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SELECTED INTEREST RATES AND BOND PRICES (Yields in per cent per annum) Calendar week ending March 19, 1977

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Instruments	Mar. 14	Mar. 15	Mar. 16	Mar. 17	Mar. 18	This Week	Last Week	Year Ago*
Federal funds (effective rate)	4.67	4.61	4.57	4.67	4.66	4.62 1/	4.63 1/	4.77 1/
Commercial paper (prime, 90 to 119 days)	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.35
Commercial paper (prime, 4 to 6 mos.)	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.85	5.45
Finance paper placed directly (3 to 6 mos.)	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.38
Bankers' acceptances (prime, 90 days)	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.83	4.80	4.81	4.84	5.19
Prime loan (large business prime rate-majority)	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.75
Discount rate (Federal Reserve Bank of New York)	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.50
Yields on U.S. Government securities 2/								
Auction Average (Issue date):								
3-month bill				4.545		4.545	4.652	4.981
6-month bill				4.813		4.813	4.965	5.459
1-year bill								
Market Yields:								
3-month bill	4.57	4.57	4.62	4.62	4.59	4.59	4.63	4.98
6-month bill	4.83	4.84	4.91	4.91	4.87	4.87	4.92	5.43
1-year bill	5.13	5.16	5.21	5.22	5.17	5.18	5.22	5.82
Treasury constant maturities 3/								
1-year	5.44	5.47	5.49	5.55	5.50	5.49	5.52	6.23
2-year	6.06	6.06	6.08	6.14	6.08	6.08	6.12	n.a.
3-year	6.44	6.46	6.47	6.50	6.44	6.46	6.50	7.13
5-year	6.89	6.87	6.90	6.94	6.90	6.90	6.96	7.51
7-year	7.17	7.16	7.17	7.20	7.16	7.17	7.23	7.66
10-year	7.45	7.44	7.44	7.47	7.44	7.45	7.49	7.75
20-year	7.74	7.71	7.72	7.72	7.70	7.72	7.76	7.97
Coupon issues due in: 4/								
9 to 12 months	5.48	5.49	5.50	5.53	5.49	5.50	5.54	6.13
3 to 5 years	6.72	6.71	6.71	6.73	6.70	6.71	6.77	7.25
10 years or more (long-term)	7.22	7.20	7.19	7.20	7.18	7.20	7.22	6.89
Price of long-term Treasury bonds 5/ 6/	55.70	55.84	55.91	55.84	55.98	55.85	55.67	58.11
Average yields on corporate bonds (Moody's)	8.52	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.52	9.18
Aaa	8.13	8.09	8.08	8.09	8.08	8.09	8.12	8.54
Baa	9.14	9.09	9.09	9.10	9.10	9.10	9.15	9.98
State and local government Aaa (Moody's)				5.20		5.20	5.23	6.01

1/ 7-day average for statement week ended on preceding Wednesday. 2/ Bills quoted on bank discount basis.

3/ Yields on actively traded issues adjusted to constant maturities. Source: U.S. Treasury Department.

4/ Unweighted average of all issues outstanding. 5/ Bonds neither due nor callable in less than 10 years.

6/ Derived from "long-term" yield above on the basis of an assumed 20-year bond with a 3 per cent coupon.

* As of March 20, 1976.