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CHART 1

SPOT EXCHANGE INDICES

DOLLAR PRICES OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND WEIGHTED AVERAGE VALUES (THIN LINE)
AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

RATIO SCALE
MARCH 1973=100

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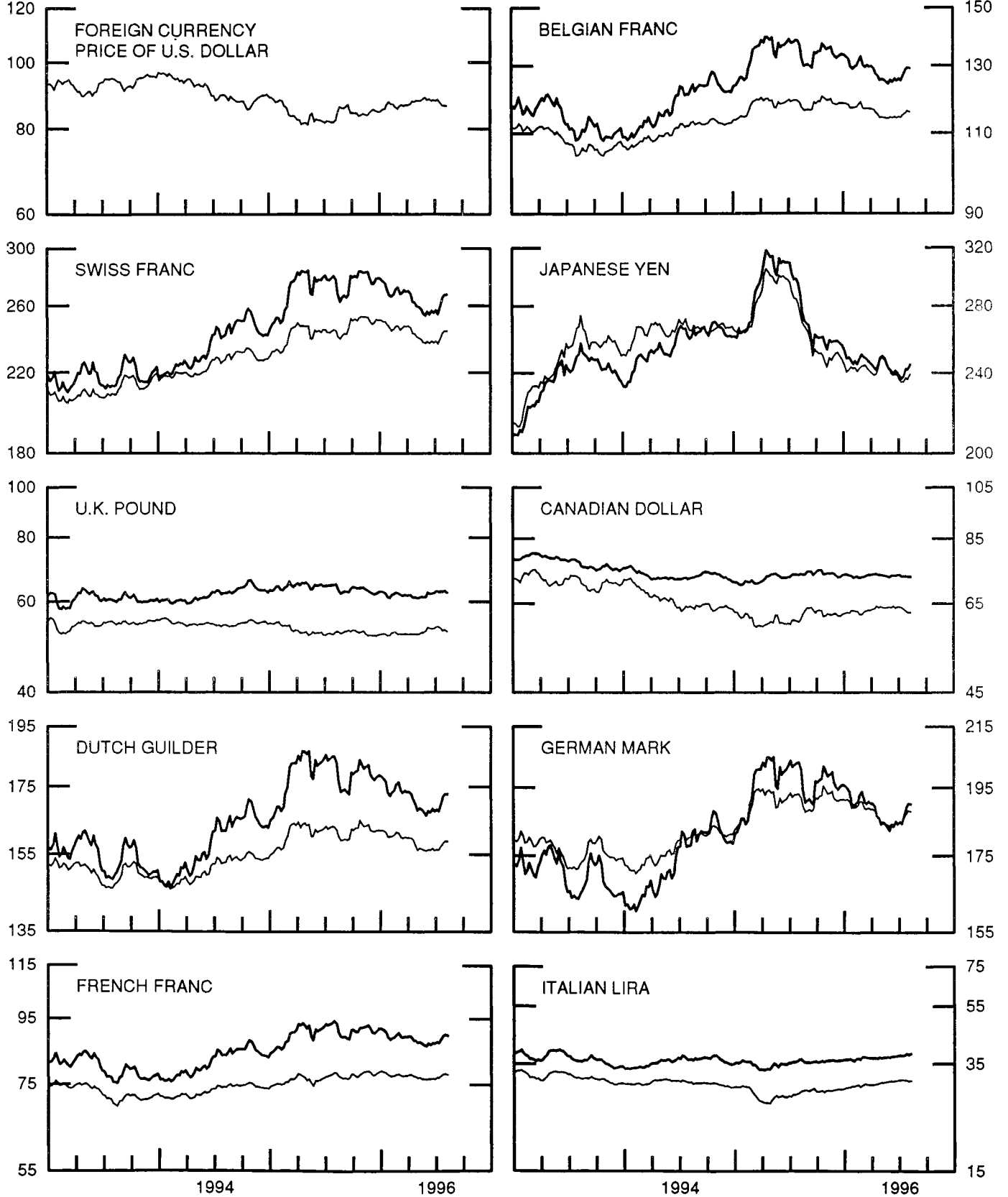


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3-MONTH FORWARD EXCHANGE RATES

PREMIUM (+) OR (-)
AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

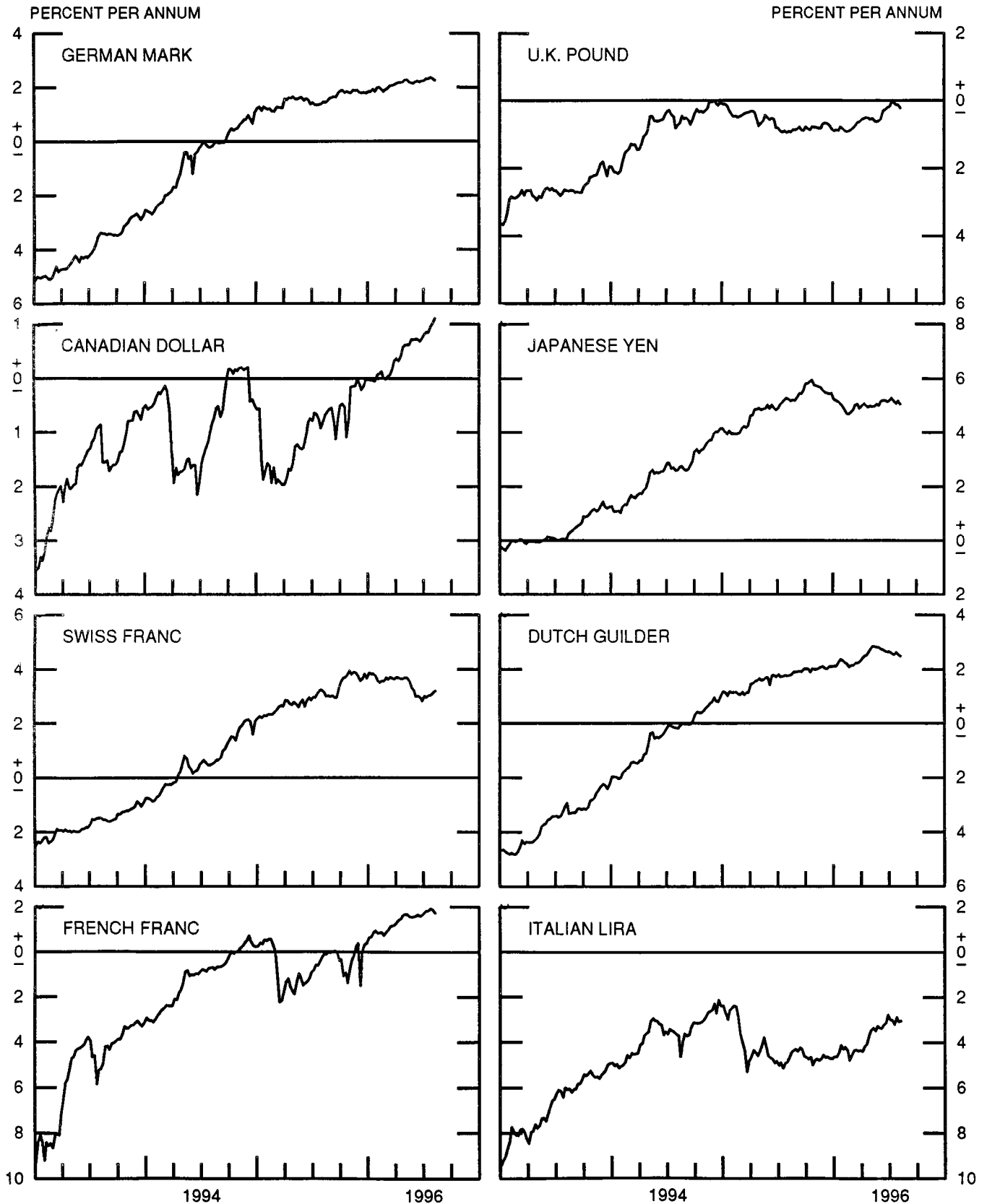


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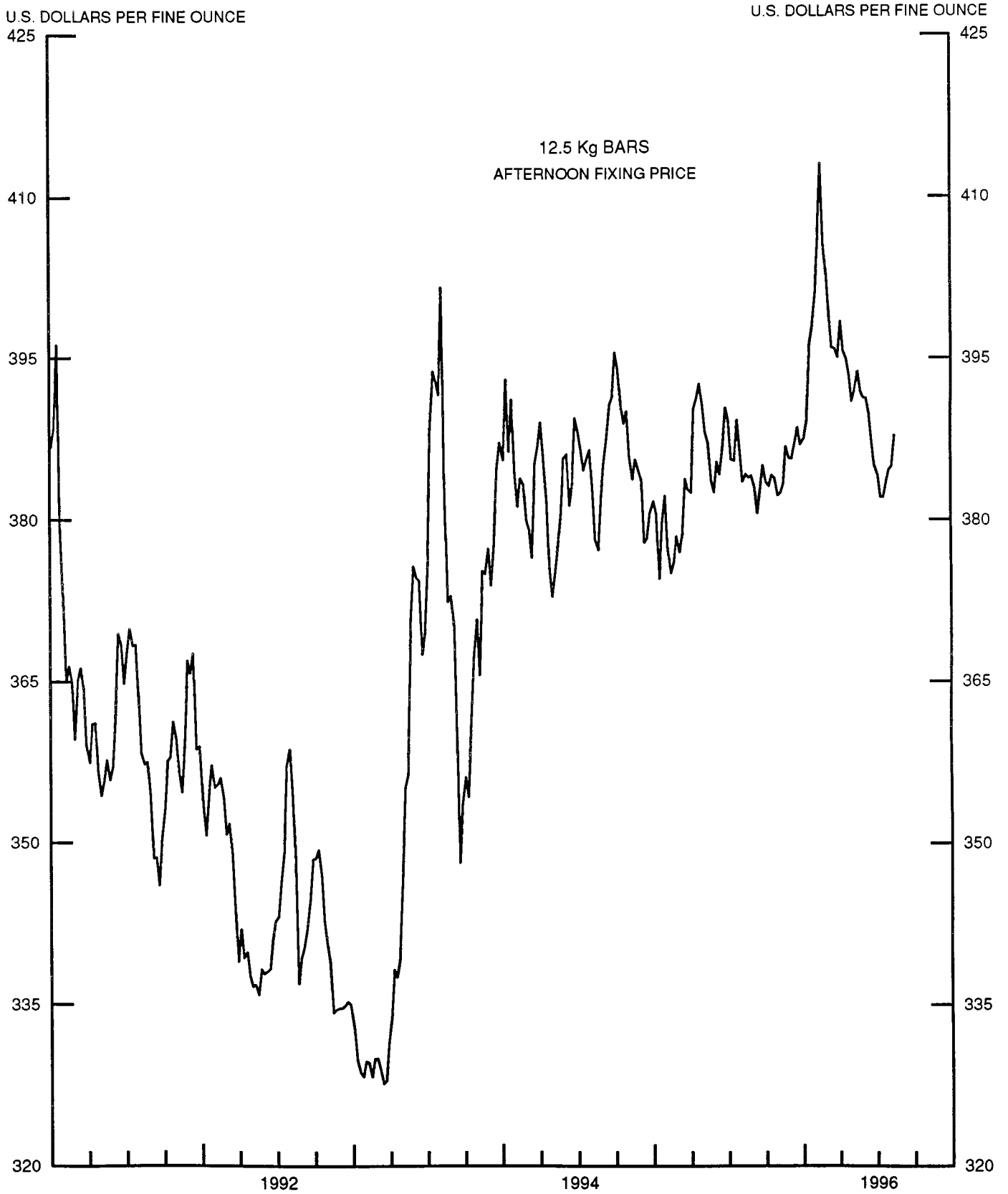


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WEEKLY SERIES

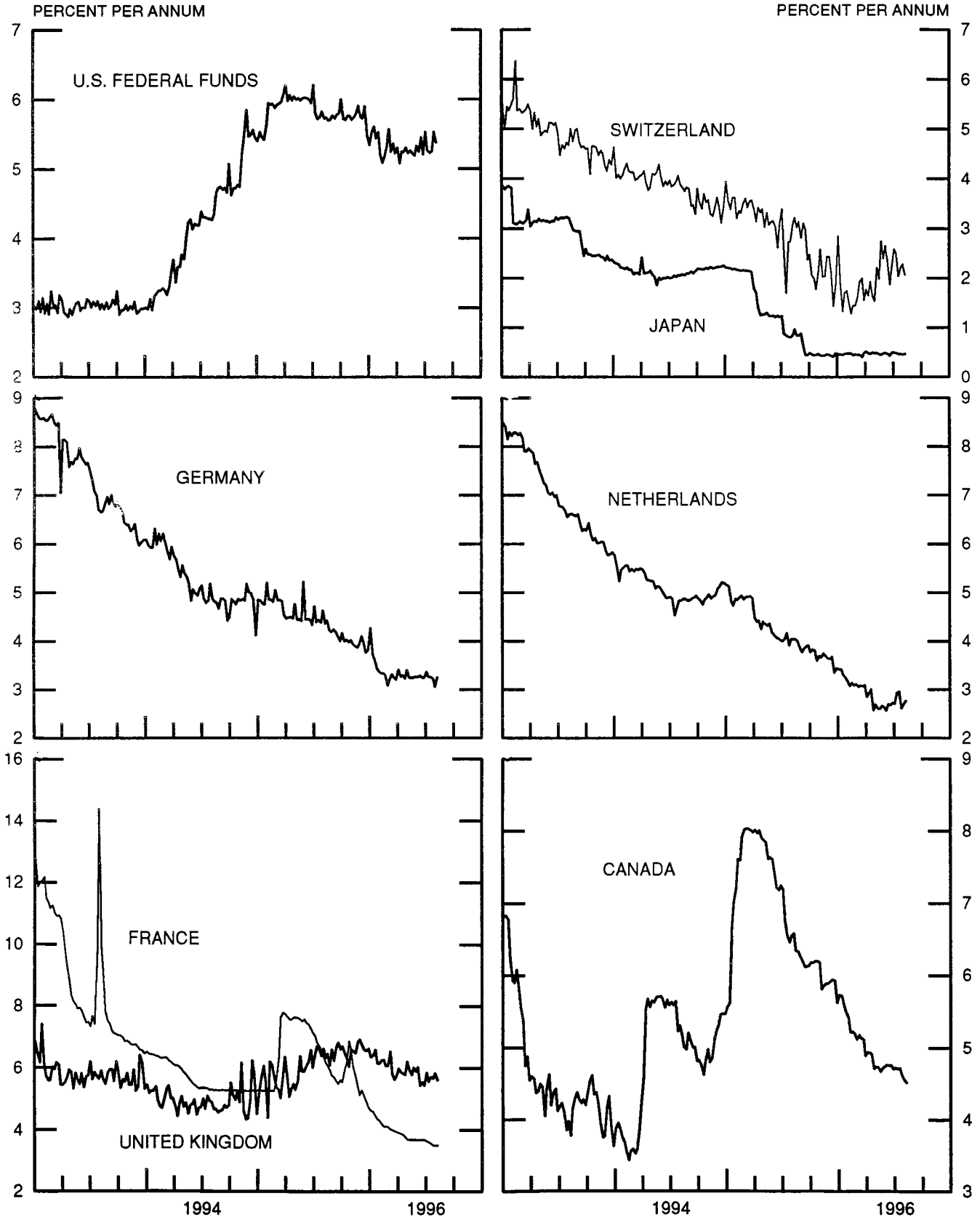


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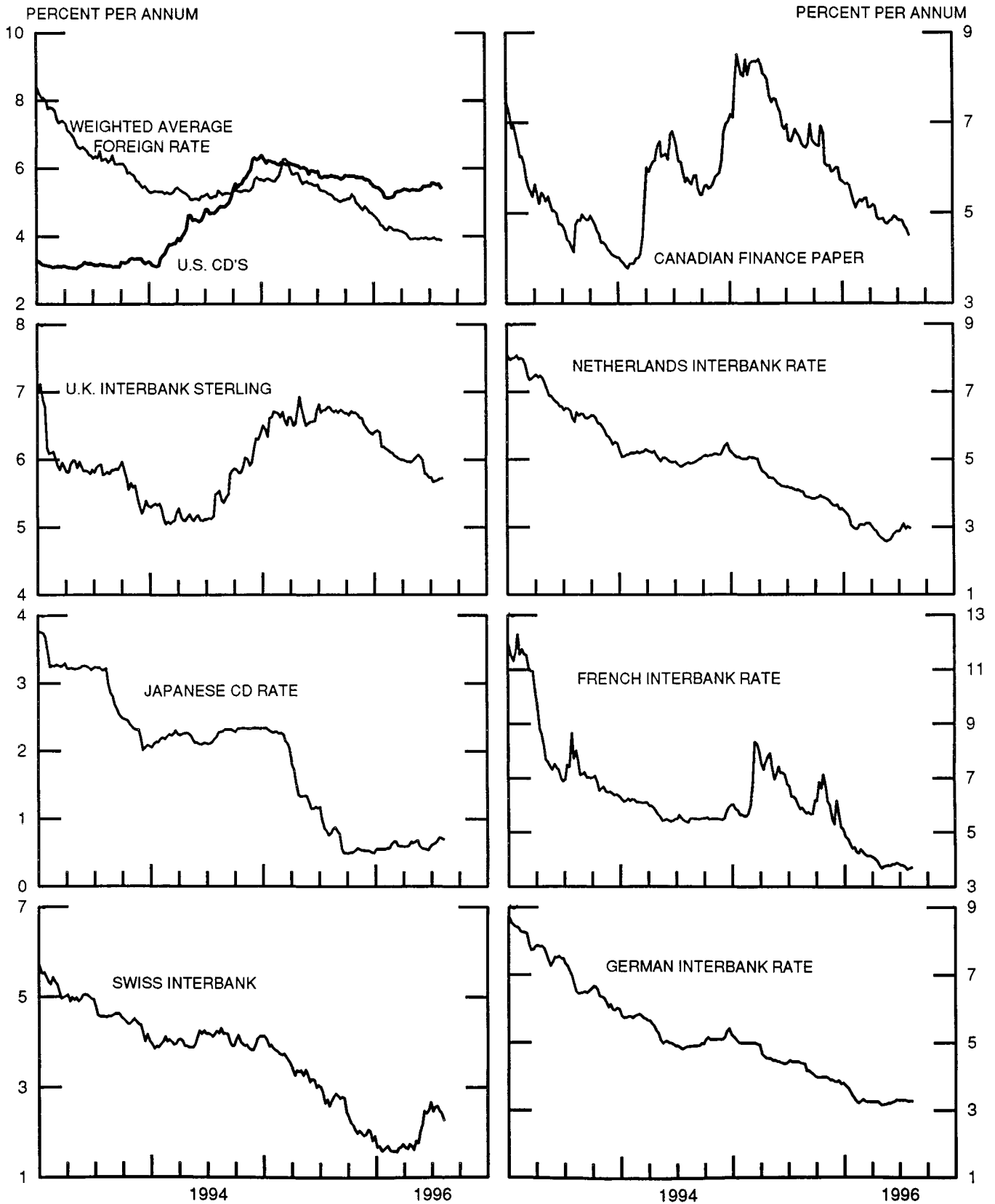


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EURO-DOLLAR DEPOSIT RATES, LONDON
AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

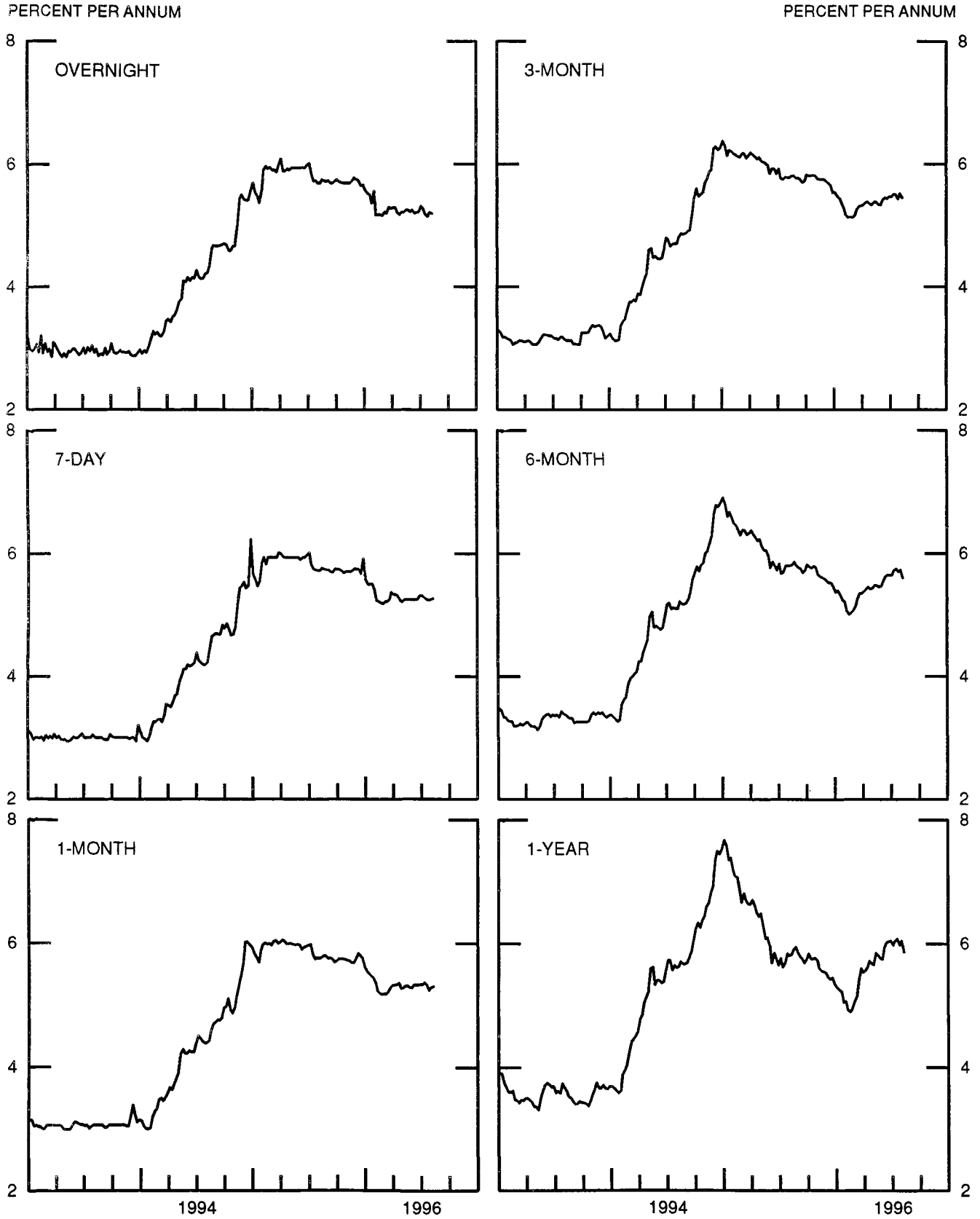


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SELECTED EURO-DOLLAR AND U.S. MONEY MARKET RATES
DIFFERENTIAL: PLUS(+), FAVORS BORROWING IN U.S.
AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

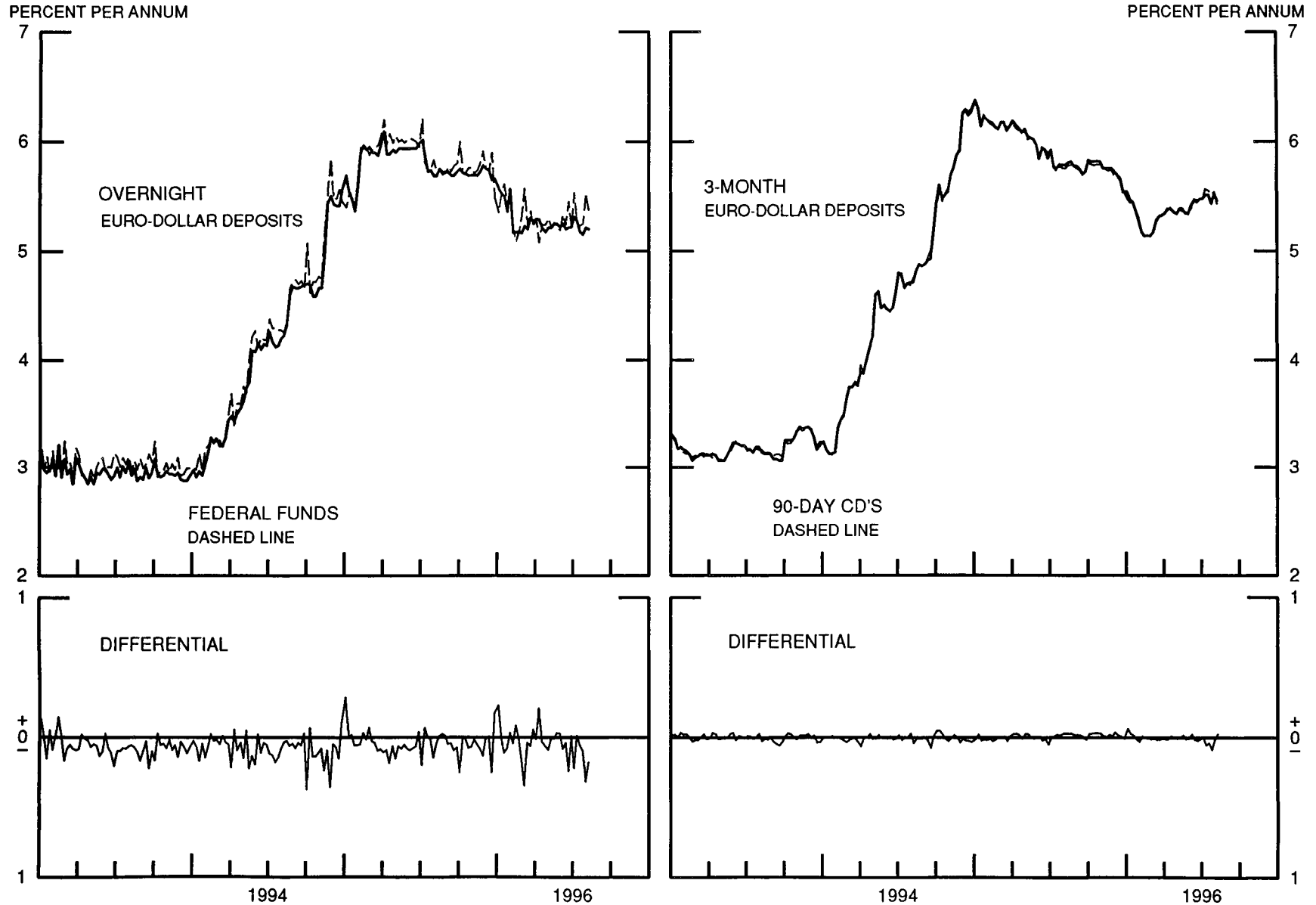


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INTEREST ARBITRAGE: 3-MONTH FUNDS
DIFFERENTIAL: PLUS(+), INDICATES FAVOR DOLLAR ASSETS
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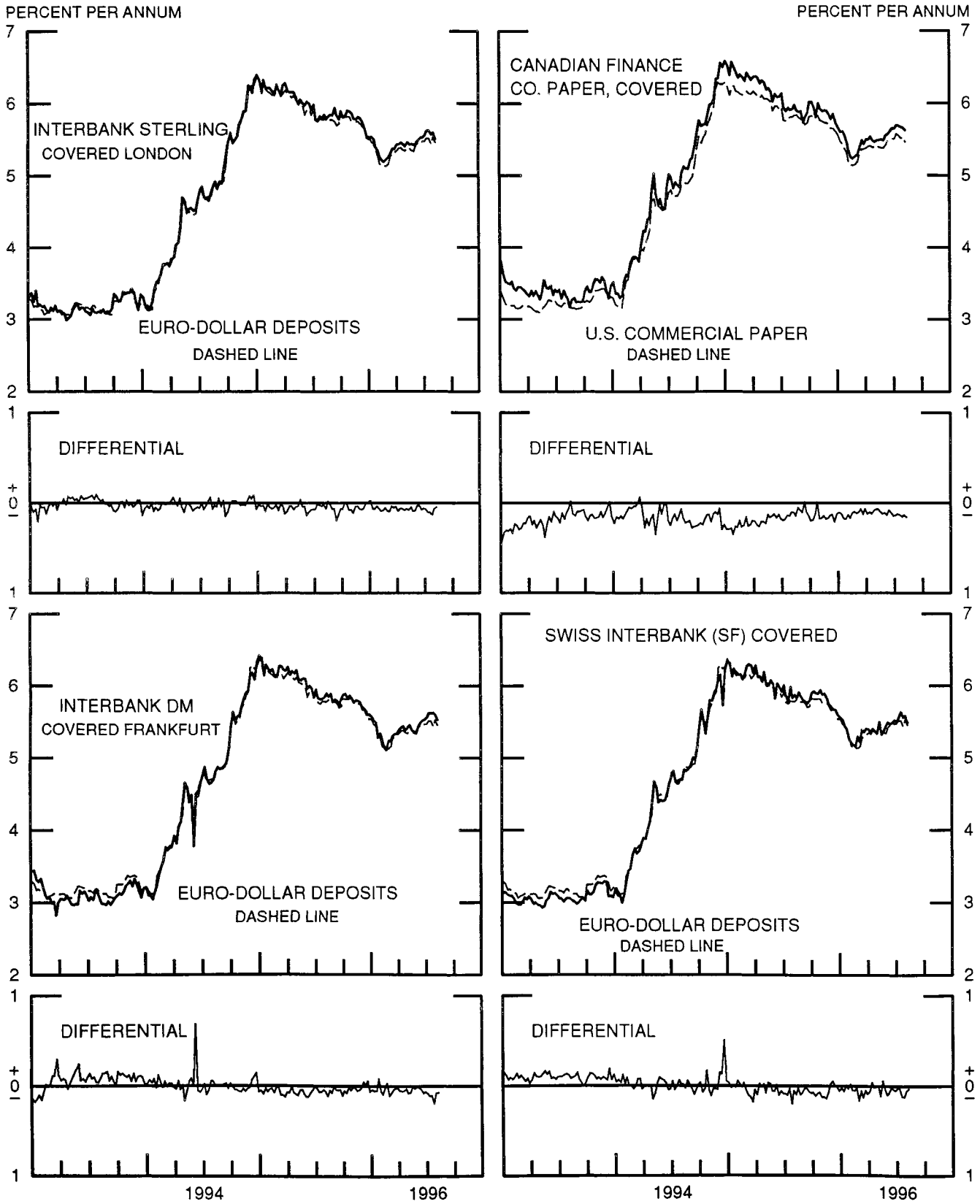


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LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT BOND YIELDS
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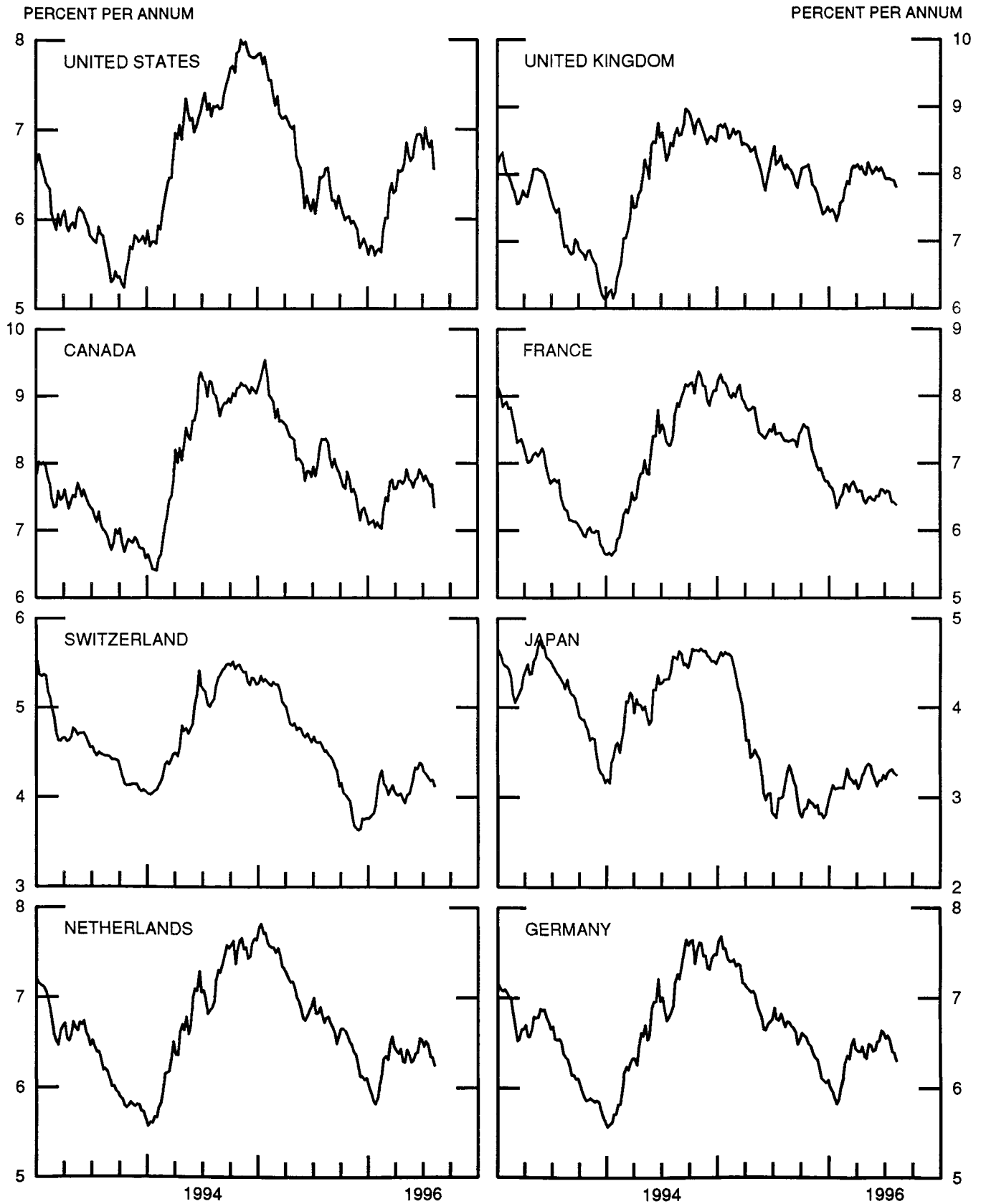
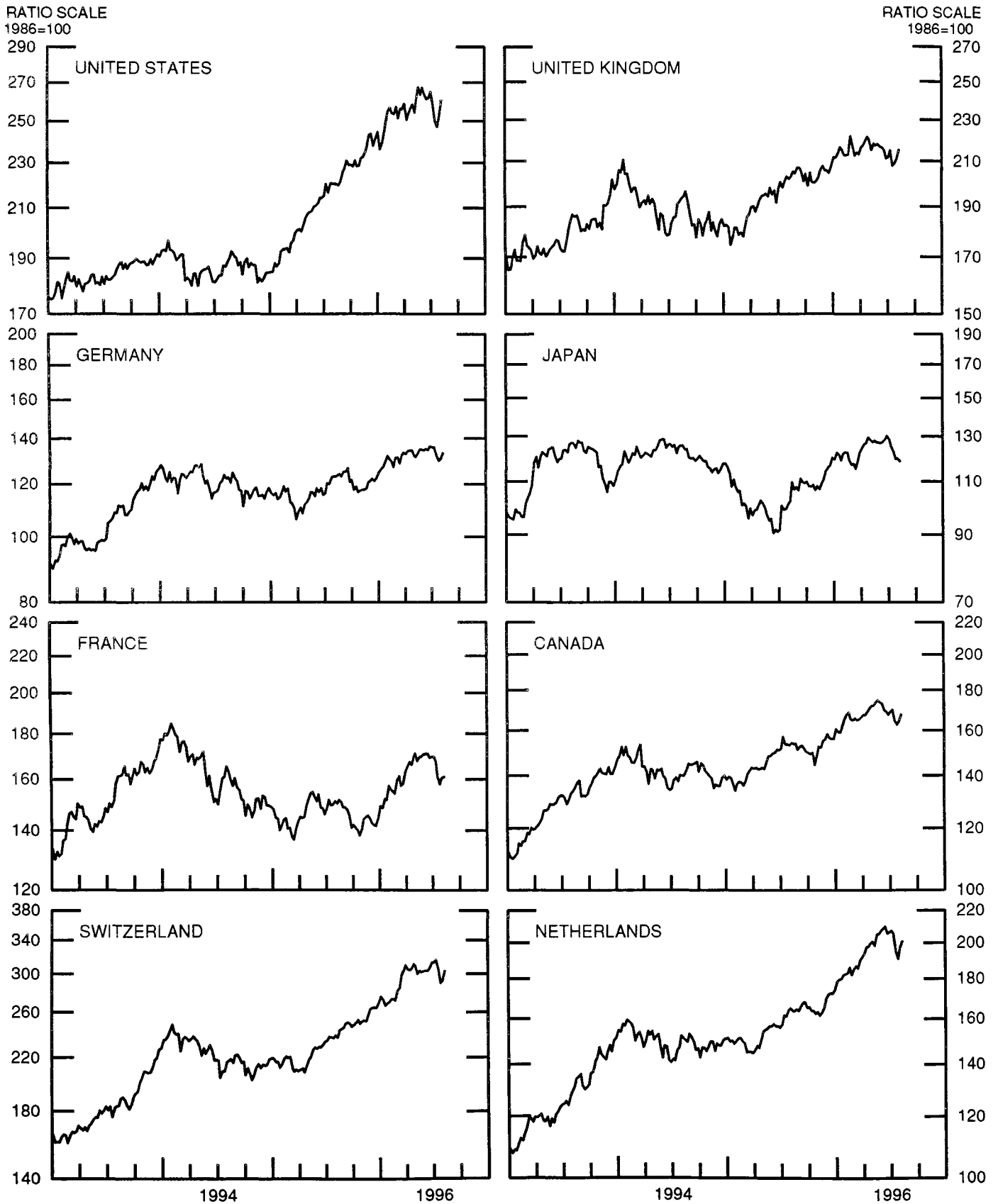


CHART 10
 STOCK INDICES
 WEEKLY SERIES



10-Jul-96 17-Jul-96 24-Jul-96 31-Jul-96 7-Aug-96

Chart 1. Spot Exchange Rates and Indices

Noon buying rates (U.S. cents, weekly averages)

Belgian franc	3.1781	3.2222	3.2612	3.2809	3.2759
Canadian dollar	73.021	72.953	73.032	72.801	72.787
French franc	19.348	19.592	19.847	19.930	19.856
German mark	65.453	66.347	67.221	67.611	67.540
Italian lira	0.06512	0.06536	0.06600	0.06561	0.06587
Japanese yen	0.90427	0.91065	0.92588	0.92467	0.93406
Netherlands guilder	58.345	59.094	59.896	60.209	60.178
Swiss franc	79.127	80.626	82.437	82.953	83.027
U.K. pound	155.13	155.19	154.99	155.60	154.45

Indices, March 1973 base rates = 100

Belgian franc	125.23	126.97	128.51	129.28	129.09
Canadian dollar	72.78	72.71	72.79	72.56	72.55
French franc	87.19	88.29	89.44	89.81	89.47
German mark	184.12	186.64	189.10	190.20	190.00
Italian lira	37.38	37.52	37.88	37.66	37.81
Japanese yen	236.77	238.44	242.43	242.11	244.57
Netherlands guilder	167.50	169.65	171.95	172.85	172.76
Swiss franc	254.56	259.39	265.21	266.87	267.11
U.K. pound	62.74	62.77	62.69	62.94	62.47

Weighted average exchange value indices, Mar. 1973=100

Belgian franc	114.34	115.20	115.64	116.15	115.98
Canadian dollar	63.87	63.36	62.86	62.52	62.51
French franc	76.92	77.43	77.82	78.03	77.71
German mark	184.54	186.08	187.12	188.01	187.79
Italian lira	30.84	30.75	30.79	30.54	30.67
Japanese yen	235.18	235.29	237.46	236.63	239.33
Netherlands guilder	156.29	157.32	158.18	158.76	158.68
Swedish krona	58.97	58.66	58.92	58.89	58.76
Swiss franc	236.37	239.34	242.77	243.87	244.11
U.K. pound	53.64	53.28	52.71	52.83	52.40
U.S. dollar	88.26	87.53	86.60	86.40	86.40

Chart 2. 3-Month Forward Exchange Rates, Premium or Discount

Canadian dollar	0.84	0.85	0.96	1.01	1.10
French franc	1.81	1.84	1.93	1.87	1.73
German mark	2.30	2.30	2.34	2.32	2.24
Italian lira	-3.01	-3.20	-2.87	-3.09	-3.03
Japanese yen	5.28	5.17	5.07	5.18	5.06
Netherlands guilder	2.59	2.53	2.63	2.53	2.48
Swiss franc	2.95	3.02	3.05	3.13	3.19
U.K. pound	-0.06	-0.06	-0.13	-0.12	-0.21

Chart 3. Gold Price in London, Afternoon Fixing

U.S. dollars per fine ounce	382.06	383.34	384.59	384.92	387.77
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Chart 4. Call Money Rates

U.S. federal funds	5.26	5.23	5.25	5.53	5.38
Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.28	5.18	5.15	5.21	5.20
Canada	4.71	4.72	4.62	4.57	4.53
France	3.61	3.56	3.51	3.50	3.50
Germany	3.27	3.26	3.23	3.06	3.25
Japan	0.48	0.46	0.47	0.46	0.47
Netherlands	2.93	2.95	2.61	2.69	2.76
Switzerland	2.50	2.04	2.21	2.28	2.06
United Kingdom	5.56	5.73	5.68	5.84	5.63

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Chart 5. 3-Month Interest Rates

U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.57	5.55	5.52	5.54	5.43
Canadian finance paper	4.84	4.83	4.70	4.64	4.51
French interbank rate	3.80	3.75	3.65	3.68	3.72
German interbank rate	3.30	3.30	3.27	3.27	3.27
Japanese CD rate	0.63	0.66	0.72	0.71	0.70
Netherlands interbank rate	2.97	3.09	2.95	3.01	2.97
Swiss interbank rate	2.58	2.59	2.49	2.44	2.28
U.K. interbank sterling	5.67	5.68	5.69	5.71	5.72
Weighted average foreign interest rate (G-10 Countries)	3.93	3.96	3.89	3.90	3.88

Chart 6. Euro-Dollar Deposit Rates

Overnight	5.28	5.18	5.15	5.21	5.20
7-day	5.30	5.26	5.24	5.25	5.27
1-month	5.37	5.33	5.24	5.29	5.31
3-month	5.51	5.51	5.43	5.53	5.46
6-month	5.72	5.75	5.71	5.74	5.61
1-year	6.06	6.08	5.98	6.05	5.87

Chart 7. Selected Euro-dollar & U.S. Money Market Rates

Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.28	5.18	5.15	5.21	5.20
U.S. federal funds	5.26	5.23	5.25	5.53	5.38
Differential	0.01	-0.05	-0.10	-0.32	-0.18
3-month Euro-dollar deposit	5.51	5.51	5.43	5.53	5.46
U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.57	5.55	5.52	5.54	5.43
Differential	-0.05	-0.04	-0.08	-0.02	0.02

Chart 8. Interest Arbitrage, 3-Month Funds

Euro-dollar deposit	5.51	5.51	5.43	5.53	5.46
Interbank sterling (London), covered	5.61	5.62	5.56	5.59	5.50
Differential	-0.10	-0.11	-0.13	-0.06	-0.05
U.S. commercial paper	5.57	5.55	5.51	5.53	5.46
Canadian finance paper, covered	5.69	5.69	5.67	5.66	5.62
Differential	-0.12	-0.13	-0.15	-0.13	-0.16
Euro-dollar deposit	5.51	5.51	5.43	5.53	5.46
Interbank DM (Frankfurt), covered	5.62	5.62	5.63	5.60	5.53
Differential	-0.11	-0.11	-0.20	-0.08	-0.07
Euro-dollar deposit	5.51	5.51	5.43	5.53	5.46
Swiss interbank, covered	5.54	5.63	5.56	5.58	5.49
Differential	-0.03	-0.12	-0.12	-0.06	-0.03

Chart 9. Long Term Government Bellwether Bond Yields
10-year maturity, where available

Canada	7.81	7.74	7.66	7.68	7.35
France	6.59	6.56	6.42	6.41	6.38
Germany	6.58	6.53	6.40	6.39	6.31
Japan	3.26	3.30	3.31	3.27	3.25
Switzerland	4.26	4.22	4.18	4.20	4.13
Netherlands	6.52	6.48	6.35	6.34	6.25
United Kingdom	7.93	7.93	7.91	7.90	7.81
United States	7.02	6.86	6.80	6.87	6.56

Chart 10. Stock Indices (Wednesday figures)

Canada	169.90	164.62	162.63	164.26	167.43
France	167.44	160.78	157.86	160.51	160.82
Germany	136.08	132.23	129.89	130.56	133.17
Japan	125.38	122.92	119.60	119.81	118.60
Netherlands	205.26	195.07	190.73	197.07	200.76
Switzerland	316.08	305.80	290.27	291.97	302.95
United Kingdom	214.77	207.82	208.92	210.93	214.93
United States	258.58	250.02	247.06	251.93	260.44

Indices (in order, rebased to 1986=100) are Toronto Composite, CAC General spliced to SBF250 at 22dec93, FAZ Aktien, Tokyo SE (Topix), CBS All-General, Swiss Bank Index, Financial Times Ordinary, NYSE Composite