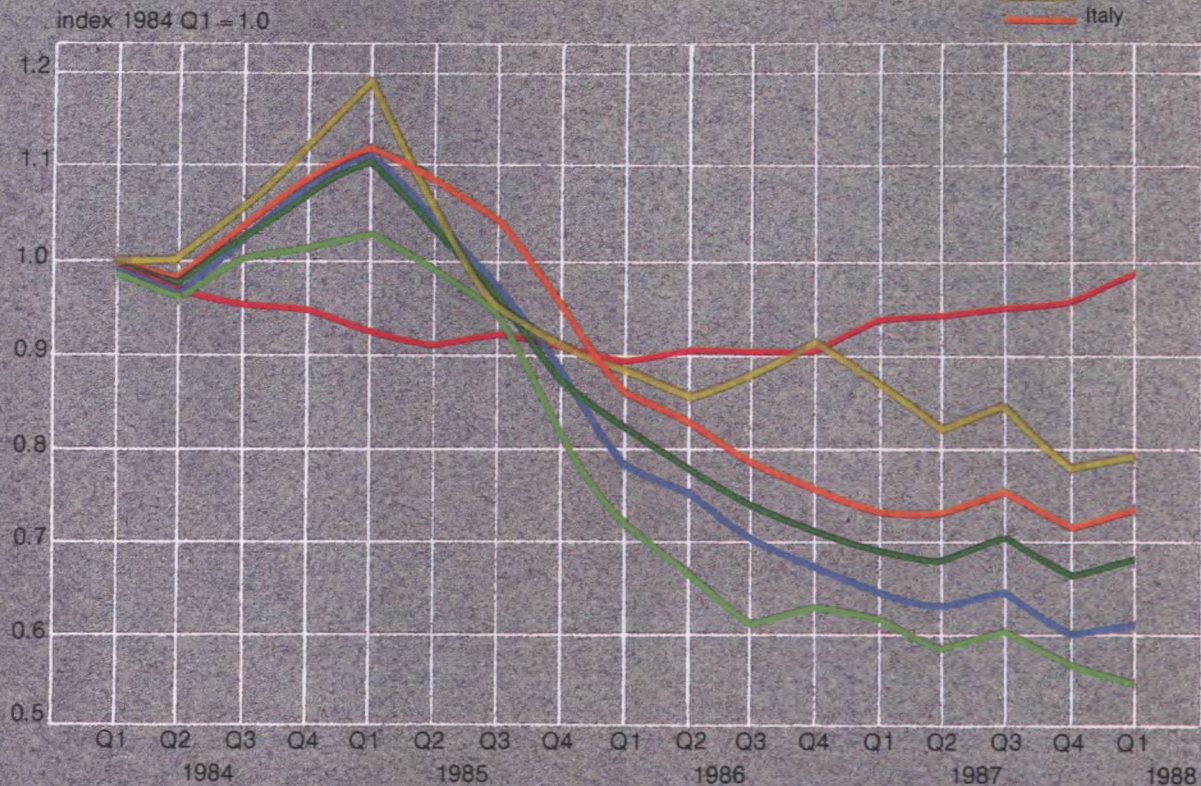


Comparative Economic Graphs

Between 1984 and 1986, the value of the Canadian dollar vis-à-vis the major overseas currencies has tended to follow the path of the U.S. dollar. In 1987, however, the Canadian dollar appreciated considerably against the U.S. dollar and thus lost less ground than did the U.S. dollar against these currencies. On a trade-weighted basis, the Canadian dollar appreciated during 1987 as a result of its strength against the U.S. dollar. In the first quarter of 1988, the trade-weighted value of the Canadian dollar rose still higher as the Canadian dollar moved upward against all G-7 currencies but the yen.

Canadian Dollar Movements Against G-7 Currencies



After showing some strength against most currencies in mid-1987, the U.S. dollar resumed its downward trend at an accelerated rate following the October stock market crisis. The strongest currencies during this latter period were those of Japan, the U.K. and the F.R.G. The U.S. dollar has also continued to lose ground through the first quarter of 1988 against the Canadian, French and Italian currencies.

U.S. Dollar Movements Against G-7 Currencies

