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# MONETARY AGGREGATES AND MONEY MARKET CONDITIONS 

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## MONETARY AGGREGATES AND MONEY MARKET CONDITIONS

Recent developments
(1) RPD and the money supply aggregates all appear to be expanding at rates well above the upper limits of the Committee's December-January ranges of tolerance, as shown in the following table. For December alone, growth of $M_{1}$ and $M_{2}$ accelerated to annual rates of 15.8 and 14.6 per cent, respectively (before annual seasonal and benchmark revisiona). ${ }^{\text {I/ }}$ Growth of $M_{1}$ io the fourth quarter was at an 8.6 per cent annual rate, and growth for all of 1972 at an 8.2 per cent rate. Although levels of $M_{1}$ and $M_{2}$ both receded somewhat in early January, they remained high relative to earlier projections.

Growth of Monetary Aggregates and RPD In December-January Period (SAAR in Percentage Points)

| Ranges of <br> Tolerance | Current <br> Estimates |
| :---: | :---: |
| $4-11$ | $15-1 / 2$ |
| $3-9$ | $11-1 / 2$ |
| $4-10$ | 13 |

MEMO:
Federal Funds $5-1 / 8--5-7 / 8 \quad 5.66$ (week ending Jan. 10)
(2) Contra-seasonal December increases in State and local

Government holdings of both demand and time deposits suggest that-as
17 The revised series is described and compared with the old series in Appendix A.
expected--revenue sharing payments did contribute importantly to recent growth of the money supply aggregates. In the case of $M_{1}$, this contribution apparently accounted for about 3 percentage points of the December growth. No other special contributing factors have been documented, however; for example, a System telephone survey of banks particularly affected by Regulation $J$ and the establishment of new RCRC's turned up little evidence of bank requests for increased compensatory balances from corporations or others. The most plausible explanation of recent rapid monetary growth thus appears to be the stimulus to transactions demands generated by strong economic expansion.
(3) Shortly after the last Committee meeting, incoming deposit data indicated that the reserve and monetary aggregates were tending to run above the upper limits of the Comittee's ranges of tolerance, and the extent of these overshoots widened as the inter-meeting period progressed. Because the terms of the Treasury's new bond financing were announced at about the time firm evidence of overshoots became available, the Desk was somewhat inhibited in moving tc resist these excesses. Within this "evenkeel" constraint, however, the Desk did hold back on the provision of nonborrowed reserves, and the average Federal funds rate advanced nearly 30 basis points over the inter-meeting period. In the latest statement week, the funds rate averaged around 5.65 per cent. Recently, trading hes been 5.75 per cent, with Desk strategy on the provision of reserves expected to result in a funds rate xanging between 5-3/4 and 5-7/8 per cent.
(4) Fluctuations in the rates at which Federal funds actually traded were considerably wider than usual, ranging generally from as low
as 4-1/2 per cent to as ligh as 7 per cent. Large and erractc day-to-day fluctuations in float contributed importantly to this increased rate volatility by making it more difficult for both banks and the Desk to manage reserve positions. In these circumstances member bank borrowing was unusually heavy, particularly over the two long holiday weekends. Average borrowings, however, dropped from $\$ 1.8$ billion in the New Year's holiday week to about $\$ 690 \mathrm{millin}$ in the latest week.
(5) The general firming of money market conditions over the inter-meeting period was accompanied by relatively modest advances in other interest rates. In short-term markets these advances ranged from 5 to 20 basis points, but in long-term markets rates were generally unchanged to only about 10 basis points higher. Sizable demand for securities --arising partly from the reinvestment of revenue-sharing payments-tended to limit rate advances on the most liquid types of short-term instruments, particularly shortmaturity Treasury bills. The yield on 3-month bills, for example, showed a net decline mid-way in the inter-meeting period. But recently it has risen to about 5.25 per cent, with announcement of the Phase III wage-price program exerting a modest bearish impact on credit markets.
(6) In the Treasury auction of its new 20-year bond demands from reporting Goverment security dealere ad other market professionele proved to be etronger than anticipated, with their awards amounting to more than half the total offering. Secondary market demend for the issue from final investois was unenthasiastic at the unexpectedly low 6.79 per cent otop-out yield, and
the yield on the issue rose to 6.85 per cent as professionals pressed to reduce their positions. Positions of reporting dealers have declined substantially in the past few days, and motitecently weze about \$70 million,
(7) The table on the following page compares recent changes in money and credit aggregates (seasonally adjusted annual rates) with those for selected earlier periods. Comparison for the various concepts of money are in terms of the new, revised series.


## Prospective developments

(8) As in the previous Blue Book, three alternative sets of relationships among monetary aggregates and money market conditions are shown in summary form below for FOMC consideration (with figures for aggregates representing seasonally adjusted annual rates of growth). More detailed monthly and quarterly figures are shown in the table on page 6a. Figures for money supply as variously defined represent the new, revised series. Revision of the bank credit proxy and reserve series has not yet been fully completed, and the figures for RPD represent our best judgmental estimate of numbers consistent with the new money supply series, pending completion of the overall revision in the next two weeks.

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\text { Alt. A } \quad \text { Alt. B } \quad \text { Alt. C }
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Longer-run targets for aggregates (represented by average growth rates for first half of 1973!.

| $M_{1}$ | $6--7$ | $5--6$ | $4--5$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $M_{2}$ | $7--8$ | $6--7$ | $5--6$ |
| Credit proxy | $5--6$ | $4--5$ | $3--4$ |
| RPD | $7--8$ | $6--7$ | $5--6$ |

Associated ranges for January - February '73

| Nonbor rowed RPD | $17 \cdot 1 / 2--19-1 / 2$ | $12--14$ | $10--12$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RPD | $11--13$ | $10--12$ | $9--11$ |
| $M_{1}$ | $7--9$ | $6-1 / 2--8-1 / 2$ | $6--8$ |
| $M_{2}$ | $8-1 / 2--10-1 / 2$ | $8--10$ | $7-1 / 2--9-1 / 2$ |
| Federal funds rate | $5-3 / 8--5-7 / 8$ | $5-5 / 8--6-1 / 4$ | $5-3 / 4--6-1 / 2$ |

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Alternative Longer-Run Targets
for Key Monetary Aggregates

(9) Ranges of tolerance in RPD and the monetary aggregates for January-February have been reduced to two percentage points so as to provide a more precise indication of FOMC target paths from which deviations can be measured. Strict adherence to a relatively narrow RPD path may tend to lead to wider fluctuations in the Federal funds rate. However, clear and significant shifts in the multiplier between RPD and deposits could provide a basis for adjustment of the RPD path in the inter-meeting period, depending on Committee preferences.
(10) Alternative $B$ shown in paragraph (8) encompasses longerrun paths for the aggregates that include a 5-6 per cent annual rate of growth for $M_{1}$, the longer-run target specified by the Comittee at its last meeting, Alternative A provides for somewhat more rapid growth in the aggregates and alternative $C$ for somewhat less.
(11) The short-run ranges of tolerance for the monetary aggregates remain on the high side of longer-run targets. For example, in alternative $B$, the January-February $M_{1}$ growth is indicated at per cent, as compared with the $5-06$ per cent longer-run target. It is expected that revenue sharing payments in January and the beginning of tax refunds next month will exert some temporary stimulus to growth in holdings of cash and time and savings deposits.
(12) All of the alternatives shown indicate a slowing in the second quarter growth rate in $M_{1}$ and $M_{2}$ relative to the first quarter. This reflects mainly (a) disappearance of the transitory upward effect on $M_{1}$ from sizable Treasury refunds of taxes and smaller final payments by
individuals, (b) the lagged effect on money demand of past interest rate increases, and (c) in alternatives $B$ and $C$, particularly, reduced public interest in time and savings deposits other than large $C D^{\prime}$ s as short-term rates rise further above ceiling rates.
(13) To achieve the aggregates of alternative $B$, the staff expects that money market conditions will tighten from around prevailing levels, given the continuing strong transaction demands for money implicit in the rapid growth in nominal GNP projected for the first and second quarters. The potential for money market tightening implied by the alternative $B$ monetary target paths is indicated by the 5-5/8--6-1/4 per cent Federal funds rate range shown for that alternative. Even with RPD over the forthcoming January-February period rising in a 10--12 per cent annual rate range, we would expect the funds rate to move up to 6 per cent or somewhat above by the time of the next meeting. But it should be noted that even-keel considerations--discussed in paragraphs (16) and (17)-would suggest that the most propitious time for a rise in the funds rate, should one be required, is before the end of January. A rise in the funds rate of the dimensions contemplated in alternative $B$ would likely be accompanied by a further rise in short-term rates generally, with the 3 -month Treasury bill rate in particular moving upward in a 5-3/8--5-3/4 per cent range.
(14) At such market rates, demand for member bank borrowings would be relatively strong, even with the discount rate at the recently announced 5 per cent level, and the level of borrowings might be around $\$ 1$ billion on average. However, as borrowings continue large, many banks will wear
out their welcome at the window and this will add further to pressure on open market rates and on banks to restrict acquisitions of loans and investments.
(15) Efforts to achieve the reserve and monetary aggregates of alternative $C$ are likely to entail an even greater firming of money market conditions, with the Fedezal funds rate probably moving well above 6 per cent by the time of the next meeting. The 3-month bill rate would likely rise into the $5-3 / 4--6$ per cent area, if not by the time of the next meeting then by early March when additional cash borrowing through tax bill offerings may be anticipated. If short-term rates attain these levels, there may be a rather marked dampening in flows of consumertype time and savings deposits, which could eventually call into question the viability of current Regulation $Q$ ceilings on such deposits.
(16) If the Comittee were to opt to restrain growth in reserves and monetary aggregates with the result that money market conditions firmed, even-keel considerations would again be a constraint on the timing of policy actions. Sufficient time has been given for distribution of the recent long-term bond offering so that it no longer appears to require special consideration. However, on January 31 the Treasury will announce terms for refunding $\$ 4.8$ billion of publicly-held obligations that mature in mid-February. It is too early to have an idea as to the nature of the refunding, although it does seem unlikely at this point that new cash will need to be raised or that the Treasury will wish to offer another long bond so close to the recent offering. Thus, a relatively conventional exchange with short- and intermediate-term options seems most likely.
(17) However that may be, a significant tightening of the money market between late January and mid-February seems precluded if the Committee wishes to adhere to previous even-keel standards. Some slight upward drift in money market rates would not necessarily be ruled out, depending on the psychological atmosphere around the refunding, but the great bulk of any tightening, should it be required, would have to be accomplished within the next two weeks.
(18) Alternative $A$ indicates more expansive paths for the reserve and monetary aggregates which are not likely to entail any significant change in money market conditions from those recently prevailing; this alternative, therefore, has the greatest probability of minimizing conflicts between even-keel considerations and monetary objectives. The funds rate under such conditions is likely to be most frequently in the $5-3 / 8--5-7 / 8$ per cent area. If the funds rate were to remain near the upper end of that band, the 3-month bill rate probably would be within a $5-1 / 4--5-1 / 2$ per cent range over the next several weeks. Upward bill rate pressures could be moderated in the near-term, however, by demands for bills from State and local governments who have just received their January revenue-sharing distribution. In addition, apart from additions to the weekly and monthly bill auctions, the next sizable bill offering is not expected until early March, as noted earlier.
(19) Long-term interest rates may not rise very much uader alternative $A$, but would probably show greater upward adjustments, at least in the short-run, under alternatives $B$ and $C$. Demands on bond markets can be expected to be generally moderate this month and next. The near-term forward calendar of new corporate and municipal issues is relatively modest in size, although there are indications that the volume could build up in the spring. Mortgage market demands, though remaining large in volume, appear to have crested. pressures on longterm rates are thus most likely to come from the supply side, as, banks and other institutional investors find that their inflows of funds are dropping off or becoming significantly more expensive--conditions most likely to develop under alternatives $B$ and $C$. Bank interest in securities and mortgages is likely to be lessened in any event as business loan demands continue strong, partly to help businesses finance the anticipated acceleration in the rate of inventory accumulation.
(20) In addition to prospective credit flows, market psychology will have a particuiarly important bearing in interest rate developments in the period ahead. The forthcoming budget message, the progress of peace negotiations, and continuiag evaluation of the new wage-price program are major factors that will affect investor attitudes. Also, market assessment of the likely course of monetary policy in the wake of the recent discount rate action will be an important influence.

## Proposed directives

(21) Presented below are three alternative formulations for the operational paragraph of the directive, which might be taken to correspond to the similarly lettered policy alternatives discussed in the preceding section. In all three alternatives it is proposed to retain a reference to Treasury financing because of the regular February refinancing to be announced on January 31. Retention of the reference to credit market developments is suggested should the Committee wish to take account of the possibility of excessive market reaction to further increases in the funds rate, particularly in connection with alternatives $B$ and $C$. The credit market reference could also encompass adverse reactions to the discount rate increase should they occur.

## Alternative $A$

To implement this policy, while taking account of THE FORTHCOMING Treasury financing epezatiens and possible credit market developments, the Committee seeks to achieve bank reserve and money market conditions that will support einwez SOME MODERATION OF growth in monetary aggregates over the months ahead thap-appeare indigeted-ief FROM THE PACE IN the second half of thig LAST year.

## Alternative B

To implement this policy, while taking account of THE FORTHCOMING Treasury financing epezatieng and possible credit market developments, the Committee seeks to achieve bank reserve and money market conditions that will support slower growth in monetary aggregates over the months ahead than afpeafg-ifedeated fex OCCURRED IN the second half of that LAST year.
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Alternative $C$
To implement this policy, while taking account of THE
FORTHCOMING Treasury financing eperataces and possible credit market developments, the Committee seeks to achieve bank reserve and money market conditions that will support CONSIDERABLY slower growth in monetary aggregates over the months ahead than appeare indieated-fer OCCURRED IN the second half of this LAST year.

## RESERVES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT PRIVATE NONBANK DEPOSITS



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## MONETARY AGGREGATES

NARROW MONEY SUPPLY M1



BROADER MONEY SUPPLY M2


## MONETARY AGGREGATES



## CHART 4

## MONEY MARKET CONDITIONS AND INTEREST RATES



| Period | Reserves Available for Private Nonbank Deposits |  | Aggregate Reserves |  | Required Reserves |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seas onally Adjusted | Not Seasonally Adjusted | Seas onally Ad justed |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Actual } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Profected } \end{aligned}$ | Actual and Projected | Total <br> Reserves | Nonborrowed Reserves | Private Demand | Time and Nondeposits | $\begin{gathered} \text { D.S. Gov't. } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { Interbank } \end{gathered}$ |
|  | （1） | （2） | （3） | （4） | （5） | （6） | （7） |
| 1972－－July | 30，365 | 30，166 | 33，138 | 32，924 | 21，052 | 9，136 | 2，774 |
| Aug． | 30，555 | 30，253 | 33，382 | 33，016 | 21，131 | 9，249 | 2，826 |
| Sept． | 30，909 | 30，615 | 33，360 | 32，802 | 21，306 | 9，408 | 2，457 |
| Oct． | 30，975 | 30，844 | 33，788 | 33，205 | 21，248 | 9，491 | 2，813 |
| Nov． | 29，311 | 29，370 | 31，839 | 31，188 | 19，396 | 9，572 | 2，529 |
| Dec． | 28，917 | 29，207 | 31，354 | 30，212 | 18，949 | 9，722 | $2,437$ |
| 1973－－Jan． | $(29,282)$ | $(30,233)$ | $(31,884)$ | $(30,871)$ | （19，166） | $(9,893)$ | $(2,602)$ |
| Annual 1 Rates of Change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1971－－4th Qtr． | 4.8 |  | 2.2 | 6.8 | 0.5 | 16.4 | 罭： |
| 1972－－1st Qtr． | 10.8 |  | 10.1 | 11.0 | 6.8 | 18.0 |  |
| 2nd Qtrr | 7.1 | 淮： | 12.8 | 13.0 | 4.0 | 14.2 | 号： |
| 3ra Qtr． | 10.0 | \％ | 3.6 | －2．0 | 8.3 | 15.4 | 年： |
| 4，${ }^{\text {4th Qtr．}}$ | 11.2 | ： | 14.3 | $\begin{array}{r}7.4 \\ \hline 10.5\end{array}$ | 8.8 | 13.4 | 号㛎： |
| 1973－－1st Qtr． | （2．0） | ：\％： | （6．0） | （10．5） | （6．5） | （15．0） | 号： |
| 1972－－Aug． | 7.5 | ： | 8.8 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 14.8 |  |
| Sept． | 13.7 | － | －0．8 | －7．8 | 9.9 | 20.6 |  |
| Oct． | 2.8 |  | 15.4 | 14.7 | －3．3 | 10.6 | 号： |
| Nov． | 13.6 |  | 11.4 | 9.1 | 9.7 | 10.2 |  |
| Dec． | 16.9 |  | 15.7 | －1．7 | 21.5 | 18.8 | 男： |
| 1973－－Jan． | $(15.0)$ |  |  | （26．0） |  |  |  |
| Dec．－Jan．1／ | $(15.5)$ |  | （17．0） | （11．0） | （17．0） | $(20.0)$ |  |
| $\frac{\text { Week1y: }}{1972-- \text { Auc. }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1972－－Aug． $\begin{array}{r}2 \\ 9\end{array}$ | 30,570 30,434 | 30,373 30,075 | 33,340 33,368 | 33,014 33,124 | 21,149 21,118 | 9,176 9,217 | 2,770 2,934 |
| 16 | 30，563 | 30，421 | 33，481 | 33，125 | 21，066 | 9，244 | 2，917 |
| 23 | 30，278 | 30， 027 | 33，090 | 32，750 | 21，048 | 9，253 | 2，812 |
| 30 | 30，822 | 30，368 | 33，544 | 33，043 | 21，264 | 9，293 | 2，722 |
| Sept． 6 | 31，397 | 30，869 | 33，775 | 32，938 | 21，285 | 9，331 | 2，378 |
| 13 | 30，457 | 30， 104 | 32，765 | 32，617 | 21，277 | 9，412 | 2，308 |
| 20 | 31，025 | 30，763 | 33，370 | 32，586 | 21，414 | 9，417 | 2，345 |
| 27 | 30.794 | 30，644 | 33，398 | 32，815 | 21，249 | 9，445 | 2，604 |
| 0et． 4 | 30，925 | 30，890 | 33，806 | 33，379 | 21，293 | 9，443 | 2，882 |
| 11 | 31，099 | 30，661 | 73，828 | 33，276 | 21，230 | 9，461 | 2，728 |
| 18 | 30，772 | 30，891 | 33，802 | 33，388 | 21，24I | 9，505 | 3，029 |
| 25 | 31，076 | 30，771 | 33，764 | 32，837 | 21，258 | 9.492 | 2，688 |
| Nov． 1 | 30，984 | 31，056 | 33，741 | 33，141 | 21，23．6 | 9，539 | 2，757 |
| 8 | 30，991 | 30，870 | 33，788 | 32，742 | 21，320 | 9，555 | 2，796 |
| 15 | 29，203 | 29， 512 | 31，966 | 31，474 | 18，998 | 9，554 | 2，763 |
| 22 | 28，118 | 28，136 | 30，630 | 30，147 | 18，247 | 9，576 | 2，512 |
| 29 | 28，749 | 28，806 | 30，790 | 30， 185 | 18，826 | 9，598 | 2，041 |
| Dec． 6 | 28，904 | 28．774 | 31，225 | 30，594 | 18，913 | 9，656 | 2，320 |
| 13 | 28，684 | 28,788 | 31，197 | 30，290 | 18，792 | 9，674 | 2，512 |
| 20 | 29，038 | 29，205 | 31422 | 29，979 | 19，046 | 9，710 | 2，384 |
| 27 | 28，855 | 29，426 | 31，414 | 30，345 | 18，922 | 9，769 | 2，559 |
| $\text { 1973--Jan. } \begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29,238 \\ 29,037 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 30,214 \\ & 29,795 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31,601 \\ & 31,307 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 29,565 \\ & 30,442 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19,156 \\ & 19,143 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9,846 \\ & 9,894 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,363 \\ 2,271 \end{array}$ |

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I／At the FOME meeting December 19， 1972 the Comatitee agreed on an RPD range of 4 to II per cent．

Monetary Aggregates
（Actual and current projections，seasonally adjusted）
January 12， 1973

| Period | Narrow <br> Money <br> Supply（ $\mathrm{M}_{1}$ ） | Broad <br> Money <br> Supply（ $\mathrm{M}_{2}$ ） | Ad justed Credit Proxy | U．S． Govt． Deposits | Total Time and Savings | Time deposits other than CD＇s | Negotiable CD＇s | Nond epos it <br> Sources of Funds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | （1） | （2） | （3） | （4） | （5） | （6） | （7） | （8） |
|  | Monthly Pattexn in Billions of Dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1972－－July | 239.4 | 495.0 | 386.3 | 5.3 | 293.7 | 255.6 | 38.1 | 3.9 |
| Aug． | 240.5 | 498.3 | 389.3 | 4.6 | 297.1 | 257.7 | 39.3 | 4.2 |
| Sept． | 241.6 | 501.8 | 392.6 | 5.3 | 300.5 | 260.2 | 40.3 | 4.1 |
| Oct． | 242.3 | 505.0 | 395.5 | 6.1 | 303.4 | 262.7 | 40.7 | 4.3 |
| Nov． | 243.6 | 508.2 | 399.4 | 7.8 | 305.9 | 264.6 | 41.3 | 4.3 |
| 1973 Dec． | 246.8 | 514.4 |  |  | 311.2 | 267.5 | 43.7 | 4.4 |
| 1973－－Jan， | （248．2） | （519．1） | $(408.2)$ | $(6.6)$ | （315．3） | （270．9） | （44．4） | （4．4） |
|  | Annual Percentage Rates of Change－－Quarterly and Monthly |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1971－4th Qtr． | 1.1 | 8.0 | 9.7 |  | 15.9 | 14.7 |  | 号： |
| 1972－－1st Qtr． | 9.3 | 13.3 | 11.3 | 㳳： | 14.8 | 17.1 |  |  |
| 2nd Qtr． | 5.3 | 8.6 | 11.1 | 清： | 15.7 | 11.8 | 管： |  |
| 3rd Qtr． | 8.5 | 9.3 | 10.7 | 号罗： | 13.2 | 10.1 |  |  |
| 4 079 Qtr． | 8.6 | 10.0 | 11.8 |  | 14.2 | 11.2 |  |  |
| 1973－1st Qtr． | （7．5） | （8．5） | （5．5） | 哭： | （12．0） | （10．0） | 管： | 号： |
| 1972－－Aug． | 5.5 | 8.0 | 9.3 |  | 13.9 | 9.9 |  |  |
| Sept． | 5.5 | 8.4 | 10.2 |  | 13.7 | 11.6 | 第涼： | 号：涼： |
| Oct． | 3.5 | 7.7 | 8．9 | 号： | 11.6 | 11.5 |  | 足： |
| Nov． | 6.4 | 7.6 | 11.8 | 罭：号： | 9.9 | 8.7 | 年： | 捐： |
| Dec． | 15.8 | 14.6 | 14.4 |  | 20.8 | 13.2 | 管： | 足： |
| 1973－Jan． | （3．0） | （11．0） | （12．0） | 號： | （16．0） | （15．5） |  | 号： |
| Dec．－Jan． | （115） | （13．0） | （13．0） |  | （18．5） | （14．5） |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ：：：$:$ ：：$:$ ：：$:$ ：$:$ | ： |
|  | Weekly Pattern in Billions of Dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1972－－Aug． 2 | 239.7 | 496.2 | 387.5 | 5.5 | 295.1 | 256.5 | 38.6 | 4.1 |
| 9 | 240.1 | 497.1 | 388.2 | 6.0 | 295.6 | 257.0 | 38.6 | 4.1 |
| 16 | 240.9 | 498.6 | 389.8 | 5.6 | 296.5 | 257.7 | 38.8 | 4.1 |
| 23 | 240.5 | 498.3 | 388.7 | 3.1 | 297.6 | 257.8 | 39.7 | 4.4 |
| 30 | 241.2 | 499.8 | 390.1 | 3.4 | 298．9 | 258.5 | 40.4 | 4.1 |
| Sept． 6 | 242.6 | 502.2 | 390.9 | 4.4 | 299.4 | 259.6 | 39.7 | 4.0 |
| 13 | 241.5 | 501.2 | 391.9 | 4.9 | 300.1 | 259.8 | 40.4 | 4.1 |
| 20 | 241.6 | 501.6 | 393.2 | 5.9 | 300.3 | 259.9 | 40.3 | 4.1 |
| 27 | 241.1 | 501.5 | 392.4 | 4.7 | 301.2 | 260.4 | 40.8 | 4.2 |
| Oct． 4 | 241.8 | 504.0 | 395.1 | 6.7 | 302.6 | 262.2 | 40.4 | 4.2 |
| 11 | 242.7 | 504．8 | 394.0 | 5.2 | 302.6 | 262.1 | 40.5 | 4.1 |
| 18 | 242.2 | 504.9 | 394.6 | 5.2 | 303.8 | 262.7 | 41.0 | 4.2 |
| 25 | 242.3 | 505.4 | 396.3 | 6.0 | 304.1 | 263.0 | 41.0 | 4.5 |
| Nov． 1 | 242.1 | 505.4 | 397.5 | 7.2 | 303.9 | 263.4 | 40.6 | 4.6 |
| 8 | 242.7 | 506.0 | 397.7 | 8.0 | 304.4 | 263.3 | 41.1 | 4.0 |
| 15 | 244.3 | 508.5 | 396.6 | 5.5 | 305.1 | 264.3 | 40.8 | 4.3 |
| 22 | 244.3 | 509.4 | 400.4 | 7.0 | 306.7 | 265.1 | 41.6 | 4.4 |
| 29 | 242.8 | 508.3 | 401.0 | 8.8 | 307.3 | 265.5 | 41.8 | 4.4 |
| Dec． 6 | 246.1 | 512.2 | 402．8 | 7.8 | 308.5 | 266.1 | 42.4 | 4.4 |
| 13 | 245.6 | 512.0 | 403.3 | 7.5 | 309.8 | 266.4 | 43.5 | 4.2 |
| 20 | 246.0 | 513.6 | 403.0 | 4.9 | 311.9 | 267.6 | 44.3 | 4.4 |
| 27 P | 248.5 | 517.2 | 404.5 | 4.4 | 313.4 | 268.7 | 44.7 | 4.6 |
| 1973－－Jan．${ }^{3} \mathrm{p}$ p | 246.8 245.3 | 516.9 515.0 | 408.3 | 8.3 7.9 | 313.3 313.7 | 270.1 269.7 | 43.2 | $\begin{aligned} & 4.4 \\ & 4.0 \end{aligned}$ |

NOTES：Data shown in parentheses are current projections．
pe－Partially estimated．
Annual rates of change other than those for the past are rounded to nearest half per cent．

Table 3
RESERVE EFFECTS OF
OPEN MARKET OPERATIONS AND OTHER RESERVE FACTORS
(Millions of dollers, not seasonally adjusted)


If Represents change in systen's portfolio from end-of-period to end-of-period; includes redemptions in regular bill auctions.
$\frac{2}{3}$ / Represents change in daily average level from preceding period.
3/ Includes matched sale-purchase transactions as well as RP's.
4/ Sun of changes in vault cash, currency in circulation, Treasury operations, F. R. float, gold and foreign accounts, and other FR accounts,
5/ Reserves to support private nonbank deposits. Target change for December and January reflects the mid-point of the target range adopted at the December 19, 1972 FOMC meeting. Target change for previous months reflects the bluebook patterns that are consistent with the mid-points of target ranges that were adopted during the month.

Table 4
SECURITY DEALER POSITIONS AND BANK RESERvES
Millions of Dollars

| Period | U.S. Govt. Security Dealer Positions |  | Qther Securicy Dealer Positions |  | Member Bank Reserve Positions |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bills | Coupon Issues | Corporate | Municipal | Excess | Borrowings | Net Free | Basic Rese | Defacar |
|  |  |  | Bonds | Bonds | Reserves | at FRB | Reperves | 8 New York | 38 other |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) |
| 1971 -- High | 4,733 | 2,834 | 337 | 556 | 590 | 1,180 | 202 | -4, 714 | -5,499 |
| Low | 1,350 | 343 | 0 | 30 | - 61 | 84 | -988 | -1,545 | -2,569 |
| 1972 -- High | 4,291 | 1,585 | 235 | 383 | 796 | 1,223 | 380 | -5,635 | -5,720 |
| Low | 1,916 | - 93 | 0 | 40 | -133 | 12 | -1,070 | -1,638 | -1,910 |
| 1971 -- Dec. | 2,544 | 1,761 | 170 | 251 | 165 | 107 | 50 | -2,791 | -4,375 |
| 1972 -- Jan. | 3,004 | 1,416 | 135 | 206 | 173 | 20 | 153 | -2,667 | -4,192 |
| Feb. | 2,408 | 1,176 | 149 | 136 | 124 | 33 | 91 | -3,203 | -3,072 |
| Mar . | 3,489 | 604 | 101 | 185 | 249 | 99 | 150 | -3,208 | -3,522 |
| Apr | 2,612 | 274 | 46 | 99 | 136 | 109 | 27 | -3,026 | -3,299 |
| May | 2,792 | 675 | 123 | 134 | 104 | 119 | - 15 | -2,625 | -2,652 |
| June | 2,694 | 205 | 87 | 260 | 204 | 94 | 110 | -2,828 | -2,864 |
| July | 2,262 | 97 | 142 | 166 | 147 | 202 | - 55 | -2,945 | -2,603 |
| Aug. | 2,643 | 692 | 114 | 176 | 255 | 438 | -183 | -3,913 | -2,801 |
| Sept. | 4,099 | 170 | 53 | 174 | 162 | 514 | -352 | -3,835 | -4,024 |
| Oct. | 2,887 | 207 | 105 | 132 | 247 | 574 |  | -3,637 | -4,044 |
| Nov. | 3,096 | 1,039 | 84 | 191 | 314 | $606 p$ | -292 | -4,561 | -3,622 |
| Dec. | *3,510 | * 953 | 58 | 291 | 200p | 1,050p | -850p | -4,977 | -4,958 |
| 1972 -- Nov. 1 | 3,114 | 328 | 0 | 173 | 205 | 555 | -350 | -3,272 | -3,225 |
| 8 | 2,520 | 1,095 | 31 | 254 | 124 | 959 | -835 | -4,475 | -3,676 |
| 15 | 2,531 | 1,117 | 36 | 126 | 786 | 494 | 292 | -4,902 | -3,707 |
| 22 | 3,116 | 1,079 | 121 | 136 | 189 | 419 | -230 | -4,727 | -3,281 |
| 29 | 4,158 | 1,001 | 174 | 249 | 340 | 572 | -232 | -4, 329 | -3,709 |
| Dec. 6 | 3,899 | 938 |  | 322 |  |  |  | -4,233 |  |
| 13 | 3,564 | 975 | 108 | 383 | 244 | 805 | -561 | -5,602 | -4,647 |
| 20 | *3,114 | * 849 | 19 | 260 | 206 | 1,221 | -1,015 | -4,899 | -5,476 |
| 27 | *3,520 | *1,107 | 19 | 197 | 257p | 1,120p | - 863p | -4,781 | -5,445 |
| 1973 -- Jan. 3 | *3,718 | * 871 | 19 | 142 r | 486p | 1,751p | -1,265p | -5,001p | -4, 338p |
| $10$ | *3,212 | * 843 | 115p | 100p | 60p | 691 p | - 631p | -5,316p | -5,899p |
| 24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

 agreements maturing in 16 days or more, are indicators of dealer holdings available for ale over the near-term. Other security dealer positions are debt issues still in syndicate, excluding trading positions. The basic reserve deficit is excess reserves less borrowing at Federal Reserve less net Federal funds purchases. Weekly data are daily averages for statement weeks, except for corporate and municipal issues in syndicate which are Friday figures.

Table 5
SEIECTED INTEREST RATES
Per cent

| Periods | Short-term |  |  |  |  | Long-term |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Federal Funds | Treasury bills |  | 90-119 day Commercial Paper | $\begin{gathered} \text { 90-119 day } \\ \text { CD's } \\ \text { Prime-NYC } \end{gathered}$ | New Issue Aaa Utility* | Municipal <br> Bond Buyer | U.S. Gov't. ( $10-\mathrm{Yr}$. Constant Maturity | FNMA Auction Yields |
|  |  | 90-day | 1-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) |
| 1971 -- Hi.gh | 5.73 | 5.47 | 5.94 | 5.88 | 5.75 | 8.26 | 6.23 | 6.89 | 8.07 |
| T.nw | 3.29 | 3.32 | 3.53 | 4.00 | 3.63 | 7.02 | 4.97 | 5.42 | 7.32 |
| 1972 -- High | 5.38 | 5.13 | 5.52 | 5.50 | 5.50 | 7.60 | 5.54 | 6.58 | 7.72 |
| Low | 3.18 | 3.03 | 3.60 | 3.75 | 3.50 | 6.99 | 4.96 | 5.87 | 7.54 |
| 1971.-- Dec. | 4.14 | 4.01 | 4.40 | 4.66 | 4.58 | 7.28 | 5.21 | 5.93 | 7.62 |
| 1972 -- Jan. | 3.50 | 3.38 | 3.82 | 4.03 | 3.81 | 7.21 | 5.12 | 5.95 | 7.61 |
| eb | 3.29 | 3.20 | 4.06 | 3.81 | 3.53 | 7.34 | 5.29 | 6.08 | 7.61 |
| Mar. | 3.83 | 3.73 | 4.43 | 4.10 | 3.98 | 7.24 | 5.31 | 6.07 | 7.55 |
| Apr. | 4.17 | 3.71 | 4.65 | 4.55 | 4.47 | 7.45 | 5.43 | 6.19 | 7.58 |
| May | 4.27 | 3.69 | 4.46 | 4.45 | 4.33 | 7.38 | 5.31 | 6.13 | 7.63 |
| June | 4.46 | 3.91 | 4.71 | 4.60 | 4.50 | 7.32 | 5.34 | 6.11 | 7.62 |
| Tuly | 4.55 | 3.98 | 4.90 | 4.83 | 4.75 | 7.38 | 5.41 | 6.11 | 7.62 |
| Aug. | 4.80 | 4.02 | 4.90 | 4.75 | 4.78 | 7.37 | 5.30 | 6.21 | 7.63 |
| Sept. | 4.87 | 4.66 | 5.44 | 5.07 | 5.00 | 7.40 | 5.36 | 6.55 | 7.64 |
| Oct. | 5.04 | 4.74 | 5.39 | 5.21 | 5.19 | 7.38 | 5.19 | 6.48 | 7.71 |
| Nov. | 5.06 | 4.78 | 5.20 | 5.18 | 5.13 | 7.09 | 5.02 | 6.28 | 7.70 |
| Dec. | 5.33 | 5.07 | 5.28 | 5.40 | 5.38 | 7.15 | 5.05 | 6.36 | 7.67 |
| 1972 -- Nov. 1 | 5.06 | 4.74 | 5.34 | 5.15 | 5.13 | 7.27 | 5.04 | 6.37 | 7.72 |
| 8 15 | 5.25 | 4.71 | 5.17 | 5.13 | 5.13 | -- | 5.10 | 6.29 | -- |
| 15 | 4.89 | 4.74 | 5.18 | 5.13 | 5.13 | 7.12 | 5.01 | 6.25 | 7.71 |
| 22 | 4.97 | 4.79 | 5.17 | 5.23 | 5.13 | 6.99 | 4.96 | 6.26 | -- |
| 29 | 5.03 | 4.87 | 5.26 | 5.25 | 5.13 | 7.05 | 4.99 | 6.29 | 7.69 |
| Dec. 6 | 5.17 | 4.94 | 5.25 | 5.28 | 5.25 | 7.15 | 4.96 | 6.31 | -- |
| 13 | 5.29 | 5.05 | 5.27 | 5.28 | 5.25 | 7.21 | 5.03 | 6.35 | 7.67 |
| 20 | 5.38 | 5.12 | 5.21 | 5.45 | 5.38 | -- | 5.10 | 6.40 | -- |
| 27 | 5.34 | 5.13 | 5.31 | 5.50 | 5.50 | -- | 5.11 | 6.40 | 7.67 |
| $1973-\text { Jan. } \begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 10 \end{array}$ | 5.61 5.66 | 5.16 5.15 | 5.45 5.42 | 5.63 5.63 | 5.50 | 7.25 | $5: 08$ | 6.42 $6.42 p$ | 7.68 |
| 17 |  |  |  |  |  | 7.25 |  | 6.42 p | 7.68 |
| 24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notes: Weekly data for columns 1 to 4 are statement week averages of daily data. Columin 5 is a ne-day Wednesday quote. For columns 6 and 8 the weekly data is the mid-point of the calchdar week over which data are averaged. Column 7 is a one-day quote for the Thursday following the end of the statement week. Column 9 gives FNMA auction data for the Monday preceding the end of the statement week. The FNMA auction yield is the implicit yield in weekly or bi-weekly auction for short-term forward continithents for Government underwritten thortgages. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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*New series-Corporate New Issues Aan series discontinued.

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REvisions in the $\mathrm{M}_{1}$ series

The narrow money stock series--M has been revised to reflect:
(1) benchmark adjustments for domestic nonmember banks;
(2) benchmark adjustments to incorporate additional international banking institutions;
(3) the impact of the revised regulation J ; and
(4) new seasonal factors.

These revisions will be described below. It should be noted, however, that the revised $M_{1}$ series, as well as revisions in the other aggregates, will not be released to the public until early February because final revisions to credit proxy and reserve series are as yet incomplete. Beginning January 19, data supplied for internal System purposes only will include the new $M_{1}$ and $M_{2}$ series, as well as other revised series as they are completed. Thus, for approximately two weeks the Committee will be receiving revised data while public releases will show the series on the present basis. The revised series will be supplied to the public in a press release, with detailed techaical explanations provided in the Federal Reserve Bulletin for February.

## SEASONAL FACTORS

The seasonal factor revisions, incorporating the effect of 1972 developments, are minor. No changes were made in seasonal factors for Januaxy, March, or any month in the second quarter for the demand deposit component seasonal factors. The seasonal factors for each month in the third quarter were raised slightly, reducing the level of the seasonally adjusted series, and the factors for February and each month in the fourth quarter were reduced somewhat. Minor changes also occurred in the seasonal factors for currency. In general, these were raised for the second and third quarter months and lowered for the first and fourth quarter months. For 1972 data, the seasonal adjustment revision alone reduces the third quarter seasonally adjusted annual rate of growth of $M_{1}$ by 0.2 percentage points and increases the fourth quarter growth rate by 0.8 percentage points. In no month are annual rates of growth changed by more than 2.0 percentage points (annual rate) by the new seasonal factors taken alone.

## LEVEL ADJUSTMENTS

Other adjustments significantly increase the level of the $M_{1}$ series back to 1959. The amount of the level adjustment is $\$ 300$ million in 1959 and increases to $\$ 9.5$ billion at the end of 1972. Appendix Chart 1 compares the level of the old and new seasonally adjusted series weekly for 1971-72. Appendix Table A-1 displays the components of the level adjustment for three recent dates.

Benchmark revisions for domestic banks. $M_{1}$ estimates are based initially on member bank data with estimates made for nonmember banks based on historical relationships between country member banks and nonmember banks. These nonmember estimates are then revised when call report data become available. Based on December 1971 and June 1972 call report information, the past relationship between nonmember and country bank data (deposits and vault cash) did not hold in the first half of 1972, leading to an underestimation of $M_{1}$ growth at nonmember banks over the year ending in June 1972, and probably in the second half of 1972 as well. As shown in Appendix Table 1, the level of $M_{1}$ has been increased by about
$\$ 1$ billion at the end of 1971 and by $\$ 1.9$ billion at the end of 1972.
Foreign Banking Institutions. In December 1970, the $M_{1}$ series was revised to incorporate the impact of foreign banking institutions operating in the U.S. This adjustment eliminated the overstatement of cash items (understatement of $M_{1}$ ) associated with the clearings of these banks and also added their $M_{1}$ type balances to the money supply series. At that time, data for a few New York City institutions were not available. The new series now incorporates the impact of these institutions on the $M_{1}$ series. As shown in Appendix Table A-1, this revision increases the narrow money stock by about $\$ 3$ billion in 1972, and by lesser amounts back to 1959.

Regulation J revisions, Pifor to the November 9 revision of Regulation $J$, the $M_{1}$ series had been biased downward by the timing of bank payment for Federal Reserve cash letters. This downward bias was eliminated by the revision in Regulation $J$ which reduced cash items and float, two items desucted from grose demand deposits in the calculation of $M_{1}$. Since Regulation $J$ went into effect, the staff has been adjusting $M_{1}$ data to remove the effect of the regulatory-inouced changes in cash items and float. The new series uses actual data after jovember 9 but reduces cash items and float prior to November 9 to remore a one time break in $\mathrm{M}_{1}$ associated with the change in Regulation J. This adjustment has been carried back to 1959.

## Appendix Table A. 1

## Components of Revision in $M_{1}$ Not Seasonally Adjusted (Millions of dollars)

| Dec. | June | Dec. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1971 | $\underline{1972}$ | $\underline{1972}$ |

Benchmark

| Domestic nonmember banks ${ }^{1 /}$ | 985 | 1,633 | 1,695 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Foreign institutions?/ | 2,795 | 2,887 | 3,024 |
| Regulation J3/ | 4,468 | 4,396 | 4,487 |
| Total | 8,248 | 8,916 | 9,206 |

1/ Includes benchmark adjustment for nonmember bank demand deposits liabilities and holdings of vault cash, based on December, 1971 and June, 1972 Call Reports of condition. 2/ Adjustment for overstatement of cash items associated with clearance of checks for a few New York City foreign banking operations and the addition of $M_{1}$-type liabilities for these institutions. 3/ Adjustment for cash items and float reduction resulting from amended Regulation J. Actual data after November 9, 1972 and estimated from reserve bank data prior to November 9, 1972.

The Regulation $J$ increase in the level of $M_{1}$ is estimated to be about $\$ 500$ million in December 1959, growing to about $\$ 4.5$ billion in 1972, as shown in Appendix Table A-1. This adjustment adds an average about . 1 percentage point per year to the growth in $M_{1}$ since 1959.

## ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE

While the level of $M$ is raised $\$ 8-\$ 9$ billion in 1972, and less for previous years, the combined effect of the level adjustments and new seasonal factors on annual rates of change are small. Comparison of rates of change in the old and new series for recent periods is shown in Appendix Table A-2.

For annual data, the biggest recent changes occur in 1970 and 1971, which are raised by 0.6 and 0.7 percentage points, respectively. Semi-annual growth rates for 1972 ate changed little, but the second half of 1971 is raised by 1.0 percentage point. In 1972, quarterly growth rates are lowered slightly in the first and third quarters and raised in the second and fourth quarters. The fourth quarter of 1971 is raised significantly.

Changes in the 1972 monthly pattern are shown in the right panel of Appendix Table A-2. Three months-February, September, and October-are increased by more than 2 percentage points at an annual rate. Reduction exceeding 2 percentage points occurred in January, July, Axguet; and December.

Finally, for the December-January period the staff's projected M1 growth is 11-1/2 per cent (annual rate) on the old basis and io per cent (annual rate) in the new series.

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## PRELIMINARY

Appendix Table A-2
Comparison of Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rates of Growth of $\mathrm{M}_{1}$ Old and Revised Series

|  | Old | Revised | Difference |  | Old | Revised | Dif- <br> ference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Annual : |  | Monthly: |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1968 | 7.8 | 7.8 | 0 | 1971-Oct. | 0.5 | 4.1 | 3.6 |
| 1969 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 0.4 | Nov. | 0 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| 1970 | 5.4 | 6.0 | 0.6 | Dec. | 2.6 | 2.5 | -0.1 |
| 1971 | 6.2 | 6.9 | 0.7 |  |  |  |  |
| 1972 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 0.0 | 1972-Jan. | 3.2 | 1.0 | -2. 2 |
|  |  |  |  | Feb. | 12.6 | 15.2 | 2.6 |
| Semi-ennual: |  |  |  | Mar. | 11.9 | 11.0 | -0.9 |
| 1970-I | 5.6 | 6.1 | 0.5 |  |  |  |  |
| II | 5.2 | 5.7 | 0.5 | Apr. | 7.7 | 6.9 | -0.8 |
|  |  |  |  | May | 2.6 | 4.4 | 1.8 |
| 1971-I | 10.0 | 10.1 | 0.1 | June | 5.6 | 6.4 | 0.8 |
| II | 2.4 | 3.4 | 1.0 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | July | 14.2 | 12.2 | -2.0 |
| 1972-I | 7.4 | 7.6 | 0.2 | Aug. | 5.5 | 3.4 | -2.1 |
| II | 8.6 | 8.6 | 0.0 | Sept. | 5.5 | 8.7 | 3.2 |
| Quarterly: |  |  |  | Oct. | 3.5 | 7.2 | 3.7 |
| 1971-I | 9.1 | 8.9 | -0.2 | Nov. | 6.4 | 5.7 | -0.7 |
| II | 10.6 | 11.1 | 0.5 | Dec. | 15.8 | 13.3 | -2.5 |
| III | 3.7 | 4.1 | 0.4 |  |  |  |  |
| IV | 1.1 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 1973-Jan. ${ }^{\text {pe }}$ | 7.0 | 7.0 | 0.0 |
| 1972-I | 9.3 | 9.1 | -0.2 | (Memo: Dec., | 1972 | n., 1973) |  |
| II | 5.3 | 6.0 | 0.7 |  |  |  |  |
| III | 8.5 | 8.1 | -0.4 |  | 11.5 | 10.0 | -1.5 |
| IV | 8.6 | 8.8 | 0.2 |  |  |  |  |

## TOTAL MONEY STOCK <br> SEASONALLY ADJUSTED




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[^1]:    * Break in Series Actual Level of RFD After Reduction in Reserve Requirements Effective November 9, 1972
    * RPD Adjustea to Remove Discontinuity Introduced by Reduction in Reserve Requirements

