

FEDERAL RESERVE statistical release



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CONSUMER CREDIT December 2010

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Consumer credit increased at an annual rate of 2-1/2 percent in the fourth quarter. Revolving credit declined at an annual rate of 2-3/4 percent, and nonrevolving credit increased at an annual rate of 5-1/2 percent. In December, consumer credit increased 3 percent at an annual rate.

CONSUMER CREDIT OUTSTANDING¹

Seasonally adjusted

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010 ^P	2009	2010						
						Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4 ^P	Oct ^r	Nov ^r	Dec ^P
Percent change at annual rate²													
Total	4.1	5.8	1.5	-4.4	-1.6	-5.5	-3.9	-3.3	-1.7	2.6	3.9	1.0	3.0
Revolving	5.0	8.1	1.7	-9.6	-7.5	-12.4	-11.6	-7.3	-9.4	-2.8	-6.7	-5.0	3.5
Nonrevolving ³	3.6	4.4	1.5	-1.2	1.7	-1.7	0.3	-1.2	2.2	5.4	9.2	4.0	2.8
Amount: billions of dollars													
Total	2,384.8	2,522.2	2,561.1	2,449.4	2,410.4	2,449.4	2,425.3	2,405.1	2,394.6	2,410.4	2,402.3	2,404.3	2,410.4
Revolving	871.0	941.8	957.5	865.8	800.5	865.8	840.7	825.4	806.1	800.5	801.6	798.2	800.5
Nonrevolving ³	1,513.8	1,580.4	1,603.6	1,583.5	1,609.9	1,583.5	1,584.6	1,579.7	1,588.5	1,609.9	1,600.8	1,606.1	1,609.9

TERMS OF CREDIT AT COMMERCIAL BANKS AND FINANCE COMPANIES⁴

Percent except as noted: not seasonally adjusted

Institution, terms, and type of loan

Commercial banks

Interest rates

48-mo. new car	7.72	7.77	7.02	6.72	6.21	6.55	6.45	6.26	6.24	5.87	n.a.	5.87	n.a.
24-mo. personal	12.41	12.38	11.37	11.10	10.87	11.20	10.83	11.00	10.71	10.94	n.a.	10.94	n.a.
Credit card plan													
All accounts	13.21	13.30	12.08	13.40	13.78	13.60	14.26	13.84	13.59	13.44	n.a.	13.44	n.a.
Accounts assessed interest	14.73	14.68	13.57	14.31	14.26	14.37	14.67	14.48	14.22	13.67	n.a.	13.67	n.a.

New car loans at auto finance companies

Interest Rates	4.99	4.87	5.52	3.82	4.26	3.47	4.31	4.09	4.08	4.57	4.52	4.63	4.55
Maturity (months)	63.0	62.0	63.4	62.0	63.0	63.9	62.9	62.9	63.8	62.5	63.4	62.8	61.3
Loan-to-Value Ratio	94	95	91	90	86	92	89	87	87	82	83	82	82
Amount financed (dollars)	26,620	28,287	26,178	28,272	27,959	31,109	28,444	27,888	28,081	27,423	27,576	27,433	27,260

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CONSUMER CREDIT OUTSTANDING

(Billions of dollars)

Not seasonally adjusted

						2009		2010					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010 ^D	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4 ^D	Oct ^F	Nov ^F	Dec ^D
Total	2,416.0	2,555.3	2,594.1	2,478.9	2,437.8	2,478.9	2,406.9	2,386.5	2,407.6	2,437.8	2,411.2	2,416.0	2,437.8
<i>Major holders</i>													
Total	2,416.0	2,555.3	2,594.1	2,478.9	2,437.8	2,478.9	2,406.9	2,386.5	2,407.6	2,437.8	2,411.2	2,416.0	2,437.8
Commercial banks	741.2	804.1	878.6	855.3	1,100.7	855.3	1,149.2	1,133.7	1,115.3	1,100.7	1,108.0	1,110.7	1,100.7
Finance companies	534.4	584.1	575.8	487.8	519.0	487.8	536.9	527.1	517.7	519.0	494.3	491.5	519.0
Credit unions	234.5	235.7	236.2	237.2	227.5	237.2	228.0	225.8	224.9	227.5	227.4	227.5	227.5
Federal government ⁵	91.7	98.4	111.0	186.0	317.1	186.0	209.8	222.6	280.3	317.1	312.1	315.7	317.1
Savings institutions	95.5	90.8	86.3	77.5	83.3	77.5	78.0	80.6	82.1	83.3	82.6	82.9	83.3
Nonfinancial business	57.6	58.6	59.8	57.2	56.3	57.2	53.5	52.8	52.4	56.3	52.3	53.2	56.3
Pools of securitized assets ^{6,7}	661.1	683.7	646.4	577.9	133.9	577.9	151.4	143.8	134.9	133.9	134.5	134.3	133.9
<i>Major types of credit</i>													
Revolving	900.2	973.2	989.1	894.0	826.6	894.0	829.0	816.6	806.1	826.6	802.8	807.2	826.6
Commercial banks	327.3	353.4	390.6	362.4	617.1	362.4	630.0	616.7	603.7	617.1	598.6	601.0	617.1
Finance companies	79.9	86.0	74.4	46.4	72.0	46.4	65.9	65.9	67.2	72.0	68.6	69.9	72.0
Credit unions	27.4	31.1	33.4	35.4	36.3	35.4	34.3	34.9	35.3	36.3	35.5	35.8	36.3
Federal government ⁵	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Savings institutions	42.5	44.8	39.6	38.1	46.0	38.1	41.0	43.1	45.3	46.0	45.5	45.8	46.0
Nonfinancial business	8.7	7.9	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.2	8.2	8.4	8.8	8.4	8.5	8.8
Pools of securitized assets ^{6,7}	414.4	450.0	442.4	402.8	46.4	402.8	49.7	47.8	46.2	46.4	46.2	46.3	46.4
Nonrevolving	1,515.8	1,582.1	1,605.1	1,584.9	1,611.3	1,584.9	1,577.9	1,569.9	1,601.5	1,611.3	1,608.4	1,608.8	1,611.3
Commercial banks	413.9	450.7	488.1	492.9	483.7	492.9	519.2	517.0	511.6	483.7	509.4	509.7	483.7
Finance companies	454.5	498.0	501.3	441.3	447.0	441.3	471.0	461.2	450.5	447.0	425.7	421.6	447.0
Credit unions	207.1	204.6	202.8	201.7	191.1	201.7	193.7	190.9	189.6	191.1	191.9	191.8	191.1
Federal government ⁵	91.7	98.4	111.0	186.0	317.1	186.0	209.8	222.6	280.3	317.1	312.1	315.7	317.1
Savings institutions	53.1	46.0	46.8	39.5	37.4	39.5	37.0	37.5	36.8	37.4	37.0	37.2	37.4
Nonfinancial business	48.9	50.7	51.1	48.4	47.5	48.4	45.3	44.6	44.1	47.5	43.9	44.7	47.5
Pools of securitized assets ^{6,7}	246.7	233.6	204.0	175.1	87.5	175.1	101.7	96.0	88.7	87.5	88.3	88.0	87.5

1. Covers most short- and intermediate-term credit extended to individuals, excluding loans secured by real estate.

2. The series for consumer credit outstanding and its components may contain breaks that result from discontinuities in source data. Percent changes are adjusted to exclude the effect of such breaks. In addition percent changes are at a simple annual rate and are calculated from unrounded data.

3. Includes automobile loans and all other loans not included in revolving credit, such as loans for mobile homes, education, boats, trailers, or vacations. These loans may be secured or unsecured.

4. Interest rates are annual percentage rates (APR) as specified by the Federal Reserve's Regulation Z. Interest rates for new-car loans and personal loans at commercial banks are simple unweighted averages of each bank's most common rate charged during the first calendar week of the middle month of each quarter. For credit card accounts, the rate for *all accounts* is the stated APR averaged across all credit card accounts at all reporting banks. The rate for *accounts assessed interest* is the annualized ratio of total finance charges at all reporting banks to the total average daily balances against which the finance charges were assessed (excludes accounts for which no finance charges were assessed). Finance company data are from the subsidiaries of the three major U.S. automobile manufacturers and are volume-weighted averages covering all loans of each type purchased during the month.

5. Data for the Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) are included in the Federal government sector until the completion of Sallie Mae's privatization in 2004:Q4 and in the Finance company sector thereafter.

6. Outstanding balances of pools upon which securities have been issued; these balances are no longer carried on the balance sheets of the loan originators.

7. The shift of consumer credit from pools of securitized assets to other categories is largely due to financial institutions' implementation of the FAS 166/167 accounting rules.

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