

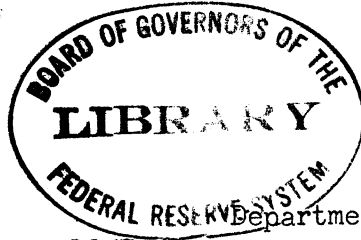


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MONTHLY DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS (Based on retail dollar amounts)

August 1962

Department store stocks in August, at 118 per cent of the 1957-59 average, were unchanged from the June-July level, after seasonal adjustment. The index in August 1961 was 110.

Federal Reserve District	Index numbers (Average end-of-month stocks 1957-59=100)						Percentage change August 1962 from*	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Month ago	Year ago
	1962		1961	1962		1961		
	August	July	August	August	July	August		
Boston	115	118	111	114	108	109	- 2	+ 4
New York	116	113	r109	113	102	r107	+ 2	+ 6
Philadelphia	113	113	105	109	103	r101	0	+ 8
Cleveland	115	116	111	115	112	110	- 1	+ 4
Richmond	116	118	107	118	111	108	- 2	+ 9
Atlanta	116	120	r108	116	110	r107	- 3	+ 8
Chicago	123	122	110	122	119	109	+ 1	+11
St. Louis	116	117	112	117	112	113	- 1	+ 4
Minneapolis	109	109	107	110	r107	107	0	+ 3
Kansas City	p115	115	113	p112	110	111	- 1	+ 1
Dallas	p112	114	103	p114	109	105	- 2	+ 9
San Francisco	p126	127	116	p126	123	116	0	+ 9
United States	p118	118	110	p117	112	109	0	+ 7

*--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 July 1962, pp. 803-808. 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.