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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS  
(Based on retail dollar amounts)

APRIL 1959

Seasonally adjusted department store stocks increased 2 per cent in April, and were 6 per cent above April 1958. The April index is estimated at 151 per cent of the 1947-49 average compared with 148 in March and 143 in April a year ago.

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| Federal Reserve<br>District | Index numbers<br>(Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100) |      |      |            |      |      | Percentage<br>change Apr.<br>1959 from |             |
|-----------------------------|--|------|------|------------|------|------|--|-------------|
|                             | Seasonally adjusted  |      |      | Unadjusted |      |      | Month<br>ago                           | Year<br>ago |
|                             | 1959   |      | 1958 | 1959       |      | 1958 |  |             |
|                             | Apr.   | Mar. | Apr. | Apr.       | Mar. | Apr. |  |             |
| Boston                      | 138  | 136  | 131  | 144        | 138  | 136  | + 2                                    | + 6         |
| New York                    | 138  | 137  | 134  | 143        | 141  | 139  | + 1                                    | + 3         |
| Philadelphia                | 155  | 153  | 149  | 166        | 158  | 160  | + 1                                    | + 4         |
| Cleveland                   | 127  | 127  | 124  | 133        | 131  | 130  | 0                                      | + 2         |
| Richmond                    | p175   | 171  | 167  | p184       | 182  | 175  | + 2                                    | + 5         |
| Atlanta                     | p201   | 195  | 190  | p211       | 204  | 200  | + 3                                    | + 6         |
| Chicago                     | 142  | 138  | 131  | 150        | 139  | 139  | + 3                                    | + 8         |
| St. Louis                   | 141  | 138  | 141  | 149        | 143  | 149  | + 2                                    | 0           |
| Minneapolis                 | 137  | 139  | 129  | 141        | 143  | 132  | - 2                                    | + 7         |
| Kansas City                 | 150  | 150  | 145  | 158        | 156  | 153  | 0                                      | + 4         |
| Dallas                      | p175   | 169  | r164 | p182       | 178  | r170 | + 4                                    | + 7         |
| San Francisco               | p166   | 163  | r152 | p169       | 165  | r155 | + 2                                    | + 9         |
| United States               | p151   | 148  | 143  | p158       | 153  | r150 | + 2                                    | + 6         |

\* 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.