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# CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

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**SYMBOLS:**

- e** Estimate
  - p** Preliminary
  - r** Revised
  - n.a.** Not available
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TABLE 1: Yields, Volume and Reception

WEEK ENDING:	CORPORATE BOND MARKET				
	YIELDS		VOLUME <sup>2</sup>		
	NEW ISSUE <sup>1</sup>	MOODY'S SEASONED Aaa	GROSS OFFERINGS	PER CENT SOLD BY END OF WEEK	BONDS SCHEDULED WITHIN 28 DAYS
1969 - Nov. 7	8.13	7.26	261	67	991
14	8.27	7.29	365	81	1,071
21	8.44	7.38	241	79	903
28	8.67	7.48	186	91	733
Dec. 5	8.85	7.60	517	99	586
12	8.70	7.64	427	92	643
19	8.76	7.73	365	82	381
26	--	7.84	25	100	503
Jan. 2	--	7.90	0	--	702
9p/	n.a.	n.a.	250e	n.a.	n.a.
WEEK ENDING:	MUNICIPAL BOND MARKET				
	YIELDS		VOLUME <sup>2</sup>		
	MOODY'S SEASONED Aaa	BOND BUYER SEASONED 20 BOND INDEX	GROSS OFFERINGS	PER CENT SOLD BY END OF WEEK	BONDS SCHEDULED WITHIN 28 DAYS
1969 - Nov. 7	5.75	6.11	246	48	903
14	5.78	6.17	83	67	954
21	5.95	6.36	314	59	913
28	6.05	6.58	217	86	683
Dec. 5	6.34	6.72	249	97	437
12	6.48	6.88	230	77	442
19	6.57	6.90	267	76	338
26	6.57	6.79	20e	91	403
Jan. 2	6.52	6.79	52	87	602
9p/	n.a.	n.a.	150e	n.a.	n.a.

<sup>1</sup> Derived by adjusting to a Aaa basis, new issues of publicly-offered corporate bonds with call protection, rated A, Aa, or Aaa by Moody's Investors Service (except serial and convertible issues, offerings of natural gas pipeline and foreign companies, and bonds guaranteed by the Federal Government.)

<sup>2</sup> Millions of dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Note: See footnotes to Table 3

TABLE 2: Details on Inventories

CORPORATE BONDS IN SYNDICATE END OF LATEST WEEK							
DATE OFFERED	AMOUNT (MIL. \$)	ISSUER	COUPON	ORIGINAL YIELD	RATING AND CALL PROTECTION	ESTIMATED PRO-PORTION SOLD	
11/24	13.0	General Tel. New York	9.50	9.45	Baa 5 yrs.	95%	

CORPORATE BONDS RELEASED FROM SYNDICATE DURING LATEST WEEK								
DATE		AMOUNT	ISSUER	COUPON	ORIGINAL YIELD	INCREASE IN YIELD	RATING AND CALL PROT.	ESTIMATED PRO-PORTION RELEASED
OFFERED	RELEASED							
12/15	1/2	35.0	Southwestern Electric	9.00	8.95	--	Aaa 5 yrs.	5%

INVENTORIES <sup>1</sup>			
DATE	MUNICIPALS		CORPORATES
	BLUE LIST	IN SYNDICATE	IN SYNDICATE
1969 - Dec. 5	510	83	16
12	461	74	33
19	<u>421</u>	46	80
26	370	19	5
Jan. 2p/	369	20	1

N.C. - No call protection.

<sup>1</sup> All figures in millions of dollars. Blue List is daily average for week ended Friday, except for latest week which is daily average of three days ended Wednesday. All other figures are as of Friday.

## BONDS IN SYNDICATE

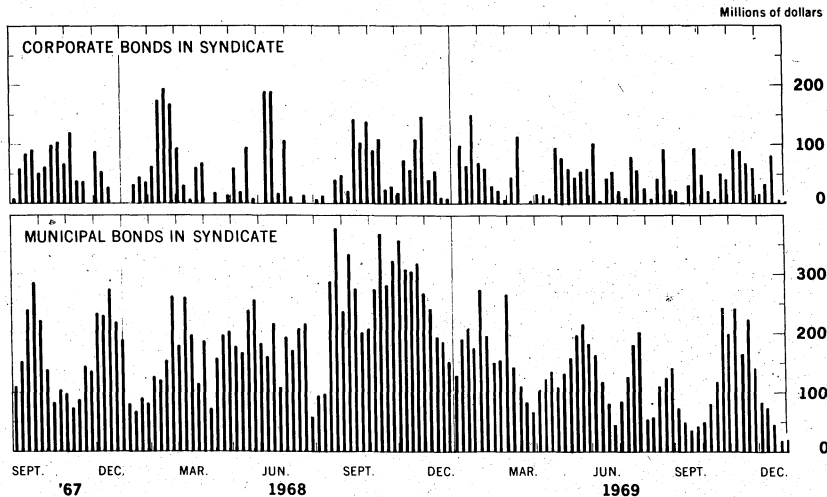


TABLE 3: High Grade Bond Yields

DATE	NEW CORPORATE Aaa <sup>1</sup>	MOODY'S SEASONED CORPORATE Aaa <sup>2</sup>	U.S. GOVERNMENT 20-YEAR CONSTANT MATURITIES <sup>3</sup>	BOND BUYER'S SEASONED MUNICIPALS <sup>4</sup>
1967 - High	6.55(12/8)	6.24(2/29)	5.73(11/7)	4.45(12/7)
Low	5.11(2/10)	5.00(2/10)	4.48(1/20)	3.40(2/2)
1968 - High	7.02(12/13)	6.55(1/27)	5.90(1/20)	4.85(1/26)
Low	6.13(8/30)	5.95(9/13)	5.18(8/9)	4.07(8/8)
1969 - High	8.85(12/5)	7.84(12/26)	6.97(12/26)	6.90(12/18)
Low	6.90(2/21)	6.55(1/3)	5.96(1/24)	4.82(1/28)
1969 - Dec. 5	8.85	7.59	6.81	6.72
12	8.70	7.64	6.85	6.88
19	8.76	7.73	6.93	6.90
26	--	7.84	6.97	6.79
Jan. 2p/	--	7.90	7.00	6.79

1 New corporate issues, with call protection, adjusted (as described in footnote 1 of Table 1) to a Aaa basis.

2 Weekly average of daily figures. Average term of bonds included is 22-24 years.

3 Weekly average of daily figures.

4 Thursday figures. The average rating of the 20 bonds used in this index falls midway between the four top groups as classified by Moody's Investors Service.

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

# HIGH GRADE BOND YIELDS

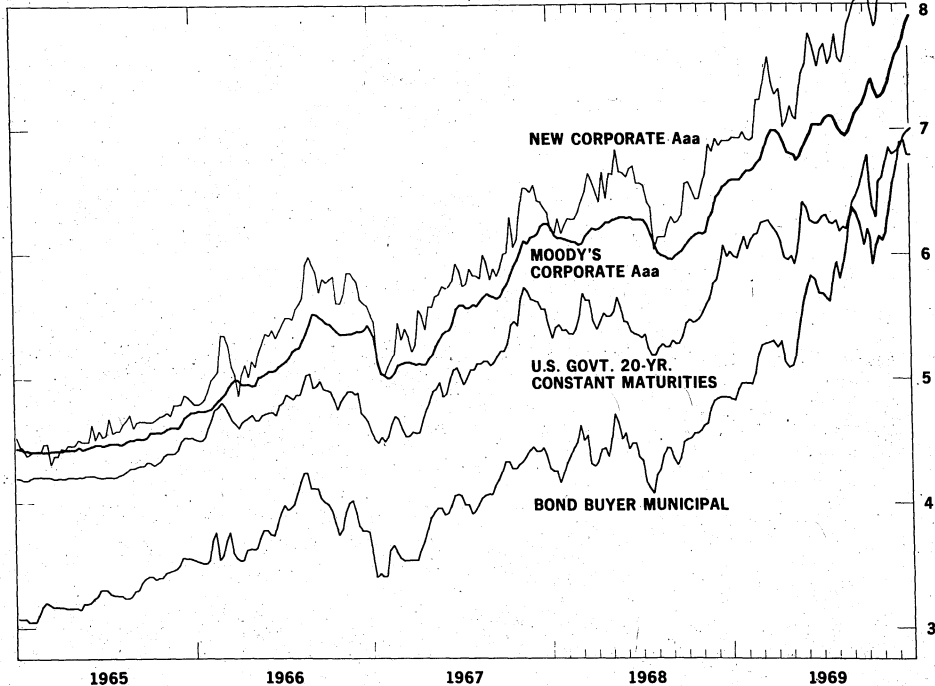


TABLE 4: Long-term Corporate and State and Local Government  
Security Offerings and Placements  
(In millions of dollars)

PERIOD	GROSS PROCEEDS					
	CORPORATE <sup>1</sup>			STATE AND LOCAL <sup>2</sup>		
	1969p	1968	1967	1969p	1968	1967
January	2,075	1,771	1,684	1,262	1,178	1,492
February	2,045	1,608	1,418	987	1,158	1,236
March	2,098	1,799	2,362	538	1,404	1,450
April	2,748	1,428	2,015	1,801	1,318	1,130
May	2,076	1,866	1,518	1,109	1,143	1,254
June	2,530	2,411	2,674	734	1,395	1,497
July	2,478	2,143	2,589	1,092	1,469	950
August	1,427	1,432	2,481	804	1,699	860
September	2,427	1,557	1,763	534	1,444	1,340
October	2,110e	2,129	2,409	1,264	2,230	975
November	2,560e	1,767	1,500	872	1,021	1,401
December	2,940e	2,054	2,385	800e	1,115	1,182
1st Quarter	6,218	5,178	5,464	2,787	3,840	4,177
2nd Quarter	7,354	5,704	6,208	3,644	3,856	3,881
3rd Quarter	6,332	5,133	6,832	2,430e	4,612	3,150
4th Quarter	7,610e	5,950	6,294	2,936	4,366	3,557
1st half	13,522	10,882	11,672	6,431	7,956	8,059
Three quarters	19,904e	16,015	18,504	8,861	12,008	11,209
Year	27,514e	21,965	24,798	11,797e	16,574	14,766
	Excluding finance companies <sup>3</sup>					
1st Quarter	6,170	5,107	5,308			
2nd Quarter		5,427	6,063			
3rd Quarter		4,785	6,584			
4th Quarter		5,654	5,859			
Year		20,973	23,814			

1 Securities and Exchange Commission estimates of gross proceeds.

2 Investment Bankers Association of America estimates of principal amounts.

3 Total gross proceeds excluding offerings of sales and consumer finance companies.



TABLE 5: New Corporate Security Issues, Type of Issue and Issuer  
(In millions of dollars)

QUARTER OR MONTH	GROSS PROCEEDS BY TYPE OF ISSUE						GROSS PROCEEDS BY TYPE OF ISSUER			
	TOTAL	BONDS		COMMON AND	MEMO:		MFG.	PUBLIC UTILITY	COMMUNI- CATIONS	OTHER ISSUERS <sup>1</sup>
		PUBLICLY OFFERED	PRIVATELY PLACED	PFD. STOCK	ISSUES INCLUDED					
					FOREIGN	CONVERTIBLE				
1968 - III	5,133	2,606	1,361	1,166	124	1,037	1,657	1,160	490	1,825
IV	5,951	2,555	1,922	1,474	113	902	1,712	1,435	319	2,483
1969 - I	6,218	2,657	1,540	2,023	215	1,355	1,407	1,346	473	2,993
II	6,331	3,411	1,673	2,268	227	1,126	1,773	1,878	432	3,266
IIIe/ IV e/	6,419 7,610	3,194 3,360	1,460 1,800	1,764 2,450	n. a.	673	1,862 2,000	1,544 1,760	684 570	2,243 3,280
1968 - Oct.	2,129	1,009	595	525	24	365	640	674	115	700
Nov.	1,767	939	362	466	49	211	421	443	162	741
Dec.	2,055	607	965	483	40	326	651	319	41	1,044
1969 - Jan.	2,075	980	636	460	103	376	403	627	186	860
Feb.	2,045	842	395	807	74	578	513	315	56	1,161
Mar.	2,098	835	509	755	38	401	491	404	231	972
Apr.	2,748	1,268	649	830	62	430	513	784	44	1,405
May	2,076	871	510	694	28	463	569	392	197	915
June	2,530	1,272	514	744	137	233	691	702	191	946
July	2,478	1,279	591	579	132	206	875	493	286	826
Aug.	1,426	685	319	485	122	167	362	507	126	433
Sept.	2,427	1,230	550	700	n. a.	300	625	544	272	984
Oct. e/	2,110	960	500	650	n. a.	50	450	640	120	900
Nov. e/	2,560	1,060	500	1,000	n. a.	110	750	620	190	1,000
Dec. e/	2,940	1,340	800	800	n. a.	300	800	500	260	1,380

<sup>1</sup> Other issuers are extractive, railroad and other transportation, real estate and finance, and commercial and other.

Source: Securities and Exchange Commission. Quarterly supplements are available.

TABLE 6: Large Long-term Public Security Issues for New Capital  
(Other than U.S. Treasury) <sup>1</sup>

December 1 through January 2, 1970.

ISSUER	TYPE <sup>2</sup>	AMOUNT (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)	MATURITY	COUPON RATE OR NET INTER- EST COST	OFFER- ING YIELD	MOODY'S RATING
<u>Corporate</u>						
First & Merchants Corp.	Conv. sub. debs.	20.0	1994	6.00	6.00	N.R.
Detroit Edison Co.	Gen. ref.	75.0	1999	9.00	8.84	Aa
Columbus & Southern Ohio Electric Company	1st mtg.	20.0	1999	9.00	8.90	Aa
Pacific Telephone & Telegraph	Debs.	150.0	2004	9-1/8	9.10	Aaa
Union Tank Car Co.	Equip. trust ctfs.	25.0	1989	9.30	9.30	A
Meridian Investing and Development Company	Com. stk.	40.0				
United Tank Car Company	Com. stk.	22.0				
Mississippi Pwr. & Lt. Co.	1st mtg.	20.0	1999	9-5/8	9.40	Aa
Northwest Natural Gas Co.	1st mtg.	15.0	1974	9-3/8	9.38	Baa
Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America	1st pipeline	30.0	1989	9-1/2	9-1/2	Aa
Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America	Cum. pfd. stk.	15.0				
Trans World Airlines, Inc.	Gtd. Loan Ctfs.	70.0	1985	10.00	10.00	Baa
Investment Properties Assoc.	Jr. Mtg.	81.7	1992	9.00	9.00	N.R.
Public Srv. Elec. & Gas Co.	Com. stk.	42.5				
General Public Utilities	Debs.	50.0	1974	10-1/4	10.00	Ba
Tenneco Corporation	Debs.	75.0	1975			Ba
Ohio Power Company	1st mtg.	80.0	1994	9.00	8.83	Aa
Atlanta Gas & Lt. Co.	1st mtg.	20.0	1974	9-1/8	9.06	A
Georgia - Pacific Corp.	Conv. sub. debs.	75.0	1994	5-3/4	5.75	Ba
Becton Dickinson & Company	Conv. sub. debs.	40.0	1989	5.00	5.00	Baa
Walter E. Heller & Co.	Str. debs.	30.0	1989	9.50	9.50	N.R.
Northern Illinois Gas Co.	Bonds	20.0	1994	9.00	8.80	Aa
Citizens Mortgage Invest- ment Trust	Benf. int. w/w	21.0				
Arkansas Power & Light Co.	1st mtg.	25.0	1999	9.25	9.08	A
H.J. Heinz Company	Com. stk.	46.9				
Viatron Computer Systems Corporation	Conv. debs.	25.0	1989	6-1/4	6.25	--

TABLE 6: Large Long-term Public Security Issues for New Capital  
(Other than U.S. Treasury)<sup>1</sup>

December 1 through January 2, 1970.						
ISSUER	TYPE <sup>2</sup>	AMOUNT (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)	MATURITY	COUPON RATE OR NET INTER- EST COST	OFFER- ING YIELD	MOODY'S RATING
<u>Corporate (continued)</u>						
Southwestern Elec. Pwr. Co.	1st mtg.	35.0	1999	9.00	8.95	Aa
General Telephone of Calif.	1st mtg.	60.0	1999	9.25	9.15	A
*MVIC Investment Corp.	Conv. debs.	50.0	1989	5.75	5.75	N.R.
Pennsylvania Company	S.F. debs.	50.0	1994	9.00	9.00	N.R.
Kane-Miller Corporation	S.F. debs.	22.5	1990	9.50	9.50	B
Central Telephone & Utilities Corp.	S.F. debs.	25.0	1994	9.75	9.75	Baa
*Mohawk Data Science Corp.	Conv. sub. debs.	25.0	1994	5.50	5.50	Ba
South Carolina Elec. & Gas	1st&Ref.	15.0	1999	9.13	9.15	A
*Pennzoil United Inc.	Debs.	45.0	1973-76	9.38	9.38	Baa
*Zayre Corporation	Conv. sub. debs.	20.0	1994	5.75	5.75	Ba
<u>State &amp; local Government</u>						
West Virginia, State of	Rev.	90.0	1970-94	6.89	5.50-7.15	A-1
Montgomery Co., Maryland	G.O.	33.0	1971-90	7.00	5.60-7.50	A
New York State Dormitory Authority	Rev.	32.2	1971-2000	7.55	6.00-7.50	A
Mecklenburg Co., N.C.	G.O.	14.3	1971-94	6.45	5.50-6.60	Aa
Richmond, Virginia	G.O.	38.0	1971-90	6.28	5.40-6.35	Aaa
Texas	G.O.	15.0	1979-95	6.25	5.80-6.50	Aaa
Oregon, State of	G.O.	40.0	1974-83	6.55	6.00-6.50	Aa
Oregon, State of	G.O.	12.0	1973-2000	6.86-6.90	5.90-6.80	Aa
Port of New York Authority	Consol. notes	50.0	1972	7-1/2	7.50	--
Greater Chicago Metropolitan Sanitary Dist., Ill.	G.O.	20.0	1980	6.82	6.10-6.70	A-1
Tulsa Municipal Airport Trust, Oklahoma	Rev.	3.0	1972-80	--	6.40-7.20	--
Tulsa Municipal Airport Trust, Oklahoma	Rev.	11.0	1994	--	7.75	--
Ohio, State of	Rev.	50.0	1971-90	6.65	5.60-6.60	Aaa
Port of Seattle, Washington	G.O.	16.0	1972-90	7.30	6.20-7.30	A

TABLE 6: Large Long-term Public Security Issues for New Capital (continued)  
(Other than U.S. Treasury)<sup>1</sup>

December 1 through January 2, 1970.						
ISSUER	TYPE <sup>2</sup>	AMOUNT (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)	MATURITY	COUPON RATE OR NET INTER- EST COST	OFFER- ING YIELD	MOODY'S RATING
<b><u>State &amp; local Government</u></b>						
<b>(continued)</b>						
Pennsylvania, State of	G.O.	125.0	1972-1999	6.82	5.90-7.30	A-1
Los Angeles DWAPS	Rev.	39.0	1971-2000	6.90	5.65-7.00	Aa
Indianapolis, Indiana	Bonds	10.0	1972-91	-	5.50-6.50	Aa
<b><u>Other</u></b>						
Quebec Hydro-Elec. Comm.	Debs.	50.0	1995	9-3/4	9.88	A
F.N.M.A.	Debs.	250.0	1973	8.30	8.30	--
F.N.M.A.	Debs.	400.0	1971	8.60	8.60	--

\* Rights offering.

1 Includes corporate and other security offerings of \$15 million and over;  
State and local security offerings of \$10 million and over.

2 In case of State and local government securities, G.O. denotes general obligation;  
Rev.-Ut., revenue obligations secured only by income from public utilities;  
Rev.-Q.-Ut., revenue bonds secured only by income from quasi-utilities; Rev.-S.T.,  
revenue bonds secured by revenue from specific taxes only; Rev.-Rent., revenue  
bonds secured solely by lease payments.

3 Includes foreign government and International Bank for Reconstruction and  
Development issues and non-guaranteed issues by Federal Agencies.

TABLE 7: Forthcoming Large Long-term Public Security Offerings for New Capital  
(Other than U.S. Treasury)<sup>1</sup>  
(continued)

As of January 2, 1970.

ISSUER	TYPE	AMOUNT (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)	APPROXIMATE DATE OF OFFERING
<u>Corporate</u>			
Iowa Pwr. & Light	Bonds	15.0	January 5
Ohio Bell	Debs.	100.0	January 6
Central Pwr. & Light Co.	Bonds	25.0	January 7
*Commonwealth Edison	1st mtg.	100.0	January 8
Delmarva Pwr. & Light Co.	Bonds	25.0-30.0	January 12
Newhall Land & Farming Co.	Conv. debs.	35.0	January 12
*Standard Oil Co. (Ohio)	S.F. debs.	150.0	January 13
Oklahoma Gas & Elec.	Bonds	30.0	January 13
Southwestern Elec. Pwr. Co.	Pfd. stk.	12.5	January 13
*Connecticut Pwr. & Light Co.	1st & ref.	40.0	January 14
Carolina Pwr. & Light	Bonds	40.0	January 15
Houston Lighting & Pwr. Co.	Conv. debs.	40.0	January 20
Montana Pwr. Co.	Bonds	30.0-35.0	January 20
*Ford Motor Company	S.F. debs.	75.0	January 20
*Ford Motor Company	Notes	125.0	January 20
Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Bonds	100.0	January 21
Indiana Bell Telephone Co. of Northwest, Inc.	Bonds	25.0	January 29
*General Tele. Co. of the Northwest, Inc.	1st mtg.	25.0	January 29
*Greyhound Corporation	Conv. sub. debs.	100.0	

TABLE 7: Forthcoming Large Long-term Public Security Offerings for New Capital  
(Other than U.S. Treasury)<sup>1)</sup>  
(continued) As of January 2, 1970.

ISSUER	TYPE	AMOUNT (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)	APPROXIMATE DATE OF OFFERING
<u>State &amp; Local Government</u>			
*Middletown Sewer Auth., N.J.	Rev.	31.2	January 5
*Maine, State of	G.O.	23.5	January 6
*Alabama Highway Authority	Rev.	30.0	January 6
Michigan City Area SEC, Ind.	Rev.	11.2	January 6
Howard Co., Maryland	G.O.	10.0	January 7
*Dade Co. Sch Board, Florida	Rev.	11.5	January 7
Dallas, Co. Hospital Dist., Texas	Rev.	12.0	January 8
Southeastern Penna. Trans. Auth.	Rev.	15.5	January 8
San Francisco	G.O.	49.1	January 12
Seattle Dept. Light & Pwr., Washington	Rev.	17.0	January 13
*Anne Arundel, Maryland	G.O.	12.0	January 13
Dallas I.S.D., Texas	G.O.	15.0	January 14
San Francisco Port Comm.	Rev.	11.0	January 14
Jefferson Parrish S.D. #1, Louisiana	G.O.	10.0	January 14
San Francisco B.A.R.T.	Rev.	50.0	January 15
Snohomish Co. Public Utility District	Rev.	15.0	January 15
*Jacksonville, Elec. Auth., Florida	Rev. ctfs.	22.0	January 15
*Jersey City, New Jersey	G.O.	12.9	January 20
Clark Co., Nevada	Rev.	13.0	January 20
Wheeler Ridge - Maricopa Wtr. Dist., Colorado	Rev.	16.0	January 21
Metropolitan Council, Minn.	G.O.	14.0	January 22
Sacramento Municipal Util. Dist., California	Rev.	58.0	January 22
Hennepin, Ramsey, Anoka Metropolitan Council, Minn.	Rev.	11.0	January 22
*New York State Dormitory Auth.	Rev.	18.1	January 27
*Nassau Co., New York	G.O.	37.9	January 27
King Co., Washington	Rev.	13.5	January 27
Chicago, Illinois	Airport Rev.	56.0	January

TABLE 7: Forthcoming Large Long-term Public Security Offerings for New Capital  
 (Other than U.S. Treasury)<sup>1</sup>  
 (continued) As of January 2, 1970.

ISSUER	TYPE	AMOUNT (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)	APPROXIMATE DATE OF OFFERING
<u>Other</u>  NONE			

\* Included in table for first time.

1 Includes corporate and other issues of \$15 million and over; State and local Government issues of \$10 million and over.

2 Includes foreign government and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development issues and non-guaranteed issues of Federal Agencies.

Postponements: Eastern Air Lines - 80.0; deferred for the second time because of market conditions.

TABLE 8: Stock Prices and Volume

DATE	STOCK PRICES <sup>1</sup>			TRADING VOLUME <sup>2</sup>	
	S&P 500 <sup>3</sup>	D.J. - IND.	AMEX <sup>4</sup>	NYSE	AMEX
1967 - High	97.59(9/25)	943.08(9/25)	24.52(12/29)	60.7(8/14)	33.5(10/27)
Low	80.38(1/3)	786.41(1/3)	13.78(1/27)	27.4(1/6)	8.3(1/6)
1968 - High	108.37(11/29)	985.21(12/3)	33.25(12/20)	82.1(6/7)	45.4(6/7)
Low	87.72(3/5)	825.13(3/21)	22.00(3/22)	34.0(2/23)	14.1(2/23)
1969 - High	106.16(5/14)	968.85(5/14)	32.91(1/3)	82.6(10/17)	38.4(5/9)
Low	89.93(7/30)	783.53(12/12)	25.02(7/29)	32.8(4/4)	12.9(4/4)
1969 - Dec. 5	91.73	793.03	26.62	55.6	20.6
12	90.81	786.69	26.34	56.9	21.4
19	91.38	789.86	26.31	67.2	24.3
26	91.89	797.65	26.34	45.0	17.4
Jan. 2 <sup>p</sup>	93.00	809.20	26.71	55.7	28.5

- 1 Figures other than highs and lows are Fridays only. Highs and lows are for the year and are not necessarily for Fridays.
- 2 Total number of shares traded per week (millions of shares). In the past, trading was normally conducted 5 days a week for 5 1/2 hours per day, or 27 1/2 hours per week. From August 8 through August 20, 1967, daily trading was reduced to 4 hours per day or 20 hours per week. A 20-hour week was also in effect from January 22 through March 1, 1968. From June 30 through December 31, 1968, the exchanges were open 5 1/2 hours for 4 days a week or 22 hours. From January 3 through July 3, 1969, the exchanges were open 4 hours each day, 20 hours per week. Beginning July 7, 1969 the exchanges have been open 4 1/2 hours each day, 22 1/2 hours per week. NYSE is New York Stock Exchange; AMEX is American Stock Exchange.
- 3 1941-43 = 10.
- 4 Average dollar value of shares listed.



### STOCK PRICES AND TRADING VOLUME

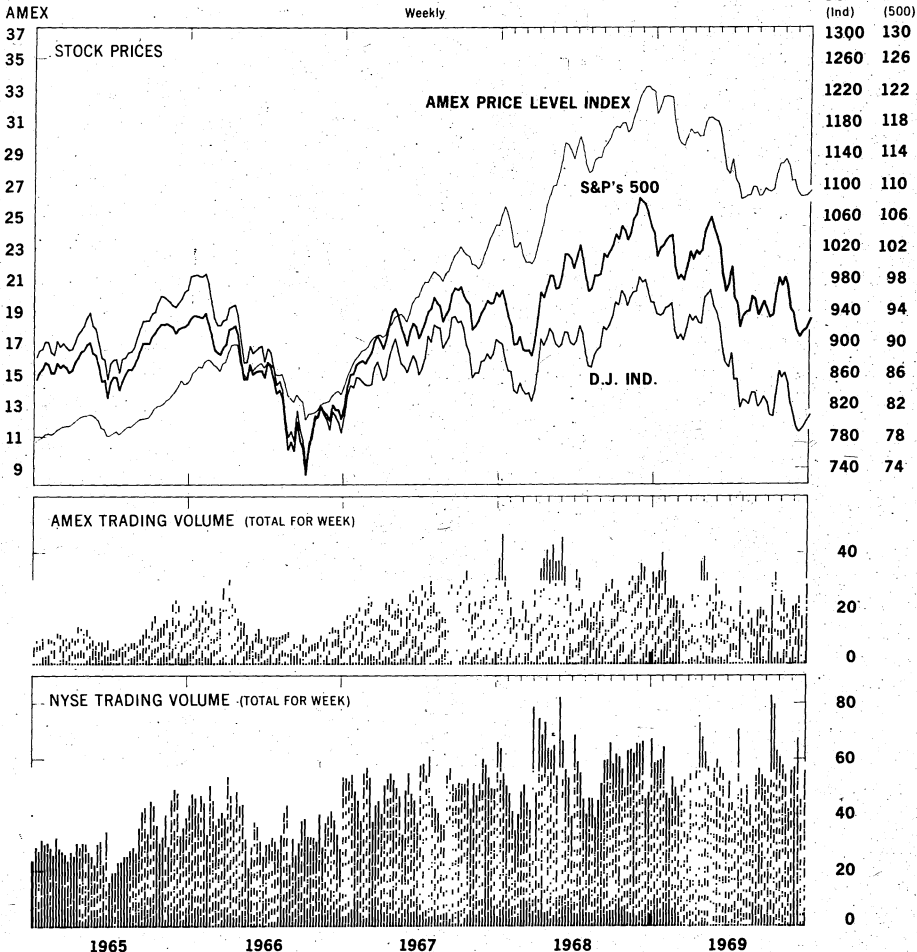


TABLE 9: Security Credit

END OF PERIOD	CREDIT EXTENDED TO MARGIN CUSTOMERS BY:			CUSTOMERS' NET DEBIT BALANCES	CUSTOMERS' NET FREE CREDIT BALANCES	NET CREDIT EXTENDED BY BROKERS AND DEALERS <sup>3</sup>
	BROKERS <sup>1</sup>	BANKS <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL			
<b>Outstanding:</b>						
1968 - Nov.	6,200	2,630	8,830	9,029	3,419	5,610
Dec.	6,200	2,710	8,900	9,970	3,717	6,073
1969 - Jan.	5,930	2,750	8,680	9,042	3,597	5,445
Feb.	5,750	2,810	8,560	9,148	3,647	5,501
Mar.	5,590	2,780	8,370	8,318	3,294	5,024
Apr.	5,570	2,760	8,330	8,044	3,077	4,967
May	5,670	2,770	8,440	8,474	3,084	5,390
June	5,340	2,740	8,080	8,214	3,085	5,129
July	5,170	2,700	7,870	7,515	2,783	4,732
Aug.	5,000	2,670	7,670	7,019	2,577	4,442
Sept.	4,940	2,620	7,560	7,039	2,579	4,460
Oct. <u>r/</u>	5,040	2,570	7,610	7,243	2,753	4,490
Nov. <u>p/</u>	5,080	2,520	7,600	7,111	2,613	4,498
<b>Change in Outstanding:</b>						
1968 - Nov.	-50	70	20	170	12	158
Dec.	--	80	80	761	298	563
1969 - Jan.	-270	40	-220	-928	-120	-628
Feb.	-180	60	-120	-51	50	-9
Mar.	-160	-30	-190	-830	-351	-477
Apr.	-20	-20	-40	-274	-271	-57
May	100	10	110	430	7	423
June	-330	-30	-360	-260	1	-261
July	-170	-40	-210	-699	-302	-397
Aug.	-170	-30	-200	-496	-206	-290
Sept.	-60	-50	-110	20	2	18
Oct. <u>r/</u>	100	-50	50	204	174	30
Nov. <u>p/</u>	40	-50	10	-132	-140	8

1 Margin debt, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange. Although margin debt until March 1968 included loans secured by U.S. governments, the amount of such loans included is thought to have been small.

2 "Bank loans to others than brokers and dealers for purchasing or carrying securities other than U.S. governments."

3 The difference between customers' net debit balances and customers' net free credit balances, this figure represents the net credit extended by brokers and dealers to the nonfinancial public.

NOTE: With the exception of bank loan data, figures are supplied by the New York Stock Exchange and are end of month data. Bank loans are for weekly reporting large commercial banks. Broker data includes loans for regulated securities; bank data includes loans for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any security, whether regulated or not.

TABLE 10: Savings Flows at Nonbank Depository Intermediaries  
(\$ millions)

DATE	MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS			SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATIONS			TOTAL		
	REGULAR DEPOSITS <sup>3</sup>		NET NEW MONEY <sup>2</sup>	SHARE CAPITAL		NET NEW MONEY <sup>2</sup>	DEPOSITS		NET NEW MONEY <sup>2</sup>
	NET FLOW	ANNUAL GROWTH RATE <sup>1</sup>	NEW MONEY <sup>2</sup>	NET FLOW	ANNUAL GROWTH RATE <sup>1</sup>	NEW MONEY <sup>2</sup>	NET FLOW	ANNUAL GROWTH RATE <sup>1</sup>	NEW MONEY <sup>2</sup>
	<u>Not Seasonally Adjusted</u>								
1966	2,557	4.9	227	3,584	3.2	-552	6,141	3.8	-325
1967	5,082	9.3	2,376	10,649	9.4	6,129	15,731	9.4	8,505
1968	4,203	7.0	1,143	7,432	5.9	2,676	11,635	6.3	3,819
1969 to date	1,985	--	-510	2,965	--	-726	4,950	--	-1,236
1968 - Sept.	505	--	-38	1,132	--	348	1,637	--	310
Oct.	202	--	89	504	--	446	706	--	535
Nov.	359	--	293	656	--	618	1,015	--	911
1969 - Sept.	307	--	-269	879	--	-104	1,186	--	-373
Oct.	-138	--	-266	-406	--	-405	-544	--	-671
Nov. p/	260	--	180	241	--	19	501	--	199
	<u>Seasonally Adjusted</u>								
1969 - June	192	3.5	--	449	4.0	--	641	3.9	--
July	-23	-0.4	--	26	0.2	--	3	--	--
Aug.	197	3.6	--	225	2.0	--	422	2.5	--
Sept.	152	2.8	--	446	4.0	--	598	3.6	--
Oct.	48	0.9	--	-173	-1.5	--	-125	-0.8	--
Nov. p/	263	4.9	--	280	2.5	--	543	3.3	--

1 Annual growth rate for monthly data is the annualized monthly percentage increase in deposits.

2 Net New Money is new deposits net of both withdrawals and interest. Data for S&Ls are for insured associations only, which represent 96% of industry total resources.

3 Regular deposits at mutual savings banks exclude items such as Christmas club and certain escrow accounts, which represent a very small part of total deposits.

SOURCES: National Association of Mutual Savings Banks and Federal Home Loan Bank Board.

NOTE: Data revised reflecting up dated seasonal adjustment and revision of the savings and loans data.

**SAVINGS FLOWS (seasonally adjusted)**

Monthly

Millions of dollars

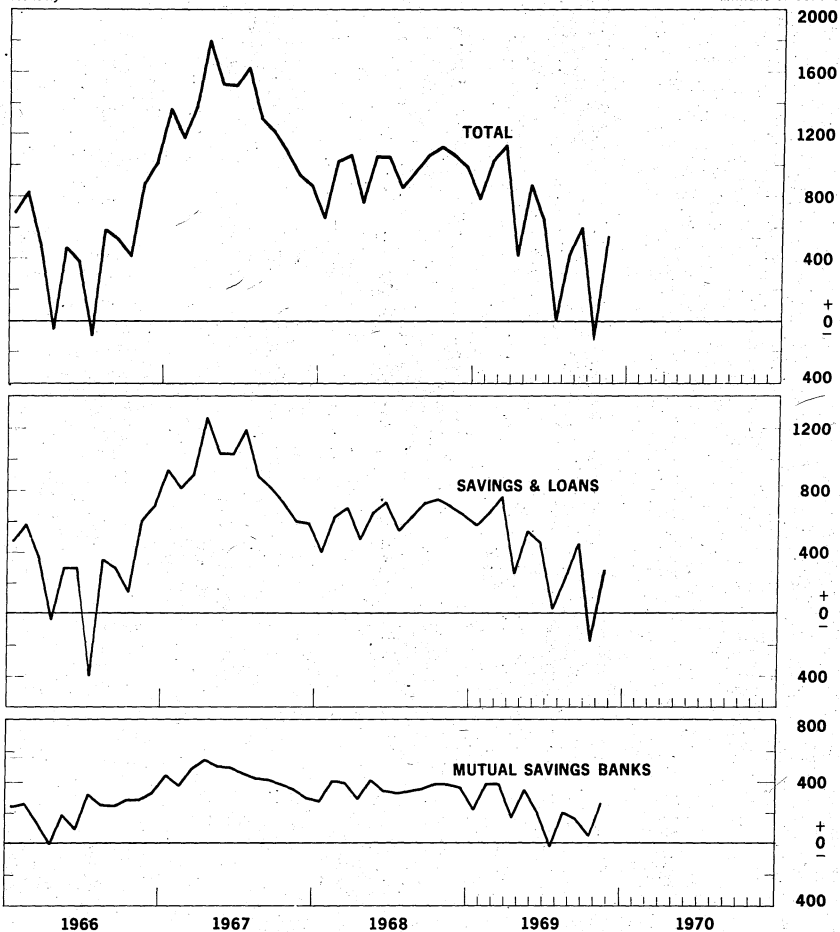


TABLE 11: Mortgage Commitments at Selected Thrift Institutions<sup>1</sup>

DATE	OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS			NET CHANGE		
	TOTAL	ALL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATIONS	MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS (N.Y. STATE)	TOTAL	ALL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATIONS	MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS (N.Y. STATE)
(Billions of Dollars, Seasonally Adjusted) <sup>1/</sup>						
1968 - Nov.	9.7	6.5	3.2	.28	.11	.18
Dec.	9.7	6.6	3.1	.01	.09	-.08
1969 - Jan.	9.9	6.7	3.2	.18	.11	.07
Feb.	10.1	6.9	3.2	.24	.18	.06
Mar.	10.3	7.0	3.3	.18	.12	.06
Apr.	10.5	7.2	3.3	.15	.14	.02
May	10.4	7.1	3.2	-.11	-.06	-.05
June	10.2	7.0	3.2	-.18	-.11	-.06
July	9.9	6.8	3.1	-.32	-.22	-.10
Aug.	9.5	6.5	3.0	-.36	-.24	-.12
Sept.	9.2	6.3	2.8	-.31	-.18	-.13
Oct.	8.9	6.1	2.7	-.33	-.23	-.09
Nov.	8.6	5.9	2.7	-.26	-.20	-.06

<sup>1</sup> Based on data from Federal Home Loan Bank Board and Savings Banks Associations of New York State. Data for savings banks and S&L's include a minor amount of non-residential commitments. S&L commitments include loans in process. Net changes are derived directly from unrounded outstandings levels as reported and after seasonal adjustment by Federal Reserve. Subtotals may not add to totals because of rounding.

# MORTGAGE COMMITMENTS OUTSTANDING (seasonally adjusted)

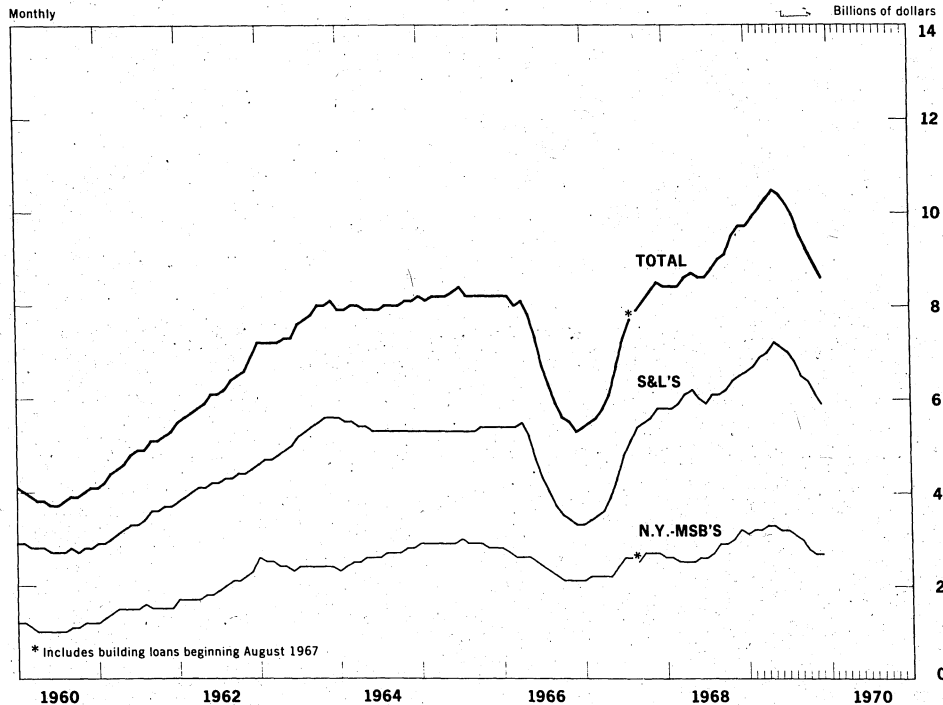


TABLE 12: Net Change in Mortgage Holdings<sup>1</sup>

DATE	TOTAL INCLUDING FNMA-GNMA	FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS					FNMA-GNMA
		TOTAL	COMMERCIAL BANKS	MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS	SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC.	LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES	
<u>Not Seasonally Adjusted</u>							
1966	18,197	15,874	4,705	2,760	3,761	4,648	2,323
1967	19,988	18,191	4,369	3,118	7,538	2,914	1,797
1968	23,776	21,268	6,677	2,796	9,330	2,465	2,508
1968 - July	1,835	1,683	517	248	718	200	152
Aug.	1,995	1,854	549	233	874	198	141
Sept.	1,997	1,889	746	221	810	112	108
Oct.	2,258	2,097	751	313	945	188	166
Nov.	2,099	1,954	717	310	732	195	145
1969 - July	1,688	1,395	200	215	865	115	293
Aug.	2,124	1,596	400	181	844	171	528
Sept.	1,987	1,486	500	120	687	179	501
Oct.	1,795	1,206	300	158	608	140	589
Nov.	--	--	300	151	442	--	594
<u>Seasonally Adjusted</u>							
196 - Jan.	2,101	1,948	638	281	885	144	153
Feb.	2,202	2,025	668	266	884	207	177
Mar.	2,099	1,096	632	240	875	159	193
Apr.	2,117	1,910	567	250	899	194	207
May	2,032	1,808	534	251	854	169	224
June	2,153	1,875	440	230	1,022	183	278
July	1,698	1,364	151	181	859	173	334
Aug.	1,900	1,370	310	147	720	193	530
Sept.	1,896	1,385	383	137	674	191	511
Oct.	<u>r/1,734</u>	<u>r/1,166</u>	244	<u>r/124</u>	627	171	568
Nov.	--	--	237	146	519	--	583

<sup>1</sup> Monthly data for commercial banks based on Federal Reserve estimates benchmarked to Call Report data on real estate loans outstanding as available. Other data derived from mortgage debt outstanding as reported separately by National Assn. of Mutual Savings Banks, Federal Home Loan Bank Board, Institute of Life Insurance and, through August 1968, the Federal National Mortgage Association, and thereafter by FNMA and the Government National Mortgage Association. Data for mutual savings banks and for Life Insurance companies may differ somewhat from those derived from regular quarterly series because of minor conceptual differences for which adjustments are not made in the monthly series. Altogether, these groups accounted for 87 per cent of the net increase estimated for all holders in 1967.

**NET CHANGE IN MORTGAGE HOLDINGS (seasonally adjusted)**

Monthly

Billions of dollars

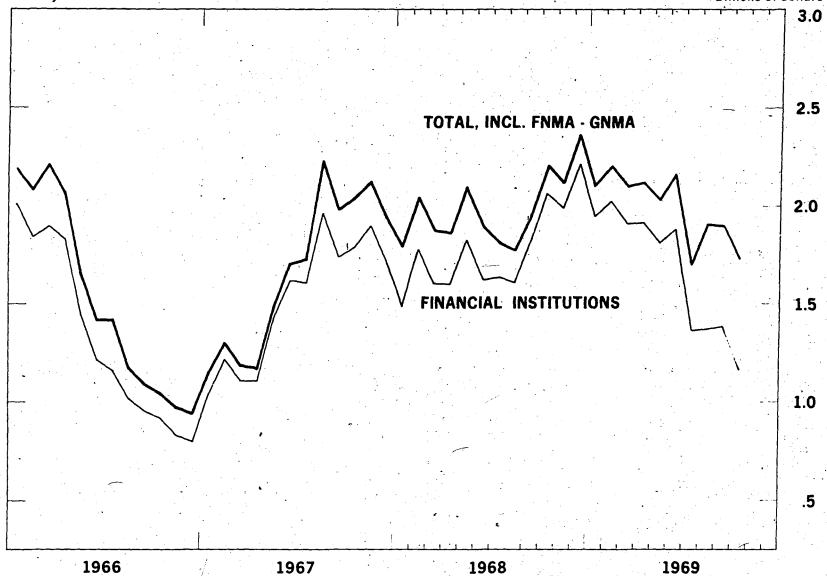




TABLE 13: Net Increases in Mortgage Debt Outstanding<sup>1</sup>  
Billions of dollars, SAAR 2

QUARTER	TOTAL	RESIDENTIAL <sup>2</sup>	1- to 4-FAMILY	MULTI-FAMILY	COMMERCIAL	MULTI-AND COMMERCIAL	FARM
1965 - I	24.9	18.6	15.1	3.5	4.2	8.0	2.2
II	25.2	18.5	15.1	3.5	4.5	8.1	2.1
III	25.8	19.3	15.5	3.8	4.4	8.4	2.2
IV	26.6	19.6	15.8	3.8	4.6	7.9	2.4
1966 - I	28.3	19.0	14.7	4.3	6.9	11.6	2.4
II	24.2	15.6	12.1	3.5	6.5	10.0	2.2
III	18.4	10.8	8.3	2.6	5.4	8.3	2.1
IV	15.6	9.5	7.2	2.3	4.3	6.2	1.7
1967 - I <sub>p</sub>	15.5	9.9	6.8	3.0	3.8	7.3	1.8
II <sub>p</sub>	20.4	13.7	10.5	3.3	4.8	8.1	1.9
III <sub>p</sub>	26.3	19.1	15.3	3.8	4.8	8.8	2.4
IV <sub>p</sub>	28.6	20.9	16.5	4.4	5.1	8.8	2.6
1968 - I <sub>p</sub>	26.9	18.2	15.4	2.8	6.2	9.4	2.4
II <sub>p</sub>	25.8	17.9	14.8	3.1	5.7	8.7	2.3
III <sub>p</sub>	25.8	17.7	14.1	2.5	6.4	10.2	1.8
IV <sub>p</sub>	31.3	21.5	17.0	4.5	8.1	11.8	1.7
1969 - I <sub>p</sub>	30.2	21.6	18.0	3.6	6.4	10.4	2.2
II <sub>p</sub>	28.4	20.7	16.5	4.2	5.3	9.4	2.4
III <sub>p</sub>	26.6	19.5	15.6	3.8	5.1	9.2	2.0

1 Derived from data on mortgage debt outstanding from Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Federal Home Loan Bank Board, Institute of Life Insurance, National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, Departments of Commerce and Agriculture, Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Housing Administration, Veterans Administration and Comptroller of the Currency. Separation of non-farm mortgage debt by type of property, where not available and interpolations and extrapolations, where required, estimated by Federal Home Loan Bank Board and the Federal Reserve.

2 Residential mortgage debt includes nonfarm only and is sum of 1-to 4-family and multifamily mortgage debt combined.

# NET INCREASES IN MORTGAGE DEBT OUTSTANDING

Quarterly  
Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted annual rate

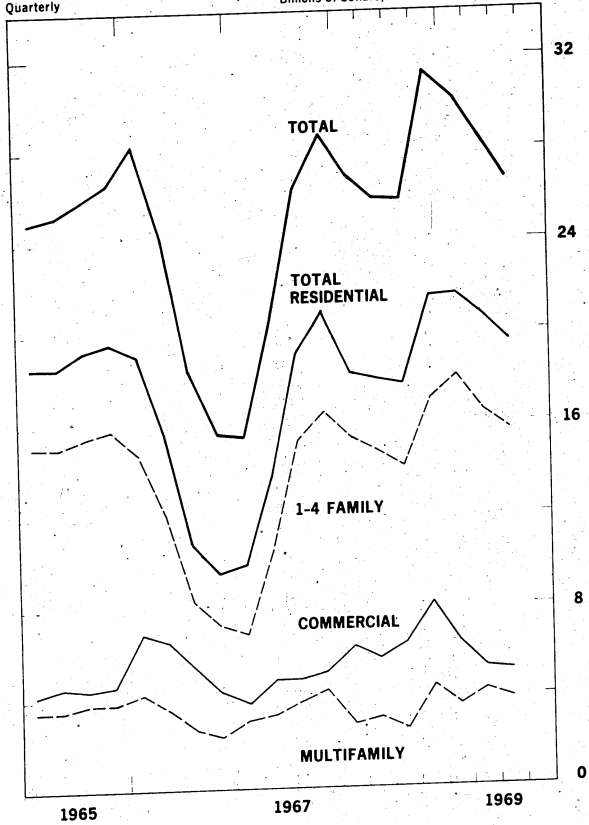


TABLE 14: FNMA Weekly "Auction" Results

WEEK ENDED	COMMITMENTS IN \$ MILLIONS						IMPLICIT YIELD <sup>2</sup> (per cent)		
	TOTAL OFFERED	ACCEPTED					90-DAY	6-MONTH	1-YEAR <sup>1</sup> & OVER
		TOTAL	90-DAY	6-MONTH	1-YEAR <sup>1</sup> & OVER				
1969 - Nov. 3	230.2	81.7	31.0	44.1	6.6	8.44	8.49	8.45	
10	267.4	101.9	45.1	50.6	6.2	8.47	8.49	8.47	
17	242.6	122.7	45.0	67.3	10.4	8.50	8.51	8.48	
24	233.4	122.3	41.6	67.7	13.0	8.53	8.54	8.50	
Dec. 1	235.9	120.6	24.2	67.0	29.4	8.57	8.58	8.52	
8	242.9	123.0	23.2	77.0	22.7	8.62	8.64	8.57	
15	229.4	121.7	37.1	55.4	29.2	8.67	8.70	8.62	
22	307.3	121.8	22.6	68.2	31.0	8.75	8.78	8.69	
29	269.3	128.4	20.1	79.0	29.3	8.85	8.87	8.77	
Jan. 5p/		(120.0)3/							

Note: Under the FNMA auction system, approved sellers of Government-underwritten mortgages bid for FNMA forward purchase commitments, subject to an over-all dollar limit announced by FNMA in advance. Bids accepted by FNMA are for delivery at the seller's option, and at any time within the specified period. Bids on proposed homes relate to construction not yet started on which mortgages may be delivered only after completion and occupancy.

- 1 For "proposed construction" of new homes only.
- 2 Average secondary market yield after allowance for commitment fee and required purchase and holding of FNMA stock, assuming prepayment of 15 years for 30-year Government-underwritten mortgages. Yields shown are gross, before deduction of 50 basis points fee paid by investors to servicers.
- 3 FNMA announced limit of accepted bids for next week's auction.

### FNMA WEEKLY "AUCTION" RESULTS

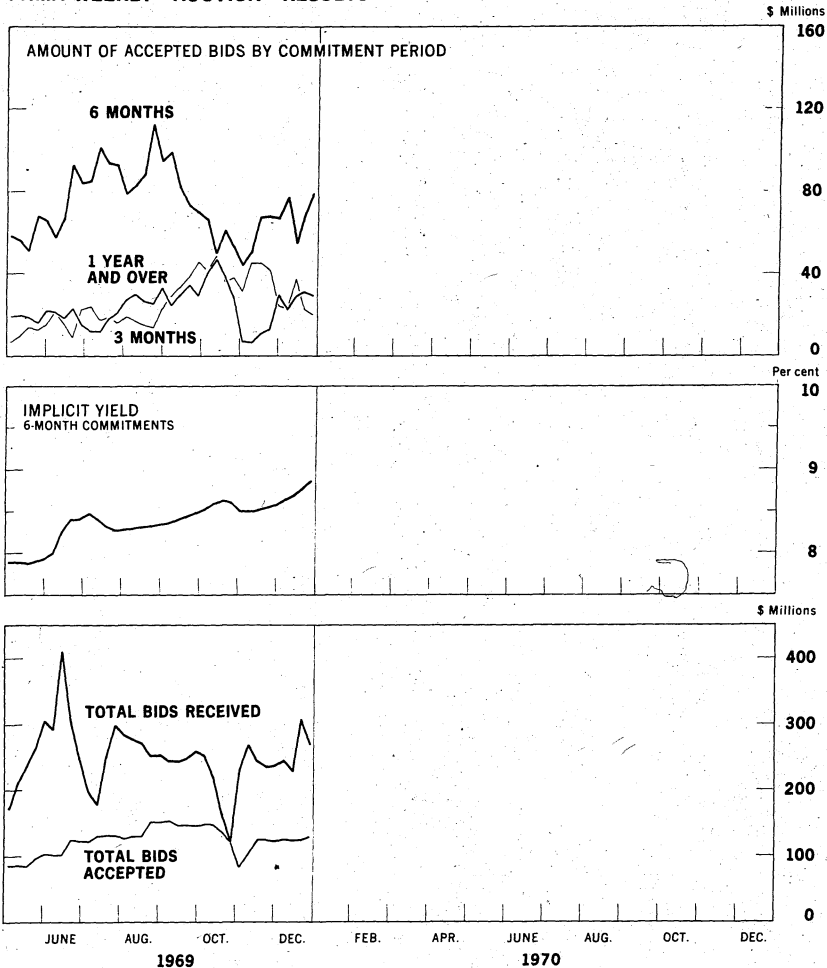


TABLE 15: Private Housing Starts and Permits

DATE	STARTS							BUILDING PERMITS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATE) <sup>2</sup>
	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATE			TOTAL	UNADJUSTED			
	TOTAL	1-FAMILY	2 OR MORE		TYPE OF FINANCING			
					FHA	VA	OTHER	
1968 - Sept.	1,592	944	648	134.3	18.6	4.6	111.1	1,393
Oct.	1,570	965	605	140.8	21.4	5.3	114.0	1,378
Nov.	1,733	905	828	127.1	17.5	4.2	105.4	1,425
Dec.	1,509	922	585	96.4	16.3	4.4	75.7	1,463
1969 - Jan.	1,878	1,066	812	101.5	14.2	3.8	83.5	1,403
Feb.	1,686	975	711	90.0	13.2	3.5	73.3	1,477
Mar.	1,584	828	756	131.9	18.9	3.9	109.1	1,421
Apr.	1,563	797	766	159.0	23.0	4.4	131.6	1,502
May	1,509	883	626	155.5	21.1	4.3	130.1	1,323
June	1,469	808	661	147.3	21.5	4.6	121.2	1,340
July	1,371	765	606	125.2	20.8	4.7	99.7	1,228
Aug.	1,384	723	661	124.9	22.4	4.2	98.3	1,245
Sept. p/	1,542	846	696	129.3	18.3	4.8	106.2	1,201
Oct. p/	1,372	770	602	121.6	25.1	5.0	91.5	1,183
Nov. p/	1,287	767	520	93.7	18.4	3.9	71.4	1,159

- 1 Total starts are Census estimates including farm for both permit-issuing and non-issuing areas. A dwelling unit is started when excavation begins; all units in an apartment structure are considered started at that time. FHA and VA starts are units started under commitments by these agencies to insure or guarantee the mortgages. As reported by FHA and VA, a unit is started when a field office receives the first compliance inspection report, which is made before footings are poured in some cases but normally after the foundations have been completed. Other starts are derived as a residual, although total and FHA and VA starts are not strictly comparable in concept or timing; other starts include both units financed by conventional mortgages and units without mortgages.
- 2 Building permits before January 1963 are Census estimates for about 10,000 areas identified as having a local building permit system in 1959. Estimates beginning January 1963 are for approximately 12,000 and beginning January 1967 13,000, or all known permit-issuing places. Unlike starts, seasonally adjusted building permits reflect direct adjustment for differences in the number of working days per month, as well as other differences in timing and coverage.

### PRIVATE HOUSING STARTS AND PERMITS

Monthly, annual rates

Millions of units

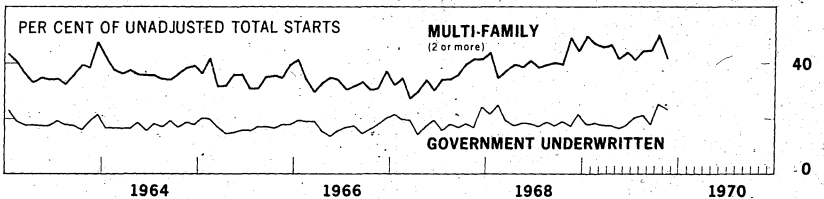
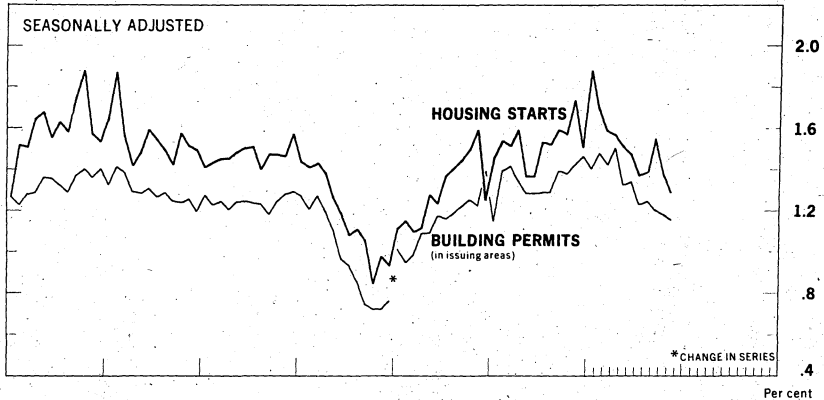


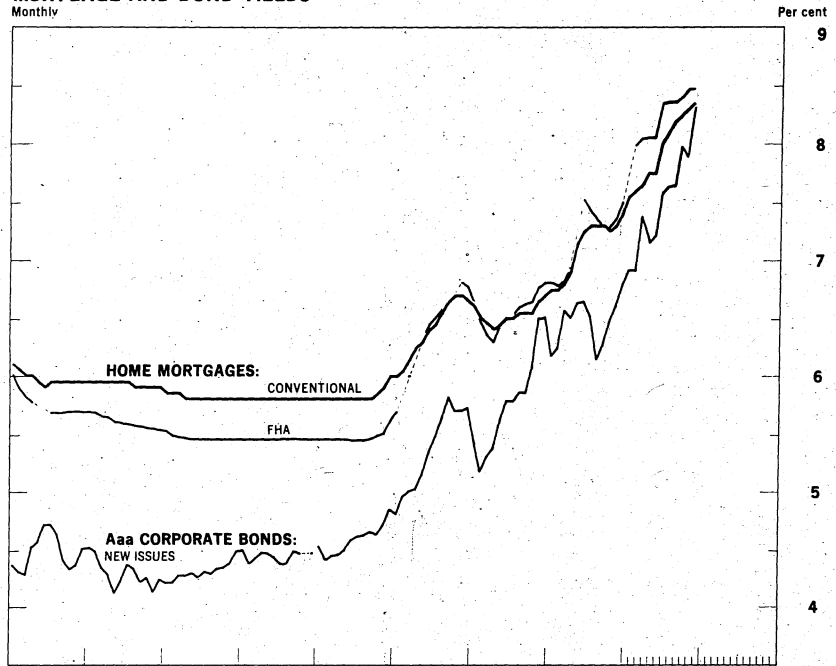
TABLE 16: Mortgage and Bond Yields <sup>1</sup>

DATE	FHA MORTGAGES <sup>2</sup>		CONVENTIONAL MORTGAGES <sup>3</sup>	SPREAD BETWEEN YIELDS ON CONV. & FHA MORTGAGES	NEW Aaa CORPORATE BONDS <sup>4</sup>	SPREAD BETWEEN YIELDS ON NEW CORPORATE BONDS AND FHA MORTGAGES
	25-YEAR	30-YEAR				
1957 - High	5.63	n.a.	6.00	.47	4.94	1.58
1968 - Low	5.35	n.a.	5.55	.15	3.65	.88
1959-60 - High	6.26	n.a.	6.30	.23	5.25	1.69
1961-66 - Low	5.43	5.44	5.80	.25	4.41	.77
1966 - High	6.73	6.81	6.70	.30	5.82	1.16
1967 - High	n.a.	6.81	6.65	.11	6.51	1.28
Low	n.a.	6.29	6.40	-.12	5.18	.27
1968 - High	n.a.	7.52	7.40	.12	6.79	1.20
Low	n.a.	6.78	6.75	-.27	6.15	.26
1969 - Apr.	n.a.	8.06	7.75	-.31	7.17	.89
May	n.a.	8.06	7.75	-.31	7.22	.84
June	n.a.	8.38	8.00	-.35	7.58	.77
July	n.a.	8.36	8.10	-.26	7.63	.73
Aug.	n.a.	8.36	8.20	-.16	7.65	.71
Sept.	n.a.	8.40	8.25	-.15	7.98	.42
Oct.	n.a.	8.48	8.30	-.18	7.89	.59
Nov.	n.a.	8.48	8.35	-.13	8.32	.16

- Neither mortgage nor bond yields include allowance for servicing costs which are much higher for mortgages than for bonds. Generally, bonds pay interest semi-annually; mortgages, monthly. Mortgage yields, if computed as equivalent to a semi-annual interest investment, would be slightly higher than given in the table.
- Based on FHA-field-office opinions about average bid prices in the private secondary market for new-home mortgages for immediate delivery. Separate data available for 25-year and--beginning July 1961--30-year mortgages with minimum downpayments, weighted by probable volume of transactions. Yields computed by FHA, assuming prepayment period of 12 years for 25-year mortgages and 15 years for 30-year mortgages. Over the period for which they can be compared, the movement of the two mortgage yield series has been similar. Dashed-lines indicate periods of adjustment to changes in contractual interest rates.
- Based on FHA-field-office opinion on typical interest rates (rounded) on conventional first mortgages prevailing in the market areas of insuring office-cities. Beginning with April 1960, rate relates only to new-home mortgages; prior to that date, rate related to both new as well as existing-home mortgages. Dashed line indicates this change in the series.
- See note for Table 1.

### MORTGAGE AND BOND YIELDS

Monthly



YIELD SPREAD (FHA MORTGAGE VS. NEW ISSUE Aaa CORPORATE BONDS)

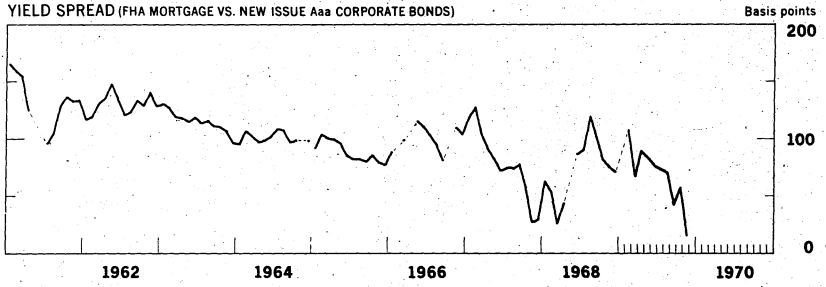




TABLE 17: Conventional Mortgage Terms<sup>1</sup>

DATE	NEW HOMES						EXISTING HOMES					
	CON-TRACT RATE (PER CENT)	FEEES & CHARGES (PER CENT)	EFFEC-TIVE RATE	MATU-RITY (YEARS)	LOAN/PRICE RATIO (PER CENT)	LOAN AMT. (\$'000)	CON-TRACT RATE (PER CENT)	FEEES & CHARGES (PER CENT)	EFFEC-TIVE RATE	MATU-RITY (YEARS)	LOAN/PRICE RATIO (PER CENT)	LOAN AMT. (\$'000)
<u>1968</u>												
Oct.	7.09	0.88	7.23	25.6	74.5	22.7	7.09	0.84	7.22	22.5	72.4	18.3
Nov.	7.07	0.84	7.21	25.4	74.1	22.5	7.07	0.82	7.21	22.7	72.9	18.9
Dec.	7.09	0.89	7.23	25.9	74.0	24.7	7.09	0.85	7.23	23.3	73.2	20.4
<u>1969</u>												
Jan.	7.16	0.84	7.30	25.6	73.6	24.1	7.18	0.86	7.32	22.8	72.6	20.0
Feb.	7.26	0.81	7.39	25.6	73.3	23.5	7.28	0.86	7.42	22.9	72.8	19.6
Mar.	7.32	0.93	7.47	25.8	73.8	24.0	7.35	0.84	7.49	23.0	72.7	20.2
Apr.	7.47	0.96	7.62	25.4	72.6	24.8	7.46	0.85	7.60	23.0	71.8	19.9
May	7.50	0.88	7.65	25.8	73.2	25.0	7.54	0.83	7.68	22.7	71.9	19.7
June	7.62	0.84	7.76	25.6	73.0	24.9	7.64	0.86	7.79	22.8	71.4	20.1
July	7.76	0.92	7.91	25.5	72.0	24.5	7.79	0.91	7.94	22.8	71.7	20.1
Aug.	7.86	0.86	8.00	25.2	72.3	24.3	7.90	0.93	8.05	22.6	71.2	19.8
Sept.	7.89	0.92	8.05	25.3	72.9	24.7	7.92	0.92	8.08	22.2	70.7	19.2
Oct.	7.98	0.89	8.13	25.4	72.9	25.0	7.98	0.91	8.13	22.2	70.2	19.5
Nov.	7.98	0.96	8.13	25.3	72.9	24.6	7.98	0.89	8.13	22.5	70.4	19.9

1. Compiled by Federal Home Loan Bank Board in cooperation with Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Data are weighted averages based on probability sample survey of characteristics of conventional first mortgages originated by major institutional lender groups (including mortgage companies) for purchase of single family homes. Data exclude loans for refinancing, reconditioning or modernization; construction loans to home-builders; and permanent loans which are coupled with construction loans to owner-builders. Related series on conventional mortgage rates only, based on unweighted opinions of field-office directors of the Federal Housing Administration, are available somewhat sooner than the results of the FHLBB-FDIC survey, and are included in the case of new home mortgage rates--in Table 16.

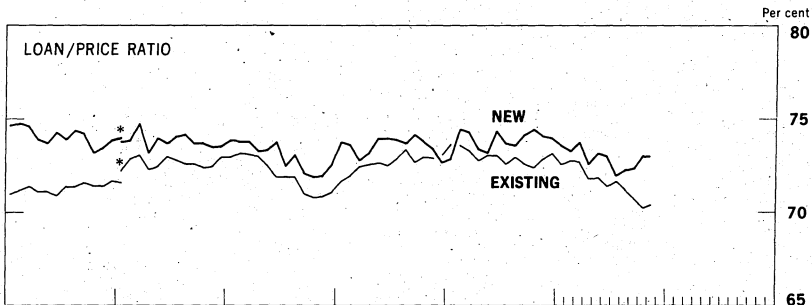
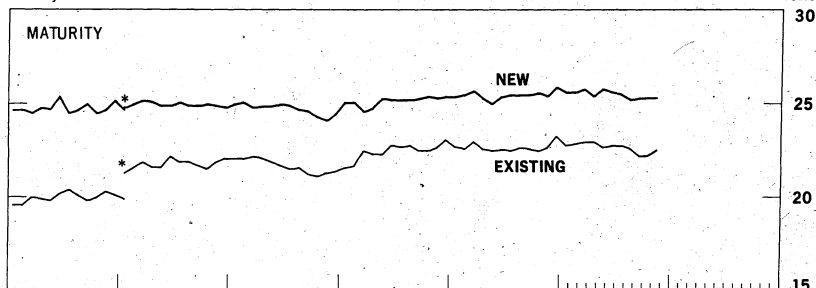
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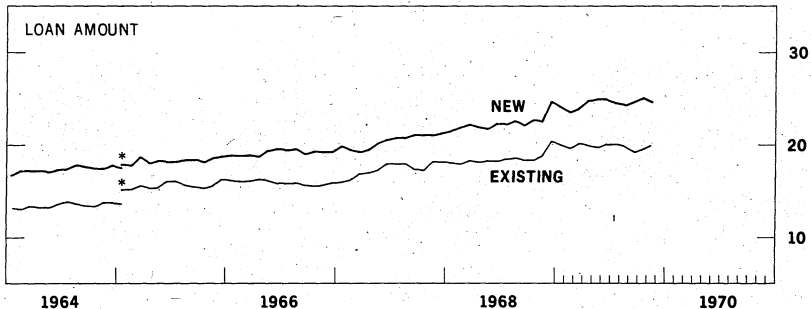
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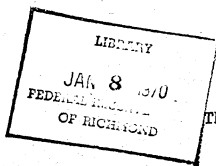
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## BOND BUYER 20-BOND INDEX

The 20-Bond Index is an arithmetic average of Thursday closing bid quotations for selected bonds issued by twenty State and local governmental units. There are two basic considerations that determine the construction of the series: 1) Issuer characteristics; and 2) Bond characteristics.

Issuers.<sup>1/</sup> The average rating of the index falls mid-way between the top four groups as classified by Moody's Investor Service. Although the list of twenty issuers used to compile the index has been altered periodically--due mainly to changes in Moody's rating--frequent changes have been avoided by selecting large issuers with stable ratings, whose bonds trade frequently, and which represent a broad geographical spectrum.

Bonds. Twenty general obligation bonds (one from each issuer) with a 20-year maturity and selling close to par are included in each compilation. Specific issues are not used for the series as a whole. Rather, from week to week, the bonds most closely meeting the above

### 1/ Issuers as of December 1969 and Moody's ratings.

Illinois Aaa	St. Louis, Missouri Aa
New Jersey Aaa	Baltimore, Maryland A
North Carolina Aaa	Chicago, Illinois A
Public Housing	Cleveland, Ohio A
Authorities Aaa	Houston, Texas A
California Aa	Nassau Co., New York A
Columbus, Ohio Aa	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma A
Los Angeles, Calif. Aa	Seattle, Washington A-1
Massachusetts Aa	Boston, Massachusetts Baa
Memphis, Tennessee Aa	New York City Baa-1
New York State Aa	

definition are used. If a specific bond has not traded during a given week, and no other 20-year bond of that issuer is selling close to par, bid prices are solicited from several underwriters in an attempt to estimate a reasonable "hypothetical yield."

Historical and Current Data Sources. Currently the index is compiled each Thursday and published in The Daily Bond Buyer and The Weekly Bond Buyer. An annual summary of the series has appeared in the Bond Buyer's Municipal Finance Statistics since 1963.

Prior to January 1946, when weekly calculations were started, the index was compiled for the first day of each month. Appended are all available back data.<sup>2/</sup>

Comments. A fairly sensitive indicator of municipal bond yield movements, the 20-Bond Index has several desirable features which are not generally found in other leading series. However, the user of the series should be aware of a number of problems as well.

Since the index is computed from once-a-week quotations, it is subject to fluctuations not representative of the market. Nonetheless, given that the series is to be based on one quotation a week, Thursday is probably the best choice, because most new issues have been offered and market activity for the week is consolidated by that time.

A second potential problem arises in considering the size and composition of the issuer sample. Because the index includes, by definition, only large issuers with an investment quality rating (Aaa,

<sup>2/</sup> For the years 1904-14 only annual averages are available and for 1915-16 only quarterly averages.

Aa, A, Baa), it may not be adequate for special purposes such as the measurement of yield movements on below-investment grade or small regional issues. Although lower quality bonds will typically have higher yields than investment quality issues, the differential will probably vary with cyclical movements, widening on the upswing and narrowing as yields in general decline.

Furthermore, because particular issues are used in each compilation, the possibility exists that extraneous circumstances--not representative of the overall market--may cause fluctuations in the yield of some issues.<sup>3/</sup> This bias<sup>4/</sup>--averaged with 19 other yields--would tend to be small, but nevertheless, present. It should be pointed out, however, that this is a problem inherent in time series of this type, and is not peculiar to the Bond Buyer Index.

Perhaps the best feature of the 20-Bond Index is that of holding two key variables constant: 1) The maturity is always 20 years.<sup>5/</sup> By using coupons of one maturity, we eliminate term structure considerations which might otherwise seriously complicate matters, particularly since most municipal issues have **serial** maturities. 2) Only bonds selling

<sup>3/</sup> The yield on a particular issuers bonds might be subject to unusual fluctuation when, for example, banks or pension funds suddenly sell large blocks of an issue or when a large new offering reaches the market.

<sup>4/</sup> The change in yield on a 20 year bond with a 6 per cent coupon whose price has changed from 99 to 101 would be about 17 basis points.

<sup>5/</sup> Although we say only twenty years bonds are used, the practical limitation of this is perhaps a 19-21 year range. This does not appear to seriously affect the yield series.

close to par are included. By eliminating bonds which are selling at significant premium or discount prices, the influence of capital loss and/or gain tax treatment is minimized. This is particularly crucial in a municipal bond yield series, since interest income is tax exempt, while capital gains are taxed as such, and losses may off-set ordinary income.

Another favorable feature of the index is that bid quotations are used. Although normally the spread between bid and asked quotations is fairly constant, bid prices are usually more sensitive in an active market, causing the spread to widen or narrow as yields move up or down. This sensitivity, in turn, is reflected in the series.

In summary, the 20-Bond Index is probably one of the most representative seasoned municipal yield series presently available. Like most indices, problems of use normally arise from misunderstandings of its construction and intent. Hopefully, technical features have been explained so that some of the potential pitfalls may be avoided.

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>
1904	3.40	1917		1919		1921	
1905	3.48	Jan. 1	3.92	Jan. 1	4.44	Jan. 1	5.06
1906	3.53	Feb. 1	4.06	Feb. 1	4.45	Feb. 1	5.05
1907	3.67	Mar. 1	3.98	Mar. 1	4.50	Mar. 1	5.07
1908	3.87	Apr. 1	4.03	Apr. 1	4.55	Apr. 1	5.11
1909	3.76	May 1	4.15	May 1	4.55	May 1	5.12
1910	3.91	June 1	4.28	June 1	4.45	June 1	5.18
1911	3.98	July 1	4.35	July 1	4.46	July 1	5.26
1912	4.01	Aug. 1	4.38	Aug. 1	4.45	Aug. 1	5.24
1913	4.45	Sept. 1	4.42	Sept. 1	4.50	Sept. 1	5.22
1914	4.16	Oct. 1	4.46	Oct. 1	4.50	Oct. 1	5.13
		Nov. 1	4.47	Nov. 1	4.49	Nov. 1	5.00
		Dec. 1	4.56	Dec. 1	4.51	Dec. 1	4.50
1915	4.26						
Jan. 1	4.26	1918		1920		1922	
Apr. 1	4.23	Jan. 1	4.62	Jan. 1	4.56	Jan. 1	4.38
July 1	4.28	Feb. 1	4.65	Feb. 1	4.66	Feb. 1	4.41
Sept. 1	4.26	Mar. 1	4.63	Mar. 1	4.83	Mar. 1	4.39
		Apr. 1	4.72	Apr. 1	4.70	Apr. 1	4.35
1916	4.06	May 1	4.67	May 1	4.99	May 1	4.15
Jan. 1	4.08	June 1	4.64	June 1	5.19	June 1	4.18
Apr. 1	4.03	July 1	4.56	July 1	5.26	July 1	4.18
July 1	4.10	Aug. 1	4.58	Aug. 1	5.25	Aug. 1	4.19
Sept. 1	4.03	Sept. 1	4.57	Sept. 1	5.27	Sept. 1	4.15
		Oct. 1	4.57	Oct. 1	5.18	Oct. 1	4.09
		Nov. 1	4.55	Nov. 1	5.06	Nov. 1	4.14
		Dec. 1	4.40	Dec. 1	4.97	Dec. 1	4.18



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Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
1923		1925		1927		1929	
Jan. 1	4.16	Jan. 1	4.16	Jan. 1	4.13	Jan. 1	4.17
Feb. 1	4.14	Feb. 1	4.16	Feb. 1	4.08	Feb. 1	4.19
Mar. 1	4.11	Mar. 1	4.11	Mar. 1	4.08	Mar. 1	4.22
Apr. 1	4.13	Apr. 1	4.10	Apr. 1	3.98	Apr. 1	4.34
May 1	4.18	May 1	4.07	May 1	3.95	May 1	4.25
June 1	4.22	June 1	3.99	June 1	3.95	June 1	4.30
July 1	4.24	July 1	4.00	July 1	4.01	July 1	4.33
Aug. 1	4.29	Aug. 1	4.07	Aug. 1	4.06	Aug. 1	4.33
Sept. 1	4.35	Sept. 1	4.15	Sept. 1	4.02	Sept. 1	4.41
Oct. 1	4.40	Oct. 1	4.21	Oct. 1	3.96	Oct. 1	4.49
Nov. 1	4.39	Nov. 1	4.26	Nov. 1	3.95	Nov. 1	4.37
Dec. 1	4.37	Dec. 1	4.22	Dec. 1	3.93	Dec. 1	4.29
1924		1926		1928		1930	
Jan. 1	4.37	Jan. 1	4.23	Jan. 1	3.87	Jan. 1	4.23
Feb. 1	4.32	Feb. 1	4.17	Feb. 1	3.87	Feb. 1	4.29
Mar. 1	4.36	Mar. 1	4.15	Mar. 1	3.87	Mar. 1	4.27
Apr. 1	4.34	Apr. 1	4.14	Apr. 1	3.91	Apr. 1	4.15
May 1	4.30	May 1	4.12	May 1	3.93	May 1	4.17
June 1	4.26	June 1	4.12	June 1	4.01	June 1	4.18
July 1	4.15	July 1	4.10	July 1	4.06	July 1	4.14
Aug. 1	4.14	Aug. 1	4.11	Aug. 1	4.13	Aug. 1	4.08
Sept. 1	4.12	Sept. 1	4.12	Sept. 1	4.18	Sept. 1	4.01
Oct. 1	4.11	Oct. 1	4.16	Oct. 1	4.16	Oct. 1	3.97
Nov. 1	4.11	Nov. 1	4.16	Nov. 1	4.16	Nov. 1	3.99
Dec. 1	4.13	Dec. 1	4.14	Dec. 1	4.14	Dec. 1	4.06

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>
1931		1933		1935		1937	
Jan. 1	4.12	Jan. 1	4.61	Jan. 1	3.81	Jan. 1	2.62
Feb. 1	4.05	Feb. 1	4.48	Feb. 1	3.61	Feb. 1	2.74
Mar. 1	4.03	Mar. 1	4.92	Mar. 1	3.55	Mar. 1	2.90
Apr. 1	3.90	Apr. 1	5.24	Apr. 1	3.37	Apr. 1	3.15
May 1	3.85	May 1	5.69	May 1	3.39	May 1	3.09
June 1	3.74	June 1	5.35	June 1	3.46	June 1	3.04
July 1	3.84	July 1	5.09	July 1	3.31	July 1	3.06
Aug. 1	3.86	Aug. 1	5.00	Aug. 1	3.25	Aug. 1	2.94
Sept. 1	3.85	Sept. 1	4.98	Sept. 1	3.34	Sept. 1	2.95
Oct. 1	4.06	Oct. 1	4.94	Oct. 1	3.51	Oct. 1	3.05
Nov. 1	4.34	Nov. 1	5.01	Nov. 1	3.34	Nov. 1	3.15
Dec. 1	4.45	Dec. 1	5.52	Dec. 1	3.23	Dec. 1	3.17
1932		1934		1936		1938	
Jan. 1	4.87	Jan. 1	5.48	Jan. 1	3.25	Jan. 1	3.16
Feb. 1	4.94	Feb. 1	4.89	Feb. 1	3.11	Feb. 1	3.07
Mar. 1	4.96	Mar. 1	4.74	Mar. 1	3.04	Mar. 1	3.05
Apr. 1	4.73	Apr. 1	4.56	Apr. 1	3.03	Apr. 1	3.19
May 1	4.77	May 1	4.27	May 1	3.12	May 1	3.08
June 1	4.94	June 1	4.17	June 1	3.00	June 1	3.05
July 1	5.09	July 1	4.01	July 1	2.99	July 1	3.00
Aug. 1	4.82	Aug. 1	4.05	Aug. 1	2.95	Aug. 1	3.01
Sept. 1	4.58	Sept. 1	4.15	Sept. 1	2.91	Sept. 1	2.88
Oct. 1	4.57	Oct. 1	4.21	Oct. 1	2.86	Oct. 1	2.98
Nov. 1	4.59	Nov. 1	3.94	Nov. 1	2.85	Nov. 1	2.90
Dec. 1	4.65	Dec. 1	3.89	Dec. 1	2.69	Dec. 1	2.83

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Yield</u>
1939		1941		1943		1945	
Jan. 1	2.78	Jan. 1	2.14	Jan. 1	2.17	Jan. 1	1.62
Feb. 1	2.76	Feb. 1	2.29	Feb. 1	2.12	Feb. 1	1.53
Mar. 1	2.80	Mar. 1	2.43	Mar. 1	2.08	Mar. 1	1.46
Apr. 1	2.72	Apr. 1	2.33	Apr. 1	2.08	Apr. 1	1.38
May 1	2.78	May 1	2.26	May 1	2.01	May 1	1.35
June 1	2.66	June 1	2.14	June 1	1.93	June 1	1.43
July 1	2.66	July 1	2.07	July 1	1.86	July 1	1.40
Aug. 1	2.67	Aug. 1	2.07	Aug. 1	1.83	Aug. 1	1.46
Sept. 1	3.21	Sept. 1	2.08	Sept. 1	1.81	Sept. 1	1.64
Oct. 1	3.30	Oct. 1	2.02	Oct. 1	1.79	Oct. 1	1.72
Nov. 1	2.93	Nov. 1	1.90	Nov. 1	1.69	Nov. 1	1.56
Dec. 1	2.72	Dec. 1	1.93	Dec. 1	1.82	Dec. 1	1.51
1940		1942		1944			
Jan. 1	2.59	Jan. 1	2.24	Jan. 1	1.77		
Feb. 1	2.63	Feb. 1	2.36	Feb. 1	1.70		
Mar. 1	2.70	Mar. 1	2.51	Mar. 1	1.65		
Apr. 1	2.62	Apr. 1	2.38	Apr. 1	1.65		
May 1	2.59	May 1	2.33	May 1	1.69		
June 1	3.00	June 1	2.33	June 1	1.65		
July 1	2.67	July 1	2.21	July 1	1.64		
Aug. 1	2.53	Aug. 1	2.15	Aug. 1	1.59		
Sept. 1	2.52	Sept. 1	2.15	Sept. 1	1.59		
Oct. 1	2.39	Oct. 1	2.16	Oct. 1	1.66		
Nov. 1	2.32	Nov. 1	2.13	Nov. 1	1.64		
Dec. 1	2.18	Dec. 1	2.16	Dec. 1	1.63		

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1946			1946			1947			1947		
Date		Yield	Date		Yield	Date		Yield	Date		Yield
Jan.	3	1.42	Sept.	5	1.58	Jan.	2	1.85	Sept.	4	1.82
	10	1.34		12	1.61		9	1.82		11	1.82
	17	1.33		19	1.67		16	1.80		18	1.82
	24	1.32		26	1.73		23	1.78		25	1.82
	31	1.31					30	1.81			
			Oct.	3	1.73				Oct.	2	1.84
Feb.	7	1.31		10	1.74	Feb.	6	1.83		9	1.87
	14	1.29		17	1.73		13	1.85		16	1.91
	21	1.29		24	1.70		20	1.93		23	1.93
	28	1.29		31	1.66		27	1.97		30	1.97
			Nov.	7	1.66	Mar.	6	1.99	Nov.	6	2.03
Mar.	14	1.30		14	1.66		13	1.97		13	2.06
	21	1.29		21	1.67		20	1.93		20	2.06
	28	1.29		27	1.78		27	1.91		27	2.09
			Dec.	5	1.90	Apr.	3	1.90	Dec.	4	2.09
Apr.	11	1.29		12	1.89		10	1.90		11	2.25
	18	1.29		19	1.91		17	1.90		18	2.24
	25	1.34		26	1.89		24	1.89		24	2.25
										31	2.35
May	2	1.37	January		1.34	May	1	1.89	January		1.81
	9	1.38	February		1.30		8	1.86	February		1.90
	16	1.38	March		1.29		15	1.83	March		1.95
	23	1.38	April		1.30		22	1.83	April		1.90
	29	1.36	May		1.37	June	5	1.83	May		1.85
June	6	1.37	June		1.39		12	1.83	June		1.83
	13	1.38	July		1.47		19	1.83	July		1.81
	20	1.39	August		1.54		26	1.81	August		1.83
	27	1.41	September		1.65	July	3	1.81	September		1.82
July	3	1.42	October		1.71		10	1.81	October		1.90
	11	1.43	November		1.69		17	1.80	November		2.06
	18	1.50	December		1.90		24	1.81	December		2.24
	25	1.51					31	1.81			
Aug.	1	1.51				August	7	1.81			
	8	1.53	1946		1.50		14	1.83	1947		1.91
	15	1.55					21	1.83			
	22	1.55					28	1.83			
	29	1.58									

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1948				1949			
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 8	2.36	Sept. 2	2.39	Jan. 6i	2.19	Sept. 1	2.12
15	2.35	9	2.39	13	2.16	8	2.12
22	2.35	16	2.41	20	2.15	15	2.13
29	2.40	23	2.42	27	2.15	22	2.17
Feb. 5	2.44	30	2.43	Feb. 3	2.17	29	2.16
11	2.48	Oct. 7	2.43	10	2.20	Oct. 6	2.16
19	2.48	14	2.42	17	2.21	13	2.16
26	2.48	21	2.40	24	2.21	20	2.16
Mar. 4	2.47	28	2.41	Mar. 3	2.21	27	2.14
11	2.46	Nov. 4	2.45	10	2.18	Nov. 3	2.13
18	2.44	10	2.39	17	2.17	9	2.12
25	2.42	18	2.35	24	2.17	17	2.11
Apr. 1	2.42	24	2.34	31	2.17	23	2.11
8	2.38	Dec. 2	2.31	Apr. 7	2.16	Dec. 1	2.11
15	2.36	9	2.29	14	2.15	8	2.10
22	2.35	16	2.27	21	2.14	15	2.09
29	2.34	23	2.24	28	2.13	22	2.08
May 6	2.33	30	2.20	May 5	2.10	29	2.08
13	2.33	January	2.37	12	2.10	January	2.16
20	2.32	February	2.47	19	2.16	February	2.20
27	2.27	March	2.45	26	2.20	March	2.18
June 3	2.23	April	2.37	June 2	2.21	April	2.15
10	2.23	May	2.31	9	2.21	May	2.14
17	2.24	June	2.24	16	2.20	June	2.20
24	2.25	July	2.27	23	2.20	July	2.16
July 1	2.27	August	2.37	30	2.20	August	2.12
8	2.27	September	2.41	July 7	2.18	September	2.14
15	2.27	October	2.42	14	2.16	October	2.16
22	2.28	November	2.38	21	2.15	November	2.12
29	2.28	December	2.26	28	2.13	December	2.09
Aug. 5	2.33			Aug. 4	2.13		
12	2.37			11	2.12		
19	2.39			18	2.12		
26	2.39	1948	2.36	25	2.12	1949	2.15

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Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1950				1951			
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 5	2.07	Sept. 7	1.83	Jan. 4	1.66	Sept. 6	1.98
12	2.05	14	1.83	11	1.60	13	2.00
19	2.05	21	1.83	18	1.59	20	2.02
26	2.05	28	1.85	25	1.59	27	2.05
Feb. 2	2.05	Oct. 5	1.82	Feb. 1	1.58	Oct. 4	2.05
9	2.03	11	1.79	8	1.58	10	2.06
16	2.02	19	1.77	15	1.59	18	2.07
23	2.02	26	1.77	21	1.59	25	2.05
Mar. 2	2.02	Nov. 2	1.75	Mar. 1	1.63	Nov. 1	2.04
9	2.01	9	1.73	8	1.73	8	2.04
16	2.01	16	1.72	15	1.76	15	2.04
23	2.01	22	1.74	22	1.77	21	2.07
30	2.01	30	1.75	29	1.82	29	2.07
Apr. 6	2.02	Dec. 7	1.75	Apr. 5	1.92	Dec. 6	2.09
13	2.03	14	1.74	12	1.93	13	2.07
20	2.03	21	1.70	19	1.97	20	2.09
27	2.03	28	1.70	26	1.96	27	2.10
May 4	2.02			May 3	1.94		
11	2.00			10	1.95		
18	1.99			17	1.99		
25	1.99	January	2.06	24	2.05	January	1.61
June 1	1.99	February	2.03	31	2.07	February	1.59
8	1.99	March	2.01			March	1.74
15	1.99	April	2.03	June 7	2.15	April	1.95
22	1.99	May	2.00	14	2.16	May	2.00
29	2.00	June	1.99	21	2.23	June	2.19
July 6	2.02	July	2.01	28	2.21	July	2.15
13	2.06	August	1.83			August	2.02
20	2.05	September	1.84	July 5	2.20	September	2.01
27	1.91	October	1.79	12	2.17	October	2.06
Aug. 3	1.85	November	1.74	19	2.13	November	2.05
10	1.83	December	1.72	26	2.10	December	2.09
17	1.83			Aug. 2	2.06		
24	1.82			9	2.03		
31	1.83	1950	1.92	16	2.00		
				23	2.00	1951	1.96
				30	2.00		

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1952				1953			
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 3	2.11	Sept. 4	2.28	Jan. 8	2.40	Sept. 3	2.92
10	2.09	11	2.30	15	2.42	10	2.91
17	2.09	18	2.32	22	2.43	17	2.90
24	2.09	25	2.32	29	2.46	24	2.86
31	2.08						
Feb. 7	2.07	Oct. 2	2.34	Feb. 5	2.48	Oct. 1	2.82
14	2.07	9	2.38	11	2.51	8	2.78
21	2.07	16	2.39	19	2.58	15	2.74
28	2.07	23	2.39	26	2.63	22	2.72
		30	2.38			29	2.69
Mar. 6	2.09	Nov. 6	2.38	Mar. 5	2.65	Nov. 5	2.64
13	2.09	13	2.38	12	2.65	12	2.62
20	2.09	20	2.37	19	2.65	19	2.60
27	2.07	26	2.37	26	2.65	25	2.60
Apr. 3	2.05	Dec. 4	2.37	Apr. 2	2.65	Dec. 3	2.60
10	2.03	11	2.37	9	2.65	10	2.60
17	2.03	18	2.38	16	2.64	17	2.60
24	2.03	24	2.38	23	2.64	23	2.60
		31	2.38	30	2.68	30	2.58
May 1	2.03						
8	2.04	January	2.09	May 7	2.75	January	2.43
15	2.05	February	2.07	14	2.77	February	2.55
22	2.06	March	2.09	21	2.79	March	2.65
29	2.10	April	2.04	28	2.81	April	2.65
June 5	2.11	May	2.06	June 4	2.90	May	2.78
12	2.13	June	2.13	11	2.96	June	2.99
19	2.14	July	2.15	18	3.02	July	2.98
26	2.15	August	2.24	25	3.09	August	2.91
July 2	2.15	September	2.31	July 2	3.04	September	2.90
10	2.15	October	2.38	9	3.00	October	2.75
17	2.15	November	2.38	16	2.97	November	2.62
24	2.15	December	2.38	23	2.95	December	2.60
31	2.15			30	2.92		
Aug. 7	2.17			Aug. 6	2.92		
14	2.24			13	2.90		
21	2.27	1952	2.19	20	2.90	1953	2.73
28	2.28			27	2.90		

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1954			1955		
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 7	2.54	Sept. 2	2.26	Jan. 6	2.38
14	2.51	9	2.29	13	2.39
21	2.50	16	2.33	20	2.41
28	2.46	23	2.33	27	2.43
Feb. 4	2.46	30	2.35	Feb. 3	2.43
10	2.43	Oct. 7	2.35	10	2.43
18	2.41	14	2.35	17	2.43
25	2.39	21	2.33	24	2.45
Mar. 4	2.39	28	2.33	Mar. 3	2.45
11	2.38	Nov. 4	2.33	10	2.45
18	2.38	10	2.33	17	2.45
25	2.43	18	2.31	24	2.45
Apr. 1	2.44	24	2.31	31	2.42
8	2.46	Dec. 2	2.33	Apr. 7	2.42
15	2.48	9	2.35	14	2.42
22	2.49	16	2.37	21	2.40
29	2.49	23	2.37	28	2.40
May 6	2.49	30	2.36	May 5	2.39
13	2.49	January	2.50	12	2.37
20	2.49	February	2.42	19	2.37
27	2.51	March	2.40	26	2.39
June 3	2.51	April	2.47	June 2	2.39
10	2.51	May	2.50	9	2.39
17	2.47	June	2.48	16	2.40
24	2.41	July	2.32	23	2.41
July 1	2.40	August	2.26	30	2.48
8	2.36	September	2.31	July 7	2.53
15	2.31	October	2.34	14	2.54
21	2.28	November	2.32	21	2.54
29	2.26	December	2.36	28	2.56
Aug. 5	2.26	1954	2.39	Aug. 4	2.58
12	2.26			11	2.58
19	2.26			18	2.60
26	2.26			25	2.63
				Sept. 1	2.63
				8	2.61
				15	2.59
				22	2.55
				29	2.53
				Oct. 6	2.52
				13	2.51
				20	2.51
				27	2.50
				Nov. 3	2.45
				10	2.45
				17	2.45
				23	2.47
				Dec. 1	2.52
				8	2.57
				15	2.58
				22	2.58
				29	2.58
				January	2.40
				February	2.44
				March	2.44
				April	2.41
				May	2.38
				June	2.41
				July	2.54
				August	2.60
				September	2.58
				October	2.51
				November	2.46
				December	2.57
				1955	2.48



Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1956		1957		1957		1957	
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 5	2.56	Sept. 6	2.94	Jan. 3	3.23	Sept. 5	3.56
12	2.50	13	2.96	10	3.24	12	3.55
19	2.48	20	2.94	17	3.22	19	3.52
26	2.48	27	2.90	24	3.12	26	3.51
Feb. 2	2.48	Oct. 4	2.90	31	3.07	Oct. 3	3.45
9	2.43	10	2.92	Feb. 7	3.03	10	3.38
16	2.42	18	2.96	14	2.96	17	3.41
23	2.42	25	3.03	20	2.98	24	3.43
Mar. 1	2.49	Nov. 1	3.08	28	3.05	31	3.43
8	2.53	8	3.10	Mar. 7	3.12	Nov. 7	3.43
15	2.58	15	3.19	14	3.12	14	3.46
22	2.60	22	3.21	21	3.07	21	3.33
29	2.64	29	3.24	28	3.07	28	3.27
Apr. 5	2.66	Dec. 6	3.24	Apr. 4	3.06	Dec. 5	3.16
12	2.67	13	3.21	11	3.06	12	3.05
19	2.72	20	3.21	18	3.16	19	2.97
26	2.77	27	3.21	25	3.25	26	2.97
May 3	2.76			May 2	3.23		
10	2.69			9	3.23		
17	2.69			16	3.25		
24	2.65			23	3.30		
31	2.62			30	3.35		
June 7	2.56	January	2.51	June 6	3.38	January	3.18
14	2.53	February	2.44	13	3.41	February	3.01
21	2.53	March	2.57	20	3.43	March	3.10
28	2.56	April	2.71	27	3.43	April	3.13
July 5	2.61	May	2.68	July 3	3.40	May	3.27
12	2.64	June	2.55	11	3.37	June	3.41
19	2.66	July	2.65	18	3.38	July	3.40
26	2.68	August	2.80	25	3.43	August	3.54
Aug. 2	2.71	September	2.94	Aug. 1	3.47	September	3.54
9	2.75	October	2.95	8	3.53	October	3.42
16	2.79	November	3.16	15	3.57	November	3.37
23	2.84	December	3.22	22	3.57	December	3.04
30	2.90			29	3.56		
		1956	2.77			1957	3.28

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1958				1959			
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 2	2.97	Sept. 4	3.59	Jan. 8	3.40	Sept. 3	3.72
9	2.97	11	3.54	15	3.40	10	3.79
16	2.87	18	3.52	22	3.43	17	3.81
23	2.85	25	3.52	29	3.45	24	3.80
30	2.90						
Feb. 6	2.97	Oct. 2	3.54	Feb. 5	3.43	Oct. 1	3.72
13	2.98	9	3.50	11	3.39	8	3.67
20	3.05	16	3.43	19	3.34	15	3.60
27	3.08	23	3.40	26	3.29	22	3.55
		30	3.38			29	3.55
Mar. 6	3.08	Nov. 6	3.35	Mar. 5	3.26	Nov. 5	3.54
13	3.08	13	3.32	12	3.31	12	3.57
20	3.05	20	3.31	19	3.31	19	3.55
27	3.05	26	3.30	26	3.32	25	3.55
Apr. 3	3.02	Dec. 4	3.30	Apr. 2	3.33	Dec. 3	3.60
10	2.99	11	3.30	9	3.33	10	3.63
17	2.96	18	3.33	16	3.36	17	3.73
24	2.89	24	3.38	23	3.43	23	3.75
		31	3.40	30	3.50	31	3.77
May 1	2.91			May 7	3.53		
8	2.94			14	3.57		
15	2.93			21	3.59		
22	2.92			28	3.61		
29	2.92						
June 5	2.92	January	2.91	June 4	3.64	January	3.42
12	2.92	February	3.02	11	3.67	February	3.36
19	2.99	March	3.07	18	3.74	March	3.30
26	3.04	April	2.97	25	3.81	April	3.39
		May	2.92			May	3.58
July 3	3.05	June	2.97	July 2	3.81	June	3.72
10	3.07	July	3.09	9	3.77	July	3.71
17	3.10	August	3.36	16	3.71	August	3.58
24	3.10	September	3.54	23	3.65	September	3.78
31	3.13	October	3.45	30	3.59	October	3.62
Aug. 7	3.21	November	3.32	Aug. 6	3.57	November	3.55
14	3.27	December	3.34	13	3.57	December	3.70
21	3.42			20	3.57		
28	3.52			27	3.61		
		1958	3.16			1959	3.56

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1960		1960		1961		1961	
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 7	3.78	Sept. 1	3.33	Jan. 5	3.39	Sept. 7	3.55
14	3.74	8	3.38	12	3.41	14	3.55
21	3.69	15	3.44	19	3.40	21	3.52
28	3.68	22	3.46	26	3.38	28	3.49
		29	3.51				
Feb. 4	3.64			Feb. 2	3.38	Oct. 5	3.46
11	3.58	Oct. 6	3.55	9	3.31	12	3.45
18	3.58	13	3.55	16	3.28	19	3.40
25	3.61	20	3.53	23	3.26	26	3.39
		27	3.48				
Mar. 3	3.65			Mar. 2	3.33	Nov. 2	3.36
10	3.61	Nov. 3	3.42	9	3.43	9	3.36
17	3.56	10	3.42	16	3.48	16	3.41
24	3.50	17	3.38	23	3.51	23	3.45
31	3.50	24	3.38	30	3.51	30	3.48
Apr. 7	3.50	Dec. 1	3.43	Apr. 6	3.51	Dec. 7	3.51
14	3.55	8	3.43	13	3.51	14	3.51
21	3.59	15	3.38	20	3.51	21	3.44
28	3.61	22	3.38	27	3.40	28	3.42
		29	3.38				
May 5	3.61			May 4	3.42		
12	3.57			11	3.42		
19	3.62			18	3.42		
26	3.62			25	3.46		
June 2	3.61	January	3.72	June 1	3.48	January	3.40
9	3.58	February	3.60	8	3.52	February	3.31
16	3.53	March	3.56	15	3.53	March	3.45
23	3.52	April	3.56	22	3.53	April	3.50
30	3.53	May	3.61	29	3.54	May	3.43
July 7	3.52	June	3.55	July 6	3.54	June	3.52
14	3.52	July	3.51	13	3.54	July	3.52
21	3.51	August	3.34	20	3.49	August	3.52
28	3.47	September	3.42	27	3.49	September	3.53
		October	3.53	Aug. 3	3.49	October	3.43
Aug. 4	3.45	November	3.40	10	3.53	November	3.41
11	3.35	December	3.40	17	3.53	December	3.47
18	3.27			24	3.53		
25	3.27	1960	3.52	31	3.54	1961	3.46

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Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1962				1963			
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 4	3.37	Sept. 6	3.14	Jan. 3	3.05	Sept. 5	3.15
11	3.36	13	3.12	10	3.04	12	3.20
18	3.35	20	3.11	17	3.09	19	3.22
25	3.27	27	3.06	24	3.14	26	3.22
				31	3.18		
Feb. 1	3.22	Oct. 4	3.06	Feb. 7	3.18	Oct. 3	3.19
8	3.21	11	3.02	14	3.17	10	3.18
15	3.20	18	2.98	21	3.12	17	3.18
22	3.21	29	3.01	28	3.12	24	3.21
						31	3.24
Mar. 1	3.20	Nov. 1	3.01	Mar. 7	3.08	Nov. 7	3.27
8	3.15	8	3.01	14	3.04	14	3.31
15	3.12	15	3.05	21	3.01	21	3.31
22	3.12	22	3.05	28	3.06	27	3.31
29	3.12	29	3.10				
Apr. 5	3.10	Dec. 6	3.11	Apr. 4	3.06	Dec. 5	3.31
12	3.08	13	3.06	11	3.09	12	3.26
19	3.04	20	3.05	18	3.12	19	3.26
26	3.02	27	3.05	25	3.12	26	3.26
May 3	3.00			May 2	3.11		
10	3.00			9	3.08		
17	3.10			16	3.08		
24	3.20			23	3.12		
31	3.24			30	3.16		
June 7	3.26	January	3.34	June 6	3.19	January	3.10
14	3.26	February	3.21	13	3.20	February	3.15
21	3.26	March	3.14	20	3.22	March	3.05
28	3.24	April	3.06	27	3.22	April	3.10
July 5	3.24	May	3.11	July 4	3.22	May	3.11
12	3.27	June	3.26	11	3.25	June	3.21
19	3.27	July	3.28	18	3.23	July	3.22
26	3.32	August	3.23	25	3.17	August	3.13
Aug. 2	3.33	September	3.11	Aug. 1	3.12	September	3.20
9	3.33	October	3.02	8	3.11	October	3.20
16	3.21	November	3.04	15	3.12	November	3.30
23	3.14	December	3.07	22	3.15	December	3.27
30	3.14	1962	3.03	29	3.15	1963	3.06

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1964				1965			
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 2	3.26	Sept. 3	3.19	Jan. 7	3.07	Sept. 2	3.29
9	3.26	10	3.22	14	3.07	9	3.30
16	3.26	17	3.26	21	3.07	16	3.36
23	3.19	24	3.26	28	3.04	23	3.39
30	3.13					30	3.41
Feb. 6	3.13	Oct. 1	3.26	Feb. 4	3.04	Oct. 7	3.41
13	3.13	8	3.26	11	3.04	14	3.38
20	3.13	15	3.26	18	3.10	21	3.40
27	3.17	22	3.26	25	3.17	28	3.40
		29	3.23				
Mar. 5	3.23	Nov. 5	3.21	Mar. 4	3.20	Nov. 4	3.44
12	3.27	12	3.15	11	3.18	11	3.45
19	3.32	19	3.15	18	3.16	18	3.46
26	3.32	26	3.21	25	3.16	25	3.47
Apr. 2	3.32	Dec. 3	3.18	Apr. 1	3.16	Dec. 2	3.50
9	3.27	10	3.13	8	3.16	9	3.56
16	3.27	17	3.12	15	3.15	16	3.55
23	3.26	24	3.12	22	3.15	23	3.55
30	3.26	31	3.12	29	3.15	30	3.54
May 7	3.26			May 6	3.15		
14	3.22			13	3.14		
21	3.18			20	3.19		
28	3.16			27	3.19		
June 4	3.16	January	3.22	June 3	3.20	January	3.06
11	3.21	February	3.14	10	3.23	February	3.09
18	3.21	March	3.29	17	3.25	March	3.18
25	3.21	April	3.28	24	3.30	April	3.15
		May	3.21			May	3.17
July 2	3.20	June	3.20	July 1	3.30	June	3.25
9	3.19	July	3.18	8	3.29	July	3.27
16	3.18	August	3.19	15	3.26	August	3.24
23	3.16	September	3.23	22	3.25	September	3.35
30	3.19	October	3.25	29	3.25	October	3.40
		November	3.18			November	3.46
Aug. 6	3.19	December	3.13	Aug. 5	3.25	December	3.54
13	3.19			12	3.23		
20	3.19	1964	3.21	19	3.23	1965	3.26
27	3.19			26	3.25		

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Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1966		1967		1967		1967	
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 6	3.53	Sept. 1	4.24	Jan. 5	3.76	Sept. 7	4.07
13	3.52	8	4.11	12	3.59	14	4.07
20	3.51	15	4.11	19	3.40	21	4.14
27	3.51	22	4.11	26	3.43	28	4.19
		29	4.03				
Feb. 3	3.54	Oct. 6	4.00	Feb. 2	3.40	Oct. 5	4.25
10	3.58	13	3.98	9	3.41	12	4.33
17	3.70	20	3.93	16	3.62	19	4.33
24	3.76	27	3.83	23	3.66	26	4.27
Mar. 3	3.83	Nov. 3	3.74	Mar. 2	3.60	Nov. 2	4.27
10	3.77	10	3.79	9	3.55	9	4.31
17	3.73	17	3.93	16	3.53	16	4.33
24	3.66	24	4.00	23	3.53	23	4.37
31	3.59			30	3.54	30	4.42
Apr. 7	3.55	Dec. 1	4.02	Apr. 6	3.54	Dec. 7	4.45
14	3.53	8	3.92	13	3.54	14	4.41
21	3.54	15	3.81	20	3.63	21	4.41
28	3.62	22	3.77	27	3.69	28	4.44
		29	3.77				
May 5	3.63			May 4	3.79		
12	3.62			11	3.88		
19	3.64			18	3.93		
26	3.72			25	3.96		
June 2	3.78	January	3.52	June 1	3.96	January	3.55
9	3.78	February	3.65	8	3.90	February	3.52
16	3.74	March	3.72	15	3.92	March	3.55
23	3.73	April	3.56	22	3.98	April	3.60
30	3.83	May	3.65	29	4.06	May	3.89
		June	3.77			June	3.96
July 7	3.92	July	3.95	July 6	4.07	July	4.02
14	3.98	August	4.12	13	4.05	August	3.99
21	3.94	September	4.12	20	3.98	September	4.12
28	3.96	October	3.96	27	3.98	October	4.29
		November	3.87			November	4.32
Aug. 4	3.99	December	3.86	Aug. 3	3.91	December	4.43
11	4.08			10	3.94		
18	4.17	1966	3.81	17	3.99	1967	3.94
25	4.24			24	4.04		
				31	4.06		

Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index

1968			1969				
Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield	Date	Yield
Jan. 4	4.38	Sept. 5	4.44	Jan. 2	4.85	Sept. 4	6.37
11	4.27	12	4.43	9	4.85	11	6.33
18	4.25	19	4.35	16	4.83	18	6.25
25	4.25	26	4.30	23	4.82	25	6.08
				30	4.91		
Feb. 1	4.16	Oct. 3	4.36	Feb. 6	4.96	Oct. 2	6.19
8	4.24	10	4.49	13	4.96	9	6.14
15	4.32	17	4.51	20	4.95	16	5.92
21	4.38	24	4.52	27	5.04	23	6.07
29	4.44	31	4.56			30	6.13
Mar. 7	4.49	Nov. 7	4.56	Mar. 6	5.19	Nov. 6	6.11
14	4.62	14	4.58	13	5.26	13	6.17
21	4.50	21	4.62	20	5.29	20	6.36
28	4.54	28	4.64	27	5.30	27	6.58
Apr. 4	4.31	Dec. 5	4.76	Apr. 3	5.25	Dec. 4	6.72
11	4.29	12	4.82	10	5.29	11	6.88
18	4.33	19	4.84	17	5.13	18	6.90
25	4.43	26	4.85	24	5.09	25	6.79
May 2	4.44			May 1	5.10		
9	4.37			8	5.17		
16	4.52			15	5.31		
23	4.71			22	5.46		
30	4.64			29	5.60		
June 6	4.51	January	4.29	June 5	5.73	January	4.85
13	4.56	February	4.31	12	5.82	February	4.98
20	4.43	March	4.54	19	5.79	March	5.26
27	4.48	April	4.34	26	5.68	April	5.19
July 3	4.48	May	4.54	July 3	5.68	May	5.33
11	4.36	June	4.49	10	5.65	June	5.76
18	4.33	July	4.33	17	5.62	July	5.75
25	4.16	August	4.21	24	5.62	August	5.98
Aug. 1	4.11	September	4.38	31	5.93	September	6.26
8	4.07	October	4.49	Aug. 7	5.80	October	6.09
15	4.22	November	4.60	14	5.91	November	6.35
22	4.27	December	4.82	21	6.02	December	6.82
29	4.38	1968	4.45	28	6.26	1969	5.72