



Calendar of Releases

	Titles for the current week are links to their respective releases.									
MONDAY*	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY*	FRIDAY						
December 26	December 27	December 28 Consumer Conf (Dec) A: 103.6 P: 102.3	Initial Claims (12/24) A: 322K P: 322K Existing Home Sales (Nov) A: 6.97M P: 7.01M Help Wanted Index (Nov)	December 30						
January 2	January 3 Construct Spending (Nov) F: 0.5% P: 0.5% ISM Index (Dec) F: 57.3 P: 56.5 FOMC Minutes (previous meeting) Latest Issue Review Latest Issue National Economic Trends	January 4 Factory Orders (Nov) F: 2.6% P: 1.9%	January 5 Initial Claims (12/31) F: 320K P: 320K ISM Non Mfg Index (Dec) F: 58.8 P: 58.0	January 6 Nonfarm Payrolls (Dec) F: 215K P: 200K Unemployment Rate (Dec) F: 5.0% P: 5.0%						
January 9 Consumer Credit (Nov) F: \$3.0B	January 10	January 11	January 12 Initial Claims (1/7) F: 323K International Trade (Nov) F: -\$65.0B Import Prices (Dec) F: 0.0% Treasury Budget (Dec) F: -\$10.5B	January 13 Retail Sales (Dec) F: 0.6% Business Inventories (Nov) F: 0.3% PPI (Dec) F: 0.4%						

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

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^{*}The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System provides H.3, H.4.1, and H.6 releases each Thursday and H.10 and H.15 releases each Monday.

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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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On March 23, 2006, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System will cease the publication of the M3 monetary aggregate. It will also cease publishing the following components: large-denomination time deposits, RPs, and eurodollars.

Adjusted Monetary Base

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars

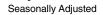
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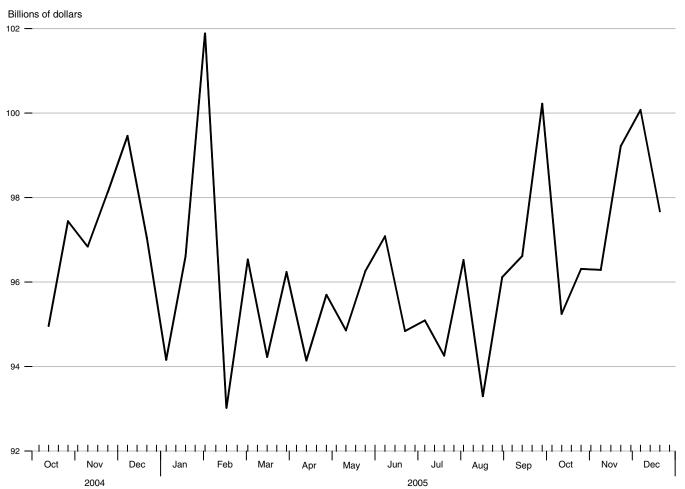


Adjusted Monetary Base

To the average of	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:										
two maintenance periods ending:	12/22/04	03/16/05	05/25/05	06/22/05	07/20/05	08/17/05	09/28/05	10/26/05			
05/25/05	3.1										
06/22/05	3.3	1.5									
07/20/05	3.3	1.9	3.7								
08/17/05	3.6	2.6	4.4	4.6							
09/28/05	4.0	3.4	5.1	5.3	6.2						
10/26/05	3.5	2.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.1					
11/23/05	3.2	2.5	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.2	-0.7				
12/21/05	3.0	2.3	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.0	-0.2	0.5			

Adjusted Reserves





Adjusted Reserves

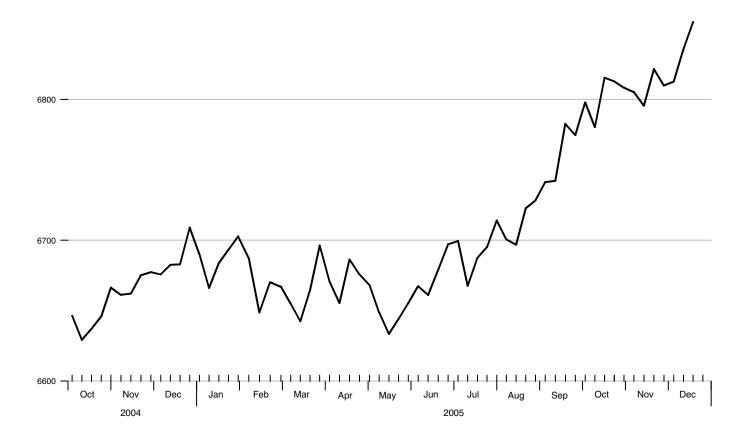
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05/25/05	-6.4										
06/22/05	-4.6	2.3									
07/20/05	-6.2	-2.1	-5.9								
08/17/05	-5.2	-1.2	-2.9	-6.9							
09/28/05	0.2	6.0	8.9	9.8	22.3						
10/26/05	-3.0	0.7	0.5	-0.6	4.4	4.9					
11/23/05	-0.6	3.6	4.7	4.5	9.7	11.6	-4.3				
12/21/05	0.6	4.8	6.1	6.2	10.8	12.6	2.0	23.0			

MZM

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars

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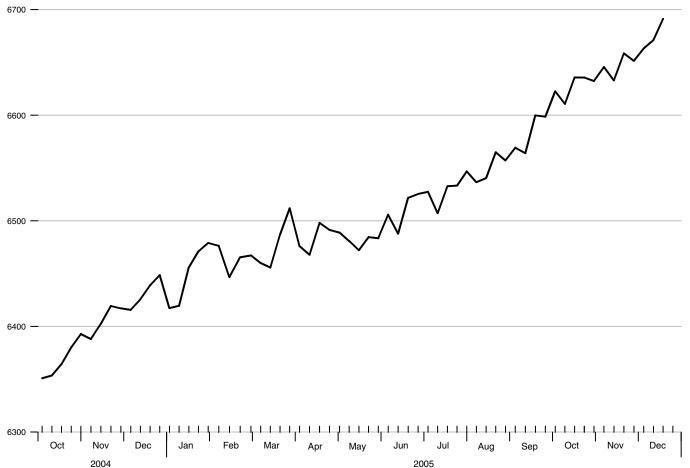
MZM

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06/20/05	-0.4	0.4										
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11/21/05	2.1	3.2	4.8	5.1	5.3	6.0	4.7					
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Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

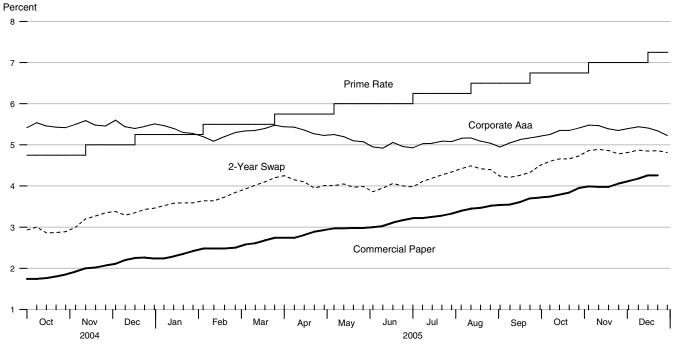
Billions of dollars



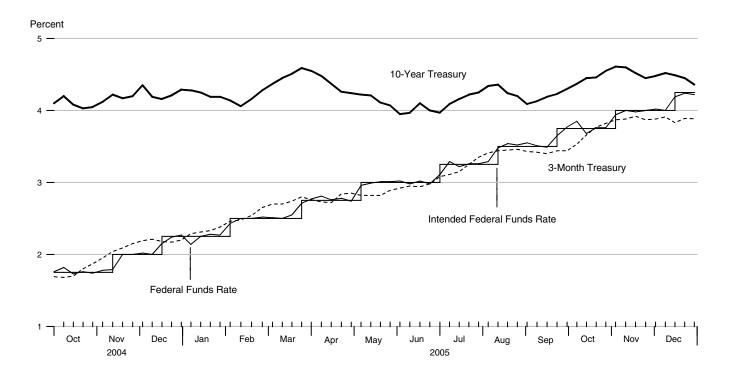
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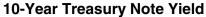
Yields on Selected Securities

Averages of Daily Figures



Note: No Commercial Paper data were available for the week ending December 30, 2005.





Averages of Daily Figures







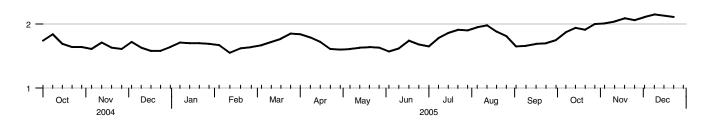


10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield

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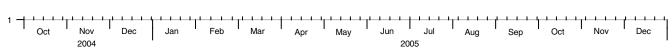


10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield Spread

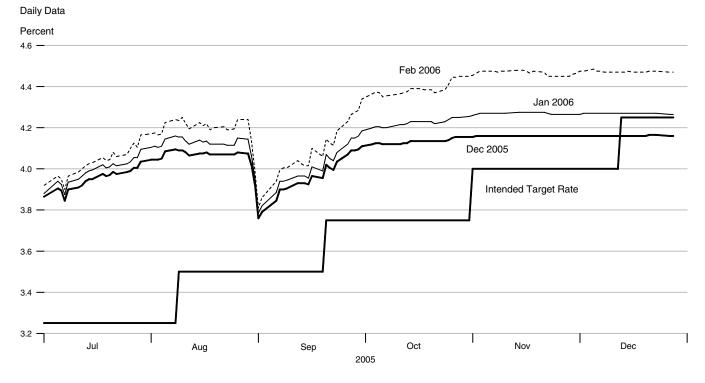
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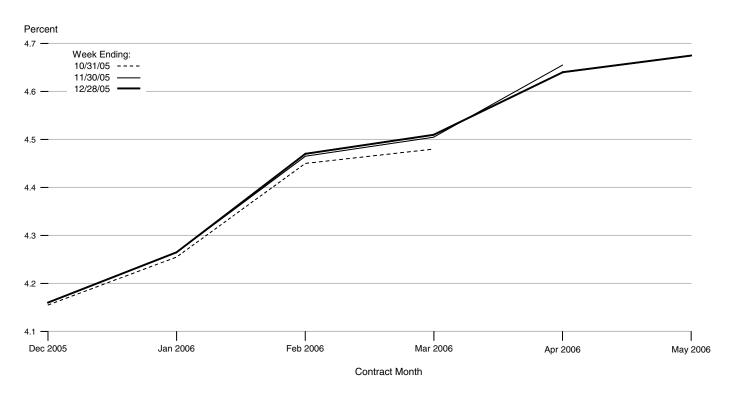




Rates on Federal Funds Futures Contracts

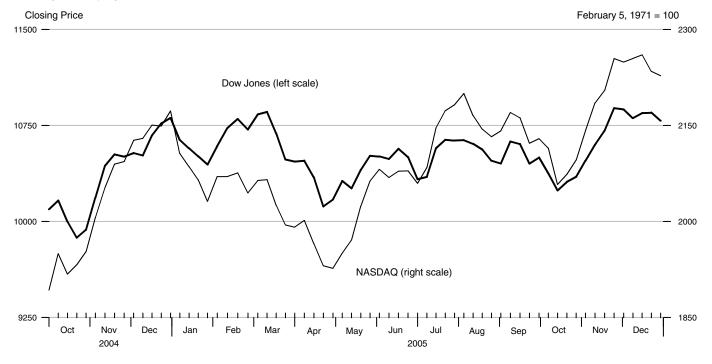


Rates on Federal Funds Futures on Selected Dates



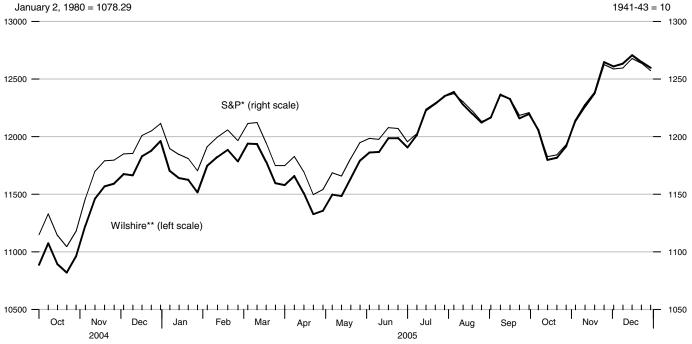
Dow Jones Industrial Average and NASDAQ Composite®

Averages of Daily Figures



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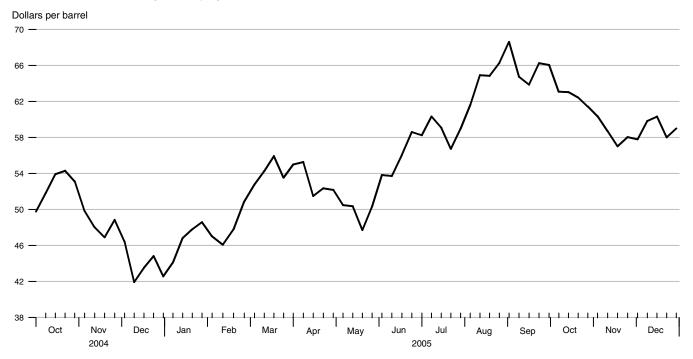
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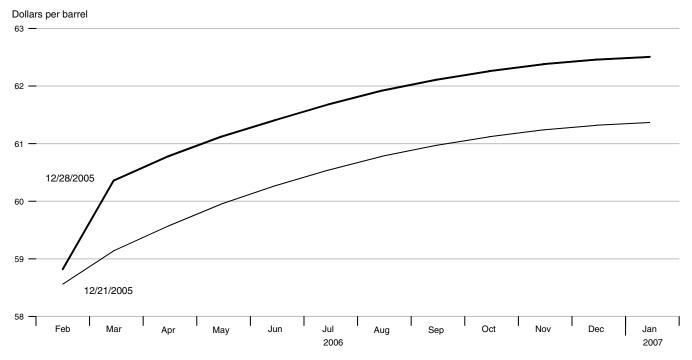
Crude Oil Spot Prices

West Texas Intermediate, Averages of Daily Figures



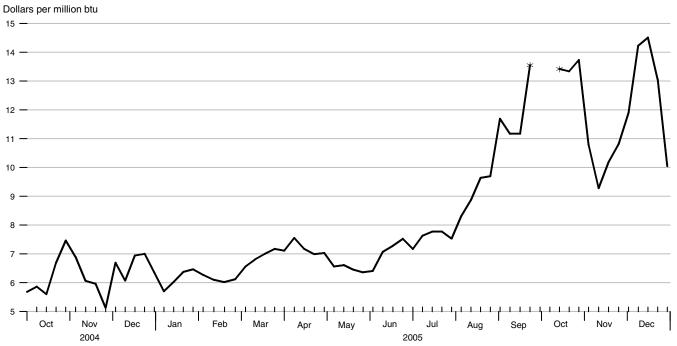
Crude Oil Futures Prices

West Texas Intermediate



Natural Gas Spot Prices

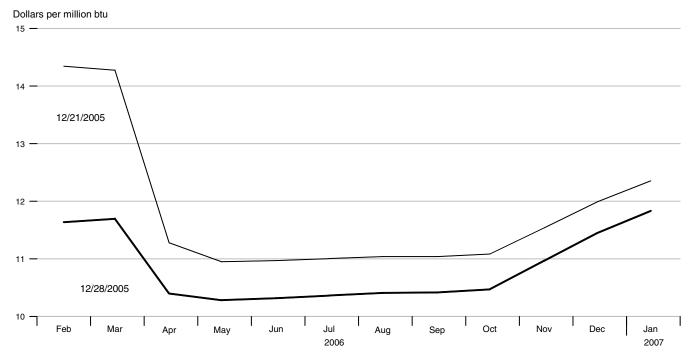
Henry Hub, Averages of Daily Figures



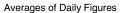
Note: Spot prices for Henry Hub were temporarily suspended from Friday, September 23, 2005, through Thursday, October 6, 2005, due to Hurricane Rita.

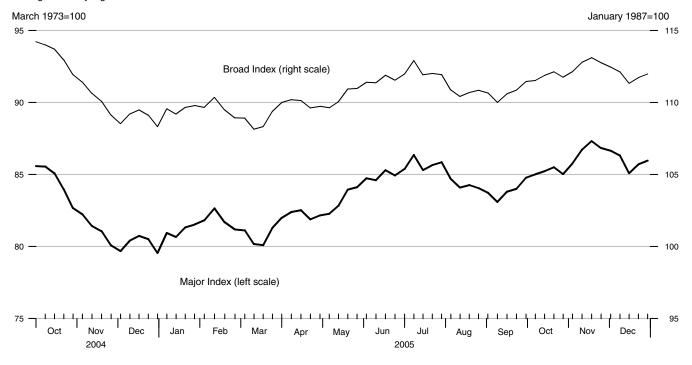
Natural Gas Futures Prices

Henry Hub



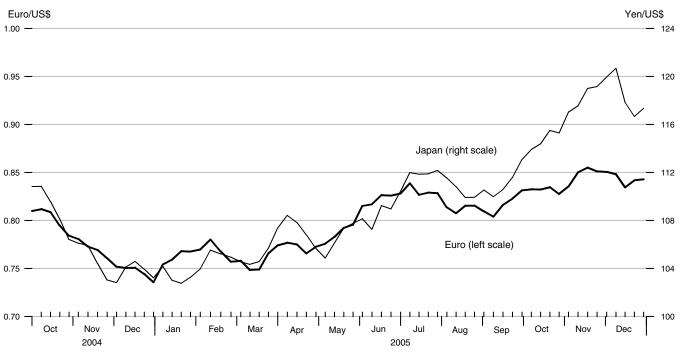
Trade-Weighted Exchange Rate Indexes





Exchange Rates

Averages of Daily Figures

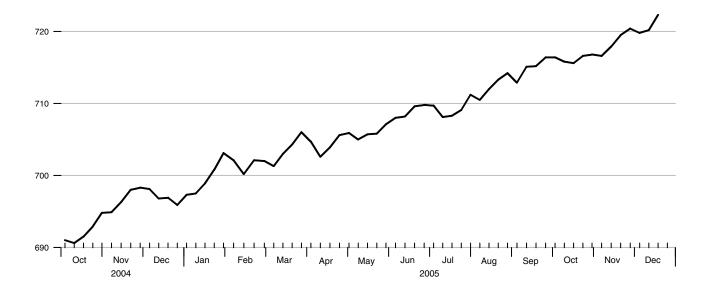


Currency Component of M1

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

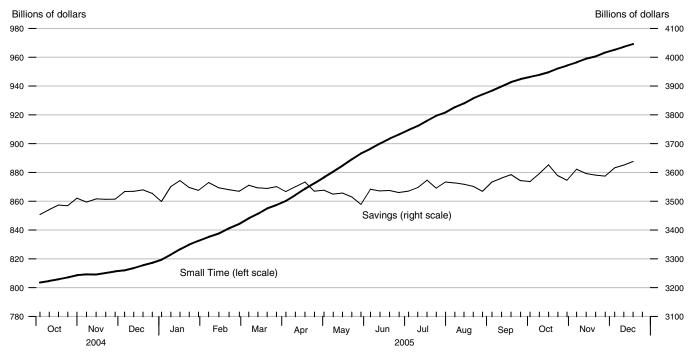
Billions of dollars

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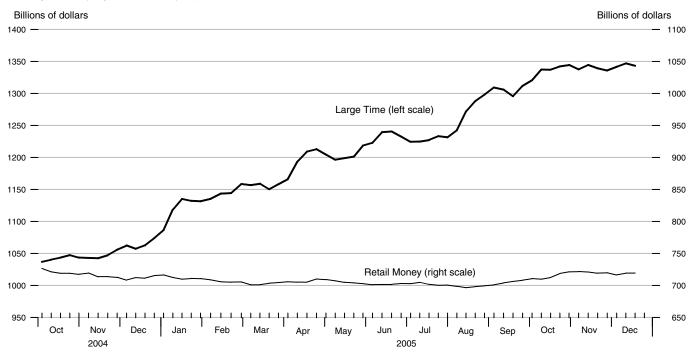
Savings and Small Time Deposits

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted



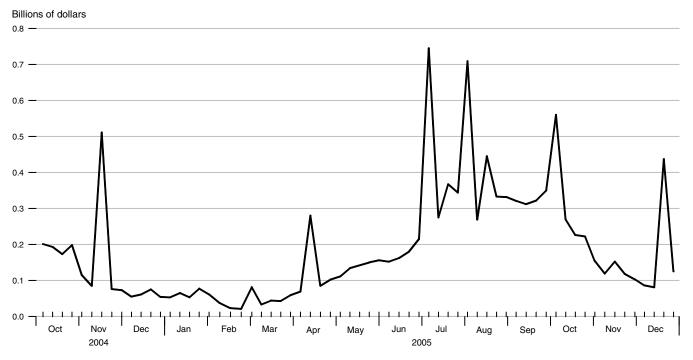
Large Time Deposits and Retail Money Funds

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted



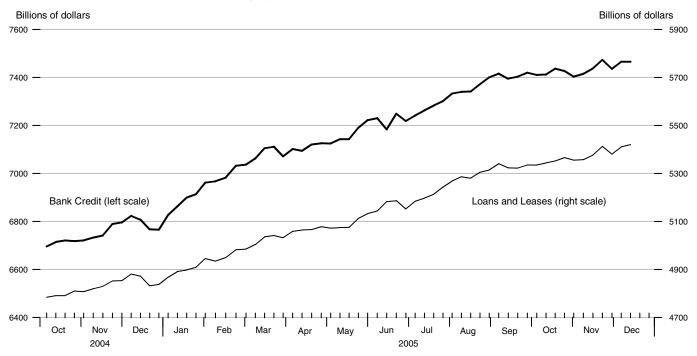
Total Borrowings from Federal Reserve Banks

Averages of Daily Figures



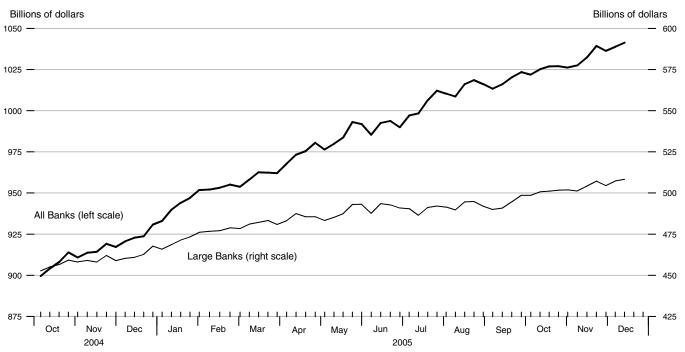
Bank Loans and Credit

All Commercial Banks in the United States, Seasonally Adjusted

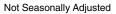


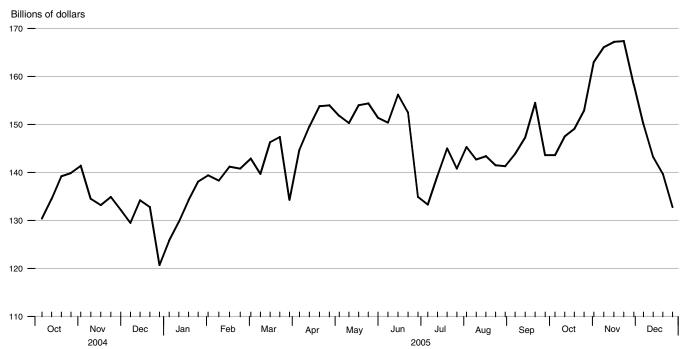
Commercial and Industrial Loans

Seasonally Adjusted



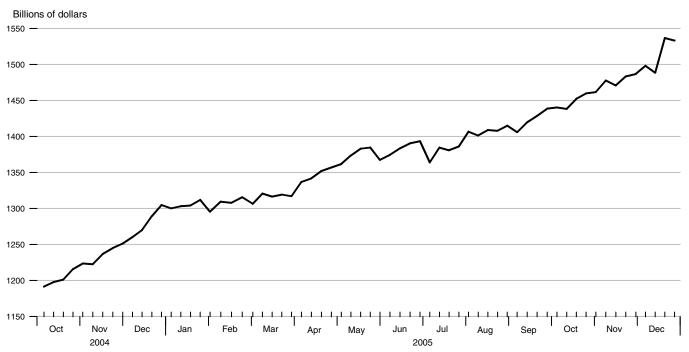
Commercial Paper of Nonfinancial Companies





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	20-Year Treasury Securities
Oct	7	3.74	4.05	4.60	5.25	6.19	4.40	3.85	3.53	4.20	4.24	4.37	4.64
	14	3.79	4.10	4.66	5.35	6.29	4.51	3.68	3.66	4.24	4.31	4.45	4.72
	21	3.84	4.14	4.66	5.35	6.31	4.47	3.76	3.77	4.26	4.32	4.46	4.75
	28	3.95	4.19	4.73	5.41	6.38	4.56	3.76	3.82	4.35	4.42	4.55	4.82
Nov	4	3.99	4.24	4.86	5.48	6.44	4.63	3.94	3.87	4.44	4.51	4.61	4.89
	11	3.98	4.27	4.89	5.47	6.43	4.61	4.00	3.88	4.46	4.52	4.60	4.89
	18	3.98	4.32	4.86	5.39	6.37	4.52	3.98	3.92	4.43	4.46	4.52	4.81
	25	4.06	4.35	4.78	5.35	6.35	4.51	4.00	3.87	4.35	4.36	4.45	4.77
Dec	2	4.12	4.39	4.82	5.40	6.36	4.53	4.02	3.88	4.41	4.41	4.48	4.79
	9	4.18	4.43	4.87	5.44	6.39	4.49	4.00	3.91	4.42	4.43	4.52	4.80
	16	4.26	4.45	4.85	5.41	6.36	4.48	4.19	3.83	4.40	4.40	4.49	4.77
	23	4.26	4.46	4.86	5.34	6.28	4.42	4.24	3.89	4.40	4.38	4.45	4.71
	30 *		4.47	4.81	5.23	6.19		4.22	3.89	4.36	4.31	4.36	4.60

^{*}Averages of rates available

Money Stock and Components

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

		M2	MZM	Currency	Small Time	Savings	Large Time	Retail Money
Nov	7	6645.7	6805.2	716.6	956.5	3611.1	1337.7	721.6
	14	6633.1	6795.6	717.9	959.0	3596.3	1344.5	721.0
	21	6658.6	6821.5	719.5	960.6	3590.8	1339.3	719.2
	28	6651.6	6809.9	720.4	963.3	3587.9	1336.0	719.8
Dec	5	6663.4	6812.7	719.8	965.2	3615.9	1341.7	716.5
	12	6671.2	6835.6	720.2	967.3	3625.4	1347.0	719.2
	19	6691.3	6855.0	722.3	969.2	3637.7	1343.3	719.4

Reserves and Base

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

		Adjusted Monetary Base	Adjusted Reserves
Sep	28	821.024	100.222
Oct	12	813.247	95.246
	26	816.579	96.309
Nov	9	811.899	96.287
	23	818.054	99.222
Dec	7	816.972	100.075
	21	814.182	97.674

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	16	7437.7	5376.4	1032.4	504.2	167.2	0.152
	23	7473.1	5413.0	1039.4	507.2	167.4	0.118
	30	7436.1	5380.8	1036.4	504.5	158.3	0.103
Dec	7	7465.8	5410.8	1038.9	507.3	150.0	0.086
	14	7466.0	5420.3	1041.4	508.3	143.2	0.081
	21					139.7	0.437
	28		.			132.8	0.125

Exchange Rates

		Major Exchange Rate Index	Broad Exchange Rate Index	Exchange Rate: Euro/\$	Exchange Rate: Yen/\$
Nov	18	87.3	113.1	0.855	119.0
	25	86.8	112.8	0.851	119.2
Dec	2	86.7	112.5	0.851	120.0
	9	86.3	112.1	0.848	120.7
	16	85.1	111.3	0.835	117.8
	23	85.7	111.7	0.842	116.7
	30 *	86.0	112.0	0.843	117.3

^{*}Averages of rates available

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, 2003).

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, 2003).

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 inflation-indexed 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.

Sources

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