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CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENTS
IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

(Including Monthly Review of Financial Developments in the United Kingdom)

Large corporate issues for new capital totaling \$145 million and a State and local government bond issue for \$10 million were sold in the United States during the week ending January 8. This week, the calendar includes corporate offerings totaling \$40 million and State and local government issues amounting to \$301 million. Nuch of the State and local government volume is accounted for by two very large issues. A \$120 million issue (reduced last week from \$200 million because of market conditions) by New York State Power Authority is expected to be sold tomorrow on a negotiated basis. The total also includes a \$100 million California issue, which was originally scheduled for sale in early December, then postponed. (Press reports indicate this issue may be postponed again; if so, this, together with the smaller New York State Power Authority issue, would reduce State and local government bond sales this month substantially from the estimate shown in Exhibit E.)

Bond yields - Yields for U. S. Government and State and local government obligations increased last week, while those for corporate bonds remained stable.

A new A-rated, first mortgage electric utility bond issue was offered to the public last week to yield 5.30 per cent--14 basis points lower than that for the last comparable issue, an offering made in mid-December. However, this offering has a five-year nonrefundable provision while the earlier issue has no such restriction.

Mortgage recordings - Nonfarm mortgage recordings declined somewhat further in September to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$31.8 billion. Although this was 5 per cent below the midyear peak, it was 6 per cent above a year earlier and the highest rate ever registered for the month.

In October, conventional loans continued to account for over 70 per cent of total recordings. The average size of recorded loan was about \$8,500. VA-guaranteed loans averaged approximately \$13,170; FHA-insured loans, \$12,400; and conventional loans, \$7,575.

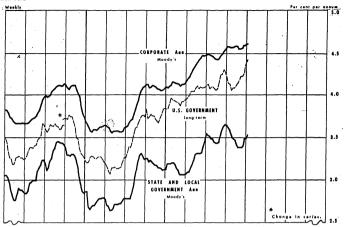
 $\frac{\text{Stock prices}}{500\text{ common stocks, declined last week, closing at 59.50 on}} \\ \text{January 8. Trading activity increased somewhat with daily volume averaging 3.6 million shares a day.}$

More detailed information concerning recent capital market developments is presented in the attached exhibits.

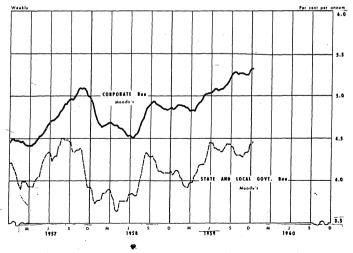
Developments in the Canadian and United Kingdom capital markets are presented in Appendixes 1 and 2 at the end of this report.

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LOWER-GRADE BOND YIELDS



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Tables for Exhibit A

High-grade Bond Yields

Date	Corporate U. S. Govt. State and local govt.		Spread between U. S. Govt. and Corporate State and		
	<u></u> /	2011[00111]	Aaa <u>3</u> /		local Aaa
4	-	(Per cent)			
1954 - Low 1957 - High 1958 - High Low 1959 - High Low	2.85 (4/23) 4.14 (9/27) 4.13 (10/10) 3.55 (5/2) 4.61 (12/31) 4.09 (1/9)	2.45 (8/6) 3.76 (10/18) 3.84 (12/26) 3.07 (4/25) 4.37 (12/31) 3.83 (1/2)	1.90 (9/2) 3.45 (8/29) 3.31 (9/11) 2.64 (5/1) 3.65 (9/24) 3.06 (3/26)	.30 .60 .51 .22 .50	.30 .47 .72 .34 .92
Dec. 11 Dec. 18 Dec. 24 Dec. 31 Jan. 8 p/	4.56 4.59 4.59 4.61 4.61	4.22 4.25 <u>c/</u> 4.32 4.37 4.42	3.38 3.40 3.49 3.49 3.53	.34 .34 .27 .24 .19	.84 .85 .83 .88

Lower-grade Bond Yields

Date	Corporate	State and	Spread Aaa an		
Da Ce	Baa <u>1</u> /	local govt. Baa 3/	Corporate	State and local govt.	
		(Per cent)			
1954 - Low 1957 - High 1958 - High Low 1959 - High Low	3.44 (12/31) 5.10 (11/29) 4.96 (1/3) 4.51 (7/11) 5.32 (12/31) 4.83 (4/17)	2.93 (8/5) 4.51 (8/29) 4.34 (9/11) 3.64 (5/1) 4.46 (7/2) 3.92 (3/26)	.52 1.27 1.28 .77 .77 .56	.96 1.21 1.11 .93 .98 .79	
Dec. 11 Dec. 18 Dec. 24 Dec. 31 Jan. 8 p/	5.25 5.27 5.30 5.32 5.32	4.33 4.35. 4.42 4.43 4.46	.69 .68 .71 .71	.95 .95 .93 .94	

p/ Preliminary. c/ Corrected.

Note. -- lighs and lows are for individual series and may be on different dates for different series.

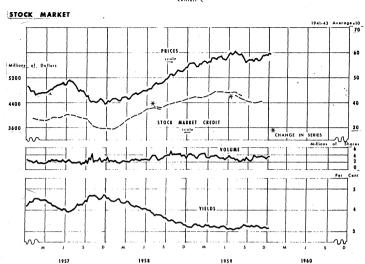
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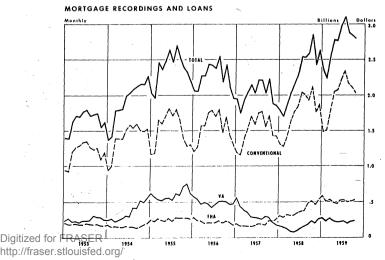
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\</sup>begin{align*}{l} \text{ Weckly average of daily figures. Average term of bonds included is 25-26 years. \(
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³/ Thursday figures. Only general obligation bonds are included; average term is 20 years.





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Date	Stock price	Common	Trading volume 3/		Customers	Bai	nk
	index 1/	yields <u>2/</u> (per cent)	(millions of shares)	Total		"other	
				(Mil	lions of do	llars)	
1953-1958 - High Low 1959 - High Low	54.11 (12/24/5 22.95 (9/18/53 60.51 (7/31) 54.37 (2/6)		4.9 0.9 4.3 2.1	4,492 2,055 4,764 4,401	3,285 1,314 3,401 3,210	1,317 669 1,332 1,210	1,373 1,180
October November Dec. 24 Dec. 31 Jan. 8 p/	57.00 57.23 59.00 59.89 59.50	3.24 3.24 c/3.21 3.15 3.18	2.8 3.4 2.9 3.3 3.6	4,401 4,460 n.a. n.a. n.a.	3,210 3,273 n.a. n.a.		1,191 1,187 1,192 1,187 n.a.

n.a. -- Not available. p/ Praliminary.

Federal Reserve. Yields shown are for dates on which price index reached its high or low.

5/ Wednesday figures for weekly reporting member banks. Excludes loans for purchasing or carrying U. S. Government escurities. Frior to July 1, 1959, such loans are excluded only at banks in New York and Chicago. Weekly reporting banks account for about 70 per coat of loans to others. Per further detail see Bulletin.

Nonfarm Mortgage Recordings and Loans 1/

	Tot		Unadjusted		
Date	Seasonally adjusted 2/	Unadjusted	FHA	VA	Conv.
	1	(Millions o	of dollars)		
1958 - Oct. Nov. Dec. 1959 - Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May June July Aug. Sept. Oct.	2,567 2,652 2,629 2,677 2,631 2,683 2,683 2,757 2,780 2,780 2,789 2,050 n,a.	2,857 2,432 2,629 2,353 2,245 2,586 2,776 2,768 2,974 3,100 2,871 2,831 2,880	501 457 510 585 506 530 490 478 521 524 504 510	239 216 257 276 238 261 231 212 221 227 202 221 238	2,116 1,759 1,861 1,491 1,500 1,796 2,055 2,079 2,233 2,349 2,165 2,103

n.a. -- Not available.

2/ Three-month moving average, seasonally adjusted by Federal Reserve.

Digitized for FR/Seree Federal Home Loan Sank Board, Federal Housing Administration and Veterans Administration.

^{1/} Standard and Poor's emposite index of 500 common stocks, weekly closing prices, 1941-43=10. Monthly data are averages of daily figures rather than of Fridays' only. Highs and lows are for Fridays' data only. 2/ Standard and Poor's composite stock yield based on Mednesdey data converted to weekly closing prices by

^{3/} Averages of daily trading volume on the New York Stock Exchange.
4/ End of month figures for member firms of the New York Stock Exchange which carry margin accounts; excludes balances secured by U. S. Government obligations.

^{1/} Total recordings data are estimates based on reports from about 450 areas and include mortages of ‡20,000 on less secured by nonfarm real estate, primarily residential proporties. PHA-insured loans represent gross amount of insurance written, and VA-guaranteed loans the gross amount of loans closed, on 1-4 family houses. Conventional data are derived as a residual, although total recordings and VA and PMI loans are not strictly comparable in concept or timing.

Exhibit E

Long-term Corporate and State and Local Government Security Offerings and Placements

(In millions of dollars)

			New c	apital		
		Corporat	e 1/		tate and loc	al 2/
	1960	1959	1958	1960	1959	1958
January February March	e /750	840 745 631	728 857 1 , 553 3 /	<u>e</u> /800	636 856 645	812 953 511
April May June		899 791 874	1,140 597 887		931 592 981	798 895 551
July August September		531 718 709	1,107 540 1,114		566 516 467	80 6 403 651
October November December		p/826 e/850 e/850	862 518 920		p/573 e/450 e/450	456 474 435
lst quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter		2,216 2,564 1,958 <u>e</u> /2,526	3,139 2,623 2,760 2,300		2,138 2,504 1,549 <u>e</u> /1,473	2,276 2,244 1,860 1,365
lst half Three quarters Year		4,780 6,738 <u>e</u> /9,264	5,762 8,522 10,823		4,642 6,191 <u>e</u> /7,664	4,520 6,380 7,746
	Excluding	finance co	mpanies 4/			
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter		2,011 2,409 1,695 <u>e</u> /2,376	2,899 2,586 2,731 2,213			
Year		<u>e</u> /8,491	10,429			

p/ Preliminary.

e/ Estimated. / Securities and Exchange Commission estimates of net proceeds.

[/] Investment Bankers Association of America estimates of principal amounts. Includes \$718.3 million AT&T convertible debenture issue.

^{1/} Total new capital issues excluding offerings of sales and consumer finance companies.

Exhibit F

Other Security Offerings 1/ (In millions of dollars)

			Long	-term		
	Fore	ign governme	ent 2/	F	ederal agend	cy 3/
-	1959	1958	1957	1959	1958	1957
January February March	77 59 2	196 53	84 49 30	199 175	1,163 251	72
April May June	56 50 42	139 198 120	123 48 42		523 	125 60
July August September	£5 1 36	9 5 17	28 7 30	98 150	164 	215
October November December	29	58 123 74	60 1		220 	100
Year		992	507		2,321	572
			Short-	term		
	State and	local gove	rnment 4/		eral agency	3/
January February March	190 428 295	233 460 273	326 455 147	359 500 489	371 208 144	638 430 505
April May June	563 411 245	357 354 264	205 337 153	486 675 289	209 161 329	336 469 501
July August September	246 467 399	289 423 369	272 272 252	727 305 665	437 206 330	224 370 512
October November December	235 E/342	231 415 243	303 94 459	733 471 288	454 114 137	1,238 255 116
Year		3,910	3,274	7ارا0,6	3,098	5,543

p/ Preliminary.

1/ Data presented in this exhibit differ from those in Exhibit E in that refunding issues, as well as new capital issues, are included. Long-term securities are defined as those maturing in more than one year.

3/ Issues not guaranteed by the U. S. Government. Source: long-term, Securities

and Exchange Commission; short-term, Federal Reserve.

L/ Principally tax and bond anticipation notes, warrants or certificates and Public Bousing Authority notes. In some instances PMA notes included may have a somewhat Ionger term than one year. Source: Bond Buyer.

^{2/} Includes securities offered in the United States by foreign governments and their subdivisions and by international organizations. Source: Securities and Exchange Commission.

Exhibit G

Large Long-term Public Security Issues for New Capital (Other than U. S. Treasury) $\underline{1}/$

Proceeds of Large Issues Offered

(Millions of dollars)

Month	Corporate	State and local government	Other <u>2</u> /
1958 - December 1959 - January February March April May June July August September October November December	305 369 3k0 215 359 3k2 28k 110 363 199 k00 k21 230	229 335 551 369 563 258 635 194 263 214 294 163	79 1714 35 176 20 50 60 50 98 175 20

Large Individual Issues Offered January 1 through 8

Issuer	Type <u>3</u> /	(m:	mount illions of Llars)	Maturity	Coupon rate or net inter- est cost	Offering yield	Rating
CORPCRATE							
C.I.T. Financial Corp. Commercial Credit Co. Kansas City Pwr. & Lt. Co.	Deb. Notes 1st mtg. 1	bds.	75.0 50.0 20.0	1980 1980 1990	5 1/8 5 1/4 5	5.25 5.25 4.95	 Aaa
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT							
Toledo Sch. Dist., Ohio OTHER	f G.O.		10.0	1961-83	3.65	2.90-3.70	Aa
None							

Footnotes

- 1/ Includes corporate and other security offerings of \$15 million and over; State and local government security offerings of \$10 million and over.
 2/ Includes foreign government and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development issues and non-guaranteed issues by Federal agencies.
- 3/ In the case of State and local government securities, G. O. denotes general obligations; Rev.-Ut., revenue obligations secured only by income from public utilities; Rev.-Q.Ut., revenue bonds secured only by revenue from quasi-utilities; Rev.-S.T., revenue bonds secured by revenue from specific taxes only; Rev.-Rent., revenue bonds secured solely by lease payments.

Exhibit H

Forthcoming Large Long-term Public Security Offerings for New Capital (Other than U. S. Treasury) $\underline{\bf 1}\!\!\!\!\!\!/$

Expected Proceeds from Forthcoming Large Issues

Date of		ng month foll date shown	owing	Subsequent to date shown		
computation	Corporate	State and local govt.	Other 2/	Corporate	State and local govt.	Other 2
1958 - Dec. 31 1959 - Jan. 30 Feb. 27 Mar. 31 Apr. 30 May 29 June 30 July 31 Aug. 31 Sept. 30 Oct. 30 Nov. 30 Dec. 31	210 270 198 396 246 287 165 238 198 374 385 226	261 551 292 550 254 247 146 356 385 270 115 295 445	75 45 20 50 50 25 70	370 365 279 476 346 332 272 305 517 694 509 271 280	515 856 481 761 517 761 500 406 402 470 336 485 545	75 45 20 50 50 50 25

Forthcoming Large Offerings, as of January 8

<u> </u>			
Issuer	Type	Amount (millions of dollars)	Approximate date of offering
CORPORATE			
Northern Illinois Gas Co. Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. of Md. General Public Utilities Corp. General Acceptance Corp. *Southern California Edison Co. *Connecticut Light & Power Co. *Duke Power Co. Commerce Oil Refining Corp.	Pfd. stk. Deb. Com. stk. Deb. lst & ref. mtg. lst mtg. bds. lst & ref. mtg.	25.0 bds. 50.0	Jan. 13 Jan. 13 Jan. 19 (rights expire) Jan. 26 Jan. 27 Jan. 28 Feb. 17 Indefinite
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Seattle, Washington City and Co. of San Francisco, Calif. New York State Power Authority State of Maryland Tacoma, Washington State of California *Detroit, Michigan	RevUt. G.O. RevUt. G.O. RevUt. G.O. G.O.	11.8 13.6 120.0 23.1 32.0 100.0 13.2	Jan. 11 Jan. 11 Jan. 12 Jan. 12 Jan. 12 Jan. 13 Jan. 19

Forthcoming Large Offerings, as of January 8

Issuer	Туре	Amount (millions of dollars)	Approximate date of offering
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont'd)			
*Sacramento Unif. Sch. Dist., Calif. State of Washington State of North Carolina State of Louisiana *New York, New York *Washington Sub. Sanit. Dist., Md. Public Housing Authorities	G.O. RevUt. G.O. G.O. G.O. G.O. G.O.	10.0 28.1 11.1 15.0 22.0 10.0	Jan. 20 Jan. 20 Jan. 20 Jan. 20 Feb. 4 Feb. 9
OTHER			
Nontreal Netropolitan Corp., Canada *Province of New Brunswick, Canada	Deb. S.r. deb.	30.0 15.0	Jan. 27 Jan. 28

^{*--}Included in table for first time.

 $[\]mbox{l/}$ Includes corporate and other issues of $\mbox{$15$}$ million and over; State and local government issues of $\mbox{$10$}$ million and over.

^{2/} Includes foreign government and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development issues and non-guaranteed issues by Federal agencies.
Note.--Deletions for reasons other than sale of issue: None.

Exhibit I Yields on New and Outstanding Electric Power Bonds, Rated As and A 1/

	Aa-rated	offering yields	A-rated or	ffering yields
Date	Actual (per cent)	Amount above seasoned yields (basis points)	Actual (per cent)	Amount above seasoned yields (basis points)
1952 - 1958 High Low	5.00 (9/1) 2.93 (3/31	1/57) 87 -/54) -3	5.50 (11/7, 3.00 (3/17,	/57) 123 /54) - 15
1959 - January February March April	4.63 *4.352/ 4.1432/ 4.582/	37 4 10 17	*4.75 ² / *4.67	23 18
May 1 13 14	4.95	38	4.85 5.06	17 13
20 21 26 June 4	4.95 5.00 4.95	34 38 29	5.13	27
17 26 July 9 10	4.93	31	4.92 <u>3</u> / 5.10 5.10	6 24 19
15 30 Aug. 5 20	4.85 4.80	21 ₁	5.10 5.00	19 13
Sept. 18 Oct. 22 23	5.25 4.95 <u>2</u> /	ц6 16	5.65	60
28 29 30 Nov. 25	5.15 5.15 5.06	112 112 110	5.25 5.40	35 50
Dec. 8 9 10 1960 - Jan. 7	5.30	63	5.45 5.44 5.30 ² /	51 50 28

^{*--}Single observation, not an average. 1/ Covers only 30-year first mortgage bonds, as reported in Moody's Bond Survey. Except where indicated, the actual yield figure and the amount above seasoned yields are averages of offerings during the indicated period and of the differences between these new offering yields and yields on seasoned issues of similar quality for the same day. Average maturity for the seasoned issues varies from 26 to 28 years.

3/ Provides for a 7-year period during which issue may not be called for refunding at a lower coupon rate.

^{2/} Provides for a 5-year period during which issue may not be called for refunding at a lower coupon rate. Monthly averages so marked include one or

Appendix 1

MONEY AND CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENTS IN CANADA

A general upward movement in yields on government securities took place in Canada during the month of December at a rate comparable with the rises in United States markets. A parallel rise in yields on local government and industrial bonds is also reported. At the year's end, the 5-3/4 per cent Canadian National Railways bonds of 1984, issued a month earlier at a price of 98-1/2 was offered at 95. Press reports state that, because of the market's weakness, several new capital issues were postponed during the latter part of the month,

Money market conditions - After rising from 4.86 per cent on November 25 to 5.12 per cent on December 30, the 3-month Treasury bill rate stabilized at 5.14 per cent in the auction on Jamuary 6. During the week, the incentive to switch short-term funds from Canadian to United States short bills was virtually eliminated by the sharp drop in the premium of the 3-months Canadian dollar over the spot Canadian dollar. From December 30 to Jamuary 6, the yield on the 12-month Canadian bill rose from 5.45 to 5.53 per cent. Despite rising bill trends, the rates on day-to-day loans in the Canadian money market eased in the last two weeks in December from 4.25 to 4.00 per cent but closed at 4.06 per cent on Jamuary 6.

Bond market developments - Canadian bond yields rose over the entire range last week to about the same extent as yields in United States markets. At midweek, spreads between comparable Canadian and United States Government securities were (figures in parenthesis refer to the previous week):

0.54 per cent on 91-day bills (0.60) 0.53 per cent on an 8-year bond (0.46) 0.91 per cent on a 20-year bond (0.96) 0.98 per cent on a 35-year bond (0.96)

The Minister of Finance announced total sales of \$1,415 million of Canada Savings Bonds during the 1959 campaign. At January 6, the net increase in outstanding Savings Bonds in the hands of the public amounted to about \$500 million.

Corporate bond issues during December amounted to \$97 million compared to \$50 million in December 1958, according to a market estimate. For the year as a whole, corporate flotations totaled \$115 million in 1959 compared to \$725 million in 1958 and \$1,045 million in 1959.

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Appendix 2

MONEY AND CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENTS IN UNITED KINGDOM

After nine months of virtual stability with only minor fluctuation, money rates in Britain began a general upward movement in December. The recent upward drift in London rates seems to be due largely to rising German and United States money rates; a pronounced short-term capital outflow from London put pressure on the pound-dollar rate. Between the end of November and early Jammary the Treasury bill rate rose by 32 basis points and the yield on intermediate- and long-term bonds by about 20 basis points. The present Bank rate of 4 per cent has been in effect since November 20, 1958. In the stock market, prices continued to rise to new all-time highs in early January following the rapid price rises which followed the Conservative victory in early October.

Money market conditions - After six weeks during which the 3-month Treasury bill yield rose from 3.40 per cent to 3.73 per cent, the rate at last Friday's tender stabilized at 3.75 per pent. Because of the higher United States bill yield, a slight interest incentive in switching funds from British to American short bills reappeared last week: the incentive was about one-fourth per cent per annum or about the same as in the first three weeks of December.

Gilt-edged market - The entire range of Treasury securities accompanied the upward movement in billrates during December. The rise in selected maturities were (figures in parenthesis refer to the month of November).

Treasury bills 33 basis points (1) 6-year bond 20 basis points (9) 15-year bond 24 basis points (-4) Undated bond 20 basis points (8)

Stock market and new issues - The Financial Times index of shares on the London market was at 334 (1935 = 100) on January 7 compared to the all-time peak of 343 on January 4. Stock prices moved up rapidly in the last three months of 1959; the index was at 260 on October 2, 295 on November 5 and 304 on December 3. From January to November, domestic new issues in London totaled £408 million or about 40 per cent above the 1958 level. Foreign issues totaled £33 million.

Bank credit - The sustained expansion in bank lending which has been taking place since July of 1958 when an antirecession policy of monetary ease was introduced slowed down during December when only a small rise was reported. For the calendar year, bank loans to the private sector rose by £692 million and bank lending to the Treasury declined by £376 million as a result of heavy bond sales. The increase in deposits in 1959 was comparable with the rises in the two earlier years.

<u>Date</u>	3-month Treasury bills	Inter- mediate Govt- bond2	Long- term Govt3/ bond3/	Spread be Canadian & U long-term bond		Discount on 3-mo. Canadian dollar
1957 - High 1958 - High Low 1959 - High Low	4.08 3.65 0.87 6.16 3.25	4.81 4.52 3.31 5.30 4.45	4.35 4.42 3.78 5.30 4.41	1.19 0.47	2.96 0.30	
Dec. 16 23 30 Jan. 6	4.98 5.03 5.12 5.14	5.23 5.28 5.37 5.46	5.23 5.26 5.30 5.37	1.01 0.93 0.96 0.91	0.44 0.36 0.60 0.54	1.25 1.13 0.91 0.66

1/ Average yield at weekly tender on Thursday following Wednesday date shown. 2/ Government of Canada 2-3/4 per cent of June 15, 1967-68.

3/ Government of Canada 3-1/4 per cent of 1979.

1/U.S. Government 3-1/4 per cent of 1978-83. Government of Canada 3-1/4 per cent of 1979.

5/ Spread between average auction rates: on Monday preceding Wednesday date shown for the United States; on Thursday following Wednesday date shown for Canada.

6/ Spread between 3-months forward and spot price of the Canadian dollar, expressed as per cent per annum, on Friday following Wednesday date shown.

Averages of Selected Bond Yields

Date	10	10	10	10	Govt. of
	Provin-	Munici-	Public	Indus <u>i</u> /	Canada
	cials1/	pals1/	Utilities <u>l</u> /	trials <u>i</u> /	long-term2/
1951-55 - Low	3.27	3.65	3.69	3.93	3.18
1957 - High	5.18	5.77	5.50	5.77	4.29
1958 - High	5.08	5.30	5.03	5.12	4.78
Low	4.46	5.02	4.81	4.78	3.88
1959 - High	6.19	6.60	6.01	6.05	5.61
Low	5.14	5.38	5.14	5.22	4.70
Oct. 1	6.19	6.60	6.01	6.05	5.61
Nov. 2	6.06	6.53	6.00	6.03	5.52
Dec. 1	5.97	6.52	6.00	6.02	5.52
Dec. 31	6.12	6.60	6.04	6.14	5.60

^{1/} Average term of bonds included is 14-16 years. Source: McLeod, Young, Weir and Co., Ltd.

2/ Government of Canada 3-3/4 per cent of Panuary 15, 1975-78.

Selected United Kingdom Security Yields

	3-mo. 7	ress hi	ll yield	Premium	Londo:		market yields
Date	U.K.1∕	ʊ.s. <u>2</u> /	Differ- ence	on 3-mo. sterling3/	6 yr.4/	Un- dated5/	Share yields <u>6</u> /
1959 - High Low Dec. 4 Dec. 11 Dec. 18 Dec. 24 Jan. 1 Jan. 8	3.6 3.0 3.53 3.58 3.64 3.69 3.73 3.75	4.7 2.6 4.53 4.48 4.55 4.46 4.40 4.59	1.1 .4 1.00 .90 .91 .77 .67	 -73 .69 .58 .74 .64	5.13 4.71 4.90 4.95 5.00 5.10 5.00 4.95	5.50 5.12 5.30 5.33 5.38 5.48 5.49 5.43	12/2 4.12 12/9 4.14 12/16 4.07 12/23 3.99 12/30 3.81 1/6 3.83

Average yield at weekly tender on Friday.

Market yield in New York based on a 360-day year.

L/ Exchequer 5-1/2 per cent of 1966.
5/ Undated War Loop 2 2 1/2 Spread between spot and forward points expressed as per cent per annum.

The Economist indicator (1953 = 100) of yield on shares in the London market.

London Clearing Banks: Change in net Deposits and Principal Assets

	Dec. '56 to Dec. '57 (in r	Dec. '57 to Dec. '58 millions of pou	Dec. 158 to Dec. 159
Net deposits	+273.2	+269.7	+240.3
Private sector Advances Commercial bills Total	- 25.1 - 4.9 - 30.0	+377.8 	+663.0 + 29.3 +692.3
Public sector Short term Securities Total	+148.3 + 68.3 +216.6	-156.6 + 53.8 -102.8	+ 6.7 -382.6 -375.9

U.K. New Capital Issues (in millions of pounds)

		Domestic issues	Overseas issues	Total
JanNov.	1959	407.6	32.7	440.3
	1958	247.9	59.9	307.8
	1957	268.2	45.4	313.6
	1956	236.2	30.6	266.8