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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

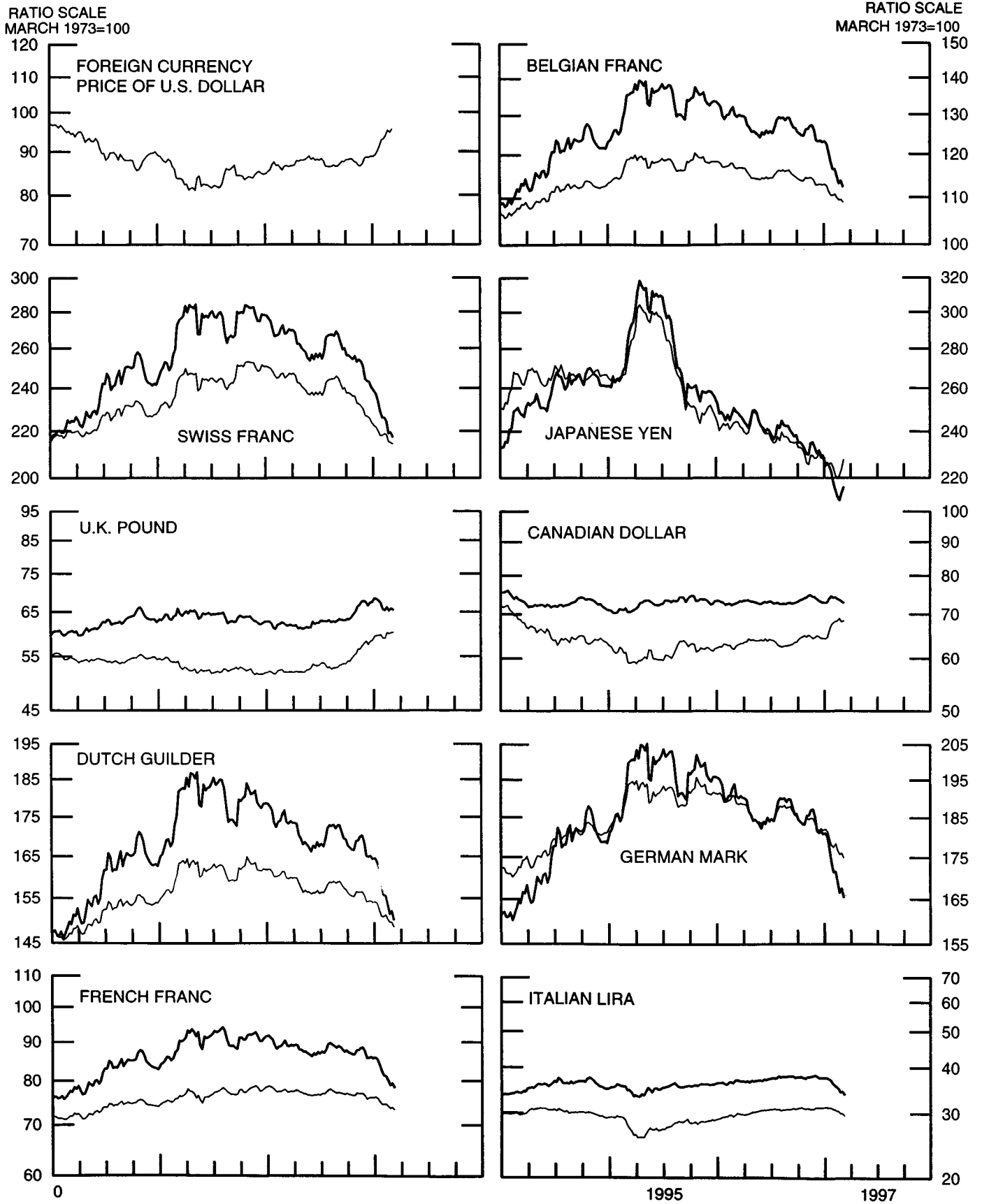


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3-MONTH FORWARD EXCHANGE RATES

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

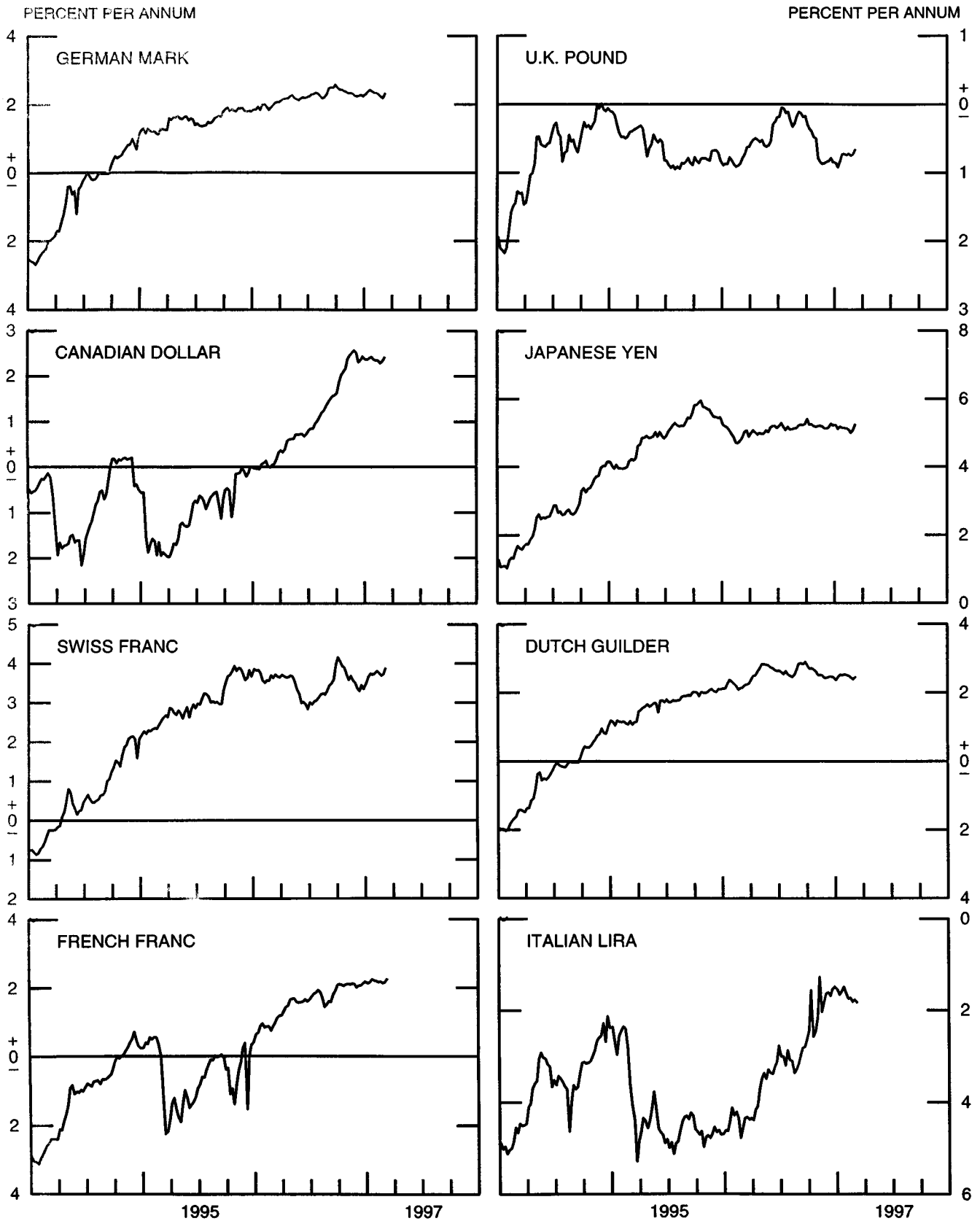


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PRICE OF GOLD IN LONDON
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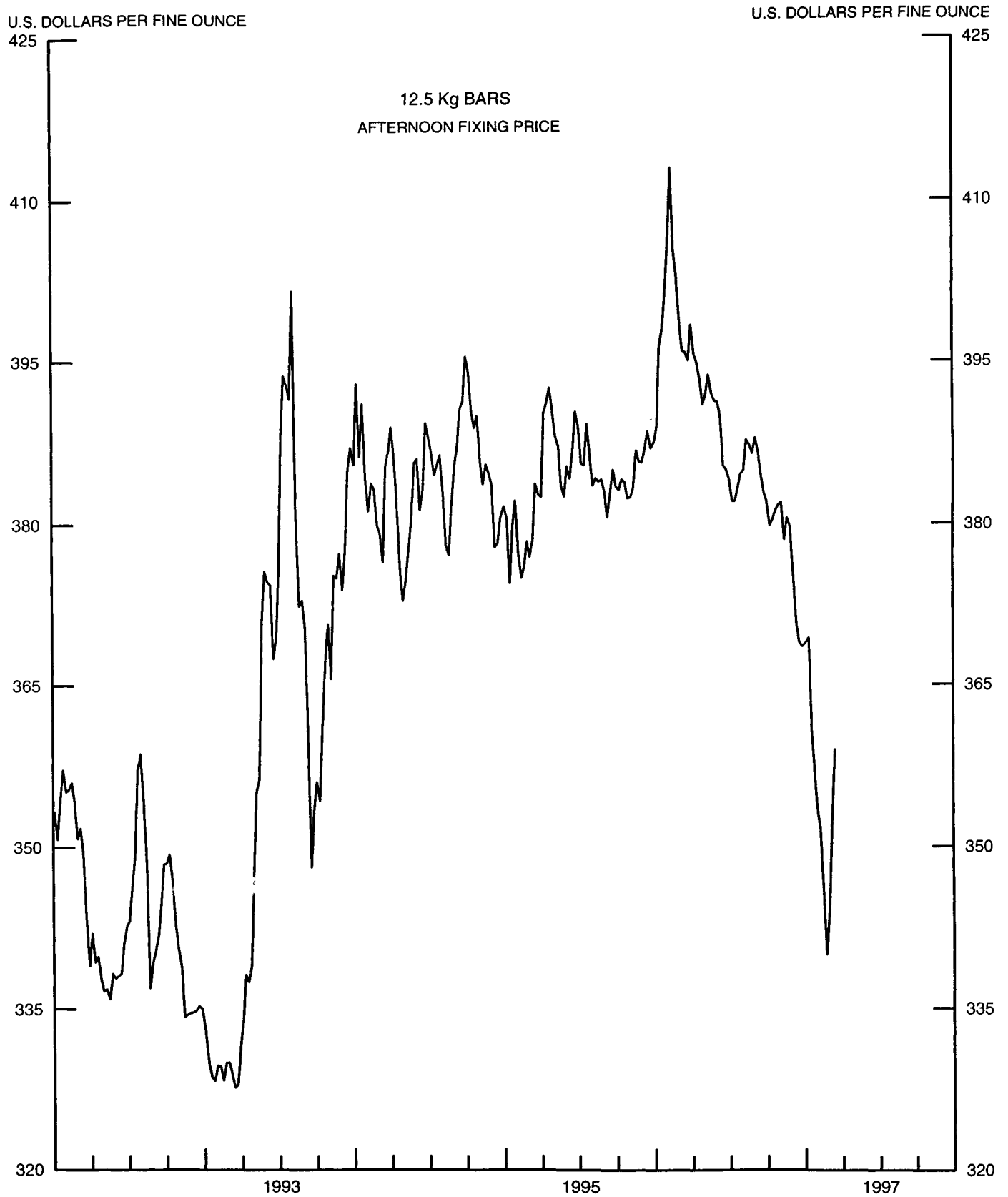


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 WEEKLY SERIES

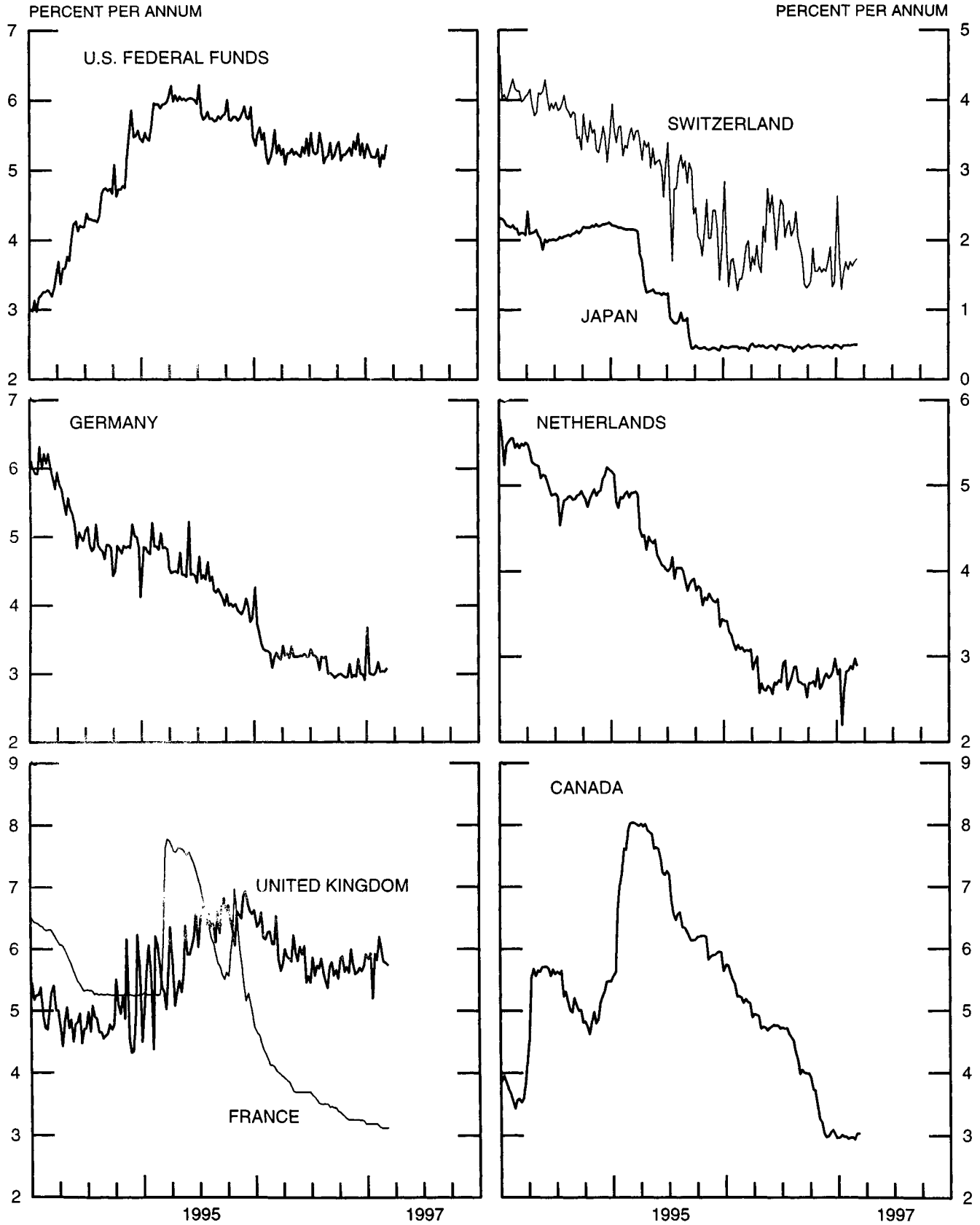


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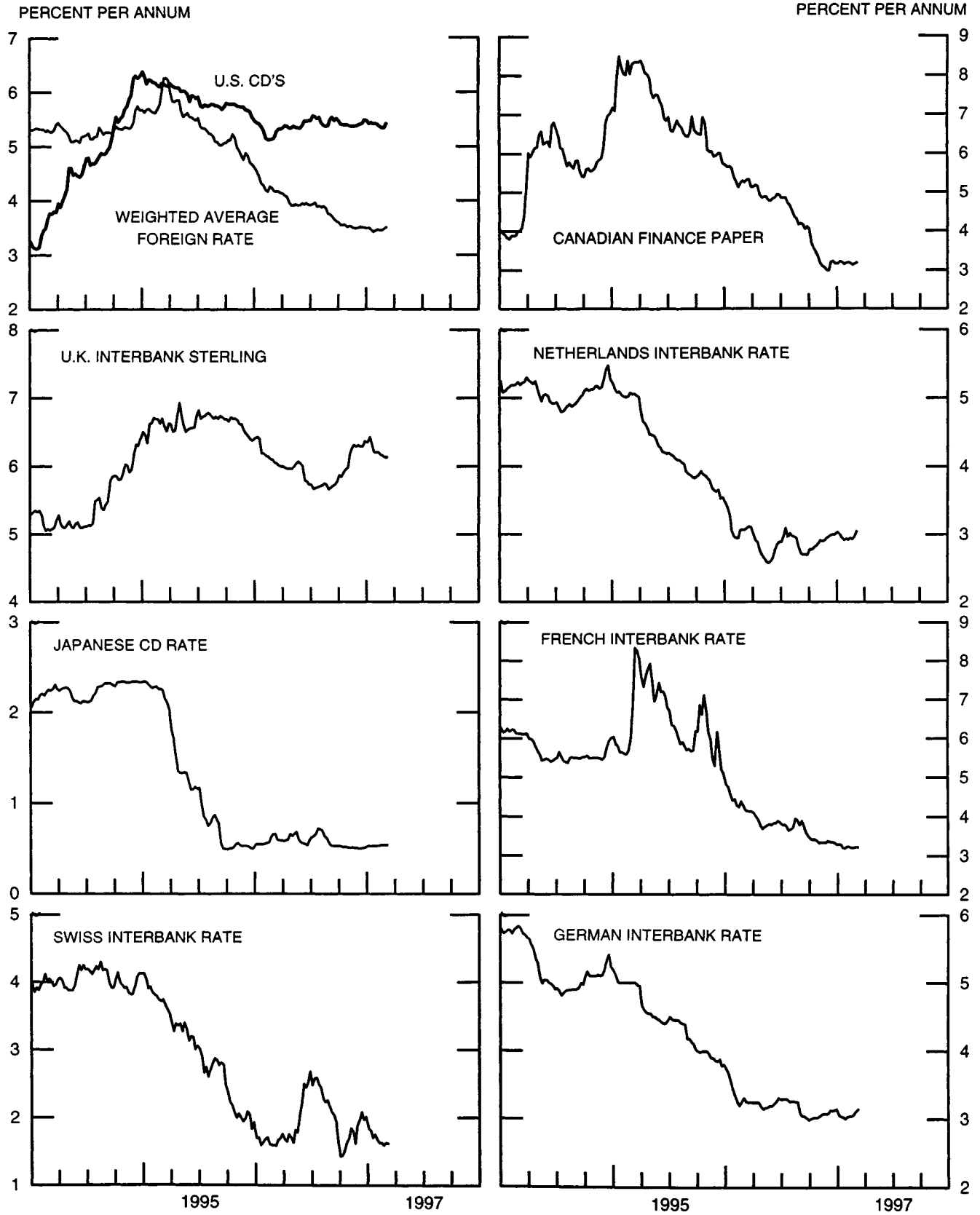


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EURO-DOLLAR DEPOSIT RATES, LONDON
AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

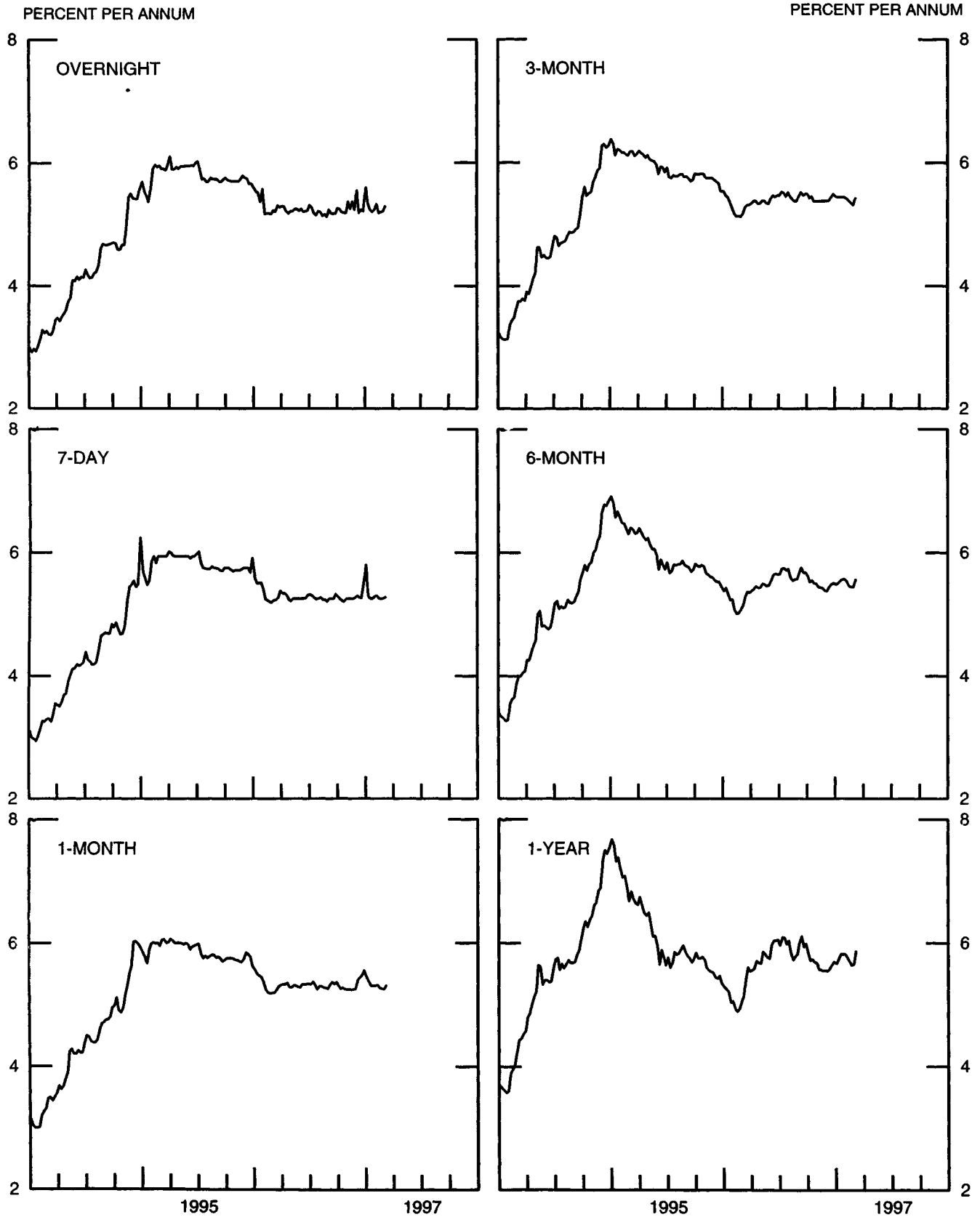


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SELECTED EURO-DOLLAR AND U.S. MONEY MARKET RATES

DIFFERENTIAL: PLUS(+), FAVORS BORROWING IN U.S.

AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

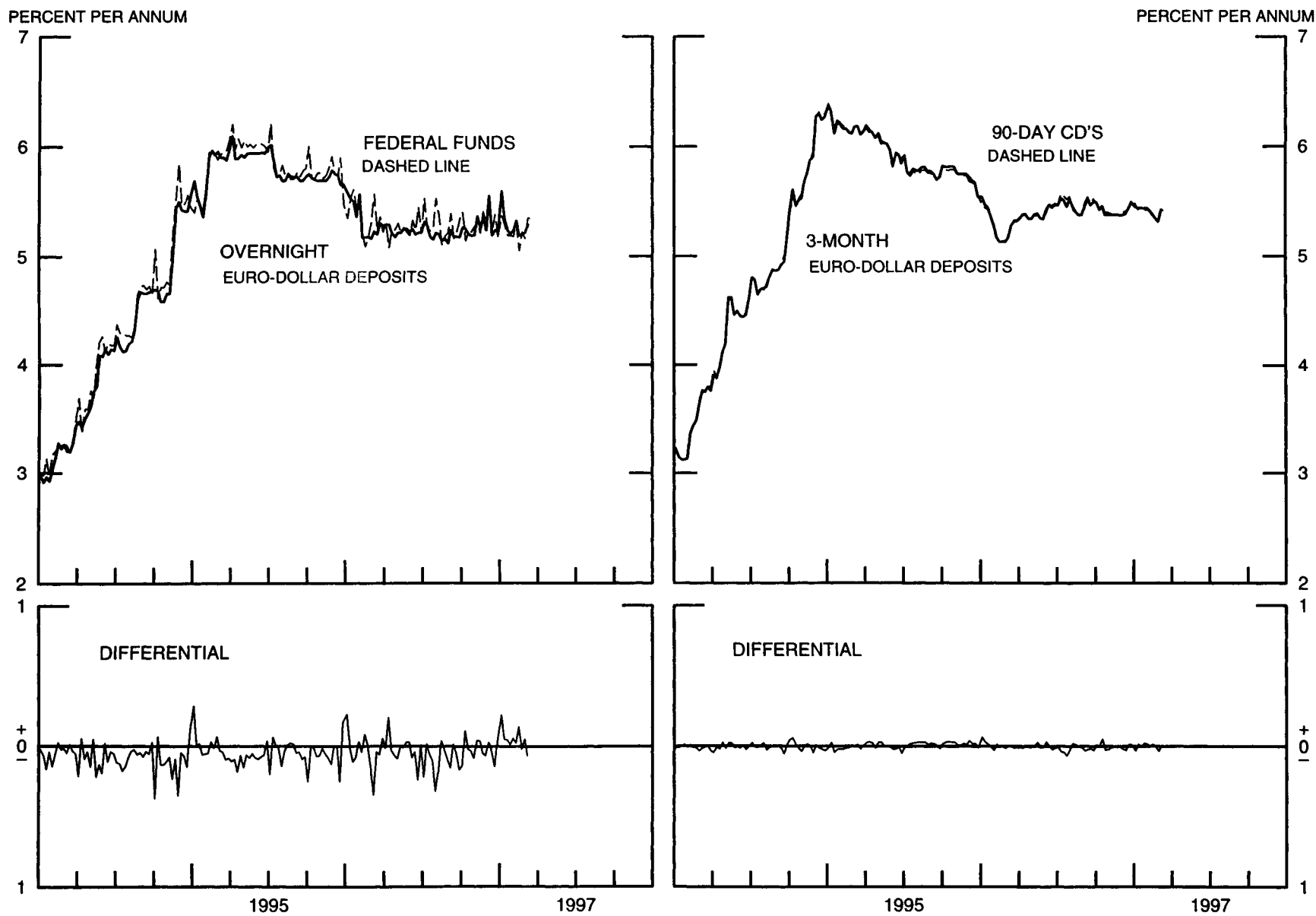


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INTEREST ARBITRAGE: 3-MONTH FUNDS

DIFFERENTIAL: PLUS(+), INDICATES FAVOR DOLLAR ASSETS
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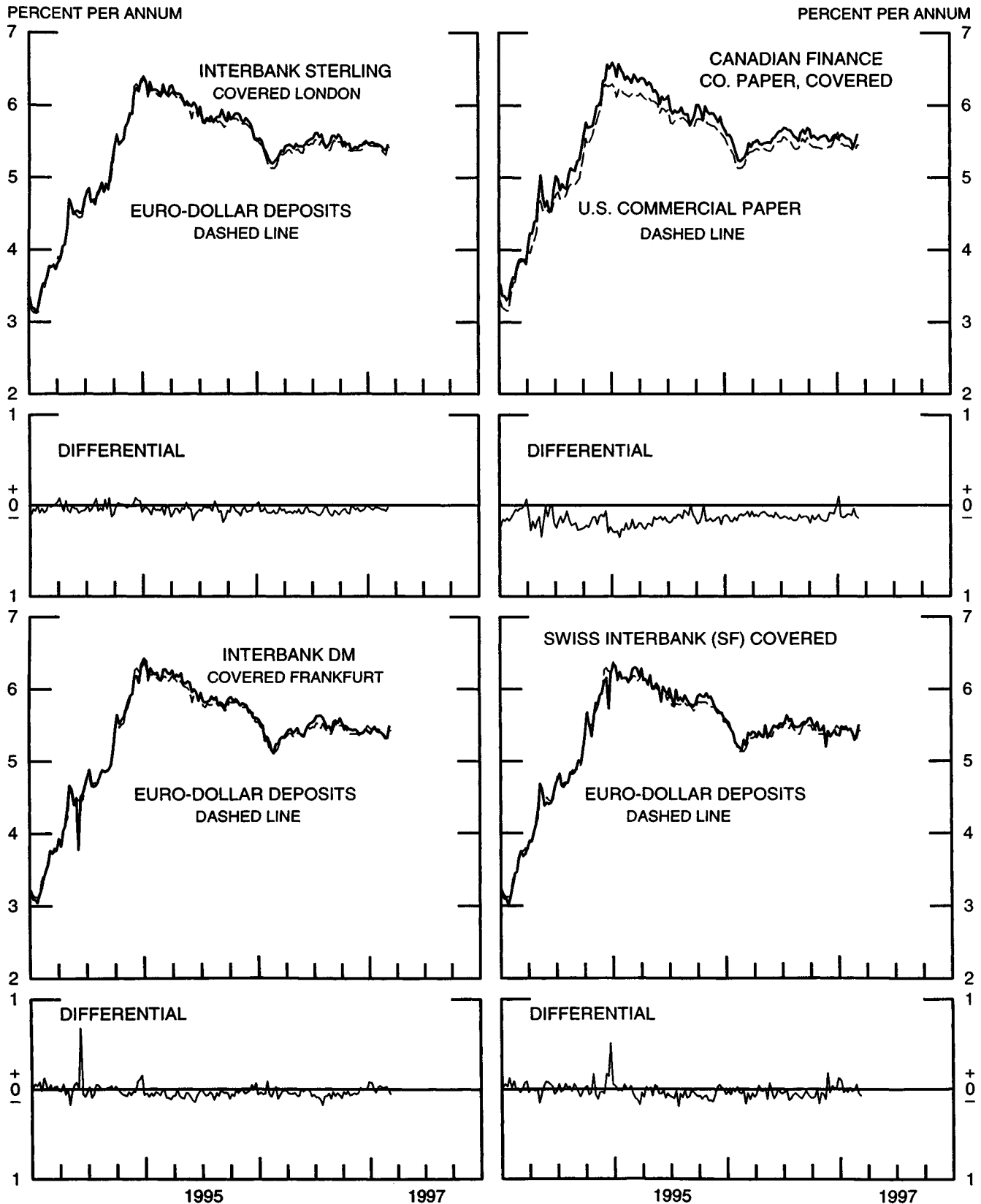


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LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT BOND YIELDS

WEEKLY SERIES

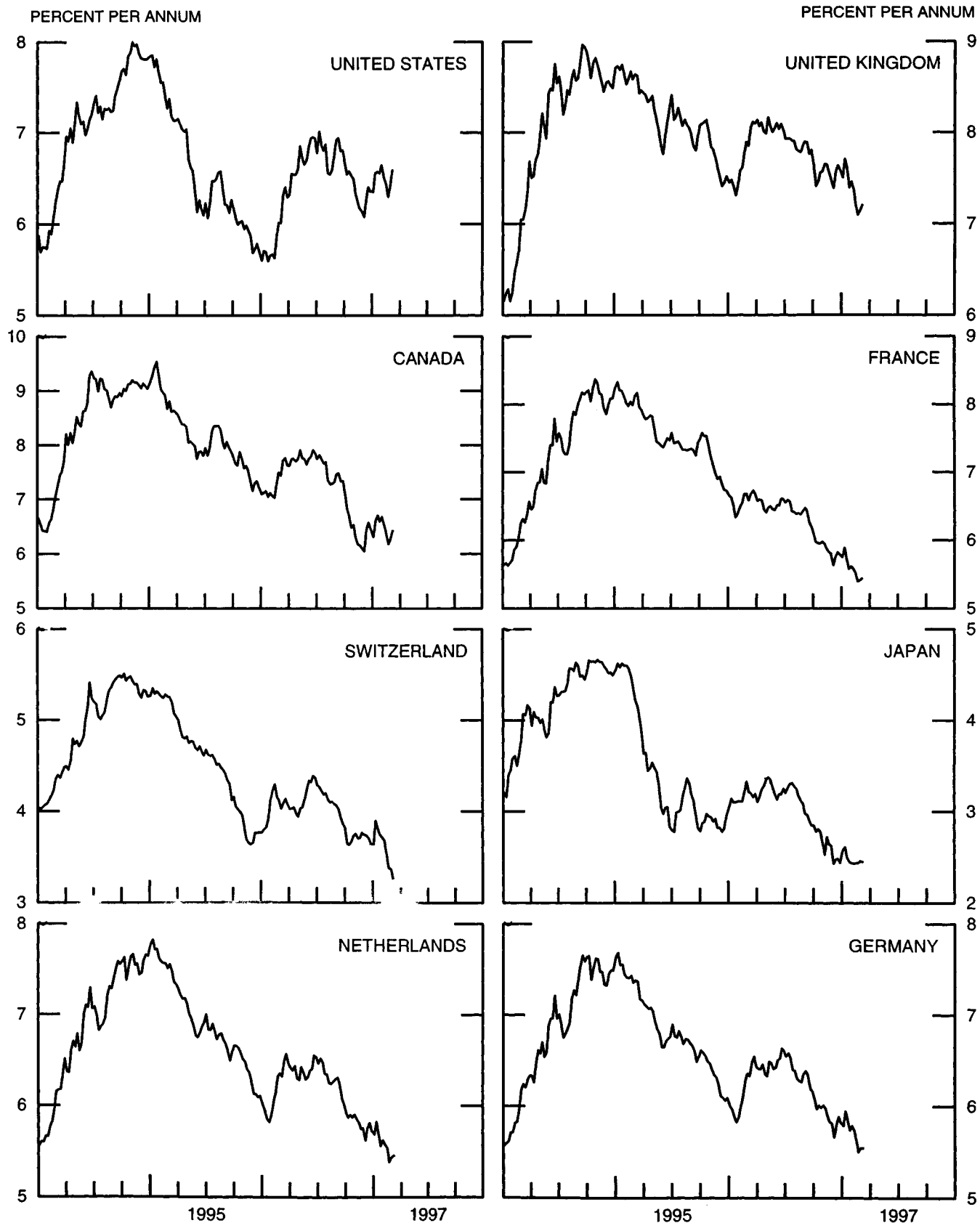
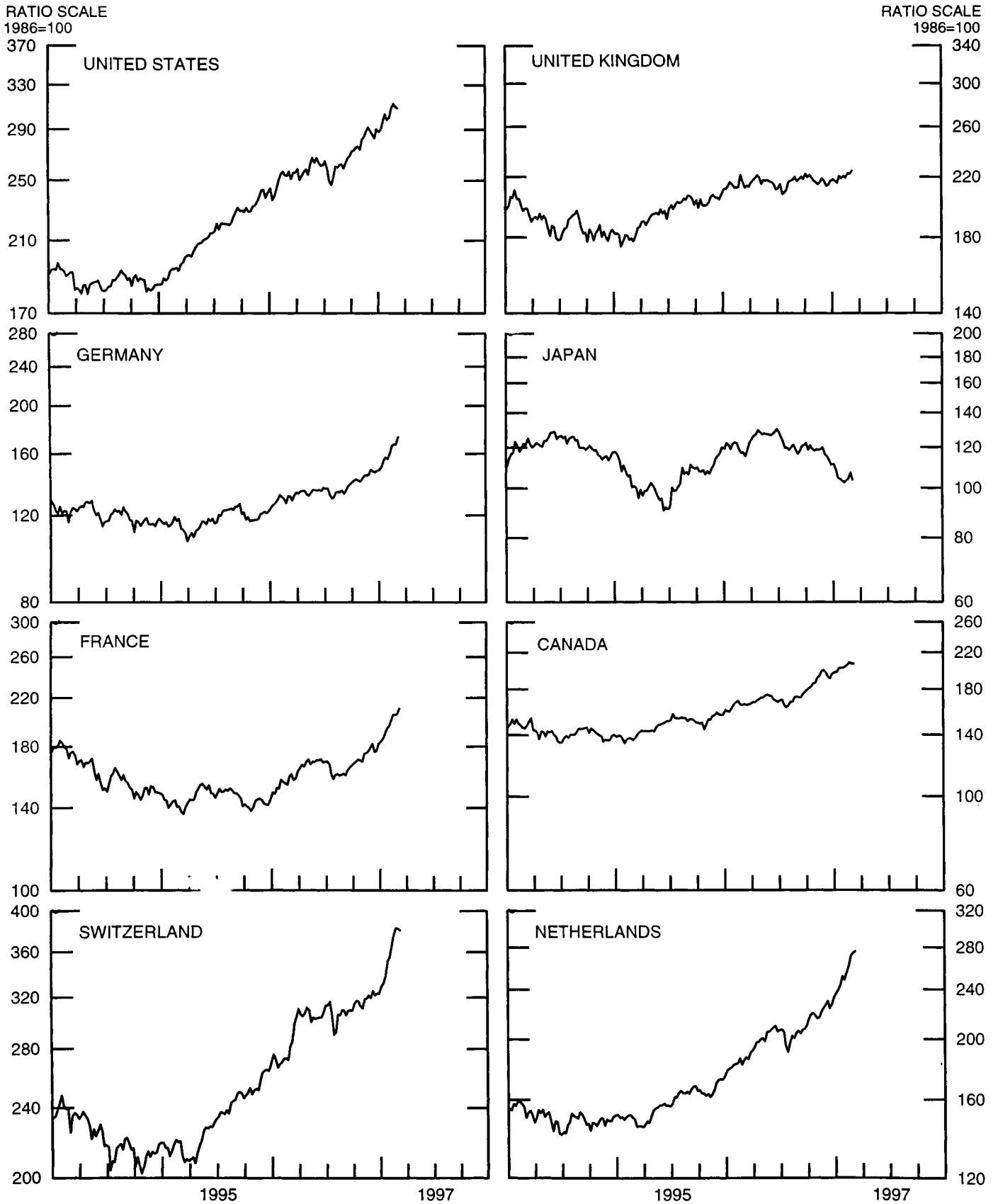


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STOCK INDICES

WEEKLY SERIES



5-Feb-97 12-Feb-97 19-Feb-97 26-Feb-97 5-Mar-97

Chart 1. Spot Exchange Rates and Indices

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

	5-Feb-97	12-Feb-97	19-Feb-97	26-Feb-97	5-Mar-97
Belgian franc	2.9513	2.9125	2.8692	2.8849	2.8530
Canadian dollar	74.374	73.960	73.803	73.404	73.108
French franc	18.023	17.800	17.533	17.635	17.441
German mark	60.945	60.064	59.189	59.532	58.863
Italian lira	0.06175	0.06121	0.05979	0.06004	0.05903
Japanese yen	0.81989	0.81040	0.80543	0.81730	0.82496
Netherlands guilder	54.213	53.511	52.743	52.963	52.327
Swiss franc	70.298	69.773	68.079	68.243	67.627
U.K. pound	161.70	163.62	161.49	162.73	161.93

Indices, March 1973 base rates = 100

	5-Feb-97	12-Feb-97	19-Feb-97	26-Feb-97	5-Mar-97
Belgian franc	116.30	114.77	113.06	113.68	112.42
Canadian dollar	74.13	73.71	73.56	73.16	72.87
French franc	81.22	80.21	79.01	79.47	78.60
German mark	171.44	168.96	166.50	167.47	165.59
Italian lira	35.45	35.13	34.32	34.46	33.88
Japanese yen	214.67	212.19	210.89	214.00	216.00
Netherlands guilder	155.63	153.62	151.42	152.05	150.22
Swiss franc	226.16	224.47	219.02	219.55	217.56
U.K. pound	65.40	66.18	65.32	65.82	65.49

Weighted average exchange value indices, March 1973=100

	5-Feb-97	12-Feb-97	19-Feb-97	26-Feb-97	5-Mar-97
Belgian franc	110.62	109.89	109.34	109.47	108.91
Canadian dollar	68.22	68.32	68.92	68.19	68.36
French franc	74.54	74.08	73.68	73.80	73.40
German mark	178.32	176.70	175.76	176.05	175.00
Italian lira	30.50	30.44	30.01	30.00	29.66
Japanese yen	221.07	219.91	220.91	223.46	227.40
Netherlands guilder	151.24	150.25	149.57	149.54	148.62
Swedish krona	56.35	56.07	56.37	56.15	55.25
Swiss franc	218.68	218.55	215.35	214.91	214.29
U.K. pound	58.86	60.09	59.90	60.12	60.21
U.S. dollar	93.18	94.01	95.24	94.71	95.47

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

	5-Feb-97	12-Feb-97	19-Feb-97	26-Feb-97	5-Mar-97
Canadian dollar	2.34	2.34	2.28	2.32	2.40
French franc	2.15	2.17	2.13	2.15	2.23
German mark	2.33	2.30	2.22	2.19	2.31
Italian lira	-1.75	-1.73	-1.82	-1.77	-1.83
Japanese yen	5.13	5.08	4.99	5.06	5.23
Netherlands guilder	2.51	2.49	2.43	2.38	2.44
Swiss franc	3.81	3.75	3.69	3.72	3.86
U.K. pound	-0.75	-0.73	-0.75	-0.74	-0.67

Chart 3. Gold Price in London, Afternoon Fixing

	5-Feb-97	12-Feb-97	19-Feb-97	26-Feb-97	5-Mar-97
U.S. dollars per fine ounce	345.63	340.01	344.08	351.48	358.93

Chart 4. Call Money Rates

	5-Feb-97	12-Feb-97	19-Feb-97	26-Feb-97	5-Mar-97
U.S. federal funds	5.30	5.05	5.22	5.16	5.35
Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.33	5.19	5.20	5.21	5.29
Canada	2.96	2.97	2.93	3.02	3.03
France	3.14	3.13	3.13	3.13	3.13
Germany	3.17	3.03	3.04	3.03	3.07
Japan	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.50	0.50
Netherlands	2.84	2.89	2.85	2.98	2.90
Switzerland	1.58	1.69	1.63	1.69	1.73
United Kingdom	6.19	5.99	5.79	5.78	5.74

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Chart 5. 3-Month Interest Rates

U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.41	5.37	5.35	5.35	5.42
Canadian finance paper	3.19	3.15	3.12	3.15	3.18
French interbank rate	3.24	3.21	3.20	3.23	3.23
German interbank rate	3.05	3.05	3.07	3.12	3.15
Japanese CD rate	0.53	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54
Netherlands interbank rate	2.92	2.94	2.92	2.96	3.04
Swiss interbank rate	1.63	1.63	1.59	1.63	1.61
U.K. interbank sterling	6.21	6.17	6.16	6.13	6.13
Weighted average foreign interest rate (G-10 Countries)	3.46	3.45	3.45	3.48	3.51

Chart 6. Euro-Dollar Deposit Rates

Overnight	5.33	5.19	5.20	5.21	5.29
7-day	5.30	5.26	5.25	5.26	5.28
1-month	5.32	5.27	5.26	5.25	5.31
3-month	5.42	5.38	5.34	5.31	5.42
6-month	5.52	5.46	5.44	5.44	5.55
1-year	5.76	5.70	5.64	5.66	5.86

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

Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.33	5.19	5.20	5.21	5.29
U.S. federal funds	5.30	5.05	5.22	5.16	5.35
Differential	0.03	0.14	-0.02	0.05	-0.06
3-month Euro-dollar deposit	5.42	5.38	5.34	5.31	5.42
U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.41	5.37	5.35	5.35	5.42
Differential	0.00	0.01	-0.00	-0.03	0.00

Chart 8. Interest Arbitrage, 3-Month Funds

Euro-dollar deposit	5.42	5.38	5.34	5.31	5.42
Interbank sterling (London), covered	5.45	5.43	5.39	5.38	5.45
Differential	-0.03	-0.05	-0.05	-0.07	-0.03
U.S. commercial paper	5.44	5.40	5.38	5.37	5.45
Canadian finance paper, covered	5.54	5.52	5.42	5.49	5.59
Differential	-0.10	-0.11	-0.04	-0.12	-0.14
Euro-dollar deposit	5.42	5.38	5.34	5.31	5.42
Interbank DM (Frankfurt), covered	5.40	5.36	5.32	5.32	5.48
Differential	0.02	0.02	0.03	-0.01	-0.06
Euro-dollar deposit	5.42	5.38	5.34	5.31	5.42
Swiss interbank, covered	5.45	5.39	5.29	5.36	5.49
Differential	-0.03	-0.01	0.05	-0.04	-0.07

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

Canada	6.53	6.37	6.18	6.27	6.42
France	5.58	5.53	5.40	5.41	5.44
Germany	5.74	5.63	5.50	5.55	5.55
Japan	2.43	2.44	2.43	2.46	2.45
Switzerland	3.67	3.52	3.37	3.36	3.27
Netherlands	5.57	5.54	5.38	5.44	5.45
United Kingdom	7.36	7.19	7.09	7.14	7.19
United States	6.51	6.43	6.30	6.42	6.58

Chart 10. Stock Indices (Wednesday figures)

Canada	203.69	205.46	208.24	206.66	206.72
France	200.88	205.30	204.98	206.04	210.32
Germany	160.37	165.94	167.27	167.07	172.67
Japan	102.49	103.48	104.37	107.09	103.74
Netherlands	255.68	261.75	271.02	273.95	275.25
Switzerland	365.75	376.54	382.57	382.38	380.85
United Kingdom	220.79	219.39	222.82	222.18	224.41
United States	300.48	308.67	312.85	310.33	309.25

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