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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS  
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

FEBRUARY 1958

Seasonally adjusted department store inventories declined further in February. The seasonally adjusted index is estimated at 146 per cent of the 1947-49 average, compared with 147 for January and 149 for February last year. The stocks index has declined 6 per cent since the October 1957 peak.

Federal Reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change Feb. 1958 from	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1958		1957	1958		1957		
	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.		
Boston	127	r133	140	119	119	131	0	- 9
New York	136	137	135	127	122	127	+ 4	+ 1
Philadelphia	150	154	149	144	r136	143	+ 6	+ 1
Cleveland	130	133	135	125	117	129	+ 6	- 4
Richmond	p167	167	174	p160	149	167	+ 7	- 4
Atlanta	p200	202	200	p198	184	198	+ 8	0
Chicago	135	135	139	127	123	131	+ 3	- 3
St. Louis	142	143	149	138	127	145	+ 8	- 5
Minneapolis	139	138	144	133	127	138	+ 5	- 3
Kansas City	p151	153	162	p145	137	r156	+ 5	- 7
Dallas	p163	170	r171	p158	149	165	+ 6	- 5
San Francisco	p149	152	151	p141	137	142	+ 3	- 1
United States	p146	147	149	p139	132	142	+ 5	- 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 1947 to October 1957 see Federal Reserve Bulletin for December 1957, pp. 1323-1352. Indexes prior to 1947 may be obtained from the Division of Research and Statistics. Indexes for the most recent thirteen-month period are shown regularly in the Bulletin. Percentage changes are based on unadjusted indexes.