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DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS IN APRIL
(Based on retail value figures)

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Department store stocks at the end of April were 9 per cent above a year ago and, after seasonal adjustment, were 4 per cent higher than at the end of March. The adjusted index for April is 126, compared with 121 in March and 116 in April 1952.

Federal Reserve district	Indexes (1947-49 = 100)						Percentage change from	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1953		1952	1953		1952		
	April	March	April	April	March	April		
Boston	p118	114	111	p122	118	114	+ 4	+ 7
New York	114	110	r110	119	115	r115	+ 4	+ 4
Philadelphia	115	113	112	125	120	121	+ 4	+ 3
Cleveland	116	113	111	122	119	117	+ 2	+ 4
Richmond	139	134	r125	151	143	r135	+ 5	+12
Atlanta	141	138	125	148	145	132	+ 2	+12
Chicago	123	117	114	128	122	118	+ 5	+ 8
St. Louis	139	128	114	148	135	122	+10	+22
Minneapolis	114	111	104	119	115	109	+ 3	+ 9
Kansas City	p134	127	121	p141	133	127	+ 6	+11
Dallas	p138	134	122	p146	142	129	+ 3	+13
San Francisco	134	131	123	141	134	129	+ 5	+ 9
United States	p126	121	116	p132	127	122	+ 4	+ 9

p--Preliminary.

r--Revised.

Note:--Indexes and percentage changes are based on value of stocks at end of month. For description and monthly indexes for the period January 1919 to October 1951 see Federal Reserve Bulletin for December 1951, pp. 1463-1515. Indexes for the most recent thirteen-month period are shown regularly in the Bulletin.