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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF CHICAGO

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS  
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

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BANK OF CHICAGO

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Department store stocks declined in February after allowance for the usual seasonal change. The adjusted index is estimated at 121 per cent of the 1947-49 average, compared with 123 for January and 118 for February a year ago.

Federal Reserve district	Index numbers (average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change February 1955 from	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1955		1954	1955		1954		
	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.		
Boston	p117	119	112	p111	107	106	+ 4	+ 4
New York	109	112	107	106	100	104	+ 6	+ 2
Philadelphia	114	r118	113	112	r103	111	+ 9	+ 1
Cleveland	p112	112	113	p110	102	111	+ 8	- 1
Richmond	p137	139	r131	p132	125	r126	+ 6	+ 5
Atlanta	p146	146	141	p145	133	139	+ 8	+ 4
Chicago	118	118	117	114	108	114	+ 5	0
St. Louis	122	127	r113	116	107	108	+ 8	+ 7
Minneapolis	p115	113	110	p111	106	106	+ 5	+ 5
Kansas City	133	r132	128	130	122	r126	+ 7	+ 4
Dallas	p129	128	r128	p126	115	r125	+10	+ 1
San Francisco	125	129	121	118	117	113	+ 1	+ 4
United States	p121	123	r118	p117	111	114	+ 6	+ 2

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. Percentage changes are based on unadjusted indexes.