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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

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Department store stocks in November continued to increase and the seasonally adjusted index reached 153 per cent of the 1947-49 average compared with 152 in October, and 154 in November 1957.

Federal Reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change Nov. 1958 from*	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1958		1957	1958		1957		
	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.		
Boston	142	142	137	166	161	161	0	+ 3
New York	140	142	138	161	160	159	- 2	+ 1
Philadelphia	160	r157	158	184	r181	182	+ 2	+ 1
Cleveland	130	131	138	147	147	156	- 1	- 6
Richmond	180	176	175	205	201	198	+ 2	+ 3
Atlanta	p206	r202	206	p233	221	233	+ 2	0
Chicago	143	146	141	163	160	161	- 2	+ 1
St. Louis	137	136	151	153	153	169	+ 1	- 9
Minneapolis	140	141	150	159	156	170	0	- 7
Kansas City	p165	159	165	p184	173	183	+ 4	0
Dallas	p172	170	r180	p190	187	r198	+ 1	- 4
San Francisco	p160	159	162	p180	178	r183	+ 1	- 1
United States	p153	152	154	p173	170	174	+ 1	- 1

* 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.