

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES, BY DEPARTMENTS
Index Numbers, Without Seasonal Adjustment
(1941 Average Monthly Sales = 100) 1/

1946

Department	Sales during month												
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
MAIN STORE ONLY	68	65	80	79	81	78	58	76	91	98	104	165	87
WOMEN'S, MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S WEAR	67	65	94	86	83	76	55	80	100	104	104	151	89
Women's and Misses' Coats and Suits	78	71	115	101	92	85	24	92	105	116	123	78	84
Women's and Misses' Dresses	68	67	100	105	110	101	28	68	110	113	98	101	91
Blouses, Skirts, Sportswear	65	56	75	71	82	59	83	81	102	89	62	132	85
Juniors' and Girls' Wear	48	53	113	75	78	72	41	92	109	104	110	138	86
Juniors' Coats, Suits and Dresses									Not available				
Girls' wear									Not available				
Aprons, House-dresses, and Uniforms	80	67	75	97	128	127	91	71	65	67	68	122	88
Underwear, Slips, Negligees and Robes	67	54	61	67	82	80	67	62	63	76	108	264	88
Night Underwear									Not available				
Silk and Woolen Underwear, Slips, Etc.									Not available				
Negligees, Robes and Lounging Apparel									Not available				
Infants' wear (Including Infants' Furniture)	60	59	82	75	73	65	52	75	103	107	110	168	86
Women's and Children's Shoes	59	64	110	93	102	96	67	73	113	95	91	115	89
Furs	114	74	55	35	15	8	45	186	104	131	166	140	89
Hosiery and Scarfs									Not available				
Headwear									Not available				
Millinery									Not available				
Women's and Children's Gloves									Not available				
Corsets and Bandages									Not available				
Women's and Children's Hosiery									Not available				
Handbags and Small Leather Goods									Not available				
Men's and Boys' Wear	63	53	75	67	77	98	59	61	84	92	116	219	89
Men's Clothing	78	60	81	79	86	103	61	60	91	107	117	223	87
Men's Furnishings, Hats, Caps, Etc.	59	49	60	60	70	100	65	59	68	77	115	201	90
Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	48	46	109	67	76	77	58	65	111	109	122	186	88
Men's and Boys' Shoes and Slippers									Not available				
HOME FURNISHINGS	73	68	69	79	85	72	61	86	93	98	95	114	82
Furniture, Beds, Mattresses, and Springs	61	89	63	75	79	66	66	119	95	98	85	84	81
Domestic Floor Coverings (Including Pads, Linoleum)	61	66	63	91	94	68	55	82	100	112	103	78	81
Draperies, Curtains, Upholstery, Awnings, Etc.	53	58	71	100	114	85	56	64	92	126	119	100	87
Maj for Household Appliances	59	68	75	96	92	89	76	75	74	67	62	72	75
Linens, Towels, Domestic, and Blankets	132	55	47	59	67	67	65	95	96	89	88	122	82
Linens and Towels									Not available				
Domestics - Bedding, Sheetings, Etc.									Not available				
Blankets, Comforters, Spreads, Etc.									Not available				
Lamps and Shades									Not available				
China and Glassware									Not available				
Houseware (Pots, Pans, Cutlery, Toasters, Etc.)									Not available				
PIECE GOODS	90	100	113	102	98	84	60	73	100	103	91	83	91
Silks, Rayons, and Velvets (Including Linings)									Not available				
Woolen Dress Goods									Not available				
Cotton Wash Goods									Not available				
SMALL WARES									Not available				
Laces, Trimmings, Embroideries, and Ribbons									Not available				
Motions									Not available				
Toilet Articles, Drug Sundries, and Prescriptions									Not available				
Jewelry and Silversware									Not available				
Jewelry (Including Clocks and Watches)									Not available				
Silversware									Not available				
Art Needlework									Not available				
Books, Magazines, and Stationery									Not available				
MISCELLANEOUS									Not available				
Toys and Games									Not available				
Sporting Goods, Cameras									Not available				
Luggage									Not available				
RASHMET STORES ONLY	63	61	89	86	88	88	62	74	93	99	110	153	89
Women's and Misses' and Children's Wear	63	62	96	89	87	86	62	76	92	99	105	147	89
Men's and Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	61	54	83	72	73	94	62	62	89	100	128	219	91
Piece Goods (Dress and Coat Tard Goods)									Not available				
Shoes									Not available				
Home Furnishings (Including Linens, Towels, Domestic and Blankets)	67	60	64	93	97	76	57	75	97	104	107	109	84

1/ The 1941 average of monthly sales for each department is used as a base in computing the sales index for that department.
Notes—Based on reports from about 350 of the larger department stores located in various cities throughout the country. In 1945, sales by these stores accounted for about 50 per cent of estimated total department store sales. However, not all stores reported data for all of the departments shown; consequently, the sample for the individual departments is not so comprehensive as that for the total. For description of indexes see page 856 of the August 1946 Federal Reserve Bulletin.