

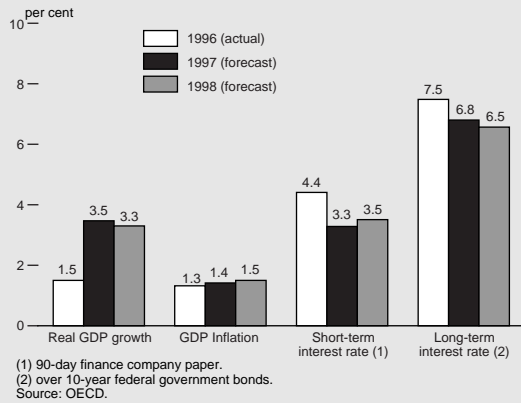
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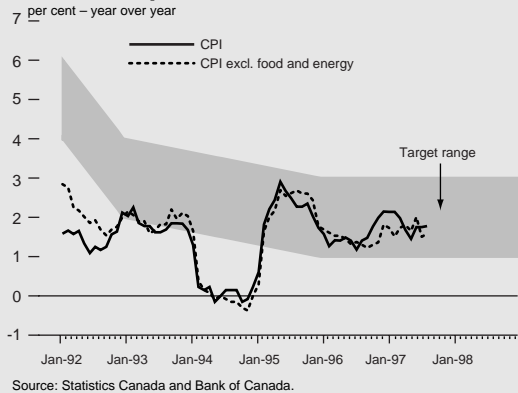
October 1997

Canadian Economy

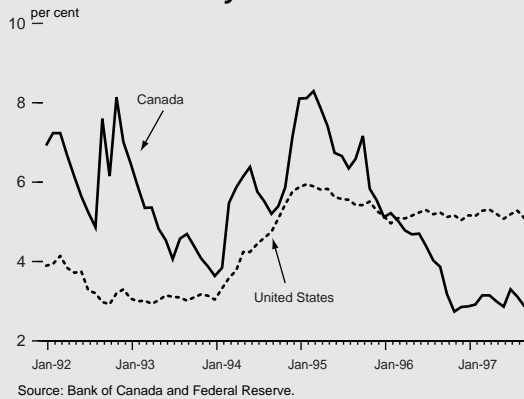
OECD economic forecast for Canada (June 1997)



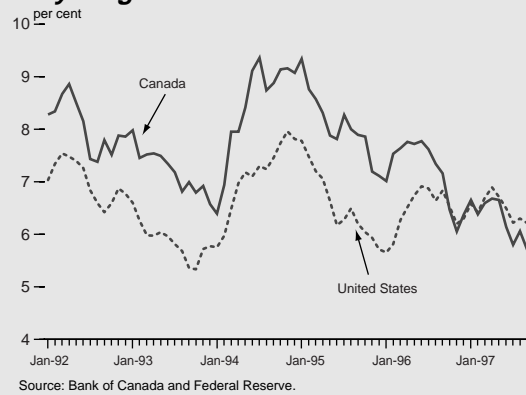
Consumer price index



3-month Treasury bill rates



10-year government bond rates



Upcoming economic data releases of interest

November

October Labour Force Survey
(November 7)

October CPI
(November 19)

December

1997Q3 National Accounts
(December 1)

November Labour Force Survey
(December 5)

November CPI
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January

December Labour Force Survey
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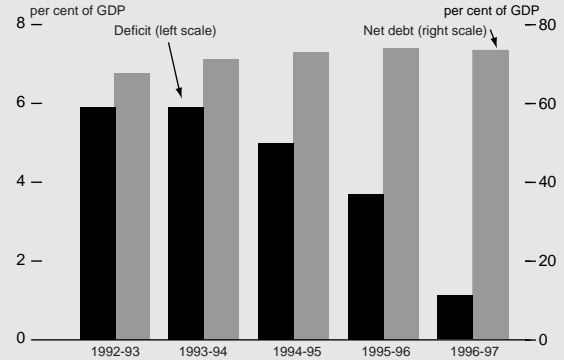
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Selected Canadian economic statistics

	1995	1996	1996		1997	
			Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Annualized growth rates						
Real gross domestic product	2.3	1.5	3.3	2.9	3.7	4.9
GDP excluding inventories	2.0	2.3	0.6	0.3	6.7	2.4
Final domestic demand	0.6	2.5	4.4	7.5	6.1	4.8
Employment	1.6	1.3	0.6	1.4	1.1	3.7
Other						
Unemployment rate	9.5	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.6	9.4
Current account balance (per cent of nominal GDP)	-1.0	0.5	0.8	-0.3	-0.4	-1.5

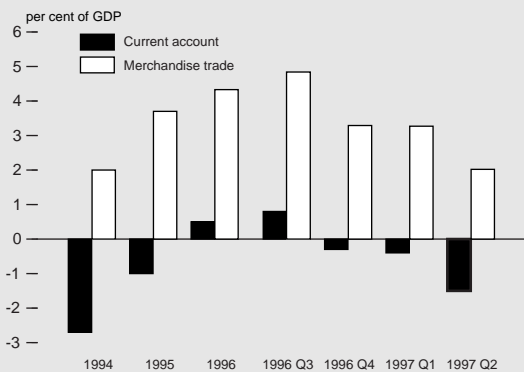
Source: Statistics Canada.

Government of Canada net debt and deficit

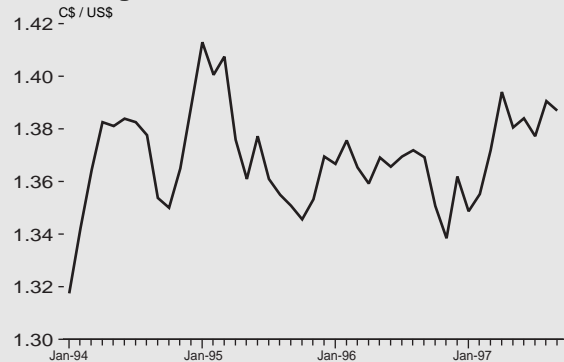


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Canada's current account balance and merchandise trade balance

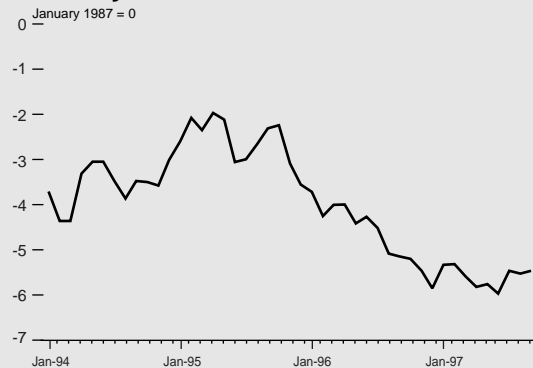


Exchange rate



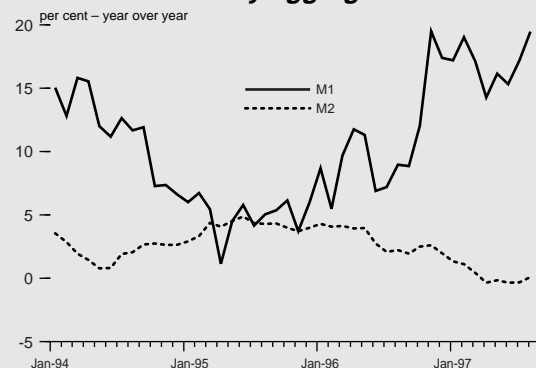
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Monetary conditions index



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Canadian monetary aggregates

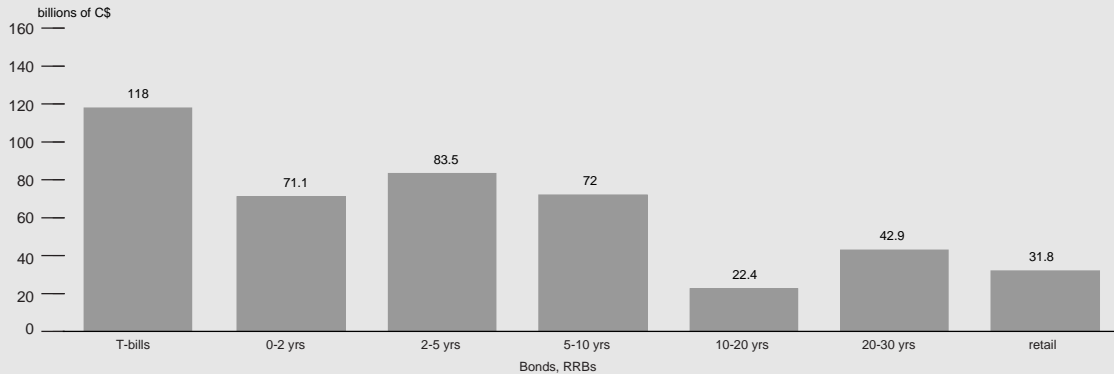


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Outstanding Government of Canada Treasury bills, bonds (by term maturity) and retail debt (as of October 8, 1997)



Recent Government of Canada bond auction results

Auction date	Term (years)	Maturity date	Coupon rate (%)	Issue amount (millions of dollars)	Average price	Average yield (%)	Auction coverage	Tail (basis points)
Jul 23/97	30	Jun 1/27	8.00	1,300	120.14	6.47	2.21	1.3
Aug 6/97	10	Jun 1/08	6.00	2,300	99.39	6.08	2.20	0.8
Aug 27/97	5	Sep 1/02	5.50	2,500	100.01	5.48	2.11	0.8
Sep 3/97	30	Dec 1/26	4.25*	400	100.33	4.23	2.87	n.a.
Sep 10/97	2	Sep 15/99	4.75	3,500	100.23	4.63	2.29	0.9

Coverage is defined as the ratio of total bids at auction to the amount auctioned.

Tail is defined as the high accepted yield minus the average yield.

*Real Return Bonds.

Source: Department of Finance.

Forthcoming Government of Canada bond auctions

Type of issue	Auction date (1997)	Further details of issue (1997)	Dated and delivered (1997)	Amount maturing (millions of dollars)
30-year auction*	October 29	October 23	November 3	—
10-year auction*	November 5	October 30	November 17	—
5-year auction*	November 26	November 20	December 1	—
RRB auction**	December 3	November 27	September 8	—
2-year auction*	December 10	December 4	December 15	—

*Quarterly issue.

**Single-price auction format.

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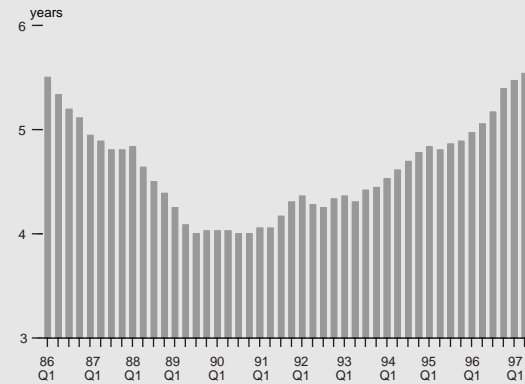
Government of Canada bond market benchmarks (October 8, 1997)

Term	Maturity	Coupon	Amount outstanding	Yield Oct.8/97
		(%)	(millions of dollars)	(%)
Fixed coupon				
2-year	Mar 15/99	4.75	7,000	4.40
5-year	Sep 1/01	7.00	10,600	5.31
10-year	Jun 1/07	7.25	9,500	6.00
30-year	Jun 1/27	8.00	8,400	6.58
Real return				
30-year	Dec 1/21	4.25	5,175	4.20

The normal bid-ask spread on these bonds is 5 cents.

Source: Department of Finance.

Average term to maturity of Government of Canada marketable debt



Forthcoming Government of Canada marketable bond maturities

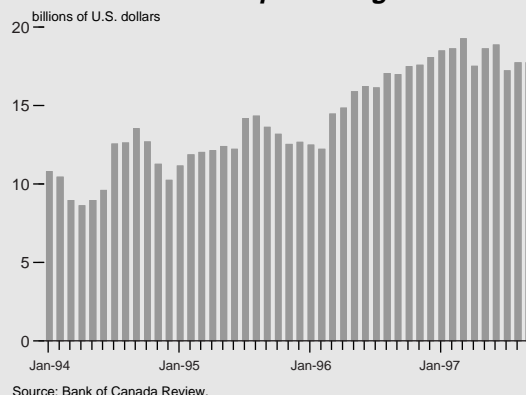
October-December 1997	January-March 1997	April-June 1998	July-September 1998	October-December 1998
(millions of dollars)				
2,775	14,722	0	12,800	10,475

Outstanding Government of Canada / U.S. dollar-denominated debt (as of September 30, 1997)

	(millions)
Canada Bills	US\$5,195
Canada Notes	US\$1,297
Outstanding under EMTN program	US\$443.9
Floating rate note maturing February 1999 (paying LIBOR less 25 basis points)	US\$2,000
6½% bonds maturing May 30, 2000	US\$1,500
6½% bonds maturing May 30, 2001	US\$1,000
6½% bonds maturing July 15, 2002	US\$1,000
6½% bonds maturing July 21, 2005	US\$1,500
6½% bonds maturing Aug 28, 2006	US\$1,000

Source: Department of Finance.

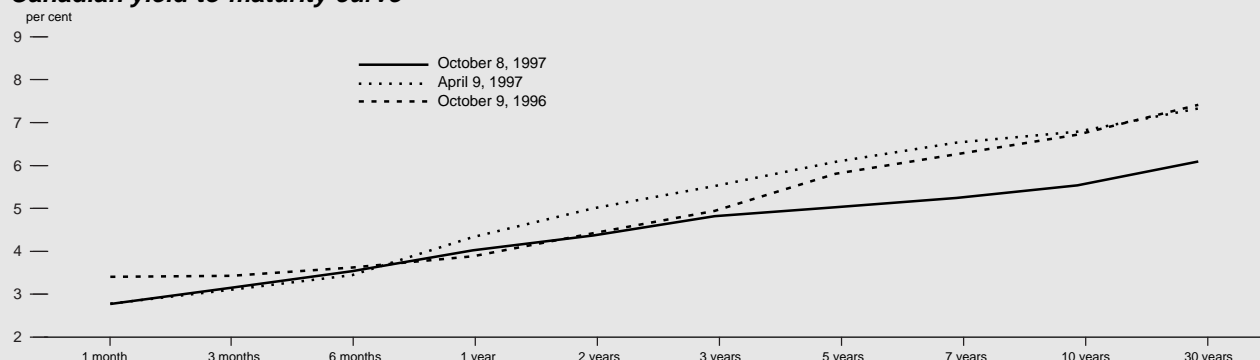
Canada's level of liquid foreign reserves



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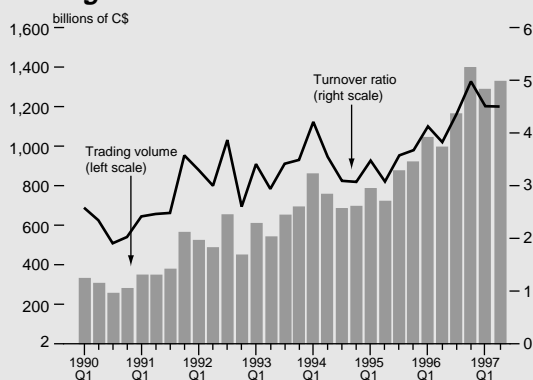
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Canadian yield-to-maturity curve



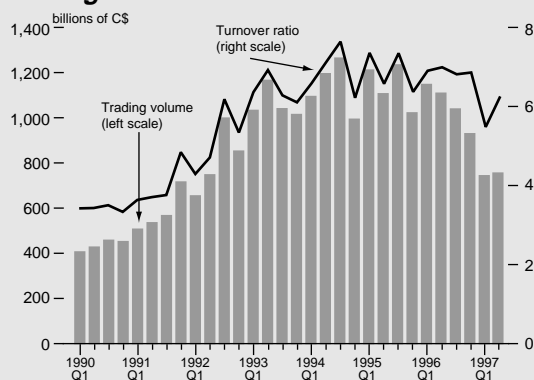
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Government of Canada bonds trading volume and turnover ratio



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Government of Canada Treasury bills trading volume and turnover ratio



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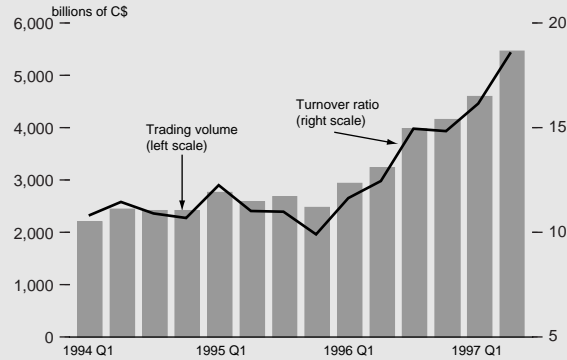
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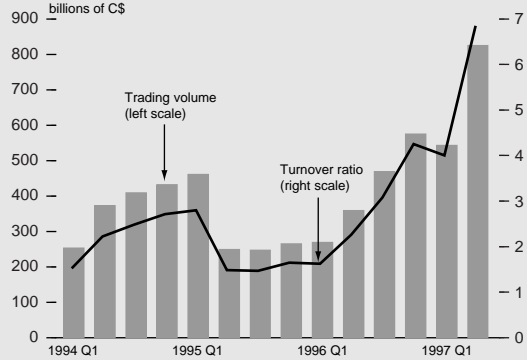
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Government of Canada bond repos trading volume and turnover ratio



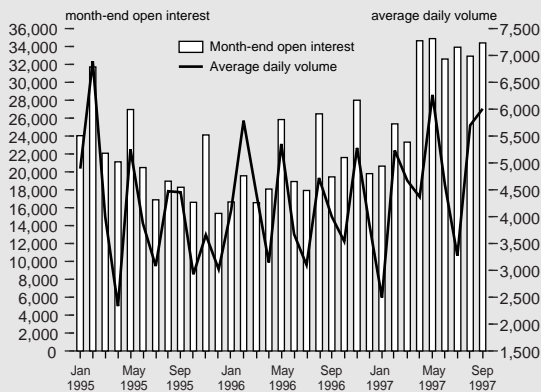
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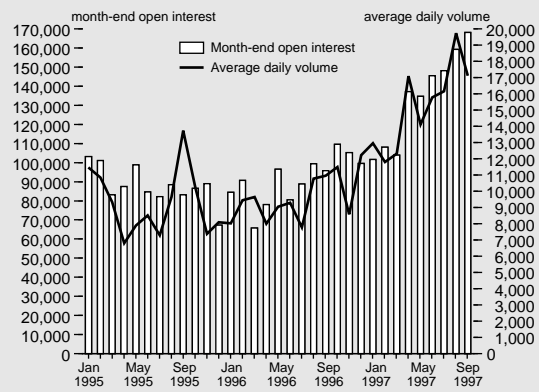
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10-year Government of Canada bond futures



Source: The Montreal Exchange.

3-month bankers acceptance futures



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Government of Canada long-term credit ratings (as of October 23, 1997)

	Standard and Poor's	Moody's Investor Service	Canadian Bond Rating Service	Dominion Bond Rating Service
Domestic Debt	AAA	Aa1	AA+	AAA
- Trend	Stable	-	Stable	Stable
Foreign Debt	AA+	Aa2	AA+	AA(high)
- Trend	Stable	-	Stable	Stable

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