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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

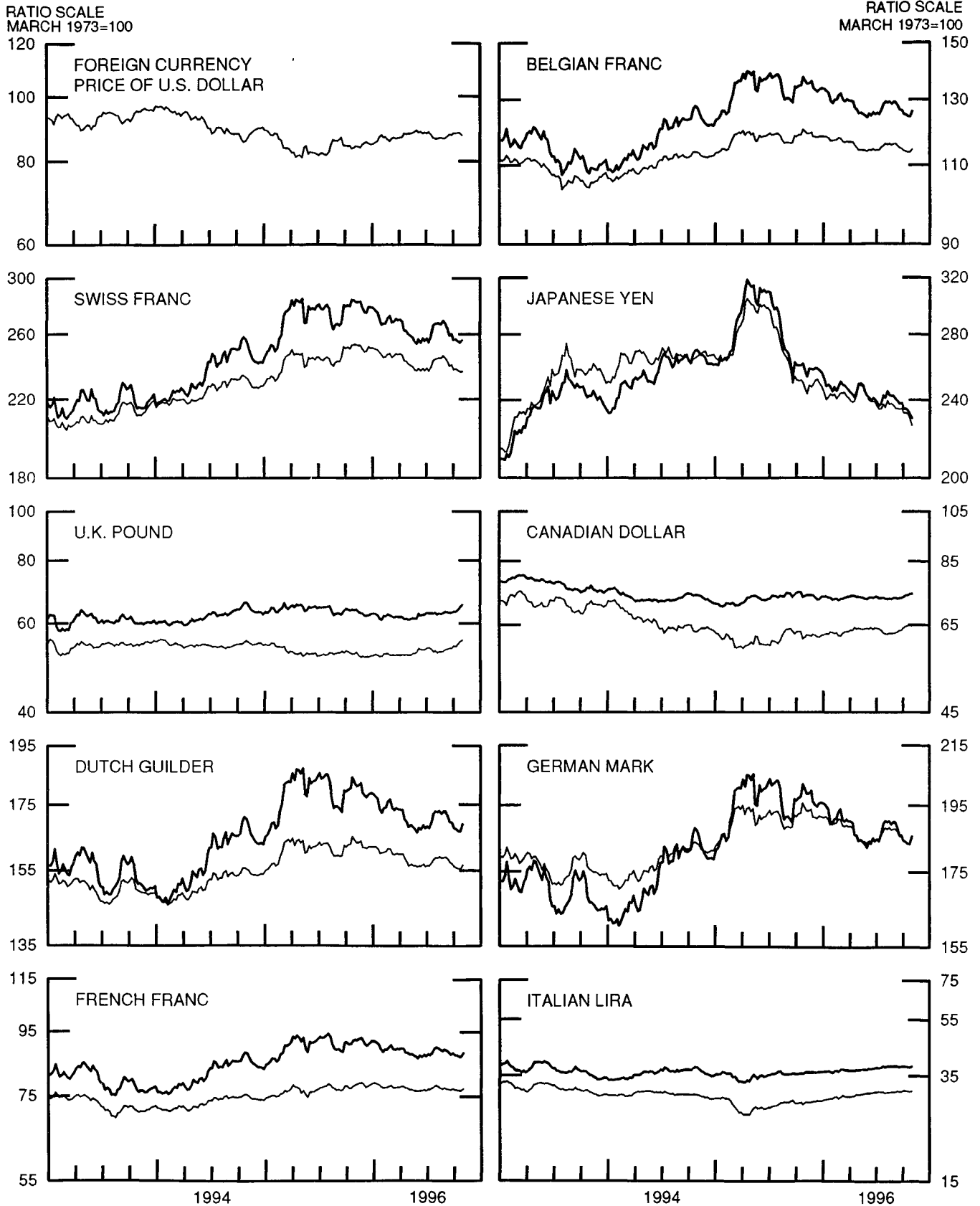


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3-MONTH FORWARD EXCHANGE RATES

PREMIUM (+) OR (-)
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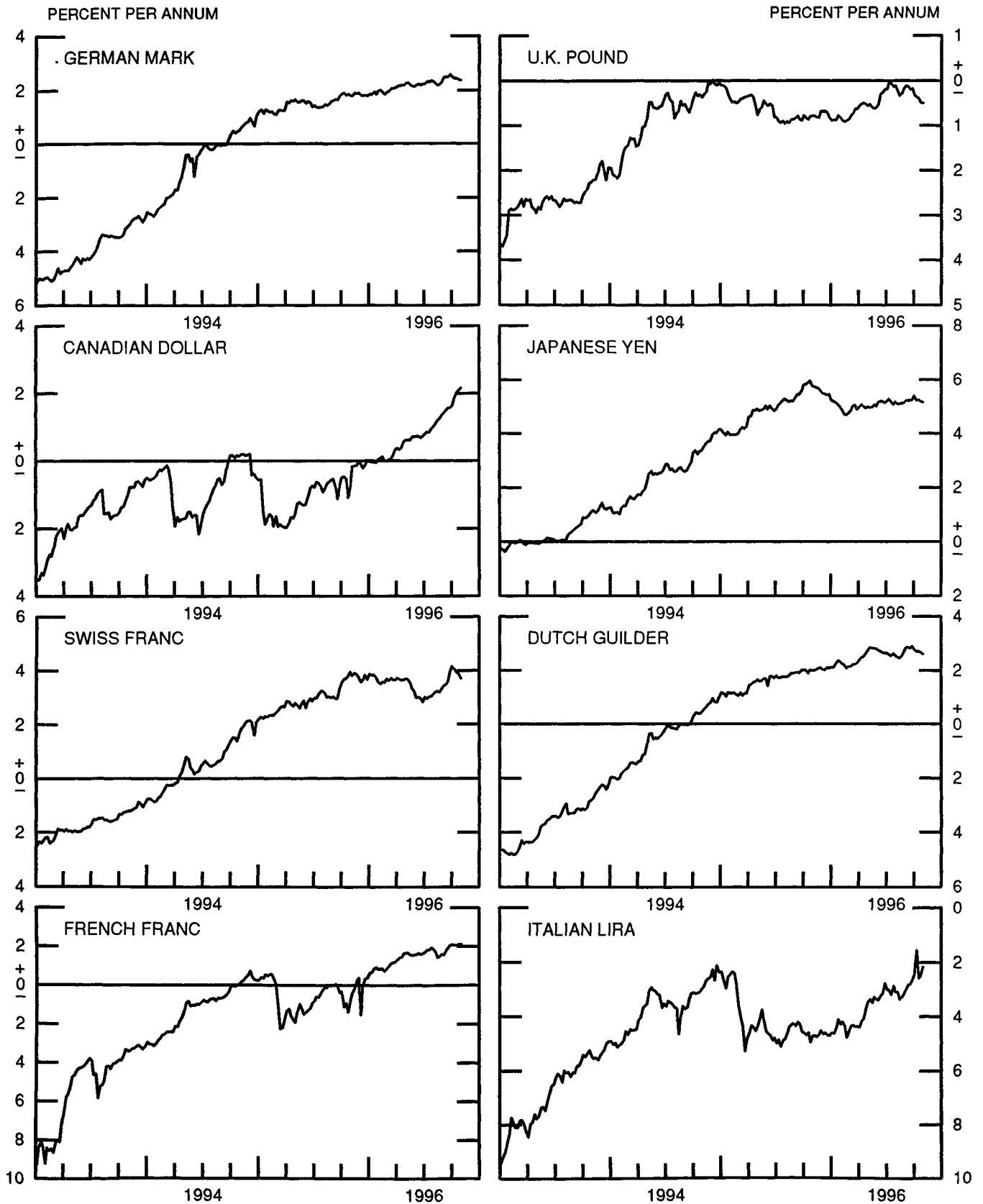


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PRICE OF GOLD IN LONDON
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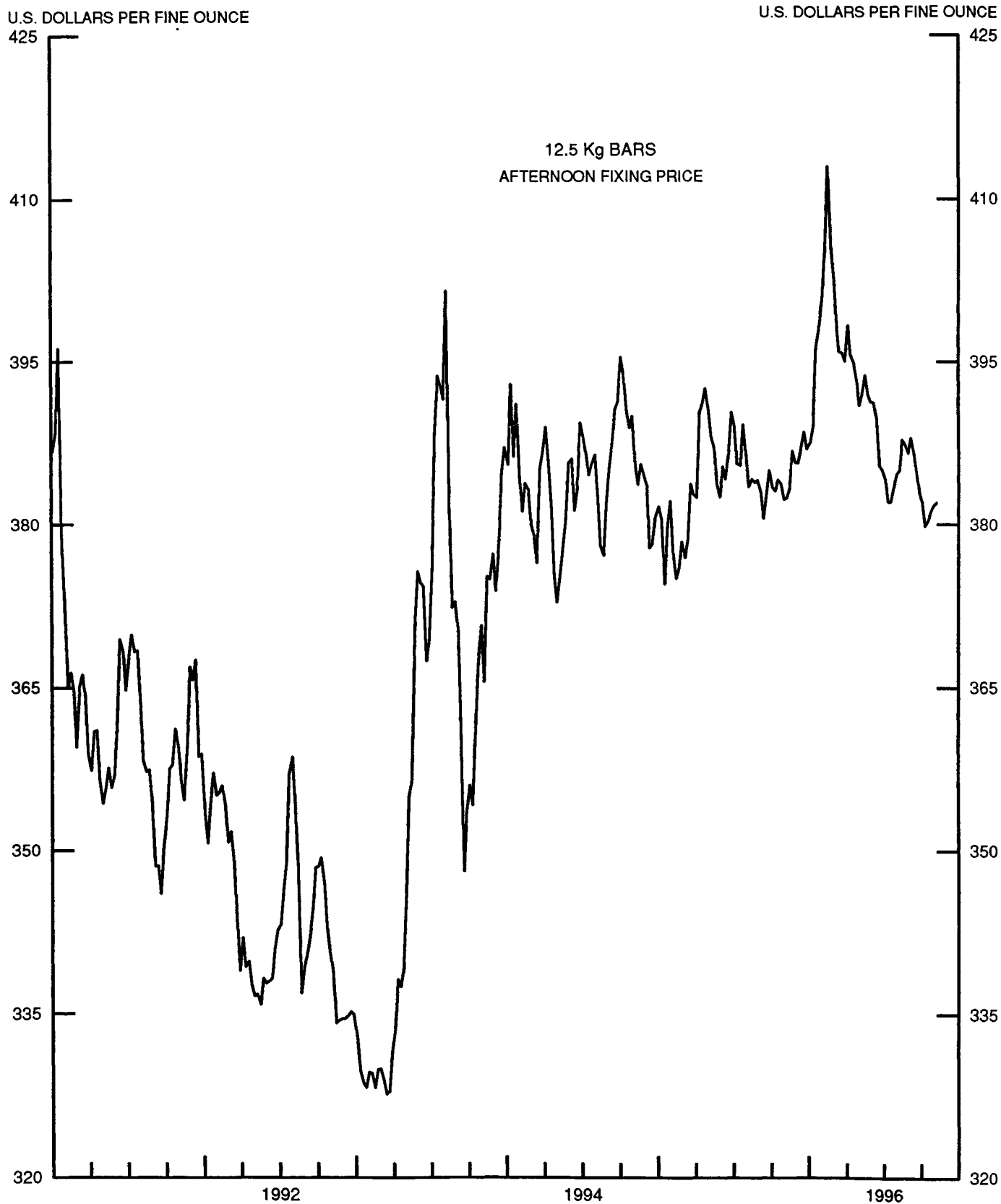


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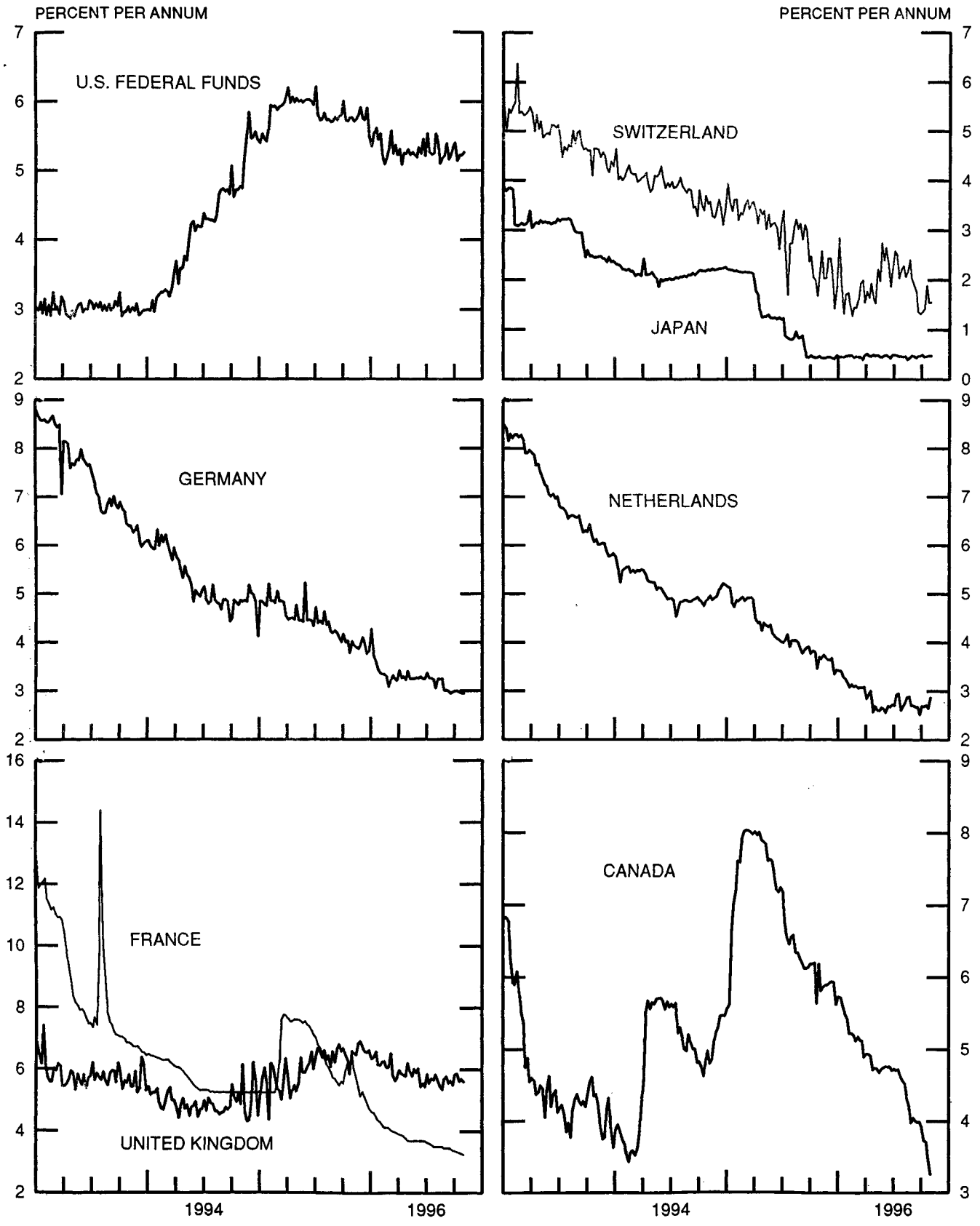


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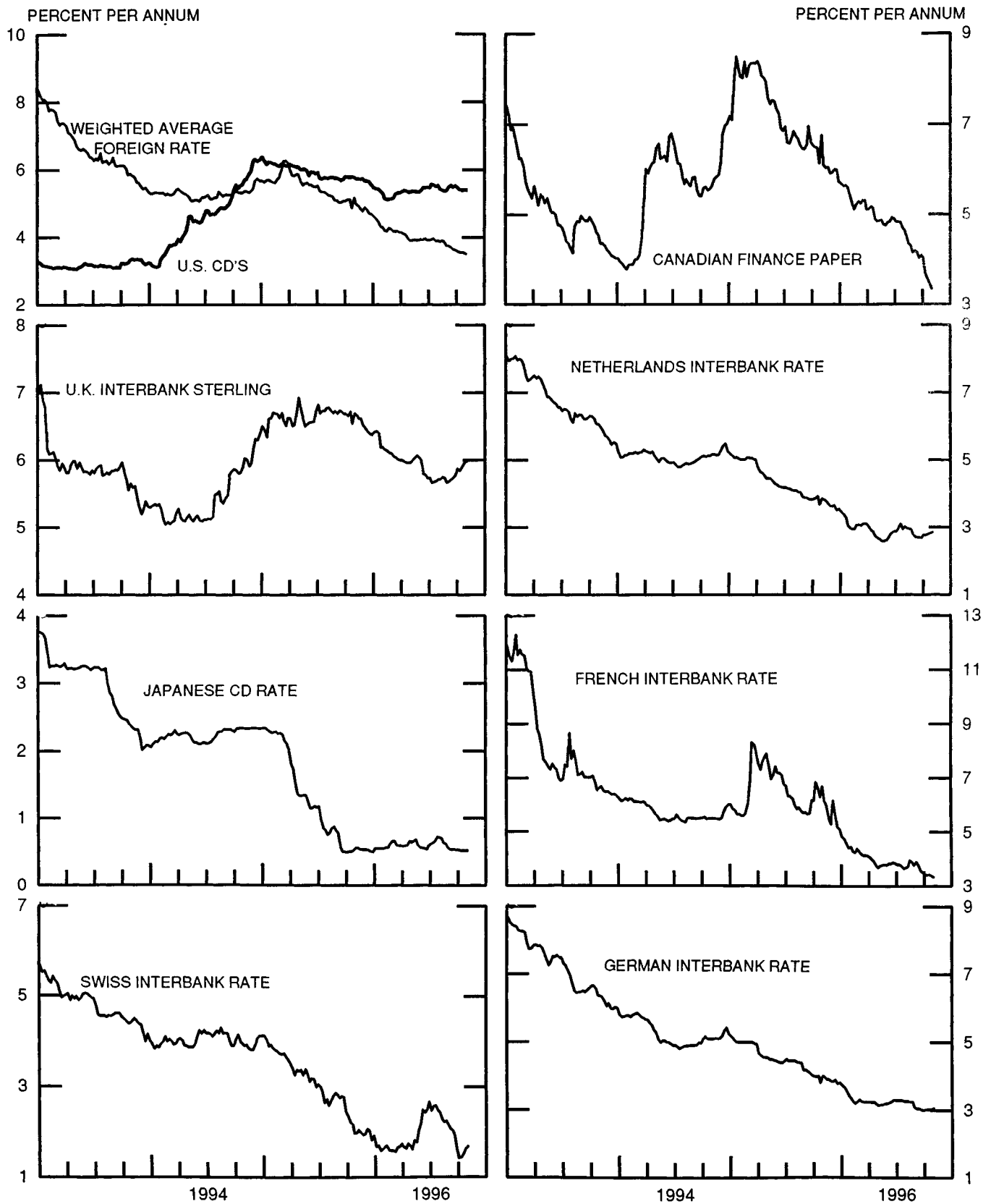


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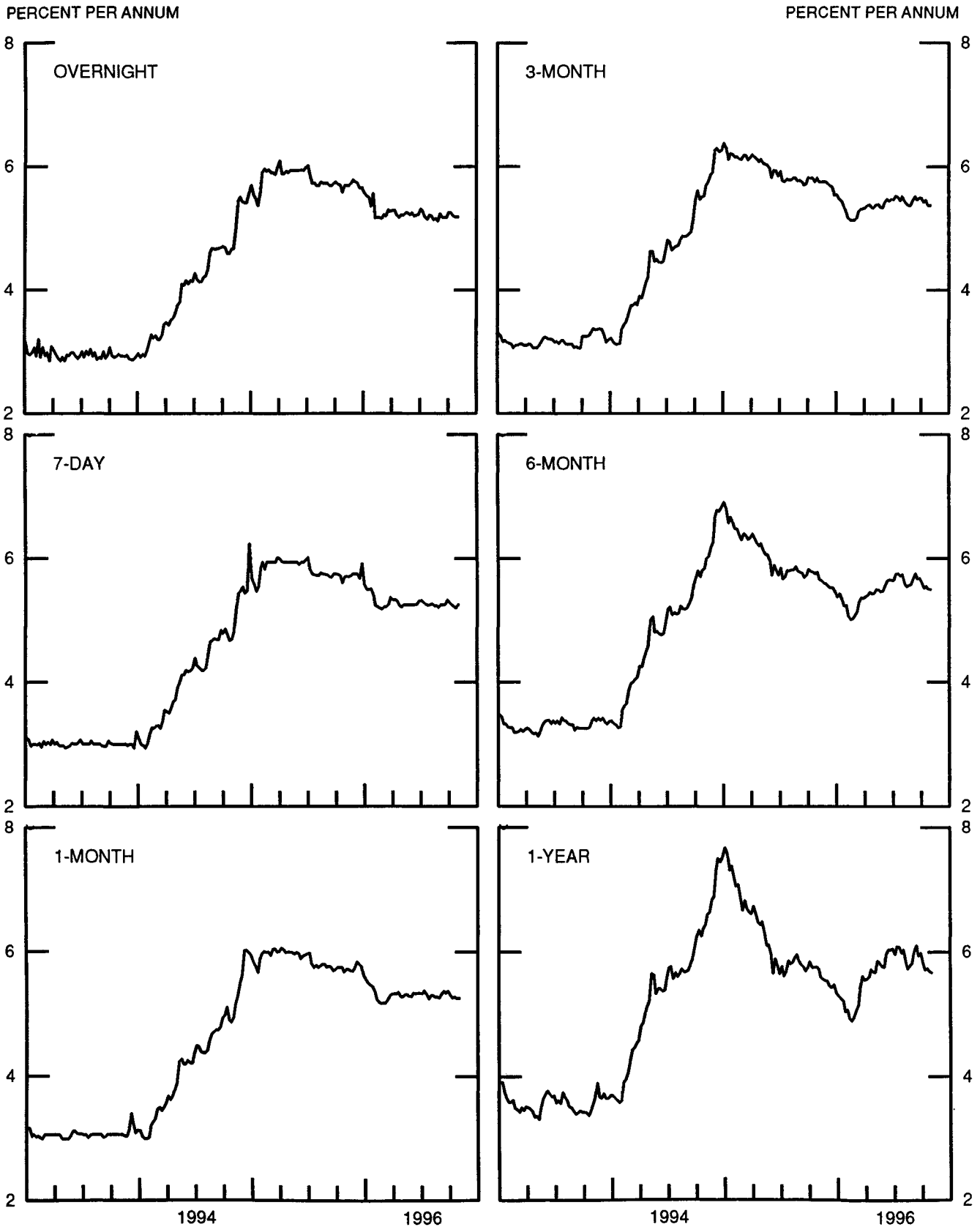


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SELECTED EURO-DOLLAR AND U.S. MONEY MARKET RATES
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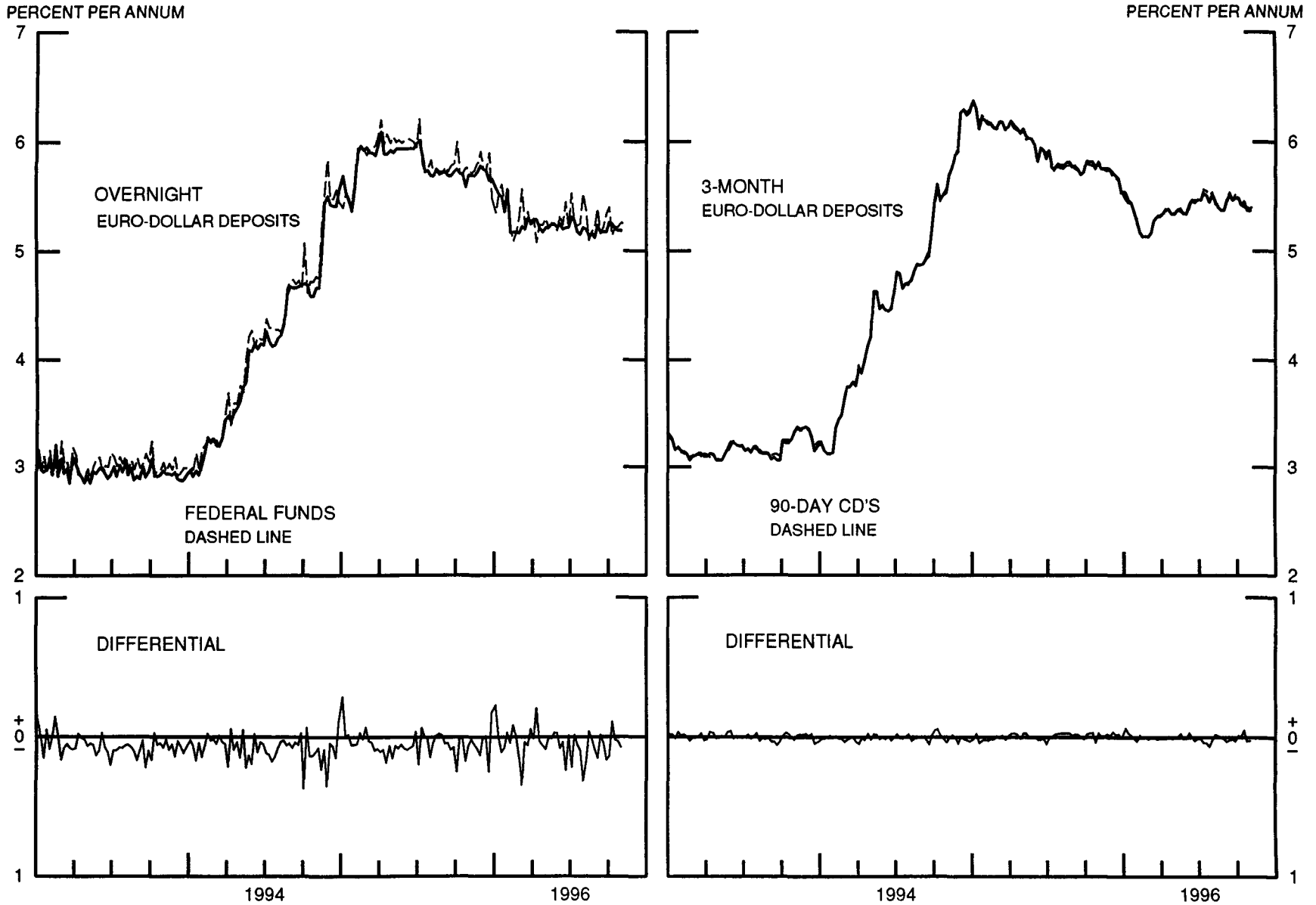


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INTEREST ARBITRAGE: 3-MONTH FUNDS
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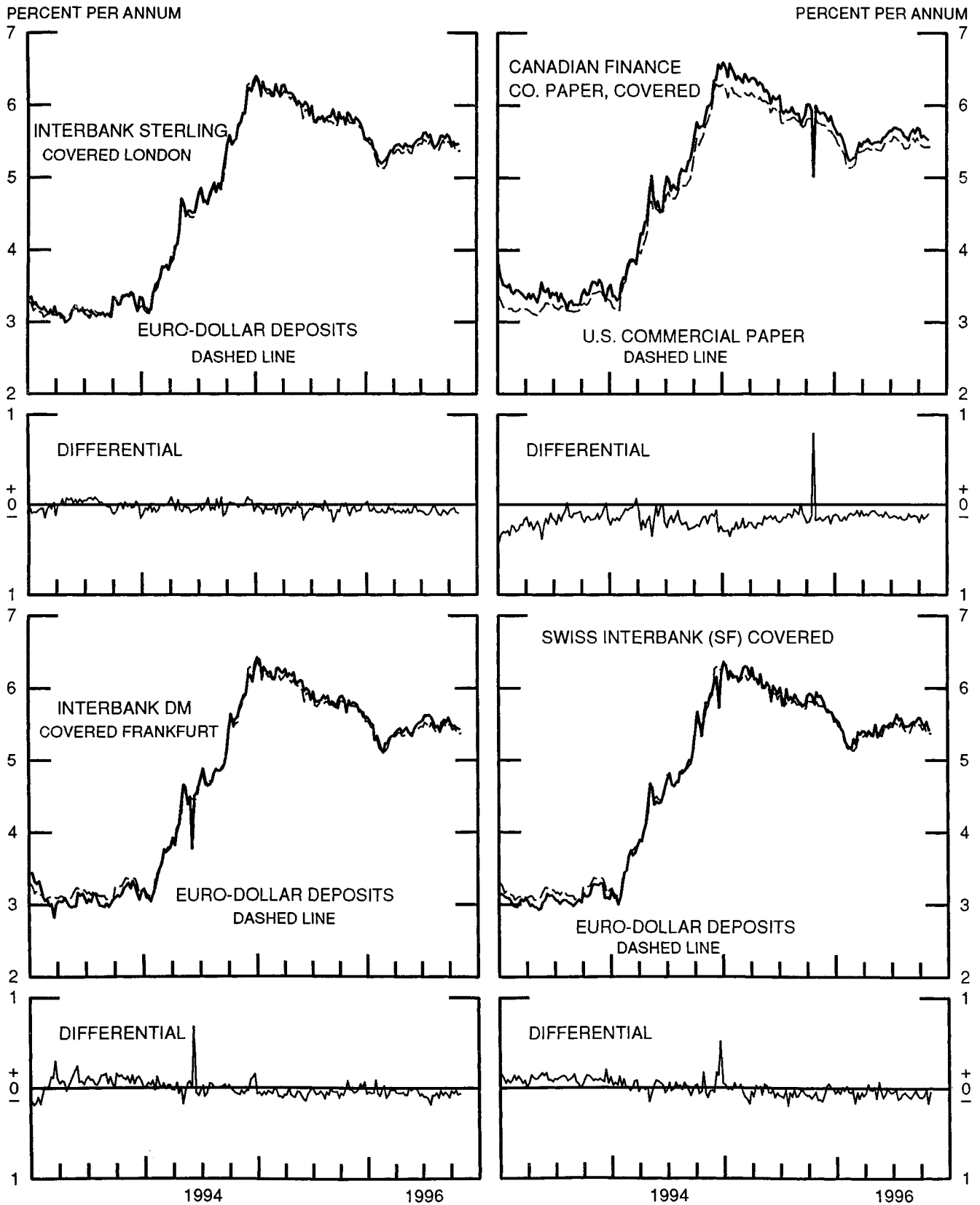


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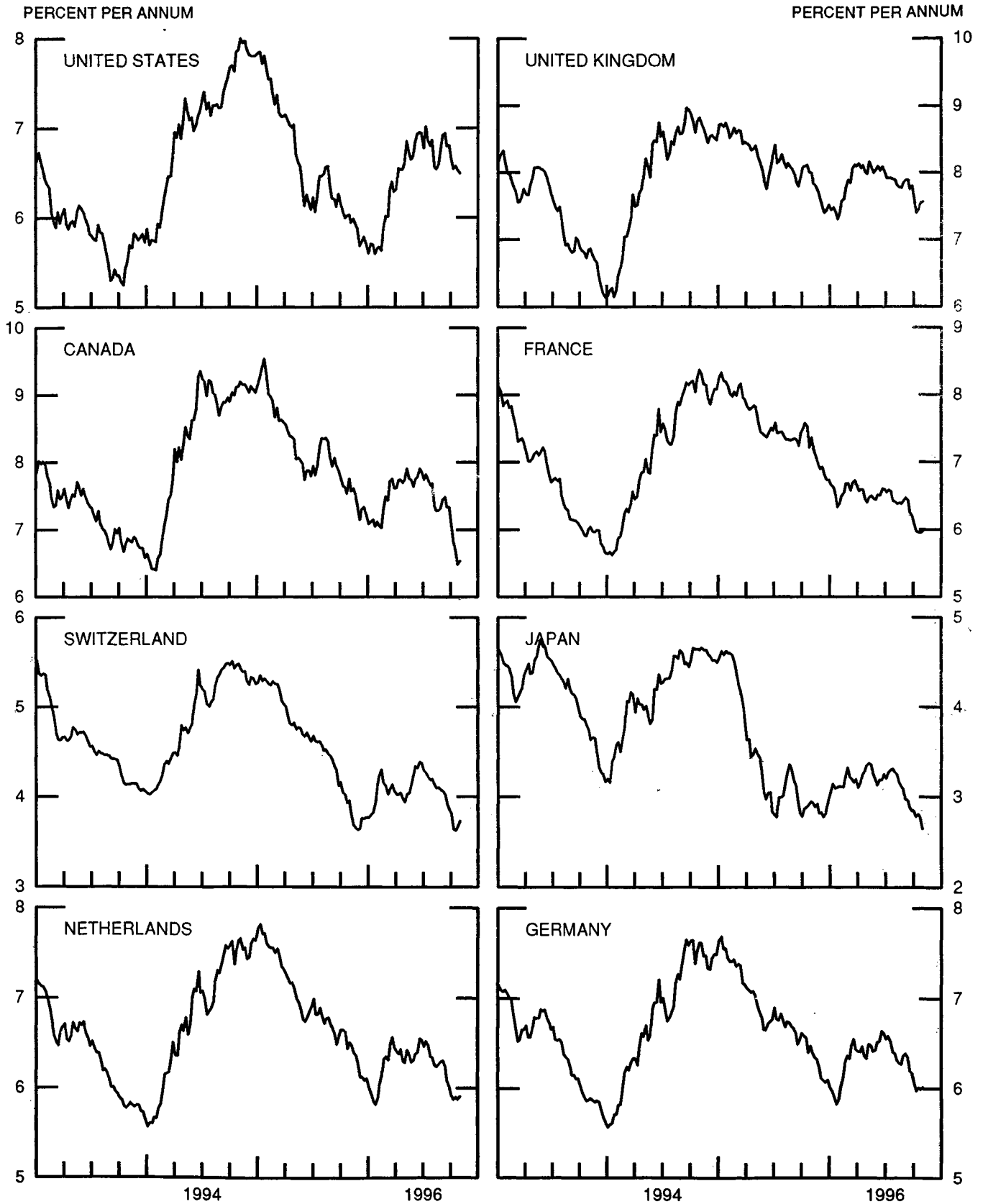
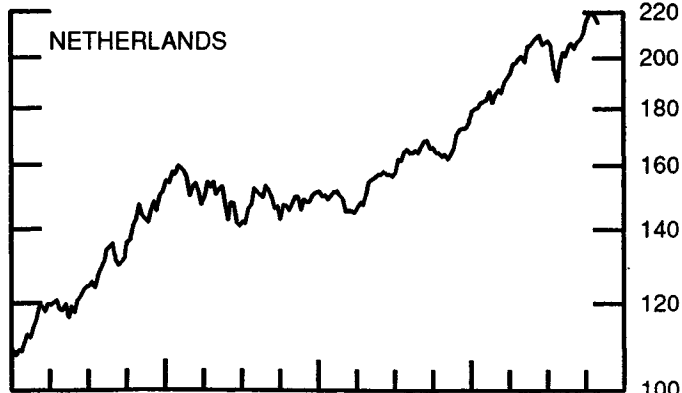
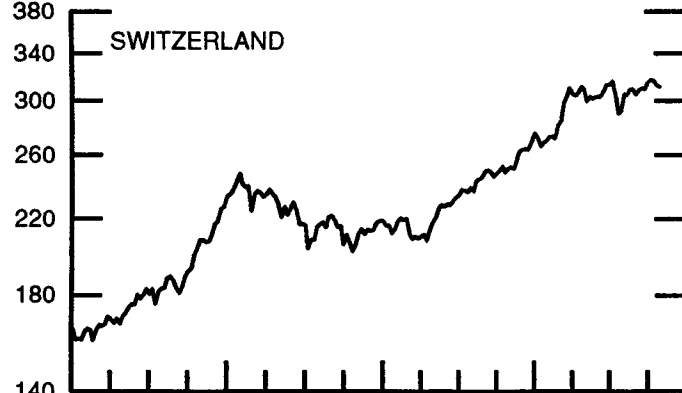
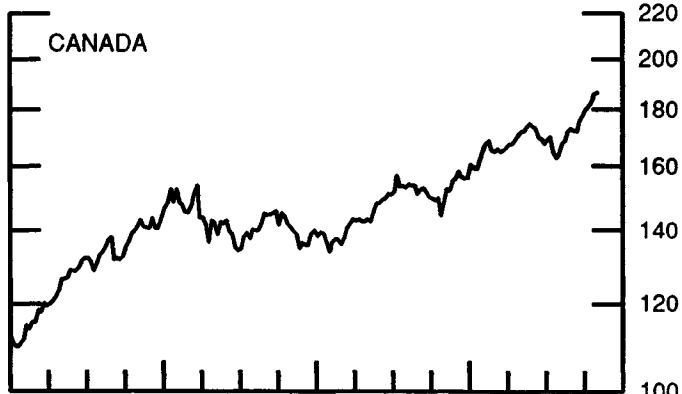
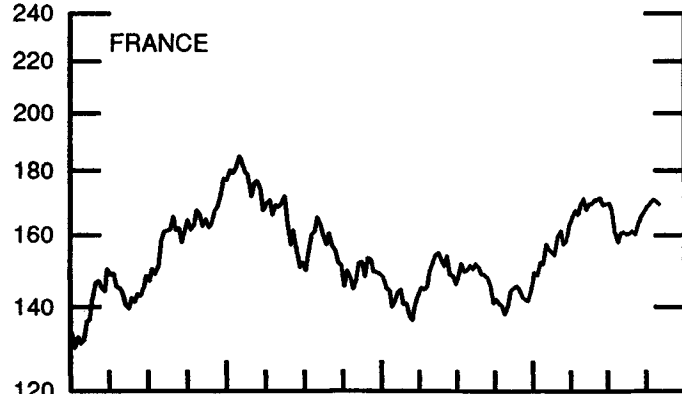
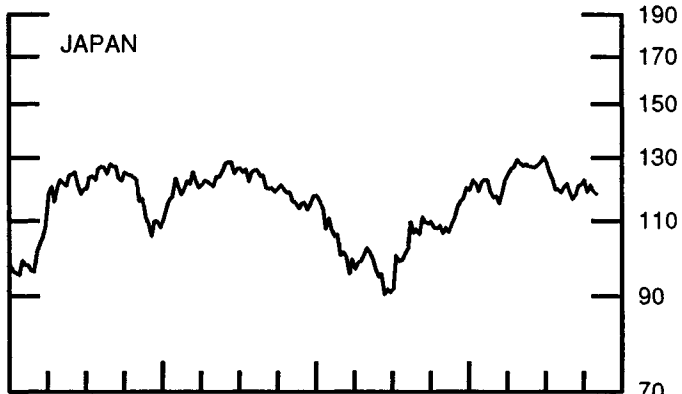
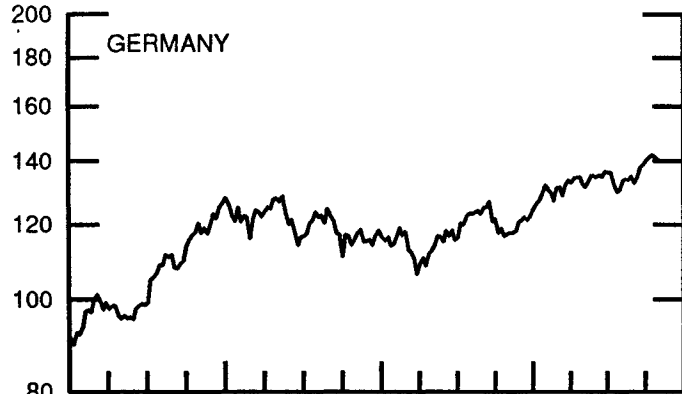
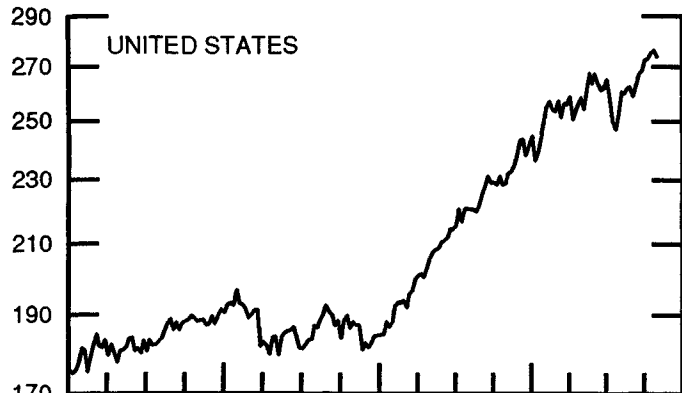


CHART 10
STOCK INDICES
 WEEKLY SERIES

RATIO SCALE
 1986=100

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2-Oct-96 9-Oct-96 16-Oct-96 23-Oct-96 30-Oct-96

Chart 1. Spot Exchange Rates and Indices

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

	2-Oct-96	9-Oct-96	16-Oct-96	23-Oct-96	30-Oct-96
Belgian franc	3.1825	3.1743	3.1626	3.1607	3.2015
Canadian dollar	73.364	73.783	73.888	74.210	74.376
French franc	19.367	19.335	19.263	19.264	19.518
German mark	65.523	65.372	65.154	65.119	65.951
Italian lira	0.06572	0.06586	0.06544	0.06524	0.06580
Japanese yen	0.89827	0.89778	0.89413	0.88735	0.87871
Netherlands guilder	58.415	58.245	58.071	58.034	58.786
Swiss franc	79.677	79.695	79.357	79.073	79.550
U.K. pound	156.47	156.37	157.66	159.19	161.10

Indices, March 1973 base rates = 100

	2-Oct-96	9-Oct-96	16-Oct-96	23-Oct-96	30-Oct-96
Belgian franc	125.41	125.08	124.62	124.55	126.15
Canadian dollar	73.12	73.54	73.64	73.96	74.13
French franc	87.27	87.13	86.80	86.81	87.95
German mark	184.32	183.90	183.28	183.19	185.52
Italian lira	37.72	37.81	37.56	37.45	37.77
Japanese yen	235.20	235.07	234.11	232.34	230.08
Netherlands guilder	167.70	167.21	166.71	166.60	168.76
Swiss franc	256.33	256.39	255.30	254.39	255.92
U.K. pound	63.29	63.25	63.77	64.39	65.16

Weighted average exchange value indices, March 1973=100

	2-Oct-96	9-Oct-96	16-Oct-96	23-Oct-96	30-Oct-96
Belgian franc	114.26	113.99	113.72	113.66	114.46
Canadian dollar	64.06	64.47	64.68	64.99	64.71
French franc	76.83	76.72	76.53	76.54	77.13
German mark	184.33	183.89	183.48	183.38	184.82
Italian lira	31.08	31.17	31.00	30.90	30.98
Japanese yen	232.91	232.85	232.18	230.22	226.15
Netherlands guilder	156.16	155.73	155.48	155.38	156.50
Swedish krona	59.40	59.61	59.63	59.62	59.70
Swiss franc	237.57	237.70	237.03	236.17	236.13
U.K. pound	54.03	54.01	54.59	55.18	55.54
U.S. dollar	88.04	88.07	88.24	88.25	87.56

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

	2-Oct-96	9-Oct-96	16-Oct-96	23-Oct-96	30-Oct-96
Canadian dollar	1.63	1.86	2.02	2.09	2.16
French franc	2.09	2.07	2.05	2.09	2.10
German mark	2.49	2.43	2.43	2.40	2.37
Italian lira	-2.44	-1.56	-2.58	-2.48	-2.17
Japanese yen	5.40	5.24	5.25	5.20	5.17
Netherlands guilder	2.78	2.70	2.71	2.67	2.61
Swiss franc	4.15	4.06	3.93	3.90	3.71
U.K. pound	-0.30	-0.36	-0.40	-0.49	-0.51

Chart 3. Gold Price in London, Afternoon Fixing

	2-Oct-96	9-Oct-96	16-Oct-96	23-Oct-96	30-Oct-96
U.S. dollars per fine ounce	379.82	380.37	381.18	381.69	381.97

Chart 4. Call Money Rates

	2-Oct-96	9-Oct-96	16-Oct-96	23-Oct-96	30-Oct-96
U.S. federal funds	5.40	5.14	5.22	5.22	5.26
Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.26	5.25	5.20	5.19	5.19
Canada	3.92	3.73	3.71	3.48	3.26
France	3.38	3.34	3.31	3.28	3.25
Germany	2.99	3.00	2.97	2.95	2.96
Japan	0.50	0.46	0.47	0.48	0.48
Netherlands	2.69	2.69	2.71	2.65	2.86
Switzerland	1.35	1.41	1.88	1.55	1.55
United Kingdom	5.84	5.88	5.63	5.70	5.61

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Chart 5. 3-Month Interest Rates

U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.48	5.42	5.41	5.40	5.40
Canadian finance paper	4.03	3.68	3.55	3.46	3.34
French interbank rate	3.44	3.41	3.42	3.39	3.33
German interbank rate	3.01	3.03	3.03	3.03	3.05
Japanese CD rate	0.53	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.51
Netherlands interbank rate	2.77	2.77	2.80	2.82	2.85
Swiss interbank rate	1.43	1.44	1.52	1.63	1.69
U.K. interbank sterling	5.87	5.84	5.90	5.95	5.98
Weighted average foreign interest rate (G-10 Countries)	3.60	3.55	3.55	3.55	3.51

Chart 6. Euro-Dollar Deposit Rates

Overnight	5.26	5.25	5.20	5.19	5.19
7-day	5.29	5.25	5.23	5.20	5.25
1-month	5.31	5.26	5.28	5.25	5.25
3-month	5.49	5.42	5.46	5.38	5.38
6-month	5.62	5.52	5.54	5.50	5.49
1-year	5.84	5.71	5.73	5.69	5.67

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

Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.26	5.25	5.20	5.19	5.19
U.S. federal funds	5.40	5.14	5.22	5.22	5.26
Differential	-0.14	0.11	-0.02	-0.03	-0.07
3-month Euro-dollar deposit	5.49	5.42	5.46	5.38	5.38
U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.48	5.42	5.41	5.40	5.40
Differential	0.01	0.01	0.05	-0.03	-0.02

Chart 8. Interest Arbitrage, 3-Month Funds

Euro-dollar deposit	5.49	5.42	5.46	5.38	5.38
Interbank sterling (London), covered	5.56	5.47	5.49	5.46	5.47
Differential	-0.07	-0.05	-0.04	-0.08	-0.09
U.S. commercial paper	5.48	5.44	5.43	5.42	5.42
Canadian finance paper, covered	5.67	5.56	5.59	5.56	5.53
Differential	-0.19	-0.11	-0.16	-0.14	-0.11
Euro-dollar deposit	5.49	5.42	5.46	5.38	5.38
Interbank DM (Frankfurt), covered	5.52	5.48	5.48	5.45	5.43
Differential	-0.03	-0.06	-0.03	-0.07	-0.06
Euro-dollar deposit	5.49	5.42	5.46	5.38	5.38
Swiss interbank, covered	5.59	5.51	5.47	5.54	5.42
Differential	-0.10	-0.09	-0.01	-0.16	-0.04

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

Canada	7.10	6.82	6.68	6.48	6.53
France	6.09	5.97	5.96	5.95	5.98
Germany	6.07	5.97	6.01	5.99	6.01
Japan	2.85	2.78	2.81	2.78	2.65
Switzerland	3.81	3.64	3.63	3.67	3.73
Netherlands	5.93	5.87	5.90	5.87	5.90
United Kingdom	7.63	7.40	7.45	7.55	7.57
United States	6.66	6.54	6.57	6.53	6.49

Chart 10. Stock Indices (Wednesday figures)

Canada	179.55	181.16	182.65	185.82	186.31
France	168.28	169.42	170.76	170.29	169.23
Germany	140.10	141.37	142.10	141.30	140.57
Japan	122.51	118.71	121.05	119.23	118.18
Netherlands	215.34	218.65	220.01	218.27	215.45
Switzerland	314.22	317.02	316.67	312.77	311.11
United Kingdom	222.34	219.97	221.55	219.66	217.16
United States	272.40	272.99	275.33	276.34	274.00

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