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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS  
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

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Department store stocks increased in September from the August level. The seasonally adjusted index for September is estimated at 151 per cent of the 1947-49 average, a 2 per cent increase from the 148 index noted in July and August, but still below the 154 level of September 1957.

Federal Reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change Sept. 1958 from*	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1958		1957	1958		1957		
	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.		
Boston	141	137	138	147	133	144	+ 3	+ 2
New York	137	135	138	144	132	r146	+ 1	- 1
Philadelphia	156	r153	159	164	r147	167	+ 2	- 2
Cleveland	132	128	139	137	123	144	+ 3	- 5
Richmond	175	172	181	181	167	187	+ 2	- 3
Atlanta	198	192	201	206	188	209	+ 3	- 1
Chicago	145	144	144	151	138	150	+ 1	0
St. Louis	136	143	151	143	141	158	- 4	-10
Minneapolis	142	137	145	148	134	151	+ 4	- 2
Kansas City	p155	152	159	p159	150	164	+ 2	- 3
Dallas	p165	163	173	p175	163	r183	+ 1	- 5
San Francisco	p158	152	162	p164	153	168	+ 3	- 2
United States	p151	148	154	p157	144	160	+ 2	- 2

\* 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.