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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS, BY DEPARTMENTS

UNITED STATES - JANUARY 1963 (Based on retail dollar amounts)

Summary by Selected Department Groups

Main Store									
		Main appar store and total acce	Women's apparel and acces- sories	parel Men's nd and cces- boys'	Home furnish- ings	Piece goods and house- hold textiles	Small wares	Miscel- laneous	Base- ment store total
SALES	S INDEXES	(Unadjus	sted, 1947-	49 aver	age month	ly sales =	100)		
Nov.	1960 ·	139	135	155	135	92	157	178	126
Dec.	1960	225	209	315	162	119	315	383	189
Jan.	1961	91	85	77	96	135	101	72	73
Sent	1961	114	100	7.03	770	01			7.00
Oct.	1961	124	123	101	118	84	115	84	103
			132	122	128	91	123	99	115
Nov.	1961	150	145	170	147	97	166	190	134
Dec.	1961	231	213	319	170	119	327	386	190
Jan.	1962	97	90	84	106	139	108	76	79
Sept.	1962	116	128	105	118	84	113	84	106
Oct.	1962	128	136	124	135	94	. 125	104	116
Nov.	1962	154	149	174	152	99	168	196	131
Dec.	1962	235	217	328	176	122	327	369	190
Jan.	1963	98	91	86	104	147	107	78	76
STOCK	S INDEXES	(Unadju	sted, 1947	-49 ave	rage of en	d-of-month	stocks	= 100)	
Nov.	1960	175	191	201	145	129	191	202	146
Dec.	1960	136	141	143	130	127	144	113	106
Jan.	1961	135	141	135	130	120	139	130	106
Same	1961	158	181	100	106				
Oct.	1961	172	193	177	134	129	150	153	136
Nov.	1961	178	193	196 201	143	134	176	194	146
Dec.	1961	142			145	134	197	204	151
Jan.	1962	142	150 152	147 141	132	133	151	119	115
o dit.	1702	142	152	141	135	126	147	138	115
Sept.	1962	170	198	192	142	133	161	166	140
Oct.	1962	185	211	213	152	138	187	208	156
Nov.	1962	189	212	218	153	133	207	214	160
Dec.	1962	150	159	160	140	135	159	126	121
Jan.	1963	149	158	151	140	128	155	146	118
OITAG	OF STOCKS	TO SALI	ES						
Jan.	1961	4.0	3.5	5.6	4.5	2.6	4.3	4.6	3.0
Jan.	1962	3.9	3.5	5.2	4.2	2.7	4.2	4.4	3.0
Jan.	1963	4.0	3.6	5.4	4.4	2.6	4.4	4.6	3.1
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Figures for departments within groups given on following pages.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS, BY DEPARTMENTS UNITED STATES - JANUARY 1963

		Percentage cha corresponding a year a	period	Ratio of stocks to	Unadjusted indexes (1947-49 av.=100 2/) January	
	Department	Sales during	Stocks (end of	sales 1/		
		period January	month) January	January 1963 1962	Sales Stoo	
	GRAND TOTAL-entire store	0	+ 4	3.8 3.7	·	
	MAIN STORE TOTAL	0	+ 4	4.0 3.8	98 149	
26	PIECE GOODS, HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES	+ 5	+ 1	2.6 2.7	147 128	
	Piece goods	- 2	+ 3	4.7 4.5	56 97	
	Silks, velvets, synthetics	Õ	+ 4	4.8 4.6	51 88	
	Woolen yard goods	+ 4	- 2	3.2 3.4	68 78	
	Cotton yard goods	- 6	- 1	4.7 4.5	62 125	
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	Household textiles	+ 7	0	2.1 2.2	210 141	
•	Linens and towels	+ 5	0	2.7 2.8	172 131	
	Domesticsmuslins, sheeting	+10	- 1	1.4 1.6	279 158	
	Blankets, comforters, spreads	+ 4	+ 1	2.6 2.7	182 148	
	SMALL WARES	-1	+ 5	4.4 4.2	107 155	
	Laces, trimmings, embroideries,					
	and ribbons	- 2	+ 4	5.8 5.5	61 114	
	Notions	- 5	+ 3	4.5 4.1	94 155	
	Toilet articles, drug sundries	+ 4	+ 5	3.7 3.6	141 160	
		- 9	+ 5	7.2 6.2	73 160	
	Silverware and jewelry		+11	8.2 7.0	77. 170	
	Silverware and clocks	- 5		4.8 4.0	66 13	
	Costume jewelry	-14	+ 2			
	Fine jewelry and watches	- 3	+ 8	14.2 12.8	79 19	
	Art needlework	+ 9	+ 5	2.8 3.0	142 117	
	Books and stationery	- í	+ 8	3.9 3.6	116 169	
	Books and magazines	- 4	+ 9	3.4 3.0	124 164	
	Stationery	0	+ 7	4.3 4.0	109 169	
	Stationery					
	WOMEN'S APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	0	+ 4	3.6 3.5	91 158	
	Women's accessories	0	+ 4	4.4 4.2	83 155	
	Neckwear and scarfs	- 2	0	3.7 3.6	71 149	
100	Handkerchiefs	- 4	5-4	5.4 5.4	33 60	
	Millinery	-14	+ 1	1.6 1.4	48 8	
	Women's and children's gloves	- 2	+25	5.6 4.4	79 12	
		+ 5	+ 7	3.4 3.3	163 21	
	Corsets and brassieres	- 1	+ 5	3.3 3.1	77 15	
	Women's, children's hosiery			J.J J		
	Underwear, slips, and negligees	- 1	+ 2	3.8 3.7	67 12	
	Knit underwear	0	+ 5	3.9 3.8	102 184	
	Silk & muslin underwear, slips	- 2	+ 3	4.0 3.8	.53 10	
	Negligees, robes, loung, apparel		1	2.7 2.8	61 8	
Y	Infants' wear	- î	+1	4.1 4.0	81 142	
	Handbags, small leather goods	- 2	+ 6	4.0 3.8	71 15	
	Women's and children's shoes	+ 1	+ 2	6.8 6.7	100 19	
	Children's shoes	- 1	+ 4	8.7 8.4	67 20	

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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS, BY DEPARTMENTS (Continued) UNITED STATES - JANUARY 1963

Department	Percentage cha corresponding a year a	g period	Ratio of stocks to	Unadjusted indexes	
	Sales during period January	(end of month)	January	(1947-49 av.=100 2/) January Sales Stock	
JOMEN'S APPAREL, ACCESSORIES (Cont.)					
Women's apparel Women's, misses' coats and suits Women's, misses' coats Women's, misses' suits Juniors' and girls' wear Juniors' coats, suits, dresses Cirls' wear	+ 1 0 + 2 - 5 + 1 0 + 4	+ 3 - 1 + 2 - 7 + 3 + 3	2.9 2.8 1.8 1.8 1.5 1.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.4 2.6 2.5 4.5 4.5	98 163 107 122 127 128 53 101 79 175 81 159 77 187	
Women's and misses' dresses Inexpensive dresses Better dresses Blouses, skirts, sportswear Aprons, housedresses, uniforms Furs	- 2 - 3 0 + 5 - 6 - 1	+ 3 + 5 + 1 + 8 - 1 + 1	2.9 2.8 2.3 2.2 3.6 3.5 3.1 3.1 2.6 2.5 4.5 4.4	86 175 88 179 84 167 117 198 92 136 106 127	
MEN'S AND BOYS' WEAR	+ 2	+ 7	5.4 5.1	86 151	
Men's clothing Men's furnishings and hats Boys' wear Men's & Boys' shoes, slippers	+ 3 0 + 5 + 2	+ 8 + 6 + 7 + 8	5.3 5.0 4.9 4.7 5.9 5.8 7.4 7.0	106 162 74 137 75 146 108 187	
HOMEFURNI SHINGS	- 2	+ 4	4.4 4.2	104 140	
Furniture and bedding Mattresses, springs, studio beds Upholstered, other furniture Domestic floor covering Rugs and carpets Linoleum	- 5 - 4 + 3 + 7 + 7	- 4 + 4 + 4 + 3 + 9	3.9 3.5 1.8 1.7 4.8 4.4 3.8 3.8 3.6 3.7 6.0 7.0	120 139	
Draperies, curtains, upholstery Lamps and shades China and glassware Major household appliances Housewares (incl. small appliances) Gift shop	- 3 - 5 - 3 - 2 0	+ 4 + 6 + 4 + 2 + 2 + 9	5.7 5.4 5.1 4.6 8.9 8.3 2.5 2.5 5.0 4.9 9.1 8.3	88 150 75 101 90 148	
Radios, phonographs, television, pianos, records, sheetmusic, instr- Radios, phonographs, television Records, sheet music, instr.	- 1 - 2 + 1 °	+14 +14 +16	3.3 2.9 3.6 2.6 3.9 3.4	175 212 191 215 125 190	
TISCELLANEOUS MERCHANDISE DEPTS.	+ 3	+ 6	4.6 4.4	78 146	
Toys, games, sporting goods, cameras Toys and games Sporting goods and cameras Luggage	s + 3 + 2 + 3 - 5 + 4	+ 4 + 1 + 7 + 7 + 5	9.0 8.9 14.0 14.1 7.0 6.7 4.9 4.4 2.0 2.0	52 156 23 151 98 160 99 166 86 172	

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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS, BY DEPARTMENTS (Continued)

UNITED STATES - JANUARY 1963

	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago				Unadjusted indexes	
Department	Sales during	Stocks (end of			(1947-49 av.=100 2/)	
	period January	month) January	Janu 1963		Janua Sales	
BASEMENT STORE TOTAL	- 4	+ 2		3.0	76	118
Domestics and blankets	- 1	+ 3	2.2	2.2	137	123
Women's, misses' ready-to-wear	- 4	+ 1	-2.7	2.5	67	.109
Intimate apparel Hosiery Underwear, corsets & brassieres Coats and suits Dresses Blouses, skirts, and sportswear Girls''wear Infants' wear Aprons, housedresses, uniforms	- 3 - 4 - 3 - 3 - 11 + 5 - 7 - 2 - 10	+ 1 0 + 2 0 + 3 + 8 + 1 - 1	3.0 2.8 3.1 1.7 2.3 2.3 3.6 3.6 2.9	2.8 2.7 2.9 1.6 2.0 2.3 3.3 3.5 2.7	3/ 67 46 88 59	126 3/ 3/ 79 101 124 123 121 3/
Men's and boys' wear	- 3	+ 6	3.8	3.5	82	140
Men's wear Men's clothing Men's furnishings Boys' wear	- 4 - 8 + 1 + 3	+ 6 + 6 + 5 + 5	3.7 3.7 3.6 4.2	3.4 3.2 3.5 4.1	108	137 152 130 140
Homefurnishings	- 8	+ 2	4.3	3.9	67	108
Shoes	- 5	+ 4	5.1	4.7	78	125
NONMERCHANDISE TOTAL	+ 2	3/	3/	3/	124	3/
Barber and beauty shop	+ 2	3/	3/	3/	128	3/

If The ratio of stocks to sales is obtained by dividing stocks at the end of the month by sales during the month and hence indicates the number of months' supply on hand at the end of the month in terms of sales for that month.

^{2/} The 1947-49 average of monthly sales and end-of-month stocks for each department is used as the base in computing sales and stocks indexes, respectively, for that department. For description of series, see pages 1146-49 of the November 1953 Federal Reserve <u>Bulletin</u>. A brochure containing back data for the departmental series for the period 1940-1952, inclusive, may be obtained from the Division of Administrative Services, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington 25, D. C.
2/ Data not available.

Note:—Based on reports from a group of large department stores located in various cities throughout the country. In 1962, sales and stocks at these stores accounted for more than 1/3 per cent of estimated total department store sales and stocks. Not all stores report data for all of the departments shown; consequently, the sample for the individual departments is not so comprehensive as that for the total.