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# Appendix C <br> Selected Interest Rates 

TABLE C-1
Dealer Paper Yields, End of Month, 1946-61
(per cent)

| Month | 1946 | 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 1.88 | 2.38 | 2.25 |
| February | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.38 | 2.25 |
| March | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.38 | 2.38 |
| April | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.25 | 2.50 |
| May | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.75 |
| June | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.75 |
| July | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.75 |
| August | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.38 | 1.50 | 2.12 | 2.25 | 2.75 |
| September | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.38 | 1.63 | 2.12 | 2.25 | 2.75 |
| October | 0.88 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.38 | 1.63 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.50 |
| November | 1.00 | 1.12 | 1.50 | 1.38 | 1.63 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 |
| December | 1.00 | 1.25 | 1.50 | 1.25 | 1.75 | 2.38 | 2.25 | 2.25 |
| Month | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 |
| January | 2.00 | 1.50 | 3.00 | 3.62 | 3.12 | 3.12 | 4.75 | 2.88 |
| February | 2.00 | 1.62 | 3.00 | 3.62 | 2.38 | 3.25 | 4.75 | 3.12 |
| March | 2.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 | 3.62 | 2.12 | 3.38 | 4.12 | 3.00 |
| April | 1.62 | 2.00 | 3.25 | 3.62 | 1.75 | 3.50 | 4.25 | 2.75 |
| May | 1.50 | 2.00 | 3.38 | 3.62 | 1.62 | 3.75 | 4.25 | 2.88 |
| June | 1.50 | 2.00 | 3.38 | 3.88 | 1.50 | 3.88 | 3.62 | 2.75 |
| July | 1.38 | 2.12 | 3.12 | 3.88 | 1.50 | 3.88 | 3.38 | 2.75 |
| August | 1.25 | 2.50 | 3.38 | 4.00 | 2.62 | 4.12 | 3.25 | 3.12 |
| September | 1.25 | 2.62 | 3.62 | 4.00 | 3.25 | 4.75 | 3.38 | 3.00 |
| October | 1.25 | 2.75 | 3.62 | 4.12 | 3.12 | 4.62 | 3.12 | 3.00 |
| November | 1.25 | 2.88 | 3.62 | 3.88 | 3.12 | 4.88 | 3.38 | 3.12 |
| December | 1.25 | 3.00 | 3.62 | 3.75 | 3.25 | 4.88 | 3.12 | 3.25 |

Source: 1946-56: yields on prime four- to six-month paper placed through dealers, daily average for week containing last day of month, as reported in the Federal Reserve Bulletin; 1957-61: yields on this paper prevailing at end of month, as reported in Commercial Paper, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, monthly releases.

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TABLE C-2
Direct Paper Yields, End of Month, 1946-61
(per cent)

| Month | 1946 | 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.50 | 2.12 | 2.12 |
| February | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.50 | 2.12 | 2.12 |
| March | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.50 | 2.12 | 2.12 |
| April | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.62 | 2.00 | 2.25 |
| May | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.62 | 2.00 | 2.38 |
| June | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.88 | 2.00 | 2.38 |
| July | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.88 | 2.00 | 2.38 |
| August | 0.62 | 0.75 | 1.38 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.88 | 2.00 | 2.38 |
| September | 0.62 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.88 | 2.00 | 2.38 |
| October | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.88 | 2.00 | 2.12 |
| November | 0.75 | 1.00 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 1.88 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| December | 0.75 | 1.12 | 1.38 | 1.25 | 1.38 | 2.12 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Month | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 |
| January | 1.75 | 1.38 | 2.75 | 3.25 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 4.25 | 2.38 |
| February | 1.62 | 1.38 | 2.75 | 3.25 | 1.75 | 2.75 | 4.25 | 2.75 |
| March | 1.38 | 1.38 | 2.75 | 3.25 | 1.62 | 3.00 | 3.38 | 2.50 |
| April | 1.38 | 1.75 | 2.88 | 3.25 | 1.25 | 3.25 | 3.75 | 2.38 |
| May | 1.25 | 1.75 | 2.88 | 3.25 | 1.25 | 3.25 | 3.75 | 2.25 |
| June | 1.12 | 1.75 | 2.88 | 3.50 | 1.25 | 3.50 | 2.75 | 2.38 |
| July | 1.12 | 1.75 | 2.75 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 3.50 | 2.50 | 2.25 |
| August | 1.12 | 2.12 | 3.00 | 3.50 | 1.75 | 3.88 | 2.75 | 2.50 |
| September | 1.12 | 2.12 | 3.00 | 3.75 | 2.25 | 4.50 | 2.75 | 2.38 |
| October | 1.12 | 2.38 | 3.25 | 3.75 | 2.25 | 4.00 | 2.75 | 2.50 |
| November | 1.12 | 2.50 | 3.25 | 3.50 | 2.25 | 4.00 | 2.88 | 2.62 |
| December | 1.12 | 2.75 | 3.25 | 3.38 | 2.75 | 4.62 | 2.62 | 2.75 |

Source: End-of-month yields offered on sixty- to eighty-nine-day paper, General Motors Acceptance Corporation.

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| TABLE C-3 |  |
| Bank Prime Interest Rate, End of Month, 1946-61 |  |
| Period | Rate |
| January 1946 to November 1947 | 1.50 |
| December 1947 to July 1948 | 1.75 |
| August 1948 to August 1950 | 2.00 |
| September 1950 to December 1950 | 2.25 |
| January 1951 to September 1951 | 2.50 |
| October 1951 to November 1951 | 2.75 |
| December 1951 to March 1953 | 3.00 |
| April 1953 to February 1954 | 3.25 |
| March 1954 to July 1955 | 3.00 |
| August 1955 to September 1955 | 3.25 |
| October 1955 to March 1956 | 3.50 |
| April 1956 to July 1956 | 3.75 |
| August 1956 to July 1957 | 4.00 |
| August 1957 to December 1957 | 4.50 |
| January 1958 to March 1958 | 4.00 |
| April 1958 to August 1958 | 3.50 |
| September 1958 to April 1959 | 4.00 |
| May 1959 to August 1959 | 4.50 |
| September 1959 to July 1960 | 5.00 |
| August 1960 to December 1961 | 4.50 |

Source: Wall Street Journal.

