Summary of Key Monetary Policy Variables

Monthly	Inflation-control target (12-month rate)			Policy	instrument	t	Monetary of	conditions			ary aggreg		Inflation indi	cators				
	Target range	CPI	Core CPI	for ove rate	ing band rnight month)	Overnight money market rate	Monetary conditions index (January 1987=0)	90-day commercial paper rate	C-6 trade- weighted exchange rate (1992=100)	Gross M1	M1++	M2++	Yield spread between conventional and Real Return bonds	CPIX	CPIW	Unit labour costs	IPPI (finished products)	Average hourly earnings of permanent workers
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)
fp1996J F M A J J A S O N D	1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3	1.6 1.3 1.4 1.4 1.4 1.2 1.4 1.5 1.8 2.0 2.2	1.7 1.6 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.3 1.4 1.3 1.2 1.3 1.4	5.00 5.00 4.75 4.50 4.50 4.50 4.25 3.75 3.75 3.00 2.75 2.75	5.50 5.50 5.25 5.00 5.00 5.00 4.75 4.25 4.25 3.50 3.25 3.25	5.54 5.18 4.94 4.76 4.77 4.72 4.54 4.02 4.03 3.42 3.01 3.01	-4.10 -4.13 -3.97 -4.18 -4.41 -4.12 -4.82 -5.02 -5.10 -5.16 -5.69 -5.88	5.23 5.30 5.11 4.83 4.77 4.83 4.59 4.15 4.01 3.30 2.92 3.13	87.51 87.23 88.15 88.35 87.88 88.49 87.29 87.92 88.08 89.80 89.41 88.35	7.3 7.7 10.6 10.5 10.2 10.5 10.7 11.1 11.2 12.2 12.4 13.5	-0.2 1.0 2.4 1.9 3.0 3.3 2.8 2.9 2.8 3.6 4.6 5.8	5.1 5.9 6.4 6.5 6.8 6.4 6.1 6.3 6.3 6.9 7.9 7.6	3.07 3.20 3.24 3.27 3.29 3.36 3.24 3.09 3.17 2.98 2.78 3.00	1.8 1.5 1.6 1.6 1.7 1.7 1.6 1.8 1.8 1.9 2.2	1.4 1.3 1.3 1.4 1.4 1.4 1.3 1.4 1.6 1.7	1.0 1.5 1.1 0.7 1.0 1.1 0.4 0.6 -0.5	2.2 2.4 1.9 2.7 3.3 2.4 3.1 3.5 3.1 3.0 2.1 2.1	
1997 J F M A M J J A S O N D	1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3	2.1 2.2 2.0 1.7 1.5 1.7 1.7 1.9 1.6 1.5 0.8	1.6 1.5 1.7 1.8 1.6 2.1 1.5 1.5 1.7 0.9 0.8	2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.25 3.50 4.00	3.25 3.25 3.25 3.25 3.25 3.50 3.50 3.50 3.75 4.00 4.50	3.00 2.98 2.96 3.04 2.96 2.97 3.24 3.27 3.24 3.55 4.34	-5.11 -5.59 -5.58 -5.88 -5.95 -6.22 -5.29 -5.59 -5.67 -5.83 -5.17	3.15 3.12 3.28 3.44 3.27 3.67 3.63 3.64 3.91 4.14 4.80	90.36 89.15 88.73 87.52 87.78 87.07 88.48 87.78 87.99 86.84 85.82 85.84	15.8 16.7 15.6 15.4 16.2 15.1 16.3 16.9 15.2 15.0 15.7 14.1	6.5 7.3 7.7 7.6 7.3 7.0 6.9 7.2 6.4 5.6 5.7 5.0	7.4 7.5 7.7 7.8 7.8 7.6 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8	3.19 2.95 2.99 2.94 2.81 2.54 2.37 2.42 2.25 2.03 1.91 1.81	2.0 2.0 2.0 2.2 2.2 2.2 1.9 2.0 1.7 2.0 1.2	1.9 1.8 1.8 1.7 1.9 1.7 1.7 1.5 1.5	1.7 1.6 2.9 1.7 2.5 1.8 1.7 2.1 2.0 1.2 1.1	1.9 1.7 1.9 2.6 1.8 1.9 1.6 1.9 1.8 1.7 2.8 2.1	
J F M A A M J J A S O N D	1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3	1.1 1.0 0.9 0.8 1.1 1.0 1.0 0.8 0.7 1.0 1.2	1.1 1.4 1.2 1.0 1.2 0.8 1.1 1.2 1.2 1.2 1.4	4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50 4.50 5.50 5	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 6.00 5.75 5.50 5.25 5.25	4.28 4.71 4.68 4.73 4.74 4.74 4.77 4.72 5.73 5.23 4.95 5.11	-6.10 -4.88 -4.68 -5.12 -5.71 -6.39 -7.51 -6.87 -7.65 -7.70 -8.00	4.56 4.96 4.84 5.04 5.06 5.14 5.22 5.38 5.22 5.09 5.02	84.07 86.16 87.01 85.35 84.42 83.80 81.92 79.00 80.16 78.68 78.87 78.32	13.6 12.0 11.6 12.5 11.5 10.2 10.1 8.9 11.2 9.4 7.1 6.9	5.3 4.0 3.3 3.7 3.4 2.5 3.4 3.1 3.5 2.9 1.4 1.1	8.0 7.8 7.0 7.4 7.5 7.6 7.9 8.1 8.3 7.8 7.8 7.5	1.70 1.72 1.67 1.81 1.71 1.67 1.74 1.73 1.30 1.38 1.30	1.5 1.7 1.5 1.1 1.3 1.2 1.3 1.2 1.2 1.2 1.2	1.4 1.4 1.3 1.2 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3	1.8 1.8 0.3 2.0 1.2 1.0 1.4 0.8 0.4 1.1 0.8 1.0	2.9 2.8 1.5 1.5 2.2 2.8 3.3 3.3 3.0 4.5 3.7 3.1	1.8 1.5 1.4 1.4 1.6 2.2 1.9 2.0 1.9 2.1 1.7
1999 J F M A M J J A S O N D	1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3 1-3	0.6 0.7 1.0 1.7 1.6 1.8 2.1 2.6 2.3 2.2	1.0 0.9 1.2 1.4 1.7 1.6 1.6 1.9 1.6	4.75 4.75 4.50 4.50 4.25 4.25 4.25 4.25 4.25 4.25 4.25 4.25	5.25 5.25 5.00 5.00 4.75 4.75 4.75 4.75 4.75 5.00 5.00	4.99 5.00 4.99 4.78 4.59 4.60 4.61 4.62 4.58 4.61 4.77 4.76	-7.35 -6.62 -7.07 -6.34 -6.25 -6.07 -7.04 -6.78 -6.22 -6.20 -6.05 -5.46	5.01 5.04 4.85 4.80 4.71 4.86 4.91 4.83 5.05 5.05 5.27	79.89 81.59 80.96 82.88 83.32 83.41 80.88 81.61 83.08 82.61 82.98 83.90	7.8 7.9 7.9 7.1 6.7 6.7 5.8 7.5 6.2 7.3 9.5	1.7 2.4 2.6 3.0 3.3 3.2 3.6 4.5 5.0 5.7 6.2	6.7 6.6 7.4 6.4 6.2 6.1 6.0 6.5 6.7 6.8	1.13 1.30 1.20 1.32 1.50 1.60 1.72 1.65 1.86 2.31 2.06 2.22	0.9 0.9 1.1 1.4 1.5 1.6 1.6 1.9 1.6	1.1 1.3 1.6 1.5 1.5 1.6 1.6 1.7	-0.5 0.1 -0.3 -0.3 0.1 -0.6 0.2 -0.2	2.7 1.9 4.4 3.1 2.1 1.6 2.3 1.8 2.3 0.6 0.1	1.6 1.9 2.4 2.2 2.1 2.1 2.5 2.9 2.5 2.6 2.7 3.1

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Major Financial and Economic Indicators

			Rates o	f change	based on	seasonal	ly adjusted	data, percentage	rates unless oth	nerwise indicated	i						
	Year, quarter		Money	and cred	lit							Output and employment					
	and month		Monetary aggregates			Business cre	Business credit		Household credit		GDP at constant	GDP by	Employment (Labour	Un-			
			Gross M1	M1+	M1++	M2+	M2++	Short-term business credit	Total business credit	Consumer credit	Residential mortgages	- current prices	prices (\$ millions, quarterly)	industry (\$ millions, monthly)		employment rate	
			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	
	1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999		12.2 4.7 2.7 1.4 2.6 6.1 9.4 12.6 6.0 10.7 15.7 10.3	13.1 2.5 6.5 5.1 5.0 4.3 5.1 8.1 0.5 7.6 10.8 7.0	12.8 6.6 9.9 8.0 3.0 0.2 -0.8 1.1 -2.7 2.8 6.7 3.1	11.5 9.5 14.0 11.7 8.6 5.6 3.7 2.0 4.1 4.2 0.8 -0.5	11.2 12.3 11.6 9.2 7.9 7.1 6.9 8.2 4.6 6.5 7.7	5.0 12.2 12.3 7.6 0.9 -3.3 -7.0 2.0 5.6 1.9 8.0 11.8	9.2 10.3 11.1 9.6 3.4 2.0 0.4 5.0 5.0 5.1 9.2	12.0 14.1 12.4 9.8 2.6 0.3 2.9 7.0 6.3 7.2 9.7 10.1	17.0 16.7 15.4 14.2 8.2 8.9 7.9 6.6 3.7 4.1 5.5 5.0	9.0 9.6 7.3 3.3 0.8 2.2 3.8 5.9 5.2 3.3 4.8 2.5	4.1 4.9 2.5 0.3 -1.9 0.9 2.3 4.7 2.8 1.7 4.0 3.1	4.1 4.7 2.0 -1.6 0.9 2.2 4.5 2.7 1.4 4.2 2.9	2.7 3.2 2.1 0.6 -1.9 -0.6 1.3 2.1 1.6 1.3 1.9 2.8 2.7	8.9 7.8 7.5 8.1 10.4 11.3 11.2 10.4 9.5 9.7 9.2 8.3 7.6	
Annual rates	1995 II II IV	Ι	7.7 9.5 9.1	-1.8 3.2 5.0	-1.6 3.2 3.0	4.5 6.1 2.9	3.6 7.1 4.3	3.7 6.1 0.6	4.6 6.4 4.6	2.9 7.8 7.2	1.4 3.0 4.1	3.4 2.4 2.7	-0.3 0.8 1.9	0.3 0.9 -0.1	0.3 0.8 1.0	9.5 9.5 9.4	
	1996 I II IV	I	7.8 15.3 11.9 16.0	9.5 14.1 5.0 12.6	-0.3 5.2 3.4 10.7	5.8 4.3 1.3 3.4	8.2 6.6 5.8 9.4	1.5 -0.6 3.3 2.5	4.3 4.7 6.2 6.4	7.0 7.4 8.0 9.7	4.1 5.3 3.8 5.7	1.1 4.9 6.1 5.5	1.0 1.6 4.2 2.9	1.3 1.8 3.7 3.1	2.8 0.4 0.8 1.3	9.5 9.6 9.8 9.9	
	1997 I II II IV	I	21.2 13.5 14.0 11.3	14.7 10.0 6.6 8.9	9.5 5.8 1.8 4.8	1.9 -1.2 -3.2 -1.7	8.5 7.5 6.0 8.1	6.8 12.9 15.1 17.8	10.4 10.7 10.7 14.8	11.1 9.5 8.5 12.6	7.0 5.4 4.3 4.6	4.8 3.5 5.1 3.2	4.2 4.3 5.8 3.2	5.1 4.6 5.9 2.9	1.3 3.6 3.8 1.2	9.5 9.4 9.0 8.9	
	1998 I II IV	I	10.8 9.4 8.7 2.5	9.8 4.4 4.4 1.5	4.5 1.8 2.4 -1.3	-0.2 -1.6 3.2 3.3	8.9 6.9 8.5 6.5	11.7 10.4 7.8 0.8	9.1 8.3 10.1 3.3	12.4 10.2 6.6 4.9	4.7 5.1 5.7 6.4	2.0 1.4 5.0	2.8 1.1 2.6 4.8	2.3 1.5 1.3 4.9	3.3 2.6 1.9 5.1	8.6 8.4 8.3 8.0	
	1999 I II II IV	Ι	11.1 5.2 7.5	8.8 6.8 6.6	6.1 5.8 7.1	4.2 2.8 7.6	5.8 4.1 9.3	1.0 -5.7 2.0	3.3 0.7 6.1	6.5 9.9 8.1	4.8 5.3 7.2	7.2 6.0 8.2	4.1 3.1 4.7	4.6 3.5 5.0	3.7 -0.2 1.5 4.8	7.8 8.0 7.6 7.0	
Last three months			11.9	10.8	7.6	8.8	10.9	2.3	5.4	6.2	6.4			4.4	4.8	6.9	
Monthly rates	1998 D	,	0.4	-0.5	-	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.4			0.5	0.2	8.0	
	1999 J F M A M J J A S O N D		2.1 0.2 1.0 0.3 0.4 -0.1 -2.5 0.3 0.6 1.4	2.0 0.6 0.1 1.3 0.6 -1.0 0.6 2.0 0.6 0.4 0.7	1.3 0.3 0.9 0.5 -0.4 0.9 1.2 0.3 0.5 0.3	0.2 0.5 0.7 -0.2 0.3 0.1 0.6 1.3 0.6	0.3 0.6 0.6 0.4 0.3 0.7 1.3 0.9 0.4	0.8 -1.1 -0.6 -0.9 -0.5 -0.6 0.7 -0.1	0.5 -0.2 0.1 -0.1 0.4 0.2 0.9 0.4 0.3 0.5 0.3	0.3 0.7 1.0 0.6 0.7 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.6 0.4	0.4 0.1 0.6 0.4 0.5 0.8 0.4 0.6 0.2			0.4 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.3 0.5 0.5 0.5	0.6 0.1 -0.2 0.1 -0.1 -0.3 -0.4 0.5 0.4 0.5	7.8 7.8 7.8 8.3 8.1 7.6 7.7 7.8 7.5 7.2 6.9	

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		Prices	and costs			Wage settlements			f Canada	Securities r	Year,				
Capacity utilization rate		CPI	Core CPI	GDP chain	Unit labour	Public sector	Private sector	commodity price index (unadjusted)		Treasury bills	Canada 10-year	Canada 30-year	quarter and month		
Total non-farm, goods- producing industries	Manufacturing industries	-	CFI	CFI	CPI	price index	costs	Sector	sector	Total	Non- energy	3-month	benchmark bonds	Real Return Bonds	month
(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)			
85.1 86.2 84.4 81.5 78.8 78.4 80.2 82.6 81.7 81.6 83.8 83.2	83.2 82.6 80.8 77.8 74.4 76.0 79.7 83.1 83.2 82.4 83.7 83.8	4.4 4.0 5.0 4.8 5.6 1.5 1.8 0.2 2.2 1.6 0.9	4.3 3.9 4.8 4.0 3.6 1.6 1.7 1.6 2.3 1.5 1.5	4.8 4.6 5.1 3.4 2.9 1.3 1.5 1.4 2.3 1.7 1.1	4.6 5.0 5.6 4.9 4.4 1.6 -0.5 -1.8 0.7 0.9 1.6 1.1	4.1 4.0 5.2 5.6 3.4 2.0 0.6 0.7 0.5 1.2	3.8 5.0 5.2 5.7 4.3 2.5 0.8 1.2 1.4 1.7 1.8	10.4 10.9 5.9 0.6 -11.2 -0.3 0.5 3.3 8.3 3.8 -3.7 -15.3 6.8	11.7 20.4 3.1 -5.2 -11.8 0.6 3.0 7.5 11.1 -1.2 -4.3 -12.6 1.6	8.41 10.92 12.23 11.51 7.43 7.01 3.87 7.14 5.54 2.85 3.99 4.66 4.85	10.02 10.17 9.56 10.34 8.32 7.86 6.57 9.07 7.11 6.37 5.61 4.89 6.18	4.45 4.62 3.78 4.92 4.42 4.09 4.14 4.11 4.01	1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999		
81.8 80.8 80.3	83.2 82.1 81.4	2.9 0.9 0.8	2.4 1.9 1.4	3.5 1.9 0.8	2.4 3.1 1.1	0.8 0.4 0.7	1.3 1.2 1.7	3.9 16.7 8.3	-0.9 32.5 5.2	6.73 6.58 5.54	7.81 7.89 7.11	4.42 4.73 4.42	1995 II III IV		
80.6 81.3 82.4 82.1	81.5 82.6 83.3 82.2	1.2 3.1 0.6 3.4	0.8 1.5 1.8 2.1	0.4 3.4 1.5 2.6	-1.4 0.4 0.9 4.4	0.2 0.6 0.5 0.8	1.3 1.6 1.8 2.0	-7.5 9.9 -2.5 10.3	-20.2 6.9 -5.3 -7.0	5.02 4.70 3.86 2.85	7.64 7.77 7.16 6.37	4.90 4.81 4.58 4.09	1996 I II III IV		
82.7 83.5 84.7 84.4	82.8 83.1 84.7 84.0	1.4 0.9 1.4 0.5	1.2 2.0 0.6 0.6	0.7 - -0.4	1.3 2.4 -0.3 -0.7	1.0 0.8 0.9 1.7	2.2 1.9 1.5 1.8	-5.3 -14.8 -6.1 -11.0	-3.3 4.4 -8.3 -23.9	3.14 2.86 2.86 3.99	6.59 6.14 5.70 5.61	4.25 4.19 4.01 4.14	1997 I II III IV		
84.0 83.4 82.4 83.0	84.1 83.9 82.7 84.5	1.4 1.0 1.0 1.0	1.2 1.3 1.5 1.2	-1.1 1.5 -1.5 -1.5	4.1 1.7 -1.2 -0.6	1.8 1.7 1.2 1.7	2.3 1.6 1.7 1.9	-29.2 -4.8 -16.9 -11.7	-16.3 1.3 -17.4 -13.1	4.59 4.87 4.91 4.66	5.34 5.35 4.95 4.89	4.03 3.85 4.02 4.11	1998 I II III IV		
83.7 84.2 86.0	84.9 85.5 87.6	0.4 3.1 2.6	0.3 2.8 1.7	2.2 5.0 2.8	-0.6 1.1 -0.2	1.3 2.4 2.4	2.2 2.4 2.3	6.0 32.9 34.1 15.6	10.2 13.5 13.8 1.8	4.63 4.56 4.66 4.85	5.05 5.46 5.77 6.18	4.16 4.03 4.05 4.01	1999 I II III IV		
		2.6	1.5		-0.2			15.6	1.8	4.85	6.18	4.01			
		-	-		0.1			-2.1	-1.0	4.66	4.89	4.11	1998 D		
		-0.1 0.3 0.5 0.1 0.1 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.1	-0.1 0.3 0.3 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.1		-0.5 0.7 -0.3 0.3 -0.3 0.1 -0.3 0.6			2.4 -0.1 2.2 2.5 4.1 1.6 4.7 -1.1 3.4 -2.3 5.8 0.8	2.0 1.4 -0.4 0.1 3.3 1.9 3.6 -3.9 0.1 -1.6 4.6 0.9	4.68 4.87 4.63 4.60 4.48 4.56 4.71 4.68 4.66 4.87 4.73 4.85	4.89 5.26 5.05 5.14 5.42 5.46 5.62 5.55 5.77 6.26 6.02 6.18	4.10 4.13 4.16 4.09 4.08 4.03 4.02 4.03 4.05 4.05 4.04 4.01	1999 J F M A M J J A S O N D		

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	Year, quarter and	Government surple deficit (-) on a national accounts		Balance of pay (as a percentag	ments e of GDP)	U.S. dollar, in Canadian dollars,	
	month	(as a percentage of Government of Canada	Total, all levels of government	Merchandise trade	Current account	average noon spot rate	
		(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)	(32)	
	1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999	-3.8 -3.5 -3.4 -4.1 -4.6 -4.2 -4.6 -3.7 -3.1 -1.3 0.9 1.1	-4.2 -3.1 -3.3 -4.5 -7.2 -8.0 -7.6 -5.6 -4.3 -1.8 0.8	2.2 1.8 1.2 1.6 1.0 1.3 1.8 2.6 4.4 5.0 2.7 2.1	-3.2 -3.0 -3.9 -3.4 -3.8 -3.6 -3.9 -2.3 -0.8 0.5 -1.6 -1.8	1.3260 1.2309 1.1842 1.1668 1.1458 1.2083 1.2898 1.3659 1.3726 1.3636 1.3844 1.4831	
Annual rates	1995 II III IV	-3.6 -2.9 -2.6	-4.6 -3.9 -3.7	3.7 4.2 5.3	-2.1 -0.8 0.7	1.3711 1.3555 1.3556	
	1996 I II III IV	-2.4 -1.7 -1.1 0.1	-3.4 -2.1 -1.5 -0.3	4.6 5.9 5.5 4.2	0.1 1.3 0.6 0.1	1.3691 1.3646 1.3701 1.3503	
	1997 I II III IV	0.1 0.6 1.4 1.7	-0.2 0.3 1.1 1.8	3.8 2.8 2.3 2.0	-0.6 -1.1 -2.7 -2.1	1.3582 1.3863 1.3846 1.4084	
	1998 I II III IV	1.0 1.3 1.1 0.9	0.8 1.1 0.8 0.9	2.0 1.7 2.5 2.2	-1.8 -2.0 -1.7 -1.8	1.4301 1.4470 1.5140 1.5423	
	1999 I II III IV	0.8 0.6 0.8	1.7 2.3 2.6	3.2 3.1 4.0	-0.7 -0.8 0.3	1.5116 1.4730 1.4860 1.4726	
Last three months						1.4726	
Monthly rates	1998 D					1.5422	
	1999 J F M A M J J A S O N D					1.5192 1.4973 1.5175 1.4874 1.4620 1.4691 1.4888 1.4923 1.4768 1.4773 1.4675 1.4733	

Notes to the Tables

Symbols used in the tables

- R Revised
- Value is zero or rounded to zero.

Note:

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- (1) In February 1991, the federal government and the Bank of Canada jointly announced a series of targets for reducing inflation to the midpoint of a range of 1 to 3 per cent by the end of 1995. In December 1993, this target range was extended to the end of 1998. In February 1998, it was extended again to the end of 2001.
- (2-3) Year-to-year percentage change in consumer price index (Table H8). The core CPI is the CPI excluding food, energy, and the effect of indirect taxes.
- (4–5) The *operating band* is the Bank of Canada's 50-basispoint target range for the average overnight rate paid by investment dealers to finance their money market inventory.
 - (6) The overnight money market financing rate is an estimate compiled by the Bank of Canada. This measure includes funding of the major money market dealers through general collateral buyback arrangements (repo) including special purchase and resale agreements with the Bank of Canada and funding through call loans and swapped foreign exchange funds. Prior to 1996, data exclude all repo activity with the exception of those arranged directly with the Bank of Canada. These latter have been included in the calculation since 1995.
 - (7) The *monetary conditions index* is a weighted sum of the changes in the 90-day commercial paper rate and the C-6 trade-weighted exchange rate (see technical note in the Winter 1998–1999 issue of the *Bank of Canada Review*, pages 125 and 126). The index is calculated as the change in the interest rate plus one-third of the percentage change in the exchange rate.

- The Bank does not try to maintain a precise MCI level in the short run. See *Monetary Policy Report*, May 1995, p.14.
- (8) *90-day commercial paper rate*. The rate shown is the Bank of Canada's estimate of operative market trading levels on the date indicated for major borrowers' paper.
- (9) The C-6 exchange rate is an index of the weighted-average foreign exchange value of the Canadian dollar against major foreign currencies. (See technical note in the Winter 1998–1999 issue of the *Bank of Canada Review*, pages 125 and 126.) Weights for each country are derived from Canadian merchandise trade flows with other countries over the three years from 1994 through 1996. The index has been based to 1992 (i.e., C-6 = 100 in 1992). The C-6 index broadens the coverage of the old G-10 index to include all the countries in the EMU.
- (10) Gross M1: Currency outside banks plus personal chequing accounts plus current accounts plus adjustments to M1 described in the notes to Table E1 (Bank of Canada Banking and Financial Statistics).
- (11) M1++: M1+ plus non-chequable notice deposits held at chartered banks, trust and mortgage loan companies, and credit unions and caisses populaires less interbank non-chequable notice deposits plus continuity adjustments.
- (12) M2++: M2+ plus Canada Savings Bonds plus cumulative net contributions to mutual funds other than Canadian dollar money market mutual funds (which are already included in M2+).
- (13) Yield spreads between *conventional* and *Real Return Bonds* are based on actual mid-market closing yields of the selected long-term bond issue. At times, some of the change in the yield that occurs over a reporting period may reflect switching to a more current issue. Yields for Real Return Bonds are midmarket closing yields for the last Wednesday of the month and are for the 4.25% bond maturing 1 December 2026. Prior to 7 December 1995, the benchmark bond was 4.25% maturing 1 December 2021.
- (14-15) CPIX excludes the eight most volatile components from the CPI as well as the effect of indirect taxes on the remaining components. CPIW adjusts each of the CPI basket weights by a factor that is inversely proportional to the component's variability. For

- more details, see Thérèse Laflèche, "Statistical measures of the trend rate of inflation." *Bank of Canada Review* (Autumn) 1997: 29–47.
- (16) *Unit labour costs* are defined as aggregate labour income per unit of output (real GDP at factor cost).
- (17) IPPI: Industrial product price index for finished products comprises the prices of finished goods that are most commonly used for immediate consumption or for capital investment.
- (18) Data for average hourly earnings of permanent workers are from Statistics Canada's *Labour Force Information* (Catalogue 71-001).

The majority of data in this table are based on, or derived from, series published in statistical tables in the *Bank of Canada Banking and Financial Statistics*. For each column in Table A2, a more detailed description is given below, as well as the source table in the *Banking and Financial Statistics*, where relevant.

Data for capacity utilization rates, columns 15 and 16, are obtained from the Statistics Canada quarterly publication *Industrial Capacity Utilization Rates in Canada* (Catalogue 31-003), which provides an overview of the methodology. *Non-farm goods-producing industries* include: logging and forestry; mines, quarries, and oil wells; manufacturing; electric power and gas utilities; and construction.

- (1) Gross M1: Currency outside banks plus personal chequing accounts plus current accounts plus adjustments to M1 described in the notes to Table E1.
- (2) M1+: Gross M1 plus chequable notice deposits held at chartered banks plus all chequable deposits at trust and mortgage loan companies, credit unions, and caisses populaires (excluding deposits of these institutions) plus continuity adjustments.
- (3) M1++: M1+ plus non-chequable notice deposits held at chartered banks, trust and mortgage loan companies, and credit unions and caisses populaires less interbank non-chequable notice deposits plus continuity adjustments.
- (4) M2+: M2 plus deposits at trust and mortgage loan companies and government savings institutions, deposits and shares at credit unions and caisses populaires, and life insurance company individual annuities and money market mutual funds plus adjustments to M2+ described in notes to Table E1.
- (5) M2++: M2+ plus Canada Savings Bonds plus cumulative net contributions to mutual funds other than Canadian dollar money market mutual funds (which are already included in M2+).
- (6) Short-term business credit (Table E2)
- (7) Total business credit (Table E2)
- (8) Consumer credit at monthly reporting institutions (Table E2)

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- (9) Residential mortgage credit (Table E2)
- (10) Gross domestic product in current prices (Table H1)
- (11) Gross domestic product at constant prices (Table H2)
- (12) Gross domestic product by industry (Table H4)
- (13) Civilian employment as per labour force survey (Table H5)
- (14) Unemployment as a percentage of the labour force (Table H5)
- (15) Capacity utilization rates, non-farm goodsproducing industries
- (16) Capacity utilization rates, manufacturing
- (17) Consumer price index (Table H8)
- (18) Consumer price index excluding food and energy and the effects of indirect taxes (Table H8)
- (19) Gross domestic product chain price index (Table H3)
- (20) Unit labour costs are defined as aggregate labour income per unit of output (real GDP at factor costs).
- (21-22) The data on wage settlements are published by Human Resources Development Canada and represent the effective annual increase in base wage rates for newly negotiated settlements. These data cover bargaining units with 500 or more employees. Contracts both with and without cost-of-living-allowance clauses are included.
- (23-24) Bank of Canada commodity price indexes: Total and total excluding energy (Table H9)
 - (25) *Treasury bills* are mid-market rates for typical quotes on the Wednesday shown.
- (26–27) Selected Government of Canada benchmark bond yields are based on actual mid-market closing yields of selected Canada bond issues that mature approximately in the indicated term areas. At times, some of the change in the yield occurring over a reporting period may reflect a switch to a more current issue. Yields for Real Return Bonds are midmarket closing yields for the last Wednesday of the month and are for the 4.25% bond maturing 1 December 2026. Prior to 7 December 1995, the benchmark bond was 4.25% maturing 1 December 2021.
- (28-29) The data on the government surplus or deficit on a national accounts basis are taken from Statistics Canada's *National Income and Expenditure Accounts* (Catalogue 13-001), where the government surplus or deficit is referred to as "net lending."
 - (30) Merchandise trade balance, balance of payments basis (Table J1)
 - (31) Current account balance, balance of payments basis (Table J1)
 - (32) U.S. dollar in Canadian dollars, average noon spot rate (Table I1)