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Chart 1

Nominal Currency Exchange Values

Dollar prices of foreign currencies and weighted average values of U.S. dollar
(Averages for week ending Wednesday, ratio scale, March 1973 = 100)

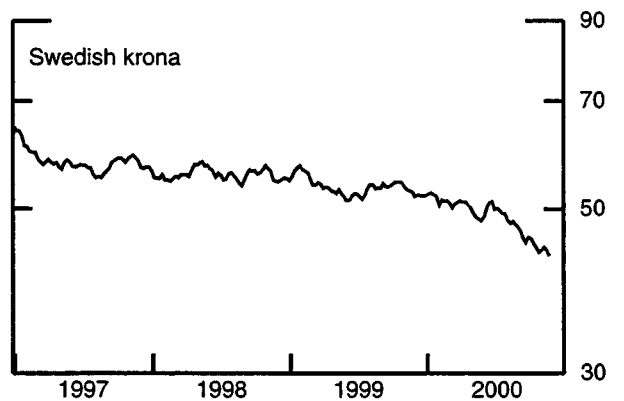
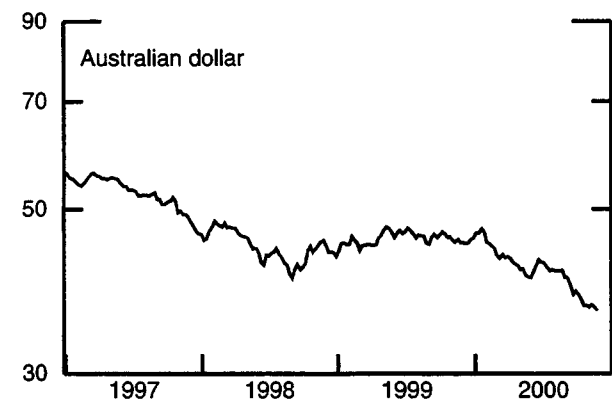
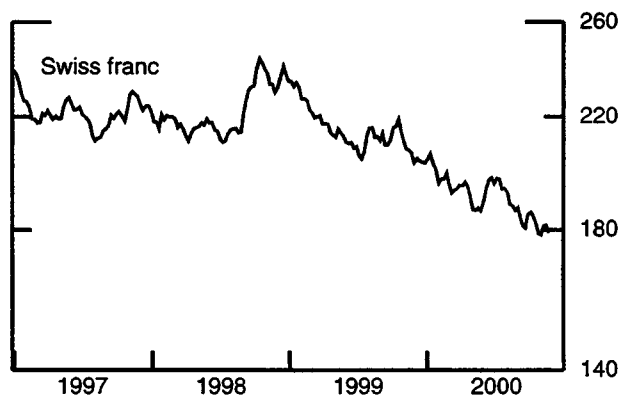
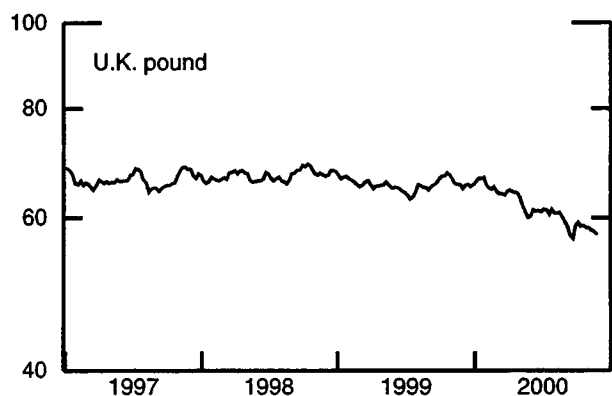
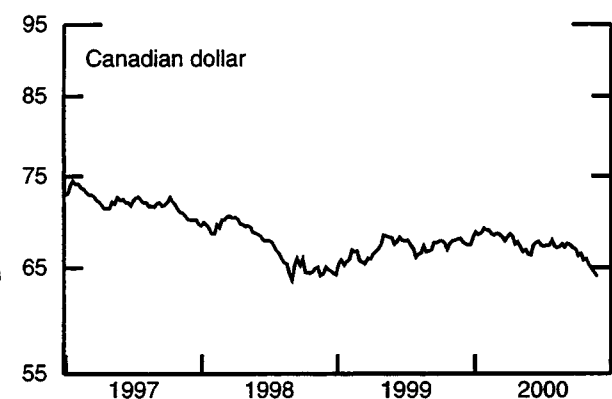
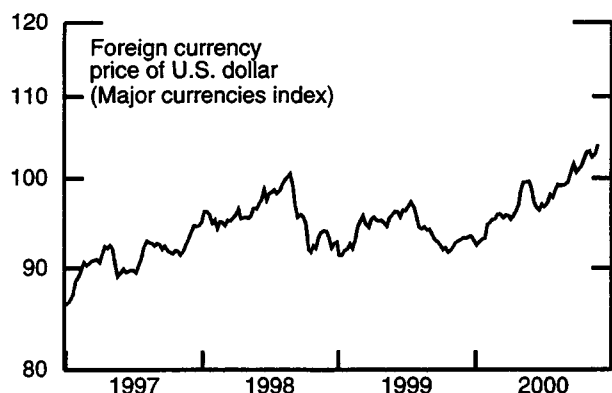


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3-Month Forward Exchange Rates

Premium (+) or (-)
(Averages for week ending Wednesday, percent per annum)

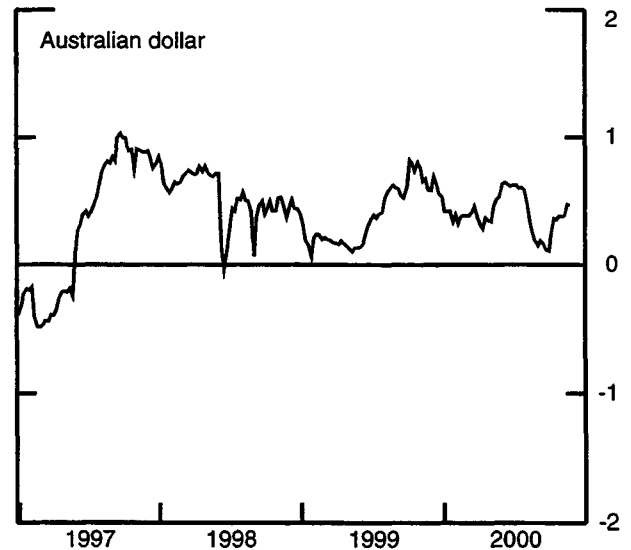
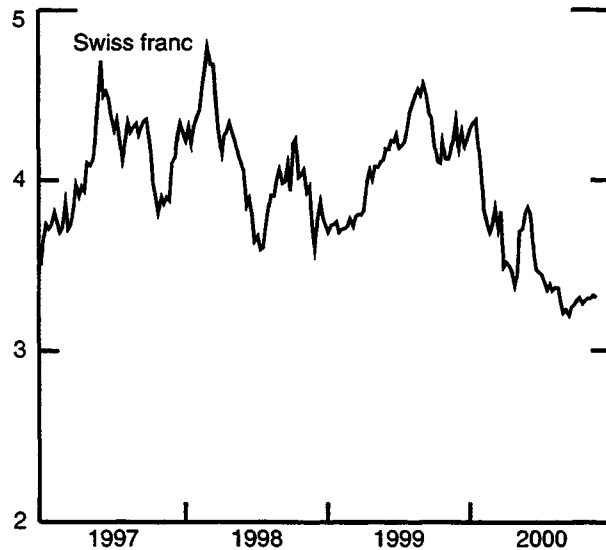
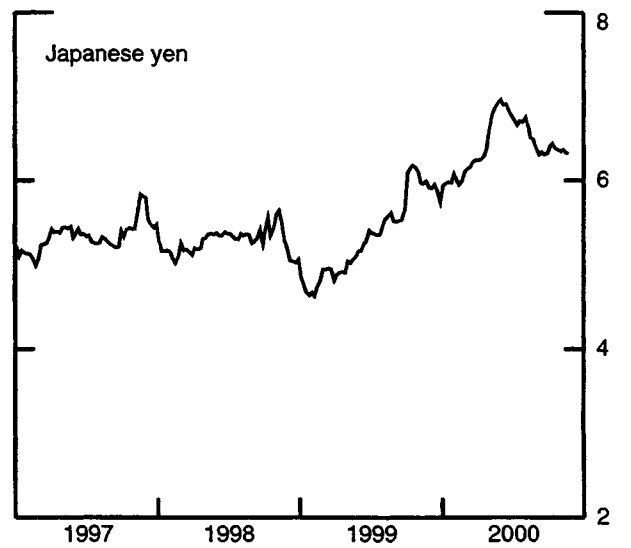
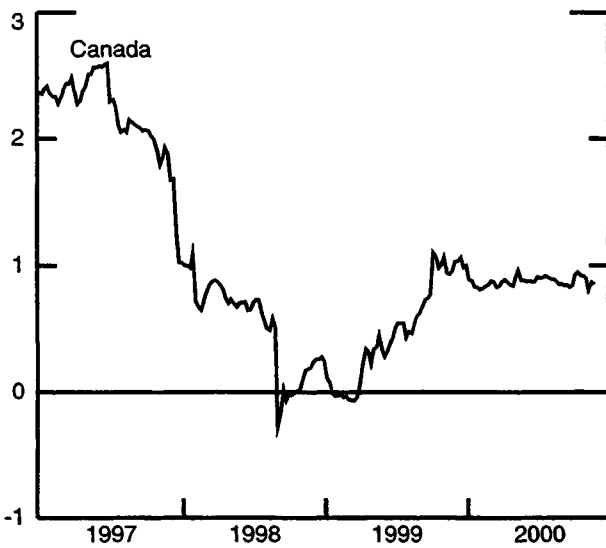
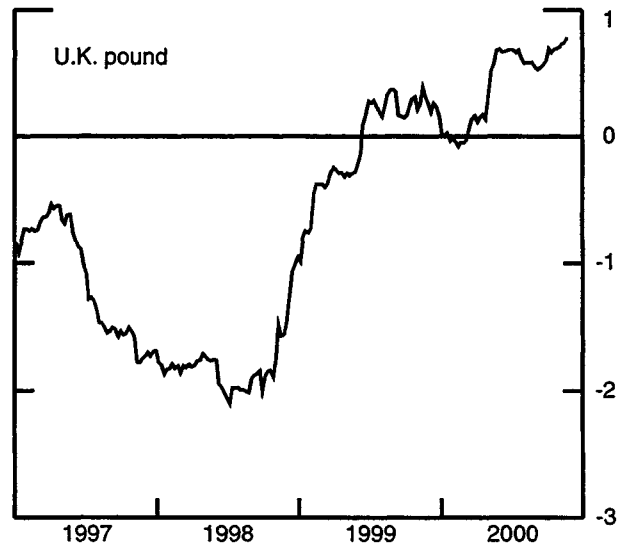
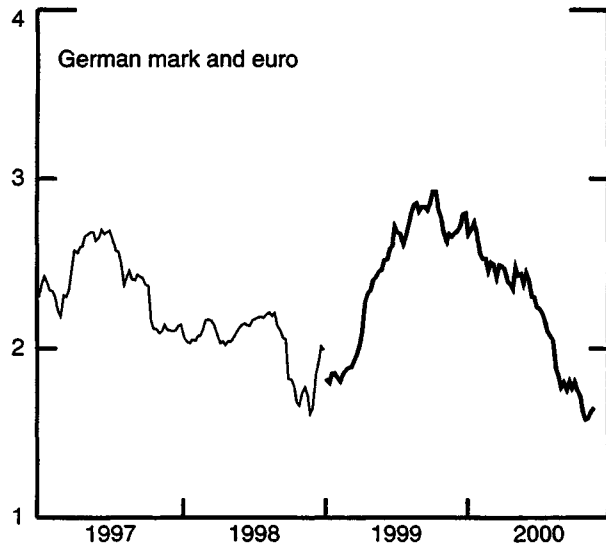


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Price of Gold in London
(Averages for week ending Wednesday)

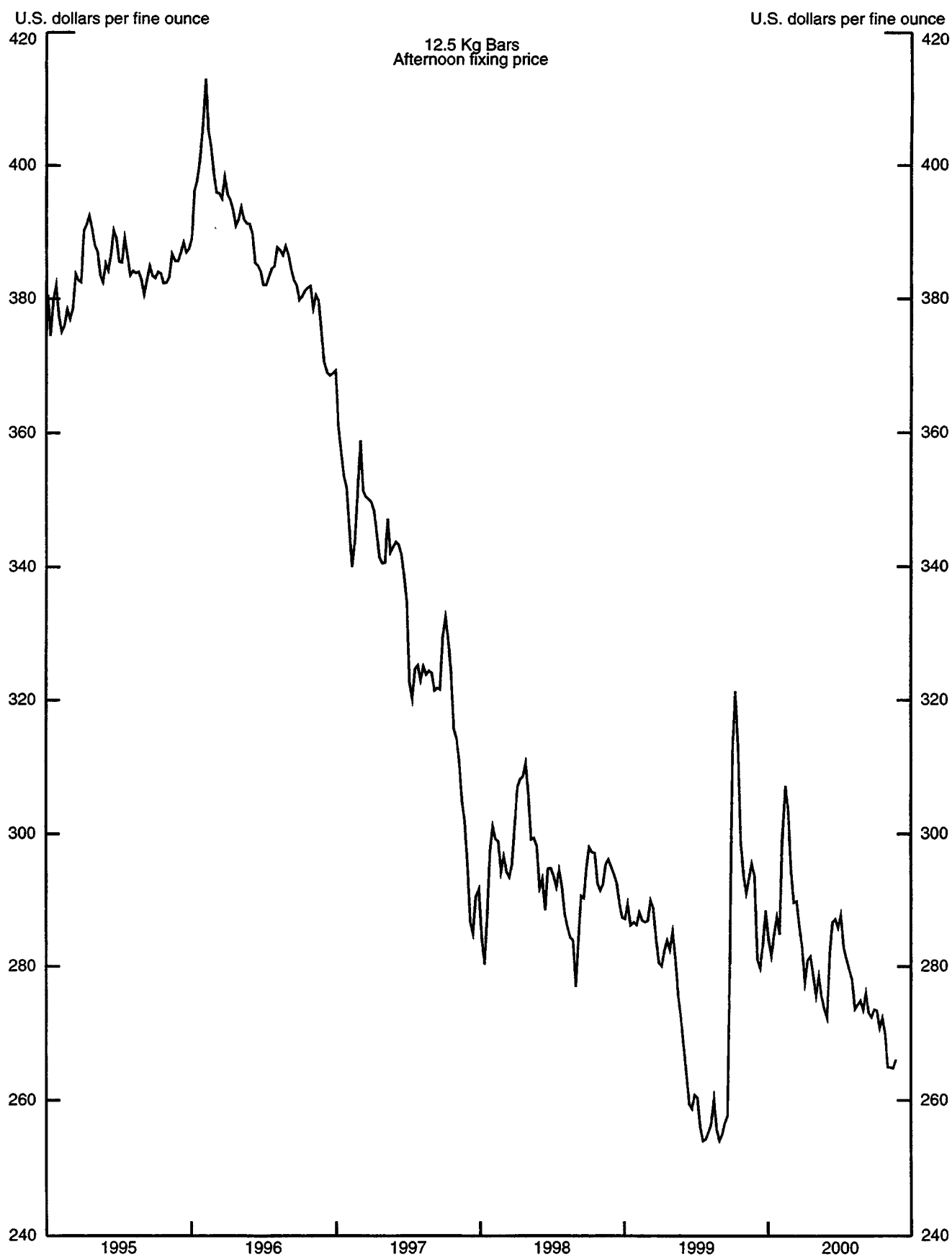
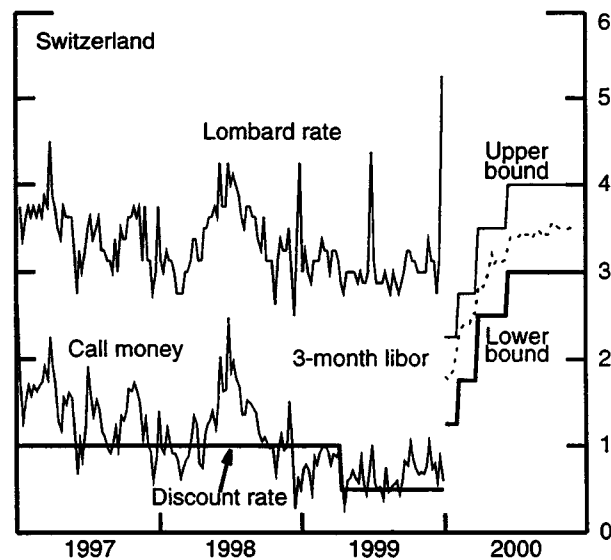
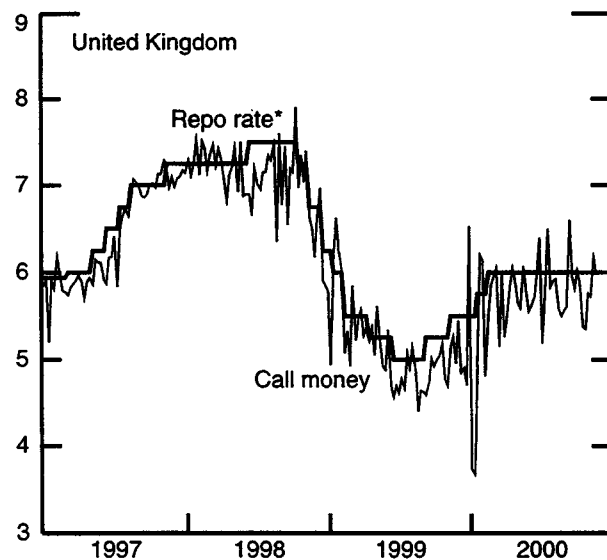
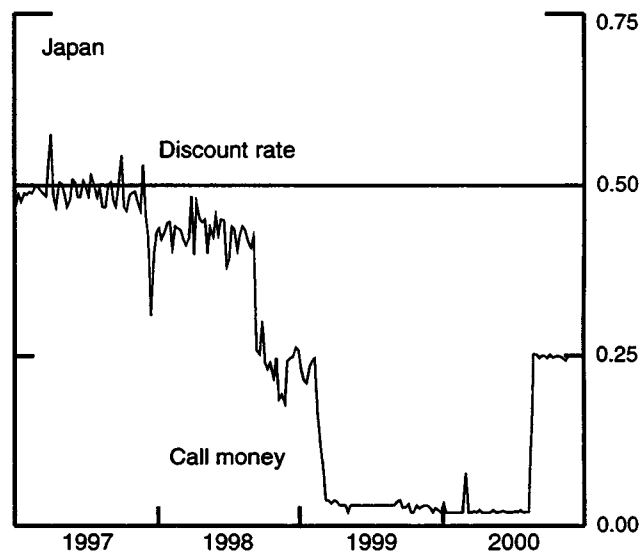
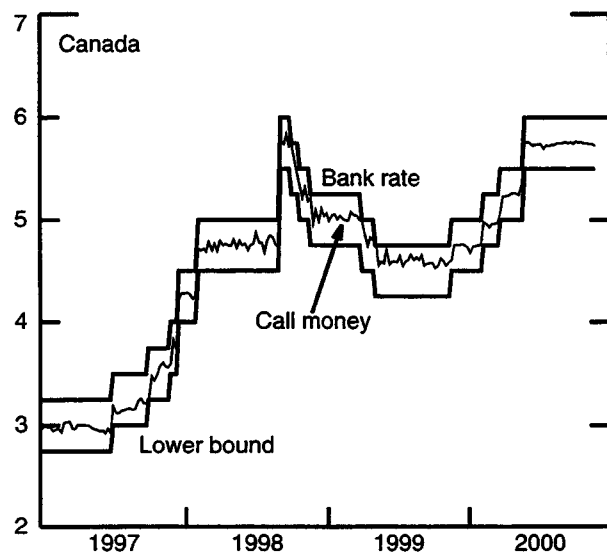
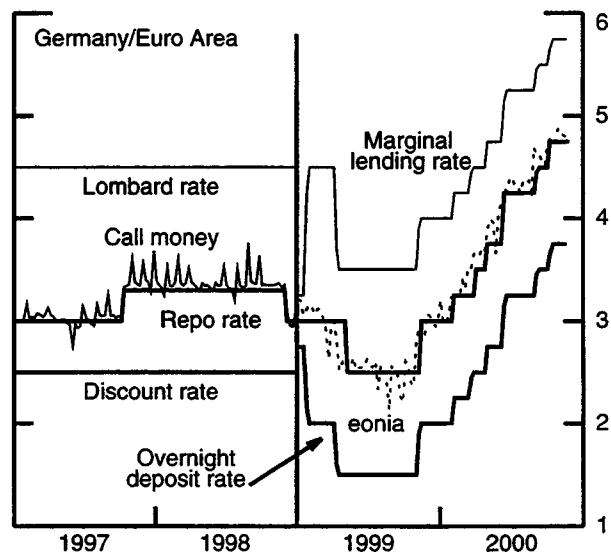
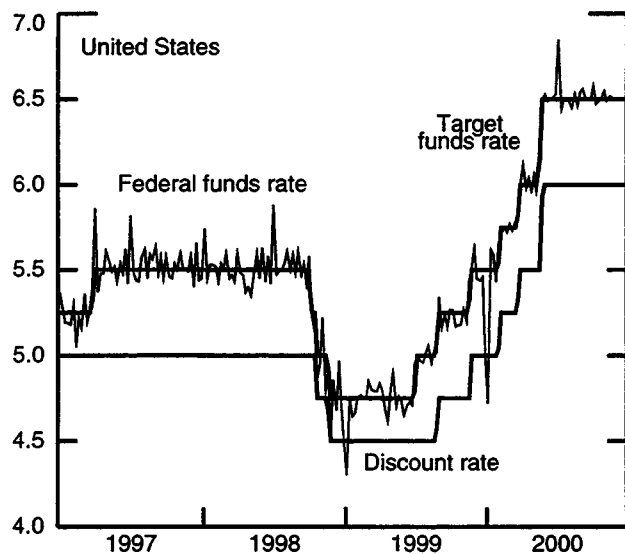


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Interbank Funding Rates and Official Interest Rates (Averages for week ending Wednesday, percent per annum)



* Money-market dealing rate prior to March 1997.

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3-Month Interest Rates

(Averages for week ending Wednesday, percent per annum)

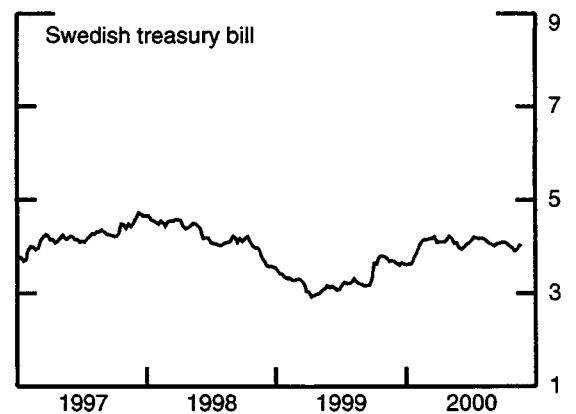
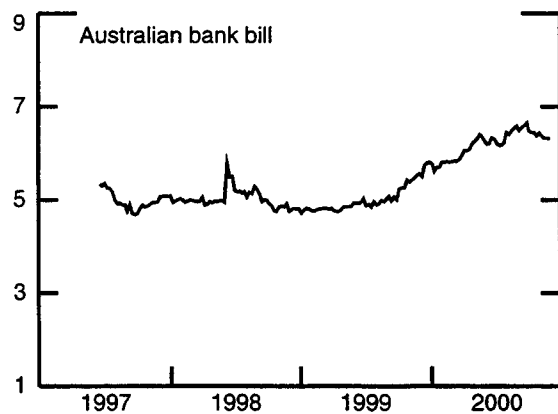
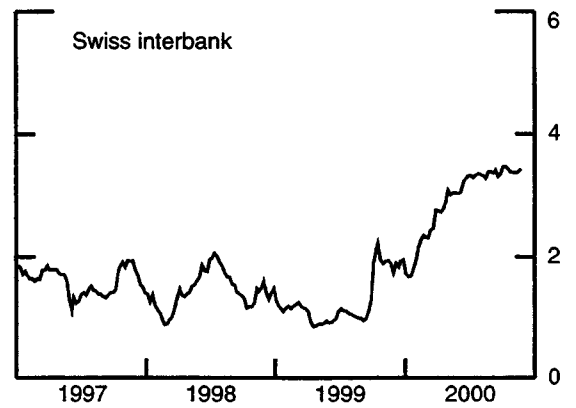
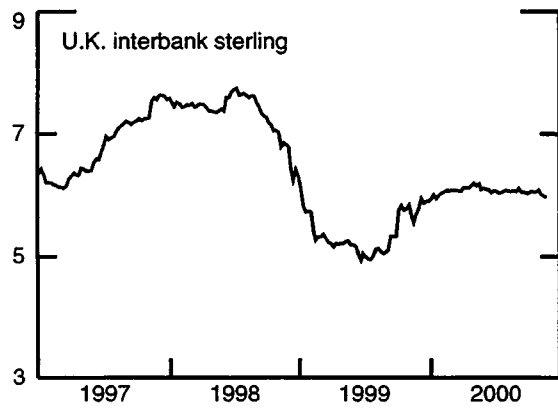
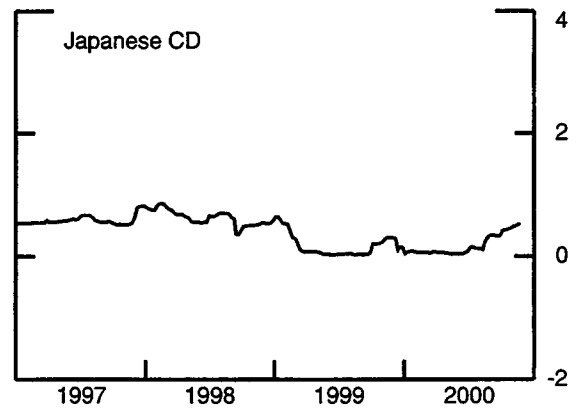
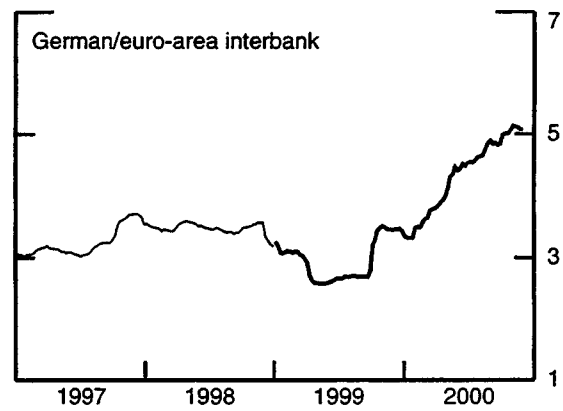
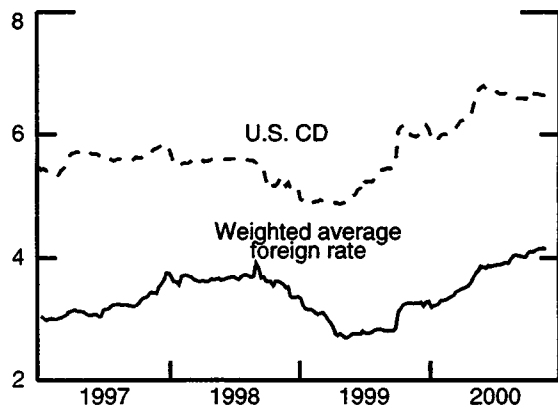


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Long-Term Government Bond Yields
(Averages for week ending Wednesday, percent per annum)

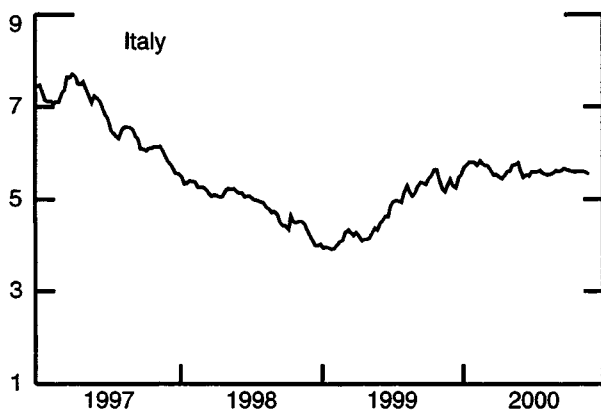
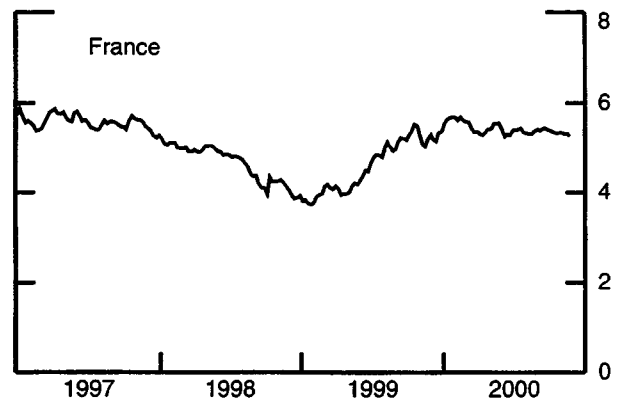
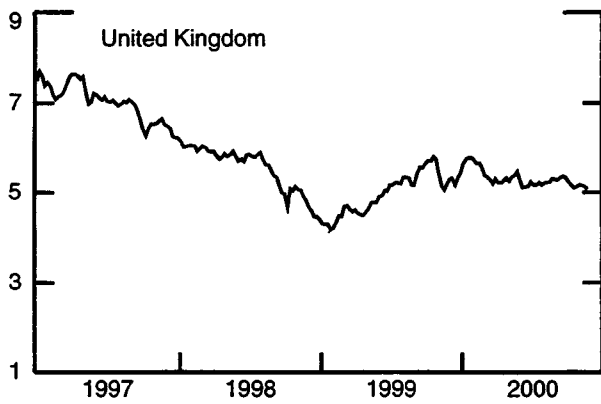
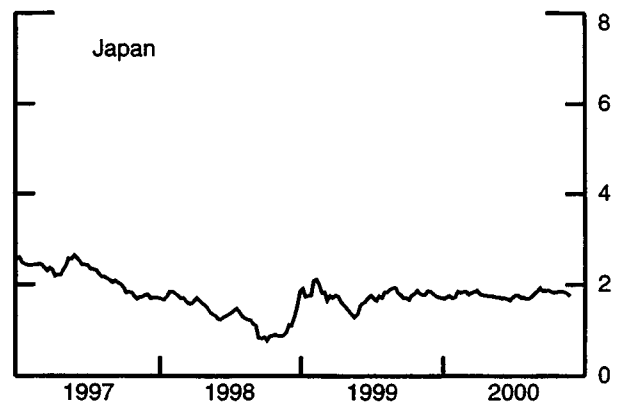
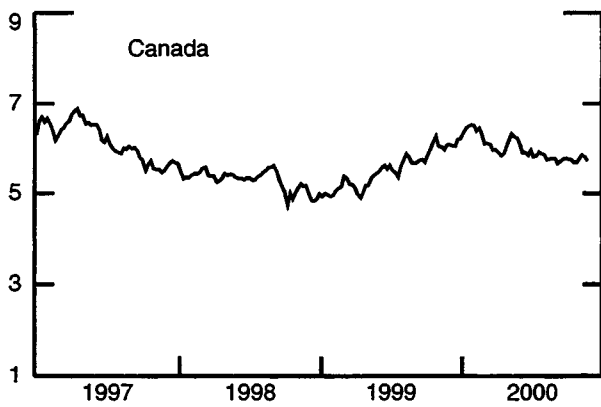
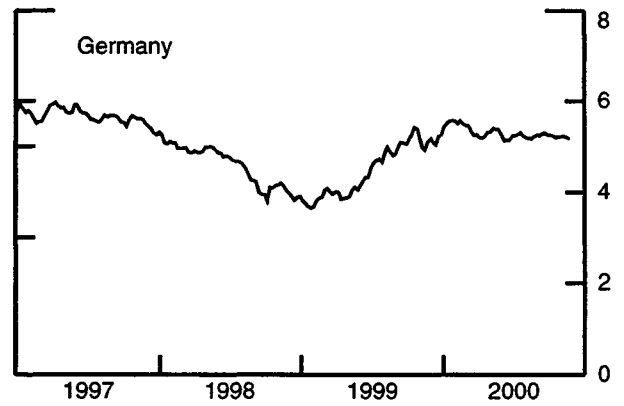
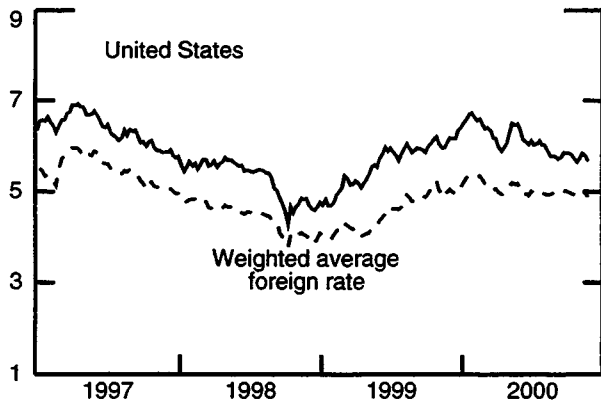
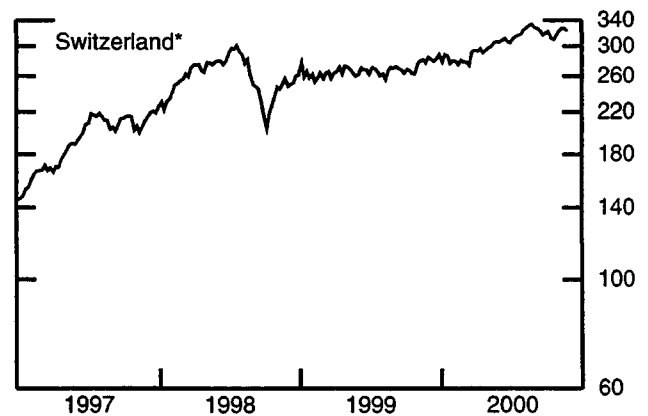
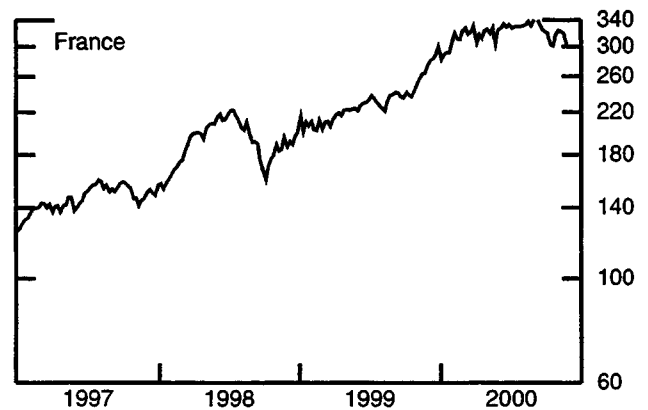
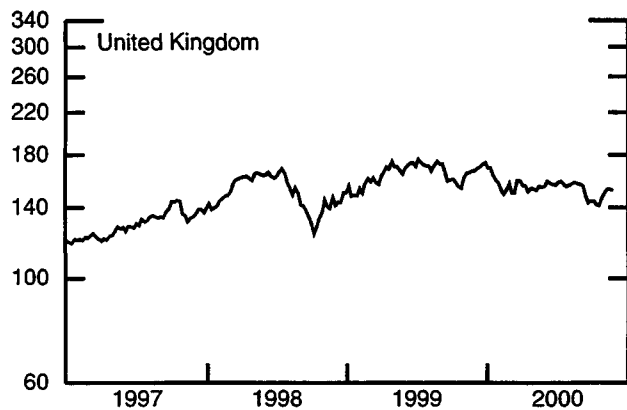
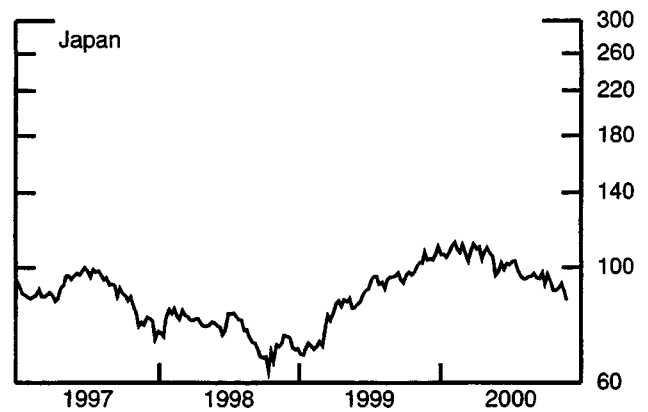
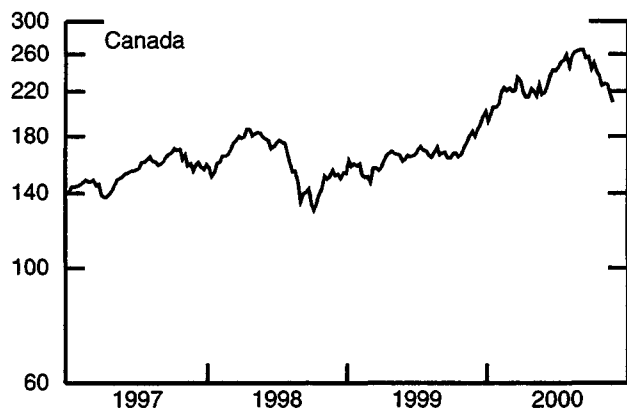
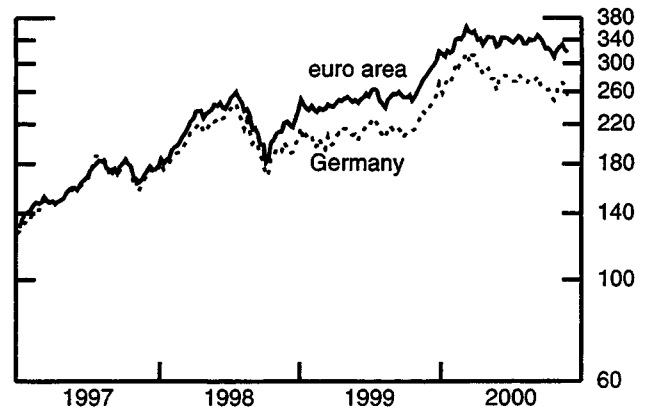
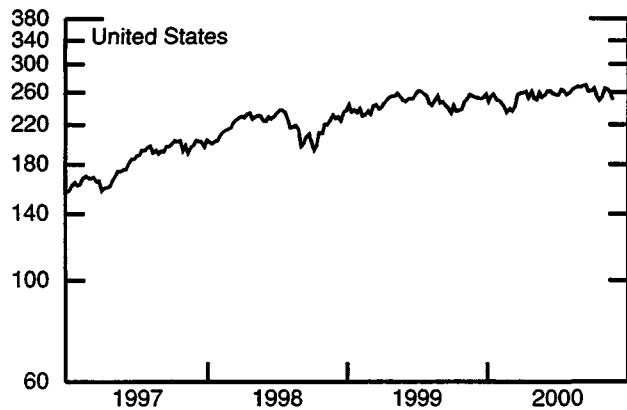


Chart 7

Stock Indexes

(Averages for week ending Wednesday, ratio scale, December 30, 1994 = 100)



*December 29, 1994 = 100

	25-Oct-00	1-Nov-00	8-Nov-00	15-Nov-00	22-Nov-00
Chart 1. Nominal Currency Exchange Values					
Noon buying rates (U.S. cents, weekly averages)					
Australian dollar	52.4220	52.1220	52.5620	52.1400	51.6260
Canadian dollar	66.144	65.524	65.162	64.656	64.317
Japanese yen	0.92223	0.91958	0.92907	0.92622	0.91213
Restated German mark and euro	83.61	84.36	85.87	85.90	84.83
Swedish krona	9.8679	9.9278	10.0351	9.9530	9.7801
Swiss franc	55.610	55.482	56.374	56.453	55.653
U.K. pound	144.49	144.63	143.58	143.00	141.83

Indexes, March 1973 base rates = 100					
Australian dollar	37.10	36.89	37.20	36.90	36.54
Canadian dollar	65.92	65.31	64.95	64.44	64.10
Japanese yen	241.47	240.78	243.26	242.51	238.83
Restated German mark and euro	120.25	121.33	123.50	123.55	122.01
Swedish krona	43.70	43.96	44.44	44.08	43.31
Swiss franc	178.90	178.49	181.36	181.62	179.04
U.K. pound	58.44	58.50	58.07	57.84	57.37

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

Australian dollar	0.38	0.37	0.39	0.47	0.47
Canadian dollar	0.91	0.90	0.80	0.87	0.85
Euro	1.62	1.58	1.58	1.63	1.65
Japanese yen	6.37	6.34	6.37	6.33	6.33
Swiss franc	3.29	3.30	3.30	3.32	3.31
U.K. pound	0.69	0.71	0.74	0.75	0.78

Chart 3. Gold Price in London, Afternoon Fixing

U.S. dollars per fine ounce	269.84	264.99	264.96	264.78	266.08
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Chart 4. Interbank Funding Rates and Official Interest Rates

United States					
Target federal funds rate	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50
Effective federal funds	6.51	6.55	6.49	6.52	6.51
Discount rate	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Canada					
Bank rate	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Call money	5.75	5.75	5.74	5.74	5.73
Lower bound	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Euro area					
Marginal lending rate	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75
Eonia	4.75	4.88	4.85	4.81	4.80
Repo rate	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75
Overnight deposit rate	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75
Japan					
Call money	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.25
Discount rate	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Switzerland*					
Upper bound	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Libor rate	3.50	3.51	3.50	3.49	3.51
Lower bound	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
United Kingdom					
Call money	5.35	5.76	5.73	6.18	5.98
Repo rate	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00

*In January 2000, the Swiss National Bank began to target the Swiss Franc 3-month LIBOR interest rate, with the aim of keeping this rate inside a range given by an upper and a lower bound.

25-Oct-00 1-Nov-00 8-Nov-00 15-Nov-00 22-Nov-00

Chart 5. 3-Month Interest Rates

U.S. 90-day CD's, secondary market	6.66	6.66	6.65	6.64	6.64
Australian bank bill	6.38	6.43	6.37	6.32	6.33
Canadian finance paper	5.89	5.89	5.91	5.92	5.94
Euro-area interbank	5.07	5.13	5.12	5.10	5.07
Japanese CD	0.45	0.47	0.49	0.52	0.51
Swedish treasury bill	4.00	3.91	3.94	4.04	4.02
Swiss interbank	3.37	3.37	3.36	3.38	3.42
U.K. interbank sterling	6.05	6.08	6.01	5.98	5.96
Weighted average foreign interest rate (Canada, euro area, Japan, United Kingdom, Switzerland, Australia, and Sweden)	4.12	4.14	4.14	4.15	4.14

Chart 6. Long Term Government Bellwether Bond Yields
10-year maturity, where available

Canada	5.67	5.77	5.85	5.81	5.72
France	5.35	5.36	5.33	5.34	5.29
Germany	5.21	5.23	5.23	5.21	5.17
Italy	5.60	5.61	5.60	5.59	5.55
Japan	1.85	1.84	1.83	1.80	1.74
Switzerland	3.92	3.96	3.94	3.88	3.88
United Kingdom	5.13	5.17	5.16	5.12	5.06
United States	5.64	5.73	5.84	5.78	5.67
Weighted average foreign interest rate (Canada, euro area, Japan, United Kingdom, Switzerland, Australia, and Sweden)	4.93	4.97	4.98	4.95	4.89

Chart 7. Stock Indexes (Wednesday figures)

Canada	225.74	227.69	226.71	218.03	209.91
France	317.01	323.72	321.18	318.85	302.50
Germany	259.30	271.35	272.42	267.02	253.01
Euro area*	407.72	415.20	422.34	411.79	405.47
Italy	316.95	325.97	331.21	331.39	319.89
Japan	90.26	90.98	93.24	89.93	86.37
Switzerland**	317.58	323.13	327.94	326.80	323.47
United Kingdom	145.86	150.34	152.65	152.81	152.11
United States	253.65	264.80	263.73	259.46	249.65

Indices (in order, rebased to December 30, 1994, **December 29, 1994) are Toronto Composite, SBF250, FAZ Aktien, *Dow Jones EURO stock index, Banca Italiana General, Tokyo SE (Topix), Swiss Performance Index, Financial Times Ordinary, NYSE Composite