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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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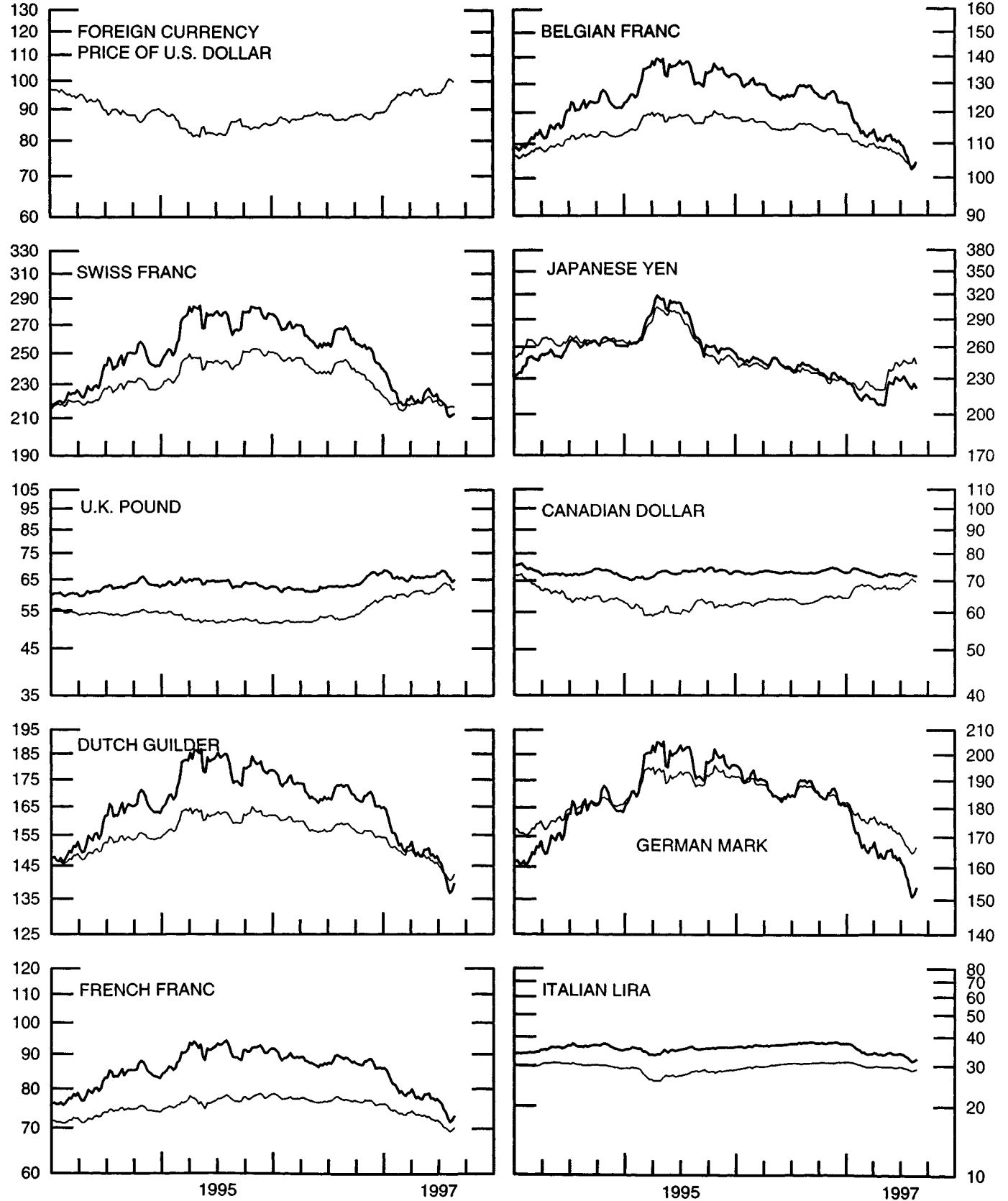


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PREMIUM (+) OR (-)
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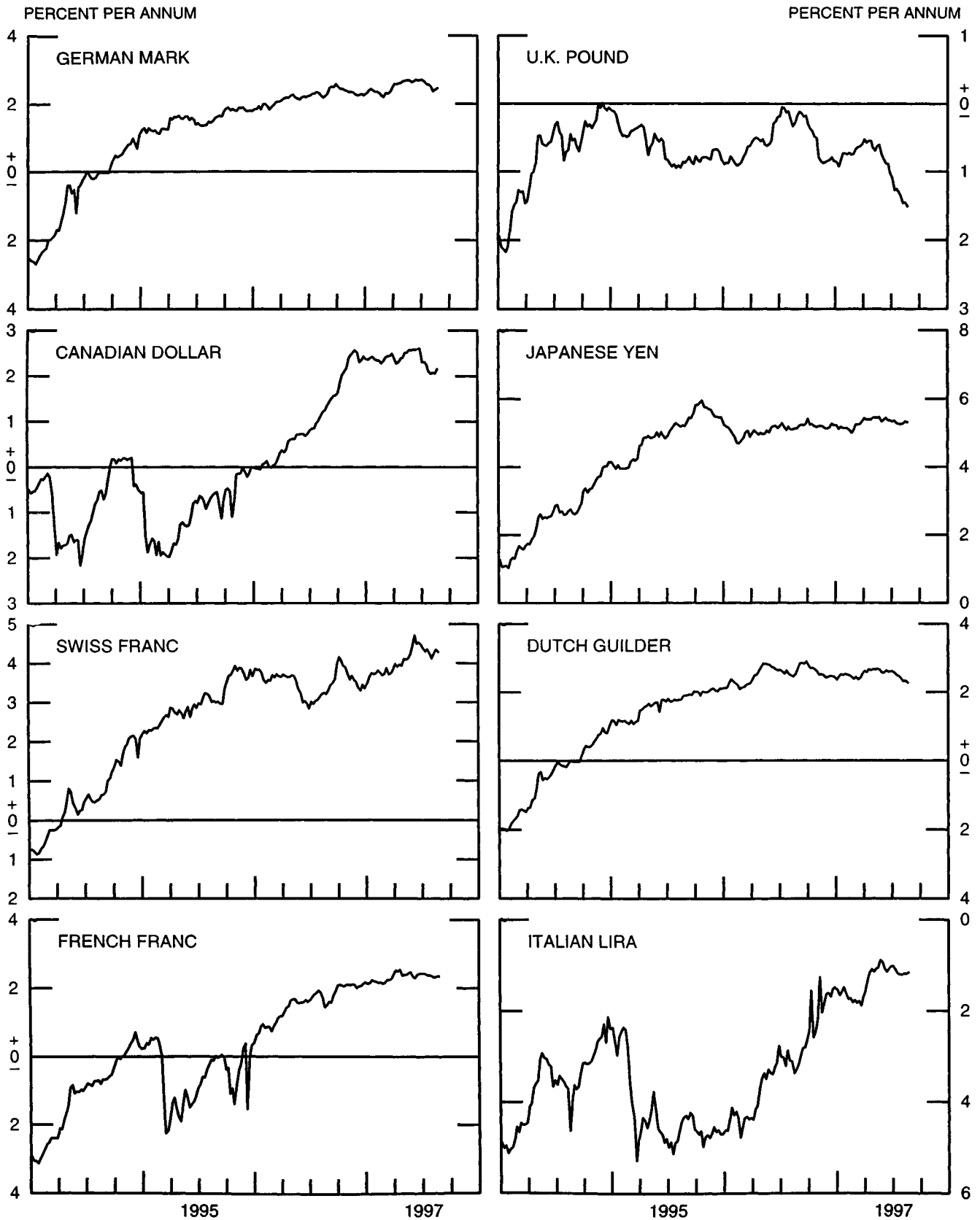


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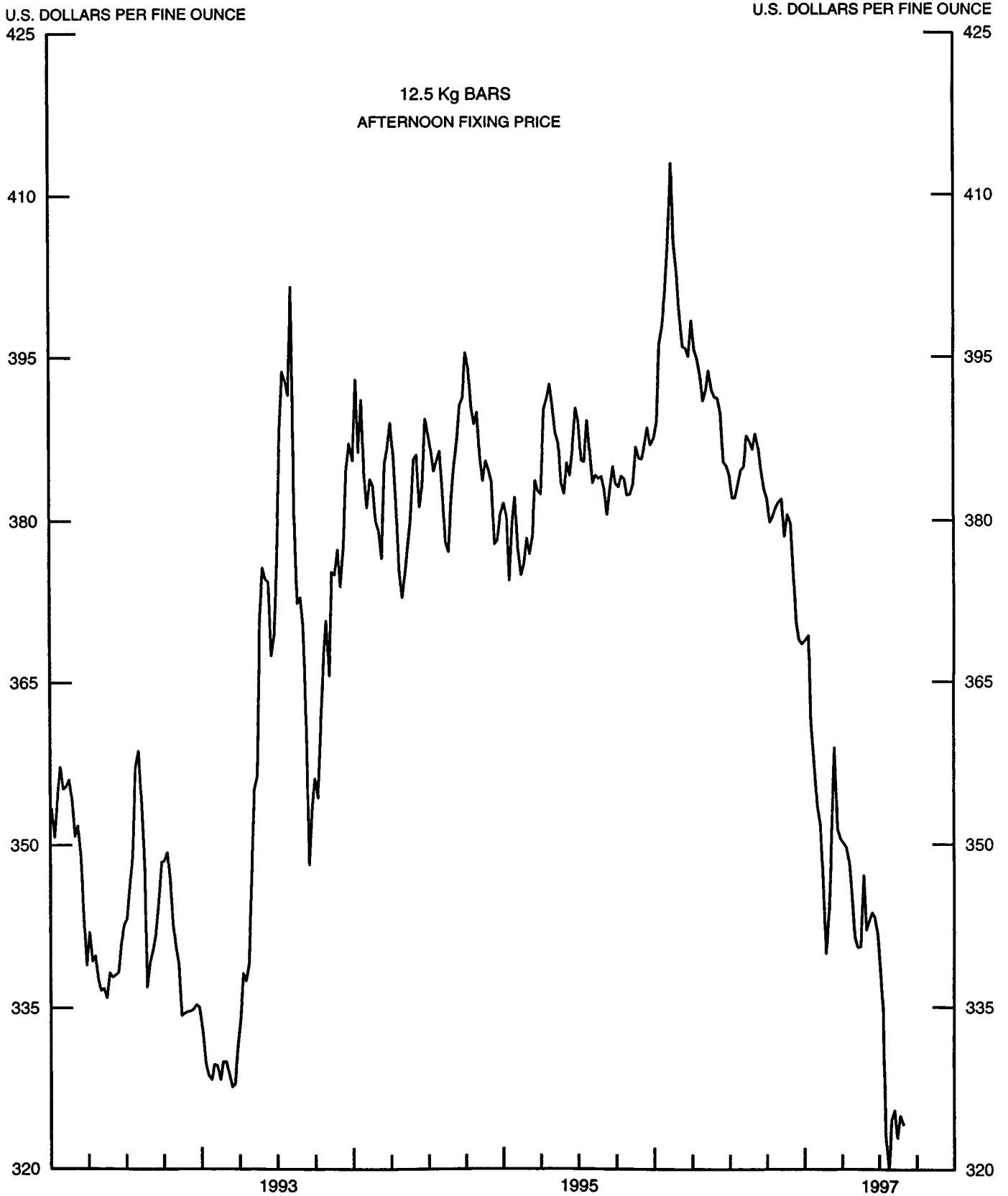


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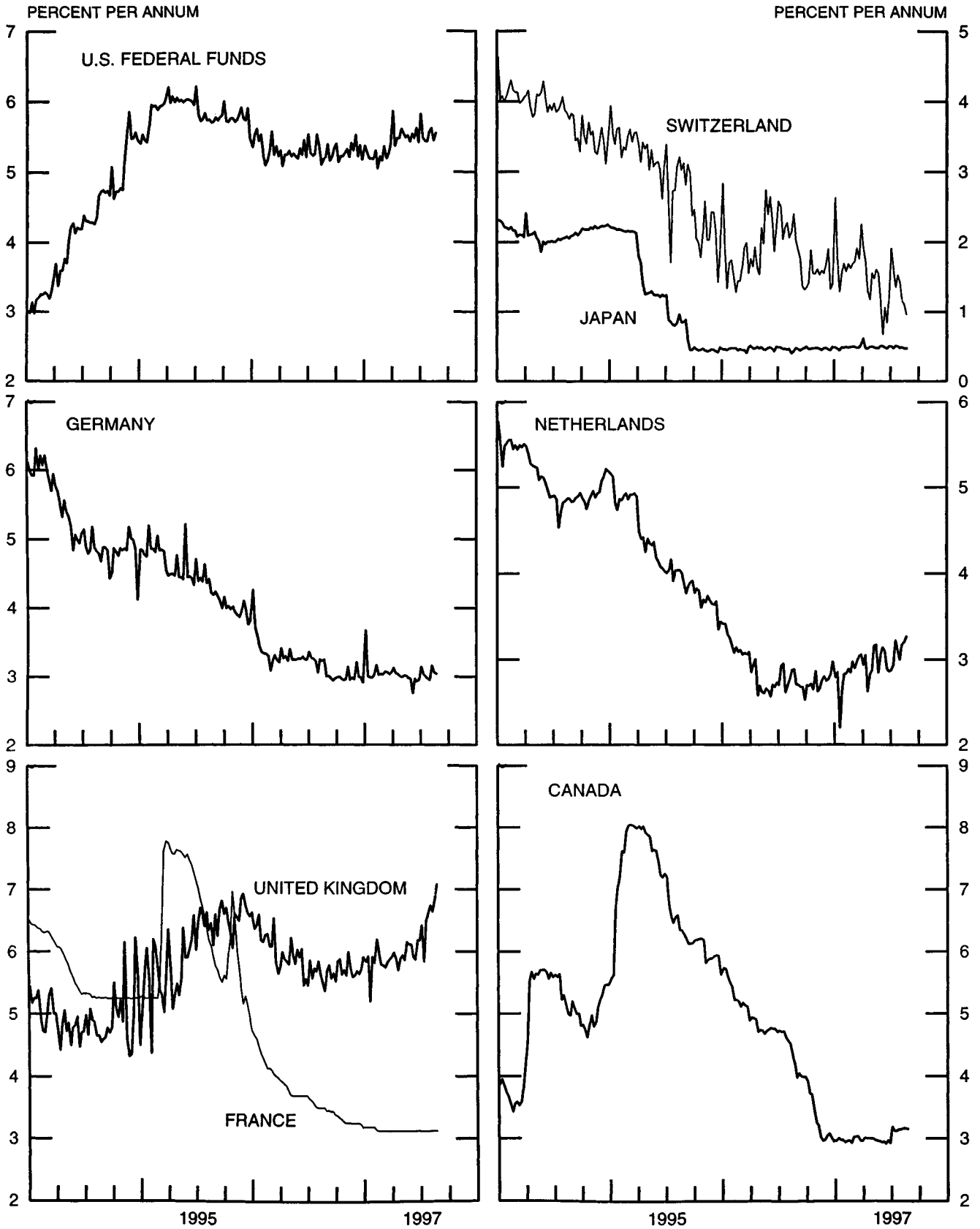


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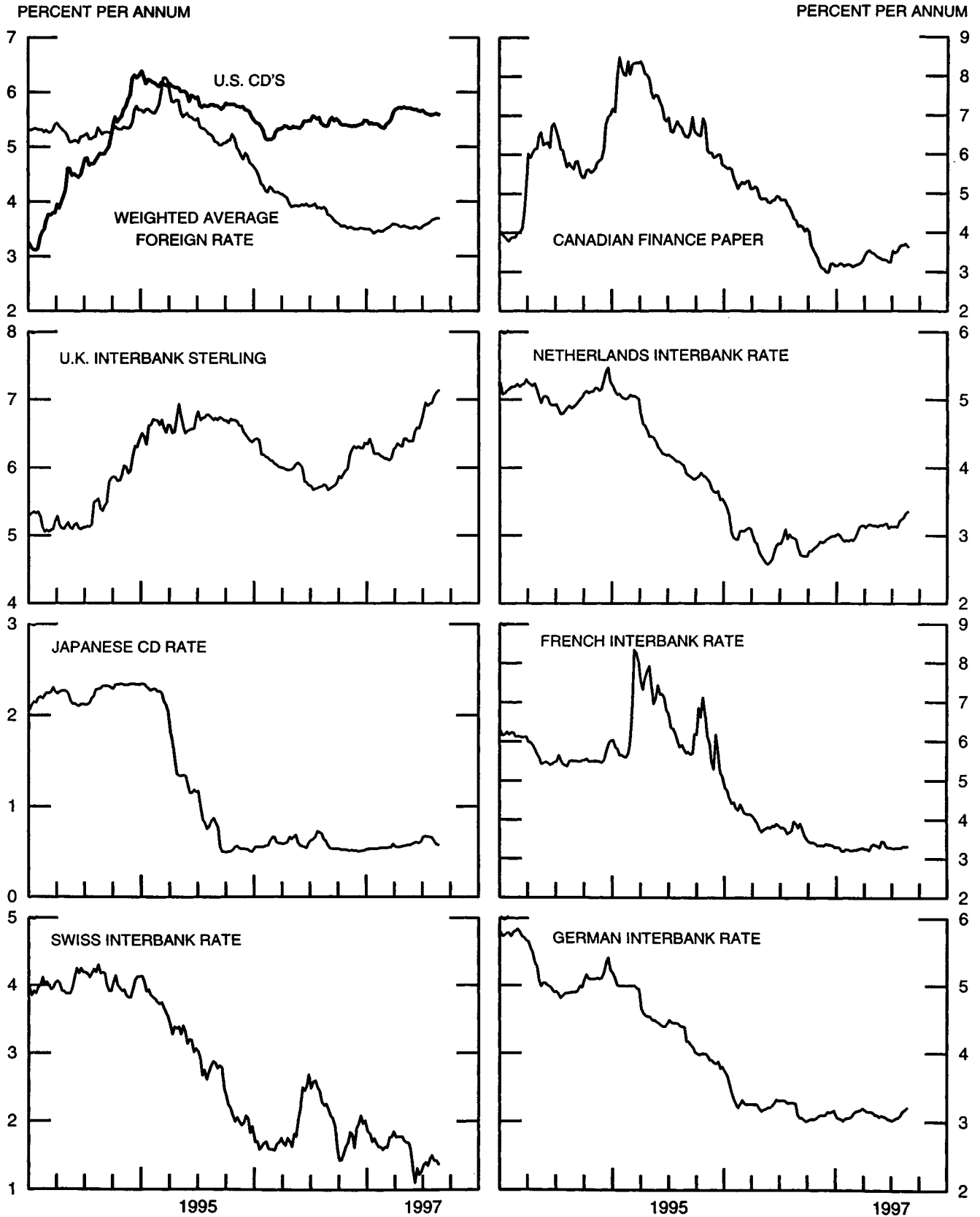


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AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

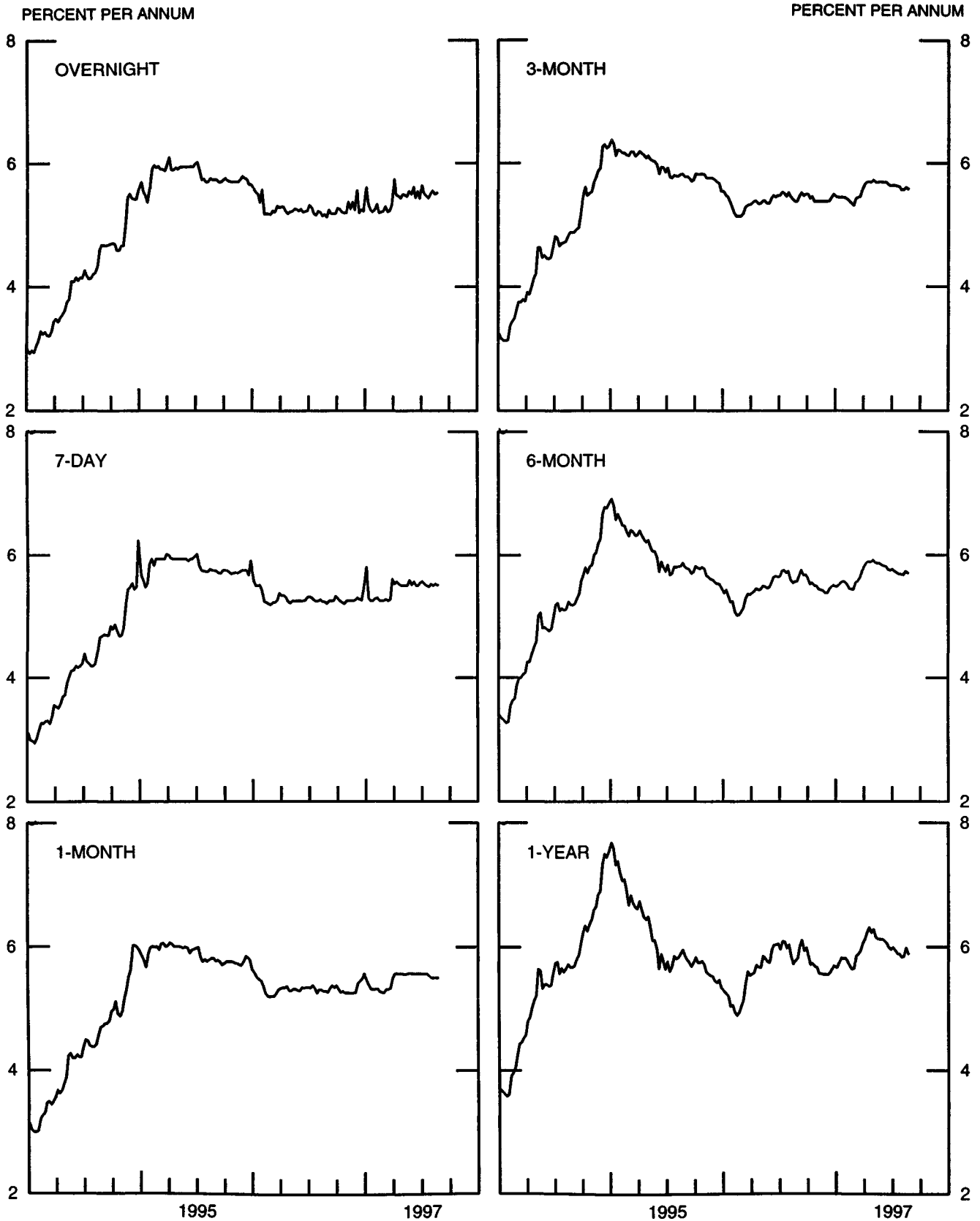


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SELECTED EURO-DOLLAR AND U.S. MONEY MARKET RATES

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

AVERAGES FOR WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY

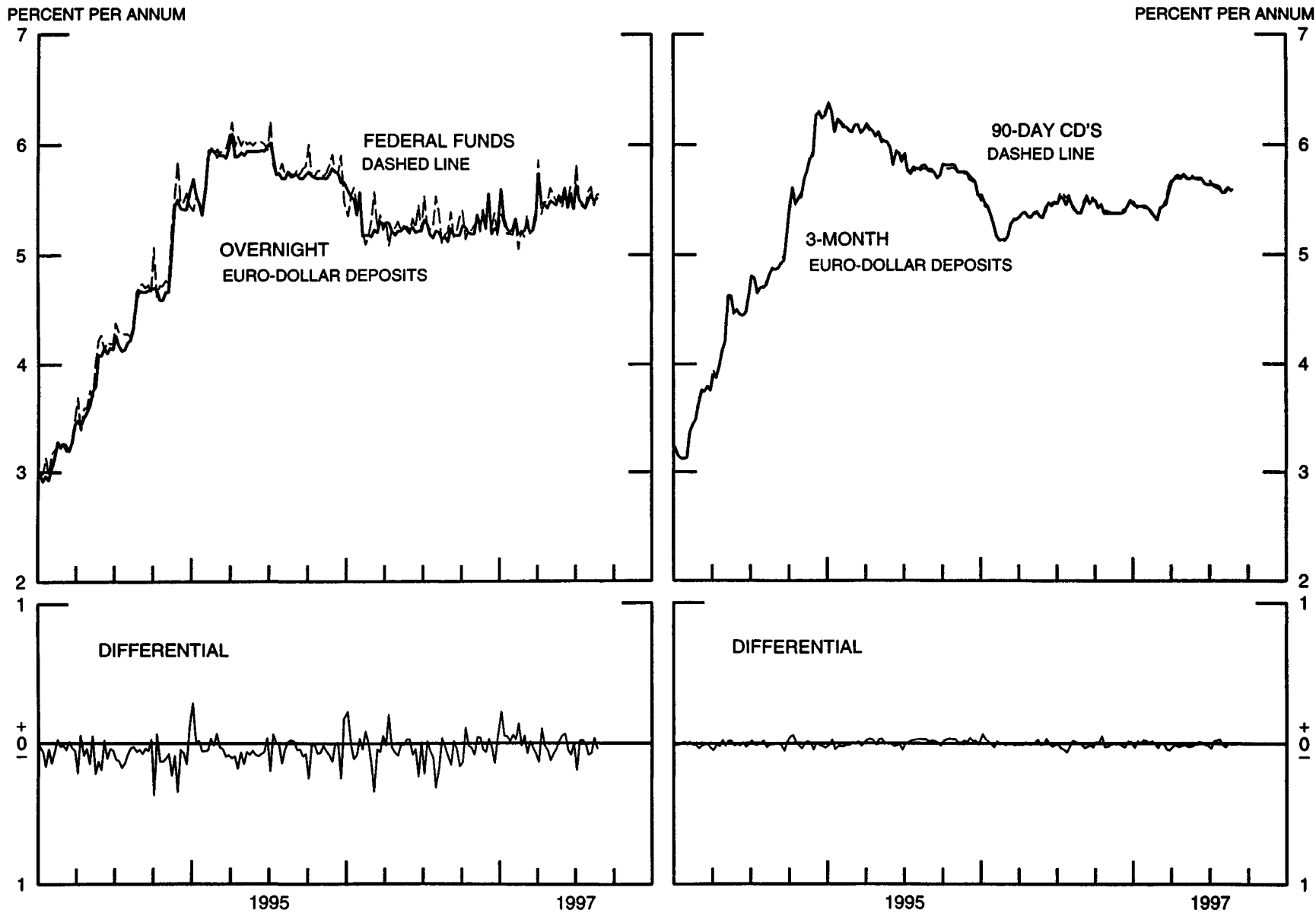


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INTEREST ARBITRAGE: 3-MONTH FUNDS

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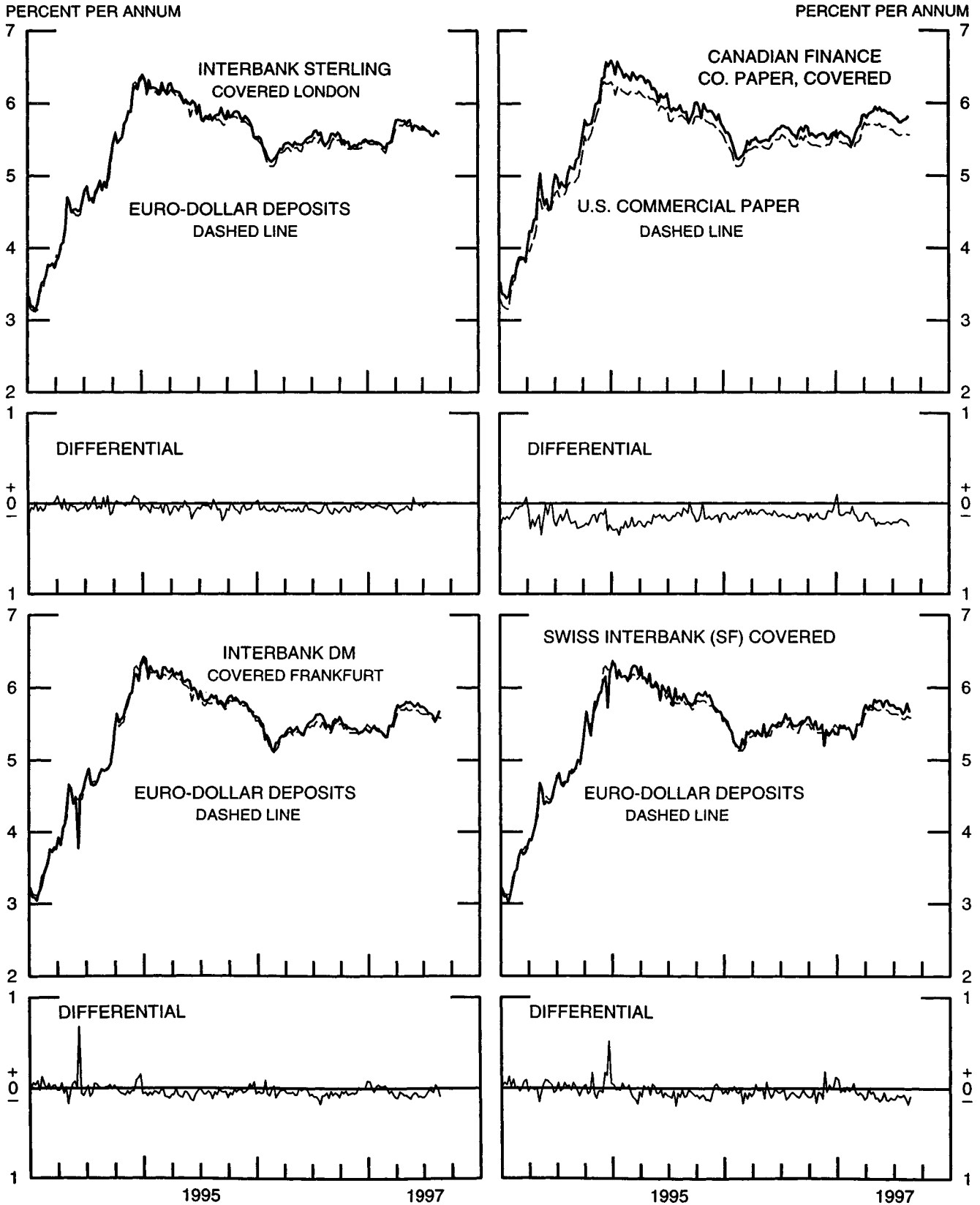


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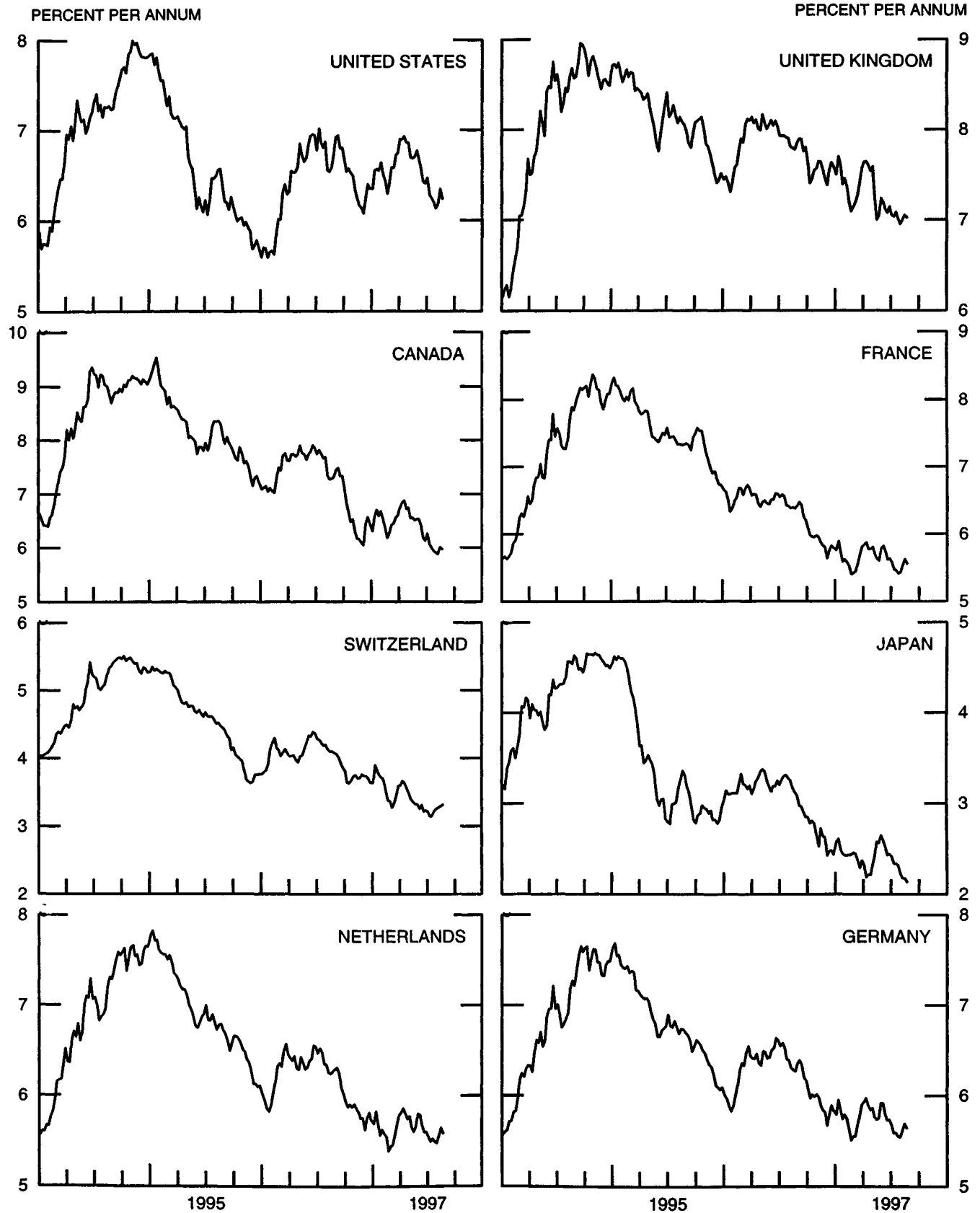
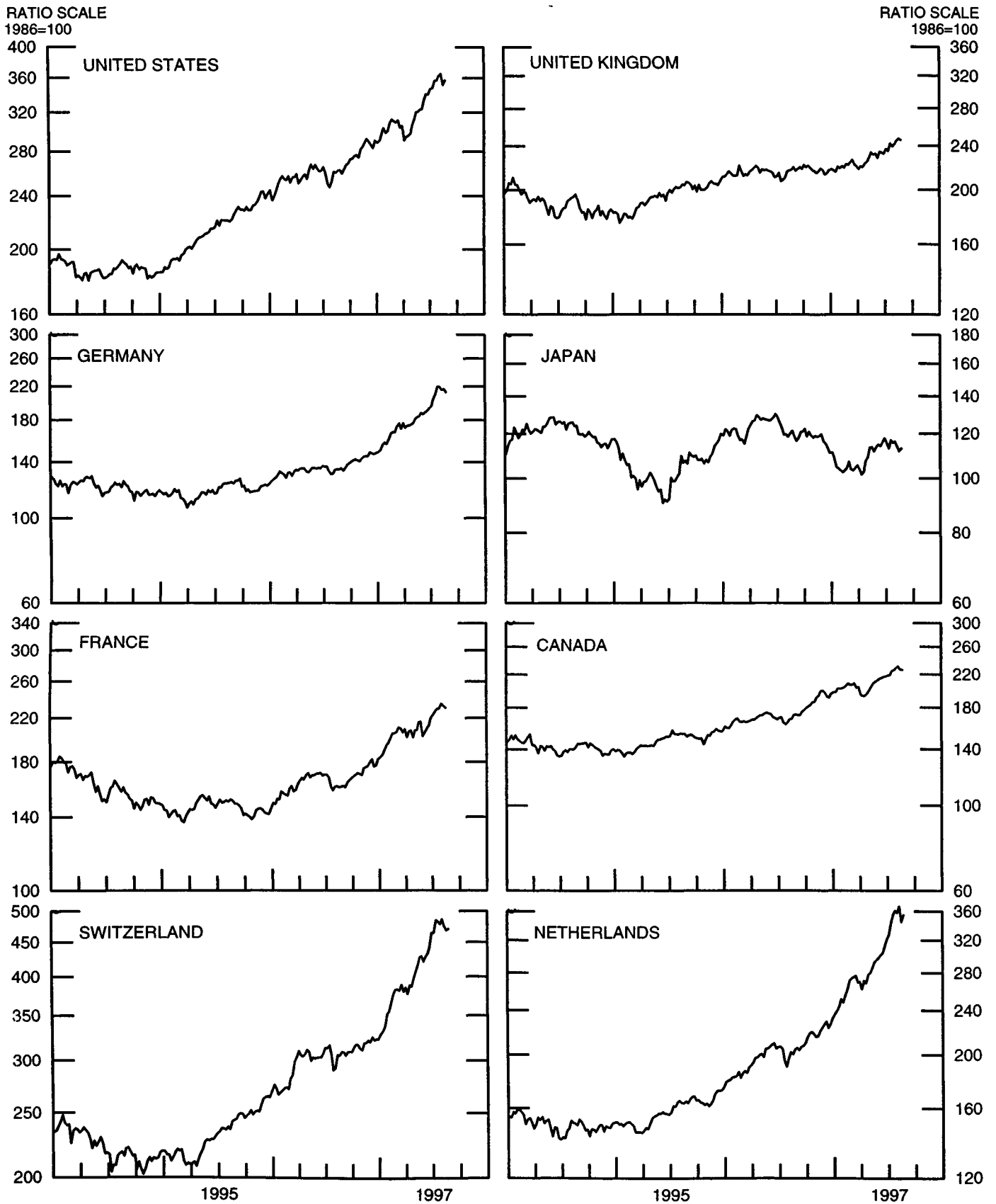


CHART 10
STOCK INDICES
 WEEKLY SERIES



23-Jul-97 30-Jul-97 6-Aug-97 13-Aug-97 20-Aug-97

Chart 1. Spot Exchange Rates and Indices

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

	23-Jul-97	30-Jul-97	6-Aug-97	13-Aug-97	20-Aug-97
Belgian franc	2.6869	2.6319	2.5940	2.6089	2.6411
Canadian dollar	72.618	72.207	72.321	71.824	71.897
French franc	16.451	16.130	15.889	15.989	16.185
German mark	55.515	54.353	53.617	53.892	54.540
Italian lira	0.05706	0.05582	0.05482	0.05519	0.05587
Japanese yen	0.86339	0.85126	0.84361	0.86075	0.84796
Netherlands guilder	49.308	48.263	47.594	47.835	48.508
Swiss franc	67.600	65.997	65.514	65.764	66.010
U.K. pound	167.66	163.88	162.63	158.62	160.25

Indices, March 1973 base rates = 100

	23-Jul-97	30-Jul-97	6-Aug-97	13-Aug-97	20-Aug-97
Belgian franc	105.88	103.71	102.22	102.80	104.07
Canadian dollar	72.38	71.97	72.08	71.59	71.66
French franc	74.13	72.69	71.60	72.05	72.93
German mark	156.17	152.90	150.83	151.60	153.42
Italian lira	32.75	32.04	31.47	31.68	32.07
Japanese yen	226.06	222.89	220.88	225.37	222.02
Netherlands guilder	141.55	138.55	136.63	137.33	139.26
Swiss franc	217.48	212.32	210.77	211.57	212.36
U.K. pound	67.81	66.28	65.78	64.15	64.82

Weighted average exchange value indices, March 1973=100

	23-Jul-97	30-Jul-97	6-Aug-97	13-Aug-97	20-Aug-97
Belgian franc	104.22	103.57	102.97	103.35	104.15
Canadian dollar	69.20	69.89	70.68	70.00	69.70
French franc	70.18	69.80	69.32	69.64	70.20
German mark	166.74	165.49	164.55	165.13	166.51
Italian lira	29.16	28.94	28.65	28.79	29.02
Japanese yen	244.21	244.39	244.36	249.32	243.81
Netherlands guilder	142.20	141.20	140.44	140.87	142.23
Swedish krona	54.72	54.51	54.27	54.49	53.94
Swiss franc	218.25	216.20	216.55	216.90	216.63
U.K. pound	63.83	63.27	63.36	61.48	61.84
U.S. dollar	97.70	99.56	100.69	100.41	99.78

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

	23-Jul-97	30-Jul-97	6-Aug-97	13-Aug-97	20-Aug-97
Canadian dollar	2.11	2.05	2.07	2.05	2.15
French franc	2.37	2.34	2.30	2.34	2.33
German mark	2.56	2.51	2.37	2.41	2.45
Italian lira	-1.20	-1.21	-1.18	-1.19	-1.16
Japanese yen	5.26	5.25	5.26	5.33	5.31
Netherlands guilder	2.47	2.39	2.32	2.33	2.27
Swiss franc	4.24	4.12	4.23	4.34	4.28
U.K. pound	-1.30	-1.36	-1.46	-1.46	-1.51

Chart 3. Gold Price in London, Afternoon Fixing

	23-Jul-97	30-Jul-97	6-Aug-97	13-Aug-97	20-Aug-97
U.S. dollars per fine ounce	324.59	325.45	322.89	324.95	324.18

Chart 4. Call Money Rates

	23-Jul-97	30-Jul-97	6-Aug-97	13-Aug-97	20-Aug-97
U.S. federal funds	5.43	5.57	5.62	5.45	5.55
Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.43	5.49	5.55	5.49	5.51
Canada	3.14	3.14	3.16	3.16	3.15
France	3.13	3.13	3.13	3.13	3.13
Germany	2.97	2.95	3.16	3.06	3.04
Japan	0.51	0.48	0.49	0.47	0.47
Netherlands	3.11	3.00	3.18	3.21	3.26
Switzerland	1.53	1.43	1.16	1.10	0.96
United Kingdom	6.63	6.74	6.64	6.84	7.07

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Chart 5. 3-Month Interest Rates

U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.59	5.58	5.59	5.61	5.59
Canadian finance paper	3.61	3.67	3.67	3.70	3.63
French interbank rate	3.27	3.27	3.32	3.31	3.31
German interbank rate	3.06	3.09	3.14	3.17	3.19
Japanese CD rate	0.66	0.66	0.63	0.59	0.57
Netherlands interbank rate	3.20	3.24	3.26	3.33	3.35
Swiss interbank rate	1.45	1.50	1.43	1.43	1.38
U.K. interbank sterling	6.94	6.95	7.04	7.10	7.13
Weighted average foreign interest rate (G-10 Countries)	3.62	3.66	3.67	3.69	3.69

Chart 6. Euro-Dollar Deposit Rates

Overnight	5.43	5.49	5.55	5.49	5.51
7-day	5.48	5.53	5.50	5.53	5.51
1-month	5.54	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
3-month	5.62	5.56	5.56	5.61	5.58
6-month	5.69	5.69	5.68	5.73	5.71
1-year	5.89	5.84	5.85	5.98	5.89

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

Overnight Euro-dollar deposits	5.43	5.49	5.55	5.49	5.51
U.S. federal funds	5.43	5.57	5.62	5.45	5.55
Differential	-0.00	-0.08	-0.07	0.04	-0.04
3-month Euro-dollar deposit	5.62	5.56	5.56	5.61	5.58
U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	5.59	5.58	5.59	5.61	5.59
Differential	0.03	-0.01	-0.03	0.00	-0.01

Chart 8. Interest Arbitrage, 3-Month Funds

Euro-dollar deposit	5.62	5.56	5.56	5.61	5.58
Interbank sterling (London), covered	5.61	5.57	5.55	5.62	5.60
Differential	0.00	-0.00	0.01	-0.01	-0.02
U.S. commercial paper	5.55	5.56	5.57	5.57	5.56
Canadian finance paper, covered	5.73	5.74	5.76	5.78	5.81
Differential	-0.18	-0.18	-0.19	-0.20	-0.25
Euro-dollar deposit	5.62	5.56	5.56	5.61	5.58
Interbank DM (Frankfurt), covered	5.64	5.61	5.53	5.60	5.67
Differential	-0.03	-0.05	0.03	0.00	-0.09
Euro-dollar deposit	5.62	5.56	5.56	5.61	5.58
Swiss interbank, covered	5.71	5.63	5.67	5.78	5.67
Differential	-0.09	-0.07	-0.11	-0.17	-0.09

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

Canada	5.94	5.91	5.88	6.01	5.97
France	5.41	5.42	5.53	5.62	5.56
Germany	5.55	5.54	5.60	5.69	5.64
Japan	2.32	2.23	2.17	2.17	2.13
Switzerland	3.22	3.25	3.27	3.29	3.31
Netherlands	5.49	5.47	5.55	5.64	5.58
United Kingdom	7.01	6.95	6.99	7.05	7.02
United States	6.20	6.13	6.18	6.35	6.24

Chart 10. Stock Indices (Wednesday figures)

Canada	225.45	228.29	231.06	226.31	225.84
France	229.63	234.64	232.78	230.50	ND
Germany	219.61	219.84	215.58	216.36	212.71
Japan	115.66	116.22	114.00	111.75	112.83
Netherlands	361.07	357.71	367.15	345.19	354.03
Switzerland	477.97	486.02	475.01	468.16	470.38
United Kingdom	239.58	241.32	245.14	247.12	245.72
United States	356.91	362.84	365.36	351.70	357.05

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