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WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES

Federal Reserve District	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)					
	One week ending				Four weeks ending Feb. 13	Jan. 1 to Feb. 13 1/
	Feb. 13	Feb. 6	Jan. 30	Jan. 23		
Boston	+14	- 5	0	- 1	+ 2	+ 4
New York	+10	r+ 7	+ 6	+ 9	+ 8	+ 7
Philadelphia	+ 6	r 0	+11	+ 7	+ 6	+ 5
Cleveland	+ 1	+ 3	+ 8	+10	+ 5	+ 9
Richmond	- 5	- 3	- 1	- 4	- 3	- 1
Atlanta	- 1	+ 4	+ 2	+ 5	+ 3	+ 4
Chicago	+ 5	+ 6	+ 8	+17	+ 9	+ 7
St. Louis	+ 1	r+ 3	- 1	+16	+ 4	+ 5
Minneapolis	+ 4	+ 8	r+ 7	+10	+ 7	+ 9
Kansas City	+ 1	- 2	+ 4	+ 2	+ 1	+ 1
Dallas	- 2	+ 1	0	+ 5	+ 1	+ 2
San Francisco	+ 2	0	+ 2	- 1	+ 1	+ 2
U. S. Total	+ 4	+ 3	+ 5	+ 8	+ 5	+ 5

U. S. weekly index, without seasonal adjustment, 1947-49=100 2/

1960		1959		1958	
Jan. 16	121	Jan. 17	116	Jan. 18	110
Jan. 23	113	Jan. 24	105	Jan. 25	100
Jan. 30	111	Jan. 31	106	Feb. 1	98
Feb. 6	111	Feb. 7	108	Feb. 8	99
Feb. 13	115	Feb. 14	111	Feb. 15	103

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1/ Comparison period begins with January 4-9 week in 1960 and with January 5-10 week in 1959.

2/ For description and weekly indexes for the period January 1937 to March 1958 see Federal Reserve Bulletin for April 1958, pp. 412-421.
Weekly indexes at the district and city levels are published by several of the Federal Reserve Banks.

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