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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS  
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

JULY 1958

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July department store stocks remained at the June level, after allowance for the usual seasonal change. The seasonally adjusted index for July is estimated at 148 per cent of the 1947-49 average, compared with a 155 level in July a year ago.

Federal reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change July* 1958 from	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1958		1957	1958		1957		
	July	June	July	July	June	July		
Boston	140	135	139	126	126	125	+ 4	+ 1
New York	135	136	r140	122	127	r126	- 1	- 4
Philadelphia	153	r157	154	138	r146	138	- 2	0
Cleveland	129	126	136	119	120	125	+ 2	- 5
Richmond	171	173	r183	156	160	r167	- 1	- 7
Atlanta	p192	191	204	p178	182	190	0	- 6
Chicago	142	138	149	136	134	143	+ 3	- 5
St. Louis	146	149	153	136	138	142	- 2	- 4
Minneapolis	136	136	141	129	128	134	0	- 4
Kansas City	p149	152	160	p142	146	152	- 2	- 7
Dallas	163	168	178	155	156	169	- 3	- 8
San Francisco	p156	156	159	p151	150	154	0	- 2
United States	p148	148	r155	p138	140	144	0	- 4

\* Based on seasonally adjusted indexes. 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.