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# SUPPLEMENT CURRENT ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

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#### Productivity and Labor Costs

Output per hour of all persons in the private nonfarm business sector of the economy declined in the final quarter of 1980 at an annual rate of 1.1 percent. This decline reflected an even larger increase in hours of employment in the quarter than the 6-1/2 percent per year rise in real output. In the third quarter, when the increase in real output was much smaller—and hours worked continued to decline, productivity rose at a 3.7 percent rate. Over 1980 as a whole, productivity in the private nonfarm business sector was little changed. Compensation per hour continued to rise sharply in the fourth quarter, and unit labor costs again rose at nearly an 11 percent rate. Over the year, both compensation per hour and unit labor cost increased 10 percent.

# Savings and Loans Mortgage Commitments

New mortgage commitments made by savings and loan associations in December were virtually unchanged after allowance for the usual seasonal change from the volume in November, when they declined more than 20 percent from October and were more than a third below the September peak. The volume of S&L mortgage commitments outstanding including loans in process, seasonally adjusted, edged down slightly in December to \$27.3 billion and were 2-1/2 percent below the recent peak in September. Mortgage holdings at S&Ls rose \$3.1 billion, seasonally adjusted, in December, down from increases of \$3.6 billion in November and \$4.5 billion in October.

LABOR PRODUCTIVITY AND COSTS (Percent change at annual rates; based on seasonally adjusted data)  $^{\rm l}$ 

	_		1980				
	1978	1979	1980	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Output per hour							
Total private business	3	9	3	1.9	1.5	-1.9	
Nonfarm business	4	-1.1	1	-3.0	3.7	-1.1	
Manufacturing	.8	. 2	1.3	4.1	7	10.6	
Durable	.1	8	.8	-2.8	-3.4	12.0	
Nondurable	2.1	1.7	1.7	-6.7	2.9	9.0	
Compensation per hour							
Total private business	9.0	9.9	10.2	12.2	9.7	8.5	
Nonfarm business	9.1	9.6	10.0	11.2	9.2	9.6	
Manufacturing	8.4	9.4	12.1	15.5	12.7	10.1	
Durable	8.1	9.2	13.2	16.5	13.1	11.4	
Nondurable	8.6	9.9	10.3	15.7	12.4	7.0	
Unit labor costs							
Total private business	9.5	10.9	10.5	14.4	8.1	10.6	
Nonfarm business	9.6	10.9	10.1	14.6	5.3	10.9	
Manufacturing	7.5	9.3	10.7	20.5	13.6	4	
Durable	7.9	10.1	12.3	19.9	17.1	<b>~.</b> 5	
Nondurable	6.4	8.1	8.5	24.0	9.2	-1.9	

<sup>1.</sup> Changes are from final quarter of preceding period to final quarter of period indicated.

MORTGAGE ACTIVITY AT SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS 1
(Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted)

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		Outstanding	
	New	commitments	Net change
Date	mortgage	(including loans	in mortgage
	commitments	in process)	holdings
1978-High	10.32 (Jan.)	33.37 (Oct.)	4.78 (Feb.)
Low	9.12 (Sept.)	31.91 (July)	3.82 (July)
1979-High	9.53 (May)	32.74 (Sept.)	4.65 (May)
Low	4.97 (Dec.)	28.08 (Dec.)	1.47 (Dec.)
1980-Jan.	5.79	27.47	2.13
Feb.	7.01	27.12	2.56
Mar.	4.79	23.97	1.83
Apr.	3.27	20.70	0.86
May	3.04	19.28	-0.44
June	5.29	20.70	-0.24
July	8.48	23.67	1.77
Aug.	9.93	26.73	3.59
Sept.	10.00	28.02	4.44
Oct.	8.34	27.67	4.51
Nov. r	6.53	27.78	3.63
Dec. p	6.56	27.29	3.10

<sup>1.</sup> Data on outstanding commitments and net change in mortgage holdings are for all operating S&Ls. Data on new commitments are available only for insured S&Ls; however, insured S&Ls account for approximately 98 percent of the assets of all operating S&Ls. r--revised.

p--preliminary.

		1980						QIV '79	
		Q2	Q3	Q4				to	1981
		Q2	<del></del>	<del>-</del> -	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	QIV '80	Jan.e
		-	Рег	centa	ge char	nge at	annual	rates	-
Mon	ey stock measures								
1.	M-1A	-4.4	11.5	8.1	9.1	6.5	-11.1	5.0	-34.3
2.	M-1B	-2.6	14.6	10.8	11.8	8.7	-9.0	7.3	16.3
3.	M-2	5.6	16.0	9.2	8.8	10.4	2.7	9.8	9.7
4.	м-3	5.8	13.0	11.7	10.8	15.2	8.2	10.0	14.1
	cted components								
<sup>-</sup> 5.	Currency	7.4	11.3	9.2	12.6	7.3	6.2	9.3	2.1
6.	Demand deposits	-9.1	11.5	7.7	7.6	6.2	-18.5	3.2	-50.1
7.	Other checkable deposits, NSA <sup>2</sup>	35.6	75.5	54.9	53.7	42.0	22.6	58.7	739.5
8.	M-2 minus M-1B (9+10+11+14)	8.3	16.4	8.7	7.9	10.9	6.6	10.7	5.8
9.	Overnight RPs and Eurodollars, NSA <sup>3</sup>	-57.4	135.6		-18.2	3.7	18.4	22.9	61.6
10.	Money market mutual fund shares, NSA		75.7	-15.5	-12.3	-6.2	-18.7	90.3	76.0
11.	Commercial banks	9.7	11.3	10.8	10.5	15.5	7.3	10.0	1.2
<b>12.</b>	savings deposits	-21.7	27.5	1.7	10.0	-8.7	-40.0	-3.5	-53.6
13.	small time deposits	33.1	0.7	17.1	11.3	31.6	39.6	21.3	35.9
14.	Thrift institutions	3.6	9.5	9.6	9.4	10.1	8.2	5.7	-1.6
٦5.	savings deposits	-24.9	28.1	-2.8		-27.2	-40.1	<b>~5.</b> 5	-36.3
; •	small time deposits	18.1	1.1	15.6	12.8	28.5	31.3	11.8	13.6
_1·	Large time deposits	9.2	-11.6	25.5	15.9	47.0	47.7	10.0	46.9
18	at commercial banks, net <sup>4</sup>	5.8	-16.3	21.1	8.9	45.4	45.5	4.4	50.3
19.	at thrift institutions	28.9	14.6	47.7	50.8	57.9	55.2	47.0	42.6
20.	Term RPs, NSA	-6.7	47.8	41.5	71.6	33.8	0.0	15.7	52.6
		Ave	rage mo	nth1y	change	in bi	llions	of dollar	·s
MEMO	RANDA:								
21.	Managed liabilities at commercial								
	banks (22+23)	-6.3	-0.3	n.a.	6.2		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
22.	Large time deposits, gross	0.1	0.4	6.2	2.8	7.7	8.2	1.8	9.9
23.	Nondeposit funds	-6.4	-0.7	n.a.	3.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
24.	Net due to related foreign								
	institutions, NSA	-6.1	-1.9	-0.6	0.6	-2.0	-0.5	-2.0	n.a.
25.	Other <sup>5</sup>	-0.3	1.2	n.a.	2.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
26.	U.S. government deposits at								
	commercial banks <sup>6</sup>	0.4	1.3	-1.7	1.4	-7.1	0.7	0.1	0.8
25. 26.	U.S. government deposits at								

<sup>1.</sup> Quarterly growth rates are computed on a quarterly average basis.

Consists of borrowings from other than commercial banks in the form of federal funds purchased, securities sold under agreements to repurchase and other liabilities for borrowed money (including borrowings from the Federal Reserve), loans sold to affiliates, loan RPs, and other minor items.

6. Consists of Treasury demand deposits at commercial banks and Treasury note balances.

n.a.—Not available. e—estimated.

<sup>2.</sup> Consists of ATS and NOW balances at all institutions, credit union share draft balances, and demand deposits at mutual savings banks.

<sup>3.</sup> Overnight and continuing contract RPs issued to the nonbank public by commercial banks, net of amounts held by money market mutual funds, plus overnight Eurodollar deposits issued by Caribbean branches of U.S. member banks to U.S. nonbank customers.

<sup>4.</sup> Net of large denomination time deposits held by money market mutual funds and thrift institutions.

COMMERCIAL BANK CREDIT AND SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM BUSINESS CREDIT (Percentage changes at annual rates, based on seasonally adjusted data) $^1$ 

		1980						Q1V '79	Dec. '79
		Q2_	Q3	Q4e	Oct.e	Nov.e	Dec.e	to QIV '80e	Dec. '80e
				Com	nercial	Bank Cred	dit		
1.	Total loans and investments at banks $^{2}$	-4.4	13.5	14.4	13.3	16.6	12.7	7.9	8.9
2.	Investments	11.0	21.6	11.8	13.7	13.6	7.8	12.9	13.5
3.	Treasury securities	10.6	39.6	11.3	14.6	15.6	3.3	15.2	16.8
4.	Other securities	11.2	12.9	12.1	13.3	12.6	10.2	11.6	11.9
5.	Total loans <sup>2</sup>	-9.6	10.7	15.3	13.2	17.7	14.4	6.3	7.4
6.	Business loans	-9.6	14.4	22.3	23.0	24.1	18.7	9.9	11.2
7.	Security loans	-23.8	-10.1	-64.9	39.0	75.5	71.0	-11.5	-2.2
8.	Real estate loans	1.0	5.6	11.4	11.4	10.3	12.1	7.8	7.6
9.	Consumer loans	-16.7r	-7.8r	n.a.	-1.4r	-2.1r	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
		Si	nort- a	ind Int	termedia	te-Term 1	Busines	s Credit -	-
10.	Total short- and intermediate- term business credit (sum of lines 13,14 and 15)	0.6	8.0r	n.a.	17.2r	19.0r	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
11.	Business loans net of bankers acceptances 1	-11.1	13.5	25.9	26.6	26.8	22.7	10.0	11.8
12.	Commercial paper issued by nonfinancial firms <sup>3</sup>	62.6r	-19.3r	-3.01	-33.5r	6.3r	18.7r	33.0r	29.0r
13.	Sum of lines 11 & 12	-2.9r	9.3r	22.51	19.6r	24.5r	22.3r	12.0r	13.5r
14.	Finance company loans to business <sup>4</sup>	-4.0	-7.5	n.a.	7.0	22.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
15.	Total bankers acceptances outstanding <sup>4</sup>	32.3	20.2	n.a.	14.9	19.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

<sup>1.</sup> Average of Wednesdays for domestic chartered banks and average of current and preceding ends of months for foreign-related institutions.

<sup>2.</sup> Loans include outstanding amounts of loans reported as sold outright to a bank's own foreign branches, unconsolidated nonbank affiliates of the bank, the bank's holding company (if not a bank), and unconsolidated nonbank subsidiaries of the holding company.

<sup>3.</sup> Average of Wednesdays.

<sup>4.</sup> Based on average of current and preceding ends of months. -estimated. n.a.-not available. r--revised.

-6-SELECTED FINANCIAL MARKET QUOTATIONS 1 (Percent)

		1980		1	981	Change from:		
	Mid June		FOMC	Jan.	Jan.	Dec.	FOMC	Jan.
Thoutatown water	Low	High	Dec. 19	6	29	High	Dec. 19	6
Short-term rates								
Federal funds <sup>2</sup>	8.99	19.83	19.83	20.06	18.12	-1.71	-1.71	-1.94
Treasury bills								
3-month	6.18	17.14	14.93	13.58	14.87	-2.27	06	1.29
6-month	6.60	15.74	14.17	13.16	13.92	-1.82	<b>2</b> 5	•76·
1-year	7.00	14.06	12.93	11.88	12.67	-1.39	<b></b> 26	.79
Commercial paper								
1-month	7.98	20.77	20.04	17.02	16.69	-4.08	-3.35	33
3-month	7.78	19.88	19.06	15.31	16.14	-3.74	-2.92	.83
6-month	7.59	18.58	16.90	14.25	14.81	-3.77	-2.09	•56
Large negotiable CDs <sup>3</sup>								
1-month	7.96	21.29	20.33	17.24	16.98	-4.31	-3.35	26
3-month	7.90	20.90	19.44	15.75	16.80	-4.10	-2.64	1.05
6-month	7.66	19.19	17.45	14.84	15.81	-3.38	-1.64	. 97
Eurodollar deposit <sup>2</sup>								
1-month	8.88	22.54	22.54	18.75	19.64	-2.90	-2.90	.89
3-month	8.99	21.36	21.36	17.06	18.56	-2.80	-2.80	1.50
Bank prime rate	12.00	21.50	21.50	20.50	20.00	-1.50	-1.50	50
intermediate— and long—								
erm rates								
U.S. Treasury (constant maturity)	:							
3-year	8.56	14.41	13.66	12.31	13.16	-1.25	50	.85
10-year	9.47	13.57	12.64	12.11	12.80	77	.16	.69
30-year	9.49	13.17	12.22	11.67	12.38	79	.16	.71
Municipal (Bond Buyer)	7.44	10.56	10.56	9.764	9.91	65	65	15
Corporate Aaa				_				
New issue	10.53	14.51		5	13673-	56		
Recently offered	10.79	15.03	14.25	14.15 <sup>6</sup>	14.11P	92	14	04
Primary conventional				6	6			
mortgages	12.35	14.95	14.95	14.95	14.85	10	10	10
		MarApr.	FOMC	Jan.	Jan. 29	MarApr		Jan. 6
tock Prices	High	Low	Dec. 19	6		Low_	Dec. 19	-
Dow-Jones Industrial	972.44	759.13	937.20	1004.69	948.89	189.76	11.69	- 5.5
NYSE Composite	77.24	55.30	76.86	79.14	74.69	19.39	-2.17	-4.4
AMEX Composite	363.33	215.69	347.58	353.59	346.59	130.90	99	- 7.0
NASDAQ (OTC)	199.43	124.09	197.91	204.07	197.88	73.79	03	-6.1

One-day quotes except as noted.
 Averages for statement week closest to date shown.

<sup>.</sup> Secondary market.

<sup>4.</sup> One-day quotes for preceding Thursday.

<sup>5.</sup> Averages for preceding week.

<sup>6.</sup> One-day quotes for preceding Friday.

Most lows occurred on or around June 13.

## International Developments

Merchandise trade data released Wednesday afternoon brought the trade deficit for the fourth quarter to \$26 billion at an annual rate (Census basis, c.i.f. value), somewhat more than in the third quarter but considerably smaller than deficits recorded earlier in the year. See the table below. Data on an international accounts basis will be released on Thursday, February 5.

The values of agricultural and nonagricultural exports were both slightly higher than in the third quarter (increases in automotive shipments to Canada and in gold offsetting declines in machinery and other industrial supplies).

The increase in imports in the fourth quarter was largely the result of higher oil imports. The volume of fourth quarter oil imports averaged 6.5 million barrels per day (including oil imported into the U.S. Virgin Islands) about 8 percent more than the very low third quarter rate. The price of imported oil averaged about 80 cents per barrel more than in the third quarter.

U.S. Merchandise Trade (in billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted, annual rates)

	C.	I.F. Valuati		
	Exports	Imports 1/	Balance 1/	International Accounts Balance
1979 - Year	181.6	218.9	-37.3	-29.5
1980 - Year	220.5	252.8	-32.3	n.a.
1980 - Q1	212.5	266.3	-53.8	-43.4
Q2	219.2	250.9	-31.8	-30.0
Q3	223.5	241.7	-18.2	-11.3
Q4	227.4	253.4	-26.0	n.a.
July Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.	216.9	239.1	-22.2	-5.8
	229.2	242.0	-12.7	-13.9
	224.4	244.1	-19.7	-14.2
	229.1	251.4	-22.3	-12.4
	223.6	243.6	-20.0	-25.0
	229.4	265.1	-35.7	n.a.

<sup>1/</sup> C.I.F. value