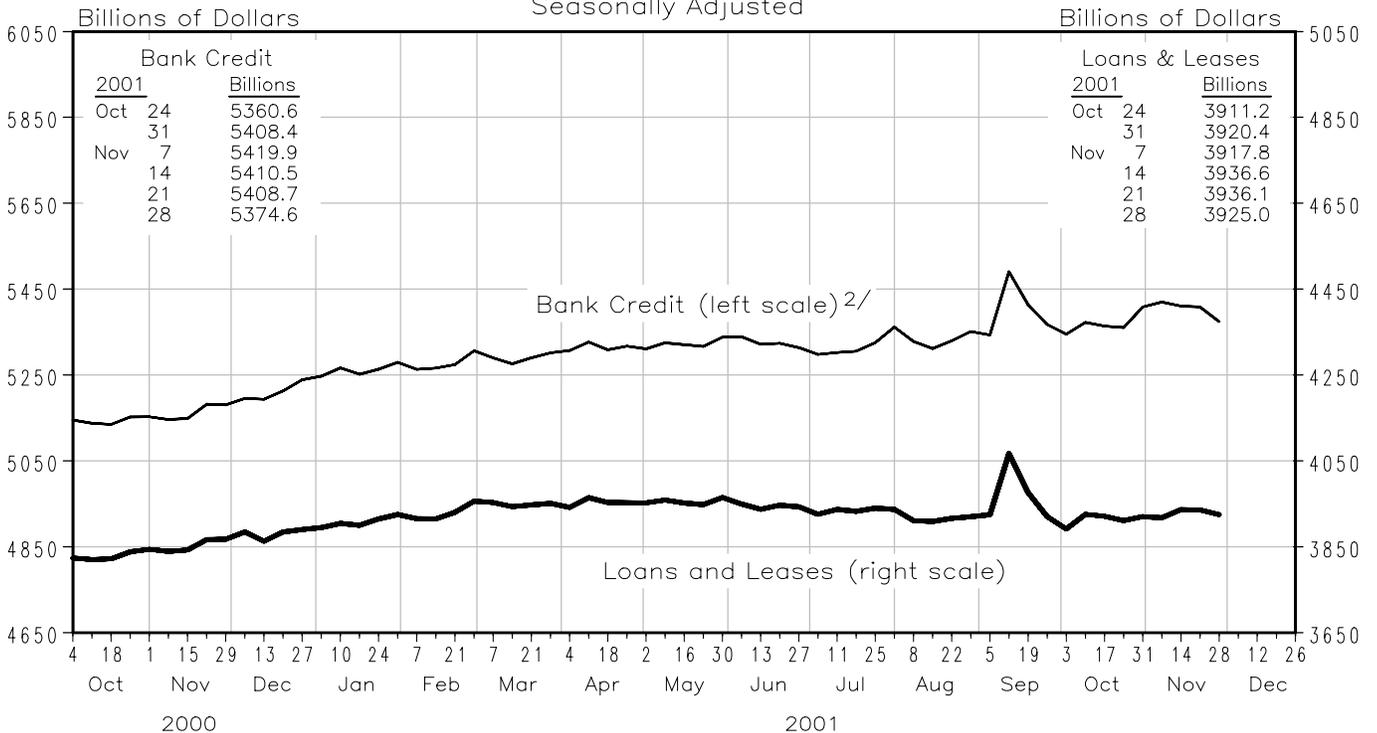
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Averages of Daily Figures



Borrowings include seasonal, adjustment and extended credit.

Bank Loans and Credit

All Commercial Banks in the United States ^{1/}
Seasonally Adjusted



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^{1/} Includes foreign-related institutions

^{2/} Includes loans and leases and securities

Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies

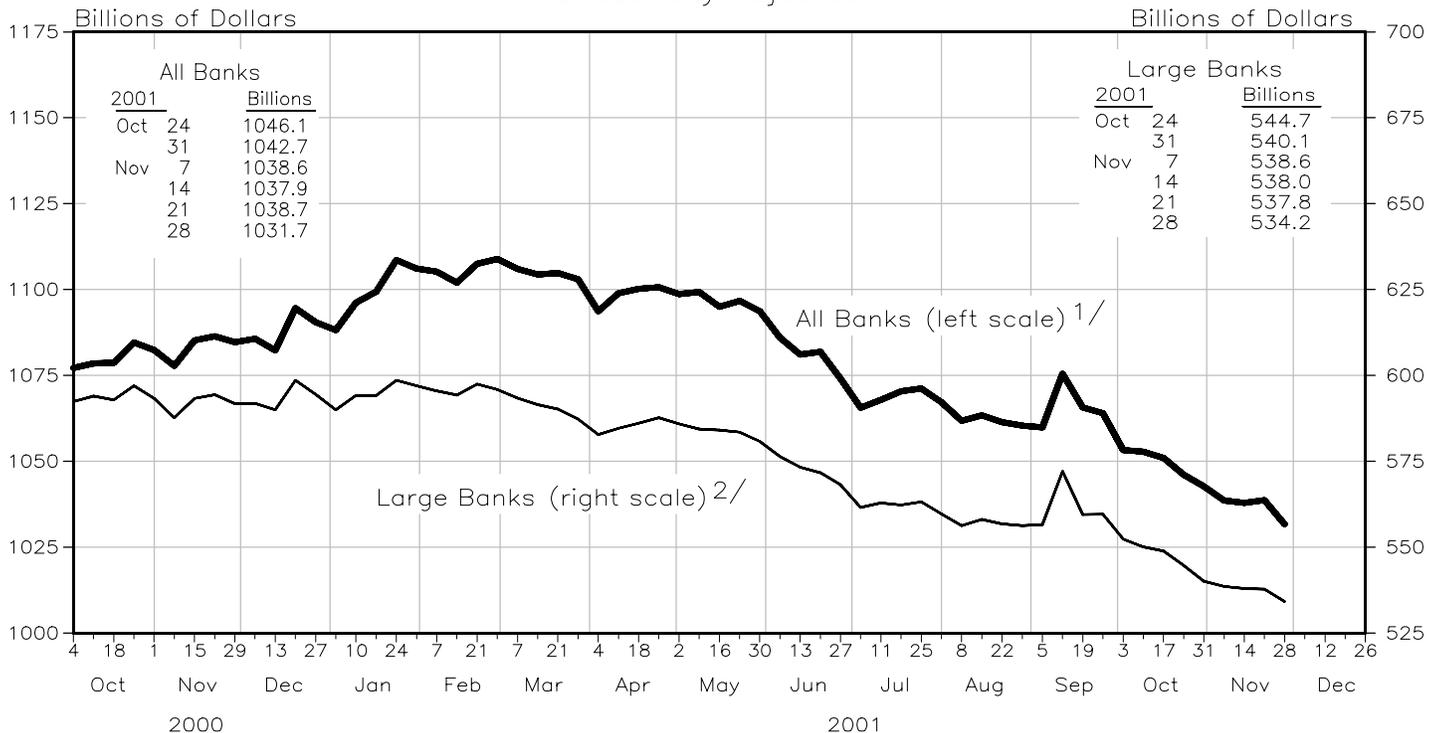
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Commercial and Industrial Loans

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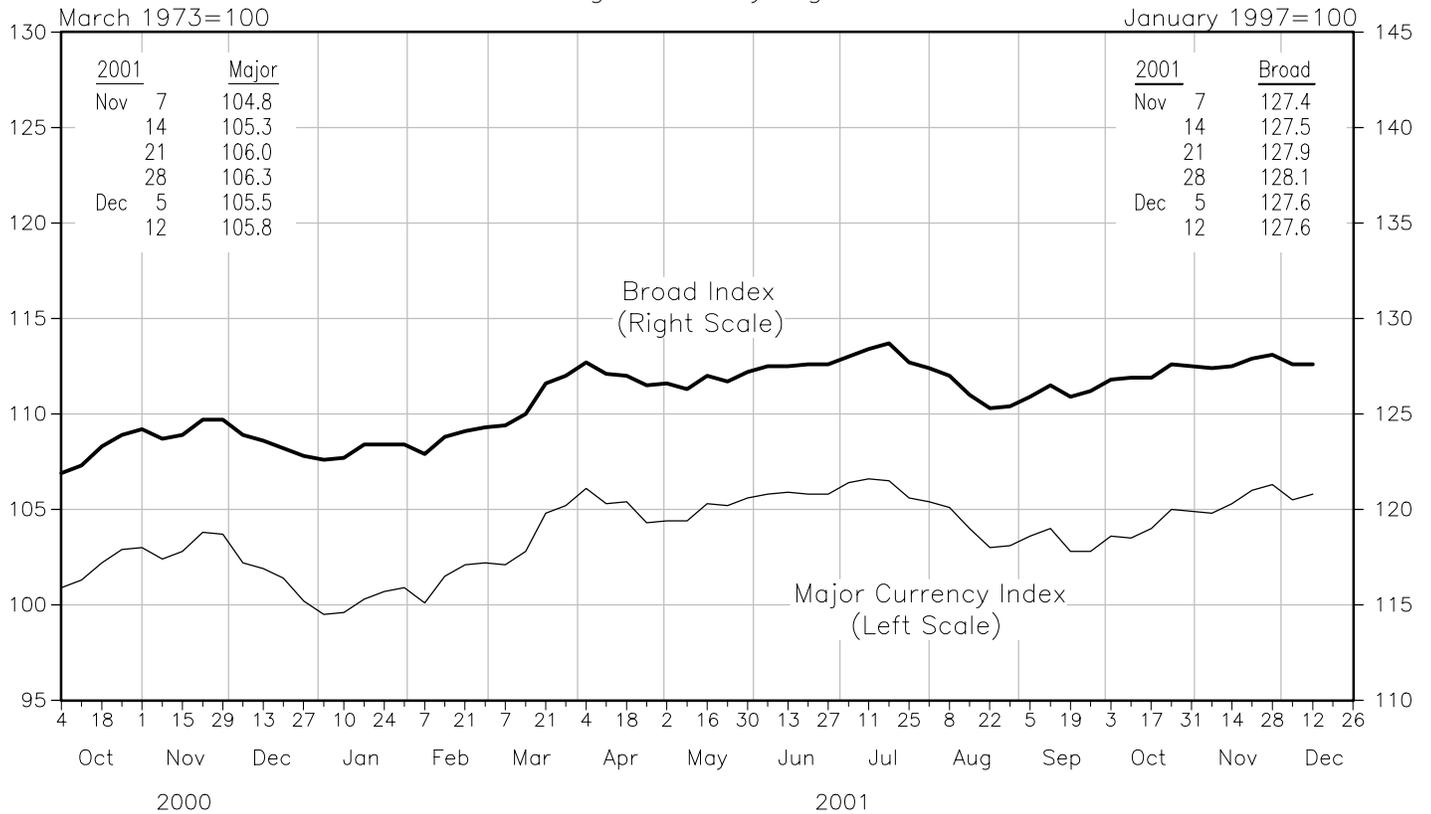
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2/ Weekly reporting, domestically chartered banks

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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