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MONDAY*	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY*	FRIDAY
December 15	December 16 CPI (Nov) A: -0.2% P: 0.1% Housing Starts (Nov) A: 2.07M P: 1.92M Current Account (Q3) A: -\$135.0B P: -\$137.0B	December 17	December 18 Initial Claims A: 353K P: 365K Leading Indicators (Nov) A: 0.3% P: 0.3%	December 19
	Industrial Production (Nov) A: 0.9% P: 0.4% Latest issue Monetary Trends		D for December 25 posted on Decem	
December 22	December 23 Personal Income (Nov) F: N/A P: 0.3% Consumption (Nov) F: N/A P: 0.7% GDP (Q3) F: N/A P: 8.2% Corporate Profits (Q3)	December 24 Initial Claims F: N/A P: N/A New Home Sales (Nov) F: N/A P: 1100K Durable Goods (Nov) F: N/A P: 0.5%	December 25	December 26
December 29 Help Wanted Index (Nov)	December 30 Consumer Conf (Dec) F: N/A Existing Home Sales (Nov) F: N/A	December 31 Initial Claims F: N/A	January 1	January 2 ISM Index (Dec) F: N/A Latest issue <i>Review</i>

DEFINITIONS: A, actual value; P, previous week's forecast; F, current week's forecast; K, thousand; M, million; B, billion.

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Conventions used in this publication:

- 1. Unless otherwise indicated, figure and table data are weekly and seasonally adjusted.
- 2. For pages 7, 10, 12 (top chart), 13, and 18 (top and bottom right tables), the last observation is a daily average that incorporates all available data at the time of publication, which usually includes observations for the first three trading days of the week (Monday through Wednesday). The previous observations signify that week's average.

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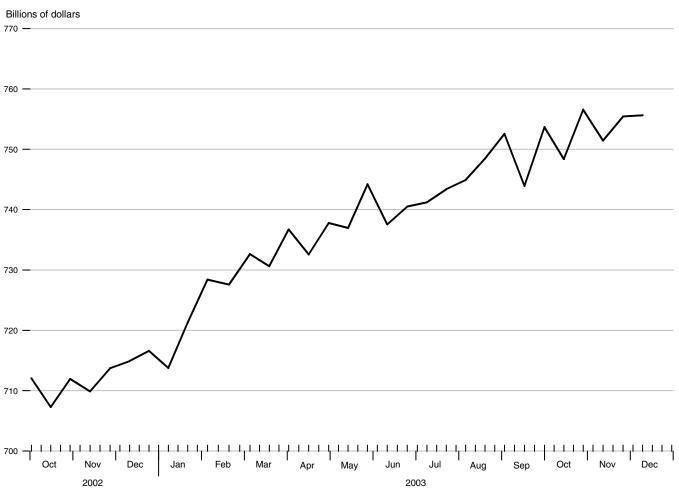
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Adjusted Monetary Base

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted



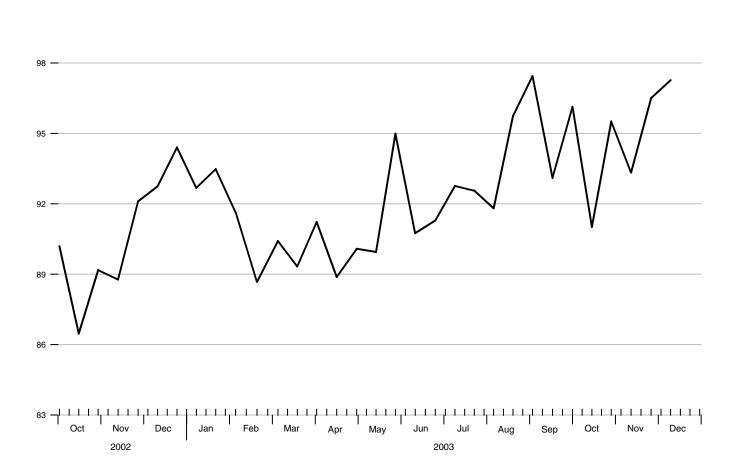
Adjusted Monetary Base

To the average of	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:										
two maintenance periods ending:	12/11/02	03/05/03	05/14/03	06/11/03	07/09/03	08/06/03	09/17/03	10/15/03			
05/14/03	7.8										
06/11/03	7.6	5.6									
07/09/03	6.5	4.3	3.1								
08/06/03	6.5	4.6	4.0	2.9							
09/17/03	6.2	4.7	4.3	3.7	5.3						
10/15/03	6.1	4.7	4.4	4.0	5.2	4.9					
11/12/03	6.0	4.8	4.6	4.2	5.2	5.0	5.1				
12/10/03	5.8	4.6	4.3	4.0	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.0			

Adjusted Reserves

Seasonally Adjusted

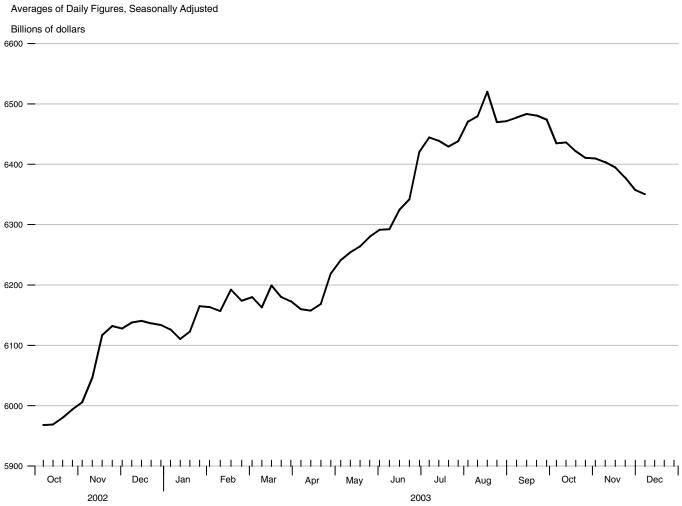




Adjusted Reserves

To the average of	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:									
two maintenance periods ending:	12/11/02	03/05/03	05/14/03	06/11/03	07/09/03	08/06/03	09/17/03	10/15/03		
05/14/03	-6.1									
06/11/03	1.0	14.5								
07/09/03	-0.8	8.2	15.4							
08/06/03	-0.4	7.1	10.9	-4.7						
09/17/03	4.0	12.2	17.8	10.0	19.8					
10/15/03	1.5	7.4	9.6	2.2	6.4	8.1				
11/12/03	2.3	8.0	10.0	4.0	7.7	9.3	-5.7			
12/10/03	4.8	10.8	13.6	8.8	12.9	15.5	7.5	25.4		

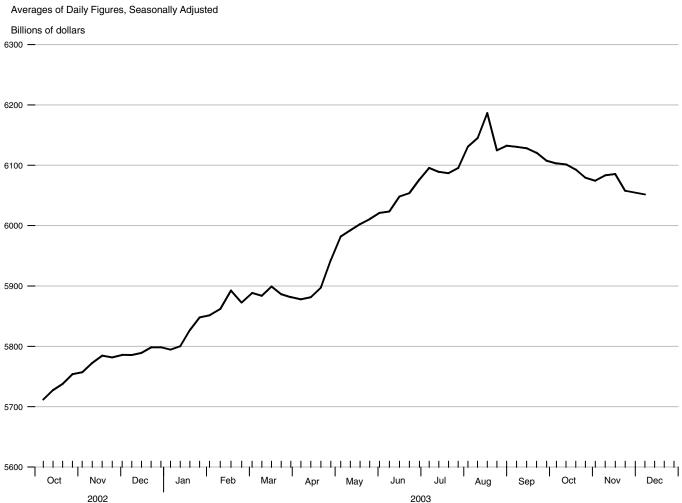
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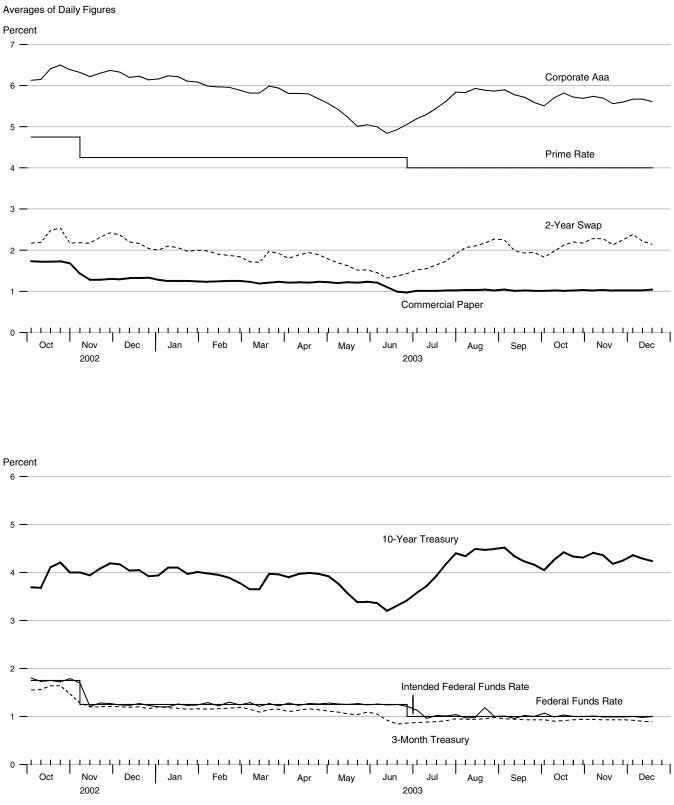
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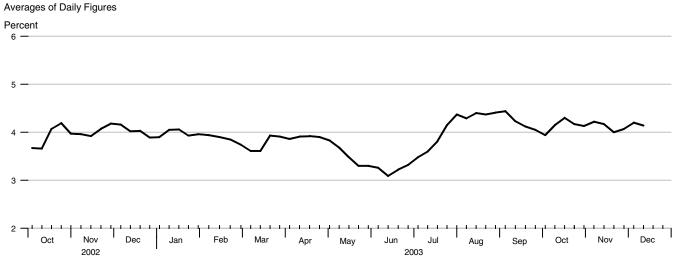
M2

To the average	Compounded annual rates of change, average of four weeks ending:											
of four weeks ending:	12/09/02	03/03/03	05/12/03	06/09/03	07/07/03	08/04/03	09/15/03	10/13/03				
05/12/03	7.1											
06/09/03	8.1	8.8										
07/07/03	8.7	9.6	13.2									
08/04/03	8.5	9.1	11.2	9.7								
09/15/03	7.8	8.0	8.8	7.3	5.3							
10/13/03	6.7	6.4	6.2	4.6	2.4	0.6						
11/10/03	5.6	5.0	4.4	2.7	0.7	-1.1	-4.8					
12/08/03	4.8	4.1	3.2	1.6	-0.2	-1.8	-4.6	-4.8				

Yields on Selected Securities

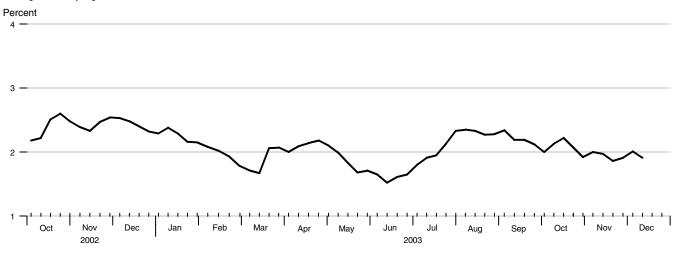


10-Year Treasury Note Yield



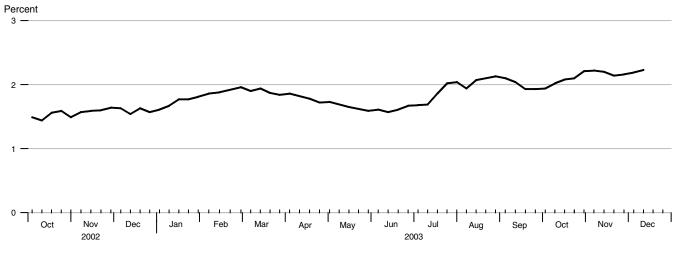
10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield

Averages of Daily Figures

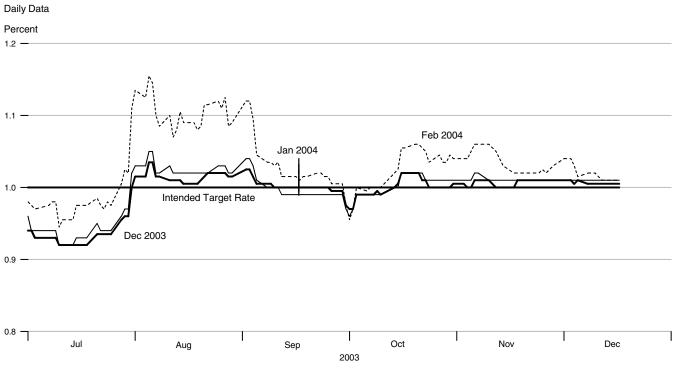


10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield Spread

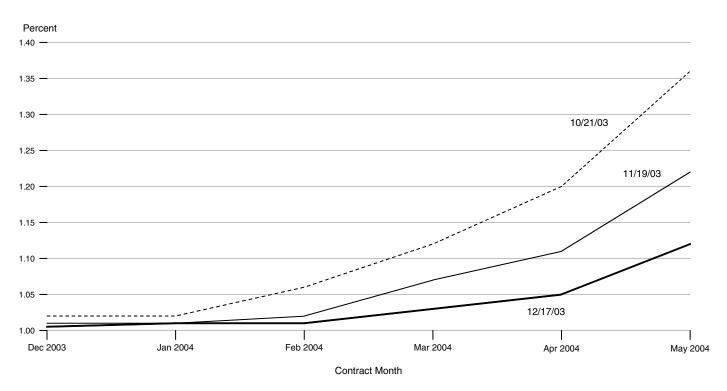
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Rates on Federal Funds Futures Contracts



Rates on Federal Funds Futures on Selected Dates



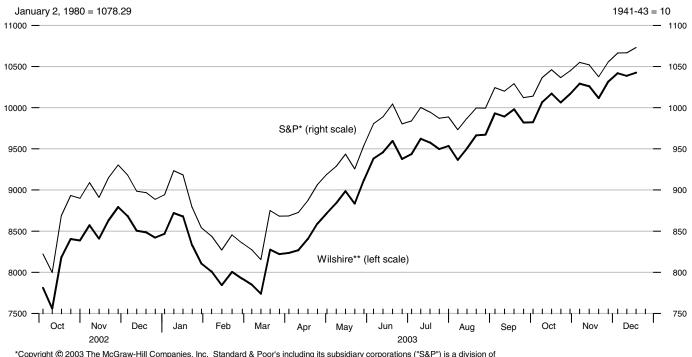
Dow Jones Industrial Average

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Wilshire 5000[®] and Standard & Poor's 500

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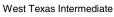
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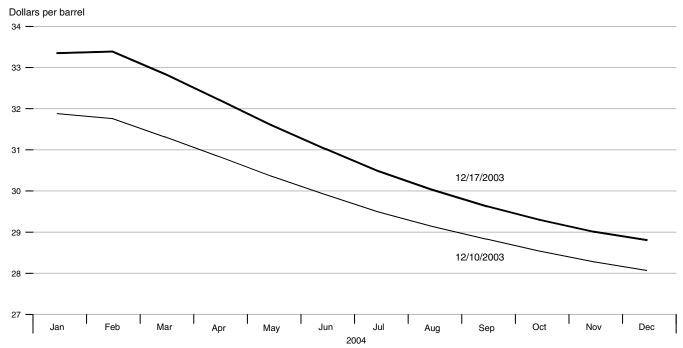
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Dollars per barrel



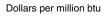
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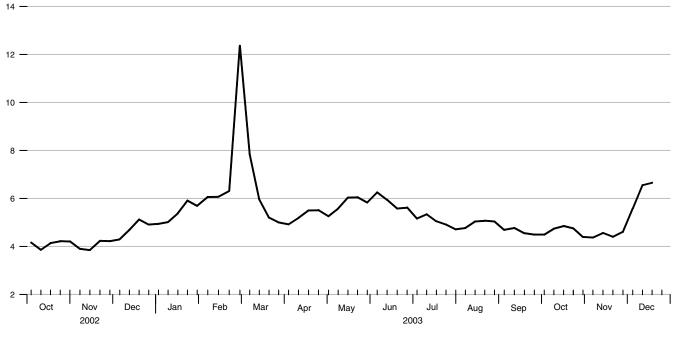




Natural Gas Spot Prices

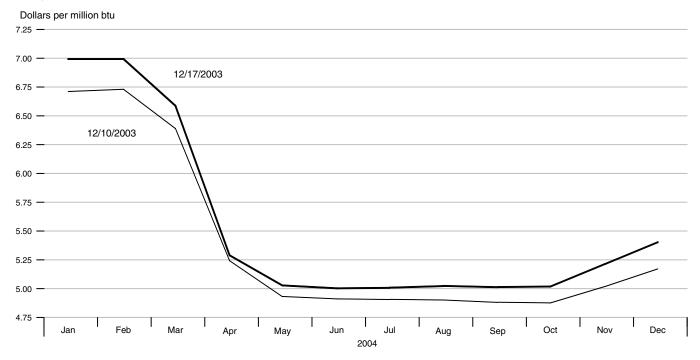
Henry Hub, Averages of Daily Figures





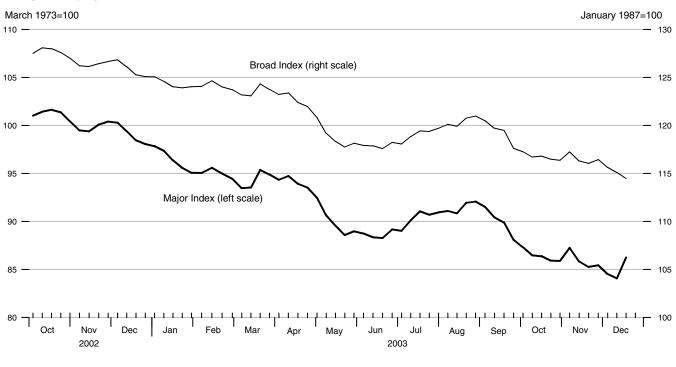
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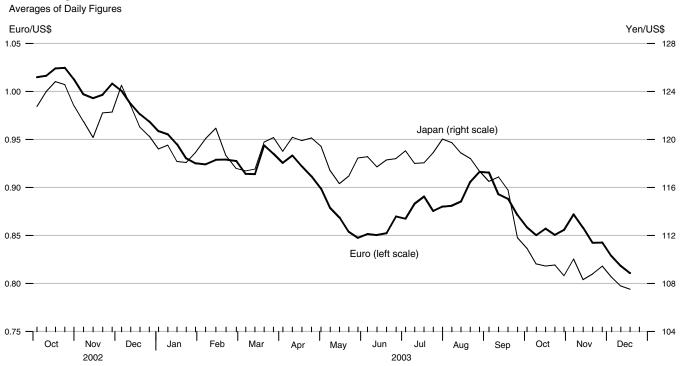


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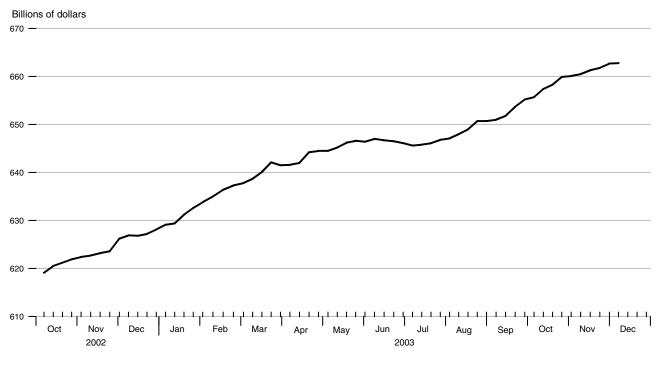


Exchange Rates

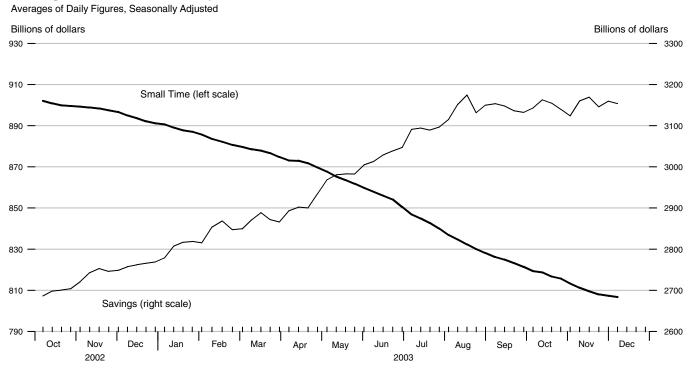


Currency Component of M1

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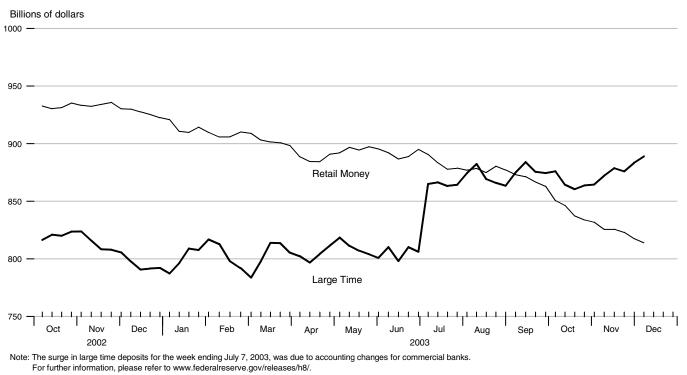


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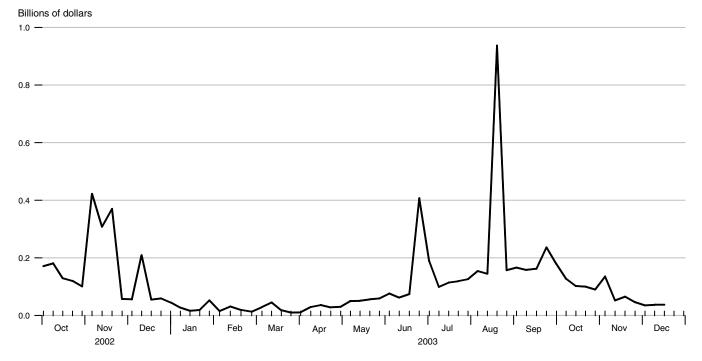
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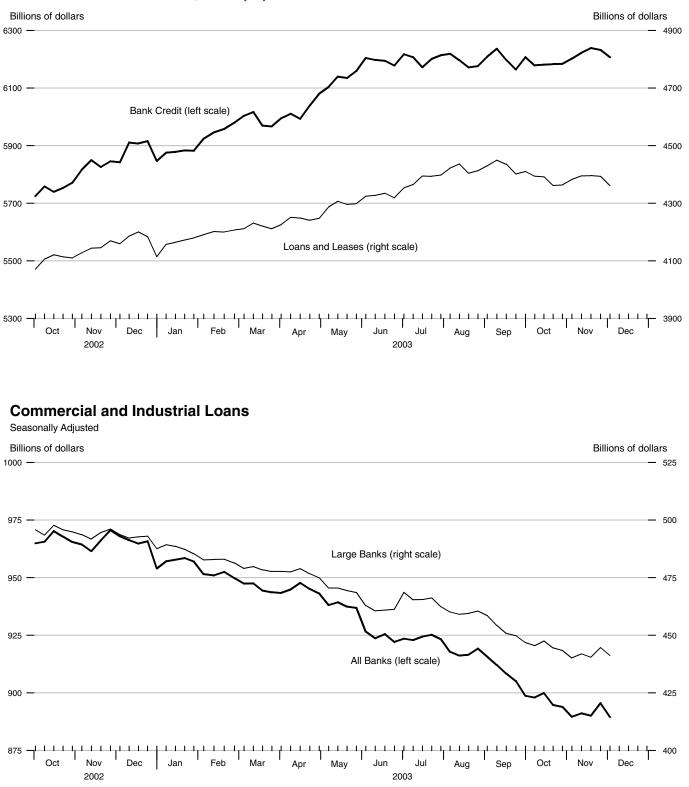
Total Borrowings from Federal Reserve Banks

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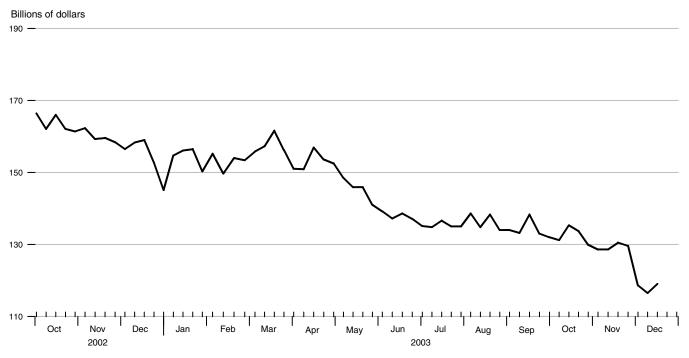
Bank Loans and Credit

All Commercial Banks in the United States, Seasonally Adjusted



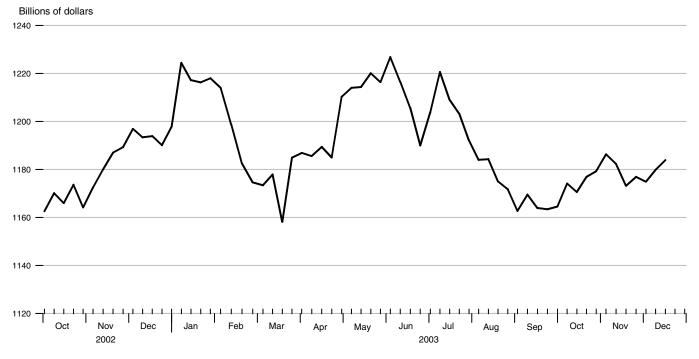
Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies

Not Seasonally Adjusted



Commercial Paper of Financial Companies

Not Seasonally Adjusted



Interest Rates

Percent

		30-Day Comm. Paper	90-Day CDs	2-Year Interest Rate Swap	Corporate Aaa Bonds	Corporate Baa Bonds	Municipal Bonds	Federal Funds	3-Month Treasury Bill	2-Year Treasury Securities	5-Year Treasury Securities	10-Year Treasury Securities	Treasury Long-Term Average
Sep	26	1.01	1.07	1.94	5.59	6.68	4.81	1.00	0.93	1.66	3.07	4.16	5.13
Oct	3	1.01	1.10	1.83	5.51	6.60	4.75	1.07	0.93	1.54	2.94	4.05	5.04
	10	1.02	1.10	1.97	5.70	6.76	4.92	0.99	0.90	1.65	3.13	4.26	5.24
	17	1.01	1.11	2.12	5.82	6.85	5.00	1.03	0.91	1.85	3.32	4.42	5.37
	24	1.02	1.11	2.20	5.72	6.73	4.88	1.00	0.93	1.83	3.24	4.33	5.27
	31	1.03	1.10	2.17	5.69	6.69	4.88	1.00	0.94	1.81	3.22	4.31	5.24
Nov	7	1.02	1.11	2.28	5.74	6.75	4.83	1.01	0.94	1.95	3.37	4.41	5.29
	14	1.03	1.12	2.28	5.70	6.71	4.77	0.99	0.93	1.97	3.36	4.36	5.25
	21	1.02	1.11	2.13	5.56	6.57	4.66	0.99	0.93	1.84	3.16	4.18	5.11
	28	1.02	1.11	2.25	5.60	6.61	4.66	0.99	0.93	1.97	3.27	4.25	5.15
Dec	5	1.02	1.11	2.38	5.67	6.66	4.73	1.00	0.92	2.04	3.40	4.36	5.22
	12	1.02	1.10	2.22	5.67	6.63	4.70	0.98	0.90	1.90	3.27	4.29	5.19
	19*	1.04	1.10	2.14	5.61	6.58		1.00	0.89	1.85	3.22	4.24	5.14

*Averages of rates available

Money Stock and Components

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

	M2	MZM	Currency	Small Time	Savings	Large Time	Retail Money
Oct 27	6079.4	6410.8	659.9	815.7	3140.0	863.8	833.8
Nov 3	6074.4	6409.8	660.1	813.3	3124.1	864.6	831.8
10	6083.4	6403.6	660.5	811.2	3160.3	872.2	825.6
17	6085.6	6395.0	661.3	809.5	3169.3	878.7	825.7
24	6057.8	6378.0	661.8	808.0	3146.1	876.0	823.0
Dec 1	6054.7	6357.6	662.7	807.3	3159.8	883.5	817.5
8	6051.7	6350.7	662.8	806.7	3154.1	889.0	814.0

Reserves and Base

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

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		Adjusted Monetary Base	Adjusted Reserves
Sep	17	743.928	93.106
Oct	1	753.676	96.133
	15	748.386	91.016
	29	756.568	95.513
Nov	12	751.453	93.333
	26	755.446	96.502
Dec	10	755.648	97.269
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Bank Loans and Credit

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

		Bank Credit	Loans and Leases	C&I Loans (All)	C&I Loans (Large)	Comm. Paper (nsa)	Total Borrowings
Nov	5	6202.1	4382.7	889.6	440.2	128.6	0.135
	12	6222.6	4395.2	891.1	441.9	128.6	0.052
	19	6239.0	4396.1	890.1	440.5	130.5	0.065
	26	6232.6	4393.6	895.5	444.6	129.6	0.046
Dec	3	6207.2	4361.0	889.5	441.2	118.6	0.035
	10					116.5	0.037
	17					119.0	0.037

Exchange Rates

		Major Exchange Rate Index	Broad Exchange Rate Index	Exchange Rate: Euro/\$	Exchange Rate: Yen/\$
Nov	7	87.3	117.3	0.872	110.0
	14	85.8	116.3	0.858	108.3
	21	85.3	116.1	0.842	108.8
	28	85.4	116.5	0.843	109.4
Dec	5	84.5	115.6	0.828	108.5
	12	84.1	115.1	0.818	107.8
	19 [*]	86.2	114.5	0.811	107.5
*Avera	ages o	f rates avail	able		

Definitions

M1: The sum of currency held outside the vaults of depository institutions, Federal Reserve Banks, and the U.S. Treasury; travelers checks; and demand and other checkable deposits issued by financial institutions (except demand deposits due to the Treasury and depository institutions), minus cash items in process of collection and Federal Reserve float.

M2: M1 plus savings deposits (including money market deposit accounts) and small-denomination (less than \$100,000) time deposits issued by financial institutions; and shares in retail money market mutual funds (funds with initial investments of less than \$50,000), net of retirement accounts.

M3: M2 plus large-denomination (\$100,000 or more) time deposits; repurchase agreements issued by depository institutions; Eurodollar deposits, specifically, dollar-denominated deposits due to nonbank U.S. addresses held at foreign offices of U.S. banks worldwide and all banking offices in Canada and the United Kingdom; and institutional money market mutual funds (funds with initial investments of \$50,000 or more).

Notes

Cover Page: Economic forecasts are median responses from the Thomson Financial Weekly Economic Survey, which is sent out to 20 to 25 Wall Street economists each week (usually on Tuesday). These forecasts are released on Friday—at which time, Thursday's *USFD* cover page will be updated.

Page 3: **Adjusted Monetary Base** equals the sum of currency in circulation outside Federal Reserve Banks and the U.S. Treasury, deposits of depository financial institutions at Federal Reserve Banks, and an adjustment for the effects of changes in statutory reserve requirements on the quantity of base money held by depositories. This series is a spliced chain index; see Anderson and Rasche (1996a, 1996b, 2001).

Page 4: Adjusted Reserves is defined as the sum of vault cash and Federal Reserve Bank deposits held by depository institutions and an adjustment for the effects of changes in statutory reserve requirements on the quantity of base money held by depositories. This series, a spliced chain index, is numerically larger than the Board of Governors' measure, which excludes vault cash not used to satisfy statutory reserve requirements and Federal Reserve Bank deposits used to satisfy required clearing balance contracts; see Anderson and Rasche (1996a, 2001).

Page 5: **MZM** includes the zero maturity, or immediately available, components of M3. MZM equals M2 minus small-denomination time deposits, plus institutional money market mutual funds (that is, the money market mutual funds included in M3 but excluded from M2). The label MZM, or "Money, Zero Maturity," was coined by William Poole (1991) for this aggregate, proposed earlier by Motley (1988). Readers are cautioned that since early 1994 the level and growth of M1 have been depressed by retail sweep programs that reclassify transactions deposits (demand deposits and other checkable deposits) as savings deposits overnight, thereby reducing banks' required reserves; see Anderson and Rasche (2001) and research.stlouisfed.org/aggreg/swdata.html.

Page 7: Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.15 release, except for the **Intended Federal Funds Rate**. Federal Funds Rate represents seven-day averages for the week ending two days earlier than the date shown in the release.

Page 8: 10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield is the most recently issued inflation-indexed bond of 10-year original maturity.

10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield Spread equals the difference between the yield on the most recently issued 10-year inflationindexed bond and the unadjusted **10-Year Treasury Note Yield** of similar maturity.

Page 9: **Rates on Federal Funds Futures Contracts** trace through time the yield on three specific contracts. **Rates on Federal Funds Futures on Selected Dates** displays a single day's snapshot of yields for contracts expiring in the months shown on the horizontal axis.

Page 11: **Crude Oil** (West Texas intermediate) spot and futures prices are listed in the Wall Street Journal. **Spot Prices** are weekly averages of daily prices; **Futures Prices** are usually taken on Wednesday.

Page 12: **Natural Gas** (Henry Hub) spot and futures prices are listed in the Wall Street Journal. **Spot Prices** are weekly averages of daily prices; **Futures Prices** are usually taken on Wednesday.

Page 13: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.10 release. The **Major Index** comprises 7 currencies. The **Broad Index** comprises the **Major Index** plus 19 additional currencies. Further details may be found at www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h10/summary/.

Page 14: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.6 release. **Savings Deposits** is the sum of money market deposit accounts and passbook and statement savings. **Small Time Deposits** have a minimum initial maturity of 7 days. Savings deposits and small time deposits are at all depository institutions.

Page 15: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.6 release. **Large Time Deposits** are deposits of \$100,000 or more. **Retail Money Funds** are included in M2. Retail money funds were originally called general purpose and broker/ dealer money market funds. Large time deposits and retail money funds are at all depository institutions.

As of January 9, 2003, **Total Borrowings** includes primary, secondary, and seasonal credit. Prior to that, borrowings include seasonal, adjustment, and extended credit.

Page 16: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.8 release. **Bank Loans and Credit** include foreign-related institutions. **Bank Credit** includes loans and leases and securities. **All Banks** includes foreign-related institutions. **Large Banks** are domestically chartered banks (adjusted for mergers) and report on a weekly basis.

Page 17: Current data appear at www.federalreserve.gov/releases/cp/table1.htm.

Page 18: **Treasury Security** yields are Treasury constant maturities as reported in the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System's H.15 release.

The **3-Month Treasury Bill** yield is the secondary market yield from the H.15 release. **Federal Funds** represents seven-day averages for the week ending two days earlier than the date shown in the table. **Municipal Bonds** represents Bond Buyer's Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data.

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Chicago Board of Trade Federal funds futures contract.

Dow Jones Indexes Dow Jones Industrial Average.

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Adjusted monetary base, adjusted reserves, and MZM.

- Standard & Poor's Standard & Poor's 500 composite index.
- U.S. Department of the Treasury U.S. inflation-indexed security yields.
- *Wall Street Journal* Oil (West Texas intermediate) and natural gas (Henry Hub) spot and futures prices.
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