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## MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS (Based on retail dollar amounts)

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Department store inventories in October remained at the record high level reached during September, after seasonal adjustment. The October index is estimated at 170 per cent of the 1947-49 average, unchanged from September, but 2 per cent above the 167 index of October 1960.

Federal Reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1947-49=100)						Percentage change Oct. 1961 from *	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1961		1960	1961		1960		
	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.		
Boston	161	160	152	182	168	172	0	+ 6
New York	152	151	151	171	158	171	+ 1	0
Philadelphia	168	r167	r164	193	r176	r188	0	+ 3
Cleveland	152	151	151	171	157	169	+ 1	+ 1
Richmond	p188	189	185	p215	200	211	0	+ 2
Atlanta	252	239	231	263	248	251	+ 1	+ 5
Chicago	160	166	159	176	173	175	- 4	+ 1
St. Louis	154	154	150	175	163	171	0	+ 3
Minneapolis	156	155	161	173	162	178	+ 1	- 3
Kansas City	p175	173	173	p189	178	187	+ 1	+ 1
Dallas	p191	187	r193	p210	199	r212	+ 2	- 1
San Francisco	p184	180	r180	p203	190	r199	+ 2	+ 2
United States	p170	170	167	p190	178	187	0	+ 2

\*--Based on seasonally adjusted indexes. p--Preliminary. r--Revised.

Note:--Indexes are based on value of stocks at end of month. For description of the series see Federal Reserve Bulletin for December 1957, pp. 1323-1336. Back data may be obtained from the Division of Administrative Services. Indexes for the most recent thirteen-month period are shown regularly in the Bulletin.

