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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

MARCH 1958

Department store stocks declined further in March after allowance for the usual seasonal change. The seasonally adjusted index is estimated at 143 per cent of the 1947-49 average compared with 146 for February and 150 for March a year ago.

Federal Reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change March 1958 from	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted				
	1958		1957	1958		1957	Month ago	Year ago
	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.		
Boston	129	r134	140	131	r126	142	+ 5	- 8
New York	134	r135	137	138	127	141	+ 8	- 2
Philadelphia	149	r151	150	154	r145	155	+ 6	- 1
Cleveland	126	130	135	130	125	139	+ 4	- 7
Richmond	p163	166	176	p173	159	187	+ 9	- 8
Atlanta	p194	199	202	p204	197	212	+ 3	- 4
Chicago	131	135	139	132	127	141	+ 4	- 6
St. Louis	140	142	148	146	138	154	+ 6	- 5
Minneapolis	132	r138	145	136	r132	149	+ 2	- 9
Kansas City	p148	151	159	p153	145	165	+ 6	- 7
Dallas	p162	163	r168	p170	158	r177	+ 8	- 4
San Francisco	p149	151	r154	p150	142	156	+ 6	- 4
United States	p143	146	150	p147	139	155	+ 6	- 5

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.

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