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SELECTED INTEREST RATES AND BOND PRICES
(Yields in per cent per annum)
Calendar week ending August 19, 1978

For Immediate Release
August 21, 1978

Instruments	Aug. 14	Aug. 15	Aug. 16	Aug. 17	Aug. 18	This Week	Last Week	Year Ago 1/
Federal funds (effective rate)	7.92	7.90	7.93	7.99	8.04	7.87 ^{2/}	7.83 ^{2/}	5.94 ^{2/}
Commercial paper (prime, 90 to 119 days)	7.76	7.76	7.77	7.80	7.82	7.78	7.77	5.88
Commercial paper (prime, 4 to 6 mos.)	7.81	7.83	7.84	7.87	7.94	7.86	7.84	5.95
Finance paper placed directly (3 to 6 mos.)	7.63	7.65	7.65	7.65	7.65	7.65	7.62	5.83
Bankers' acceptances (prime, 90 days)	7.85	7.85	7.95	7.96	8.05	7.93	7.83	6.02
Prime loan (large business prime rate-majority)	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	6.75
Discount rate (Federal Reserve Bank of New York)	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	5.25
Yields on U.S. Government securities: ^{3/}								
Auction Average (Issue date):								
3-month bill				6.887		6.887	6.808	5.669
6-month bill				7.259		7.259	7.172	5.978
1-year bill								
Market Yields:								
3-month bill	6.88	6.99	7.24	7.19	7.30	7.12	6.79	5.56
6-month bill	7.24	7.31	7.52	7.43	7.50	7.40	7.18	5.92
1-year bill	7.64	7.67	7.85	7.84	7.90	7.78	7.58	6.07
Treasury constant maturities: ^{4/}								
1-year	8.21	8.24	8.44	8.46	8.53	8.38	8.13	6.48
2-year	8.29	8.29	8.50	8.48	8.50	8.41	8.21	6.70
3-year	8.26	8.27	8.46	8.42	8.44	8.37	8.21	6.85
5-year	8.29	8.30	8.44	8.40	8.40	8.37	8.25	7.08
7-year	8.37	8.39	8.48	8.47	8.46	8.43	8.32	7.29
10-year	8.45	8.46	8.55	8.46	8.46	8.48	8.39	7.44
20-year	8.50	8.51	8.59	8.51	8.50	8.52	8.41	7.68
30-year	8.51	8.53	8.60	8.55	8.53	8.54	8.45	7.72
Average yields on corporate bonds (Moody's)								
Aaa	9.06	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.09	9.08	9.07	8.35
Baa	8.69	8.69	8.70	8.71	8.72	8.70	8.66	7.99
Baa	9.43	9.47	9.48	9.48	9.48	9.47	9.48	8.81
State and local government Aaa (Moody's)				5.50		5.50	5.55	5.30

1/ As of week ending August 20, 1977.

2/ 7-day average for statement week ended on preceding Wednesday.

3/ Bills quoted on bank discount basis.

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