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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF CHICAGOMONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

AUGUST 1957

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Seasonally adjusted department store stocks August were unchanged from the record level of the preceding two months. The adjusted index is estimated at 143 per cent of the 1947-49 average, compared with 143 for June and July and 141 for August a year ago.

Federal Reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change Aug. 1957 from	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1957		1956	1957		1956		
	Aug.	July	Aug.	Aug.	July	Aug.		
Boston	125	127	132	121	115	128	+ 5	- 5
New York	134	136	r129	131	124	r126	+ 6	+ 4
Philadelphia	142	139	135	137	125	130	+ 9	+ 5
Cleveland	127	127	127	124	117	123	+ 6	0
Richmond	168	171	164	171	167	167	+ 2	+ 2
Atlanta	172	171	166	168	160	163	+ 5	+ 3
Chicago	135	138	r134	131	130	r130	+ 1	+ 1
St. Louis	135	141	136	135	129	136	+ 4	- 1
Minneapolis	135	r129	132	131	r125	128	+ 5	+ 2
Kansas City	p140	141	149	p139	135	r147	+ 3	- 6
Dallas	p172	171	r162	p170	162	r161	+ 5	+ 6
San Francisco	p156	148	r153	p150	146	148	+ 3	+ 2
United States	p143	143	141	p140	135	138	+ 4	+ 2

p--Preliminary.

r--Revised.

Note:--Indexes 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.