

## TREASURY ANNOUNCES MARKET FINANCING ESTIMATES

Today, the Treasury Department announced net borrowing of marketable debt for the July – September 2004 and October - December 2004 quarters.

Quarter	Estimated Borrowing (\$ billion)	Estimated End-of-Quarter Cash Balance (\$ billion)
<b>Jul-Sep 2004</b>	\$89	\$35
<b>Oct-Dec 2004</b>	\$122	\$35

Since 1997, the average absolute forecast error in net market borrowing for the current quarter is \$10 billion, of which \$1 billion is attributable to differences in the end-of-quarter cash balance. Similarly, the average absolute forecast error for the following quarter is \$45 billion, of which \$10 billion is attributable to differences in the end-of-quarter cash balance.

The following tables display and reconcile the variation between forecasted and actual net marketable borrowing in the April – June 2004 quarter.

Quarter	Estimated Borrowing (\$ billions)	Actual Borrowing (\$ billions)	Estimated End-of-Quarter Cash Balance (\$ billions)	Actual End-of-Quarter Cash Balance (\$ billions)
<b>Apr - Jun 2004</b>	\$38	\$31	\$45	\$45

Categories	Chg from May Estimate
<b>Receipts</b>	+\$4
<b>Outlays</b>	+4
<b>Non-Marketable Activity</b>	(2)

Additional financing details relating to Treasury's Quarterly Refunding will be released at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, August 4.