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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

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During the first half of 1954, the seasonally adjusted index of department store stocks has been relatively stable at around 120 per cent of the 1947-49 average. The index at the end of June, estimated at 122, was slightly higher than the first-half average, and it was 5 per cent below the level of a year ago.

Federal Reserve district	Index numbers (average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change June 1954 from	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1954		1953	1954		1953		
	June	May	June	June	May	June		
Boston	117	120	117	110	121	110	- 9	0
New York	114	115	118	107	118	r110	- 9	- 3
Philadelphia	117	116	122	109	119	113	- 9	- 4
Cleveland	115	117	122	109	119	115	- 9	- 5
Richmond	138	137	146	132	145	139	- 9	- 5
Atlanta	135	137	147	128	138	139	- 7	- 8
Chicago	122	122	123	116	124	117	- 7	- 1
St. Louis	119	118	132	119	123	132	- 3	-10
Minneapolis	112	111	114	107	113	109	- 5	- 2
Kansas City	p132	127	140	p128	134	136	- 4	- 6
Dallas	p132	128	r142	p121	130	r131	- 7	- 7
San Francisco	122	119	135	122	129	136	- 5	-10
United States	p122	121	128	p116	126	123	- 7	- 5

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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. Per cent changes are based on unadjusted indexes.