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CONSUMER INSTALMENT CREDIT AT COMMERCIAL BANKS

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Consumer instalment credit held by commercial banks amounted to \$17,261 million at the end of January, \$863 million higher than at the end of the previous month. The increase was due to a net purchase (not reflected in volume figures) of about \$1 billion of "other consumer goods paper". Other types of consumer instalment credit at commercial banks declined.

The volume of credit extended in January was somewhat smaller than in December, with the decline distributed among all major types of credit except other consumer goods paper.

Consumer Instalment Credit at Commercial Banks (Estimates. In millions of dollars)

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	Amounts outstanding			Volume extended *		
		Change	from:	1	Change	from:
Type of credit	Jan. 31,	Month	Year	Jan.	Month	Year
<i></i>	1961	ago	ago	1961	ago	ago
Automobile paper Furchased Direct Other consumer goods paper* Repair and modernization loans Personal loans	5,196 2,757 3,683 2,131 3,494	- 68 - 19 +993 - 32 - 11	+ 379 + 222 + 902 + 103 + 289	344 217 273 82 405	-12 - 3 + 5 -16 -23	-33 - 8 -21 -11 +26
Total*	17,261	+863	+1,895	1,321	<u>-49</u>	<u>-47</u>
Federal Reserve District:						
Boston New York Philadelphia	908 2,745 1,195	+ 35 + 94 + 94	+ 130 + 300 + 188	71 218 76	- 4 - 7 - 8	+ 4 -11 - 9
Cleveland Richmond Atlanta	1,148 1,216 1,345	+ 12 + 35 + 27	+ 102 + 145 + 63	90 97 125	+ 3 - 6 + 1	+1+2-9
Chicago St. Louis Minnearolis	2,650 782 582	+262 + 53 + 13	+ 379 + 105 + 54	178 59 44	- 7 + 3 - 3	-29 + 5 - 1
Kansas City Dallas San Francisco	825 943 2,922	+ 16 + 51 +171	+ 70 + 109 + 250	73 81 209	- 4 - 2 -15	+ 6 - 3 - 3

^{*}Figures for volume are adjusted to exclude the effects of a purchase of "other consumer goods paper", amounting to about \$1 billion, by commercial banks from a major retail outlet.