



Calendar of Releases

Titles for the current week are links to their respective releases.

MONDAY*	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY*	FRIDAY
December 17	December 18 Current Account (Q3) A: -\$107.5B PF: -\$103.5B	December 19 Housing Starts (Nov) A: 861K PF: 870K Building Permits (Nov) A: 899K PF: 875K	December 20 Initial Claims (12/15) A: 361K PF: 355K GDP (Q3) A: 3.1% PF: 2.8% Corporate Profits (Q3) Existing Home Sales (Nov) A: 5.04M PF: 4.85M	December 21 Personal Income (Nov) A: 0.6% PF: 0.3% Consumption (Nov) A: 0.4% PF: 0.4% Core PCE (Nov) A: 0.0% PF: 0.1% Durable Goods (Nov) A: 0.7% PF: 0.3%
December 24	December 25	December 26	December 27 Initial Claims (12/22) CF: 360K PF: N/A New Home Sales (Nov) CF: 378K PF: 380K	December 28
December 31	January 1	January 2 FOMC Minutes (previous meeting) Construct Spending (Nov) CF: 0.7% ISM Index (Dec) CF: 50.0 Latest Issue Review	January 3 Initial Claims (12/29) CF: N/A Latest Issue Monetary Trends	January 4 Nonfarm Payrolls (Dec) CF: 143K Private Payrolls (Dec) CF: 145K Unemployment Rate (Dec) CF: 7.8% Factory Orders (Nov) CF: 0.3% ISM Non Mfg Index (Dec) CF: 54.4

DEFINITIONS: A, actual value; PF, previous week's forecast; CF, 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 10, 14, 15 (top chart), 16 (top chart), and 22 (top table), 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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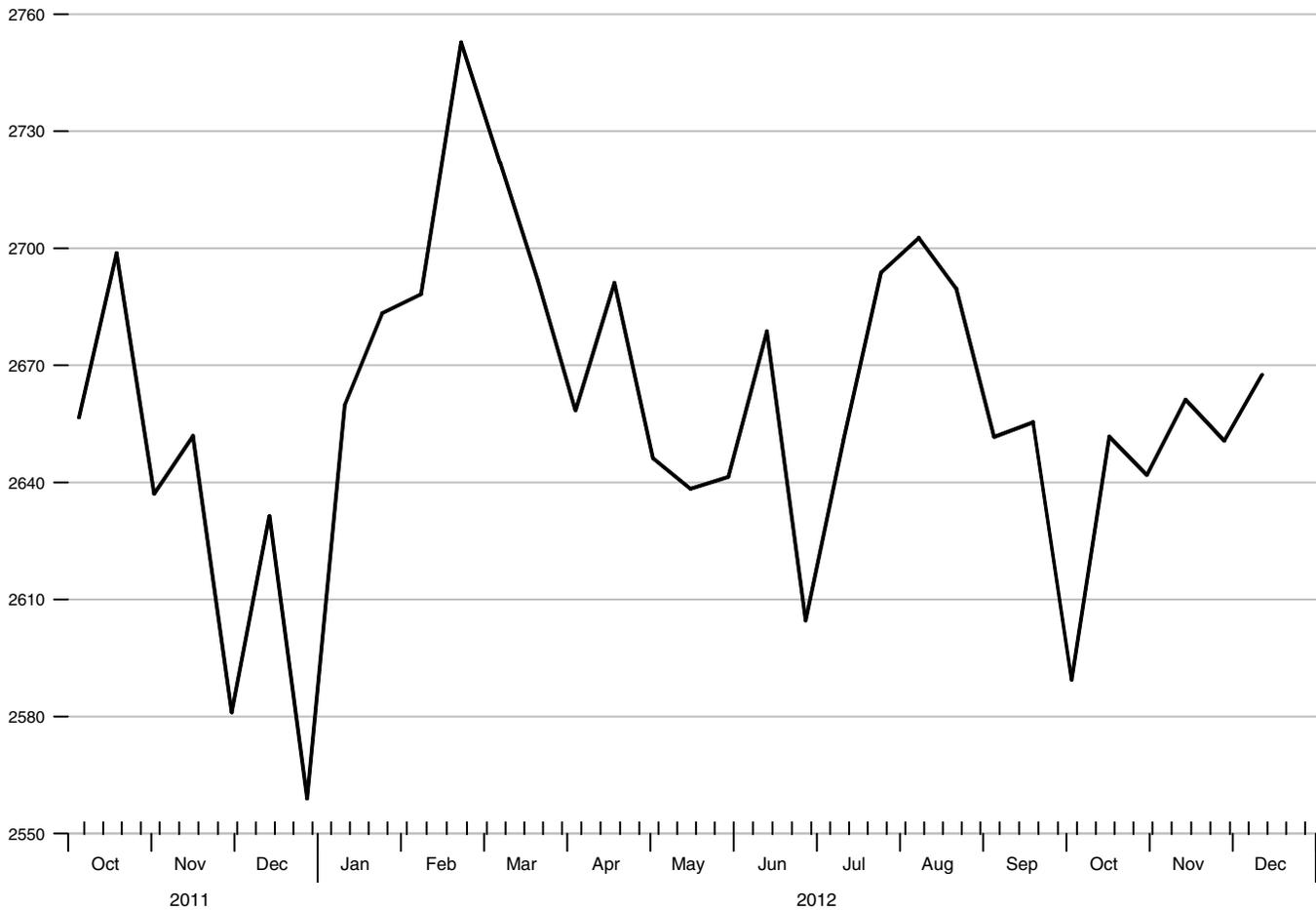
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Adjusted Monetary Base

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars



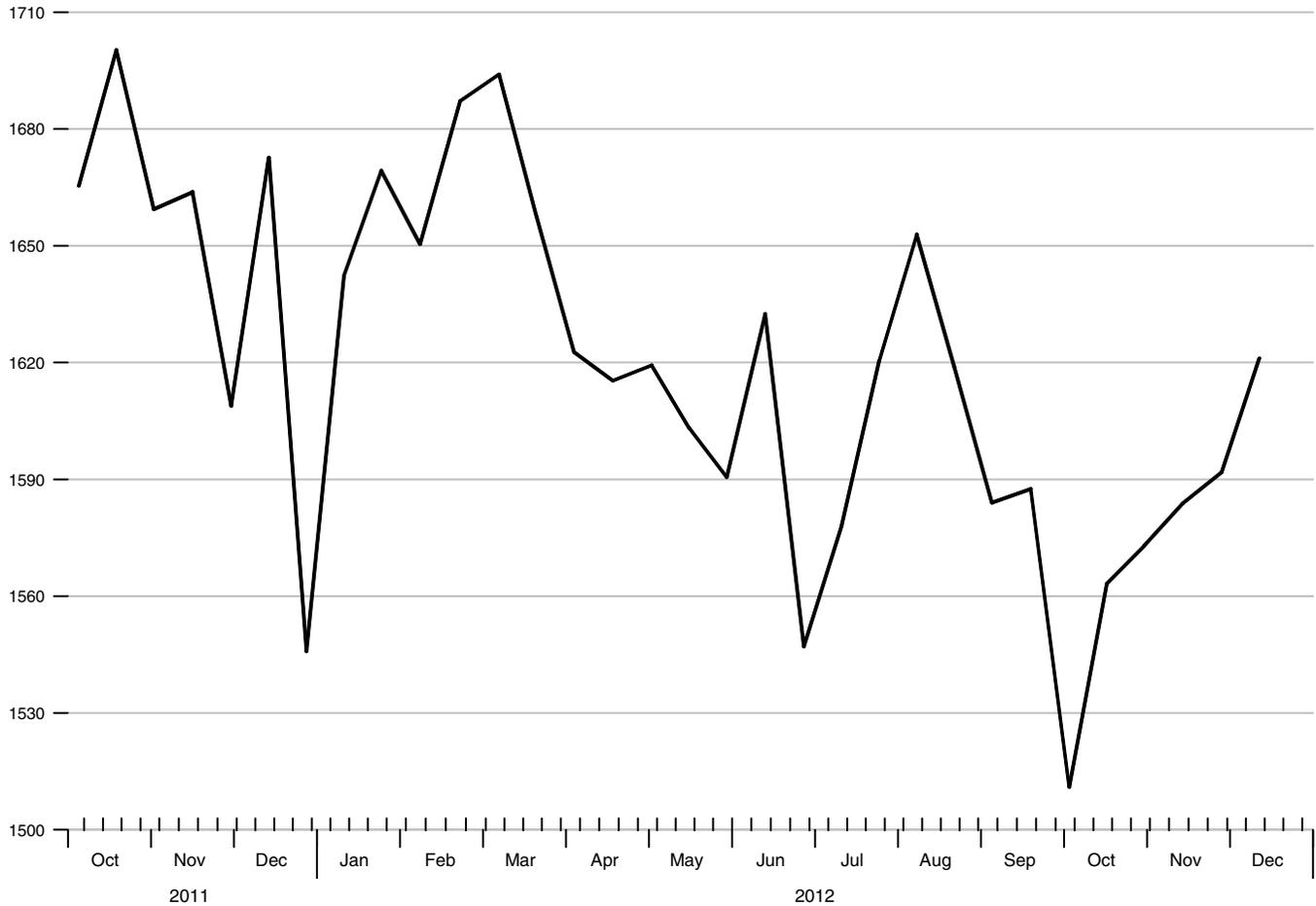
Adjusted Monetary Base

To the average of two maintenance periods ending:	Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:							
	12/14/11	03/07/12	05/16/12	06/13/12	07/11/12	08/08/12	09/19/12	10/17/12
05/16/12	3.3							
06/13/12	4.2	-10.1						
07/11/12	1.4	-11.1	-3.5					
08/08/12	5.5	-3.3	9.5	9.7				
09/19/12	2.4	-5.6	1.2	-0.9	5.2			
10/17/12	0.7	-6.8	-1.9	-4.2	-1.0	-14.1		
11/14/12	1.9	-4.5	0.7	-0.8	2.6	-6.3	-0.5	
12/12/12	2.0	-3.7	1.1	-0.1	2.8	-4.1	0.9	10.0

Adjusted Reserves

Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars



Adjusted Reserves

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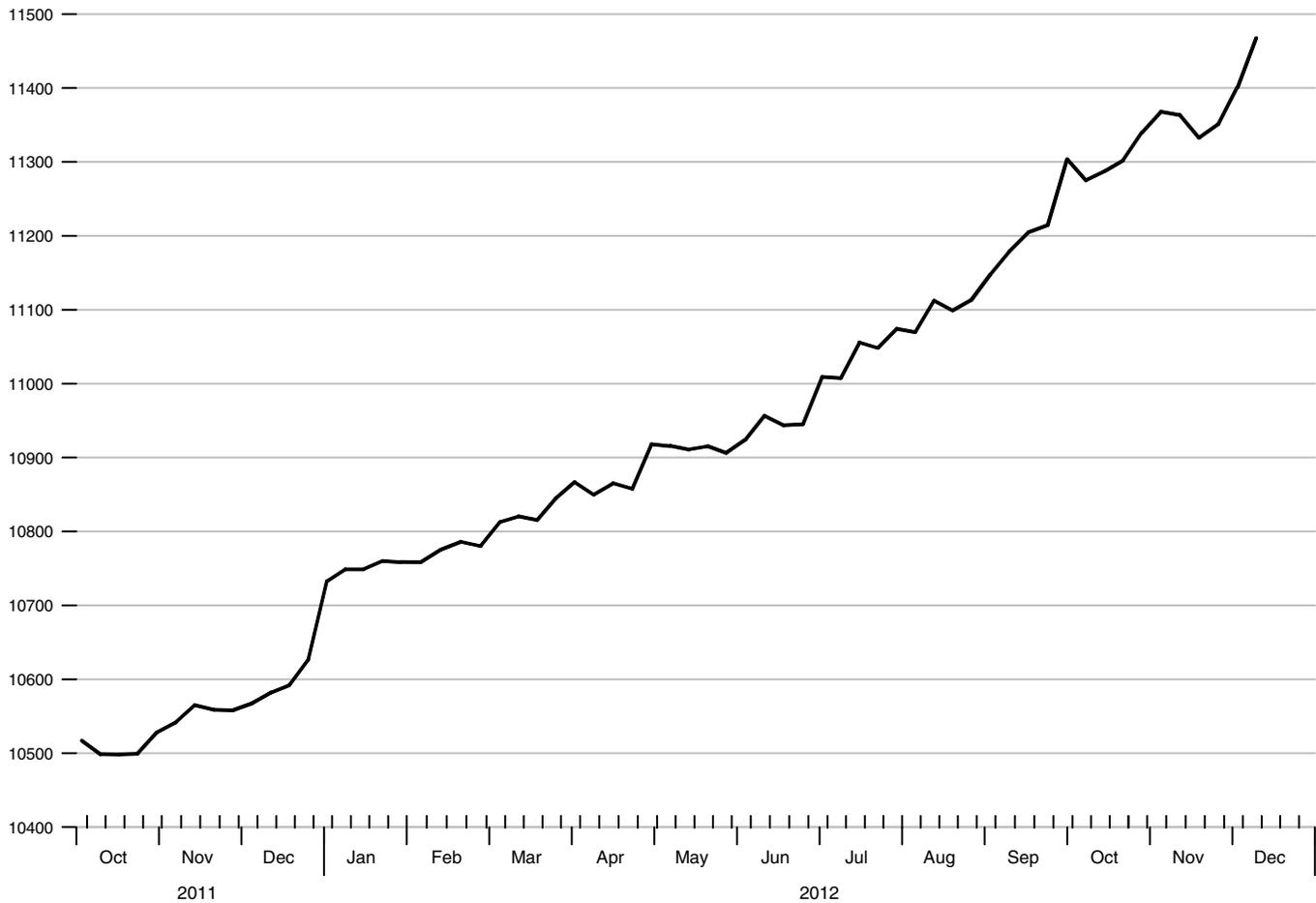
Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:

	12/14/11	03/07/12	05/16/12	06/13/12	07/11/12	08/08/12	09/19/12	10/17/12
05/16/12	-4.2							
06/13/12	-3.5	-16.3						
07/11/12	-8.1	-20.3	-18.1					
08/08/12	-0.4	-7.4	7.0	10.6				
09/19/12	-4.3	-11.2	-4.5	-5.8	7.9			
10/17/12	-7.4	-14.3	-10.5	-12.8	-5.9	-27.9		
11/14/12	-4.1	-9.4	-4.0	-4.8	2.9	-12.6	-3.0	
12/12/12	-2.1	-6.4	-0.5	-0.6	6.8	-5.2	5.8	33.2

MZM

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars



MZM

To the average
of four weeks
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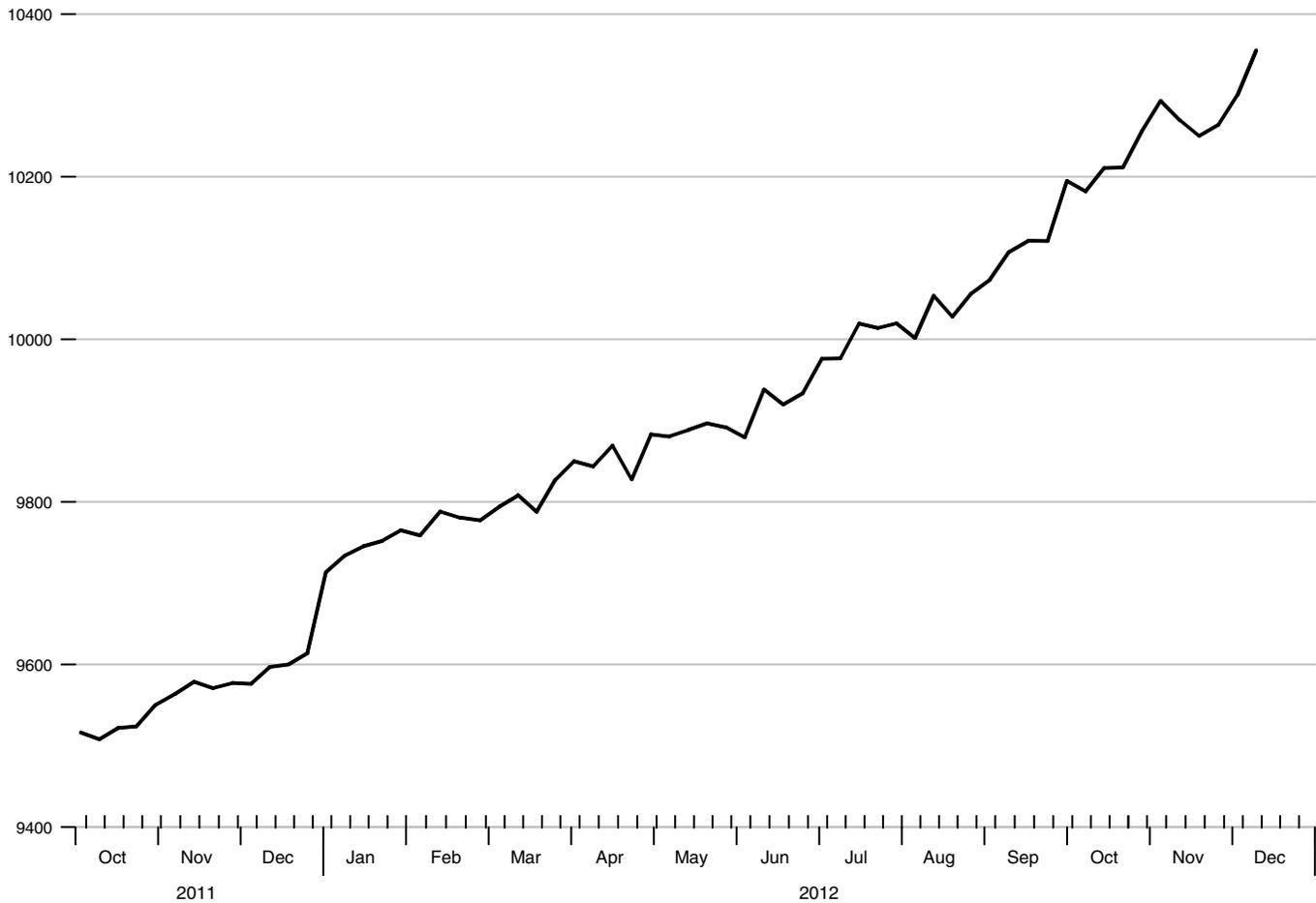
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05/14/12	7.6							
06/11/12	6.9	4.8						
07/09/12	6.8	5.1	4.6					
08/06/12	7.3	6.1	6.6	8.4				
09/17/12	7.4	6.5	7.1	8.2	9.1			
10/15/12	7.9	7.4	8.2	9.4	10.3	10.2		
11/12/12	8.0	7.5	8.3	9.3	10.0	9.8	11.1	
12/10/12	7.8	7.3	7.9	8.6	9.1	8.8	9.1	7.0

M2

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars



M2

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of four weeks
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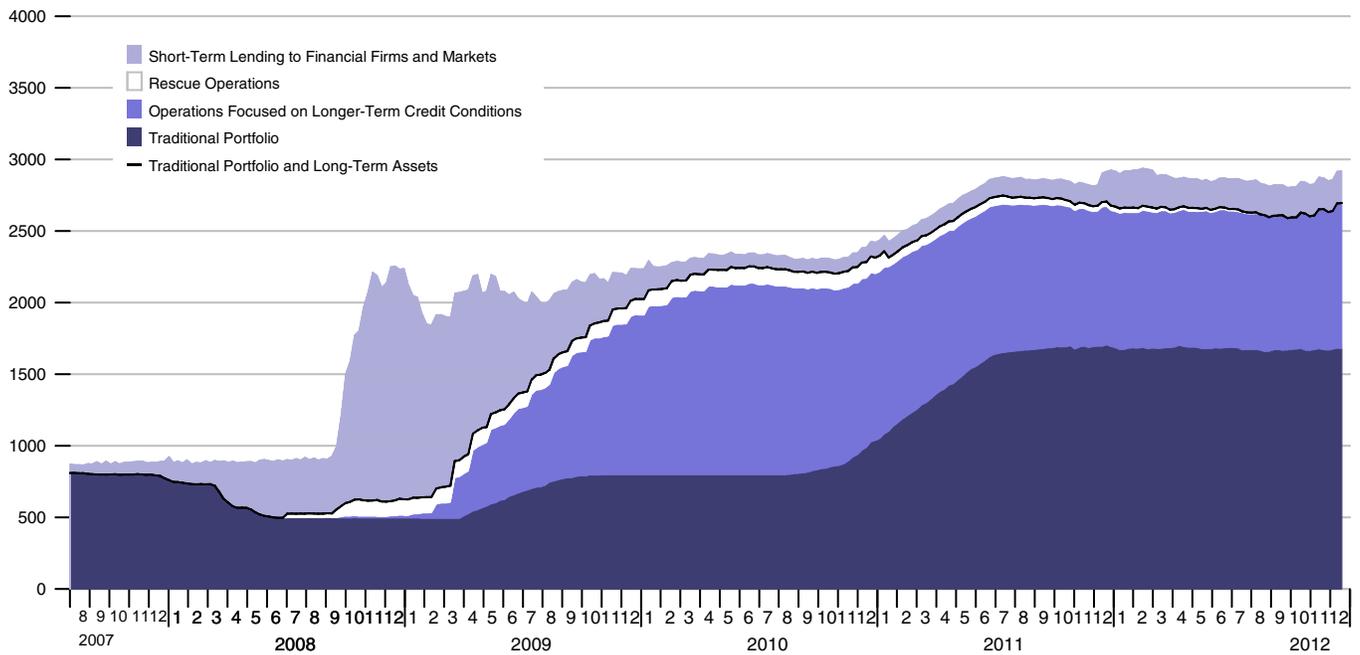
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08/06/12	7.0	5.6	6.5	7.6				
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Composition of Federal Reserve Assets

End of Period Wednesday Figures

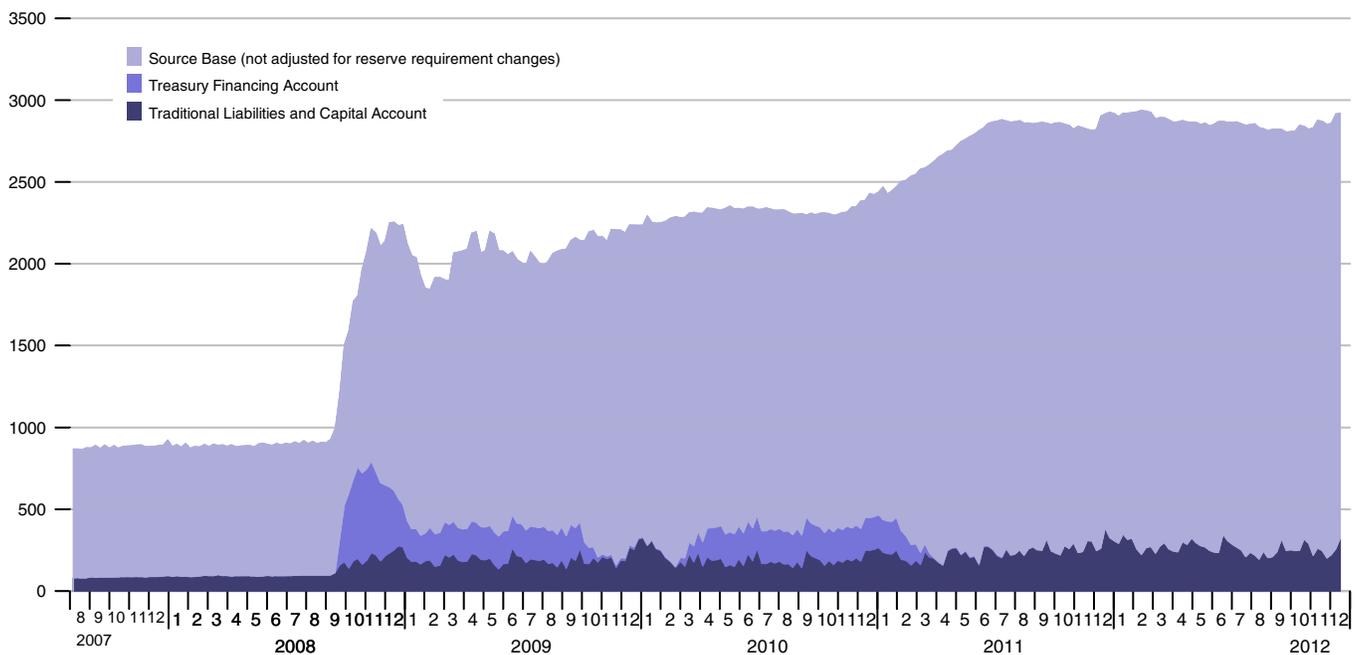
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Composition of Federal Reserve Liabilities

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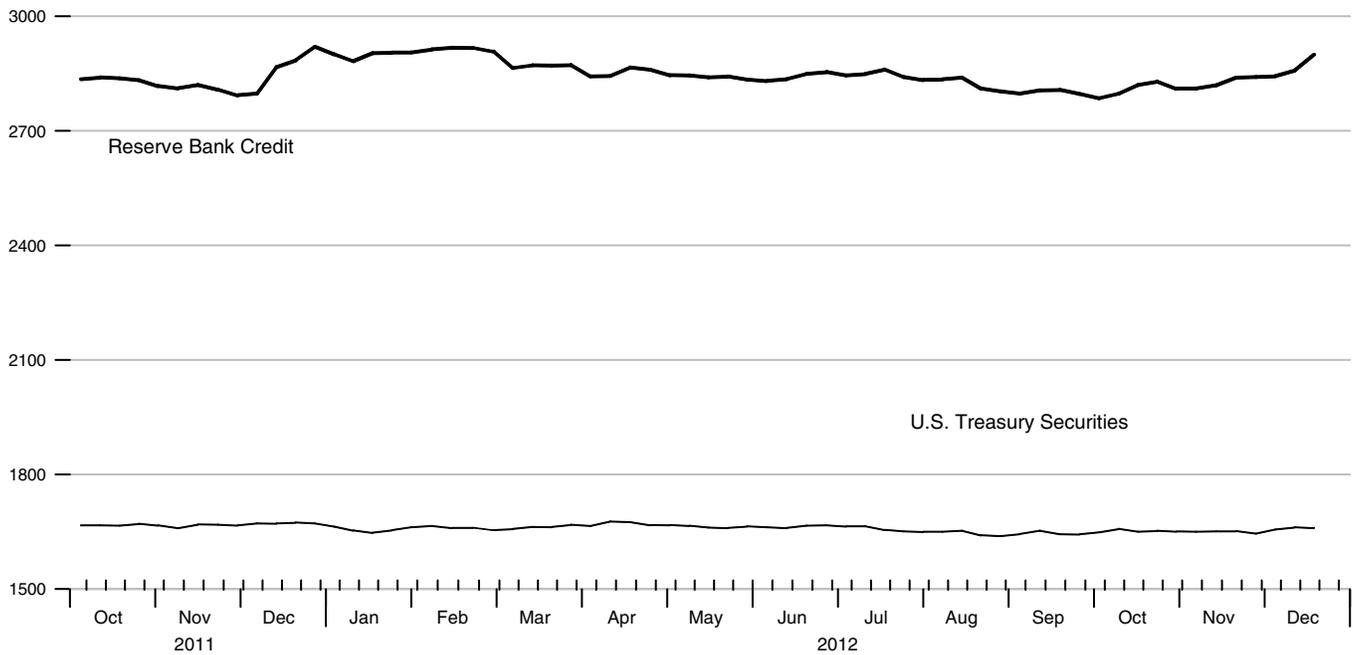
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Reserve Bank Credit and Federal Reserve Holdings of U.S. Treasury Securities

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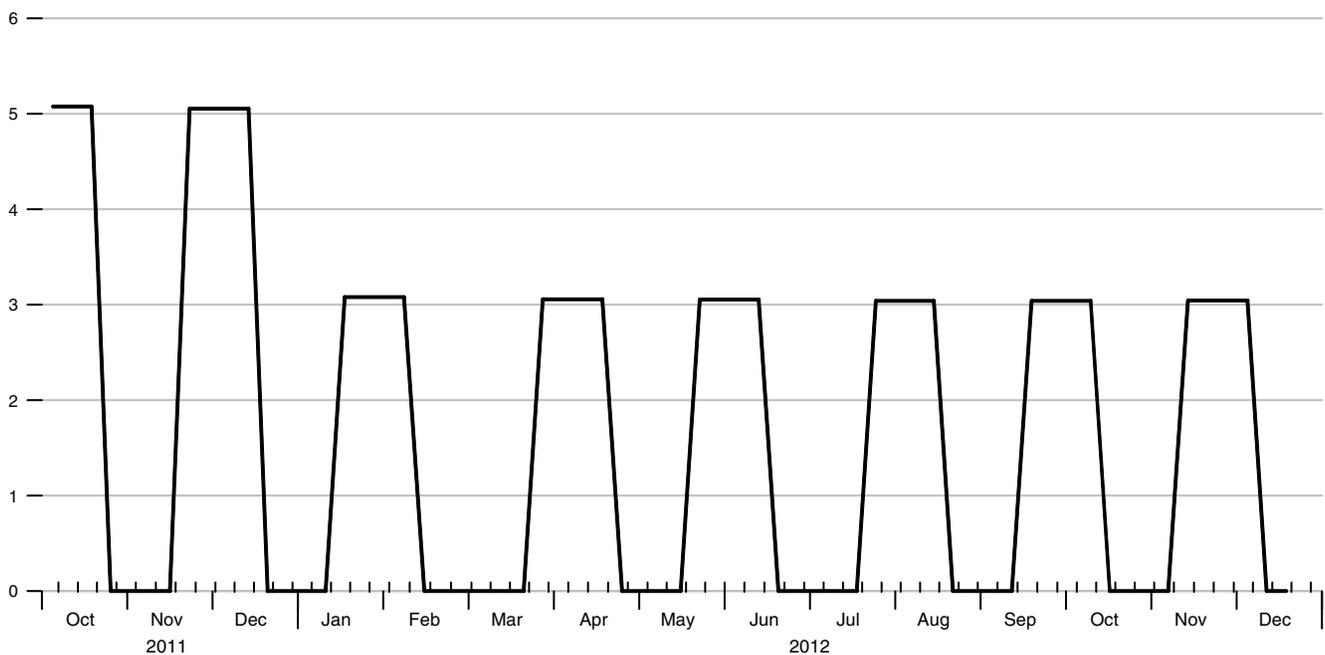
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Term Deposits Held by Depository Institutions

End of Period Wednesday Figures

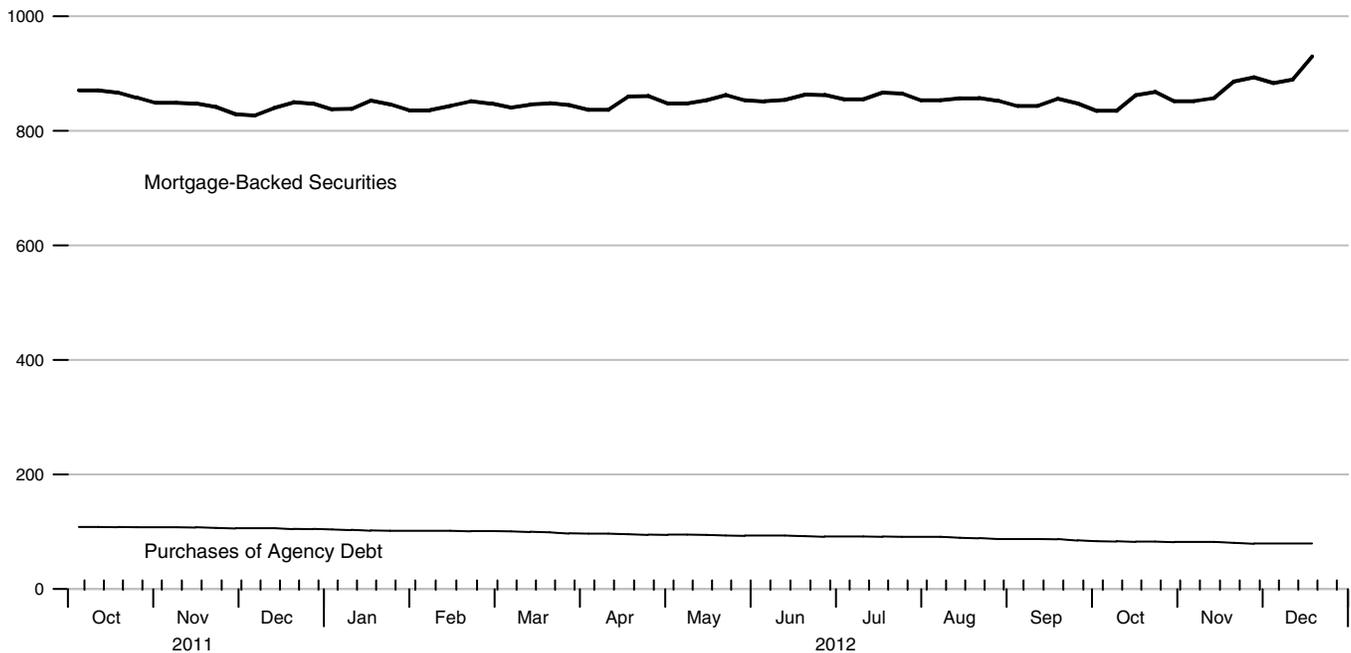
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Federal Reserve Holdings of Agency Debt and Mortgage-Backed Securities

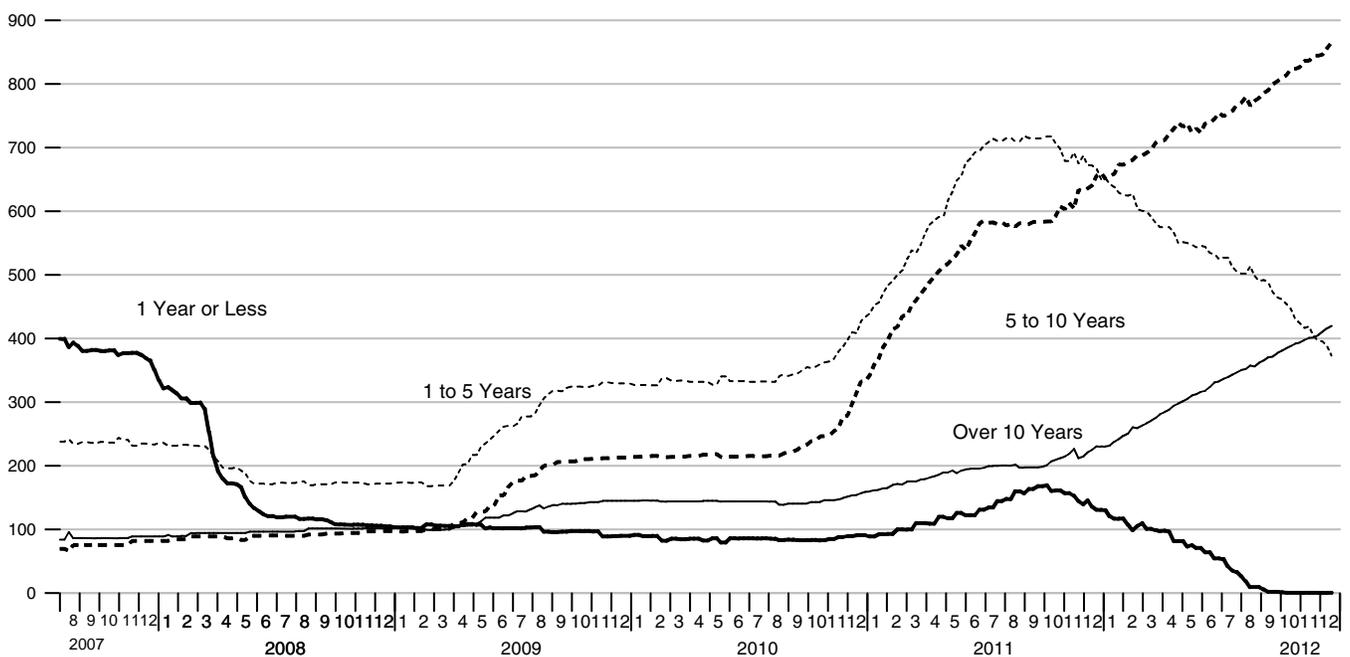
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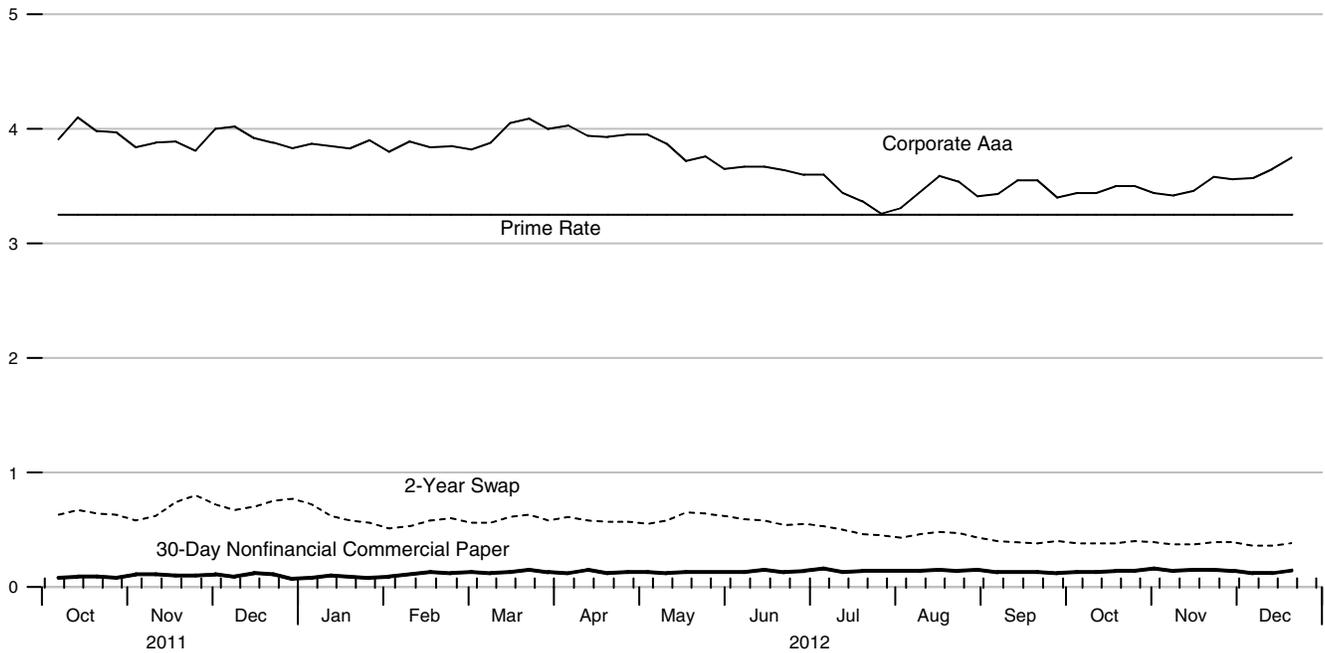
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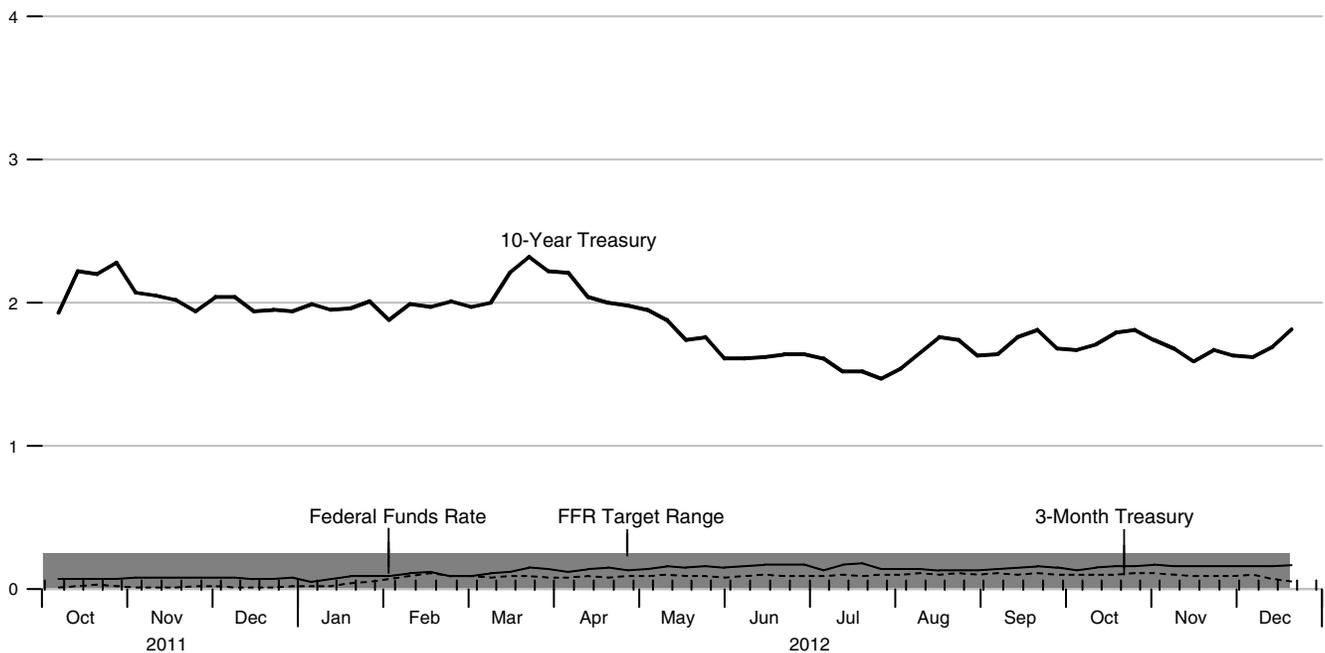
Yields on Selected Securities

Averages of Daily Figures

Percent



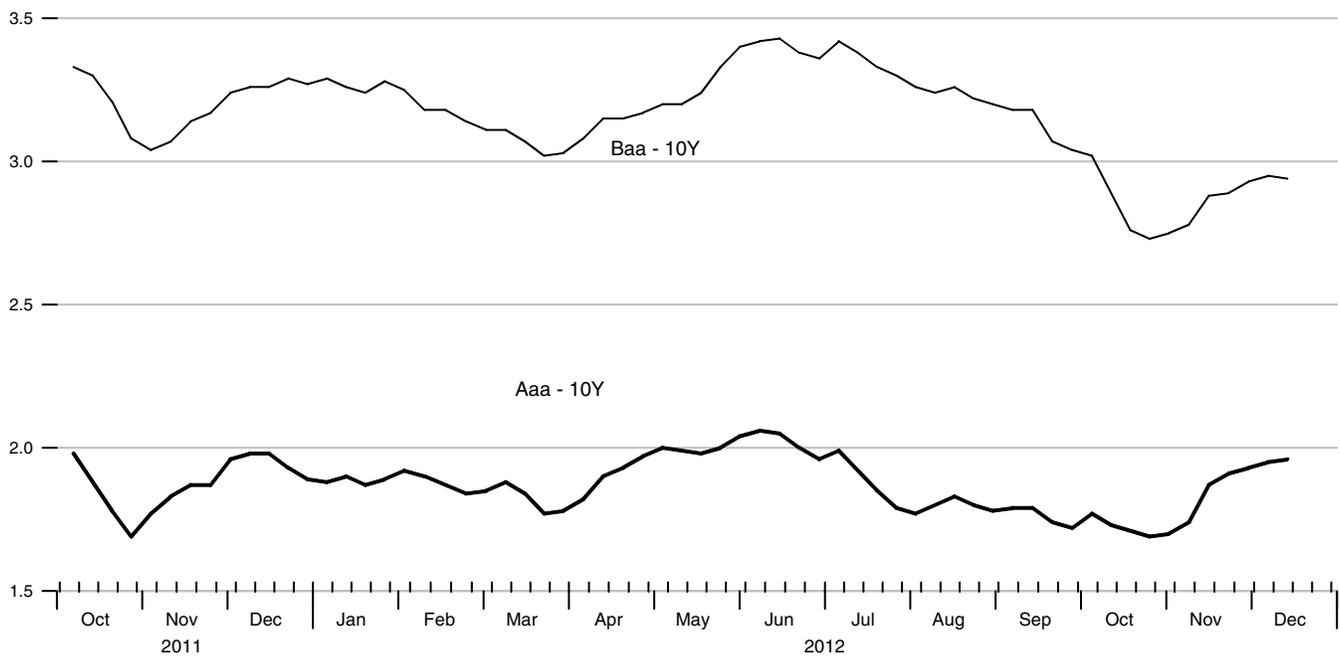
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Corporate Bond Yields Relative to Yields on 10 - Year Treasury Securities

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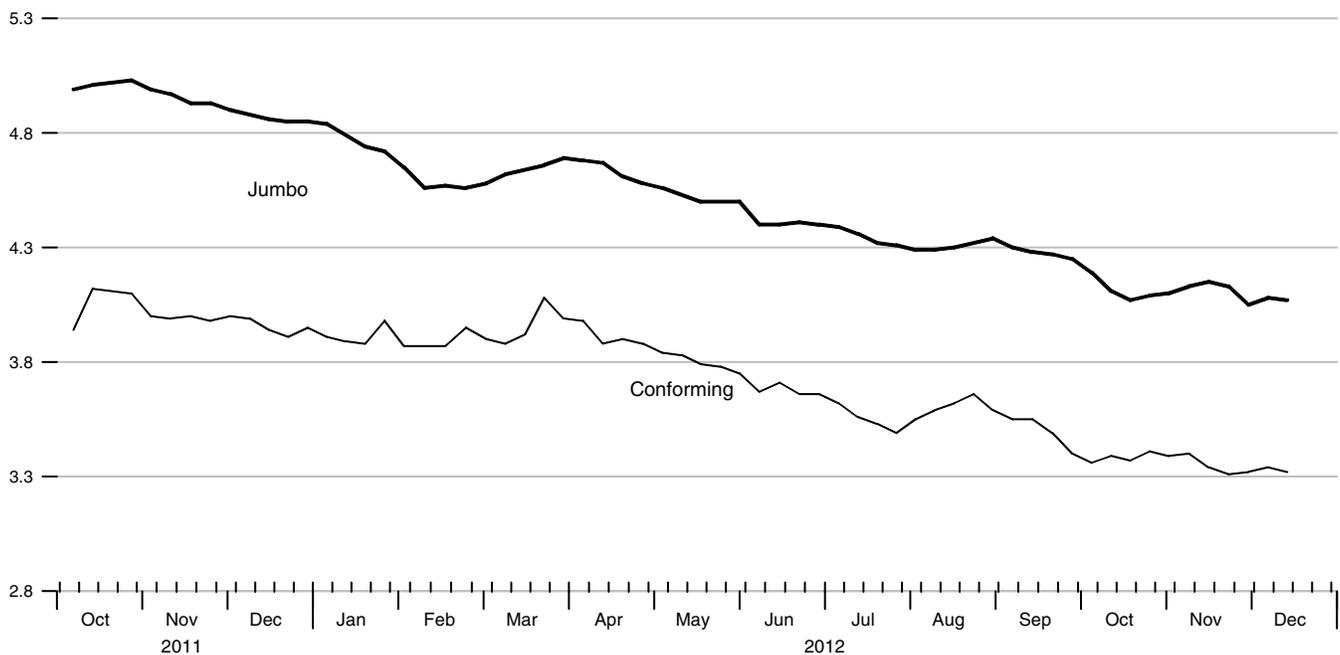
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Interest Rates on 30 - Year Conforming and Jumbo Mortgages

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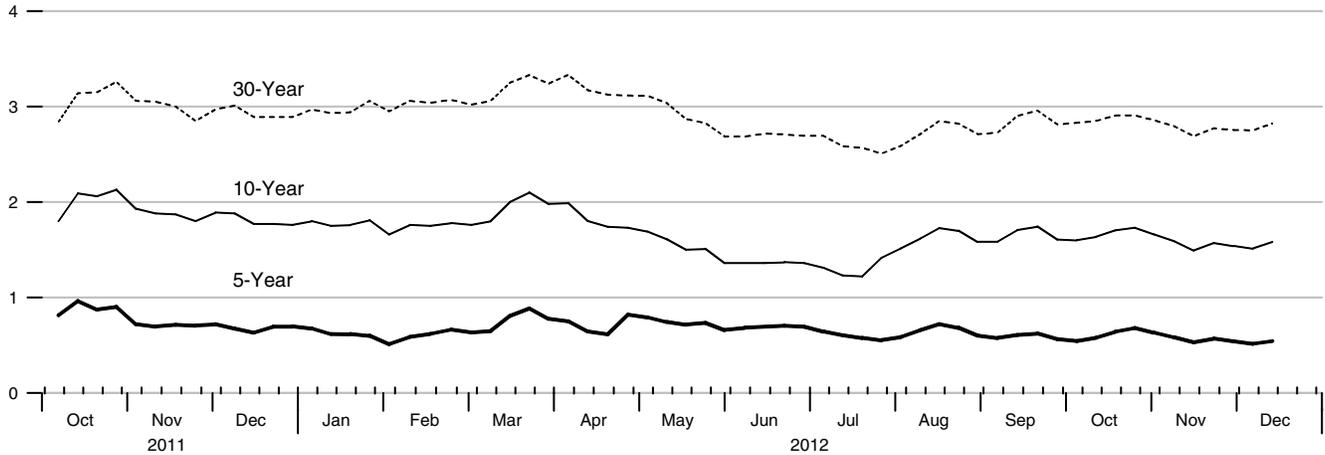
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Treasury Note Yields

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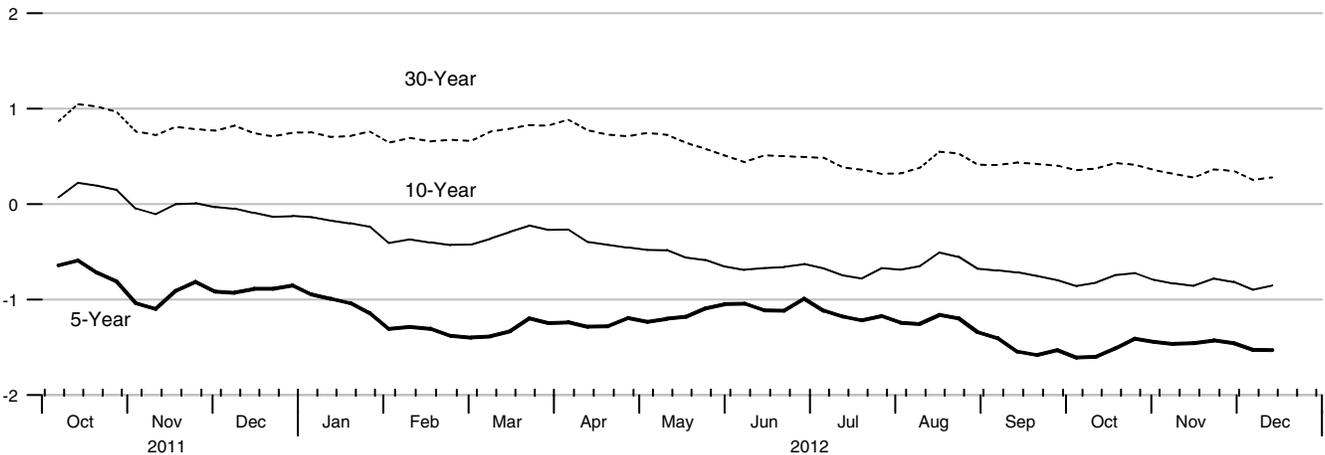
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Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yields

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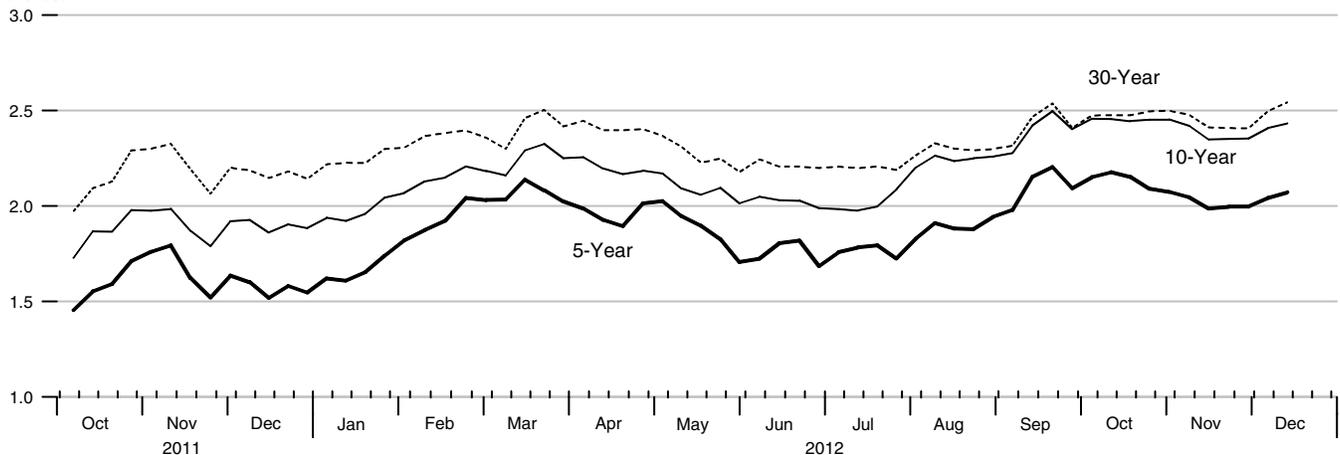
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Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield Spreads

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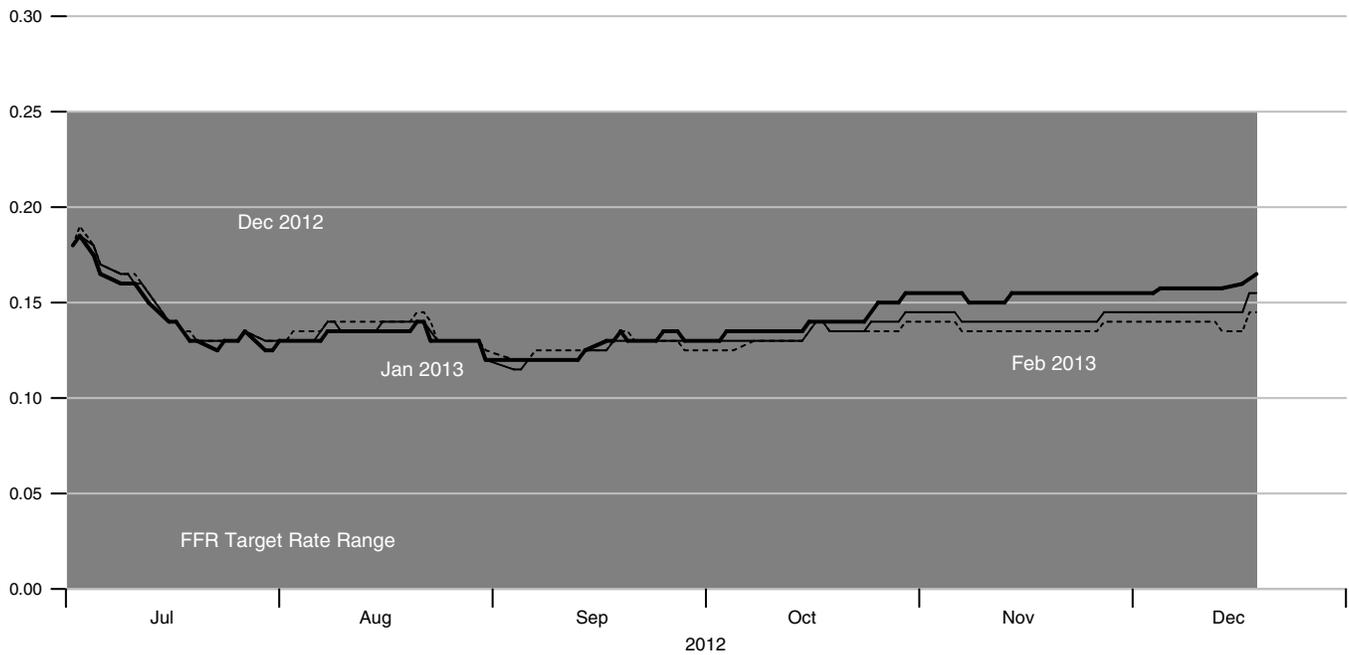
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Rates on Federal Funds Futures Contracts

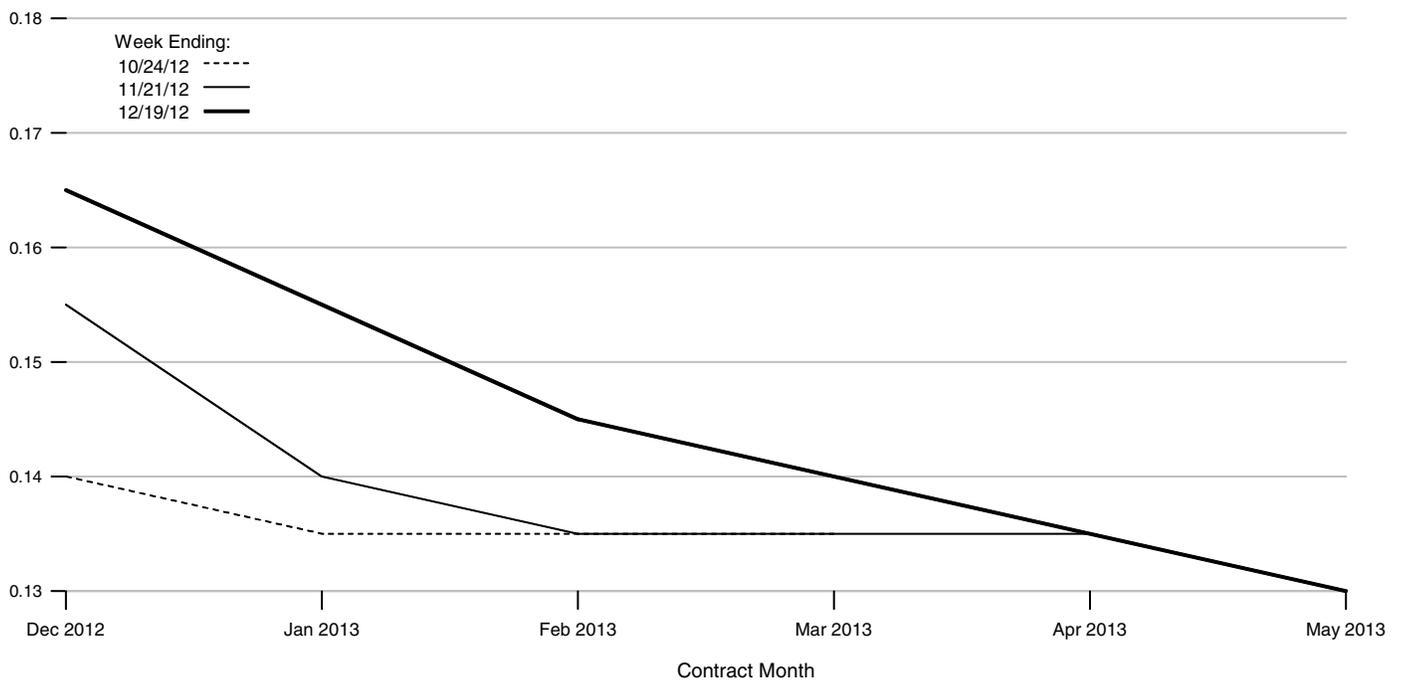
Daily Data

Percent



Rates on Federal Funds Futures on Selected Dates

Percent



Dow Jones Industrial Average and NASDAQ Composite®

Averages of Daily Figures

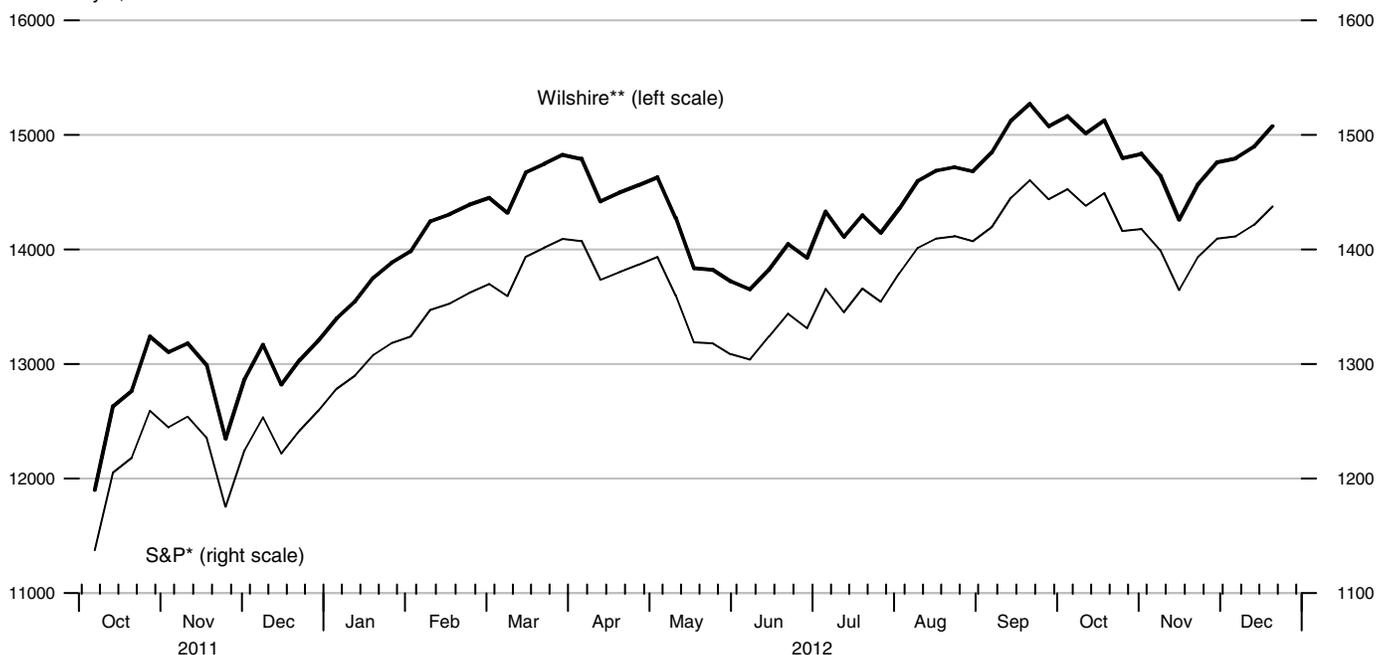


Wilshire 5000® and Standard & Poor's 500

Averages of Daily Figures

January 2, 1980 = 1078.29

1941-43 = 10



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Crude Oil Spot Prices

West Texas Intermediate, Averages of Daily Figures

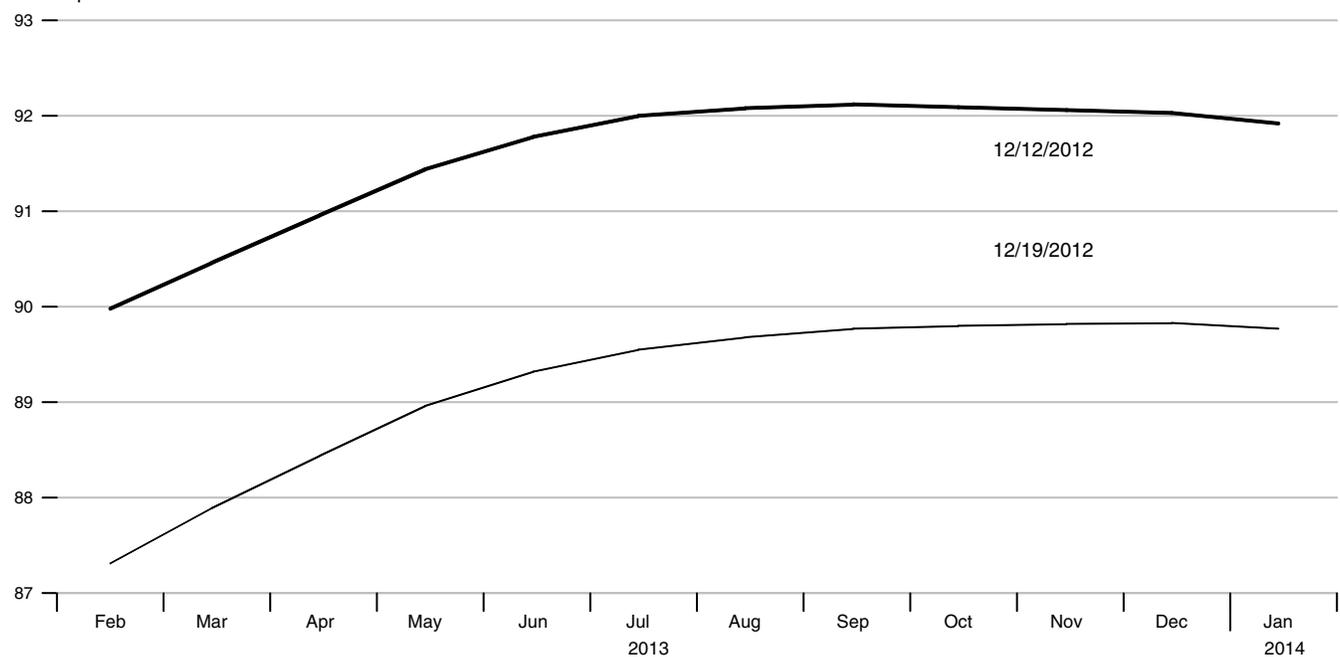
Dollars per barrel



Crude Oil Futures Prices

West Texas Intermediate

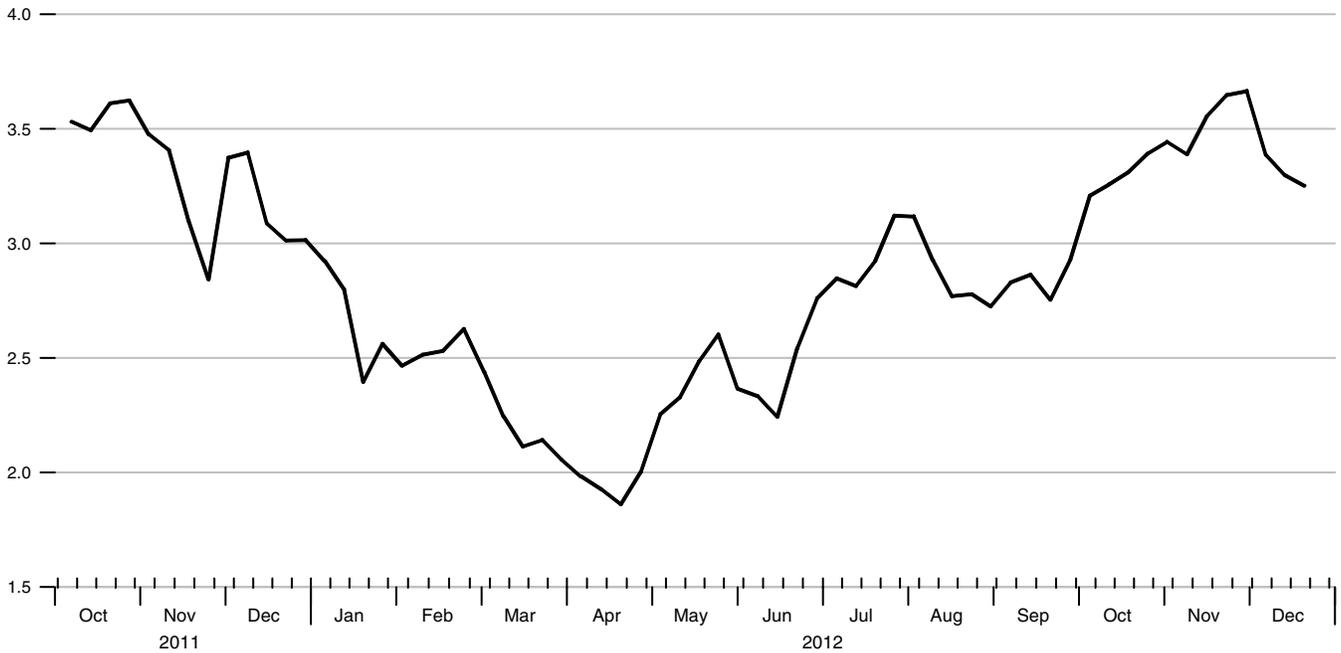
Dollars per barrel



Natural Gas Spot Prices

Henry Hub, Averages of Daily Figures

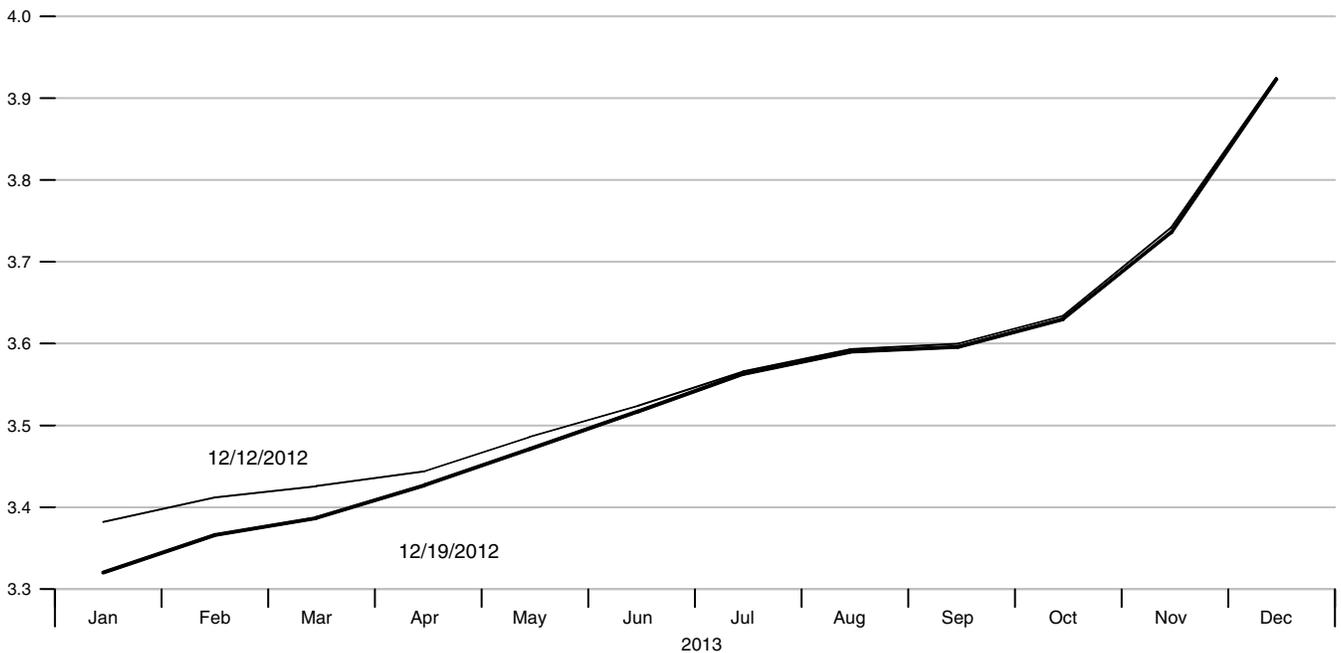
Dollars per million btu



Natural Gas Futures Prices

Henry Hub

Dollars per million btu

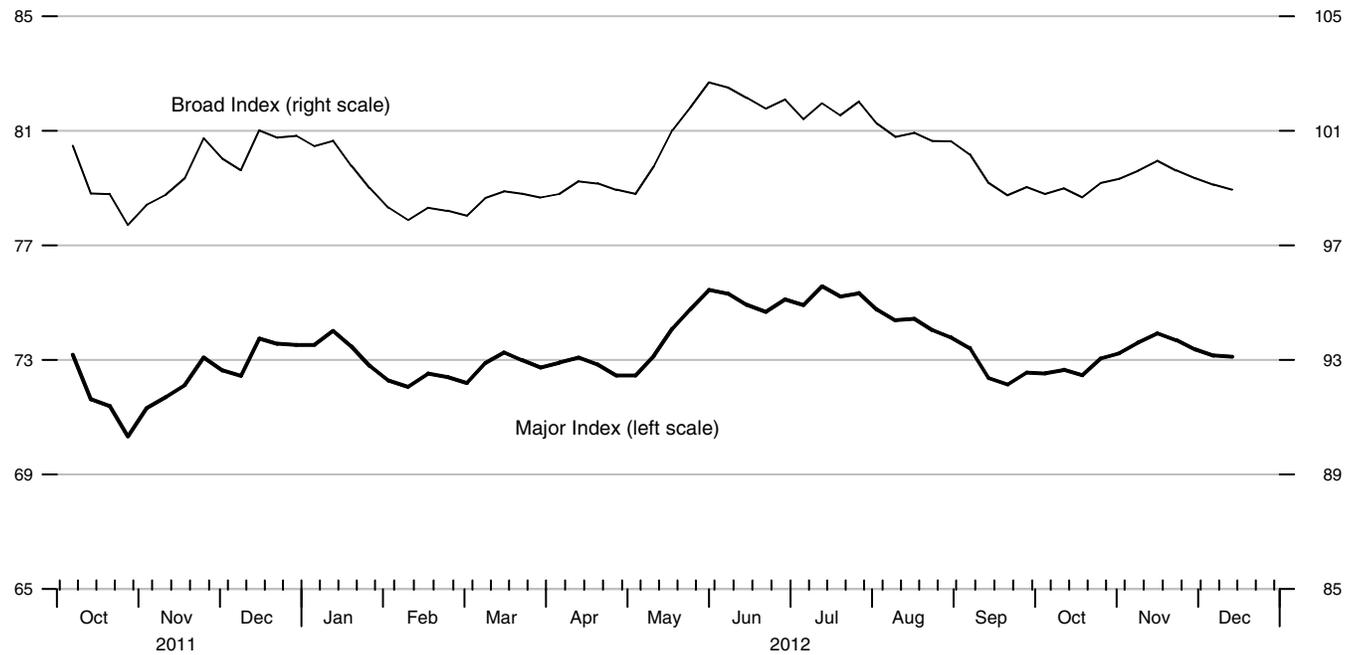


Trade-Weighted Exchange Rate Indexes

Averages of Daily Figures

March 1973=100

January 1987=100



Exchange Rates

Averages of Daily Figures

Euro/US\$

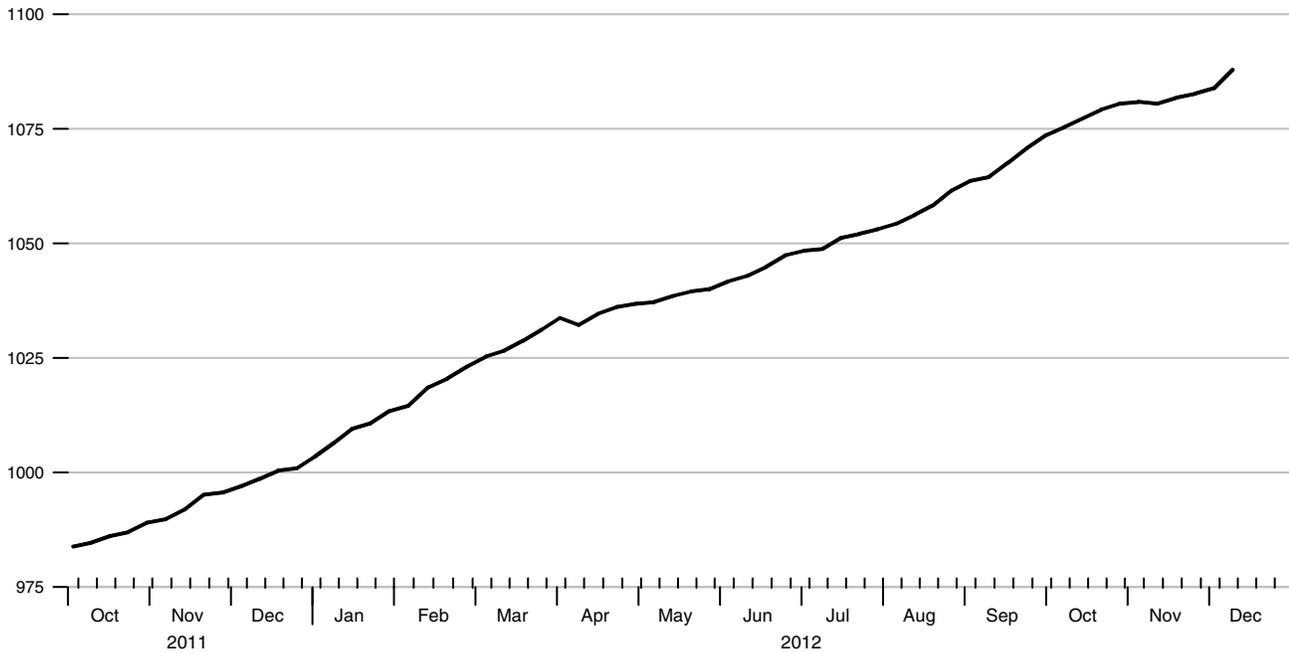
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Currency Component of M1

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars

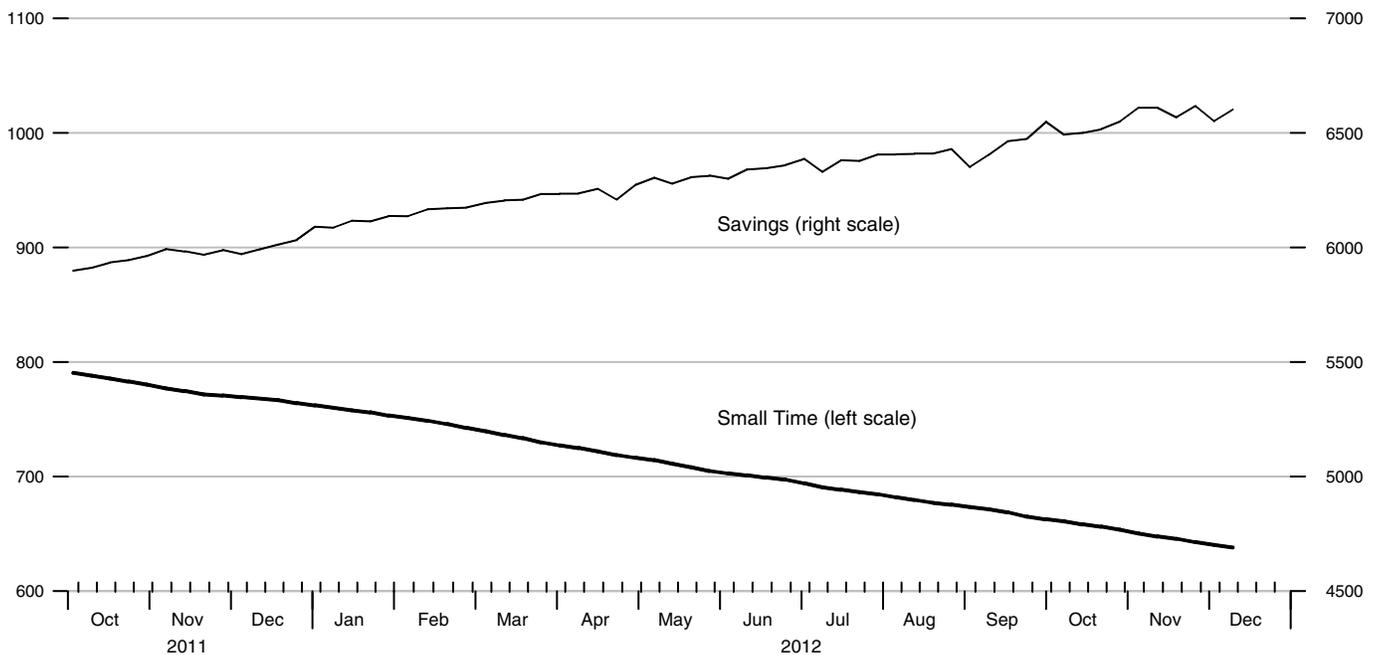


Savings and Small Time Deposits

Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars

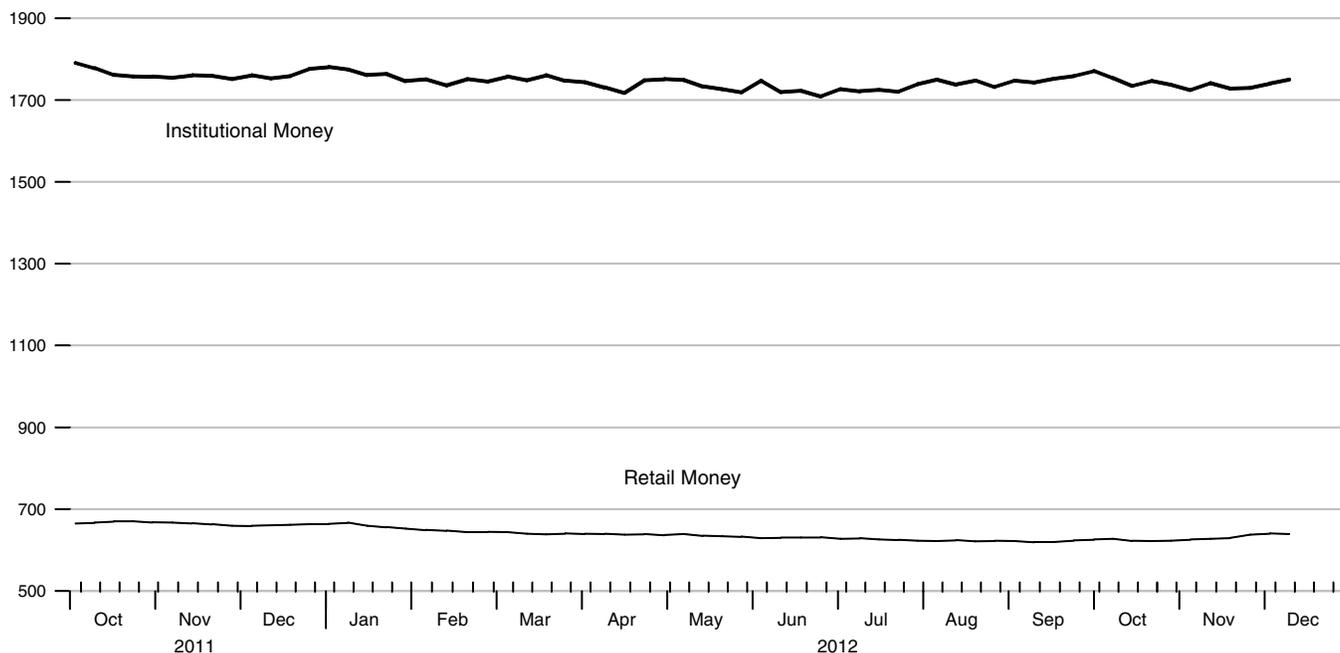
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Institutional and Retail Money Funds

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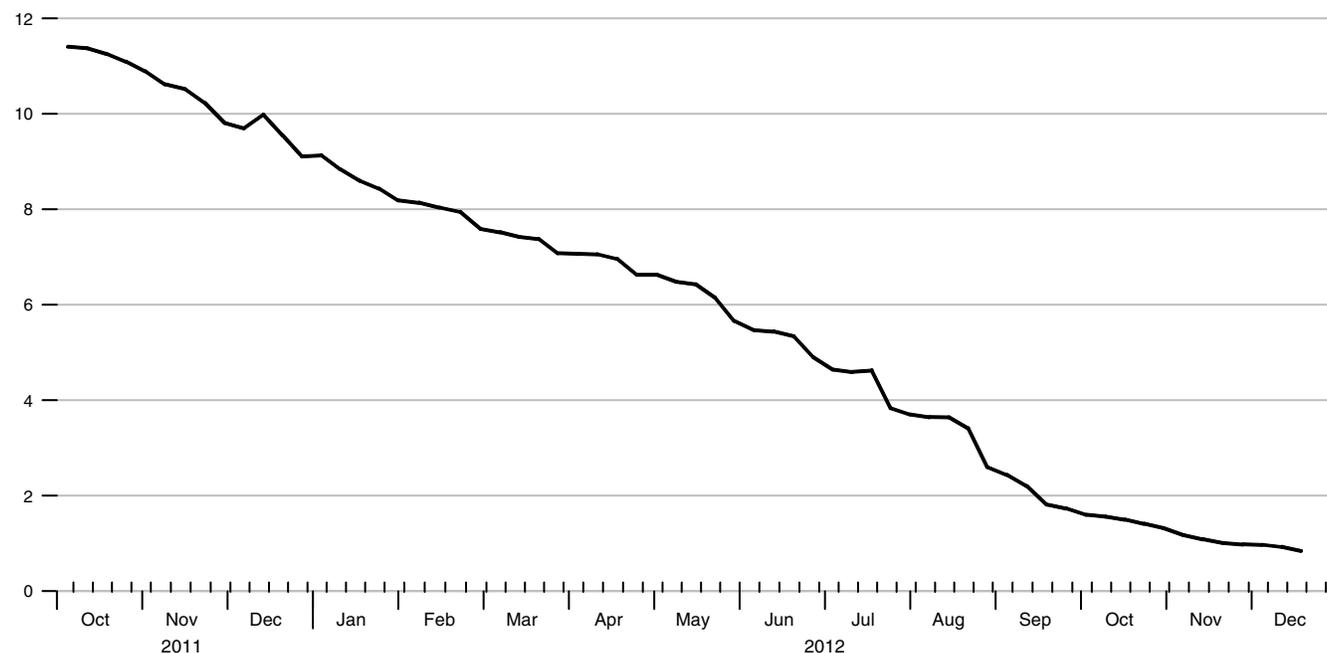
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Total Borrowings from Federal Reserve Banks

Averages of Daily Figures

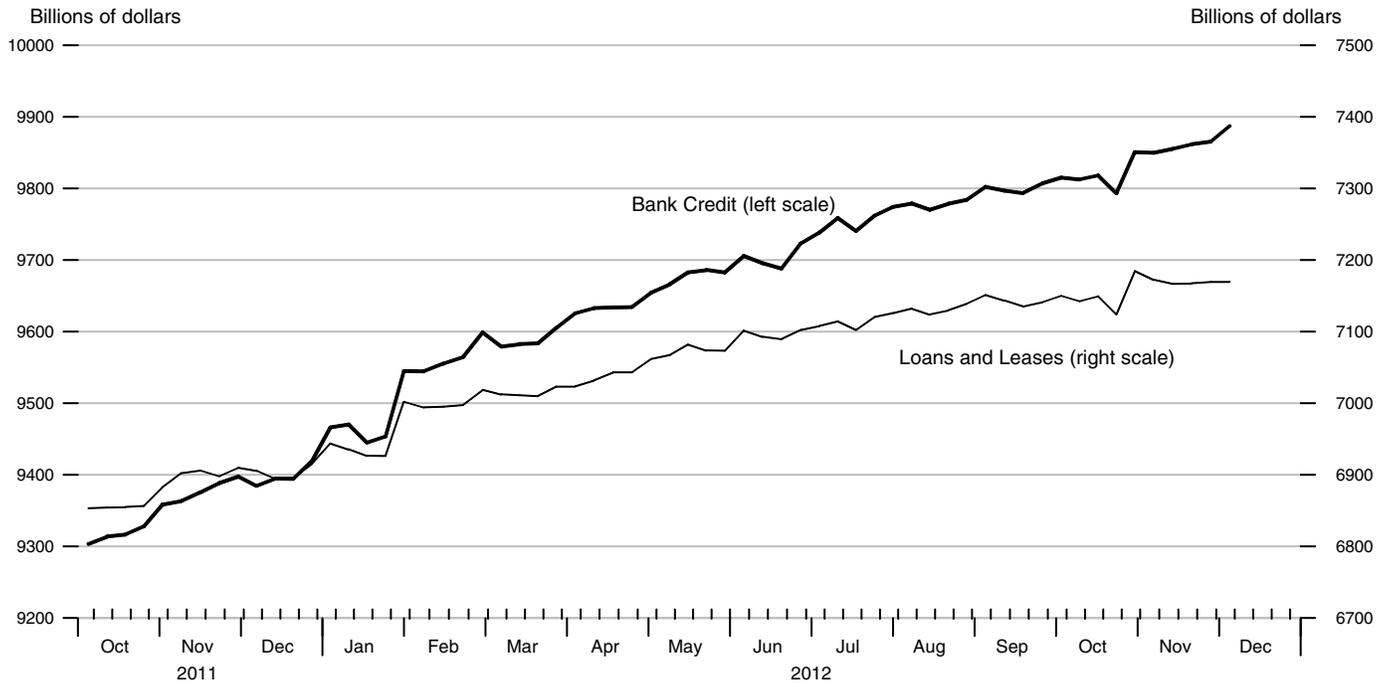
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Note: Total borrowings include loans to depository institutions for primary, secondary, and seasonal credit, primary dealer and other broker-dealer credit. This category also contains asset-backed commercial paper money market mutual fund liquidity facility, credit extended to American International Group, Inc., net, term asset-backed securities loan facility, and other credit extensions. Term auction credit is excluded.

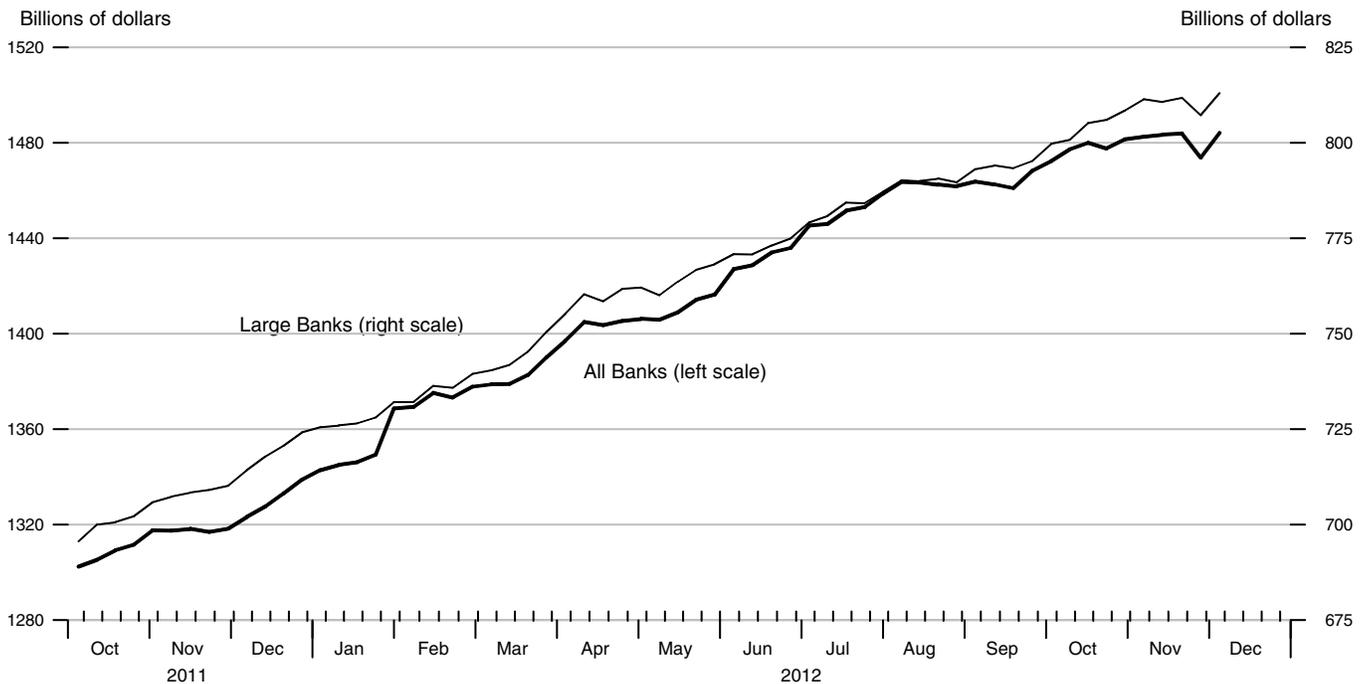
Bank Loans and Credit

All Commercial Banks in the United States, Seasonally Adjusted



Commercial and Industrial Loans

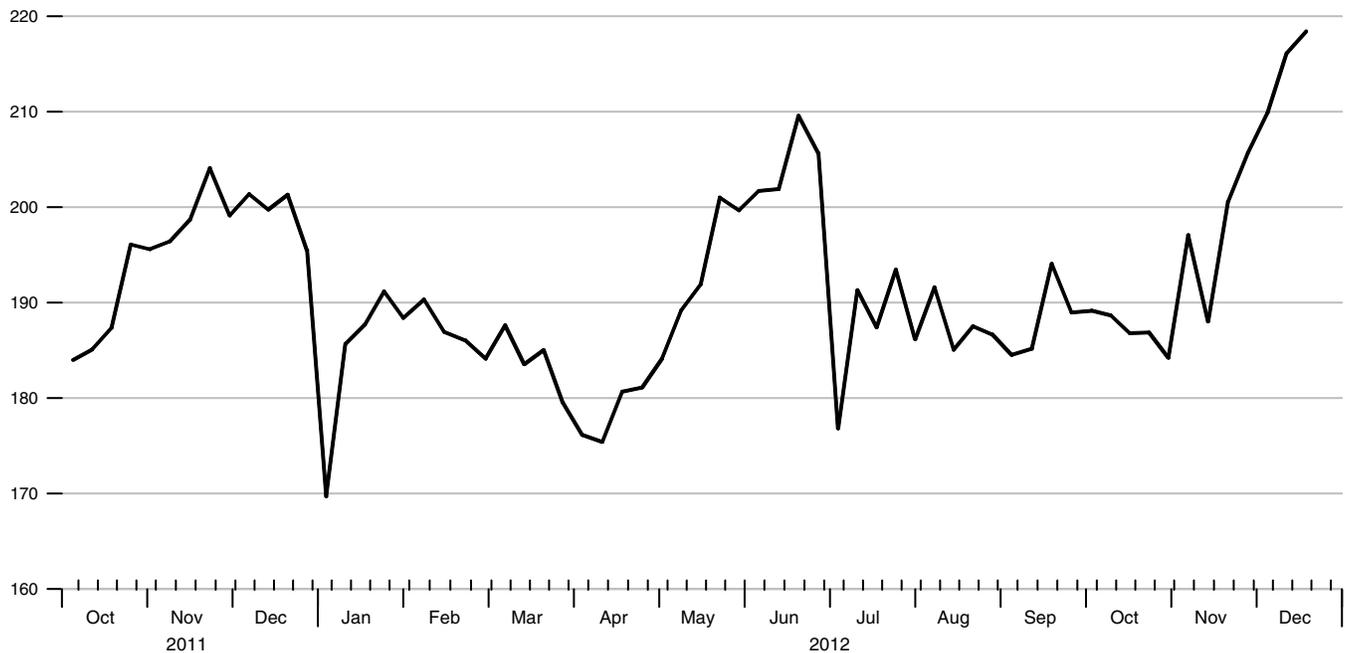
Seasonally Adjusted



Commercial Paper Outstanding of Nonfinancial Companies

Seasonally Adjusted

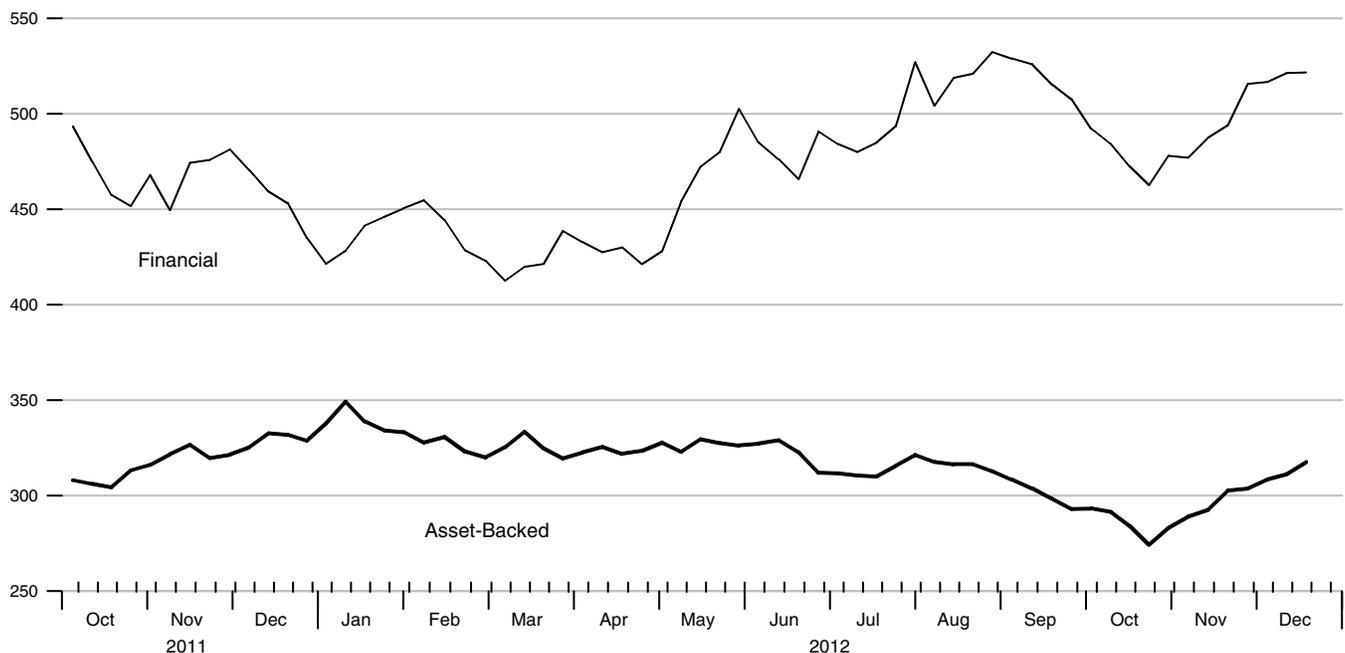
Billions of dollars



Commercial Paper Outstanding: Financial and Asset-Backed

Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars



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	30-Year Treasury Securities
Sep 28	0.12	0.24	0.40	3.40	4.72	3.67	0.15	0.10	0.26	0.65	1.68	2.84
Oct 5	0.13	0.22	0.38	3.44	4.69	3.61	0.13	0.10	0.24	0.63	1.67	2.86
12	0.13	0.22	0.38	3.44	4.60	3.64	0.15	0.10	0.27	0.67	1.71	2.88
19	0.14	0.22	0.38	3.50	4.55	3.68	0.16	0.10	0.29	0.74	1.79	2.94
26	0.14	0.23	0.40	3.50	4.54	3.68	0.16	0.11	0.30	0.78	1.81	2.94
Nov 2	0.16	0.25	0.39	3.44	4.49	3.67	0.17	0.11	0.30	0.73	1.74	2.88
9	0.14	0.23	0.37	3.42	4.46	3.55	0.16	0.10	0.28	0.68	1.68	2.83
16	0.15	0.24	0.37	3.46	4.47	3.41	0.16	0.09	0.25	0.63	1.59	2.73
23	0.15	0.24	0.39	3.58	4.56	3.37	0.16	0.09	0.27	0.68	1.67	2.81
30	0.14	0.24	0.39	3.56	4.56	3.29	0.16	0.09	0.26	0.64	1.63	2.80
Dec 7	0.12	0.24	0.36	3.57	4.57	3.27	0.16	0.10	0.25	0.62	1.62	2.79
14	0.12	0.23	0.36	3.65	4.63	3.44	0.16	0.07	0.25	0.66	1.69	2.86
21*	0.14	0.24	0.38	3.75	4.72	.	0.17	0.05	0.27	0.76	1.81	2.98

*Averages of rates available

Money Stock and Components

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

	M2	MZM	Currency	Small Time	Savings	Retail Money	Institutional Money
Oct 29	10256	11340	1081	653.6	6549.3	622.8	1737.6
Nov 5	10293	11368	1081	650.3	6609.6	625.5	1724.9
12	10270	11363	1081	647.6	6609.8	627.5	1741.4
19	10250	11333	1082	645.6	6568.8	629.6	1728.2
26	10264	11351	1083	642.7	6617.6	637.8	1730.1
Dec 3	10301	11401	1084	640.2	6552.0	640.6	1740.5
10	10356	11468	1088	638.0	6602.0	639.3	1750.2

Reserves and Base

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

	Adjusted Monetary Base	Adjusted Reserves
Sep 19	2655.453	1587.51
Oct 3	2589.413	1510.96
17	2651.735	1563.18
31	2641.925	1572.94
Nov 14	2661.199	1583.81
28	2650.669	1591.83
Dec 12	2667.562	1621.08

Bank Loans and Credit

Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

	Bank Credit	Loans and Leases	C&I Loans (All)	C&I Loans (Large)	Comm. Paper (sa)	Total Borrowings
Nov 7	9850.0	7172.3	1482.6	811.4	197.1	1.172
14	9855.4	7166.8	1483.5	810.7	188.0	1.083
21	9862.0	7167.5	1484.0	811.8	200.6	1.005
28	9865.6	7169.5	1473.9	807.3	205.7	0.975
Dec 5	9887.2	7169.8	1484.2	813.0	209.9	0.968
12	.	.	.	.	216.2	0.925
19	.	.	.	.	218.4	0.839

Exchange Rates

	Major Exchange Rate Index	Broad Exchange Rate Index	Exchange Rate: Euro/\$	Exchange Rate: Yen/\$
Nov 2	73.2	99.3	0.774	80.0
9	73.6	99.6	0.783	79.9
16	73.9	100.0	0.785	80.5
23	73.7	99.6	0.778	81.9
30	73.4	99.3	0.772	82.2
Dec 7	73.2	99.1	0.768	82.2
14	73.1	98.9	0.767	83.0

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 Reuters 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/agggreg/swdata.html.

Page 7: The asset groups are aggregates of the following categories on the H.4.1: **Short-term lending to financial firms and markets** is the sum of repurchase agreements, term auction credit, commercial paper funding facility, central bank liquidity swaps, money market investor funding facility, other loans (less AIG loan), and other assets. **Rescue operations** is the sum of credit extended to AIG, and net

portfolio holdings of Maiden Lanes I, II, III, and preferred interests in AIA Aurora and ALICO Holdings. **Operations focused on long term credit conditions** is the sum of Federal Reserve agency obligations held outright, mortgage backed securities, the term asset-backed securities loan facility (TALF), and the TALF LLC. **Traditional portfolio** is the sum of treasury securities, gold certificate account, special drawing rights, coin, items in process of collection, and bank premises. On the liability side, **Source base** is the sum of deposits of depository institutions and Federal Reserve notes. **Treasury financing account** appears on the H.4.1. **Traditional liabilities and capital account** is the sum of deferred availability cash items, foreign official account deposits, U.S. Treasury general account, accrued dividends, reverse repurchase agreements, other deposits, and capital accounts. H.4.1 data are not seasonally adjusted.

Page 8: **Federal Reserve Holdings of U.S. Treasury Securities** include nominal securities, inflation-indexed securities, and the compensation that adjusts for the effect of inflation on the original face value of inflation-indexed securities (inflation compensation). **Term Deposits Held by Depository Institutions** are interest-bearing deposits with a specific maturity date offered by the Federal Reserve Banks. For more information on the Term Deposit Facility, see http://www.frbservices.org/centralbank/term_deposit_facility.html.

Page 9: Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.4.1 release. For more information, see <http://www.federalreserve.gov/newsevents/recentactions.htm>.

Page 10: 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 11: Yields on the 10-year U.S. Treasury security, Aaa- and Baa-rated corporate bonds, and the interest rate on 3-year conforming mortgages appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.15 release. The interest rates on jumbo mortgages (typically, mortgages in excess of \$417,000) are listed in the *Wall Street Journal*.

Page 12: **Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yields** are the most recently issued inflation-indexed bonds of 5-, 10-, and 30-year original maturities. **Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield Spreads** equal the difference between yields on the most recently issued inflation-indexed bonds and the unadjusted **Treasury Note Yields** of similar maturities.

Page 13: **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 15: **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 16: **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 17: 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 18: 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 19: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.6 and H.4.1 releases. **Retail Money Funds** are included in M2. **Institutional Money Funds** are not part of M2; they used to be included in M3, which was discontinued as of March 23, 2006. See www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h6/discm3.htm.

Total Borrowings include loans to depository institutions for (i) primary, secondary, and seasonal credit and (ii) primary dealer and other broker-dealer credit. This category also includes the asset-backed commercial paper money market mutual fund liquidity facility, credit extended to American International Group, Inc., term asset-backed securities loan facility, and other credit extensions. Term auction credit is excluded. Data and recent information regarding Federal Reserve lending programs appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.4.1 release at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h41/Current/>.

Page 20: 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 21: Current data appear at www.federalreserve.gov/releases/cp/outstandings.htm.

Page 22: **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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