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TREASURY ANNOUNCES MARKET BORROWING ESTIMATES

The Treasury Department today announced that its net market borrowing for the October-December 1992 quarter is estimated to be \$87 billion, with a \$30 billion cash balance on December 31. The Treasury also announced that its net market borrowing for the January-March 1993 quarter is estimated to be in a range of \$65 billion to \$70 billion, with a \$20 billion cash balance at the end of March. The borrowing estimates assume that Congress will not enact additional funding for thrift resolutions before early next year, which will prevent significant Resolution Trust Corporation spending during these two quarters.

In the quarterly announcement of its borrowing needs on August 3, 1992, the Treasury estimated net market borrowing during the October-December quarter to be in a range of \$115 billion to \$120 billion, assuming a \$30 billion cash balance on December 31. The higher-than-expected cash balance at the end of September accounts for most of the cut in the market borrowing estimate in the October-December quarter.

Actual market borrowing in the quarter ended September 30, 1992, was \$72.4 billion, while the end-of-quarter cash balance was \$58.8 billion. On August 3, the Treasury had estimated market borrowing for the July-September quarter to be \$75 billion, with a \$35 billion cash balance on September 30. reduction in the cash deficit accounted for the higher cash balance and the reduction in market borrowing.

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