## Calendar of Releases

### MONDAY*

**March 13**
- Retail Sales (Feb)
  - Actual: –1.3%
  - Previous: –0.7%

**March 20**
- Leading Indicators (Feb)
  - Forecast: –0.3%
  - Previous: –0.3%

### TUESDAY

**March 14**
- Business Inventories (Jan)
  - Actual: 0.4%
  - Previous: 0.3%

**March 21**
- PPI (Feb)
  - Forecast: –0.1%
  - Previous: –0.1%

### WEDNESDAY

**March 15**
- Current Account (Q4)
  - Actual: –$224.9B
  - Previous: –$215.0B

**March 22**
- Initial Claims (3/18)
  - Forecast: 300K
  - Previous: 295K

### THURSDAY*

**March 16**
- Current Economic Conditions (Beige Book)

**March 23**
- Initial Claims (3/18)
  - Forecast: 300K
  - Previous: 295K

### FRIDAY

**March 17**
- Industrial Production (Feb)
  - Actual: 0.7%
  - Previous: 0.7%

**March 24**
- New Home Sales (Feb)
  - Forecast: 1200K
  - Previous: 1200K

### Definitions
- A: actual value; P: previous week’s forecast; F: current week’s forecast; K: thousand; M: million; B: billion.

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1. Unless otherwise indicated, figure and table data are weekly and seasonally adjusted.
2. For pages 7, 10, 12 (top chart), 13, and 18 (top and bottom right tables), the last observation is a daily average that incorporates all available data at the time of publication, which usually includes observations for the first three trading days of the week (Monday through Wednesday). The previous observations signify that week’s average.

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Adjusted Monetary Base
Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

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**Adjusted Reserves**

Compounded annual rates of change, average of two maintenance periods ending:

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Yields on Selected Securities
Averages of Daily Figures

Percent

Prime Rate

Corporate Aaa

2-Year Swap

Commercial Paper

10-Year Treasury

Federal Funds Rate

Intended Federal Funds Rate

3-Month Treasury
10-Year Treasury Note Yield
Averages of Daily Figures
Percent

10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield
Averages of Daily Figures
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10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield Spread
Averages of Daily Figures
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Rates on Federal Funds Futures Contracts

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Rates on Federal Funds Futures on Selected Dates

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Dow Jones Industrial Average and NASDAQ Composite

Averages of Daily Figures

Closing Price

February 5, 1971 = 100

NASDAQ (right scale)

Dow Jones (left scale)

Wilshire 5000 and Standard & Poor's 500

Averages of Daily Figures

January 2, 1980 = 1078.29

1941-43 = 10

*S&P® (right scale)

Wilshire** (left scale)

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Crude Oil Spot Prices
West Texas Intermediate, Averages of Daily Figures
Dollars per barrel

Crude Oil Futures Prices
West Texas Intermediate
Dollars per barrel

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Natural Gas Spot Prices
Henry Hub, Averages of Daily Figures

Dollars per million btu

Note: Spot prices for Henry Hub were temporarily suspended from Friday, September 23, 2005, through Thursday, October 6, 2005, due to Hurricane Rita.

Natural Gas Futures Prices
Henry Hub

Dollars per million btu

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Trade-Weighted Exchange Rate Indexes
Averages of Daily Figures

March 1973=100

Broad Index (right scale)

Major Index (left scale)

Exchange Rates
Averages of Daily Figures

Euro/US$

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Yen/US$

124

Japan (right scale)

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Currency Component of M1
Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

Billions of dollars

Savings and Small Time Deposits
Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

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Small Time (left scale)

Savings (right scale)
Large Time Deposits and Retail Money Funds
Averages of Daily Figures, Seasonally Adjusted

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Large Time (left scale)

Retail Money (right scale)

Total Borrowings from Federal Reserve Banks
Averages of Daily Figures

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## Money Stock and Components

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Definitions

M1: The sum of currency held outside the vaults of depository institutions, Federal Reserve Banks, and the U.S. Treasury; travelers checks; and demand and other checkable deposits issued by financial institutions (except demand deposits due to the Treasury and depository institutions), minus cash items in process of collection and Federal Reserve float.

M2: M1 plus savings deposits (including money market deposit accounts) and small-denomination (less than $100,000) time deposits issued by financial institutions; and shares in retail money market mutual funds (funds with initial investments of less than $50,000), net of retirement accounts.

M3: M2 plus large-denomination ($100,000 or more) time deposits; repurchase agreements issued by depository institutions; Eurodollar deposits, specifically, dollar-denominated deposits due to nonbank U.S. addresses held at foreign offices of U.S. banks worldwide and all banking offices in Canada and the United Kingdom; and institutional money market mutual funds (funds with initial investments of $50,000 or more).

Notes

Cover Page: Economic forecasts are median responses from the Thomson Financial Weekly Economic Survey, which is sent out to 20 to 25 Wall Street economists each week (usually on Tuesday). These forecasts are released on Friday—at which time, Thursday’s USFD cover page will be updated.

Page 3: Adjusted Monetary Base equals the sum of currency in circulation outside Federal Reserve Banks and the U.S. Treasury, deposits of depository financial institutions at Federal Reserve Banks, and an adjustment for the effects of changes in statutory reserve requirements on the quantity of base money held by depositories. This series is a spliced chain index; see Anderson and Rasche (1996a, 1996b, 2001, 2003).

Page 4: Adjusted Reserves is defined as the sum of vault cash and Federal Reserve Bank deposits held by depository institutions and an adjustment for the effects of changes in statutory reserve requirements on the quantity of base money held by depositories. This series, a spliced chain index, is numerically larger than the Board of Governors’ measure, which excludes vault cash not used to satisfy statutory reserve requirements and Federal Reserve Bank deposits used to satisfy required clearing balance contracts; see Anderson and Rasche (1996a, 2001, 2003).

Page 5: MZM includes the zero maturity, or immediately available, components of M3. MZM equals M2 minus small-denomination time deposits, plus institutional money market mutual funds (that is, the money market mutual funds included in M3 but excluded from M2). The label MZM, or “Money, Zero Maturity,” was coined by William Poole (1991) for this aggregate, proposed earlier by Motley (1988). Readers are cautioned that since early 1994 the level and growth of M1 have been depressed by retail sweep programs that reclassify transactions deposits (demand deposits and other checkable deposits) as savings deposits overnight, thereby reducing banks’ required reserves; see Anderson and Rasche (2001) and research.stlouisfed.org/aggreg/swdata.html.

Page 7: Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board’s H.15 release, except for the Intended Federal Funds Rate. Federal Funds Rate represents seven-day averages for the week ending two days earlier than the date shown in the release.

Page 8: 10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield is the most recently issued inflation-indexed bond of 10-year original maturity. 10-Year Inflation-Indexed Treasury Yield Spread equals the difference between the yield on the most recently issued 10-year inflation-indexed bond and the unadjusted 10-Year Treasury Note Yield of similar maturity.

Page 9: Rates on Federal Funds Futures Contracts trace through time the yield on three-specific contracts. Rates on Federal Funds Futures on Selected Dates displays a single day’s snapshot of yields for contracts expiring in the months shown on the horizontal axis.

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Page 13: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board’s H.10 release. The Major Index comprises 7 currencies. The Broad Index comprises the Major Index plus 19 additional currencies. Further details may be found at www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h10/summary.

Page 14: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board’s H.6 release. Savings Deposits is the sum of money market deposit accounts and passbook and statement savings. Small Time Deposits have a minimum initial maturity of 7 days. Savings deposits and small time deposits are at all depository institutions.

Page 15: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board’s H.6 release. Large Time Deposits are deposits of $100,000 or more. Retail Money Funds are included in M2. Retail money funds were originally called general purpose and broker/ dealer money market funds. Large time deposits and retail money funds are at all depository institutions. As of January 9, 2003, Total Borrowings includes primary, secondary, and seasonal credit. Prior to that, borrowings include seasonal, adjustment, and extended credit.

Page 16: Data appear in the Federal Reserve Board’s H.8 release. Bank Loans and Credit include foreign-related institutions. Bank Credit includes loans and leases and securities. All Banks includes foreign-related institutions. Large Banks are domestically chartered banks (adjusted for mergers) and report on a weekly basis.


Page 18: Treasury Security yields are Treasury constant maturities as reported in the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System’s H.15 release. The 3-Month Treasury Bill yield is the secondary market yield from the H.15 release. Federal Funds represents seven-day averages for the week ending two days earlier than the date shown in the table. Municipal Bonds represents Bond Buyer’s Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data.

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