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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS, BY DEPARTMENTS

UNITED STATES - NOVEMBER 1962
 (Based on retail dollar amounts)

Summary by Selected Department Groups

Main Store								Base- ment store total
Main store total	Women's apparel and acces- sories	Men's and boys' wear	Home furnish- ings	Piece goods and house- hold textiles	Small wares	Miscel- laneous		

SALES INDEXES (Unadjusted, 1947-49 average monthly sales = 100)

Sept. 1960	113	124	100	114	84	113	83	106
Oct. 1960	123	132	121	125	90	122	100	115
Nov. 1960	139	135	155	135	92	157	178	126
July 1961	91	84	87	105	88	91	92	78
Aug. 1961	108	110	96	113	114	105	91	103
Sept. 1961	114	123	101	118	84	115	84	103
Oct. 1961	124	132	122	128	91	123	99	115
Nov. 1961	150	145	170	147	97	166	190	134
July 1962	94	89	88	107	92	95	94	78
Aug. 1962	109	112	99	114	112	108	94	103
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

STOCKS INDEXES (Unadjusted, 1947-49 average of end-of-month stocks = 100)

Sept. 1960	157	179	179	137	127	147	153	134
Oct. 1960	169	186	195	145	130	169	194	141
Nov. 1960	175	191	201	145	129	191	202	146
July 1961	138	149	139	131	123	141	129	111
Aug. 1961	145	166	155	128	119	141	132	129
Sept. 1961	158	181	177	134	129	150	153	136
Oct. 1961	172	193	196	143	134	176	194	146
Nov. 1961	178	198	201	145	134	197	204	151
July 1962	149	164	151	137	126	152	139	124
Aug. 1962	155	181	166	135	122	150	144	129
Sept. 1962	170	198	192	142	133	161	166	146
Oct. 1962	185	211	213	152	138	187	208	156
Nov. 1962	189	212	218	153	138	207	214	160

RATIO OF STOCKS TO SALES

Nov. 1960	3.4	3.0	4.1	3.6	4.1	3.7	2.7	2.4
Nov. 1961	3.2	2.8	3.7	3.3	4.0	3.6	2.6	2.3
Nov. 1962	3.2	2.9	3.9	3.3	4.0	3.7	2.6	2.5

Figures for departments within groups given on following pages.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS, BY DEPARTMENTS

UNITED STATES - NOVEMBER 1962

Department	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago			Ratio of stocks to sales 1/		Unadjusted indexes (1947-49, av.=100 2/)	
	Sales during period			Stocks (end of month)	Nov.		Nov.
	Nov.	Jan.-Nov.	Nov.		1962/1961	1961/1961	
GRAND TOTAL-entire store	+ 2	+ 3	+ 6	3.1	3.0	-	-
MAIN STORE TOTAL	+ 3	+ 4	+ 6	3.2	3.1	154	189
PIECE GOODS, HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES	+ 2	+ 1	+ 3	4.0	4.0	99	138
Piece goods	+ 2	0	+ 5	3.6	3.5	69	93
Silks, velvets, synthetics	+ 4	+ 2	+ 9	3.5	3.4	70	94
Woolen yard goods	+ 6	+ 3	+ 6	2.4	2.4	112	100
Cotton yard goods	- 3	- 2	+ 2	5.0	4.7	52	106
Household textiles	+ 2	+ 2	+ 2	4.1	4.1	118	161
Linens and towels	+ 4	+ 2	+ 3	3.9	3.9	139	158
Domestics--muslins, sheetings	+ 3	+ 2	+ 1	5.1	5.2	84	181
Blankets, comforters, spreads	- 2	+ 1	+ 4	3.7	3.5	134	154
SMALL WARES	+ 1	+ 2	+ 5	3.7	3.6	168	207
Laces, trimmings, embroideries, and ribbons	+ 1	+ 1	+ 3	4.1	4.1	105	141
Notions	+ 2	+ 2	+ 2	3.9	3.9	131	192
Toilet articles, drug sundries	+ 4	+ 5	+ 5	4.2	4.2	166	218
Silverware and jewelry	- 5	- 2	+ 6	4.5	4.0	155	207
silverware and clocks	+ 4	+ 4	+ 5	5.2	5.2	139	197
Costume jewelry	-10	- 9	+ 8	3.3	2.7	156	209
Fine jewelry and watches	- 5	+ 8	+ 7	7.1	6.3	199	230
Art needlework	+ 7	+ 9	+ 3	3.3	3.4	136	131
Books and stationery	+ 2	+ 3	+ 6	2.7	2.6	240	245
Books and magazines	- 3	+ 1	+ 5	3.1	2.8	187	216
Stationery	+ 3	+ 3	+ 6	2.6	2.5	261	249
WOMEN'S APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	+ 3	+ 4	+ 7	2.9	2.8	149	212
Women's accessories	+ 1	+ 3	+ 6	3.4	3.2	144	206
Neckwear and scarfs	0	+ 2	+ 6	2.8	2.6	156	241
Handkerchiefs	+ 1	- 2	- 2	3.6	3.7	80	99
Millinery	- 5	- 1	+15	1.2	1.0	104	121
Women's and children's gloves	- 4	+ 4	+19	3.5	2.8	199	176
Corsets and brassieres	+ 5	+ 6	+ 6	3.6	3.6	161	233
Women's, children's hosiery	+ 4	+ 4	+ 7	3.1	3.0	107	194
Underwear, slips, and negligees	+ 4	+ 3	+ 3	3.0	3.1	140	200
Knit underwear	+ 4	+ 4	+ 3	3.3	3.4	173	269
Silk & muslin underwear, slips	+ 3	+ 1	+ 5	3.2	3.2	109	170
Negligees, robes, loung. apparel	+ 8	+ 6	+ 5	3.2	2.3	182	206
Infants' wear	- 1	+ 1	+ 3	2.8	2.7	173	200
Handbags, small leather goods	+ 2	+ 3	+ 9	2.8	2.6	171	249
Women's and children's shoes	0	+ 2	+ 8	5.5	5.1	138	215
Children's shoes	- 3	+ 1	+ 8	6.0	5.4	119	228
Women's shoes	+ 1	+ 3	+ 8	5.3	5.0	144	209

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

UNITED STATES - NOVEMBER 1962

Department	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago			Ratio of stocks to sales 1/		Unadjusted indexes (1947-49 av.=100 2/)	
	Sales during period		Stocks (end of month)	Nov.		Nov.	
	Nov.	Jan.-Nov.		1962	1961	Sales	Stocks
	Nov.	Jan.-Nov.	Nov.	1962	1961	Sales	Stocks
WOMEN'S APPAREL, ACCESSORIES (Cont.)							
Women's apparel	+ 4	+ 5	+ 8	2.5	2.4	153	220
Women's, misses' coats and suits	+ 2	+ 2	+ 4	2.0	2.0	131	165
Women's, misses' coats	+ 3	+ 3	+ 5	1.9	1.8	159	195
Women's, misses' suits	- 2	- 2	+ 7	2.8	2.6	54	96
Juniors' and girls' wear	+ 3	+ 5	+ 9	2.3	2.2	190	269
Juniors' coats, suits, dresses	+ 5	+ 5	+ 9	2.1	2.0	160	243
Girls' wear	+ 2	+ 5	+ 9	2.5	2.4	226	289
Women's and misses' dresses	+ 3	+ 5	+ 7	2.4	2.3	113	193
Inexpensive dresses	+ 5	+ 6	+ 7	1.9	1.9	120	201
Better dresses	+ 1	+ 3	+ 8	3.0	2.8	110	192
Blouses, skirts, sportswear	+ 8	+10	+11	2.8	2.7	199	294
Aprons, housedresses, uniforms	- 1	+ 4	+ 7	2.5	2.3	114	159
Furs	- 4	- 7	+ 4	4.2	3.9	161	184
MEN'S AND BOYS' WEAR	+ 3	+ 4	+ 8	3.9	3.7	174	218
Men's clothing	+ 4	+ 5	+ 9	4.6	4.4	164	218
Men's furnishings and hats	+ 2	+ 3	+ 8	3.4	3.2	177	218
Boys' wear	+ 2	+ 5	+ 8	3.6	3.4	184	207
Men's & boys' shoes, slippers	+ 3	+ 5	+ 8	6.0	5.7	159	232
HOME FURNISHINGS	+ 3	+ 4	+ 6	3.3	3.2	152	153
Furniture and bedding	+ 4	+ 4	+ 7	3.3	3.2	150	141
Mattresses, springs, studio beds	+ 8	+ 3	+ 6	2.0	2.1	137	156
Upholstered, other furniture	+ 3	+ 5	+ 8	3.6	3.4	159	141
Domestic floor coverings	+ 3	+ 4	+ 6	2.9	2.8	141	119
Rugs and carpets	+ 5	+ 3	+ 7	2.5	2.5	157	117
Linoleum	-11	+ 2	+ 5	5.6	4.8	47	66
Draperies, curtains, upholstery	+ 1	+ 2	+ 4	3.2	3.1	145	137
Lamps and shades	- 1	+ 2	+ 5	3.3	3.1	139	160
China and glassware	+ 2	+ 4	+ 4	5.6	5.4	161	166
Major household appliances	+ 4	+ 4	+ 5	2.4	2.4	79	100
Housewares (incl. small appliances)	+ 4	+ 2	+ 3	3.6	2.7	151	179
Gift shop	+ 5	+ 2	+ 5	4.4	4.4	245	269
Radios, phonographs, television, pianos, records, sheet music, instr.	+ 7	+11	+15	2.3	2.1	293	241
Radios, phonographs, television	+ 5	+11	+16	1.9	1.7	333	302
Records, sheet music, instr.	-17	+10	+12	3.2	3.3	303	260
MISCELLANEOUS MERCHANDISE DEPTS.	+ 3	+ 3	+ 5	2.6	2.6	196	214
Toys, games, sporting goods, cameras	+ 1	+ 2	+ 4	2.8	2.8	287	274
Toys and games	- 1	0	+ 1	2.4	2.4	314	298
Sporting goods and cameras	+ 7	+ 5	+ 9	4.1	4.0	236	248
Luggage	+ 6	+ 4	+ 5	4.8	4.8	115	139
Candy	+ 5	+ 5	+14	1.5	1.4	173	244