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SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

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STAFF GNP PROJECTIONS

Percent changes, annual rate Gross domestic business product fixed-weighted price index Unemployment Excluding food rate Nominal GNP Real GNP Total and energy (percent) 1/28/81 3/25/81 1/28/81 3/25/81 1/28/81 3/25/81 1/28/81 3/25/81 1/28/81 3/25/81 Annual changes: 9.6 1979 17 12.0 12.0 3.2 3.2 9.6 8.1 8.1 5.8 5.8 8.9 9.7 7.1 1980 T/ 8.8 -.1 -.2 9.6 8.1 8.0 7.1 1981 1/ 10.7 1.9 10.1 9.6 8.6 8.4 7.6 11.5 .6 8.1 8.7 1982 :5 8.3 8.4 7.7 8.4 8.8 7.7 8.9 .4 Quarterly changes: 1980-Q1 1/ 12.6 12.6 3.1 3.1 10.2 10.2 7.7 7.7 6.2 6.2 1980-Q2 T/ -1.1-1.1-9.9 -9.9 9.5 9.5 9.3 9.3 7.3 7.3 1980-Q3 T/ 11.8 2.4 2.4 9.8 9.8 9.3 9.3 7.5 7.5 11.8 1980-Q4 T/ 16.7 14.9 5.0 3.8 9.6 8.9 8.5 7.6 7.5 7.5 8.3 15.5 5.8 12.9 10.5 8.3 7.5 7.4 1981-Q1 13.2 1.3 6.3 9.0 -2.2 .0 9.9 9.6 8.1 8.6 8.0 7.5 1981-Q2 9.3 9.5 .8 8.9 9.3 8.0 8.3 1981-Q3 .6 8.1 7.7 1981-Q4 9.9 9.6 .7 .5 8.0 8.9 7.8 7.9 8.5 7.9 8.1 7.7 8.8 8.4 .7 .3 8.1 8.3 7.7 8.7 1982-Q1 7.9 7.9 .3 7.9 7.4 8.8 8.3 8.0 .3 7.4 1982-Q2 8.1 8.2 .6 7.8 7.8 7.3 7.3 8.9 8.5 1982-Q3 .6 1.2 9.2 9.7 1.0 7.5 7.5 7.1 7.1 9.0 8.6 1982-Q4 2/ Two-quarter changes: -3.6 1980-Q2 1/ 5.6 5.6 -3.69.8 9.8 8.5 8.5 1.4 1.4 8.9 8.5 14.3 13.4 3.1 9.7 9.4 .2 .2 1980-Q4 1/ 3.7 12.2 2.9 10.0 8.2 8.6 .5 9.7 -.5 11.4 .2 1981-Q2 .6 1981-Q4 9.6 9.5 .6 8.5 9.1 7.9 8.0 .5 .4 8.2 .3 8.0 8.1 .4 1982-Q2 8.3 .5 7.5 7.5 .3 9.0 .8 .9 7.7 7.7 7.2 7.2 .2 .7 1982-Q4 8.6 3/ Four-quarter changes: 9.9 1.7 9.4 9.4 7.2 7.2 9.9 1.7 . 1 . 1 1979-Q4 1/ 1980-Q4 T/ 9.8 9.4 .0 9.8 9.6 8.7 8.5 1.6 1.6 -.3 10.0 9.6 8.0 1981-Q4 9.6 10.9 . 1 1.8 8.3 1.0 .4 1982-Q4 .6 7.8 7.9 7.4 7.3 .5 .8 8.5 8.6 .7

^{1/} Actual.

^{7/} Percent change from two quarters earlier.

^{3/} Percent change from four quarters earlier.