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## MONETARY POLICY ALTERNATIVES

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## Recent developments

(1) Since the August FOMC meeting, reserve paths have continued to specify adjustment plus seasonal borrowing of $\$ 600$ million. Aiter the 1/2 percentage point increase in the discount rate announced in the week preceding the meeting, this level of borrowing was expected to be associated with federal funds trading in a range of 8 to $8-1 / 4$ percent. Over the two complete maintenance periods since the discount rate hike, adjustment plus seasonal borrowing averaged $\$ 592$ million and the federal funds rate averaged 8.13 percent. ${ }^{1}$ Thus far in the current period, borrowing is running at close to $\$ 590$ million and the federal funds rate is averaging $8-1 / 8$ percent. Reflecting declines in both required and excess reserves, total reserves fell in August. However, because currency continued to grow-albeit at a reduced pace--the monetary base increased at a 2-1/2 percent rate.
(2) While federal funds have continued to trade near their level at the time of the last FOMC meeting, most other market rates have declined since then. Data suggesting a more moderate pace of economic expansion and weaker oil prices apparently were interpreted as pointing to some reduction in potential inflation pressures and to a lesser likelihood of a near-term

[^1]MONETARY, CREDIT, AND RESERVE AGGREGATES (Seasonally adjusted annual rates of growth)

June July August | June | QIV ' 87 |
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| August | to |
| August |  |

Money and credit aggregates

| M1 | 9.8 | 9.1 | 0.2 | 4.6 | 5.2 |
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| M2 | 5.8 | 3.8 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 6.2 |
| M3 | 7.7 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 5.2 | 6.9 |
| Domestic nonfinancial <br> debt | 8.0 | 7.6 | 8.5 | 8.1 | 8.5 |
| Bank credit | 11.1 | 4.9 | 6.7 | 5.8 | 8.0 |

## Reserve measures ${ }^{1}$

| Nonborrowed reserves 2 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
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| Total reserves | 5.4 | 11.9 | -2.9 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
| Monetary base | 6.2 | 10.4 | 2.5 | 6.5 | 7.5 |

Memo: (Millions of dollars)
Adjustment plus seasonal

| borrowing | 529 | 902 | 588 | -- | -- |
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| Excess reserves | 888 | 1007 | 951 | -- | -- |

1. Includes "other extended credit" from the Federal Reserve.

NOTES: Monthly reserve measures, including excess reserves and borrowing, are calculated by prorating averages for two-week reserve maintenance periods that overlap months. Reserve data incorporate adjustments for discontinuities associated with changes in reserve requirements.
tightening of monetary policy. Bond yields have dropped as much as $3 / 8$ of a percentage point; rates on fixed-rate mortgages in the primary market, though falling most recently, have lagged other rates and are down only about half that amount on balance over the intermeeting period. The decline in bond rates contributed to higher stock prices, which are up an average of about 3 percent over the period. Most short-term rates are down roughly $1 / 4$ to $3 / 8$ of a percentage point since the August meeting, with the exception of the 3 -month Treasury bill rate which has moved up slightly, buoyed in part by an enlarged supply.
(3) The upward pressure on the dollar that had prevailed before the August FOMC meeting continued until late in the month, when hikes in European official lending rates arrested the dollar's climb. The dollar moved lower along with U.S. interest rates following the employment report for August. As the mark recovered against the dollar, it also moved to the top of the EMS parity grid, and with tensions emerging in the EMS, German short-term market interest rates eased back somewhat. Even so, the spread of short-term U.S. rates over the average of foreign rates is now narrower than it was prior to the U.S. discount rate increase. More recently, the dollar has firmed in response to publication of favorable trade data for July, leaving the exchange rate little changed on balance for the entire intermeeting period.
(4) The monetary aggregates slowed further in August, and early data suggest that this trend has continued into September. M2 was restrained to a 2-1/2 percent annual rate last month mainly by the earlier rise in market interest rates, which substantially increased the opportunity costs of most monetary assets. In addition, M3 growth slowed in August to a 4 percent pace. For July and August combined, growth of M2 and M3 averaged just below the $3-1 / 2$ and $5-1 / 2$ percent rates specified by the Committee for the June-to-September period. Since the fourth quarter of 1987, M2 has grown at 6-1/4 percent and M3 at 7 percent.
(5) The deceleration in M2 last month was concentrated in its liquid deposit components: demand deposits, $O C D s$, and MMDAs all ran off, and savings deposits slowed. (Indeed, M1 was flat in August, after expanding at more than a 9 percent rate in the previous two months.) By contrast, small time deposits picked up, buoyed by a deposit yield curve that has steepened since the spring. Overnight RPs rebounded from their July decline, along with a turnaround in bank holdings of government securities. As a result of that turnaround, bank credit growth strengthened somewhat last month despite a sharp slowdown in business lending. Managed liabilities in the non-M2 portion of $M 3$ continued to expand rapidly in August, but on balance instruments outside M3--such as borrowings from banks' own foreign offices--funded the pickup in bank credit growth and also offset some of the weakness in core deposits. Growth of both M2 and M3 may have been damped a bit by regulators' efforts to moderate thrift deposit pricing behavior and to restrain asset growth; both retail time deposits and large CDs at thrift institutions have been relatively weak in recent months.

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(6) The debt of domestic nonfinancial sectors appears to have grown at a slightly faster pace in August. The pickup was most evident in its federal component, especially in an increase of bill issuance in advance of seasonally larger deficits and in light of uncertainty about authority to issue long-term bonds. Business borrowing apparently remained subdued as a rebound in commercial paper issuance and an increase in bond offerings about offset the marked slowdown in bank loans. To a degree, the reduced pace of business borrowing thus far in the third quarter may reflect some slowing of equity retirements. Bank data suggest that consumer borrowing may have increased in August from a relatively sluggish pace in July. In response to the high level of rates, residential mortgage lending seems to have moderated in July. Since the fourth quarter of 1987 , overall domestic nonfinancial debt has grown at an 8-1/2 percent rate, a little below the midpoint of its 7 to 11 percent monitoring range.

## Policy alternatives

(7) Three policy alternatives are presented below. Under alternative $B$, reserve paths would continue to be drawn with adjustment plus seasonal borrowing of $\$ 600$ million, while under alternatives $A$ and $C$ reserve paths would embody borrowing levels of $\$ 400$ million and $\$ 800$ million, respectively. Under alternative $B_{r}$ the federal funds rate would be expected to continue to trade generally in the 8 to $8-1 / 4$ percent area. In the next few days, however, a tax-related surge in the Treasury balance could push the funds rate briefly to or even above $8-1 / 4$ percent, and temporary pressures could resurface around quarter end. The funds rate would fall to the $7-1 / 2$ to $7-3 / 4$ percent area under alternative $A$ and rise to the $8-1 / 2$ to $8-3 / 4$ percent area under alternative $C$.
(8) The table below presents growth rates of the monetary aggregates for the August-to-December period expected under the three alternatives. ${ }^{2}$ Under all the alternatives, money growth is expected to remain relatively slow over coming months. This reflects, in part, continued adjustment by money holders to previous increases in interest rates and opportunity costs. In addition, regulators are assumed to maintain pressures on thrifts to hold down costs and asset growth, continuing to damp expansion of retail time deposits and large CDs. Finally, the climb in market interest rates over the spring and summer may have an especially pronounced effect on demand deposits as year-end approaches. If, given the rise in rates, business demand deposits exceed the lower levels needed to meet compensating balance requirements, businesses would reduce these

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deposits late this year, as they did in late 1987 , with effects on M 2 as well as M1. All the alternatives would leave M2 in the fourth quarter somewhat below and M3 somewhat above the midpoints of their annual ranges for 1988, and M1 around 4 percent above its level in the fourth quarter of 1987. The different reserve pressures under each alternative, however, do imply divergent trajectories in the aggregates by the turn of the year.

|  | Alt. A | Alt. B | Alt. C |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Growth from August to December |  |  |  |  |
| M2 | 4 | 3 | 2 |  |
| M3 | 5-1/2 | 5 | 4-1/2 |  |
| M1 | 2 | 1/2 | -1 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Implied growth from } \\ & \text { Q4 } 87 \text { to } 84 / 88 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | Long-run |
|  |  |  |  | ranges |
| M2 | 5-1/2 | 5-1/2 | 5-1/4 | 4 to 8 |
| M3 | 6-1/2 | 6-1/2 | 6-1/4 | 4 to 8 |
| M1 | 4-1/4 | 4 | 3-3/4 |  |
| Associated federal funds rate range | 5-1/2 |  | 6-1/2 |  |
|  | to 9-1/2 | 6 to 10 | to 10-1/2 |  |

(9) With markets now expecting no change in policy over the near term, short-term rates likely would remain near current levels under alternative $B$; the 3 -month Treasury bill rate should stay around 7-1/4 percent. The dollar will probably trade around recent levels for a while under this alternative especially if, as seems likely, foreign monetary policies are also unchanged over coming weeks. In this environment, the behavior of bond yields will depend importantly on the strength of incoming data on the

Alternative Levels and Growth Rates for Key Monetary Aggregates

|  | M2 |  |  | M3 |  |  | M1 |  |  |
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|  | Alt. A | Alt. B | Alt. C | Alt. A | Alt. B | Alt. C | Alt. A | Alt. B | Alt. C |
| Levels in billions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1988 July | 3026.2 | 3026.2 | 3026.2 | 3833.0 | 3833.0 | 3833.0 | 782.4 | 782.4 | 782.4 |
| August | 3032.6 | 3032.6 | 3032.6 | 3845.7 | 3845.7 | 3845.7 | 782.5 | 782.5 | 782.5 |
| September | 3038.5 | 3038.2 | 3037.9 | 3854.1 | 3854.1 | 3854.1 | 783.1 | 783.0 | 782.9 |
| October | 3047.3 | 3045.5 | 3043.7 | 3871.8 | 3871.1 | 3870.4 | 784.3 | 783.6 | 782.9 |
| November | 3058.8 | 3053.9 | 3049.0 | 3891.4 | 3889.5 | 3887.6 | 786.0 | 784.0 | 782.0 |
| December | 3071.6 | 3061.6 | 3051.6 | 3914.4 | 3909.3 | 3904.2 | 787.6 | 783.7 | 779.8 |
| Monthly Growth Rates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1988 July | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 |
| August | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| September | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| October | 3.5 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.1 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
| November | 4.5 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 6.1 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 2.6 | 0.6 | -1.4 |
| December | 5.0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 7.1 | 6.1 | 5.1 | 2.4 | -0.5 | -3.4 |
| Quarterly Ave. Growth Rates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1987 Q4 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 |
| 1988 Q1 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| Q2 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 |
| Q3 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| Q4 | 3.5 | 2.8 | 2.1 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 4.5 | 1.6 | 0.6 | -0.5 |
| June 88 to Sept 88 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| Aug. 88 to Dec. 88 | 3.9 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 2.0 | 0.5 | -1.0 |
| Sep. 88 to Dec. 88 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 1.8 | 6.3 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 2.3 | 0.3 | -1.6 |
| Q4 87 to Q2 88 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 |
| Q4 87 to Q3 88 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Q4 87 to 2488 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 3.8 |
| Q4 87 to Aug. 88 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Q4 87 to Sept 88 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| Q4 87 to Dec. 88 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 4.2 | 3.7 | 3.3 |
| 1988 Target Ranges: |  | . 0 to 8 |  |  | 0 to 8. |  |  |  |  |

## ACTUAL AND TARGETED M2



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## DEBT


economy and prices. If such data confirm market perceptions of moderate growth and little additional pressure on prices, these yields probably would hold at recent lower levels. But bond yields would retrace some of their recent declines if incoming information shows less moderation in demands and more strength in oil prices than now seems built into market expectations. In addition, bond yields may have been held down by a paucity of supply, which could be reversed by congressional passage of long-bond authorization for the Treasury or by decisions by corporations or state and local governments to take advantage of recently reduced long-term rates.
(10) M2 is expected to continue to grow at a 3 percent annual rate from August to December under alternative B, with particular weakness in liquid deposits; M1 is projected to increase at only a $1 / 2$ percent annual rate over this period. Although offering rates should move closer to current levels of market interest rates, growth of M1 and M2 relative to income will be restrained by the earlier widening of opportunity costs and the other factors discussed above. M2 velocity would rise at a 3 percent rate in the fourth quarter, somewhat faster than in the current quarter, and M1 velocity at a 5-1/2 percent rate.
(11) M3 likely would continue to grow at a 5 percent rate under alternative $B$, and its velocity would edge up again in the fourth quarter. A further moderation in credit growth at thrifts, and associated funding needs, is likely to be offset by some pickup in bank credit, as lending to businesses and securities acquisitions rebound following weakness over July
and August. Total borrowing by businesses is expected to strengthen somewhat over the balance of the year, reflecting larger external financing needs and substantial further share retirements, with credit demands still focused to a large extent on the short- and intermediate-term markets. Domestic nonfinancial debt is expected to rise at a $8-1 / 2$ percent rate over the last four months of the year and for the year as a whole, leaving it somewhat below the midpoint of its 7 to 11 percent monitoring range.
(12) With markets not now expecting a near-term tightening of policy, the rise in the federal funds rate under the firmer reserve conditions of alternative $C$ would be about matched by increases in other shortterm rates--perhaps including the prime rate. Bond yields and the dollar also would back up; the amounts would depend on surrounding circumstances, but could be considerable if market participants extrapolated a renewed tightening trend for policy in the context of incoming data suggesting continued momentum in the economy. Foreign monetary authorities might follow suit to temper the rise in the dollar. The further rise in opportunity costs under alternative $C$ would likely damp M2 growth to only a 2 percent rate over the August-to-December period, and its Ml component would be expected to decline a little. By the end of the year, M2 would be growing at only a 1 percent rate. M3 growth also would slow from its pace of recent months, mainly reflecting further weakness in institution-only money market mutual funds.
(13) Under alternative $A, M 2$ and $M 3$ would strengthen over the August-to-December period. Partly owing to some narrowing of opportunity
costs, M2 by December would likely be growing at a rate around the 5 percent midpoint of its provisional range for next year, and M3 at 7 percent. An immediate easing would come as a surprise to market participants, given the recent policies and statements of the Federal Reserve and current perceptions that inflationary pressures, though perhaps less certain to mount, are not likely to moderate substantially. Short-term market rates would drop immediately by about the full extent of the easing in the funds rate, and bond yields would also decline. The initial bond market response could be substantial, but if data failed to confirm some further moderation in the economy and price pressures, bond yields could retrace much of these declines, especially if downward pressure on the dollar persisted.
(14) Draft language for the operational paragraph, with the usual alternatives for varying degrees of reserve pressure, is presented below. The draft language on possible intermeeting adjustments also has the usual options for symmetry and asymmetry and retains the ordering of the factors to be considered in making such adjustments that was adopted at the August meeting.

## OPERATIONAL PARAGRAPH

In the implementation of policy for the immediate future, the Committee seeks to DECREASE SOMEWHAT (Alt. A)/maintain (Alt. B)/INCREASE SOMEWHAT (Alt. C) the existing degree of pressure on reserve positions. Taking account of indications of inflationary pressures, the strength of the business expansion, the behavior of the monetary aggregates, and developments in foreign exchange and domestic financial markets, somewhat (SLIGHTLY) greater reserve restraint would (MIGHT), or (SOMEWHAT) slightly lesser reserve restraint (WOULD) might, be acceptable in the intermeeting period. The contemplated reserve conditions are expected to be consistent with growth in M2 and M3 over the period from June AUGUST through September DECEMBER at annual rates of about
 The Chairman may call for Committee consultation if it
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appears to the Manager for Domestic Operations that
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meeting are likely to be associated with a federal funds
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| 1985 | 166.9 | 263.5 | 176.8 | 67.2 | 509.9 | 299.9 | 877.1 | 176.8 | 64.1 | 433.9 | 62.7 | 77.6 | 78.9 | 292.3 | 201.6 | 43.2 |
| 1986 | 179.3 | 294.6 | 228.6 | 77.9 | 569.2 | 362.2 | 858.9 | 207.6 | 84.7 | 441.5 | 82.6 | 81.0 | 89.7 | 283.8 | 228.5 | 37.8 |
| 1987 | 194.9 | 291.7 | 259.7 | 81.1 | 528.9 | 415.4 | 899.4 | 219.7 | 87.2 | 479.2 | 109.7 | 92.2 | 99.4 | 266.8 | 255.2 | 45.1 |
| MONTHLY <br> 1987-AUG. | 190.2 | 292.1 | 257.2 | 79.6 | 545.0 | 417.8 | 865.9 | 213.1 | 84.0 | 462.4 | 109.2 | 90.2 | 98.1 | 258.9 | 251.8 |  |
| 198\% SEP. | 191.4 | 290.5 | 258.6 | 83.3 | 540.5 | 418.6 | 872.1 | 216.3 | 81.3 | 465.3 | 111.3 | 94.5 | 98.4 | 263.7 | 256.6 | 43.5 44.3 |
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| DEC. | 196.5 | 288.0 | 259.3 | 77.9 | 525:2 | 414.3 | 913.1 | 221.1 | 89.6 | 484.7 | 108.7 | 90.8 | 100.2 | 269.7 258.0 | 252.5 258.9 | 45.0 45.7 |
| 1988-JAN. | 198.4 | 289.9 | 263.3 | 82.9 | 524.1 | 414.4 |  | 225.0 | 94.4 | 482.9 | 109.5 | 85.3 | 101.4 | 259.9 | 269.0 |  |
| FEB. | 199.3 | 287.8 | 265.0 | 78.3 | 522.6 | 416.2 | 941.5 | 231.0 | 98.7 | 489.7 | 113.7 | 85.4 | 102.6 | 255.4 | 274.1 | 40.9 |
| MAR. | 200.9 | 287.9 | 266.9 | 75.0 | 524.7 | 419.8 | 953.5 | 234.8 | 97.4 | 491.4 | 111.4 | 89.7 | 103.5 | 249.6 | 280.3 | 40.6 |
| APR. | 202.5 203.6 | 290.2 287.4 | 270.1 | 76.1 80.8 | 523.3 519.6 | 422.7 425.1 | 964.8 972.0 | 235.8 231.7 | 91.9 90.0 | 492.9 496.0 | 113.8 119.5 | 88.7 91.5 | 104.6 105.4 | 259.3 259.2 | 288.2 301.1 | 41.2 |
| SHEE | 204.9 | 289.9 | 274.4 | 81.0 | 522.3 | 429.0 | 975.0 | 228.9 | 86.3 | 502.3 | 122.2 | 92.9 | 106.1 | 248.6 | 301.2 | 40.6 |
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| Period | Treasury bills |  |  | Treasury coupons |  |  |  |  |  | Federal agencies redemptions $(-)$ | Net change outright holdings total ${ }^{4}$ | Net RPs ${ }^{5}$ |
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|  |  |  |  | within 1-year | 1-5 | 5-10 | over 10 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1982 | 8,698 | 3,000 | 5,698 | 312 | 1,797 | 388 | 307 | -- | 2,803 | 189 | 8,312 | 1,461 |
| 1983 | 15,468 | 2,400 | 13,068 | 484 | 1,896 | 890 | 383 | 87 | 3,566 | 292 | 16,342 | -5,445 |
| 1984 | 11,479 | 7,700 | 3,779 | 826 | 1,938 | 236 | 441 | -- | 3,440 | 256 | 6,964 | 1,450 |
| 1985 | 18,096 | 3,500 | 14,596 | 1,349 | 2,185 | 358 | 293 | -- | 4,185 | 162 | 18,619 | 3,001 |
| 1986 | 20,099 | 1,000 | 19,099 | 190 | 893 | 236 | 158 | -- | 1,476 | 398 | 20,178 | 10,033 |
| 1987 | 12,933 | 9,029 | 3,905 | 3,358 | 9,779 | 2,441 | 1,858 | 70 | 17,366 | 276 | 20,994 | -11,033 |
| 1987--01 | -1,914 | 800 | -2,714 | -- | -252 | -- | -- | -- | -252 | 110 | -3,076 | -14,254 |
| Q2 | 5,823 | -- | 5,823 | 1,767 | 5,036 | 1,226 | 920 | -- | 8,948 | 37 | 14,735 | 2,121 |
| 03 | 4,690 | 8,229 | -3,539 | 143 | 2,356 | 619 | 493 | -- | 3,610 | 59 | 12 | -1,433 |
| 84 | 4,334 | -- | 4,334 | 1,449 | 2,639 | 596 | 445 | 70 | 5,059 | 70 | 9, 323 | 2,533 |
| 1988--01 | 319 | 2,200 | -1,881 | -- | -800 | -175 | -- | -- | -975 | 155 | -3,011 | -3,514 |
| Q2 | 423 |  | 423 | 1,092 | 3,661 | 1,017 | 966 | -- | 6,737 | 130 | 7,030 | 5,220 |
| 1987--Dec. | 250 | -- | 150 | 479 | 2,589 | 596 | 445 | -- | 4,109 | 13 | 4,246 | -1,629 |
| 1988--Jan. | -49 | 600 | -649 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 131 | -780 | -4,807 |
| Feb. | -192 | 1,600 | -1,792 | -- | -800 | -175 | -- | -- | -975 | 21 | -2,788 | 1,247 |
| Mar. | 560 |  | 560 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 3 | 557 | 45 |
| Apr. | 423 | -- | 423 | 1,092 | 3,661 | 1,017 | 966 | -- | 6,737 | 120 | 7,040 | 9,111 |
| May | -- | -- | -- | -- | , | -- | -- | -- | -- | 11 | -11 | -10,575 |
| June | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 6,683 |
| July | 515 | -- | 515 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 515 | -5,941 |
| August | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 10 | -10 | -1,655 |
| July 6 | 222 | -- | 222 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 222 | -3,571 |
| 13 | 176 | -- | 176 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 176 | $66$ |
| 20 | 118 | -- | 118 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 67 | 51 | -4,012 |
| 27 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -3,261 |
| Aug, 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | $-2,825$ -876 |
| 10 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -876 |
| 17 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 10 | -10 | 476 -2678 |
| 24 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -2,678 |
| 31 | -- | - | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 2,322 |
| Sept. 7 | 104 | -- | 104 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 104 | $-2,454$ 5,272 |
| - 14 | 528 | -- | 528 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 528 | 5,272 |
| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { Mamo: } & \text { LEVEL (bil. } \$)^{6} \\ & \text { Sept. } 14 \end{array}$ | -- | -- | 112.2 | 21.6 | 55.1 | 13.7 | 26.5 | -- | 117.0 | -- | 236.3 | -2.9 |

## 1 Change from end-af-period to end-of-penod.

2 Outright transactions in market and with foreign aocounts.
3 Outright transactions in market and with foreign accounts, and short-term notes acquired in exhange for maturing bills Excludes maturity shifts and rollovers of maturing coupon issues.
4. Reflects net change and redemptions ( - ) of Treasury and agency securites.
5. Includes changes in RPs (+), matched sale-purchase transactions ( - ), and matched purchase sale transactions (+)
6. The levels of agency issues were as follows:

| withun <br> 1 -year | $1-5$ | $5-10$ | over 10 | total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.6 | 3.3 | 1.1 | .2 | 7.2 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ In some cases, original copies needed to be photocopied before being scanned into electronic format. All scanned images were deskewed (to remove the effects of printer- and scanner-introduced tilting) and lightly cleaned (to remove dark spots caused by staple holes, hole punches, and other blemishes caused after initial printing).
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[^1]:    1. Seasonal borrowing has remained unusually heavy, averaging about $\$ 430$ million in the last two complete periods. The Midwest has been the primary locus of the demands for seasonal credit, but there is little evidence that the increased borrowing has been related to this sumer's drought. In conformance with its usual pattern, seasonal borrowing has retreated since the end of August to $\$ 395$ million so far in this maintenance period.
[^2]:    2. Because only partial data are available for September, an August base period is used for the monetary aggregates specifications.
